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Rev Cate Edmonds  
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Dear Friends,

What weather we have had this summer? It started well but as soon as the children broke up from school down came the rain and so it continued, perhaps by the time you read this there is some improvement! It reminded me of a song I used to sing as a child; "rain rain go away, come again another day". It's funny how songs from our childhood pop into our minds at odd times, some can be a comfort, some can make you laugh and others make you sad. I have to say that songs from my Sunday school days occasionally pop into my head and make me smile, "Jesus wants me as a sunbeam" is one that always makes me giggle, as I can't see myself as a sunbeam. But the meaning really was about bringing light into your life and the life of those around you trying to light up other people by sharing God's love which is given to us by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, the light of the world. I am sure you can all think of someone who has been a sunbeam for you in your life, someone who just lightens up any situation they are in, perhaps you are that person.

When times are bleak, and with some of the weather we have had it can seem a bit bleak, it is good to lighten our mood by dwelling on bright things, looking for rays of sunshine and hope is really important and it can be found by observing nature around us well as in other people.

We will be drawing near soon to harvest, a time when we reflect on and thank God for the harvest, even though it's been difficult this year, by doing so we lighten our mood as we rejoice in God's bounty to us.

Harvest this year will be particularly poignant for me as in each of my 3 churches the Harvest Festivals will mark the end of my fulltime ministry with you. I hope that you will be able to join me at one or other of the services, churches, Feniton at 11am on 24<sup>th</sup> September, Payhembury at 11am on 1<sup>st</sup> October and Escot at 6pm on 8<sup>th</sup> October, and celebrate with me the joy of serving you and hopefully bringing some light into our communities.

***Every blessing, Cate***

PS I am holding a **Garage Sale on September 23<sup>rd</sup> 10-12 at the Rectory** all proceeds will go to the Children's Society and the Melanesian Mission Exchange Pro-

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**PARISHES OF FENITON, ESCOT, PAYHEMBURY  
CHURCH SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER 2017**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER**

***ST MARY THE VIRGIN***

Church	Time	Service
Feniton	10.00 am	Storytime (CE)
Payhembury	11.00 am	Joint Patronal Festival Communion (CE)

**SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**      ***THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

Church	Time	Service
Escot	9.00 am	Parish Communion (AT)
Feniton	11.00am	Morning Worship (AY)
Payhembury	10.30am	Café (DB)

**SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**      ***FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

Church	Time	Service
Escot	9.00 am	Matins (TP)
Feniton	11.00 am 6.00 pm	Parish Communion (CE) Worship & Praise
Payhembury	9.30 am	Parish Communion (CE)

**THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**ESCOT 7.15PM PRAYERS FOR THE PARISHES**

**SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**      ***FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

Church	Time	Service
Feniton	11.00 am	Harvest Festival Communion (CE)

**SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER**      ***SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

Church	Time	Service
Escot	6.00 pm	Evensong (TP)
Feniton	10.00 am	Storytime (CE)
Payhembury	11.00 am	Harvest Festival (CE)

**SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER 11am      HARVEST FESTIVAL**

***This is Rev. Cate's last service in Payhembury Church before retirement. At 12.30 in the village hall we are putting on a celebration and farewell lunch. £10 tickets can be purchased at the village shop. BYO drinks.      Babs***

**Pete Penly publishes “Written in Rhyme” for cancer charity FORCE**

Readers of the Parish Paper need no introduction to the work of Payhembury poet, Pete Penly. His evocative and acutely observational poems have been much enjoyed whenever they have appeared in our issues.

Now Pete has now published a selection of his poetry, ‘**Written in Rhyme**’, described by him as “this and that in verse – a little book of poems.”

His aim in producing the book is to raise funds for FORCE, the cancer charity which, as he explains: “offers very practical support at a very delicate time when a diagnosis can be so very frightening”.

The poems include some written in Spain, where Pete and his wife Jan spent ten years after their retirement in 2001, occasionally collaborating in their writing. Other poems are more recent thoughts and memories of holidays and perceptive, occasionally wry, observations on life and nature.

A limited number of copies of “Written in Rhyme” is available in the village shop. Donations of £3 or more for FORCE are invited per copy.

