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There is plenty to see and do in the village this month what with the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee celebrations on Ide School field on Monday, 4th June, the Church Fete on the Green on Saturday, 16th June, an Open Day at West Town Farm on the 17th June, and the Olympics to look forward to. I am sorry that I have had to shorten some articles this month due to lack of space.

May I please have material for the July edition of the Ide Times by the 20th June. It should be sent to me at 1 Cobbe House, Station Road, Ide, Exeter, EX2 9RS, email – [brendaspivey123@btinternet.com](mailto:brendaspivey123@btinternet.com)

Brenda Spivey (Tel.01392 275784)



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M.P. Mel Stride: 01392 823306

Community Shop Opening Hours: (Tel. 410035)

Monday – Friday 8am – 12 noon and 3pm – 7pm

Saturdays 8am – 1pm

(Please note that the shop is not open on **Saturday afternoons**)

Sundays & Bank Holidays 9am – 12 noon

Post Office Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9am – 11.45am and 3pm – 5pm

Saturdays 9am – 12 noon.

Sundays and Bank Holidays CLOSED

IDE MEMORIAL HALL – to book the hall for our event/party please contact Carol Whitehart on 01392 213608.

THE MOBILE LIBRARY will be in Ide on Mondays, 11th and 25th June. It will be in the Huntsman car park from 11.45 to 12.30pm on those dates. Do use the Mobile Library or we may end up losing it. The van carries a good variety of books and particular books can also be ordered.

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting and AGM held on Wednesday 16th May will be displayed on our Parish notice board. There will be an extraordinary meeting on 30th May, commencing at 8pm, to agree the final year end accounts. The next bi-monthly meeting is due to be held on Wednesday 18th July in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm. The agenda will be displayed on the Parish notice board early in July.

**The Queen’s Diamond Jubilee** On June 1st the Parish Council will be presenting all children from the age of 0 through to 16, who reside within the Parish of Ide, with a commemorative mug to celebrate the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee. Extra mugs will be available to purchase from the village shop.

**Bus Shelter** The Planning application has been approved so work can now start on our new bus shelter.

**Contact us** As a few of our contact details have changed the Parish Council thought it would be a good idea to provide a new list for you all, details as below. Village website [**www.idevillage.org.uk**](http://www.idevillage.org.uk/)

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**REGISTER OF ELECTORS 2012/13 –** Teignbridge District Council will be sending the registration forms to every household within the district on 28th June. The law requires you to give this information. If you don’t do so you lose your right to vote and could incur penalties.

JUBILEE CLUB

We decided , due to the arrival of the rainy season, to cancel the planned outing to Powderham for April 30th.

The next meeting was on May 14th which was the 35th anniversary of the formation of the club. This was an opportunity to celebrate, and we did just that, with Chris on the piano and Geoff leading us singing a variety of old songs. It was a good afternoon. This was followed by a delicious tea - birthday cake, and a glass of sherry. Bert proposed a toast to the club. It was a great pleasure to welcome back to the club members who have been unwell,and later in the afternoon Joyce Hann and her daughter came after a hospital appointment. Joyce has made a beautifull card to be sent to the Queen with congratulations on the Diamond Jubilee. We missed Enid doing her usual rounds selling draw tickets with a cheery smile. John is in hospital and Enid was visiting him. Pip is also in hospital. Our best wishes and thoughts are with them and any other members who are not well.

DIARY DATES

        June 11th Wakefield Whitton - Antiques and Collectables.

June 25th An outing to Bennett’s Water Gardens in Dorset

Leaving Alphington at 9.40, Dunsford Hill 9.50 and

Ide at 10am. Tickets £13 members, and £15 visitors (who

Will be very welcome).

July 8th Strawberry Tea at Longdown village hall.

 Jean Hoskin

THE POACHERS BEER FESTIVAL from 5pm, 1st June

A consummate occasion that will feature a diverse collection of lovely ales from here, there and somewhere else.

j0343135Sir Harry Bookins will open the festivities on **Friday, 1st June at 5pm** and the fun will continue the whole long jubilee holiday through. (There may be dancing girls!)

