

THE SEAVINGTONS' NEWS

October 2011





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An IES production, directed by Bryan Hallet

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The Seavingtons' News

As I write Autumn seems to have arrived in no uncertain manner. Autumn fruits seemed to ripen up to a month earlier than their usual schedules and now we have entered that period of wind and rain that takes the leaves and prepares us for Winter.

Whilst we cannot foretell what Winter will bring—will it be mild and wet, will we be snow and icebound? - we do know that it will bring a period of indoor activities and pastimes to replace the outings, barbecues and picnics of Summer. (I believe that I hear cries of “Summer, Summer, what Summer?”)

Thus, it is encouraging to see that our *Village Diary* overleaf shows signs of filling up with the club and society activities that bring us together as a community during the dark evenings to come. It is encouraging too to see that our newest village organisation—the Community Shop Association—under its new leadership, is adding to our activities with an Art and Craft Fayre in November. Details are in the centrefold pull-out of this issue.

In this issue you will also find details of the annual Royal British Legion Poppy Collection together with the Millennium Hall's hosting of “Lest We Forget”, a presentation of remembrance for those who fell in two world wars. As we contemplate these we should also remember those in our armed forces who are serving in hazardous overseas conflicts at the moment.

David Froome

DON'T FORGET

The Newspaper Skip!

**pm Friday 7th October
until am Monday 10th October**

**The Latest Copy Date
for the November 2011 issue**

is the 15th October

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Village Diary—October 2011

All events, unless otherwise shown, are held in the Millennium Hall

For bookings call Janet Goode on 01460 240220

For other Millennium Hall matters call Peter Ashley on 01460 240353

1st October	7.30 pm	Talk by Brian Grant: 2011 the Diamond Jubilee of the Hunter & Sea Vixen—see p 6
3rd October	7.15 pm	NADFAS talk on Modern Art by Anthony Penrose
12th October	7.30 pm	Meeting re Queen's Jubilee 2012 at the Volunteer Inn—see p17
13th October	6.30 pm	Gardening Club Guest Night—see p 15
20th October	7.30 pm	Journey Around British Isles. RSPB Group talk—see p 24
21st October		Apple Day at Village Store—see p16
27th October	7.30 pm	Seavington Playing Field Association AGM—see p 25

Regular Activities

Every Monday	6.30pm	Young People's Group—all ages
1 st Saturday	9.00 am— 2.00 pm	St Michael's Church Seavington Trust Book Sale at 2, Winchester Cottages (opposite The Volunteer)
3 rd Wednesday	10.00am	"GET2GETHER" Group in Village Café
Tuesday	9.30 am	In term time: Parents, babies & Toddlers Group
2 nd Thursday	7.30pm	Seavington Gardening Club

To keep up to date check out the village web-site which is updated regularly and brings you the latest information on village matters, the programmes of village organisations and much more. Pass the address to your friends and relatives and let them keep in touch as well.

www.theseavingtons.org

St Michael's Church, Seavington

2nd October	11.15 am Harvest Festival
9th October	08.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
9th October	11.15 am "All Age" Service
16th October	11.15 am Holy Communion—Dean of Wells
23rd October	11.15 am Holy Communion—Bishop of Taunton
30th October	11.15 am Matins

Please contact Annie if you would like to have lunch at the Volunteer after the Harvest Festival (see separate advert.) Remember the Parish Harvest Supper will be on 7th Oct in South Petherton. Tickets are on sale from N&D News price £12.50.

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Caught in the web..... Stories from the Seavington Web Museum

Arthur Linton

Arthur Linton became a world famous cycle racer in the 1890's. He was born at the Volunteer in Seavington St Michael in 1868 where his father John was the innkeeper. They moved to Aberdare in South Wales in the early 1870's. A Blue Plaque was recently put up on the family home in Aberdare to commemorate his achievements.

Aberaman Cyclists

During the 1880's and 1890's, following the invention of the chain driven safety bicycle, the sport of cycling became extremely popular with people from all walks of life. The sport was as popular in the Cynon Valley as elsewhere, in 1884 the Aberdare Bicycle Club was formed and by 1890 it had developed into a racing club.

Extraordinarily, during this golden age of cycling Aberaman produced no less than four world class cyclists: the Linton Brothers Arthur, Tom and Samuel; and Jimmy Michael. Of these four Arthur Linton and Jimmy Michael became World Champions.

