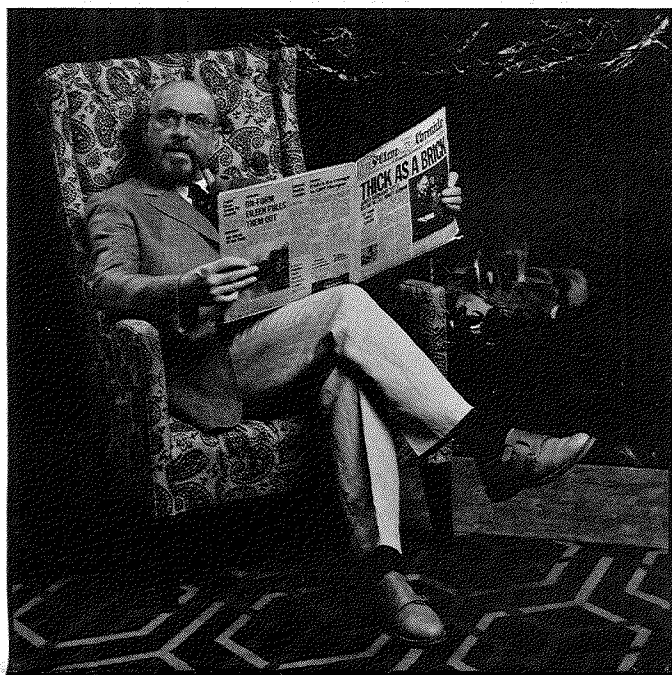


THICK AS A BRICK 2



INSIDE: Exclusive interview with Ian Anderson
 "If they don't like it, they'll quietly get out of their seats and take the subway home"
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CRIME BOFFIN MAKES MISCHIEF

NEIGHBOUR'S 'JOLLY JAPES' WITH DOLL MASSACRE LEAVE EX-COPPER FUMING

DR. Alfredo Cadoppi (51) had a little fun with his next door neighbour Tim Thorne, when he hid two 60cm Chinese dolls daubed in tomato ketchup in Thorne's garden shed. Ex-Met Inspector Thorne had "forty fits and another for luck," when he found them on Sunday morning.

"The jolly japes have got to stop," said the slightly miffed Tim to StCleve.com. "Alf was having a good laugh behind the Leylandii and I knew it was him right away. Last month he was digging at 2am in his garden, burying a large bulging sack. Does he think I'm daft? He's a good bloke but the Mad Professor thing is getting a bit much."

Cadoppi is renting The Glebe House, Linwell, for a sixth-month period of research into the Linwell Ripper, a sordid and, as yet unidentified, character of the 1880s who terrorised local women during the famine years of the Bollock-blight epidemic.

Fellow specialist in criminal law, Professor Alexander McTavish-Smith and

the good Doctor Alf have formed a close bond in recent years, and are planning to co-write a historical novel set in the grimy streets of Auld Reekie (Edinburgh, to the uninformed). The tentative title, StCleve.com learned, is "The Linwell Ripper Gangs Awa' Tae The North."

Via the M5, M6, A74(M) and the A702, nae doot.



Kiddies plough new furrows

CLUTTERBURY Gnomes and Garden Machinery Fair will opened by a "minor Royal" next month we are promised. Sandy Norden will bring a steam calliope and several vintage traction engines to the fair. Andrew J Lancome will provide several renovated agricultural tractors for children's rides and a three-furrow plough will be hitched to "Matilda", the 1954 little grey TEF-20 Ferguson, for demonstration ploughing on the neighbouring Old Copse Meadow. With a reconditioned 34 HP 2000 rpm Perkins P3 diesel and 12-volt electrics, it will pull up to 20 small children riding atop.

The exhibition will open at 9.30 am and hand-made garden gnomes may be purchased on a first-come, first-served basis from Mr Norden. Gnomes™ are painted to order in national colours of the Euro nations. They can be fishing gnomes, golfing gnomes, executive gnomes or casual, lounging gnomes engaged in no particular activity.