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Ide Church Fete

Saturday, 16th June, 2.30pm

Ide Village Green

Stalls, Teas, Maypole Dancing, BBQ, Licensed Bar

Children’s Fancy Dress Parade – royal theme

Games, Tug-o-war, etc.

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IDE COMMUNITY SHOP & POST OFFICE

Summer must be here - the strawberries are back. We get deliveries from Balls Farm throughout the week – you can always ring us to reserve some for you (01392 410035).

If you are looking forward to summer salads, how about some tomato plants – these are supplied to us by Pat Fleming of Wylde Herbs of Dartmoor. There is quite a variety of plants which all look strong and healthy.

We are down to our last few jars of Francis Russell’s “Ide” honey and sadly he won’t be supplying us anymore. Presumably he’s now selling “Cornish” honey over the border! Our new beekeeper is Mr Long from Longdown.

The shop has changed its energy supplier to Scottish Power, providing green and renewable energy. Unfortunately we have to rely heavily on the air-conditioning units to keep the produce in a saleable condition. That’s life in a portacabin!

The contracts are being prepared for the purchase of the new shop and we will let you know how things progress. Everyone is excited about the opportunities a bigger shop will give us.

**COMMUNITY SHOPS FORTNIGHT**

**23 JUNE- 7 JULY**

277 rural communities across the UK have something special to celebrate. In a climate that has seen commercial village shops close at a rate of around 400 per year, they have rallied round and saved their shop from closure, reopening it under community ownership. The Plunkett Foundation (an organisation that supports the setting up and running of shops like ours) has invited community shops across the UK to celebrate the incredible achievement of running a community-owned shop and inspire other communities to save their shop through community-ownership

Ide of course, has something **extra special** to celebrate, having raised an incredible amount of money in a very short period of time so that our shop can continue into the future in new larger premises.

To say thank you for your support, we invite you all to come along to the shop between 10.30am and 3.30 pm on **Saturday 23 June** to have a **free drink** and try some of the many **local foods** that we currently sell and some that we might sell in the future, if you like them. There will also be a chance for you to tell us about any changes you would like to see when we move to our new larger shop.

Rose Saunders and Ann Boyce

YOGA for beginners and improvers – every Wednesday, 6pm to 7pm at Ide Memorial Hall. £5 per class – sign up for 4 or more and get a discount! For more information contact Katy on 07979 765750 or email [loveyoga@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:loveyoga@hotmail.co.uk)

**The Diamond Jubilee Celebrations- Monday 4th June**

**Ide Jubilee Run** **1pm**: The celebrations will begin with the Ide Jubilee Run, starting and finishing at the school field. 1mile village run for the children and a 3 mile race for adults. Runners can register via email [idejubileerun@gmail.com](mailto:idejubileerun@gmail.com) or just turn up on the day.

**Bring and Share afternoon tea at 2.30**: Bring along a plate of food (Sandwiches/Cake or both) to be shared with friends and neighbours. Hot and cold beverages will be provided for the afternoon.

**Punch & Judy 3.30pm**: The Storybox Theatre will be arriving and performing a Punch and Judy Show at 3.30pm. We will be holding lots of fun activities for children throughout the day including sack races, egg and spoon races and face painting.

**Jubilee Day King & Queen**: The King & Queen selected will be royally received by the village and performing duties such as starting the fun run, opening the jubilee celebrations and, best of all, will be able to claim free drinks for themselves at the bar in the evening! All Funds raised will be put towards the restoration of the school Jubilee clock.

**Music**: We will be showcasing the very best of Ide talent with Ide Aloud, Ide Folk, Breeze and Charlotte Ward.

**Licensed Bar**: Beer tent offering fabulous local beer, wines and soft drinks throughout the day.

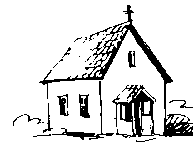
**Fish and Chip Van**: Flippy Chippy of Exeter will be supplying traditional fish and chips from 5.30 – 7.30pm.

**Hit and Run Coffee Company**: Finest Coffees, teas and hot chocolate ‘soup’ will be served from this beautiful 1972 Volkswagen Variant.

