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## ARK at Egwood CIC

These are exciting times at Egwood!

ARK (Acts of Random Kindness) is a new project that you may like to become involved with. ARK at

Egwood is looking to provide land-based day services and activities for adults and young people with additional needs and therapeutic services for both adults and children. They will come to Egwood to learn a range of skills including how to grow produce, animal husbandry, hedge-laying, dry stonewalling and gardening.

The core work projects will revolve around providing needed community support to those who, due to age or health concerns, are finding it difficult, or are unable to easily access the community and are at risk of social isolation, ie pop-up lunches will be served at local village halls using the produce. The land-based environment also gives the opportunity to undertake



therapeutic work and referrals for those with physical and emotional health issues, including those with a need to be more active, recovery after an operation or working through depression.

Simon Rands and Nigel Bell have the experience, the land (at Egwood) and have applied for planning permission to start this new venture.

They have now bought a bus and a boat, which they want to refurbish to be used as social and therapeutic spaces and hope that ARK will be fully operational by Spring 2019.

They would like to involve local villagers, to bring a greater sense of community. If you would like to know more or fancy volunteering, either in the set-up or running of this enterprise (including the refurbishment of the bus and boat), please call Nigel on 07974 658 782 or Simon on 07977 218 843.

*Amanda Bell*



**Merriott Village Hall**  
invites you  
to a



**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

7.00pm for 7.30pm

Tickets available from Merriott Pharmacy and Premier Garage

£10 per person including "posh" ploughman's and dessert

Licensed Bar from 7pm

## Merriott Church

### Autumn Clean Work Party

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am - 11.30am**

We would very much welcome lots of volunteers at our Autumn Clean Work Party. There will be jobs in the churchyard, like hedge trimming, wilderness taming and general tidying – and also we will be cleaning inside the church too. Refreshments will be available. Bring suitable clothing and tools. More details from Tom Jones (01460 240615).

*Maggie and Tom Jones*

If you receive your October issue of the Messenger in time, do please visit the

**ART EXHIBITION**

In The Tithe Barn, Merriott

**28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September**

Artworks for sale in a variety of media

Opening hours: Friday 12 – 6pm

Saturday/Sunday 11am – 6pm



*Julia Cordy*

## News from All Saints Church



This year's Harvest service will be followed by a 'bring and share' lunch in the Tithe Barn from midday. As in previous years, we are collecting for the local Pilsdon Community who support and accommodate people with a variety of problems. They will gladly receive any of our harvest produce, but non-perishable goods are most helpful to

them. Please come and enjoy all, or some, of the Harvest celebrations.

*Rev Julia Hicks*

### Church Services in October

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am Sung Communion  
**Sun 14<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am Parish Communion  
**Sun 21<sup>st</sup>** 10.30am **Harvest Festival**  
**Sun 28<sup>th</sup>** 9am Holy Communion  
**Sun 28<sup>th</sup>** 4pm Café Church at  
 Hinton St George Church



The Village Hall Committee is pleased to have met GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations). Our full privacy policy can be found at [merriottvillagehall.org.uk](http://merriottvillagehall.org.uk) or by contacting the Treasurer.

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### MERRIOTT FIRST SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

*Church Street, Merriott*

*Tel - 01460 72547*

*Tuesday 2nd October*

*Come and see a typical day of learning at Merriott First School*

*This is an excellent opportunity for prospective parents, parents and members of the community to come along and see your local village school in action.*

*Guided tours by our Year 4 pupils from 9:15 - 10:30am*

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### **We are still on the lookout for leaders for our Scout Group.**

Anyone interested should contact me, Debra Cummings, Group Scout Leader, on 07966 047953 or [debra.cummings600@gmail.com](mailto:debra.cummings600@gmail.com).

*Debra Cummings*

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## New Term and new Headteacher

We were delighted to welcome all the children and families back to school on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at Merriott School. The children have collected so many wonderful memories over the Summer holidays and we have enjoyed hearing all about them.



*Some Merriott School children celebrate the new school year!*

I am grateful for the warm welcome I have received from children, families and staff.

I look forward to serving the community and leading our school from strength to strength.

*Miss Anne Higginbotham  
Executive Headteacher*



## Shoe-Box Appeal 2018

Once again it's shoe-box time! Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity each year - the beautiful boxes make such a huge difference to the lives of the many very needy children and adults who receive them. They are always received with gratitude and joy!