COLONIC IRRIGATION CENTRE

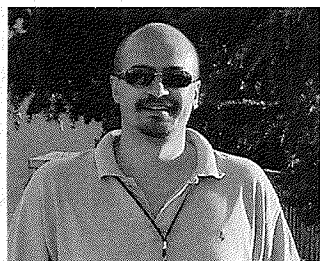
THE proposed application for conversion of the Old Dairy, Bruttock Manor, will have planning refused, StCleve.com learned last week. The drainage facilities on the site and the amended septic tank details were considered to be insufficient for the load imposed, said a member of the planning committee during an off-the-record conversation at the Dirty Duck public house.

London-based operators Open Hole Ltd had planned three upscale irrigation centres but has had two turned down in the Home Counties.

CEO Bunty Threadneedle insisted "the economic benefits to the area would trump any downside from the odd escaped doody".

Volvo barbecue

KEEN Mendip Hills walker, Aldo Taglia-Farro (49) has opened a Volvo dealership in the industrial estate, Linwell. Bringing the high-powered Volvo Electrocruse™ Hybrid with the add-on turbo pack, previously only supplied for the Italian market, he can arrange test drives from April 2nd and will be showing two new four-wheel drive models in the Clutterbury Waitrose car park the next Saturday.



He insists the new performance pack will soon be legal in the UK although it breaches current regulations for hybrid emissions. Roberto D. V. Leonardo, PR manager at Volvo Auto Italia, personally attended the opening of the new premises and helped paint interior murals depicting "The Last Picnic", which show a group of serious-looking gentlemen in flowing robes, gathered round a barbecue in front of a Volvo family estate. It has proved controversial.

SPIDER LURKS BELOW....

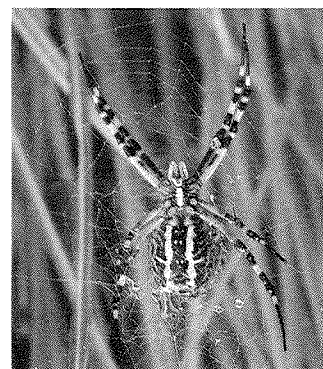
THE Bavarian Wasp Spider is now a fully resident non-indigenous species with a permanent and growing population in the Southwest of England. Believed to have been inadvertently imported in large numbers on fruit and vegetables from EU countries in the warm summers of 2006 and 2007, it was first spotted as long ago as 1922.

Since then, it has produced colonies of unwelcome 3cm-long pests, which usually survive our winters by laying eggs and lurking in the home - often in a drawer containing underwear.

Pheromones attract the male spider to the ladies' knicker nest and the unwitting human can get several painful bites, although these are not poisonous. Wasp Spiders can be deterred by placing a hot chilli - Bhut Jolokia is best - in the drawers. Yes - right in the drawers, but remember to remove be-

fore wearing. A Wasp Spider in the nethers is infinitely preferable to a Bhut Jolokia up the whoopsie.

Keen visitor to the Somerses Levels, Mendips and the Quantocks is German expert on spider habits and migration, Dr Ulf Doerner, of Munich, Bavaria. He recounts how he first encountered the fearsome



Arachnid. "When I was at Munchen University, I kept a modest sample of the underwear of my female student friends. I had a collection of more than 100. I could not understand why I kept getting a nasty rash around the ears. My thesis was titled Infestations of the Privates: A Study of the Bottom Drawer."

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How To Help The Aged

WE all must wonder, now and then, if things had turned out differently.

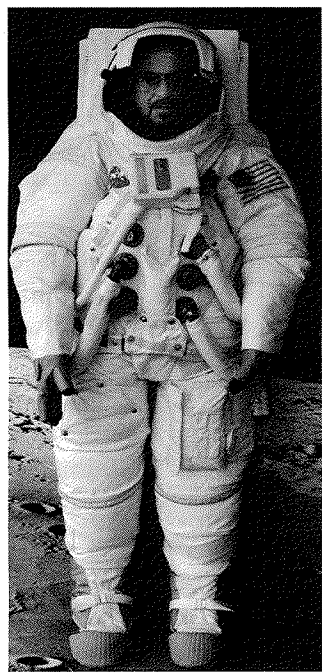
Might we have lived in contented calm with family and friends to support us in older age, or been thrust into the underbelly of isolation and neglect?