**Marian Edwards**

## Written in Rhyme

*This and That in Verse*



*a little book of poems*

by Pete Penly



### PAYHEMBURY BULB SHOW—MARCH 2018

It may seem a long time away but, with fruit ripening, now is the time to make jams for entry in the Bulb Show. This year we are

asking for Raspberry and Plum jam. Good Luck!

**Jane Wood**

## Coffee Morning



Despite the disappointing weather, Sandra and Steve made sure we all enjoyed the Coffee Morning in July. As always, Sandra spoiled us; it was a wrench to leave! Very many thanks to them for their generous hospitality. We have been so fortunate this year to visit “new” venues, and so it is we are kindly invited to ‘Ashcombe’ (two doors before Pollybrook Cottages) by Mary and Gareth Stephens on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday) at the usual time, 11 a.m. where all will be most welcome. The proceeds from our Coffee Mornings go to Church Funds. For more information about the Coffee Mornings please give me a call on 841828. **Marjorie Wright**

## Tea and Bingo

Once again we met in the Function Room in the Six Bells – lots of room for us there. This month we had two nice surprises, Vivian was calling so Jan was able to do her own cards (doing a lot better than usual I have to say!) and Vivian even brought hubby Edward with her. We haven’t had a gentleman with us for a while and I suspect it brought out the competitive spirit in the ladies! Marjorie brought some lovely shortbread, which went down without touching the sides, and Sue made her gooey cherry cake – which isn’t that pretty, but tastes good.



Our next meeting is: **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**  
**(can you believe it?)**

**2.15pm as usual in the Six Bells**

As usual, if you need a lift or have any questions, call Marjorie (841110) or Sue (841103)

**Sue Derbyshire**

### A song for soup lunch?

*“Life is a minestrone, served up with  
parmesan cheese”*

Come along on **Monday 11 September** between 12 and 2. Whatever we serve up, we hope you enjoy it and in doing so, also help church funds.

**Christine Thair**

**The W.I. Meeting is on 12th September, 7.30pm** in Broadhembury Hall.

There will be bead weaving from Donna Baines, who introduces this traditional art of many ethnic origins and modern day versions too. Do come along and see what goes on at the modern WI, you will be very welcome. Please contact Angie Carr on 841862, or Julie Ashcroft on. 841189.

Do you have an event to publicise, or some news to share?  
Email: [payhemburypaper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:payhemburypaper@yahoo.co.uk)



*A warm welcome to*

*John and Sarah who have moved to Willow Lodge.*

*We hope you will be very happy here.*

## **S E AUTO ENGINEERS**

**Just a reminder to say that I will be shut from  
1st September to Monday 25th September.**

**I am taking a holiday, which I am very excited about. Sorry  
for any inconvenience which may occur during this time.**

**Steve**

**The Sidmouth Junction Ploughing Match** takes place  
on **Sunday 10th<sup>h</sup> Sept. 2017** at Colliton Cross on the A373  
Honiton / Cullompton  
Road EX14 3LQ

Entries and details from: Phillip  
Gibbins [phillipgib-  
bins21@gmail.com](mailto:phillipgibbins21@gmail.com); [https://  
www.facebook.com/SJDPA/](https://www.facebook.com/SJDPA/)



We welcome entries from Young  
Farmers; there is a specific Ferguson T20 class.

Sam and Tilly will give a horse ploughing demonstration.

**Spectators welcome, no admission charge.  
Raffle and Refreshments.**



As well as selling well known brands at competitive prices, we also try to respond to your requests to sell fresh, local food that you won't find in supermarkets. We have eggs, bread, cheese, pies, curries, beer, cakes, honey, jam, flowers and vegetables for sale which are produced in Devon, some of them even in Payhembury.

This month as well as our regular weekly supply of meat from K and M butchers in Ottery, who source all their meat from Devon and Somerset, we also have a real treat of beef from Tuck Mill. Many people will know Jon and Libby Carden from their Tale Millers cricket team but did you also know that among all their other projects they rear Devon red ruby beef? This is from grass-fed bullocks who lead a tranquil life by the river Tale; if I said the cows spend sunny summer afternoons idly watching the cricket it might be a slight exaggeration but you get the picture! The meat is hung for 28 days and is well marbled for a superb flavour. We have joints, steaks, mince and casserole beef for sale on a first come first served basis so hurry down to the shop, when it's gone, it's gone!

