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Bea, Charlotte and Holly the dog, with Angelique's vegetables in the background.

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AUGUST 2020



We hope you are enjoying the sunshine, your gardens and perhaps trips to the beach or the moor - or maybe just relaxing like Orlando the cat! The weather has been kind to us and many are picking fruit and vegetables in their gardens. We may not be going on exotic holidays but we are lucky to live in a beautiful area of the country, with the sea close at hand. However, we must remember to be careful - you will need to wear a mask when going into the Community Shop or travelling on public transport, and social distancing is still necessary.

Articles for the September issue of the Ide Times should be sent to Ann Boyce by the 20th August - annboyce@talk21.com

Brenda Spivey (01392 275784)

USEFUL NUMBERS

Community Policeman: 101

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Congregational Church: Jackie Chadwick jacky.c@talktalk.net

M.P. Mel Stride: 02072 197037 melstride.mp@parliament.uk

Community Shop Opening Hours: (Tel. 410035)

Monday – Friday 8am – 12 noon and 3pm – 6.30pm

Saturdays 8am – 1pm

Sundays 9am - 12 noon

Post Office Opening Hours

Monday - Friday 9am - 11.45 am & 3pm - 5pm

Saturdays 9am - 12 noon



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

The Mobile Library will not be operating during the lockdown.

360 BUS TIMETABLE

Ide	7.51	10.01	12.39	14.34	
Exeter Bus Station	8.13	10.20	12.58	14.53	
Exeter Bus Station	8.35	11.15	13.15	16.15	17.55
Ide	8.53	11.33	13.28	16.33	18.13

The bus is still running but you must wear a mask and only a limited number of passengers can travel.

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

ldevillage.org.uk

The Children's Play Area by Ide Primary School was **re-opened** on 16 July 2020 for the first time since lockdown. New Covid-19 guidelines for using the play area equipment are posted outside and within in the play area, and on www.ldevillage.org.uk

The Parish Council continues to meet remotely in public using Skype. At our last meeting on 15 July 2020 we were delighted to co-opt Ben Ervine as a new parish councillor. There remains one vacancy on the council. Please contact the clerk or chair for more information should you wish to be considered.

The Greater Exeter Strategic Plan. A draft consultation paper was published in June containing proposed possible policies and site options for house building. Teignbridge District Council discussed the draft on 21 July. Full consultation is planned to start in September 2020. The draft document is available at www.gesp.org.uk. The plan deals with an extensive range of infrastructure, business, green and travel plan initiatives, as well as house building sites around Exeter. One of the possible sites includes part of Ide Parish: the Markham Lane site, ref SA-T-17 on page 120 of the document at appendix A. Covid-19 amendments are yet to be incorporated into the consultation document. Ide Parish Council will consider it in detail at its September 2020 meeting.

[The planning committee met remotely on Skype on 15 July 2020.](#)

New applications:

20/01020/FUL Maple House Old Ide Lane – Conversion and Extension of existing garage to form a granny annex: resubmission of an earlier application rejected due to interference with tree roots. Extension to be sited on opposite side of garage, away from tree. Committee voted to support.

20/01033/CLDE Rollsbridge Farm EX2 9SU Certificate of Lawfulness for the siting of 3 mobile homes for residential use: resubmission of an earlier application. Committee had no objections.

Decided applications

20/00203/FUL Cobbe House Station Road – Replacement of porch.

GRANTED

Next planning committee meeting: 16 September 2020 at 6.00pm remotely on Skype

Weir Meadow and the Northern Fields. The two planning applications for change of use to a recreation ground, and for construction of car parking and relocation of the cricket pavilion, are still under consideration with Teignbridge District Council. Final negotiations over the terms and conditions of a three year

option to purchase agreement with the Church Commissioners are well advanced. Securing this, along with obtaining planning permission, will allow us to go out to begin raising the funds to purchase the fields.

Pynes (Victorian) Orchard. The drought in early summer meant regular watering of the newly planted fruit tree saplings. We have left the meadow's grass to grow, mowing only the perimeter and two diagonal swathes as future paths. In autumn we will sow wild flower seeds. As for Weir Meadow, significant progress has been made in the last month with the Church Commissioners on the terms and conditions of the three year option to purchase agreement.