T. Parritt can advise families of the Three Parishes in bringing joy to the hearts of the elderly. Book readings, charades, iPad tuition and self-respect indoctrination are among the tools we bring to bear in the community. Self-cleaning underwear and youth hormone replacement therapy are additional options. Call Tarquin on 01312 667776 or email to T.Parritt@holdbackthe-years.co.uk.

And, in case there is even a hint of patronising or belittling attitude, we give constant reminders to all of our community partners and helpers under the age of 49, that the aged can teach us spring chickens a thing or three. Our senior community member, Lottie Pollock (89) has recently completed an Open University course in Photography and is hopeful of becoming a world-famous erotic nude photographer, as soon as she can save enough to purchase a Nikon D3x which is aimed at the most demanding professional photographer. It has 51 AF points and can shoot full resolution photos at a top speed of five frames per second. The body is made from a magnesium alloy and is resistant to moisture, dust and shock.

Katie Pickles-Coleman (92) saw an application for astronaut training in the North Somerset Gazette and Herald three years ago. After applying to NASA, the world's leader in space and aeronautics, they replied that they were always seeking out-

standing scientists, engineers, and other talented professionals to carry forward the great discovery process that its mission demands. They required creativity, ambition, teamwork and a sense of daring. Oh, yes – and a probing mind. That's what it took to join NASA, one of the best places to work in the Federal Government. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) had then, and has now, a need for Astronaut Candidates to support the International Space Station (ISS) Program and future deep space exploration activities. Trainee Astronaut Pickles is now receiving final health checks at the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan where a The Soyuz TMA-22 will shortly lift off on a five-month mission to the ISS. Taking with her only a toothbrush, decorative glass paperweight (useful in the weightless conditions of low earth orbit) several Jethro Tull CDs and a borrowed flute, she will be a part of a six-person international crew including Italian Special Forces veteran, Paulo Nescafé (31) who holds the Zero-G breakdancing record gained on a previous Shuttle mission. Our Katie has her sights set on the Mars manned mission planned for 2025. Commander Nescafé



quipped, "I don't know what they put in her Geritol, but I'm having some..."

Old-timer Ian Anderson (64 and 3/4) has embarked on a round-Britain mono-cycle race prior to his world tour performing in concerts with his pop group. His recent concerts in a deep, disused salt mine in Germany and at the High Groovers Disco and Rave Klub in La Paz, Bolivia show his age doesn't slow down the extent and breadth of his efforts. Anderson is a quiet contributor to a number of local causes and has organised the Pensioner Bell-ringer Troupe in their seasonal rounds of the village. Last Christmas, they raised over £15 for OPAHLE although one of the troupe was involved in a fracas when a council bin

containing rotting mackerel and other food detritus was thrown at bell-ringer (Bb and B), Dorothy Grime (86), who retaliated with a torrent of abuse and a well-aimed karate right foot. Speaking to StCleve.com after her release from the overnight cells at Flockingham Police HQ, she offered only, "No comment, scumbag," and punched our part-time reporter Nigel Leckie. She appears before Magistrates later this month on other charges of affray.

No Cruise Ship To The Colonies

A LARGE farewell picnic has been organised for the families of those currently waiting for the departure of the replica immigration ship to the Colonies.

Three-master and steam ship, S. S. Begone, is set to depart from Bristol docks in a re-enactment of the passage undertaken by thousands of English families following the Sheep-Bollock Blight and subsequent famine in the late 1800s. Authentic period food is set to be cooked in a barbecue supplied by a local Volvo dealership at the dockside and will include the rural delicacies, Tatties, Neeps and Nodules while Sponge Tripe, Gout Pie and Furticulated Weasel-haunch tid-bits are to be supplied by Morton Wood for the Dockside brunch. Ms D. Slibbert is contributing two medium size, 24" diameter pies containing a number of secret ingredients which she claims were eaten on board the original vessels to the New World.

