

Nymet St George Church

George Nympton & Queensnympton

March 2019 Newsletter



Diary dates for March

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| Sunday 3rd | Celebrating Relationships in South Molton Church 11.00am |
| Tuesday 5th | Mobile Library outside Village Hall 10.50 – 11.10am |
| Wednesday 6th | Village Hall Committee Meeting in the Village Hall 7:30pm |
| Thursday 14th | Market Stall in the Pannier Market in aid of church funds |
| Thursday 21st | Parish Council Meeting in the Village Hall 7.00pm |
| 20th—27th Incl | The Castle Inn is closed |

Dates for April

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| Wednesday 3rd | AGM of Nymet St George Church. 7.00pm in the Village Hall |
| Friday 12th | Quiz and Curry Night in the Village Hall |
| Sunday 31st | Mothering Sunday |
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In our prayers we think of our very dear friend, Muriel and of the family of Ken Kingdon, who died recently. Kenny has been cutting the grass in the churchyard for many years. He was a great character and will be missed by everyone who knew him.

Ferret Racing. The Village Hall was a hive of activity on 23rd February as the ferrets made their entrance to the cheers of their adoring fans. They brought along Terry, their Ferret Master and suddenly the excitement in our little village hall outdid that of Aintree on Grand National Day. There were plenty of children to encourage the ferrets and eat the hotdogs. It would be an exaggeration to say that fortunes were made and lost but the evening was a great success, raising just over £850 for the Village Hall and £85 for Devon Air Ambulance.



Many thanks to the race and ferret sponsors and also to the non committee members – Pat Byers, Marjorie, Roy, Mary, Jane, Stephen, Trish and Anthony Tucker. *Pat*

The Broadband project is progressing well with Openreach despite a change of project manager and changes to their voucher scheme. I have met with the new project manager to ensure that we are still on track and am hoping to provide a full update at the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 21st March if not before. *Adele*

Culverhill Farm. We are so pleased to have this lovely weather and the horses are now going out in their Summer rugs to get as much sun as they can. No doubt we will pay for this later! Racing was badly interrupted by the equine flu fiasco and we missed many target races as a consequence. It has made a competitive job even more difficult but we did manage a big chase win at the last Cheltenham with Lizzie riding Siruh du Lac and last Saturday Chester won on Erick for the fourth time in a row. Final preparations are now being made for the Cheltenham Festival coming up in March. *Jane Williams*

Cheltenham week. I suggest that all those of a nervous disposition might benefit from getting some earplugs. I shout even more loudly watching Cheltenham than anywhere else. *Pat*

Grass Cutting With the sad loss of Ken Kingdom, we need to find someone to undertake cutting the churchyard grass (for a fee!). If you know of anyone who might be interested please call me on 572116. *Ian Bateman*

Market Stall. On Thursday March 14th there will be a Market Stall in South Molton Pannier Market to raise funds for the church. Alongside general items, there will be a selection of books, a Raffle and cakes etc for sale. There are plenty of baking-type programmes on to inspire you but I think a Victoria sponge is hard to beat. Although thinking about it, any Victoria sponge I make doubles as a door stop. But I'm sure yours will be much tastier. Please take any donations of books, cakes etc to Trisha Ford, at Coney Garth by 13th March. *Pat*

Craft Club. As Becky is now busy with her shop Clare Taylor is restarting Craft Club. It will be on the first Tuesday of each month from 2 – 4pm. Now I am the first to admit that I'm not particularly adept at handicrafts. However, Clare Taylor has an incredible amount of patience and can soon have most people producing beautiful things. I did say “most people” but I'll get there eventually! It's a really lovely way to spend a couple of hours. Bring along your knitting or sewing or anything else and have a cup of tea, a piece of cake and a chat with friends old and new. The charge will be just £2.50.

Sunday 31st March is **Mothering Sunday**. All are welcome at our special service in church at 9.30 to celebrate that very important person. Flowers and Simnel Cake provided! You might also want to get in an early booking for lunch at **The Castle** and also for Easter weekend 20/21 April. **However, the Castle will be closed March 20th—27th inclusive** while Debbie and Ian have a well-earned rest!



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Be Prepared!!! I'm not suggesting that we all join the Scouts, but Carole and Ray are due to return from their latest sojourn in Miami in a couple of week's time. On their outbound cruise Carole helped to start a very large choir – she's bringing back the DVD of their final (possibly their only) concert. I think she might just be on a mission to form The George Nympton Chorale when she arrives back. So unless you have aspirations of appearing on Songs of Praise, I suggest you keep a low profile. Joking aside, we'll all be glad to see them both when they get back and hope that the Atlantic Ocean is as kind to them on their return voyage as it was on their outbound trip. *Pat*

SERVICES IN MARCH

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Nymet St George

3rd Mar	11.00	Service at South Molton
10th Mar	9.30	Morning Worship
17th Mar	9.30	Holy Communion
24th Mar	9.30	Morning Worship
31st Mar	9.30	Mothering Sunday service

St Mary Magdalene - Parish Church South Molton

Each Sun- day	08.00	Holy Communion (BCP)
3rd Mar	11.00	Celebration of Marriage
6th Mar	7.00pm	Ash Wednesday Communion
10th Mar	11.00	Morning Worship
17th Mar	11.00	Holy Communion
24th Mar	11.00	Service of the Word / Baptism
31st Mar	11.00	Mothering Sunday service

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3rd Mar	11.00	Service at South Molton
10th Mar	9.30	Holy Communion (BCP)
17th Mar	6.30pm	BCP Evening Prayers
24th Mar	9.30	Holy Communion
31st Mar	9.30	Morning Worship

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CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE 3rd March

There will be no service in George Nympton on Sunday 3rd March. Instead, everyone (not just regular church-goers!) is invited to a special service at 11:00am at **St Mary Magdalene, South Molton** to celebrate the institution of Marriage. It is aimed at couples planning marriage this year, recent newly-weds, their families, and anyone who wishes to celebrate their own marriage (May be even renewing wedding vows!!).

Anyone wanting their newsletter emailed to them, please contact Pat Bateman at Opmbateman@gmail.com. Phone 572116. Contributions of news or items of interest welcome for the next issue, no later than 27th March please.