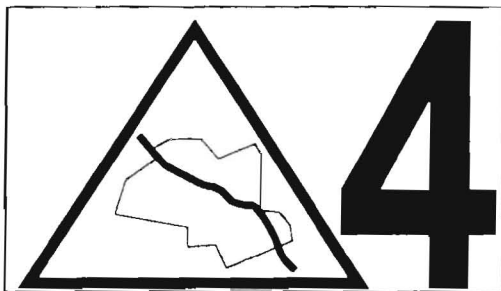

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ROAD IMPROVEMENT WORK.

SITE OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS

A mobile telephone 'hotline' has been set up from Monday the 17th of July to enable residents to contact an on-site liaison officer should issues arise during the road improvement works. The number is 07966 895618.

Please note that this number is for specific/urgent enquiries about work taking place.

General/non-urgent enquiries should contact the Highways Agency Information Line on 08457 504030 or email customercare@area2.interroutejv.co.uk

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From the Office

Please would all users ensure that members of their group are aware of access times so that early arrival or late departure does not compromise other activities or the caretaker's off duty times.

At the beginning of the new season it seems an opportune time to ensure that we have an up to date plan of the room layouts that your meeting requires – some plans have been in use for a long time and membership or activity changes might have given rise to the need for new layouts.

We have accumulated quite a lot of lost property over the last year ranging from house keys through sandwich boxes to ballet shoes! At the end of August these items will be disposed of. Please contact the office if you think we have some of your property.

Hall Activities

If you have cause to use stacking chairs from the trolleys in the main building, please ensure that no more than seven chairs are stacked on each bracket and be aware of the notice on the frames of the trolleys.

There is no major decorating exercise this year but a sprucing up of various areas in greatest need. We also hope to do a "spring cleaning" blitz on places that cannot be included in the routine cleaning pattern. Therefore, on Thursday 8 August we invite you to come and lend a hand cleaning on hands and knees, up step ladders, or any where else you can identify a need. If you can bring a vacuum cleaner and other suitable implements such as buckets, that would be appreciated. Other materials will be supplied. Please make a note in your diary. Times are from 9.00 am to 12.30pm.

A clause in our conditions of hire encourages all users of the premises to show consideration to our neighbours but, of course, only the person signing the booking form will have read that sentence and for many that will have been a long time ago. May we please remind all visitors to show due consideration for the local residents by leaving the premises quietly at all times and especially late at night. Roadside parking should be used only when all car park spaces are full. In fact why not be a "green" Saltford resident and walk to the hall, particularly when large numbers may be expected. May we also respectfully request parents to prevent their children from playing on the forecourt or under the canopy of the main entrance when activities are taking place within as this does cause

considerable disturbance from time to time. Thank you all for your cooperation.

David Roberts

Other News

Extracts from:-



We have been asked by the Communications Officer for InterRoute Area 2 to include the following information in this edition of SCAN. If you would like an electronic copy of InterRoute's regular newsletters please e-mail communications@area2.interroutejv.co.uk

Take Care! Safety during roadworks

Construction sites have a high number of hazards, please be careful around areas of working and follow some basic safety advice:

Drivers:

- Always follow instructions given by traffic management, signage or site personnel.
- Do not speed through roadworks.
- Do not try to 'run' temporary traffic lights.
- Construction traffic may be exiting in the middle of the works while lights are at red.

Pedestrians & cyclists:

- Be aware of construction traffic using a 'closed' road - always follow the 'green cross code'.
- Fresh tarmac is extremely hot - keep well away from newly laid surfaces.

Have you received your permit?

All residents and businesses within Saltford are eligible for access 'permits' which provide priority access through the control gatehouses at each end of the works**. Each household should have received their permits by now, but if you haven't had yours you can still obtain them directly from the site office in Saltford.

** We have been informed that residents of Saltford have been offered 'forged' permits. Please note that residents' permits are available for free from the site office, but these should not be passed on to non-residents. Through-traffic attempting to abuse the system by driving through the works will cause congestion and increase delays.

Saltford Stars Junior Football Club



After a restful summer, thoughts are now clearly focused on a new season. Most teams will begin their training in August. Hopefully, the new season will be as enjoyable and successful as the last one.

Congratulations must go to last season's under 13s who won the Leslie Hodge Trophy for sportsmanship from the Avon Youth League. Well done.

Registration for the season will take place shortly. If you want to know more about the club or have a son or daughter who would like to play, give Jane George a call on 01225 341964.