**50’s Theme**: This is optional but what a great excuse to get your frocks and smart pants on.

Finally: If the weather turns foul I am hoping for the Great Ide Spirit and everyone to still come along as we will still have all of the above just in the School Hall. Let’s hope the weather hasn’t peaked too early!!!

NORDIC ‘WELLBEING’ Fitness class starting on Friday, 15th June, 10-11am in Ide Memorial Hall. The first class is free! No previous experience necessary. More details from **Call Fiona on 01626 890120, 07531 729383 or** [**Fiona@nordicwalkingdevon. co.uk**](mailto:Fiona@nordicwalkingdevon.co.uk)

IDE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

11am 6.30pm

3rd June Mr H.Slocombe Supply

10th June Mr L.Vincent Mr B.Bunce

17th June Mr J.Lipscombe (C) Mr P.Willer

24th June Mr W.Rounsefell Mr J.Gooding

JUBILEE CELEBRARTIONS. On Saturday, 2 June, from 10.30 am to 4.pm we are holding a PREVIEW DISPLAY of artwork by Ide Primary School children, including the little ones in pre-school. A special welcome is given to families and friends who may not see the children's fantastic efforts if they are unable to be in Ide for the Monday, 4 June, celebrations at the school. Refreshments will be served throughout the day: tea. coffee, squash, home made cakes, cream teas and if you fancy a ploughman’s lunch, will be available too. Special thanks to all those who have helped in planning this event, providing the display stands, creating medals and bunting, cakes, suggesting ideas and not least, Sean Millar, Headmaster, for allowing the time for teachers to encourage the children to participate and show their artistic talents. Three prizes have been offered by Ide Art Group at the request of Keith Nichols who gave a talk about the the artist and man, Robert Lenkiewicz. Mr Nichols did not take a fee but would like some young people be given artistic encouragement. Thanks to Ide Art, three children at Ide Primary School will benefit.

Coffee Break also supported the Diamond Jubilee event by planting a Winston apple tree in the school grounds. A guard, with chicken wire, surrounds the tree as protection, especially against rabbits! All thanks to your newspapers for recycling and Jack Voysey for transport. We also thank Pam and Jack for the lovely tubs of flowers which have been displayed at the Devon Churches Stand at the County Show and now back home to Ide.

Just hope for fine weather and that all taking part enjoy themselves throughout he holiday.

