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Congratulations to James and Julie Cox

Julie Williams and James Cox were married on 22nd July at St Giles' Church. The day was enjoyed by all, despite the downpours. The sun did come out just in time for the bride and groom to leave the church. The best man was Dan Cox, cousin of groom. The two junior bridesmaids included Miss Bethany Williams, daughter of the bride, and Miss Julia Harrod, a friend. The reception was held at the famous Red Lion at Stonedge. The happy couple honeymooned in Torquay and have made their home in Great Longstone and would like to thank both families, the best man, their bridesmaids and all who attended their special day.

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Art Show

Another Art Show has come and gone. Where does the time go to? My thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make it a success, with special thanks to David for the use of the school again, to Vicky and the ladies on the refreshments, to Cox's for the donation of milk, to all who gave the lovely cakes etc, to Georgina for organising the steward's rota, to the

screen erectors, not forgetting Sue and David for the road signs (which received so many compliments). Many thanks to Lord Hattersley, who donated a picture to be sold to the highest bidder. I have not received the final figures yet but think that we have exceeded last year's total. We certainly sold double the number of pictures.

Doreen Nicholson

Nestlé Box Tops for Education

As an incentive for a school to promote Nestlé cereals to children, Nestlé offers the school cash for every box it collects as a proof of purchase. As well as trying to increase sales, Nestlé is attempting to undermine support for the boycott of its products and present itself as a caring company. But if Nestlé really did care for children it would stop its aggressive marketing of baby foods in the third world. And it would stop promoting unhealthy cereals to children.

Nestlé makes much of its Shredded Wheat product, even advertising thus: "You'd never add salt. Neither would we." Yet, according to the food commission, Nestlé's other cereals have high levels of salt (including Golden Nuggets, Shreddies, Cookie Crisp, Cinnamon Grahams, Cheerios, Monsters Inc and Golden Grahams). Nestlé has also been criticised over the high sugar content.

See the Parents' Jury website to support the campaign for legislation to stop companies promoting unhealthy food to children. After objections from students and parents, many schools have refused to promote Nestlé cereals, even writing to all parents explaining why, so helping to publicise the boycott.

A suggested letter to send to the head teacher if you wish to protest

about involvement in the box-top scheme is given below. If you prefer a campaign pack with paper copies of useful articles and some leaflets, see the on-line Virtual Shop at www.babymilkactiongroup.org

Some parents are using imaginative ways to replace money that would have been generated by the box-top scheme, for example sending non-Nestlé box tops to the school with the money saved. Alternative cereals are often cheaper and many have lower added salt and sugar (though first check the boycott products page to see which supermarket brands are made by Nestlé).

Nestlé's generosity amounts to a penny per serving (much less than this in practice as many box tops will not be redeemed), so you could put a penny each breakfast to send to the school, whether the food concerned is cereal or otherwise.

Suggested Letter:

Nestlé box-top scheme

I wish to register my opposition to the box-top scheme.

I support the Nestlé boycott and I do not wish my child to be encouraged to ask for Nestlé products. Nestlé is a target of a boycott in 20 countries because of its unethical and irresponsible marketing of breastmilk substitutes. According to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF):

"Marketing practices that undermine breastfeeding are potentially hazardous wherever they are pursued: in the developing world, WHO estimated that some 1.5 million children die each year because they are not adequately breast fed. These facts are not in dispute."

Monitoring conducted by the international baby food action network (IBFAN), published us the reports breaking the rules, stretching the rules, shows Nestlé to be responsible for more violations of the marketing requirements than any other company. Nestlé is excluded from the relevant ethical investments list produced by FTSE4GOOD because of these activities, which contribute to the unnecessary death and suffering of infants. Instead of making the required changes to its marketing policies and practices, Nestlé embarks on public relations exercises, attempting to improve its image. The box-top scheme fits this pattern.

The unhealthy nature of Nestlé cereals is also a concern. Nestlé makes much

of its shredded wheat, even advertising it claiming "you'd never add salt, neither do we." But most Nestlé's cereals do have high levels of salt, according to Food Standards Agency definitions. The sugar content has also been criticised. It is not appropriate on health grounds for schools to encourage children to consume these products by promoting the box-top scheme.