Arthur Linton began to race locally and by 1892 was well known throughout South Wales. During the 1893 season he began to establish himself nationally and he was signed as a professional to ride a 'Gladiator' cycle under the tutelage of the trainer 'Choppy' Warburton. In 1894 Arthur defeated Dubois, the French Champion, in Paris and was narrowly defeated by the Italian Champion Bonnic, who thereafter refused to race him again. He was given the title of 'Champion Cyclist of the World' and when he returned to Aberaman in December he was given a hero's welcome, a public banquet was held in the Lamb and Flag public house and he was presented with an illuminated address.

1895 was a less successful year for Arthur. He suffered a knee injury and split from his trainer 'Choppy' Warburton. However, it was during the 1896 season that Arthur won his greatest race, the Bordeaux to Paris Race in which he defeated Riviere. Tragically, it seems that this race took too much of a toll on his body and Arthur Linton died of Typhoid Fever in June

1896, only some six weeks after the race. He was just 24 years old when he died.

A protégé of Arthur Linton, Jimmy Michael came to public attention in 1894 when he won the Herne Hill race in record time. He too was signed by 'Gladiator' and taken under the wing of 'Choppy' Warburton. In 1895 he continued his run of success, beating the French champion Lesna and later tied with Arthur Linton's record for 50km. At the end of the year he became the World Middle Distance Champion at Cologne. As a result of Jimmy's meteoric rise and the poor year suffered by Arthur Linton, an element of rivalry appeared between Jimmy and the Linton's, especially Tom.

Shortly after Arthur's death, Jimmy split from 'Choppy' Warburton and then decided to chance his arm in America, where he enjoyed a successful career, breaking many records and amassing a sizeable fortune. Jimmy retired from cycling for a while and instead became a jockey and racing stable owner, though when this venture failed Jimmy returned to cycling in 1902. Unfortunately, he was not the same rider on his return and did not recapture his earlier record breaking form. He died, aged only 29, in November 1904 on the liner 'Savoie' whilst travelling back to New York. The cause of death was an attack of delirium tremens, probably brought on through heavy drinking.

Tom Linton continued to enjoy a successful racing career although he never enjoyed the same level of recognition as either Arthur or Jimmy. He died in 1914 of Typhoid Fever, the same disease that had killed his brother 18 years before.

Samuel Linton had returned to work in the local collieries and died in 1935.

<http://www.arthur-linton.co.uk/>

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Alastair Fyfe (01460 241977)

Our final fundraising event of the year takes place on Saturday, 1st October when Brian Grant will give an illustrated Talk entitled: "2011 - The Diamond Jubilee of the Hunter and the Sea Vixen". Brian was, for many years, the Chief Pilot of the Fleet Requirements and Air Defence Unit at RNAS Yeovilton. There is not much that he does not know about these two famous aircraft!

His Talk will start at 7.30 pm in the Seavington Millennium Hall. Tickets cost £5 and are available in the Village Shop. There will be a raffle. Coffee/Tea will be provided free of charge. Please help to raise money for your Church.

Brian is also offering the opportunity of a 'sealed bid' auction for those who would enjoy a short flight in a Tiger Moth aircraft in Surrey. If you would like to bid for a flight, please bring a sealed envelope with your bid enclosed! Brian will pay for the aircraft fuel. The highest bid will go to the Trust, whilst the bidder gets a ride in the Tiger Moth. You never know – you might win!!

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Presents

"2011 - THE DIAMOND JUBILEE OF THE HUNTER AND SEA VIXEN"

An illustrated Talk by Brian Grant

Saturday, 1st October 2011

**Seavington Millennium Hall
at 7.30 pm (Doors open: 7.0 pm)**

Raffle & Sealed Bid Auction for a Flight in a Tiger Moth—see page 4

Tickets: £5 - available from:

**Jim Lawton (01460 240146), Annie Prichard (01460 241762),
Seavington Village Shop and N & D News, South Petherton**

Seavington Youth Group News October 2011

Julie Ginno 01460 249099 or Jenny Isaacs 01460 240550

Mondays 6.30 to 7.45

The Youth Club welcomed the children back last week and they are looking forward to another year of fun and activities!

We will be holding our AGM on **Monday the 10th of October at 6.00 pm**, all are welcome and if anyone would be interested in signing up for the committee or just to register as a volunteer, we will be happy to see you there.

On the **31st of October** we will be having a Halloween party for the children and hope to see them in fancy dress! Any contributions of Halloween themed party food would be gratefully received.