Leaflets giving details are available in the church and in the Broadway Garage. We are grateful not only for filled boxes, but also for any suitable fillers. You may also like to sponsor a box. (Any extra empty medium sized boxes would be very much appreciated.)

The final date for receiving boxes is **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November** at 12 Higher Beadon, Merriott

For further information please contact Beryl Virgin 01460 74917 or Beryl Bellamy - 01460 74574.

*Beryl Virgin*

## Be Warned!

I recently received a telephone message on my answering machine which claimed to be from HMRC. There was a threatening message to the effect that if I did not ring the number given I would suffer dire consequences for not sorting my tax affairs. It allegedly came from Jennifer Coleman and gave a telephone number, which I did not ring. This is a scam and I gather quite common at present. Ignore any calls of this sort and do not ring the number given as you may incur a large telephone bill!

*John Bowman*



## St Margaret's Hospice Care

is organising two  
"Up, Down & Dirty" runs  
as follows:

Treborough, Brendon Hills:

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

Aldon, Yeovil:

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

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[www.st-margarets-hospice.org.uk](http://www.st-margarets-hospice.org.uk)  
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## Revs Bob & Nick Sleep Rough



Bob and Nick spent two nights sleeping rough in Merriott Churchyard in August to raise awareness of homelessness and refugees.

With just a sleeping bag and cardboard matting, large amounts of sleep were not achieved! However, we were overwhelmed by the generosity of local people - both in providing food and drink to keep us going, and also the amount of money donated. The total raised was £1,660—an incredible sum. This has been split between RAFT (Refugee Aid from Taunton) and the Church Homeless Trust. We were also amazed at the number of conversations we had with people about what we were doing and why. We may not have been refugees or rough sleepers in our villages, but clearly these are issues you care about. Thank you for all your support.

*Revs Bob and Nick*

### OPEN GROUP

**Oct 4<sup>th</sup>** - The history of falconry and the modern day falconer.

**Oct 18<sup>th</sup>** - Film Night

For further information contact

Marion Biggs on 74170 or marionbiggs169@btinternet.com.

*Marion Biggs*

## Merriott Social Club News

It's all go at Merriott Social Club ... the 3 men, 2 ladies skittles, 2 pool & 3 football teams seasons have begun and it is great to see them all playing and using the club this year.

Live music with Jackdaw was another great night; the jumble sale raised £140, so thanks to all those who came and donated. We will let you know how much we raised from our September indoor market, next month. We had some fantastic stalls including charity stalls, cakes, gifts, tombolas, sweets, chocolates, children's toys and books - something for everyone. Wednesday night bingos are becoming increasingly popular with our cash prizes. Bookings are rolling in nicely now right up until Christmas and even next year. Look out for our flyer regarding the extraordinary meeting, we need your input as it's your community building.

### Dates for your diary :

Macmillan coffee morning - **28<sup>th</sup> Sept** - 9-11am

Halloween Workshops & party - **20<sup>th</sup> Oct** - various times - M&M Events, booking necessary. Pick up flyer from the Club.

Family Prize Bingo - **20<sup>th</sup> Oct** - in aid of Scouts - open 6.30pm eyes down 7.30pm

Mertt Indoor Market - **27<sup>th</sup> Oct** - 10-1pm - lots of stalls attending.

Family Halloween Event & Disco - **27<sup>th</sup> Oct** - 6pm onwards - see posters for details

*Lola  
Chairperson*

### Gardening Quote of the Month

"I long for the bulbs to arrive, for the early autumn chores are melancholy, but the planting of bulbs is the work of hope and is always thrilling."

- May Sarton

*Sent in by Mo Frampton*



**BARN DANCE**  
featuring JIGS FOR GIGS and caller SIMON MAPLESDEN

on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November**  
at 7.30pm  
(doors open from 7.00pm)

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## Opening Soon - The Feed Station



Just over a year ago, we viewed the former Sunday School in Merriott which was for sale. We were bowled over by its history, character and beauty and within moments we were inspired to buy and restore this beautiful Grade II Listed building, returning it to its original purpose which was a 'meeting place'. Thus, The Feed Station was born.

After a lengthy planning process, we finally achieved our change of use in order to create a coffee shop/café.