Dial - a - Ride

Good news! The present Monday only service is to be expanded from late September or early October to at least 4 days a week for Saltford residents. Dial-a-Ride is a door to door service for anyone who cannot use public transport. It can be used for journeys within Saltford, Keynsham and nearby village areas.

For further information, contact Chris Bunton (Co-ordinator) after 11 am on weekday mornings on 01225 395321

Saltford Brass Mill.

Several groups have already visited the Mill this season and now we look forward to the Open Day on Saturday 12 August 11am - 3 pm. During the Heritage Weekend the Mill will be open on Friday and Saturday 8 and 9 September 10 am - 4 pm. Volunteers are urgently needed to help with visitors so if you feel this is for you, please contact the Secretary on 0117 986 2216

Lions Club of Keynsham

The club has been very active in the past few months.

Some of the major fund raising events we have organised are:

- Race Night and Supper at British Legion
- Jazz Night at Fry Club
- Easter Eggs and Bunnies (chocolate)
- Duck Race at Keynsham Music Festival.

With local support we have been able to make donations to the following:

- St Francis Church Pre-School Group
- Keynsham Baptist Church Toddlers Group
- Keynsham Seals
- TACADE (Drug Education in Schools)
- Bristol Disabled Peoples Help Society
- Marie Curie (Bristol) Trust

These are just an example of the organisations helped with the generous support of local people.

We are embarking on a major project and have promised £4000 over 2 years towards Campaign Site First (eradication of preventable blindness in the third world).

Lion Peter Dando

Keynsham and Saltford Local History Society.

The Autumn programme begins with an illustrated talk by Peter Davey about the Clifton Rocks Railway. The meeting starts at 7.30 pm on Monday September 18th in the Fear Institute Keynsham.

Saltford Ladies Keep Fit Class

Staying physically and mentally fit has enormous benefits for our health, well-being and ultimately, our quality of life and freedom of choice.

Regular moderate exercise is the key to preventing most of the major health problems which many people are now experiencing – conditions like obesity, high blood pressure, circulation problems, diabetes, arthritis, osteoporosis, back pain – the list seems endless.

Our class at Saltford Hall uses a wide range of "movement to music". A choice of movements allows people of different ages, abilities and levels of experience to benefit fully from each session. There is no floor work or high impact movements. Class members are mainly 50 plus and retired.

Above all, our classes are a meeting of friends enjoying improving their health in a happy, non-competitive environment. Many are from Saltford so why not come and join us. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Classes begin in the Main Hall of Saltford Hall on Thursday 21 September. They run from 10 am – 11.30 am and cost £4.50 per session (plus a one off enrolment fee of £5). For further details, phone Aileen Burgess on 0117 949 1346.



Girlguiding

Saltford

2006 is proving to be a very active and successful year for GirlGuiding Saltford. By the end of this year most of our Guides and Brownies will have had the chance to go away with their groups – surely the biggest adventure of all!! We have also just recruited 4 new guiders, which is brilliant news and means we can continue the good work and give these opportunities to the girls of Saltford. Our thanks go to those people who have volunteered.

20 Brownies had a 'Sleepover' in our Hall in May, which was great fun. The best bit for some of our youngest members was staying up until midnight – a big thing when you're only 7! 18 more Brownies joined with over 100 others for a camp at Chelwood in June. They had a fantastic weekend doing a range of activities on a Disney theme. 18 other girls from Saltford joined them just for the day and also had a wonderful time.

4 Saltford Guides and 1 leader are off on the 'trip of a lifetime' for an International Camp in Sweden at the end of July. They are part of a group of 30 from the old 'Wansdyke' area and will be camping for a week on an island owned by the Swedish Scouts in the Stockholm Archipelago. They then have 3 days in Stockholm for sight-seeing and shopping before flying home. I'm sure they will have a fantastic time. 18 more Guides and their leaders are going away in November for an Activity weekend.

However, it's not all about going away. Our girls have had great fun nearer to home too, visiting the fire station, learning circus skills, going for walks, playing netball and rounders, enjoying campfires and barbeques, to name just a few. We have had a very busy summer!

The good news for any girl wanting to join is that we have spaces for September in both our Tuesday and Thursday night brownie packs providing she is aged 7 or over. There is also a Rainbow unit for 5 – 7 year old girls, although we have a waiting list for this. However, we try and get all girls into Rainbows by the time they are 6, so they have at least one year before moving to Brownies.