I hope the school will have nothing to do with the scheme and will explain to the students and teachers why not. Yours sincerely

Submitted by Harry Clarke

Letter from South Longstone

Please send Water ! If only it were possible! Most of inland New south Wales is currently an officially designated drought area and most farmers are surviving on government assistance grants to see them through these difficult times. Our local farmer with over 100 cows told us in the pub that he is spending \$8000 a week to supplant the dwindling pastures because the rains which have now arrived are too late to make the grass grow as we are now in the middle of a cold winter.

As one drives west the situation becomes more dire and the once green landscape is dry, brown and dusty. A hundred kms inland from South Longstone the city of Goulbourn, famous for its tinned peaches, now relies on daily trucks to bring in the precious liquid, whilst the 60,000 citizens are restricted to one-and-a-half litres of water daily for all their needs. Fortunately, South Longstone being nearer to the coastal rainfall pattern and being in a fertile valley, our water tanks are full and the garden is flourishing. Despite these hazards many people are celebrating mid winter Christmas with log fires, turkey, Christmas pudding, mince pies and even visits from Father Christmas. Old seasonal habits die hard and are deeper ingrained than we realise!

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Old Walter 1918 - 2006

Dad died the other day. I didn't want him to, but he did. It is of course a personal loss, but it's also the end of an era. I can't get used to the idea that, at the tender age of 57, Eileen and I are now 'the older generation'.

Dad was the eldest of four children. Their father died when he was young. None of them ever talked much about their upbringing; dad just said it was "hard". Over the years we did get snatches of insight into what it was like – queuing up for the Salvation Army soup run; working in the mines at 14; raiding the coal tips. Apparently, this was done in gangs of six to eight lads. A few of them would gather as much coal as they could whilst the others posted themselves as lookouts at each corner of the tip to give warning if the bailiffs were spotted.

"I met your mother there," says dad as we pass the Bull's Head in Ashford. "You never told me that," I reply accusingly. "Well you never asked." (What more could I say).

Dad's passion for cycling led to passions of a different nature. On one of his many trips out here from Beighton he met mum, a local girl who had always lived in Little Longstone. They were married in 1947, they moved in with mum's father at Sunnyside Cottage, Little Longstone, and that was that.

In his last years I assumed a caring role for dad. When I became frustrated with him, which on average was about once every 48 hours, I would conjure up the image of two young lads camping in White Lodge at the top of Monsal Dale, talking about this lass one of them had met. This usually prevented me from locking dad in the coal shed.



Walter enjoying a bounce with friends (how he laughed)

When he first moved over here, dad had a variety of jobs and in the last 10 years or so before retirement he worked for Laporte on Longstone Moor, but it was his many years working as a roofer for Sellors of Bakewell that he really enjoyed and would frequently recount. Driving round the area with him was the most bizarre experience as his commentary would refer to the top of buildings only – "We worked on that roof," "Now you see that chimney, me and Frank Sellors rebuilt that."

Mum died in 1998. Dad was devastated. He plummeted into a serious depression and we really thought he was going to end up in hospital or care. But, he pulled himself out of it and began to take the attitude: "Well, I'm going to make the best of it." He started going out a lot, becoming the working-class equivalent of the ladies who lunch. Via the social activities of Age Concern, Bakewell Disabled Club and HOBS, he seemed to be out somewhere

every day in the summer months. He got quite blasé about it – "Where have you been today dad?" "I dunno, but it was a garden centre near Nottingham." "Where are you going on Friday?" "Er, now then....it's either Stapleton Gardens or Skegness."



Walter with his wife Dorothy on their 50th wedding anniversary

Dad retained strong ties with his family in Beighton and Eileen, myself and our children became a welcome part of his life, but it was his adopted home of Little Longstone and his long marriage to Dorothy that formed the basis of his life. He simply wanted to stay here and to die in Sunnyside Cottage. In the end, in spite of all the problems he had, this is what happened. Without the help of friends and neighbours, the local voluntary organisations, the home-care service, and the staff of Bakewell home centre, residential care would have been the only option. You all helped him avoid this. As his family we are extremely grateful, as I know he was.

Keith Adamson

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Top Row (Left to right) Ken Elliott, Jo Jackson, Tom Cox, Will Turner, Ben Cox, Adrian Mark Noble, and Gary Hattersley. Bottom Row (Left to right) Trevor Easton, Paul Rowlinson, and Colin Melland

A win for Longstone at cricket?

The Crispin v's Queen Anne Great Hucklow.

The Crispin Cricketers were outstanding when they played the annual cricket match with the Queen Anne at the Gala weekend at Great Hucklow.