A date for your diary: our annual members' meeting is on Thursday, October 5th at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. On that evening we will be distributing some of our profits for the year, together with the proceeds of the shop raffle, to village groups and clubs.

If your group would like a grant please apply in writing to our chairman David Curran, at the shop, by Monday, September 11th.

*Mary Whiting*

### Clarets' Corner

What a start to the season! Premier league champions CHELSEA 2- 3 BURNLEY. Nobody gave us a chance! I had a hell of a job getting to sleep that night. In the last parish paper I told you about a DOG ATTACK, well this month it's a GANDER ATTACK! they can get quite nasty. Over the years I've been attacked by all sorts of animals including cats and pheasants— all the joys of being a rural postman! See you around the village and UP THE CLARETS!



*Marty*

Payhembury Parish Council will be meeting on:

**Wednesday 13th  
September at 7.30pm  
in the parish hall  
all welcome**

The agenda will be on the website in advance  
[www.payhembury.org.uk](http://www.payhembury.org.uk)

Ladies' Night Out

Tuesday 19 September

8pm at The Six Bells



(a.k.a. the church-  
yard clean-up gang)  
meet on Saturday 23  
September at 10am

(NB this is a week earlier than normal)



**SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER**  
**10.30am to 12noon**  
**COFFEE, TEA AND CAKE**  
**BROADHEMBURY MEMORIAL HALL**  
**for Macmillan Cancer Support**

Thanks to the incredible generosity of local businesses, raffle prizes include:

Adult & child entry to Wildwood Escot - [www.wildwoodescot.org](http://www.wildwoodescot.org)

Sunday lunch for two at Keepers Cottage - [www.keeperscottageinn.co.uk](http://www.keeperscottageinn.co.uk)

2 day-rover tickets W Somerset Railway - [www.west-somerset-railway.co.uk](http://www.west-somerset-railway.co.uk)

A family pass for Seaton Jurassic - <http://seatonjurassic.org>

Footgolf for four at Padbroke Park Hotel - <http://padbrookpark.co.uk/footgolf>

Discount on a holiday with Dave Criddle Travel - [www.davecriddletravel.co.uk](http://www.davecriddletravel.co.uk)

Voucher for "Beauty by Bev" in Honiton - [www.naturalbeautybybev.co.uk](http://www.naturalbeautybybev.co.uk)

Two adult, two children entry to Pecorama - [www.pecorama.co.uk](http://www.pecorama.co.uk)

A voucher for meat from Veyseys - <http://veyseysdevon.co.uk>

Money off a balloon flight with Bailey Balloons - [www.ballooning.co.uk](http://www.ballooning.co.uk)

One entry to Diggerland plus 10% off rest of party - [www.diggerland.com](http://www.diggerland.com)

Family ticket for a River Exe Cruise - [www.stuartlinecruises.co.uk/river-exe](http://www.stuartlinecruises.co.uk/river-exe)

Gift voucher for Mole Valley Farmers - [www.molevalleyfarmers.com](http://www.molevalleyfarmers.com)

A glider flight trial lesson - [www.dsgc.co.uk](http://www.dsgc.co.uk)

Tickets for RHS garden Rosemoor - [www.rhs.org.uk/gardens/rosemoor](http://www.rhs.org.uk/gardens/rosemoor)

**YOUR SUPPORT WILL MAKE**  
**ALL THE DIFFERENCE!**



## Cricket Update

Well, what a wash out the past four weeks has been! The Millers have an impressive 100% record for the period, which sounds good but in reality it has involved a mere two games. Let's hope the next few weeks brings a sunnier end to the season. It has been great to see two of the village's young talents progress on to bigger and better things this year, with Jo Hynam representing East Devon Schools and Will Wood representing Clyst Hydon II in the Devon League, congratulations Jo and Will!

Firstly, we entertained our friends from Nynhead at Tuck Mill. They turned up with, appropriately, nine heads, and so 2 lads staying in the holiday cottage helped them out, ending up as top run scorers! Batting first, Nynhead made a bright start but were pegged back by good spells from Neil Chambers and Will Wood with a wicket apiece, finishing on a strong total of 112-7. Unfortunately, as we started batting a plague of flying ants descended on us making batting a testing experience, but it wasn't enough to put off Oli Kittow, Jon Pengelly or Roger Goulding, who each attacked the bowling with some gusto to see us over the line on 113-4.