Further information or to register names on the waiting list, please contact Kate Moore (01225 872213)

**THE CROWN, SALT FORD –
HOUSE SKITTLES LEAGUE
WANTED - SKITTLES PLAYERS**

The League is looking for new players, male or female, to come and join us at The Crown for a friendly and sociable game of skittles for the winter season, commencing 11 September 2006.

If you would like to play, please contact Alvin, the Landlord and Chairman of the League on 01225 872117, or call in to see him as soon as possible.

For those of you "sticking up" last season, and who would like to "stick up" again next season, please contact Alvin to let him know that you are still interested.

Alan Dummott - Secretary

**A Big Thank You from More-2-Life
– The Steve Charles Trust**

The More-2-Life Trust was set up in early 2005 primarily to help Saltford resident Steve Charles. Steve suffered a double brain haemorrhage two years ago while celebrating his 40th birthday hillwalking in the Lake District. A family man with two young children, Steve is now severely physically disabled and wheelchair dependent. More2Life, aims to help Steve, and ultimately other young physically disabled people in similar circumstances to realise their potential.

On Friday, 7 July the Trust held a fund raising evening at the Saltford Sailing Club in Mead Lane. Not only was this to welcome Steve home after three and a half years in hospital, but also to raise funds to help towards the cost of a new wheelchair. With a hundred people in attendance (most were from the Saltford area), the event was a huge success.

The evening kicked off with a wonderful buffet, moved onto a rather challenging quiz, and was then followed by an auction and a raffle. The generosity of individuals and businesses in supporting this event has been truly astounding. Many have donated things for the raffle, auction, buffet or bar, while others have given their valuable time to help organise the event, prepare food etc. Those who were at the Sailing Club on Friday, will know exactly what we mean. The community spirit that is so prevalent in Saltford was raised to a new level as friends and neighbours got together in a massive team effort to make the event such a success. The atmosphere was very special indeed, with everyone enjoying themselves – particularly Steve himself who was smiling so much at one point we thought he was going to burst!

Articles about Steve and the Trust in the Bath Chronicle and the Bristol Evening Post certainly raised the profile of the event, but also led to

significant donations from individuals some of whom did not know Steve directly, but were simply touched by his bravery. At the time of writing, we are incredibly pleased to report that the Trust has raised over £6,000 from this event. This is a superb result and testament to all the hard work and generosity of so many people. Businesses in the Saltford area have been unanimous in giving us such valuable support. We would like to take this opportunity to extend a massive thank you, not just to them, but to everyone who has supported this event. We are truly grateful to all of you - without you we simply could not have done it!

Sue Whitbread : Trustee More2Life



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MONTHLY ACTIVITIES AT SALTFOORD HALL (See notes at top of Weekly Table)

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| First Monday (usually) | 10.00 am | Beading Course | Wansdyke |
| Second Monday | 7.30pm | Saltford Quilters | Somerset |
| Second Monday | 7.00pm | Avon Valley Art Society | Wansdyke |
| First Tuesday | 9.30am | Saltford Ladies Gardening Club | Wansdyke |
| Second Tuesday | 7.30pm | Saltford Evening W.I. | Avon |
| Third Tuesday | 2.00pm | Saltford Women's Institute | Avon |
| Fourth Tuesday | 2.00pm | Saltford Floral Club | Hall |
| First Wednesday | 9.00am | Japanese Embroidery | Wansdyke |
| Second Wednesday – (bi monthly) | 2.00pm | Inner Wheel Club of Keynsham | Wansdyke |
| Second Wednesday | 7.00 pm | British Sugarcraft Guild | Wansdyke |
| Second Thursday | 9.45am | Saltford Morning TW Guild | Wansdyke |
| Second Thursday | 2.00pm | Child Health Clinic (Baby Clinic) | Avon |
| Second Thursday | 8.00pm | Book Discussion Club | Kelston |
| Second Friday | 7.30pm | Keynsham & Saltford Wine Circle | Avon |
| First Saturday | 7.30pm | Saltford Sequence & O.T. Dance Club | Hall |
| Third Saturday | 10.00 am | Lace-making class | Kelston |
| Fourth Saturday | 2.30 pm | Historical Model Railway Society | Wansdyke |