If you would like to know more about the Youth Club then please contact Julie or Jenny (see above) or you can contact me on suzthompson@talktalk.net

St Michael's Church, Seavington

Harvest Festival at the Church

Sunday 2nd October 2011 at 11.15 am

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Seavington Gardening Club

Secretary: Ry Coffman (01460 240004)

8th September 2011 – Talk on ‘Gardens of Japan’ by Jenny Short

Jenny very thoughtfully started the evening by handing round Japanese paper cranes for each of the members as a symbol of good health and longevity. She went on to give us a fascinating overview of Japanese gardens. She explained that Japanese gardens are based upon three principles. Their design relates entirely to the natural landscape, they are governed by the mild but wet climate and they are based on religion. The minimal use of boulders, gravel, water features and a limited palate of plants are symbolic and to be revered. The intricate raking patterns in the gravel are determined by the monks and represent varying degrees of turbulence. Initially gardens were not to be walked around but to provide a place for meditation and quite contemplation. Later in the 14thC there came a great rise in the tea ceremony with tea houses being built away from the main house which required the provision of walkways or corridors through the gardens. And during the time of the Samuri, stroll gardens became fashionable with pathways around the various garden features.

Japanese gardens have very simple planting schemes, focusing on mainly green foliage with minimal variety. Interestingly, and perhaps irritatingly, Japan, unlike England, suffers from very little trouble with snails and slugs and whilst we expend great efforts eradicating moss from our lawns the Japanese go to great lengths to remove grass from their moss!

Flower of the Month:

1. Katherine Smith; 2. Ken Dewsbury; 3. Doreen Lane

We welcomed new members Chris and Fred Ginger to the gardening club.

This was followed by:

Seavington Gardening Club AGM – 8th September 2011

Julie Sibley, our Chairwoman welcomed 24 members to the meeting. Apologies were received and noted. Minutes from last Year's AGM were read and approved. The Treasurer's Report was circulated showing a healthy balance for the Club and The Club's Accounts were approved.

Calling all Seavington Craft Folk

The Seavington Shop and Café are holding
an Art and Craft Fayre at the end of
November for two weeks.

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Late November will see the first Arts and Crafts Show to be held in the village shop. All exhibits entered into this feast of local talent, will be up for sale, and feature entries from professionals and amateurs alike. The most important fact, to note, is that the entries will all have been created from Seavington residents own hands.

Apart from advertising this forthcoming event, this article is also an appeal to all Seavington residents to get creating and enter. There is no entry fee but a commission of 15% will be taken from the sale price.

The money raised from the show is to be used for the exterior enhancement of the shop. It is hoped to create a safer and more floriferous seating area, and brightening up the front of the shop with tubs and troughs. The Show will be widely advertised, nearer the time, so that the purchasing of goods does not rest solely on the locals.

We are looking for paintings ,drawings, sculptures, photographs, or other artistic endeavours, plus crafted goods such as cards, bags, soft toys, cushions jewellery even ironmongery, if that is your talent. We welcome works from both professionals and amateurs alike; the public will be made aware of the difference, in the hope that it will level the playing field. As the show is for two weeks, entrants should make two or three items available to sell so that the "shelves do not look too bare, by the end of the second week. Card makers would be best to aim for making a number of items as these types of things could sell in threes or fives.

To gain entry, just fill in the form on the reverse and drop it off to the shop by 14th November. Any queries please contact Jill 01460 241311 or Sarah 01460 240230.

SO - Please, please please, don't be shy, get down to work and show us what you can do. There is some real talent in the Seavingtons, so lets show it off.

Application form

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Description of entry.....

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Please be prepared to replenish your item with a like for like when they are sold.

Please return this form to the shop by 14th November.

Julie Sibley stood down as Chairman after 16 years. Sarah Day agreed to stand as Chairman and Fiona Day as Vice Chairman. Ry Coffman agreed to continue as Secretary as did Joy Madge as Treasurer; Sarah Day and Fiona Day agreed to be Show Secretaries for a further year and Charo Ritchie agreed to stand again as an Executive Member of the Committee. Annie Pritchard agreed to carry on doing the Raffle for Club Meetings. As a token of our appreciation for all of Julie Sibley's hard work over the last 16 years she was presented with a gift. Annual Subs would stay at £7.50 and visitors £1.50. Arrangements for Guest Night were discussed and members volunteered to make dishes for the buffet.

Charo Ritchie will be taking bookings and collecting money for the Annual Xmas Lunch.

Joy Madge will be collecting annual subscriptions of £7.50 (September 2011 - September 2012)

Next Meeting:

Thursday 13th October 6.30pm Guest Night. First a delicious buffet made by members of the Club and visitors and members then a Talk: "Hidden Gardens of London".



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Over the Counter:

News from The Seavingtons Community Shop & Cafe

Laura Gowers and various volunteers!

Well, summer has come and gone – blink and you missed it! We are still waiting for the Indian summer that has been promised, but should we have some hot days and you find yourself having an impromptu BBQ we do still have a few bags of BBQ charcoal left.