After a three week break the Millers returned to action at Plymtree, and batting first on a pudding of a wicket posted 106-5, fine knocks from Mark Hammett, Roland Stonex and Brian Hammond. The home team looked to be on course for victory as the wicket dried out but some very tight bowling from Jon French, Riley Burgess, Ben Peters, Neil Chambers and Oli Kittow kept them in check and an extraordinary run out by Ben Peters, hitting the stumps on the full from 70 yards away, ensured a 20 run victory for the Millers.

**Nynhead 112-7 (N Chambers 1-9, W Wood 1-25, O Kittow 1-6, J Carden 2-2)**

**Millers 113-4 (J Pengelly 28 Not, R Goulding 17, O Kittow 26 Not)**

**Millers 106-5 (M Hammett 25 not, R Stonex 27 not, B Hammond 21 not)**

**Plymtree 86 All out (J French 1-8, N Chambers 1-19, B Peters 1-25, O Kittow 2-11)**

Our End of Season Hog Roast, camp fire and Awards is on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm, all are welcome and please email numbers to [stay@tuckmill.co.uk](mailto:stay@tuckmill.co.uk). Its normally a real family event to close off the season and the highlight is the toasting of the marshmallows on the fire! See you on the field

*Jon*

## Church Rotas

We are reviewing our church rotas. Please, if there is anyone wishing to act as sidesperson, reader or coffee helper, will you inform Yo Smallwood. It would be good to have a few more volunteers and then the duty comes around less often. Thank you.

*Babs Leach*

## Payhembury Broadband Update

The installation of the cabinet in the centre of the village by BTOpenreach has given access to much faster broadband speeds for many in the village. If, after signing up, you are not benefiting from faster speeds then you should contact Emma Howarth at BTOpenreach (Tel: 01275-342179, Mob: 07795-981983) who has agreed to resolve any issues.

However the location of the cabinet means that 34 properties in the north western part of the village (including Barrow Road and Warren Close) cannot be connected to fibre and there are no plans to connect these properties in the foreseeable future. This limited broadband coverage for the village was not advertised until the work had been completed on the cabinet. Residents affected are being consulted on possible solutions, and their likely cost, and asked to lobby our local MP Neil Parish (email: [neil.parish.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:neil.parish.mp@parliament.uk)). The Parish Council have contacted *Connecting Devon and Somerset* to try to rectify the situation and Neil Parish is monitoring their response.

**Roger Saunders**

Thank you to **Marian Edwards** for being part of the team who edit the Parish Paper. Marian has decided now that it is time to hang up her editing pen, having done the job for several years. Her editions always included fantastic photos and interesting news and she made the Parish Paper look fresh and readable.

***Thank you from us all Marian!***

PS We would like another editor to join the team. If you are reasonably computer literate and have a little time to spare 3 or 4 times a year, please get in touch to find out more at [payhemburypaper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:payhemburypaper@yahoo.co.uk)

Mobile Library  
Wednesday 27 September  
11.25—11.45am  
Parish Hall Car Park

## Learn, Laugh, Live

The Honiton U3A will be meeting on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September when they welcome their speaker and fellow U3A member, Dr. Peter Williams, whose talk is entitled - 'Other Worlds'. Following a revolution in recent years of the discovery of thousands of exoplanets, Peter will be discussing their implications and the possibilities of other worlds existing beyond our own solar system.

*Venue: The Beehive Centre, Dowell St., Honiton*

*Doors open 1.30pm for a 2pm start*

*Members Free and Visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2.00)*

*Further information: 01404 598008 Website: <http://u3asites.org.uk/honiton>*





**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017**

**AUTUMN STORM - 55 MILES | AUTUMN BREEZE - 30 MILES**



Start & Finish: Clyst Vale School, Broadclyst. Staggered starts between 8am and 8:30am.  
Hot drinks at the start. Two light refreshment stops on route.

Entry: Autumn Storm £20 Autumn Breeze £15

Enter online at [www.forcecancercharity.co.uk/cycling-events/autumn-series/](http://www.forcecancercharity.co.uk/cycling-events/autumn-series/)



### ***Thanks from Payhembury Parish Council:***

**To John Somers**, who was presented with a certificate at the East Devon District Summer garden party earlier this month. He was recognised as the community sports personality from Payhembury Parish for his tireless umpiring of the Tuck Mill Cricketers and for encouraging the Tale cricket match for many years. John was thanked for his contribution to the community.