US President O'Obama is celebrating his Irish roots with a welcome party for the "immigrants" on the White House lawn in a few weeks time. Many displaced Irish farming families were also on the "plague" ships of that time and underwent rigorous and intrusive inspections on the quayside in New York.

St Cleve recluse, Ian Anderson, recalls similar investigations in the early 1970s on his arrival at JFK when trousers were forcibly dropped and astonished immigration and FBI officials found... nothing at all. The large bulge (reminiscent of Derek Smalls' enthusiastic cucumber-reinforced protrusion in This Is Spinal Tap) proved to be nothing more than the accommodating double-seamed cut of Anderson's Wigmore Street fashion house pink stretch rock trousers. A wave of palpable disappointment filled Search-room No.1 at the airport Intrusive Search Facility. Matched only by the sense of palpable relief on the part (no pun intended) of Mr A.

The President will also welcome visitors from Baltic State countries including

a Latvian family of exotic folk entertainers who are all aboard the S. S. Begone to keep up morale over cocktails and Bungo. (Bungo is a traditional Italian party dance involving un-equal numbers of girls and older men, usually in a hot tub.) However, Bulger's modest sun deck swimming pool can be heated only with the addition of warm milk and malt whisky from the well-stocked bar. Ship's cat for the voyage will be the pretty black and white moggie Talisker, recent winner of the St Cleve Cat Show.

Quarantine requirements have been waived at the intervention of the President himself, provided there is full disclosure of a valid pet passport proving country of origin.

Family Swapping

AN initiative to try entire family swapping is meeting with some success in the Three Parishes. Following experiments in wife-swapping, grandparent-swapping was next on the agenda of culture-change but now the joys of taking on the whole of a new family are proving irresistible to some. Names went into a hat to pick some random matches of local families but Andrew J Lancome was heard to complain that "the whole bloody thing was rigged," when he repeatedly failed to find a new family to spend the Bank Holiday weekend with.

Lord Parritt himself has swapped his lovely third wife Griselda for a motley group of locals from Girtle's Farm consisting of Mrs Lottie Girtle, Grannie Girtle, twins Frobisher and Masie Girtle, two budgerigars, a partly-tame Llama and a Dwarf Gnu originally from the Masai Mara park in Kenya.

Griselda is having the long weekend at the cottage of Colin Girtle (59) who farms 94 acres of grassland on the edge of Linwell.

Aqua-lates At Cruddock Hall

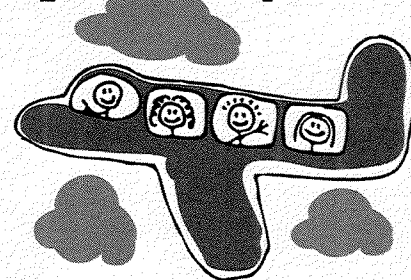
ALL the family are welcome at the Wednesday night Aqua-lates™ session held in the Cruddock Hall private heated pool.

The pool is thrown open to members of the De Groot Fitness Club for the Pilates-in-the-pool exercise regime. Mix health with relaxation and a good book. Waterproofed iPads are on loan and underwater smartphone calls may be taken provided they are used only in the roped-off quiet section of the pool. Requests for a Wet-Bungo night are being considered for Thursdays. Swimming attire optional.



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Exclusive interview!

ANDERSON SAYS: "IT'S NOT GOING TO BE IRON MAIDEN WITH A FLUTE!"

To celebrate *Thick As A Brick's* 40th anniversary, Jethro Tull supremo Ian Anderson has reimagined the original album's artwork for the modern age via website StCleve.com and schooled his current band in the lost art of playing a single, 40-minute piece of music in front of often bewildered crowds. Here he ponders the intricacies of the internet and the horrifying thought of being medically violated by a heavy metal legend... by *Dominic Lawson*

Was it a challenge to turn the St. Cleve Chronicle from a newspaper into a state-of-the-art website?

IA: "I had a rather good time, I must admit. It had to be right, though. My brief to the art designer

was to go to CNN.com, BBC.com and JethroTull.com and see how the professionals do it, because a webpage has got to load up super-fast. I don't want something that's detailed with moving graphics and you go through this long

process and then eventually there's a little flickering thing that says 'enter'. Oh, just fuck off! By that time you've got pissed off and decided to go somewhere else or check your Facebook page or something. It's got to be super-fast and

take you to the home page straight away. If you go JethroTull.com, it's bang and you're there.