You may have noticed that our in-store promotion for September and October is Burrow Hill Cider. This coincides beautifully with Apple Day which falls on October 21st. Apple Day is an annual celebration of apples, orchards and local distinctiveness since 1990 and it has been celebrated each year since.

To celebrate Apple Day on October 21st, the shop and cafe will have several special activities throughout the day including free tastings and Poems at Tea-time with local poet James Crowden.

A more detailed programme will be posted in the shop nearer the time. Also look out for our Apple Quiz sheets which will be on sale during the week and there will be a suitably Appley prize for the winner!

Another date for your diary is Wednesday October 19th. The Rotary Club are holding a charity Bring and Buy Coffee Morning in the Cafe of the Seavington Store from 10.00am until noon. This is aid of S.U.R.E. (Somerset Unit for Radiotherapy Equipment). All are welcome so do come and support the event.

Our Dry Cleaning collection service will be up and running from early October. We are collecting the tickets and price list from the Ilminster Dry Cleaners in a couple of weeks and then we will be ready for business.

If you feel that you would like to be involved in the shop and café in some way and have time to volunteer with us please pop in and have a chat. In the next month or so we will also have an open evening. So watch this space if you want to pop in for a cup of coffee and find out more about volunteering with us.

Shepton Beauchamp Pre-School

Heather Copeland (07765437301)

The new school year got off to a good start with all children settling in really well. The children have been making many forms of transport using a variety of media and enjoyed spotting all sorts of vehicles on our Wellie Walks through the village. Not been able to get too messy yet, but I am sure we will find the muddy puddles all in good time!

October sees the theme of transport continuing, going onto tractors and combine harvesters - in time for the harvest festival, then to anything that flies from planes to hot air balloons. Half term 24th to 28th October, we are hoping to run a Holiday Club, numbers permitting, please contact us if you are interested.

Celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee

Saturday 2nd June 2012 - Tuesday 5th June 2012

Pauline Parsons (01460 240193)

The first meeting to discuss what the villages want to do to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee was well attended and thanks to all those who came.

The suggestions made are that there is a Village Fete on the Playing Field, on Saturday 2nd June 2012, culminating with an evening event at The Volunteer. On the Sunday, in keeping with a press release from Buckingham Palace there will be a *Big Jubilee Lunch*, again on the Playing Field but preceded by The Seavington [Boat] Box-Cart race. All carts to be made of wood, push powered, have four wheels and a method of braking and must be capable of carrying an adult. The Carts are to be made to look like a boat - again in keeping with the Jubilee Pageant along the River Thames.

There may also be a Scarecrow Competition which will be judged by villagers during the weekend.

There is also a possibility of ending the weekend celebrations with a 'Beacon Lighting' ceremony on the Monday, again in keeping with The Diamond Jubilee Beacons network.

Obviously plans are still in the initial stages and a further meeting will be held on Monday 12th October - 7.30pm at The Volunteer. If you have any further ideas or can help please try and come to this meeting.

Thank You!

We'd just like to say a BIG thank you to everyone that helped tidy-up St. Michael's Churchyard recently. Luckily, the weather was kind to us, and 24 volunteers (including several children) turned up and worked really hard. I think we all agree there was a real community spirit and almost a 'party' atmosphere. Now the Churchyard looks really loved & cared for. Thank you all again,

Carol & Manda (Churchwardens).

Seavington Millennium Hall

is marking Remembrance Day with

“Lest We Forget”

by The Heritage Theatre (President Prof. David Bellamy)

**a presentation of remembrance of both world wars
written and produced by Gervais Bellamy**

11th November 2011 at 7.30 pm

£5 inc tea coffee biscuits.

Tickets from committee members and Seavington Village Store

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal - 2011

Monica Pye 01460241861

Collections will officially begin for the British Legion Poppy Appeal on Saturday 29th October.

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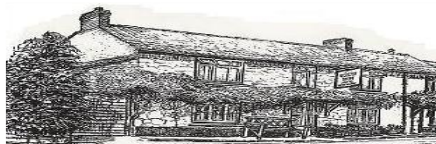
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Entry: group members £2.50, non-group members £3.50, under 18's free.
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Ode to Autumn

Seasons of Mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eaves run;
To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core;
To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells
With a sweet kernel; to set budding more'
And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease,
For Summer has o'er-brimmed their clammy cells.

John Keats (1795-1821)

Seavington Playing Field Association

Annual General Meeting

(for the year ending 31st March 2011)

Thursday 27th October 2011

At 7.30 pm in The Millennium Hall

Would any Villagers who wish to serve on the Committee please submit their names to Mr P Ashley, Chairman, Caravelle, Upton Lane, Seavington, TA19 0PZ
By Tuesday 18th October 2011.