They won the match 54-55 with four overs remaining. Dan Cox took two wickets and Will Turner scored 25 runs and was then retired and Colin Melland was not out for 6. The trophy was presented at the Queen Anne and Will Turner was declared man of the match. It was a fantastic effort from the whole team....HOWZAT!

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Can we get 'Free' Broadband in Longstone?

It is only two years ago that broadband even came to Longstone. Now many people already find that it's indispensable. So, if you're an experienced user, or looking to sign up for the first time, how do you choose between all these services and can you get it for 'free.'

First a bit of background. Broadband is high-speed, always-on, internet connection. You do not pay by the minute for the time that you're connected as you often do for dial-up services. All services let you stay connected for as long as you want and uncapped packages let you download as much as you want. Some lower-cost services will limit the amount of information that you download in a month. But this should not currently be a problem for most domestic users. Checking your emails and looking at some web sites does not use a lot of your download allowance, but in the longer term, when we start using the internet to watch television or regularly swap large files, this will become more of an issue.

Anyway, broadband is a high-speed connection to the internet, but how is that connection made?

- 1) by satellite, but this is expensive
- 2) by wireless connections. One company in this area www.w3z.co.uk provides wireless access, but I don't

think the coverage in Longstone is particularly good. Don't confuse this with having your own wireless network in your home or office. This is just a way of your computers connecting together or to your broadband access point. New services are coming in this area, for instance you can now get a special card that plugs into a lap-top and which allows you to access the internet through the mobile phone network. Great if you're in a town with good G3 mobile network - but currently slow or non-existent in Longstone.

3) Cable. Not an option in Longstone.

4) Telephone line. This is probably how 99% of people in this area access the internet. Basically you need to arrange for your existing telephone line to be upgraded to broadband (you can still use it to make ordinary telephone calls at the same time). Nothing changes with the line. They just connect it to a different piece of equipment in the exchange. This special equipment is the kit that was installed a couple of years ago. BT Wholesale own and manage this equipment and they sell access to other broadband suppliers such as BT Retail, AOL, Nildram, Pipex, Tiscali etc. Whichever supplier you use you still need to pay BT about £9 or £10 per month for the phone line and then the cost of the broadband on top to your supplier of choice. We are now seeing lots of adverts for 'free broadband', because companies can now install their own equipment into BT exchanges. With this they can then provide you with telephone services and broadband, all in one package, without using BT Wholesale. This is a great idea but the kit costs around £40,000 per exchange and each company needs 200+ customers to make it viable. For exchanges with 1,000s of phone lines this is not a problem, but in reality I

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don't think we'll be seeing Talk-Talk, Orange or Sky making plans to upgrade the Longstone exchange. So for all the promises of free internet the reality, for now, is that we're stuck with using a BT Wholesale product, but remember that you do not have to buy your broadband from BT Retail, you can use any one of dozens of different suppliers.

The broadband market is constantly changing but for now if your telephone line is connected to the 640 exchange you are probably best using one of the regular Internet service providers who are reselling the BT Wholesale broadband package. There is a link to the full list of suppliers on the www.greatlongstone.net web-site.

Simon Headington

Me, the grandchild and the dog

The Revd Clive Thrower writes

Some people appear to be blessed with that wonderful ability to forget and move on but for myself I carry painful memories of moments when I have 'put my foot in it'. I remember the PCC meeting that was so terribly emotional and heavy that I tried to lighten it with a joke, but the joke was in rather bad taste and fell flat. There are many more such moments, but I am not going to make this a public confessional. The nice thing is that so far as my grandchildren are concerned I am just grandpa and they don't care about my little falls from grace when we meet. Dog owners tell me the same about their pets. The animals always greet them wagging their tails and pleased to see them on their return home.

All of us have to come to terms with our own human fallibility, that we are



less than perfect. However, God loves us in spite of our mistakes and deficiencies, and to prove the point gave us Jesus, a human being subject to our universal limitation. He got tired and couldn't be doing with people from time to time, and he appears to have been a bit snappy with some others. I find it consoling to ask God's forgiveness in prayer, and I almost hear out loud the words "Ok but try to do better next time." Saint John wrote these words in his first letter: "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

Unhappily some, recognising their mistakes, brazenly repeat them as if they had intended them in the first place. None of us like to lose face in public but a quick apology can go a long way to restoring our reputations and shows strength of character. Such actions teach us humility and not to judge others too hastily.