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| Every day - Mon to Fri | 9.15am | Saltford Busy Bees Pre-school | Avon |
| Mondays | 10.00am | Art Class | Somerset |
| | 1.30pm | Saltford Short Mat Bowls Club | Hall |
| | 1.45 pm | Rhyme-time Music & Movement Class | Somerset |
| | 2.00pm | Whist Club | Avon |
| | 5.00pm | Dancing Classes | Hall |
| | 7.30pm | Saltford Scrabble Club | Kelston |
| (in season) | 7.30pm | Saltford Drama Club | Avon |
| | 8.00pm | Saltford Badminton Club | Hall |
| Tuesdays | 9.45am | Patchwork | Somerset |
| | 10.00am | Ladies Badminton | Hall |
| | 10.00am | Art Class | Kelston |
| (1st & 3rd only) | 7.00pm | Saltford Parish Council | Avon |
| | 7.30pm | Avon Badminton Club | Hall |
| | 7.30pm | Saltford Village Choir | Wansdyke |
| Wednesdays | 9.30am | Rhyme-Time Music & Movement Class | Somerset |
| | 9.45am | Wednesday Morning Badminton Group | Hall |
| | 1.30pm | Saltford Short Mat Bowls Club | Hall |
| | 3.30pm | Keyford Dancing School | Somerset |
| | 7.30pm | Saltford Sequence & Old Time Dance Club | Hall |
| Thursdays | 10.00am | Keep Fit Class | Hall |
| | 9.30am | Rhyme-Time Music & Movement Class | Somerset |
| | 1.30 pm | Sportsvan | Hall |
| | 2.00pm | Painting for Pleasure Club | Somerset |
| | 6.15 pm | Weight Watchers | Wansdyke |
| From 7 September | 5.45 pm | Pilates Class | Somerset |
| | 8.00pm | Saltford Badminton Club | Hall |
| Fridays | 10.00am | Saltford Wind Band | Somerset |
| (some) | 1.30pm | Saltford Short Mat Bowls Club | Hall |
| | 6.30pm | Saltford Short Mat Bowls Club Night | Hall |
| | 6.30 pm | Saltford Shu-Ko-Kai Club (Martial Arts) | Wansdyke |
| (some) | 7.30pm | Saltford Drama Club | Avon/Hall |
| Saturdays | 10.00am | Insh Dancing Class | Avon |

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SELECTED EVENTS IN AUGUST 2006

The calendar highlights a selection of events taking place. It should be noted that these are not all public meetings - please check with the organisers. Times given are booking times - events may start later & are not all open to the public

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Thursday 10th | Management Committee | Avon | 7.30 pm |
| Friday 11th | K & S Wine Circle Summer Dance | Hall | 6.00 pm |
| Monday 14th | Bath Guild of Embroiderers | Wansdyke | 9.30 am |
| Monday 21st | Dance Factory Summer Workshop | Hall | 10.00 |
| Tuesday 22 nd | Dance Factory | Hall | 10.00 |
| Wednesday 23 rd | Dance Factory | Hall | 10.00 |
| Thursday 24 th | Dance Factory | Hall | 10.00 |
| Friday 25th | Dance Factory | Hall | 10.00 |

SELECTED EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER 2006

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Saturday 9th | Saltford Short Mat Bowls Tournament | Hall | 9.00 am |
| Wednesday 20th | Bath Guild of Embroiderers | Wansdyke | 9.30 am |
| Friday 22 nd | N.A.F.A.S teachers (SWA) | Hall | 9.00 am |
| Friday 29th | Wind Band Workshop | Hall | 9.30 am |
| Saturday 30th | Stamp & Postcard Fair | Hall | 9.00 am |
| Saturday 30th | Lions Club of Keynsham Quiz Night | Hall | 7.00 pm |

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SALTFORD PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Rubbish Collections

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Fly-tipping

There has been an increase in fly-tipping recently and B&NES are targeting Keynsham and Saltford with covert cameras to catch offenders. Householders should be aware that under the 'Duty of Care Regulations' you are responsible for ensuring that whoever takes your waste away is a registered carrier. Those trades that may need to be registered include builders, carpet fitters, gardeners and tree surgeons. If you do not take reasonable steps, you are liable for a fine if your waste is illegally tipped together with the fly-tipper. Ask for their registration certificate or contact Environment Agency Tel 08708 506506 If you want to report fly-tipping phone Action Line 01225 394041

Recycling

Did you know?