**To Claire Taylor**, for her hard work and determination to have the Tale memorial repaired and cleaned. It looks fantastic. Tale will have their Remembrance service at the memorial in November.



**Parish Paper Deadline: Monday 18th September, 4pm**  
Please do try to get news and articles in early. If you can't make the deadline, please let us know in advance and we'll do our best to accommodate you. The October issue editor's tel. no. is shown on the front cover. Please note the post box at the church gate is no longer open.

## Nature Notes

Hi everyone,  
A highlight this month has been a kind invitation from Michael Down, at Uggaton Farm, to see two barn owl chicks. Ray and I climbed up the ladder (not at the same time!), and there they were---two white bundles of fluff, but obviously growing quickly. Quite an experience for us both, and many thanks to Michael.



Arriving home late, one cool, rainy night, what do you think met us at our front door? There,



sheltering from the elements, curled up in a ball, was large hedgehog. On seeing us, he (she?) slid away behind some flower pots, and was nowhere to be seen in the morning. In our garden, the highlight has been a green woodpecker, passing through. It only put in one appearance, unfortunately. Lots of young finches, tits and sparrows too. It has been quite a good year for butterflies---many red admirals, peacocks, and a few commas and painted ladies. Better than last year, which was poor. The red kites have not returned, but we're hoping!

**Alan Jones**---841671---baroda.jones@btinternet.com

## Brain Teaser

You no doubt have heard of "Prime numbers" but not "Fibonacci's numbers. Q. If you imagine that a pair of mice produced two offspring every month and the offspring then began to breed at the same rate one month after birth, how many pairs of mice would you expect. Follow the maths 1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21,34,55,89,144 – a lot of mice in a year. Can you work out the 40<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci number?

If so, answers to the Editor. Answer next month.

**Annoni Mouse**

**William Garvey, furniture designers & makers, of Upton, are delighted to sponsor Payhembury Parish Paper**

# **Community Theatre 4All**

presents

## **“A Midsummer Night’s Dream”**

by

**William Shakespeare**

**On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm**

**On the grass next to the church of St James the Great, Talaton.**

(The audience is encouraged to bring a pre-show picnic to the grounds,  
which will be open from 1.00pm)

**Tickets on sale from Talaton and Whimple Village Stores  
from 2<sup>nd</sup> September priced: Adults £8 Children £4**

**Family Ticket (two adults and two children) £20**

So, don't delay in getting your tickets, which are limited to 100 for each performance  
(Please note that tickets sold in October are priced Adults £10, Children £5, Family £25)

### **About Community Theatre 4All**

Community Theatre 4All is a theatre company that is 'open to all, without audition'. Membership is drawn from the villages of Talaton and Whimple and the surrounding areas. Membership is not based upon any specific geographical area. The group aims to provide an opportunity for all participants to develop a wide range of theatrical skills in the areas of performance, costume creation, make-up, technical theatre, direction and production. The company, lead by Tom Samson, a retired Drama Teacher, was formed by him and Julia Green (leader of 'Orchard Harmony') in September 2015. The company was created with the specific aim of staging the musical 'Godspell' as its first production. Four sell-out performances were given in St Mary's Church Whimple during Eastertide 2016.

Following 'Godspell' the second project undertaken by the group was the performance of an original piece of theatre entitled 'In Remembrance of a Lost Generation'. This play, which was performed in both Talaton and Whimple during November 2016, drew together the stories of the men from both villages, along with those from the Escot Estate, who fought during 'The Great War'. These local stories were linked to the wider national and international picture using projected archive photographic material, eyewitness reports and songs from the period. The Musical Director for this production was Emma Palmer, leader of the 'Tale Valley Choir'. Again the group's work drew high critical acclaim.

Planning for future projects is now well developed and will be first publicised in the programme for 'Midsummer Night's Dream'. We would encourage all those who are interested in possibly joining the group to attend, without any commitment, our next 'project launch workshop', the date and content of which will also be given in the 'Midsummer Night's Dream' programme and on the company's Facebook page, "Community Theatre 4All".