There's an old joke about the priest listening to a girl who confesses: "Father, I have committed the most terrible sin. I look into the mirror and

say; 'Molly you're the prettiest girl in the world,' to which the priest replies "Get away with you, Molly! That's not a terrible sin. That's just a mistake." We too need to see the difference, and not turn our mistakes into terrible sins. Remember the fictitious Mrs. Malaprop and her innocent mistakes that made her an endearing character. I still smile at her reference to 'the allegory on the Nile'.

W.I. STOP PRESS

Congratulations are due to Janet Cumming, who has had one of her photographs accepted for the National Federation W.I. calendar 2007, and to members Joan Perry, Joan Knight, Jane Oliver and Jennifer Rowson who won the novice cup for new entrants at the Bakewell Show. Their entry 'Through the Garden Gate' interpreting 'Peter Rabbit's' Garden also won the Visitors Cup.

We are very proud of them well done ladies.

Pam Smith

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Parish Council Notes

This is my personal account of matters discussed at the parish council meeting held on Wednesday August 16th that I feel may be of interest to UTE readers.

The meeting was attended by most of the members and a small group of residents including myself. Councillor Josephine Gregory opened the meeting and invited public questions and comments. No comments were forthcoming. The general formalities of apologies and agreeing the last minutes were straightforward.

Declarations of interest – were received from Peter Askew and Stephen Barton with the agenda item relating to Spring Bank / Sunny Bank.

Police Matters / Neighbourhood Watch & School Matters – Nothing to report..

Planning Matters – Five new planning applications this month for part demolition of boundary wall at Sunny Bank Cottage, Great Longstone. Approved: replacement of bungalow with house at Green Island, Rowland (a site visit was arranged and the council deferred its decision until after this visit); extension to Pentlands, 2 Croft Road, Great Longstone. Approved; extension to dwelling Blue Bell Cottage, Station Road, Great Longstone. Approved; extension to bungalow Park View, Glebe Road, Great Longstone. Approved. All approved plans are then submitted to the local authority for formal consideration.

The local authority had returned the following plans as approved: Reconstruction of ancillary buildings Beech House, Great Longstone; extension to dormer at Pentlands, Station Road, Great Longstone; replacement of Georgian window at The Farm, Great Longstone. The

application of conversion of barn to dwelling at 2 Croft Road, Great Longstone, had been rejected. However the council stated it would support any fresh application.

Financial Matters – The outstanding payments to contractors and some local charities were approved for payment and the financial statement was discussed. The council reported that they are currently running inside budget.

Maintenance – The group decided to investigate further the costs involved with re-routing the footpath at Station Road, David Burns was asked to follow this up. The benches on Croft Road and Feemouth Yard; two quotes had been received and both had come in over budgeted precept. However, it was agreed that the lower quote be accepted and additional funds be made available from contingency to continue this necessary maintenance. A resident had reported that a manhole cover sited in the middle of the village green was wearing thin. In order to put this right quickly senior members of the group had arranged for a new manhole cover to be fitted. They had approached the residents close to the manhole explaining that if it transpired that they were responsible then they might be charged. In the end it was the responsibility of Severn Trent Water to replace the manhole and they attended to the job fairly promptly. Jo Gregory apologised to the residents where the misunderstanding had caused distress. The council remarked on lessons learned from this experience and were now aware that Peter Askew has poles and tape that could be used to mark or shield another hazard immediately to prevent injury until the hazard is dealt with.

Recreation Ground – The tennis club had met with the contractor and members of the parish council to discuss their concerns regarding the

uneven appearance of the recently resurfaced tennis court. The contractor offered to do additional hardening to the surface at reduced cost because the group were unhappy with the work done. The parish council after long discussion decided that it would not bear any of the cost towards additional work to the tennis court at this time.

Pathway to Harrow House – The pathway has been resurfaced. The contractor also resurfaced the path across the recreation ground. The work appears to be satisfactory.

Playground – The most recent maintenance inspection of the playground equipment on the recreation ground had highlighted the need for a safety sign. Further investigation had shown that, although good practice this was not essential, so public money will not be used for this at the moment. It was also agreed that the quote for repainting 'Nellie' the elephant on the rec be accepted.

Village Hall – Peter reported that the Art Show this year had been a great success. More pictures than ever were sold. The final accounts for the event are not yet available.