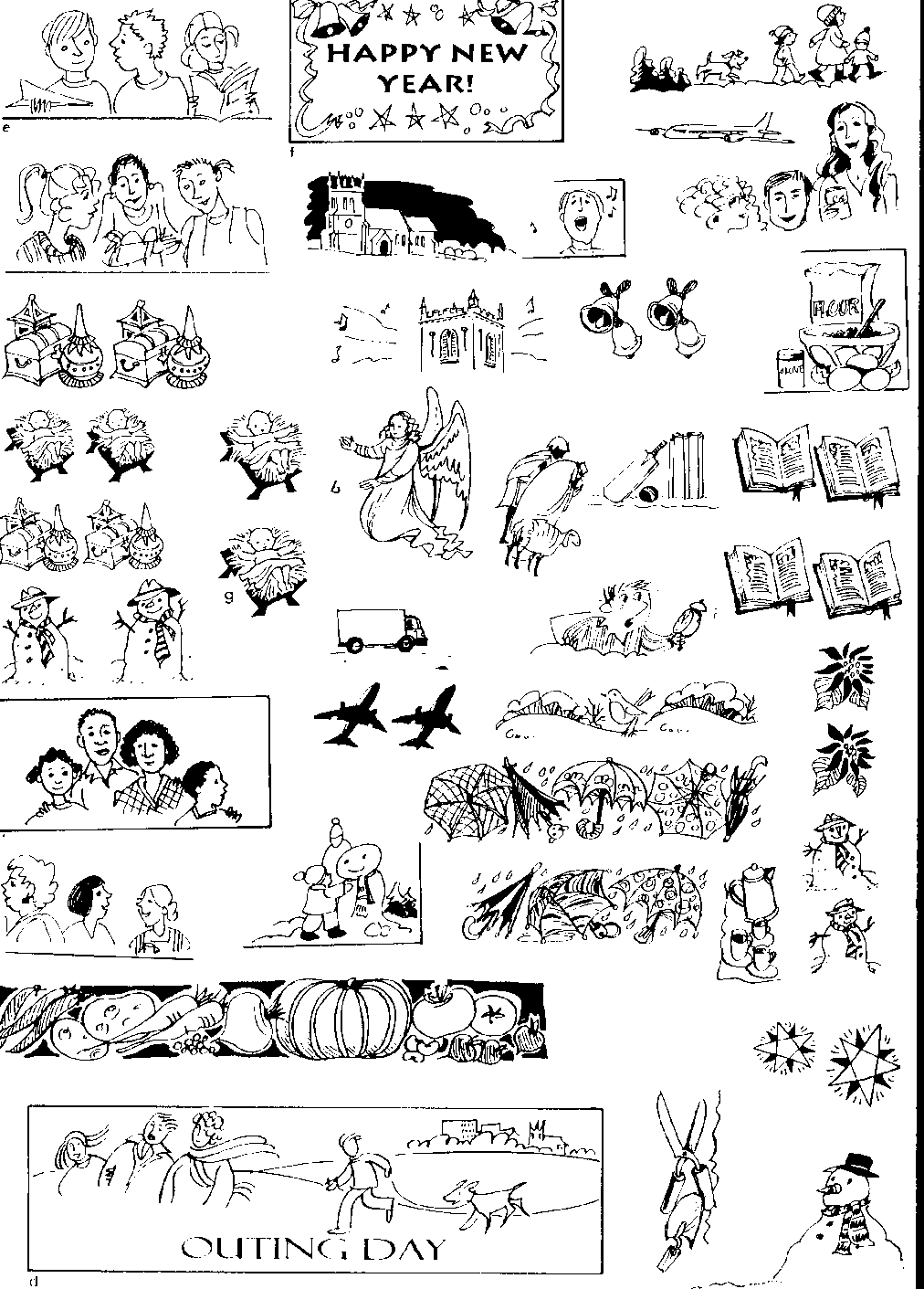
Our coffee morning takes place on Thursday, 7 June from 10.30am. All welcome.

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IDE ART GROUP

At the request of Keith Nichols, who has written a book about the artist and the man, Robert Lenkiewicw (details available), three cash prizes have been provided by the Art Group to encourage artistic talent within Ide Primary School.

Jackie Chadwick

 PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT IDA

3rd June **Queen’s Diamond Jubilee 9.30am Special Service**

6th June First Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion

9th June MESSY CHURCH 10am

10th June Trinity 1 9.30am Service of the Word

17th June Trinity 2 9.30am Parish Communion

24th June Trinity 3 8am Holy Communion

**10am All Age Service**

1st July Trinity 4 9.30am Parish Communion

At last summer is here so make the most of it as it might not last. Trees and flowers are moving apace now and dare I mention the weeds! These also are part of God’s creation.

**Messy Church:** On Saturday, 12th May, at Messy Church we learned about Moses and the Ten Commandments. The theme for the morning was about needing rules. Rachel read out the recipe for making chocolate chip cookies.which they wrote down and they then made the cookies, which tasted very good. The morning ended with Gudrun taking a short Service.

**Next Messy Church is Saturday June 9th at 10 am.**

On Sunday May 20th there was a farewell service for the Revd Chantal Mason in St Michael’s Alphington. She has served the Benefice for four years and now moves on in her Ministry to become the Chaplain to the Bishop of Chelmsford. We wish her well. We are now left with Stephen Bessent and a Reader, Mrs Lesley Phillips-Canon. To assist them there is a team of Service Leaders who will take the non-Eucharist services, i.e. Family Service and Morning Worship. The time of the **Family Service from June 24th will be 10 am by popular request.**

**The Queen’s Diamond Jubilee**: there is a **special service on Sunday June 3rd at 9-30 am** for all the Village. Come and celebrate her glorious occasion and this will then set the scene for the next day’s events. See you there.