Information about this workshop, membership and future performances can also be gained by registering your contact details with Tom Samson on the group email address:-communitytheatre4all@yahoo.co.uk

I now have a new better weather station on which to base the observations reported below so although the July temperature readings are still suspect from 1<sup>st</sup> August they should be trustworthy. The real time temperature data on the web is still affected though. I am hoping to fix this soon.

**Rainfall:** The rainfall has been well above average in July and so far in August as the jet stream has stayed over us bringing in low pressure systems over the country. Some of the rain has been very heavy in short bursts causing local flooding.

**Temperatures:** No temperatures recorded for July though nothing exceptional occurred. For August the first 2 weeks have been cooler than normal resulting in a disappointing end to the summer.

**Weather elsewhere:** In contrast to the U.K. it has been very hot in Mediterranean countries and also further north (e.g. Poland) over the last few weeks with temperatures in the 40's due to the heatwave dubbed "Lucifer". Many people were admitted to hospitals after suffering from sunstroke and other heat-related problems. Landslides in Sierra Leone have also been causing many deaths due to heavy rain.

#### Payhembury Monthly Temperatures degC

1-14 Aug 17	1960-90 Climate	Measured Averages	Warmer or colder than average?
Max Temp	20.2	20.0	Cooler
Min Temp	11.6	10.1	Cooler
Mean Temp	15.9	15.1	Cooler
Temp Range	8.6	10.0	
Highest Max	31.5	21.7	13 Aug 17
Lowest Min	3.5	5.7	11 Aug 17
Lowest Max	13	18.4	7 Aug 17
Highest Min	18	14	2 Aug 17
Payhembury	Rainfall mm		Date of max
Jul 17	52	95	29 Jul 17
Aug 17 2 weeks	29	39	2 Aug 17

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*Roger Saunders*

To keep up to date with all the latest events and weather, visit the Payhembury website: [www.payhembury.org.uk](http://www.payhembury.org.uk)

## **Yellingham Farm In August .**

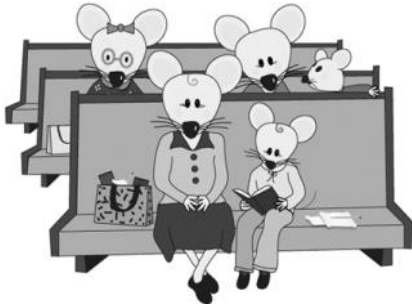
Interestingly, the month of August is very quiet for us in farming terms, but around us the big farms are working flat out. When we moved here some 20 years ago, we made all our own hay, with the help of our neighbours to bale it, but bought in our straw. Today, it is more economic for us as we are so small, just 46 acres, to contract out or buy in hay and straw. It is such a lovely landscape here at Yellingham as we overlook 3 farms, some big, some small, but the good news is, the land is still being farmed. The weather is so up and down at the moment that my heart goes out to all who work the land. Making that decision to cut hay, silage, corn etc. is always in the hands of the Gods. We have all cut hay and it just needs one more day of sun and the heavens opens. Makes you want to cry. The longer the crop stays cut in the field, the more expensive it gets to harvest. But back to Yellingham. For us, it is a pleasure to watch our lambs growing on strongly. The constant sun and rain means the grass is in abundance. We have a good trade selling the last of our Hogget meat locally and to B and B guests. I must admit that my preference is for lamb to be mature, Hogget is my favourite. There are many definitions of what Hogget actually is, depending on who you speak to, but for me I simply like lamb which is approaching a year old – good, size, excellent flavour. I do smile when I read that “grass-fed” lamb and beef is fetching a premium price - I can also understand it. Grass fed for me is natural, and what we practice at Yellingham, but it takes time. In today’s market, finishing livestock for many farmers is make or break financially, the quicker it is done helps the cash flow and 100% grass fed animals may not be an option. With September approaching, the first of this year’s crop of lambs will be finishing ready for slaughter. However before selecting lambs for slaughter, we carefully select replacement ewe lambs to put into the flock for breeding. We don’t buy in any female breeding stock, we just rear our own. We do however, every couple of years, replace our rams to introduce a new bloodline as a means of continually trying to improve the flock. This year we are looking to buy in replacement Black Welsh Mountain rams. August and September is a very busy time for the sheep industry as Breed Societies hold their Annual Show and Sales. A time when top breeders display the best of the breed. Let’s hope we can find and buy a couple of good stock rams.