Village Maps – The council stated that up-to-date maps of the village would be most useful and asked the clerk to continue investigating a means of acquiring copies

Wagers Flat – Stephen Barton relayed to the group the current situation (please read article on the adjoining page). The group agreed they would arrange a time to go and view the change to the landscape.

Clerk's internet facility – It was decided a new email address be set up for the clerk. This would enable his private address to stay private.

Village Parking – Long discussions ended with the view that any measure to resolve parking problems would create new problems, so no action will be taken now.

Use of Football Ground by outsiders – Councillor Gregory told the meeting about a group of adults who have used the recreation ground regularly to play football. It was relayed that since Jo had spoken to the group concerned about some damage on the recreation ground the group have not returned.

Correspondence – The council's correspondence and their responses / actions were agreed.

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Before the council discussed **Sunny Bank / Spring Bank** the public were asked to leave, something sensitive to discuss they explained. Protests about the legality of this ended in a vote that the public leave at this point. We left without complaint. We will wait for further news on this matter at future meetings.

Next meeting:

Wednesday 28th September.

Anne Bennett

SAVE LONGSTONE EDGE PUBLIC MEETING

As many of our readers know, Great Longstone now has two quarries and one mine in the parish. The Save Longstone Edge Group is holding a public meeting on Tuesday 26th September in Calver village hall to tell the public what they are trying to do – alongside the Peak park efforts – to halt the quarrying on Longstone Edge. This meeting is your opportunity to let them and the Peak Park know what you feel about the situation.

Longstone Edge is no longer a beautiful, tranquil place – a place where, when all about was hustle and bustle, you could be assured of the peace and quiet of the countryside. The curlew is never heard up there now, and the beauty of the place is scarred by mammoth holes and haul roads with mega lorries hauling limestone. All this is being done to put money in the pockets of a small number of shareholders of a couple of small private companies.

Ask yourself the question – are we going to allow more destruction of Britain's premier national park? Come to the meeting and let your feelings be heard.

Stephen Barton, Chairman of SLEG says "Public opinion really counts and is the most important and effective way we have of making the planners and politicians listen and take action. Take a walk up on Longstone Edge along the country road from Longstone Edge to Calver and see for yourself what's being allowed to happen up here. And come along to the SLEG meeting and make sure your opinions are known to the decision makers. If you say nothing, nothing will happen."



Wagers Flat - this photo was taken just three weeks after last months front page picture and shows just how quickly the work progresses

Take a walk on the wild side and see for yourself

Doctor Steve Furness is leading a walk up past Backdales quarry on to Wagers Flat on

Sunday 1st October

so you can judge for yourself the huge environmental impact these quarries are causing on Longstone Edge. The walk will take approximately two and a half hours – sound boots a must.

Meet at Calver crossroads at 10am.

Anyone who cares for the well being of the Edge is welcome.

Last year's meeting was somewhat hectic as there were not enough parking places and some people did not get in the hall – please share your car with someone else to avoid much disruption. If you are intending on coming try to give someone else a lift.

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Welcome to Father Hugh Davoren



Fr. Hugh Davoren has been appointed as the new priest for the Roman Catholic parish of Hassop and Bakewell. He took up his appointment in April 2006 following the tenure of Fr. Vincent Griffin, who had been at Hassop for fifteen months. Like Fr. Vincent and Fr. Bill before that, Fr. Hugh Davoren is a missionary from the Order of the Holy Ghost Fathers and has spent much of his working life in Nigeria. He was ordained in 1969 and arrived in Kano, Nigeria, in 1970 for the start of 28 years of life in Africa.

Fr. Hugh's first posting, in the Makurdi Diocese, was to St. Paul's, Utarkon, a huge rural parish encompassing 45-50 villages (called stations) and five different languages. There were two priests, with one car between them, to cover this area, aided by catechists and voluntary lay leaders. Although Fr. Hugh learned Idoma, the main local language, the assistance of the catechists in passing on the faith to the people in their own language and with sensitivity to local custom and culture was one of essential support.

From 1972-75 Fr. Hugh was a school chaplain in Ugbokolo, and in 1976 went on to open the Parish of St. Joseph in Orokam. One of the tasks he accomplished there was to help bring water to the village. He arranged for a water tank to be built holding 32000 gallons. The management of this water cooperative was, and still is, in the hands of the local women. Then in 1980 Fr. Hugh moved to The Gambia where he became Rector of the bilingual Seminary, where the seminarians are all West Africans speaking either English or French.