**The Church Fete** will be held on the village green on Saturday, 16th June, starting at 2.30pm. There will be maypole dancing, stalls, teas, BBQ, licensed bar and a Children’s fancy dress parade with a royal theme.

David Garnsworthy

MOTHERS’ UNION

Prayer Group will meet as usual after the Wednesday 10.30 am service on the 6th June. All welcome to join us.

Members are all busy helping with the Fete on 16th June, but we will meet later in the month for a visit to the Diamond Jubilee Flower Festival at Teignmouth, on Wednesday 27th June. Please let me know if you would like to go, or can offer transport. Sue Campbell

WEST TOWN FARM & ORGANICARTS

June it seems is going to be the month of jubilation on the farm, as with the country in general.

After the fabulous performance of The Twits, which we enjoyed in May, this month we’ll be flinging the farm gates wide for **Open Farm Sunday 11am-4pm on the 17th June**, which also happens to be Father’s Day. Entrance is free and Jenny has organised a terrific day of activities encompassing some of the classic favourites, such as the tractor trailer rides and storytelling, as well as stream dipping, bug hunting and a special Father’s Day Farm Olympics so get your dad’s at the ready!

If that’s not enough to be jubilant about we’re starting and finishing the month with the celebration of two weddings on the farm. At the beginning of June we’re delighted to host Richard and Faye, along with their friends and family, and at the end of June Suzy and Steve, from St. Thomas, will be celebrating starting their lives together with a civilized game of croquet in the Paddock.

We’ve also welcomed our first WWOOFer to the farm. WWOOF stands for Willing Workers On Organic Farms and it’s an international network whereby people can volunteer to go and work on an organic farm anywhere in the world, to gain experience and just because they enjoy spending time on farms.

Speaking of clay, OrganicARTS is holding the first of its clay weekends on the 9th/10th June with some master potters. On Saturday Richenda Macgregor, of the Potting Shed, will be talking about our rich clay heritage from 10-12:30, followed by a class in how to throw a beautiful pot from 1:30-5. On Sunday there will be a demonstration from the internationally known Douglas Fitch, who uses local clay and slip decoration. For more information visit [www.organicarts.org.uk/projects](http://www.organicarts.org.uk/projects) or call 01392 811 080

If your taste is more for meat than mud June’s meat week is Wednesday the 13th to Monday the 18th and the shop will be open from 9-5 or email [kate@westtownfarm.co.uk](mailto:kate@westtownfarm.co.uk) to place your order.

Harriet Bell

**CCANW** – Centre for Contemporary Art & the Natural World, Haldon Forest

In this Olympic year , Ide has a unique opportunity to be a winner! Five villages will be taking part in **Games People Play.** On the 29th June there will be a children’s session at Ide School and in the evening there will be a session for adults. Further details can be obtained from Johanna Korndorfer at CCANW 01392 832277 or email [info@ccanw.co.uk](mailto:info@ccanw.co.uk) or Tony Gee of Moveable Feast on 07950 998911 or email [info@themoveablefeast.co.uk](mailto:info@themoveablefeast.co.uk)

**ZUMBA - £2 taster class** Tuesday, 12th June, 7.15-8.15pm at Ide Primary School.

Wear trainers and clothes you can move in. Bring a drink. Further information from [alldance@hotmail.org.uk](mailto:alldance@hotmail.org.uk) or ring Donna on 07888763297.

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IDE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Greetings once again fellow Ide-ites. Well at last the chill spring has given way to some nice warm sunny weather, but will it be too late for my beetroot seeds to germinate. Who knows. Who cares? One can buy fully grown beets from ide Community Shop instead.

So, we have a visit from our French friends over the bank holiday in August. Once again there will be activities to which those outside and beyond Ide Twinning members will be welcome, although in certain cases it will be with the proviso of ‘space permitting’. More details to follow in next month’s Ide Times.

Next month we have the Ide fete to look forward to, and Twinners will be running 3 or 4 stalls. We have not organised a post-fete ‘bash’ this year as the vagaries of the weather have made this financially er um challenging the last 2 or 3 times. We are, however, looking to instigate some form of do later in the year, possibly....