- Every UK citizen uses the equivalent of 240 steel cans a year
- Only around 10% of the steel food cans used in B&NES are currently recycled
- If all the aluminium cans in the UK were recycled there would be 14 million fewer dustbins each year
- The energy it takes to make one new aluminium can is enough to make 20 recycled ones
- Recycling aluminium foil saves around 95% of the energy used to make foil from raw materials
- Aluminium can be recycled again and again without any significant loss of quality
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| Keynsham & District Ladies Circle | Mrs J Kelly | 01225 872239 |
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| Keynsham & District Tangent Club | Mrs E Evans | 01225 873296 |
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Saltford Sports & Social Club

Now that the Football World Cup is over (we offer our commiserations to the England team) and with the cricket season ending/new football season fast approaching, its time to look to the future. Our AGM took place recently and the committee were re-elected en bloc. The chair, in her annual report, thanked all the volunteers for their staffing of the bar and also those who built the disabled entrance and the new patio, both of which are now fully operational. Many thanks to them all. The treasurer's report noted that the club was going in the right direction. Thanks to the great support given to England's matches on the wide screen, plus the excellent weather, we have been very successful recently.

Looking ahead we would like to give notice that on **August Bank Holiday Monday 28 August** we are **resuming the Village Fete and Cricket Festival in aid of Muscular Dystrophy and local charities.** With the A4 closed, why not give us a visit? Anyone interested in assisting on stalls etc, please contact Sharon Osmond on 0776 5466233 or the Club on 873725.

Any assistance would be most appreciated. Thank you in anticipation.

Looking further ahead we hope to start our House Skittles League and would invite local organisations to enter a team of eight players. Matches start at 8 pm and usually last 1 – 2 hours. Contact as above.



Saltford Badminton Club

Our new season starts on **Monday 11 September.** We have 2 or 3 vacancies for males or females (not beginners). We play at Saltford Hall on Monday and Thursday evenings from 8-00 to 10-30. It is not necessary to play on both nights.

If you are interested, please contact Richard Street (873516) or Sheila Bigwood (401975)

Saltford Townswomen's Guild

As the booked speaker for May was unable to give her talk, Peggy Scott made a welcome return. She entertained the Guild with more accounts of her career as a singer and entertainer. Once again she kept her audience amused with many tales of her encounters which took place during her time on the stage. She finished on a musical note with a few of her songs.

In a different vein, the June speaker related scenes from his book "No Thankful Village". Chris Howell's book chronicled events that occurred during the Great War, in the villages of Midsomer Norton and Radstock. These were tales of ordinary people whose lives were changed by the horrifying years between 1914 -1918.

In July the summer trip is to Evesham and in August Mr. Hooper's talk is entitled "TV Tales". Visitors will be very welcome.

Saltford Evening W.I.

The charity R.I.C.E. was virtually unknown to most of the members present at our June meeting but Tricia Mogridge of that organisation explained, in her talk, that it represented Research Institute for the Care of the Elderly. Her talk was both lucid and helpful to members to know what help and support is available for people with failing memories.

Such a contrast to the July meeting. When her responsibilities to her mother ended, Audrey Mitchell, a pensioner, decided to go backpacking in Thailand. Her various adventures were told with humour and aplomb and made the audience listen with admiration for her adaptability and courage.

A report on the AGM at Cardiff prepared by Joyce Evans was read. Members were reminded of blanket testing on 14 August at WI House, Station Road, Keynsham. Please phone for an appointment.

Dates for your diary

8 August – Wine and Cheese Social Evening at 6.30 pm in members garden. Raffle and Bring and Buy.

10 August - Walk. Meet at 10.15 in the car park of the Blathwayt Arms, Lansdown.

Next Meeting

12th September – 7.30 in the Avon Room, Saltford Hall. Speaker – Mike Rolandon "My first love...Clifton Suspension Bridge"



Keynsham & Saltford District Wine Circle

Our May meeting brought a change of programme, with Alan Dummott relating his experiences of a Wine Tasting trip "Around the Alps". He had visited Germany, Austria, Hungary, Italy and France, tasting 168 different wines along the way. Unfortunately members only had five different wines to taste and appreciate on this occasion, (one from each country).

The fruits of our weekend trip to Ostend and Bruges were sampled in June when Peter Coombs gave a talk and tasting of Belgian Beer. They ranged from light beers with 5.0% ABV to heavy dark beers with a massive 10.5% ABV - a very interesting evening. This month was also a homemade white wine competition, with Percy Mellor judging. The winner was Betty Haynes, with David O'Neill and Sylvia Dando as runners up. Congratulations to them all.