Suddenly in 1984 Fr. Hugh was called back to Birmingham to help in a parish there. His mother had recently died and so the timing of this move meant he was able to give support to his family as well. It was also an opportunity to do some further study at The School of Oriental and African Studies in London and learn the Hausa language.

In 1988 Fr. Hugh went back to Nigeria to a new Mission in Yola, Northern Nigeria, as the Religious Superior, speaking his newly acquired language of Hausa. He was seven years there after which he qualified for a one-year Sabbatical. So he had a real change of scene and language, studying at the Ecole de la Foi in Fribourg, Switzerland, in French. At the end of this period, Fr. Hugh was appointed to the English Speaking Mission in Geneva, where he remained until March 2006.

So this of course brings us right up to date, with Fr. Hugh's first experience of an English rural parish here at Hassop and Bakewell. We as a parish will, I am sure, do all that we can to ensure that this experience will be happy and fulfilling. When he has

some leisure time, Fr. Hugh likes reading, especially biography and autobiography; he also enjoys listening to Radio 4 and, whenever he can he plays a game of tennis or badminton. Fr. Hugh claims to be very happy with his laptop, which was a leaving present from his time in Geneva, especially if there is an opportunity to play Solitaire!

Janet Byrne

Please Remember the Patrick McLoughlin visit

Your Member of Parliament, Patrick McLoughlin, will be visiting Great Longstone on Thursday 14 September at approximately 12 noon.

This is an opportunity for you to raise with him any issue or problems you may have.

Patrick hopes to see you on the day but, if that's not possible, you can write to him at any time, to:

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The courses will be based here

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The price is low as we have managed to secure funding and are keen to pass this on.

Please call Catherine or Pauline on 01629 640034 with any queries or email

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Queen of Queen's.

Our congratulations to Longstone's Church Fete Queen 'Megan Dilks' for winning the Bakewell Carnival Queen of Queen's competition

Becky Measures from Peak F.M. judged the competition and Megan was presented with two trophies for 'Best Visiting Queen' one to keep and one to be returned next year.

Megan was crowned at the Longstone Church Fete by Grace Dowding retiring Queen, with her attendants Rhiannon Chalmers-Brown and Melissa McDonald attending.

Megan thanked everyone involved with the church fete and the well



Photo above Fete Queen Megan Dilks and her attendants Melissa McDonald and Rhiannon Chalmers-Brown

Bottom Right Megan at the Bakewell Carnival

dressing. Before opening the fete she thanked her attendants and Mike Hirst for driving them in Liz' wonderful car and to all her friends and family or their support.

Megan declared the Longstone Church Fete open by cutting a ribbon. During the afternoon her duties were to attempt to conduct the Cressbrook Band and to draw the raffle.



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Notes from St Giles'

Compiled by Harold Richardson

How soon we seem to have got over the heat wave and all that glorious weather of the summer. What a pleasure it was to spend so much time outside feeling confident that the only umbrella needed was the one that provided shade from the sun. The organisers of the many summer events must have felt that their prayers for good weather had been answered and the treasurers must have been laughing all the way to the bank! But yet I heard many grumbles, 'Its too hot,' 'I can't get cool,' 'It is so uncomfortable,' 'I can't sleep,' Perhaps all those people will be very happy this morning as I write these notes and look out of the window into a dull, grey mist and rain drops pouring down the window – the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness is upon us once more. Already I have had to move the timer on our security light system to come on an hour earlier - soon we shall be having our curtains closed at tea-time! Isn't it a good thing that we, and, in particular, our politicians, don't have to decide what the weather shall be day by day.

The various church groups restart their meetings at the beginning of the month and it is hoped that everyone feels better for their holidays and is looking forward to the challenges of autumn but I will refrain from saying how many days there are to the big 'C'. Best wishes to all the young people starting a new term, perhaps at a new school, we wish you every success and happiness.

We are coming to the season of harvest festivals, the first of which is on the 24th at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Wardlow at 3p.m. whilst St Giles holds theirs on 15th October.

The annual Well Dressing fortnight at Wardlow starts on Bank Holiday Monday when the band of intrepid ladies begin the enormous task of petalling. This goes on daily from about 10 until 6 in the Village Hall. Visitors are made very welcome and can even try their hand and have a cup of tea. The finished well is on display from 2nd of September and will be blessed by Canon Tim Yates at 2.15p.m on Sunday 3rd and conclude with a service of Favourite Hymns, as chosen by the visitors, at 7p.m on the 10th. The usual first class refreshments will be available every day throughout the two

weeks so please pay a visit and an added attraction is that Ron Meades will be playing the organ from time to time and that is well worth listening to whilst enjoying your tea and cakes!