Balls Farm Road. Under a new **Covid-19 Temporary Traffic Restriction Scheme**, to encourage active transport by walking and cycling, the Parish Council applied in June to Devon County Council for funding and permission for temporary road bollards at the junction of Little Johns Cross Hill and **Balls Farm Road**. Physically blocking through passage along Balls Farm Road in this way is established Parish Council policy. The current traffic restrictions, in place for many years, are heavily flouted. They prohibit, but fail to prevent, vehicles and motorcycles turning into **Doctors Walk** between 7am and 9.30am Monday-Friday. And at other times, vehicles are restricted to Access Only. Devon Highways' CCTV evidence and police enforcement records demonstrate that hundreds of vehicles turn into Doctors Walk and drive along Balls Farm Road illegally every day. We wait to hear if our recent application for bollards is successful.

Post Box in Car Park. The black duct tape parceling of the post box in the car park at the top of High Street has been removed. The red letterbox is open and in full service again.

Fore Street parking. It's harvest time. Big combines, tractors and trailers are passing through the village at all times of the day. Please make sure you are parked close up to the curb, and leave space for agricultural vehicles to pass.

The next **Parish Council** meeting is on 16 September 2020 at 7.30pm in public on Skype. Members of the public may make representations to and follow, but not take part in, these meetings. Any resident wishing to speak or to follow the meeting on Skype should contact the Clerk or the Chair at least 24 hours before the meeting to set up a Skype connection as a guest.

Parish Council contact details:

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IDE COMMUNITY SHOP AND POST OFFICE

A Local Shop for Local People Stocking Local Produce

As you know your local shop is run by a local committee, staffed by local volunteers and the post office is run by local staff. But did you know that the shop's emphasis has always been to support local suppliers and producers as well. At the moment in the shop you can get all the following local products:

Ale – from Exeter

Apple Juice – Shillingford Abbot

Beef – from Dartmoor

Bread – from Kenn

Burgers – Beef & Pork – from Dartmoor & Kenniford

Chicken & Duck – from CREDITON/Chutneys – from Shillingford Abbot & Willand

Cider – from Sandford, CREDITON

Coffee & Tea – from Minehead/Cream – from Honiton

Eggs – Free Range & Free Range Organic – from Chagford & CREDITON

Elderflower Bubbly – from Buckfastleigh

Fresh Fish – from the sea – but via Gibson's Plaice in Exeter

Fruit & Vegetables – from local growers via Dart Fresh Produce at Topsham

Honey – from Longdown

Ice Cream – from Plympton

Sausages – from Clyst St Mary

Soaps – Handmade Soaps from Cheriton Bishop

Strawberries – from Ide

Yoghurt – from Honiton



We can order lines that you would specifically like from these suppliers if you do not see the product you require in the shop or need large quantities of any line.

Thank you to everyone who supported us so well at the height of the Covid 19 crisis and for your patience as we adapted and changed systems, and for queuing patiently. We would like to show our appreciation and also encourage you to keep on using the shop as things return to normal. So, during August every time you spend £5 in the shop you will be issued with a raffle ticket completely free of charge. At the end of August all the tickets will be put in a hat

and the winning one will win a basket of local produce. You will need to hold onto your tickets to know the number as we are not taking names and addresses with the tickets, just issuing the tickets.

Children we have not forgotten you. We have something for you to do in the school holidays. We would like you to pick one of the local items above and design a poster promoting it and where it comes from, that we can blow up and put on our blackboard outside the shop. All you need to do is select the local product you want to design a poster for and then draw it onto an A4 piece of white paper and drop it back to the shop with your name and contact details write on the back. If you need some paper, please call in the shop to collect some. Over the next few months we are going to try and blow up and display on the blackboard as many of the posters as we can. Of course, there will be a little thank you gift for everyone who enters. All entries need to be handed into the shop by the 31 August.

The Post Office



The Post Office continues to be very busy as people still have to post things to people, they cannot get to see easily or who are still self-isolating. It is lovely how many 'nice' parcels are being sent to cheer people up and let them know they are being thought of.