Being keen cyclists, our vision was then to provide great coffee, food, drink and ambience to everyone, particularly cyclists, ramblers, dog-walkers and of course all in the local community and surrounds. We will be offering a beautiful setting, having renovated this wonderful hall whilst retaining its history and original features, with the added benefit of a wood burning stove to create a warm cosy feeling in the winter, together with renovating the outside courtyard as additional outdoor seating for the summer months. Our renovations have been sympathetic; for example using lime & horse hair, all of which have been carried out by ourselves and our long-suffering loyal husbands!

We will be offering the best quality coffee and beverages, fresh artisan breads (which we propose to stock and sell to customers), pastries and cakes, breakfasts and light lunches. We will also be licenced for that cheeky G&T or prosecco! We have sourced all our produce locally and hope to offer employment opportunities to local people.

We believe that The Feed Station will be a wonderful addition to the village of Merriott, where people meet, chat or just be. We hope to be opening our doors late November/early December. We will keep you all posted.

*Louise & Jenny*

## British Legion Poppy Appeal 2018



We are seeking a few extra volunteers to help with the Poppy Street Collection this year which runs from **28<sup>th</sup> October – 11<sup>th</sup> November**.

We have a wonderful band of Collectors, but a few more willing hands would help enormously. It usually takes just one evening during this period, so if you feel you could support this very worthwhile organisation please contact Liz/Peter Fisk tel. 01460 72595 or email: [peter.fisk544@btinternet.com](mailto:peter.fisk544@btinternet.com).

We very much hope to hear from you.

*Liz Fisk*

**Church Tithe Barn** Having just taken over as Chair of the Merriott Church Tithe Barn committee, I thought I would provide a short update about this much loved community building. It is many years since it had a major restoration and it is now getting to the stage where it needs quite a lot of maintenance work including replacing the floor. The committee will be consulting widely over the next few months as we develop a plan to put before the PCC. Please feel free to contact me if you have any suggestions or questions.

*Rev Nick Clarke*



These two lovely specimens were found in our Merriott garden. The Dragonfly is a female Golden-ringed Dragonfly, the largest of its type found in the UK. The moth is less common and is a Jersey Tiger, normally found in Jersey and south Devon – this one must have strayed a few miles or their range has become larger.

*John Bowman*

## It's Plastic

by Ann Stear



A little bit of plastic  
You thought of as your friend  
Was the elastic plastic  
That helped you overspend  
A little bit of plastic  
Could buy you more than you'd need  
Provide your longed for passions  
Indulge you in your greed

From kitchen whites to lotions  
Man! Did we never see  
It would pollute the worlds oceans  
On a wildlife killing spree  
That little bit of plastic  
Which urged you to buy more  
So hazardous and drastic  
We could not clean it from our shore

It invaded every river  
It invaded every land  
Like an uncontrolled pandemic  
Transferred from hand to hand  
We'd use it on our bodies  
From the inside and the out  
Over package goods and food  
Did no one ever doubt  
That little bit of plastic  
Was spiralling out of line  
A little bit of plastic  
Controlling all mankind  
It's built into our houses  
It's buried underground  
There's scarce an inch around the world  
Where plastic can't be found

That indestructible plastic  
That will not break just bend  
A substance on our planet  
Could buy a plastic button end  
Man doesn't own this Universe  
And has proved beyond all doubt  
That a MAN MADE BIT OF PLASTIC  
HAS FINALLY CAUGHT HIM OUT

## Culinary herbs for autumn and winter by CB Plants

The woody evergreen herbs are so useful in autumn and winter giving us fresh leaves to add flavour and aroma to meals.

My favourite evergreen herbs for cooking are Rosemary, Thyme, Winter Savoury (see photo) and Bay. They all originate from the Mediterranean region and enjoy well drained soil in a sunny position. They are ideal for growing in pots placed close to the house where the walls give protection from the coldest weather and they are within easy reach of the kitchen on cold wet days.

Rosemary is best known for accompanying lamb roasts and stews, the addition of a couple of small sprigs enlivens roast vegetables (along with Thyme and Bay), add chopped leaves to roast potatoes and to homemade bread.

Thyme adds a sweet warm flavour to

meats especially beef and to vegetable and tomato dishes. Lemon Thyme is



particularly good with chicken and fish. Broadleaf Thyme is an excellent culinary

variety, a couple of sprigs add flavour to vegetable soups, I especially like to use it in butternut squash soup.