I have heard a whisper that there is a strong possibility that Nicola Farnon could be making a return visit with a concert in St Giles before the end of November – watch this space for more information next month

Courses this Autumn At The Medway Centre

The Bakewell Branch of the Workers Educational Association is offering the following courses at The Medway Centre this autumn. You can enrol at the first meeting of a course. Please contact Branch Secretary Vic Pratley on 01629 812865 to find out more about tuition fees and concessions.

Music Inspired by Shakespeare

Tutor: Jennifer Bradley

From the earliest times words have conjured images, which in the minds of musicians have triggered a musical response.

This course examines the many different composers who have responded to the stories, poetry and prose of Shakespeare

(A 2nd series of 10 weeks starting in January 2007 will look at music inspired by a wide range of poets and writers).

Starts: Monday 2nd October 2006
1.45 – 3.45pm for 10 meetings.

Discovering Churches

Tutor: Rod Pearson

Churches were designed as teaching aids for the faithful. Packed with images and symbols, including

paintings, sculpture and windows, even the very design of the buildings had a meaning, but many of these ideas have been lost over time. This course offers an introduction to these themes, based on a book by Richard Taylor, How to read a Church. At least one visit to a local church will be included in the course.

Starts: Wednesday 4th October 2006
2 – 4 pm for 10 meetings.

The Wonders of the Peak: Local History and Landscape

Tutor: Graham Ullathorne

This course will explore topics of local history and landscape using the Peak District as a whole and Bakewell in particular as a model. Our aim is to interpret the landscape in terms of local and industrial history and geology, and may include one or more local field visits to illustrate and recognise the Peak District of Derbyshire as physically and humanly distinctive.

Starts: Wednesday 4th October 2006
7 - 9 pm for 5 meetings (initially).

Early Renaissance Art

Tutor: John Huxley-Travis

This course will examine painting and sculpture in the late middle ages and Early Renaissance period. The visual arts and the roles of the artist were undergoing enormous change and slowly moving away from the dominance of the church, towards a greater sense of humanisation.

Starts: Thursday 5th October 2006 2 – 4 pm for 10 meetings.

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Sundays & Festivals

3 Sept Sun	12th after Trinity
10 Sept Sun	13th after Trinity
14 Sept Thurs	Holy Cross Day
17 Sept Sun	14th after Trinity
21 Sept Thurs	Matthew the Apostle
24 Sept Sun	15th after Trinity
29 Sept Fri	Michael & All Angels

Sept. Services at St. Giles'

3 Sun	8.00am	No service
	11.15am	Family Service
	6.30pm	Evensong
10 Sun	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
	7pm	Service at Wardlow
17 Sun	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
	6.30pm	Evensong
20 Wed	11am	Holy Communion at Thornhill House
24 Sun	11.15am	Family Service
	6.30pm	Evensong

Sept. Services at Wardlow

3 Sun	2.15pm	Well Blessing
10 Sun	7.00pm	Evening Service of Favourite Hymns
17 Sun	9.00am	Holy Communion
24 Sun	3.00pm	Harvest Festival

From the Registers

Great Longstone & Wardlow

Baptisms

16 July	Jonathan	David Hopkins
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Marriages

14 July	Daniel Holmes & Rachel Sarah Knox
22 July	James Lee Julian Cox & Julie Williams
22 July	Thomas Henry Robins & Elizabeth Jane Carlisle
4 August	Christian Simon Foster & Catherine Jane Fisher

Burials

17 January	Vera Dawson (97)
16 February	Walter Kenneth Wayne (83)
22 February	Winifred Mary Wilcockson (84)
20 July	Frank Harold Garratt (83)
27 July	Neil Colin Slack (39)
8 August	Margaret Joy Hunter (74)
10 August	James Francis Trickett (88)

September in the Garden

Vegetables - Sow lettuce for overwintering, lift main crop carrots and store in layers in sand in deep boxes; plant spring cabbage.

Fruit - Complete summer pruning of apple and pears; harvest blackberries, cut out old growth and tie in new shoots. Pick autumn raspberries. Plant new strawberries.