We apologise if you have to wait a while sometimes for the post office whilst people carry out many transactions or the shop is busy, and we are limiting numbers to keep people safe at this time. There are times in the day when the post office is much quieter than others and if you are at home in the day and would like to avoid waiting it is better to visit earlier rather than later.

Although the Post Office is open until 5pm the postman collects at 4.50pm so often we are very busy then trying to get things ready for him, also people leaving work coming in then to catch the post. Also we like to treat our customers as individuals, not sausages coming out of a sausage machine, and we like to have a little chat if possible and when we are busy that is not always possible.

The banking side of the Post Office is also very popular and now a lot of people use us to pay money into their accounts and make withdrawals saving the trip and parking hassle of going to town and now, because of the virus, to avoid crowds of people.

Just a reminder that when you are bringing a letter or parcel to us for posting – you need to leave a big enough space for the stamps or label – the labels especially are quite large and require a bit of space and we struggle sometimes to fit them in. Saying that we love seeing the artwork and special designs that adorned a lot of the things we get to post for you – makes our day to see a bee or teddy bear picture smiling up at us! Also, we get a lot of customers expressing surprise that an item has to go at parcel rate when it fits through their own letterbox. The royal Mail have strict sizing and weight guides and all letterboxes are different sizes - so sorry just because it fits through your letter box does not mean it can go at letter rate.

Zetta King



KEEP IDE TIDY

Join us for a short and leisurely, socially-distanced stroll and litter pick around Ide and the locality on the second Sunday of the month starting 9th August 2020, meeting at 10am outside the Memorial Hall. Some litter pickers and Hi-Viz jackets will be provided but please bring your own if you have them, as well as gloves and some kind of bag (preferably not plastic but we know that's not always possible).

Cassa Tysoe

<https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/home>



IDE MEMORIAL HALL

It is now possible for some activities to take place in our Village Hall as long as we follow the Covid-19 guidelines. We are holding a Management Committee meeting within the next few days to carry out a Risk Assessment.

We plan to have a hand sanitiser at the entrance to the Hall and everyone will be required to use it when entering. All activities will need to be socially distanced and the person in charge will need to have details of those attending in order for the authorities to be able to track and trace everyone should someone become unwell. There should be as much ventilation as possible in the Hall and in some instances people will be required to leave via the Fire Exit to maintain social distancing.

At present Keep Fit are planning to start classes in August with just 5 people per session. Pilates classes are also hoping to start with 9 or 10 people per class. You may find that you will be required to book in advance. The Art Group have also booked the hall for an instruction class in August.

We are pleased that the Hall has been of use to the Community Shop during the last few months, but they are now able to keep all their stock in the shop and can manage without the use of the Hall.

If you would like to book the Hall please contact Carol Whitehart on 01392 213608. The cost is £8 per hour during the daytime and £10 per hour from 6pm.

B.Spivey

THE RETURN OF GRASS ROOTS CRICKET



Ide Cricket Club is back up and running (or in some cases limping) after the green light was given for recreational cricket to re start on 11th July.

We are having to play under new guidelines but, despite that, it is great to be back in action. The guidelines include limiting clubhouse access, regular sanitising and player distancing but also allow for spectators to attend (as long as social distancing is maintained and we keep a register). Despite most of the normal playing season having passed, there are a number of games remaining:

Wed 22 July 6pm v Teign Valley (Home)
Wed 29 July 6pm v Whimble (Away)
Fri 31 July 6pm v Exeter Athletic RFC (Home)
Tue 04 Aug 6pm v Bakers (Home)
Thu 06 Aug 6pm v Crediton Inn (Home)
Wed 12 Aug 6pm v Pinhoe (Away)
Tue 18 Aug 5.30pm v Tedburn (Home)
Fri 21 Aug 5.30pm v Alphington (Home)
Wed 26 Aug 5.30pm v Bakers (Home)
Wed 02 Sept 5.30pm v Devon Medics (Home)
Sun 06 Sept 1.30pm v Geriatrics (Away)

We always welcome new players and supporters from the village and are keen to continue to maintain and build the club for the future. If you'd like to be involved, play, or just enjoy a summer evening watching friendly village cricket - please come along to a home game and say hello.