Also, would Village Organisations please submit the name of their nominated representative to serve on the SPFA Committee for the next year to Mr Ashley, as above.

SPFA Lottery 2011/2012 Season

July Winners

First Prize £40 - No 130 Gordon Rogers

Second Prize £20 - No 85 Bob Myers

Third Prize £10 - No 163 May Harrison

August Winners

First Prize £40 - No 250 Roy Sibley

Second Prize £20 - No 58 Ken Wensley

Third Prize £10 - No 263 Kate Mulligan

News from the Parochial Church Council

Steve Harrison (PCC Vice-Chairman)
(sueandsteve.harrison@homecall.co.uk; 01460 249266)

Whether ‘*my cup runneth over*’ or not is perhaps debatable, but my e-mailbox is unquestionably overflowing. The PCC has much to do right now though two things stand out from the mundane as hugely significant.

First of these is completion of a document called the ‘parish profile’. And just what is one of those? Well, it is part of the pack of information for potential applicants to be our new rector – it’s an introduction of us to them: what we are as churches in our particular corner of south Somerset, what we hope to become, what qualities we are looking for in the person we are asking to lead us and commit to us, and what support we will be giving to him or her as our part of the deal. Important stuff - important to get right.

Fortunately in this information age there are plenty of exemplars out there we’ve been able to learn from; we’ve also had the experienced guiding hand of Canon Graham Dodds to nudge us as needed into thinking critically about what we are saying. Thank you to all of you who have contributed your thoughts and prayers. The profile is now nearing completion - take a bow Mike Phillips for the immense amount of work he has done in bringing it all together. The final version will go to the PCC meeting on October 17th for approval. And yes, when that is done, there will be some copies for you to see.

The second of those ‘hugely significant’ things is, as I write, still on the stocks but should be done by about the time this is published. The PCC has to elect some of its number as representatives in the interviewing and selection process. Our representatives need to be just that – *representative*. In asking questions of and also answering those of the candidates, they have to encompass and be guided in their judgements by the breadth of background, tradition and best interests of the whole of the benefice of South Petherton with the Seavingtons. Quite a responsibility – they and the PCC will need the support of you and your prayers. Next month I will be able to tell you who our representatives are.

Part of the selection process in January will be a drinks reception on the evening before the interviews the following day. Watch this space for more about this nearer the time. I’m sure it will be an ideal opportunity for those who want to meet and greet the candidates and, of course, to pass on your impressions to our representatives.

Bring and Buy Coffee Morning

Brenda Lake (01460 249304)

There will be a charity Bring and Buy coffee Morning in the Cafe of the Seavington Store on Wednesday 19 October from 10.00am until noon.

This is aid of S.U.R.E. (Somerset Unit for Radiotherapy Equipment). All are welcome so do come and support the event.

Fitness Classes starting week commencing September 12th 2011

Tuesdays: Pilates—Barrington Hall 1.35pm - 2.25pm

Tuesdays: ZUMBA—Shepton Beauchamp Hall 7.50pm - 8.45pm

Thursdays: ZUMBA—Blake Hall, South Petherton 7.30pm - 8.30pm

ZUMBA: £4 pay on the door or £42.50 for 12 (roughly £3.50 per session), Pilates please call me on 01460 241629 to reserve your space. See you soon!

Lisa Rock, Level 3 Pilates Institute, ZUMBA Dance fitness instructor

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The couple sat and waited for an answer... for a couple of months. While they waited, they discussed the pros and cons. If they were allowed to get married in Heaven, should they get married, what with the eternal aspect of it all? "What if it doesn't work? Are we stuck in Heaven together forever?

"Yet another month passed before St. Peter finally returned, looking somewhat bedraggled. "Yes," he informed the couple, "You can get married in Heaven."

"Great!" said the couple. "But we were just wondering; what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?"

St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slammed his clipboard on the ground. "What's wrong?" asked the frightened couple.

"OH, COME ON!" St. Peter shouted. "It took me 3 months to find a priest up here! Do you have ANY idea how long it'll take to find a lawyer???

The Seavingtons' Weather in August 2011

	<i>This year—2011</i>	<i>Previous year—2010</i>
<i>Temperature</i>		
Average Minimum	11.46°C	11.24°C
Average Maximum	20.64°C	20.68°C
Mean	16.05°C	15.96°C
<i>Rainfall</i>		
Monthly Total	65.5mm (2.62")	83.5mm (3.34")
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