I’m sure, however, that we’ll have the usual fine weather for Joyce’s village BBQ in Mid-July! And this year there will be an official Ide Twinning Petanque Trophy for which to compete, alors.

June 4th sees Ide’s own Jubilee Celebrations, and I know that nominations have been received for King & Queen, which will have been drawn out/selected by the time you receive this edition of your Ide Times. Of course what we haven’t let folk know is that in the French Spirit, said ‘royalty’ will be transported by tumbril to The Green for a sanguine appointment avec Madame Guilotine, after which we can all eat le gateau-cake (again).

The Quizzes are now done and dusted until September. Winners of The Last Quiz of The Season were ‘No Idea’ (twice in one year, cripes !). Contestants were happy with the ‘make a spaceship out of tinfoil’ round, but less happy with the ‘tunes at the wrong speed’  round, which was indeed somewhat challenging. No Idea now have 3 or 4 months in which to organise the First Quiz of Next Season. Sir Harry Bookins says he’s planning a round on ‘British Telecom’s wiring configurations of the early 70’s’. Please note that after 10 years of the £1 per person charge, we will be upping this to the heady sum of £1.50, which will of course mean that the winners will get more money! Marketing - it’s all about marketing.....

Once again, our thanks to Tony the Landlord for allowing us to host the Quizzes at The Poachers for another year, and for his vocal contributions -  How Much is That Doggie In The Window, for instance.

Which reminds me, is anyone capable of, or know of anyone capable of, banging out a few pub–sing-a-long tunes on piano? Needed for Poachers social purposes....

A bientot et tout ca . . . .

Pete Bishop

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**New Doors:** Recently the doctors at the surgery met with Ide Lane Friends Committee Members to thank ILF for funding the new electric doors, courtesy of the legacy from the late Joyce Lewis. You may have admired the artwork (picture of the surgery) on the doors. This was taken from an original drawing by Joyce Stowell (Dr Gill Stowell’s mother) and we were delighted that Joyce was able to be with us on this occasion.

**Cream Tea at Taverners Farm Orange Elephant Café:** Thanks to the generosity of the Taverner family, Ide Lane Friends are once again holding a cream tea at the Orange Elephant Farm Shop**.** The date is **Wednesday 20th June, 2-4pm** and there will be a small charge of £3.50. We will be having a draw. Everyone welcome. The address is Lower Brenton Farm, Kennford, Exeter EX6 7YL.

**Ide Lane Carers’ Group:**  At our last meeting Mel Jeffery came to our group. She works for Devon Carers Centre and has been allocated some ongoing time to offer additional carer support at Ide Lane Surgery. If you are a carer and would like to speak to Mel please contact her via Devon Carers Centre 08456 434 435.

The next meeting of Ide Lane Carers Group will be on Tuesday 19th June, 6.30pm at the surgery when it will be Tea and Chat. National Carers week will be 18th-22nd June. Ring Jane if you want any more information.

**Tea Afternoons at Aldens Community Centre**: We are now holding monthly “tea afternoons” at Aldens Community Centre in Aldens Road, Alphington run by ILF volunteers. They are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month 2.30-4pm with the next one on June 27th. Everyone is welcome so please come along.

**Headway Farm Open Day Sat 16th June:** Every year an open day is held at Headway Farm, Alphington. This year the Yellands have kindly decided to donate proceeds to Ide Lane Friends. Fun for all the family, with things like traction engines, vintage cars and BBQ. Please ring Tony Yelland on 273386 a.s.a.p. if you would like to attend, as there may be a limit on numbers.

Jane Greenslade



WHIST DRIVES…

As from the 1st June there will be Whist Drives in Ide Memorial Hall on Friday evenings (but **not** the 3rd Friday each month) as well as on Monday evenings. Everyone is welcome. We start at 7.30pm. I am very happy to be back in Ide and it is lovely to see old Idites again and everyone is so friendly. I would love to see more of the locals coming to the Whist Drives.