IDE CC

IN MEMORY OF MARION AMES

A rowan tree was planted in The Hams in memory of Marion. She loved seeing the birds and it is hoped the birds will enjoy the berries on the tree.



THANK YOU.....

I would like to say a big thank you to all the lovely people of Ide who sent their kind regards after my close encounter with the garden path left me having to wear a cast on my arm for the next six weeks. I've had so many offers of help, if I took them all up I wouldn't have to lift a finger for three months! Ideites are very special people whether born and bred or newer arrivals.

Susanna Morgans

THANK YOU.....

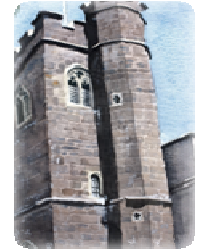
We would have been in Malawi now. It is a such a shame that we've missed out on such a life enhancing opportunity. Thank you all for supporting our fundraising by attending the Christmas Fair and Valentines Quiz. We have decided to donate the proceeds of these events to the St Peter's Malawi Education Trust.

Hamish Fraser and Elsie Cooke

SAINT IDA'S CHURCH

Services

2nd August	Trinity 8	9.30am	Holy Communion
9th August	Trinity 9	9.30am	Morning Praise
16th August	Trinity 10	9.30am	Holy Communion
23rd August	Trinity 11	8am	Holy Communion



We are pleased to say that Services have started taking place in Ide Church and we have already had a Morning Praise and a Communion Service, when we were able to receive the bread but not the wine. We were required to social distance and there was no singing (or coffee at the end) but it was good to get together for a Service and be able to talk to people face to face. We were not able to use the Service books but had the words printed on a sheet of paper which we took away with us. In all probability we shall need to wear face masks at future Services. It is hoped that we may be able to have organ music during some Services.

You may, however, prefer to join with Alphington for the 11am Service via Zoom or the St Michael's Alphington Facebook page. There is also a Wednesday evening Service at 7pm and daily prayers at 9am again via Zoom. If you would like the ID and password so that you can join any of these, please contact Mike Partridge on rev.mike.partridge@gmail.com or ring him on 01392 491476.

The Church is now open for private prayer on Thursdays from 10am to 4pm. Parts of the Church have been cordoned off but there are chairs at the front where people can sit for a time of prayer or reflection. There is hand sanitiser on the table at the entrance.

Baptisms (Christenings), Weddings & Banns of Marriage - If you wish to make any enquiries about these please email weddings@alphingtonstmichaels.org for weddings and banns of marriage at Ide; and christenings@alphingtonstmichaels.org for baptisms at Ide; or you can ring 01392 491476.

Mothers' Union Caroline Luff is still sending thoughts for the day to Sue Campbell, who is kindly forwarding them to Ide MU members. If you would like to receive them, please contact Sue on 01392 252703.

Toddlers (and babes in arms) - Like most other groups, Toddlers will not be meeting until the coronavirus problem has ended. Sue Campbell

THE IDE NIGHT SKY DURING LOCKDOWN

The summer of 2020 has been a great opportunity to get out and gaze at the night sky – the lack of planes and reduced pollution has meant much better visibility. Also, there have been lots of exciting space events this year:

Neowise Comet – comets are icy space rocks that orbit the sun. As they slip closer to the sun they heat up and start streaming a tail made of dust and gas. The Neowise Comet was only discovered on 27 March 2020. Neowise is 3 miles in diameter (which is roughly the distance from Ide to Haldon Forest). It reached its closest point to the Earth on Wednesday 23 July. At that point, it was a mere 64 million miles away. If you missed it, don't panic - it will be back in the inner Solar System in about 6,800 years.



Starlink is a satellite system being constructed by SpaceX to provide internet access. Starlink will consist of 42,000 small satellites in low orbit (340 miles high) beaming the internet to the Earth's surface. Starlink is aiming to provide global internet coverage by 2021. For several days after each wave of satellites is launched, you can see a train of lights moving across the night sky. They are often programmed to blink or flash messages. The next set of satellites is due to be launched in late summer 2020.