Winter Savoury is known as 'the bean herb' as its spicy flavour goes well with pulses and vegetables, a sprig or some chopped leaves can be added before cooking to casseroles and soups

Bay has a warm spicy flavour and goes really well with Rosemary and Thyme when roasting vegetables. I always add a leaf to any stew at the beginning of cooking or make a bouquet-garni by tying together one or two bay leaves, a sprig of rosemary and two or three sprigs of thyme or winter savoury. A bay leaf can also be added to a rice pudding before cooking to infuse the dish with its spicy citrus flavour.

Bon Appetit!

*Catherine Bond, CB Plants*

## An appeal for donations from Raft

As autumn continues, planning for winter is probably on everyone's mind, not least the volunteers who run Raft ([refugeeaidfromtaunton.org](http://refugeeaidfromtaunton.org)). They are asking for your unwanted clean and washable winter clothing for men (not large sizes), women and children - warm items and rainwear; suitable footwear for cold and muddy conditions; and clean washable bedding and sleeping bags. Their list always includes new underwear, toiletries and off-the-shelf medication for anyone who can contribute. Unwanted portable sewing machines, even broken ones which could

be mended, would be gratefully received, to be sent with the other items to camps in the Middle East, Europe and to African countries, eg Uganda, which take in thousands of displaced persons from other parts of the continent.

As a member of Refugee Support group, South Somerset, I am the person in Merriott who receives, or if necessary collects, your donations. My details are at the end of this article. However, if anyone is willing and able to receive and/or transport to Raft in Taunton we should be glad of your assistance,

temporarily or permanently.

RSG is holding a coffee morning in Shepton Beauchamp Village Hall on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October**, 10.30 to 12 mid-day to raise funds for Raft and various other charities, eg Help Refugees, Safe Passage and Care4Calais, all working for those who have fled conflict, death and destruction in their home countries. Please come and enjoy coffee and cake with friends and family while providing valuable support.

*Geraldine Downey*

*01460 271358, 3 Gough Close, Merriott*

## HALLOWEEN BINGO

**Merriott Social Club**  
**Saturday October 20th**  
6.30pm for Eyes Down 7.30pm



**£5 Adult / £1 Kids**

Fundraising for 1<sup>st</sup> Hinton St George Scouts



## Recreation Field New Play Equipment Open Morning

Here are William McClelland, mum Sadie and friends from Merriott, cutting the tape on the opening day.

William was first to arrive waiting an hour for the big moment!

If the 250 ice creams given away is an indicator, the day was well supported. The weather has been kind this Summer allowing daily use of the park.

*Iain Hall*



Hinton St. George 'Flix in the Stix' proudly presents  
**THREE BILLBOARDS OUTSIDE EBBING, MISSOURI' (15),**  
 on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October**  
 in the Hinton Village Hall at **7.30 pm**

**Starring: Frances McDormand, Woody Harrelson & Sam Rockwell**

Frances McDormand plays Mildred Hayes, a hard-nosed mother who is seeking justice for her murdered daughter.

With no arrests after seven months, Mildred puts up three roadside signs to goad Ebbing's police chief Woody Harrelson into action.

Neither the law, especially Sam Rockwell's hot-headed deputy, nor the townsfolk take kindly to this provocation, but Mildred doesn't care about ruffling a few feathers and is a match for them! Written & directed by British filmmaker Martin McDonagh, this is a stirring crime drama that was well-received critically and won two acting Oscars for McDormand & Rockwell.

Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50 on the door. Doors open 7.00 pm. To reserve tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563.

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All Saints Church, Merriott

# Christmas Fayre

Saturday 24th November

Merriott Church

11am - 3 pm

BBQ, teas, coffees & cake

Stalls including, cakes, bric-a-brac, tombola, books, toys

Father Christmas and more

## Merriott Gardening Club

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

An introduction to Orchids and how to care for them by Howard Burnett. Do bring along your own orchids for advice to his 'doctor's surgery'.

Meet at the Tithe Barn, Church Street (opposite our Church for those new to the village) at 7.30pm. Refreshments, raffle and 'Flower of the Month' competition. Everyone welcome - non-members £2 at the door. For more information please contact Barbara (72298).

Barbara Byford



## Dog Poo Control

For the second time in a month a dog owner could not walk 50 yards to a dog bin by the school, just leaving the bag in the street. Dog owners please be responsible especially near schools or in fact anywhere.

Paul Fisher

## Robin Gilkes

It is with great sadness that we tell of the death of Robin Gilkes, a dedicated servant of All Saints' and the Benefice for the past twenty years and a good friend and neighbour to so many people. Robin died peacefully in the early hours of Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September. He will be greatly missed.

Maggie and Tom Jones



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