***Janet East***

**"Shakespeare's Will"** A historical play by Canadian writer Vern Thiessen, touching on the little known life of William Shakespeare's wife, Anne Hathaway. Performed by Sally Hyde Lomax, the play starts immediately after Will's funeral. Anne has been handed Shakespeare's last will and testament by one of her least favourite people, his sister Joan. She initially ignores the will itself and instead spends an hour reminiscing about her life with, or as it turns out, largely without, Will. After an hour, she finally reads the will and finds some unexpected surprises. Already staged in Bristol, Cambridge and Cheltenham, the play is on in Broadhembury for one night – Saturday, September 9, 7.30pm in The Memorial Hall. More details from [www.shakespearewill.co.uk](http://www.shakespearewill.co.uk) or 07957173457. it has been reviewed as “a very entertaining, powerful and thought-provoking play”.

***Marian Edwards***

Hello friends,



In our last letter we said that we mice would be looking after the church while you were all away. Well we decided to hold our own services when it was quiet, you can see us sitting in the pews. It was great fun, Granma and Dad lead the service, Mum did a lovely Bible reading from the Mice Bible, did you know we have one? It was telling us about how Jesus told his disciples off because they wouldn't let the children come near him.

Grandpa mouse sang a solo, not too sure what he sang, it was supposed to be all things bright and beautiful but it sounded very odd, not like when we have it at weddings. Then Parchina and I acted out another story of Jesus, when he calmed the storm, that was great fun. So you see we have been busy while you all have been away. But after a couple of weeks things started to happen again, we had Jenny and Matt's wedding, great fun and then Angus was baptized and we enjoyed the singing better than Grandpa's!

Soon school will be back, we believe they are going to be coming into church twice a week now, that will be great, we really enjoy their singing. Soon it will be Harvest Festival, but this year we heard that this will be Rev Cate's last service with us, we are going to miss her and her funny puppets. I wonder who will take the services instead, we shall have to wait and see.

I do hope that the weather gets better. Parchina and I are a bit fed up getting our fur wet in the grass every time we go out, sometimes we feel more like fish than mice with all the water. Never mind we still have had some fun out in the fields with our field mice friends when the sun has popped its head out from the clouds. Well must go now, we are being called in for our tea and we don't want to miss that. I wonder what it will be tonight, berry pie I expect.

*Love Parchie and Parchina.*

See you soon, Parchie and Parchina

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## CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun 3rd	Joint Patronal Communion, 11am
Wed 6th	Tea and Bingo, The Six Bells, 2:15pm
Sat 9th	"Shakespeare's Will", Broadhembury, 7.30pm
Sun 10th	Café Service, Parish Hall, 10:30am
Mon 11th	Soup Lunch, Church, 12-2pm
Tue 12th	W.I. Broadhembury 7.30pm
Wed 13th	Coffee Morning, Ashcombe, 11am Parish Council Meeting, Parish Hall, 7:30pm
Sun 17th	Parish Communion, 9.30am
Mon 18th	Parish Paper Deadline
Tues 19th	Ladies' Night Out, The Six Bells, 8pm
Wed 20th	U3A, The Beehive Centre, Honiton, 1:30pm
Sat 23rd	Churchyard Clean-up, Church, 10-12pm MacMillan Coffee Morning, Broadhembury 10.30am
Sun 24th	Harvest Festival, Feniton, 11am
Wed 27th	Mobile Library, Parish Hall Car Park, 11:25-11:45am

### Early October

Sun 1st	Harvest Festival 11am Lunch in village hall, 12.30pm, £10 tickets from the shop
Thur 5th	Payhembury Provisions members meet in village hall, 7.30pm
Sat 7th/Sun 8th	A Midsummer Night's Dream, Talaton Church, 2.30pm
<u>Church Flowers:</u>	2nd & 9th September: M Curran 16th & 23rd September: O Eaton
For October:	30th September—all decorators for harvest

### REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES HELD IN THE PARISH HALL

<b>MONDAY</b>	Apple Pips	9.30-11.30am
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Musical Moments Pilates	9.15-10.15am 6.45-7.45pm & 7.50-8.50pm
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Pilates Short Mat Bowling	9.15-10.15 & Men's 10.30-11.30am 7.30-10.00pm
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Pilates for beginners	9.30-10.30am

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