International Space Station - the ISS can easily be spotted with the naked eye. Because of its size (110m x 100m), it reflects a large amount of sunlight. The space station is visible because it reflects the light of the Sun (the same reason we can see the Moon). However, unlike the Moon, the space station is not bright enough to see during the day. It can only be seen at dawn or dusk. Sighting opportunities range from once a month to several times a week. The space station looks like an airplane or a very bright star moving quickly across the sky. The ISS circles the Earth every 90 minutes.

Perseids - the Perseid meteor shower is active between 17 July and 24 August, with the number of meteors increasing every night until it reaches a peak in mid-August. This year the peak falls on the night of the 12th and before dawn on 13 August. You might see up to 50 meteors an hour at the shower's peak.



This new Facebook group was set up to celebrate the Wildlife and Nature on the doorsteps of the wonderful village of Ide. The idea is that people can share sightings, help with identification of insects, plants, birds and mammals, and empower Ide residents to work together to increase biodiversity and allow nature to thrive. We'd also really like to hear of ways kids can spot and enjoy the nature that is right in front of them. So please join this group if you love Nature in Ide, if you want to share photos of even the tiniest bugs or stunning dandelion. Note: Please keep posts specific to Ide and the surrounding parishes, thanks.

**Ever wanted to improve your knowledge of animal and plant names?
Perhaps this group can help.**

Someone came up with this idea....if you post a photo of something

- and you know for certain what it is called please add that to your post
- if you think you know what it is but aren't quite sure put name followed by a question mark
- if you haven't a clue just put a question mark

Then maybe those who either know the name or are happy to look it up (maybe children or adults looking for something to do) can then add the name as a comment.



If you would like to be involved but don't do Facebook, Ide Times will be happy to include your pictures.

JUBILEE CLUB

As I write this we should be planning to meet at Marge and John,'s for a quiz and lots of delicious goodies for tea next Monday, well dream on!

I have had several tentative inquiries as to when it will be possible to meet. Much as I would love to make definite plans to do so, the obstacles are I fear too many just now. However as soon as we feel it is safe to do so, arrangements will be made. July is a busy month for birthdays and Madie Smith and David Lovell both celebrated their 90th on July 6th.

Meanwhile we venture forth with caution, I think many of us find our confidence to do so is a bit fragile, but with the support of friends and family forward we will go.

Take care , don't hesitate to ring any of the helpers should you want a chat.
Jean Hoskin

IDE COMMUNITY SHOP **CHILDREN'S DESIGN A POSTER COMPETITION**

Children would you like to see a picture you have drawn and coloured blown up really big and put on the blackboard outside of the shop? Well now is your chance for it to happen. All you need to do is look at the shop's article in this magazine (page 4) and see all the local suppliers and produce that they supply - then draw a picture and design a poster telling everyone about it. Put your name and address on the back and hand it in at the shop. (You can collect some A4 white paper from the shop if you don't have any.)

There will of course be a small prize for everyone who designs a poster. We look forward to seeing all the wonderful pictures very soon.

IDE COMMUNITY SHOP **WIN A BASKET OF LOCAL PRODUCE**

Would you like the chance to win a basket of local produce of lines that are for sell in the shop?

During August every time you spend £5 in the shop you will be issued with a raffle ticket. All you need to do is hold on to the raffle ticket to the end of August when the winning ticket will be pulled from the hat. You will need to hold onto your tickets as we WILL NOT be writing names and addresses on the ticket stubs. So you will need your ticket to check the number and claim the prize if yours is the winning number drawn. The more times you come into the shop and spend £5 the higher your chance of winning! Good Luck.

MY GOODNESS - IT'S FLOWERED!



I've had this cactus about 15 years, it flowered for the first time this year but the flower only lasted two days.

The white flower was on my swiss cheese plant - *Monstera Deliciosa* for those that like Latin. I've had it 45 years and it also flowered for the first time this year. Apparently the fruit (the skinny looking pineapple in the picture) is edible, takes a year to ripen and tastes delicious, but the texture is described as slimy and fibrous! Not sure I'm too keen to try it when the time comes.



The cactus flower was about 6 inches across and the one on the cheese plant about 6 inches x 8 inches.

Susanna Morgans

LETTER BOX

The letter box in the car park at the top of the village is now in use again. As you can see, all the tape has been removed at it is now being emptied by the postman.