Betty Addicott

j0283516LIVING AND BUILDING IN IDE

As many will know, we as the Gardner family have become more involved in the life of Ide over recent years, both through the school and more recently the shop. Indeed, the only problem is that we don’t live in Ide, yet for some time we have been considering this and have a growing desire to do so.

In an ideal world, we would like to acquire land in or around the Ide area and plan, design and build our own low carbon, eco-friendly home. This has been a dream we have held over many years, which is now becoming stronger. We would be happy to do this by ourselves, if a small parcel of land became available, but equally we would be keen to explore a larger project with other like-minded people, if a larger plot became available. This would have cost saving benefits, as well as shared skills, expertise, and sweat labour, together with an added sense of community.

The stumbling block is identifying possible and available land that is affordable and has a good chance of gaining planning permission for residential building use. Therefore the purpose of sharing our vision is to find out if:

* Any land is known to be available in the area?
* Any one else shares a similar vision?

We recognise this may be a long term goal, so we’d like to move to Ide anyway and would be interested to know of any properties that may be going to be put up for sale in the near future. If anyone has any thoughts regarding any aspect of this article please feel free to contact us, by phone (01392 439496) or by e-mail ([trevor@trevorgardner.com](mailto:trevor@trevorgardner.com)) Trevor and Janet Gardner

**IDE ALOUD NEWS**  
 Ide Aloud are having a busy time and we are loving it. We had a record number of people at our Spring Concert and a great time was had by all – singing, eating, drinking and quizzing. Now we are learning a few new songs for The Jubilee Party and the Church Fete and more for The Twinning Barbecue in July in Joyce Stevens lovely garden. We try to tailor our repertoire to the event so we hope you enjoy some old and some new tunes. We have welcomed a new full-time pianist to our group and this has made a big difference to how quickly we can get our lips and brains  around new songs. I often think it would be nice to have a drummer for some numbers so if you have the time or the talent do get in touch. Nigel Walsh continues to help us sound even more musical and is writing some more songs for us to sing so there is no standing still for us.  
 If you fancy joining us on a Monday evening in St Ida’s Church, call Jane on 276243 or e-mail [mjrotinoff@hotmail.com](mailto:mjrotinoff@hotmail.com)

IDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Summer term is always busy and exciting with lots going on. Class 3 have recently taken part in a residential trip to Dartmoor. For many it was their first experience of staying away from home. They spent a day walking with the Dartmoor rangers across the moor and learnt more about how the moor is managed and changes as a result of human and natural occurrences. A big learning curve was looking after themselves, helping with washing up, laying tables and of course a late night!

  We have also had an active focus week in school, making use of the new MUGA with inter house netball tournaments and a football competition. We have adopted the theme of the Olympics across the school this term and have been focusing on the Olympic and Paralympic values including respect, equality, friendship, courage and inspiration. Nearly 30 of our children have been training for the Great West Fun run and they successfully completed this over the bank holiday weekend. They were very proud of their medals and a number of parents also joined them. We seem to have a very energetic group of children, who enjoy sports and being active. Later this term our oldest children will be taking part in the Exe Valley Challenge - a walk across the city of Exeter of about 7 miles and the whole school keeps its fingers crossed that the weather will be good for our Olympic Themed Sports day in June! If you are passing the Cathedral you may like to pop in and see a Banner created by the children for the arrival of the Olympic Flame in the city.

**Tennis on the Multi Use Games Area**

The weather has prevented the children getting onto the field for break and lunchtimes this term and therefore has delayed us being able to put up the tennis net which needs to be left in situ once erected. We hope that once we get a continuous run of sunshine the net will go up and the community can hire the court for games. We will put a notice into the shop once the net is up to alert people that the tennis court is ready.

Sean Millar, Headteacher

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FIS (Friends of Ide School)

FIS look forward to welcoming you to their **Summer Fete: Friday 6th July** on the school field from 3.30pm til late. There will be a BBQ with meat supplied by West Town Farm, bouncy castle, lots of stalls (including cakes!), a raffle with some great prizes and of course the children will be dancing the Maypole.  Music and a fully licensed (cheap) bar will mean that there is something for everyone!  This an event for the whole village – all are welcome.  See you there!

Dawn Chapman