We are now making final preparations for our Summer Soiree, Fancy Dress Dance with visiting Wine Circles (Gatekeepers permitting) and our Summer Outing.

If you would like any further information on Wine Circle activities, or would like to visit or join us, please contact Alan Dummott on 01225 873493



Keynsham Orchestra

This years' concert at the Keynsham Music Festival in the Memorial Park consisted of French and English classics in recognition of Keynsham's associations with Libourne. With an opening half of French compositions and the "continental" weather, several members of the audience chose to listen from outside the marquee.

Once again, there were some vocal works for soloist sung by the orchestra's viola player, Lisa McMaster. This, however, was her final performance with the orchestra. The service and support she has provided whilst a member will certainly be missed.

The English pieces commenced with an overture by Philip Lane and concluded by bringing the audience into the Promenade mood with some favourites from "the Last Night of the Proms".

Saltford Scrabble Club

The Scrabble Club has been meeting for 12 years. We are a mixed group who enjoy playing in a non-competitive way on a Monday evening in the Kelston Room at 7.30 pm. We now have a couple of vacancies and if you are interested, please ring 01225 873773 or just turn up. We are friendly and will give you a big welcome.

Other Organisations



ST MARY'S, SALT FORD

Mums and Toddlers is being held on Thursday 7th September from 10.30 a.m. until 12 noon in the Church hall.

Pram Service

Any pre-school children are most welcome. We meet on the third Friday, 15th September, at 10.30 a.m., starting in Church for a short service and then moving to the Church Hall until 12 noon.

SMFM (St. Mary's Fun Monthly)

This is a fun evening on 4th September for any junior aged children. We start with a game or activity, have refreshments and end with a Bible story or drama. This will be held in the Church Hall between 6.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. for any children aged 7 – 11.

Coffeeshop This is held weekly at the Wishbone Restaurant every Friday between 10.00 a.m. and 11.45 a.m. Anyone is welcome to drop in for a coffee and chat.

Youth Groups

Young peoples' group meet regularly at St. Mary's. Climbers and Scramblers (aged 3-7), Explorers (aged 7-11) and Pathfinders (aged 11-14) meet on the second, third and fourth Sundays from 9.30 a.m. until 10.40 a.m. in the Church Hall. CYFA, for 14-19 year olds, meets fortnightly on Thursday evenings from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. The evening includes a meal, a time to chat and socialise.

followed by Bible Study, a discussion group and prayers.

Revd Tim Bell is to be licensed as priest in charge of Wick, Doynton and Dyrham on 13th September. His last services here will be on Sunday 10th September.

Harvest Festival is on Sunday 1st October with a special 9.30 a.m. Family Service and Festival Evensong at 6.30 p.m.

Church Picnic

Join us at the Old Rectory at Newton on Sunday 3rd September from 12.30 – 3.00 pm.

Services

You are welcome to come to any of our services. We meet at the following times:

First Sunday

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Family Service
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

Second Sunday

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Family Communion
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

Third Sunday

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion
6.30 p.m. Evening Praise

Fourth Sunday

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion

If you would like further information on any of the above please contact the Rector, Rev. R. Hall, on 872275

KEYNSHAM LIGHT OPERA GROUP **"COURT IN THE ACT"**

Following the recent very successful production of "Carousel", Keynsham Light Opera Group (KLOGS) has devised a show which is certain to provide its wide audience a very enjoyable evening and appeal to all musical tastes.

"COURT IN THE ACT" is a totally original production where the rock of MEATLOAF (Bat out of Hell) and QUEEN (Don't Stop me Now) meets the gravitas of MOZART (Ave Verum) and GILBERT & SULLIVAN (Trial by Jury). The story centres on the motives of Edwin for joining a Choral Society, his romance, an aborted wedding, the Court Trial (for breach of promise of marriage), before the climax of a happy ending(naturally).

Performances will be from **Tuesday 17th to Saturday 21st October at Saltford Hall** commencing at 7.30 pm (Saturday matinee 2.30 pm) Tickets will be available early in September: £8 Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday matinee; £8.50 Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening; £5 concessions are available for OAPs and children under 16 on Tuesday evening and for the Saturday matinee.

Box Office – 0117 9863399 – or any member of the Society

We are always keen to welcome new members to the group. If you are interested in performing, or helping back stage, please contact Andy Davis 0117 9830489 or any member.

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