Thanks to the persistence of Ide Parish Council, the Post Office realised it was easier to fit it than keep making excuses! A number of people at the top of the village will be very pleased to have it back in operation - so 'thank you Parish Council'.



SEASONAL FRUIT AND VEG.

What springs to mind when I say the word 'beetroot'? If this conjures up an image of a jar of delicious slices of pickled purple loveliness all well and good, but we were fortunate to harvest our first beetroots this week and they are not going anywhere near a pot of pickle just yet! Boiling for pickling or chutney is a great way to store them for later but I think that fresh roots are really show-cased when roasted in a tin-foil parcel with olive oil, thyme, garlic and seasoning then served in a warm salad with puy lentils, crunchy walnuts and salty feta cheese.

Seasonal fruit and veg for August include:

Aubergine, Beetroot, Blackberries, Blackcurrants, Broad Beans, Broccoli, Carrots, Cauliflower, Cherries, Chicory, Chillies, Courgettes, Cucumber, Damsons, Fennel, French Beans, Garlic, Greengages, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Lettuce, Loganberries, Mangetout, Marrow, Mushrooms, Parsnips, Peas, Peppers, Potatoes, Plums, Pumpkin, Radishes, Raspberries, Redcurrants, Rhubarb, Rocket, Runner Beans, Samphire, Sorrel, Spring Greens, Spring Onions, Strawberries, Summer Squash, Sweetcorn, Swiss Chard, Tomatoes, Watercress.

(list courtesy of The Vegetarian Society www.vegsoc.org)

Cassa Tysoe

The Chicken Hotel at West Town Farm
(see page 16)



**PILATES CLASSES STARTING AGAIN FROM SEPTEMBER
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AND FRIDAY MORNINGS
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT ME**

The arrangements under the COVID19 mean that no casual drop-ins are permitted, all classes must be pre-booked in a 6/7 week block

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Dog Walking, Washing Cars, Mowing Lawns, Odd Jobs

Hi, I'm Josh I'm 13 and I live in The Hams, Ide.

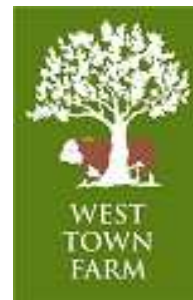
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To find out more please email my mum at
mynameisfiona@hotmail.co.uk

WEST TOWN FARM NEWS



We've been busy with new animals on the farm. We now have 30 rescue battery chickens. They look pretty awful and it was sad seeing them in such a state. Where are the welfare standards? Hopefully in a couple of weeks their feathers will have grown back and the girls will be looking like chickens again. It's obvious that they have never had so much space to roam around in. It was so lovely to see. Their chicken hutch is something to behold. It's been made out of an old pig arc and looks like a chicken hotel! (see page 15)

We also have 4 new pigs (Oxford sandy and blacks breed). These pigs have caused havoc but they are so cute it really doesn't matter. A large section of the orchard has been fenced off for them, but this seemingly isn't big enough for *these* pigs! They want the whole orchard. They also seem to be immune to the electric fence and can be seen squealing for joy whilst running around the orchard, eating falling apples, grazing on the grass and then collapsing into a worn out piggy pile. They are really friendly and like to follow you around. It's safe to say they are pretty special and a welcome addition to our farm family.

Our 'woofer', Bonnie, arrived with us 3 days before the national lockdown. She self isolated for 14 days in our Shepherds hut and was with us throughout. She left us on 17th July. What a few months we all experienced together, working in our very small bubble. We will miss her greatly and are so happy she was with us during the lockdown period. Bonnie looked after the pigs, tended to the pumpkins and kept us all sane!

The Shepherds hut is busy with bookings, which is great. Guests have all commented on how peaceful and beautiful the surroundings are. Many of our guests have not had access to nature for the past few months, so it really must be a treat. Funny what we take for granted down here in Devon.

Once again, we've had rubbish and fires (!!!) in our fields. If you see people gathering in our fields please feel free to drop into the farm or give us a call to let us know. Fires are particularly dangerous during the Summer months.

We will have fresh meat (Beef) between 19th-21st August. You can order a meat box directly from our website which we can deliver to your door.

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