Lawns - Re-seed worn patches and apply autumn fertiliser. Aerate, apply sand and compost and scarify to remove debris. Control weeds, fungal infections and moss.

Sweet Peas - Purchase seed for sowing next month.

Gladioli - Leave new corms undisturbed until fully matured.

Bulbs - Plant between herbaceous plants and between shrubs or on the rock gardens and in lawns, preferably in groups for the best show.

Herbaceous - keep hoeing to control weeds, continue to dead head and cutting back.

Roses - Remove faded blooms. Continue to spray against mildew and aphids. Tie the shoots of climbers into a fan shape. Scatter sulphate of potash on beds; hoe in.

Chrysanthemums - Select best outdoor varieties and label for propagating, put in greenhouse indoor varieties.

Dahlias - Check ties as autumn gales can cause damage. Feed once a fortnight with liquid fertiliser for better blooms.

General tasks - Order bulbs, roses, herbaceous plants, shrubs and fruit bushes, if required. Take cuttings of evergreen shrubs, geraniums and hydrangers. Clear away remains of crops that have finished. Check electrical installations are in working order before the winter. Check gutters and drains are free of leaves and debris.

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Telephone 01629 640471 for reservations or further enquiries.



Put it in the Diary

September 3rd at 2.15p.m
Blessing of the Well at Wardlow
September 10th at 7p.m
'Your Favourite Hymns' in Wardlow Church
September 24th 3p.m
Harvest Festival & Sale of Produce at Wardlow Church
September 30th
Longstone Local History Group - trip to Gainsborough Old Hall and Epworth Old Rectory
October 7th at 7.30p.m
Sarah Bennett Concert in St Giles
October 15th at 11.15a.m & 6.30p.m
Harvest Festival Services in St Giles
November 4th
Great Longstone Pre - School Nearly New Sale

More Gentle Jazz at St. Giles'.

St Giles' Church is acquiring quite a name for putting on jazz concerts and it is interesting to note that other places of worship with their unique and historical environments are beginning to follow suit. The last two shows have been sell-outs and all the audiences have been extremely enthusiastic at the high-quality entertainment.

Three more concerts are planned this winter and proceeds will go towards the upkeep of this fine building.

On Saturday, 7th October, the church will resound again to the cool sounds of The Sarah Bennett Quartet, who performed for us just two years ago.

This local-led group will perform a wide repertoire of mostly American music from composers as diverse as Jobim and Cole Porter, although Sarah naturally interprets the songs in her English accent. Her influences include Sarah Vaughan, Blossom Dearie and Anita O'Day.

The Sarah Bennett Quartet has a growing reputation and features musical director and pianist Chris Bennett, who is backed by guitar and double bass.

Sarah lives in Darley Dale, but travels around the UK with her group and recently appeared in Manchester, Southport and Brecon Jazz Festivals, whilst a special tune by Chris, called

Willow's Song, was featured on Humphrey Littleton's radio programme.

The forthcoming concert will be divided into two parts, firstly jazz classics including bossa nova pieces sung in Brazilian Portuguese and then a contemporary composition by Chris and called Astronomer's Guest. The latter has a choral theme ideally suited to the backdrop of St Giles'.

The concert starts at 7.30pm. Coffee, tea and biscuits are included in the price of the ticket at £6.50 (school children £3). Further information from Brian Edwards 01629 640752.

Great Longstone Local History Group - Annual Trip 30 September 06

This year we are visiting Gainsborough Old Hall, a medieval house with a Great Hall and a re-created medieval kitchen. After coffee and biscuits there will be a guided tour, then a buffet lunch. In the afternoon we will be visiting Epworth Old Rectory, the home of the Wesley brothers, founders of Methodism. Tea and cakes will precede departure for Longstone. The coach leaves Longstone bus shelter at 9am. We hope to be back at 6.00 – 6.30pm. The all-in cost will be £25 (£24 concessions: £22 E.H. Members) Deposit of £9 to me by 20th September, please.

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Peter Askew

Waste Collection Dates

Saturday morning collection

WARDLOW - September 16th usual time.

LITTLE LONGSTONE - September 30th usual time.

GREAT LONGSTONE - September 30th usual time.

GREEN WASTE - collections from the Bakewell Agricultural Centre have been cancelled.

CARDBOARD - You can take cardboard to Darley Dale.

GARDEN AND OTHER WASTE - Stonegravels, Chesterfield, is open 7 days a week.

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