But I didn't want to make StCleve.com too complicated or to look too slick or too professional or too deliberately amateurish, for that matter. In this day and age, if someone is running an online parish magazine there's quite a high possibility that the person doing that is a middle class commuter, perhaps retired, who may well have had a career in media and now lives in the Home Counties or a rural community. They'll have some expertise and understanding of graphics and layout and probably has a copy of Photoshop on their laptop computer. So you think of the social parallels and the professional resonance behind all of this and you've got to create something that's feasible and realistic, while at the same time still being a spoof."

You've said that performing *Thick As A Brick* in its entirety first time round elicited some degree of confusion among certain audiences. How do you feel about going out there and doing it all again?

IA: "I know from the past ten years of performing around the world with orchestras or string quartets or doing acoustic shows, as well as rock shows, that when I go out under the name Ian Anderson I tend not to get those hard-nut rock fans coming and so I can play anything, all over America.

It's a different story when we go out as Jethro Tull but I'm hoping that, when we're doing *Thick As A Brick* in the USA 40 years on, we'll have an

audience that is attentive, listening and if they don't like it they'll quietly get out of their seats and take the subway home. But it is taking a bit of a risk, I have to say. I know, for instance, that in 2013 we're going to South America and it's going to be a rough ride, playing in Buenos Aires because they will perhaps be a little more potentially unruly!"

Why do you think some audiences misunderstand the breadth of what the band do musically?

IA: "I honestly don't know. Maybe it's just those 20, 30 or 100 people who come because it says Jethro Tull and they have it in their heads that it's going to be Iron Maiden with a flute! No disrespect to my dear friends in Iron Maiden, but luckily for me they don't have a flute player, at least not yet! Actually, Captain Bruce Dickinson features on the new St.Cleve.com community website.

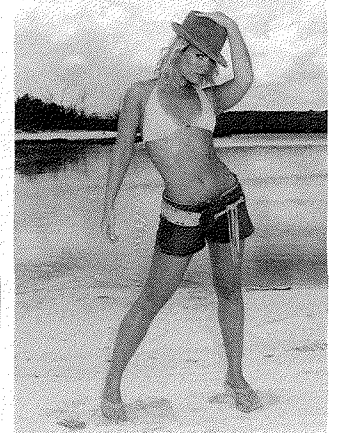
We played together at Canterbury Cathedral before Christmas and Bruce kindly came along to be one of my guests at that show and he was such a nice guy to work with. He just seemed so easy-going, one of the lads and totally charming, relaxed with no attitude. Just totally professional.

But if I did get on a jet airplane and heard Bruce's voice coming from the cockpit, I'd be out of my seat and away! Something doesn't seem quite right. I'm sure he's very capable, of the idea of your life being in the hands of the singer from Iron Maiden...it's the equivalent of having Bruce giving me a prostate exam. I just think there's a point where you've got to say 'No!' Ha ha ha!"

Madame Seductress

HERMIONE Parritt-JONES is set to appear for the international publication *Madame-X Magazine* Summer Swimwear edition in June. Already shot in Antigua, Barbados and Weston-super-Mare, the photos show the 19-year-old ex-Eastonbirt College schoolgirl in a variety of fashion-wear. Recently grounded by parents Roger and Huffy for spending several nights up in London without permission, she has been given the green light to postpone, for now, her university studies in order to pursue a modelling career.

Headmistress Diane Polyp-Duckworth of Eastonbirt reluctantly agreed



"irons don't stay hot forever, best strike while there is still fire in the old oven."

Hermione completed work experience at Credit Uzbek Investment Bank, Canary Wharf, last summer and chose modelling over her original plan to seek an MBA at a prestigious Massachusetts Business College. Her mentor at Credit Uzbek, Mark Caddish, received a £12,000,000 bonus last year. The Inland Revenue is "interested" in his tax declarations to date.

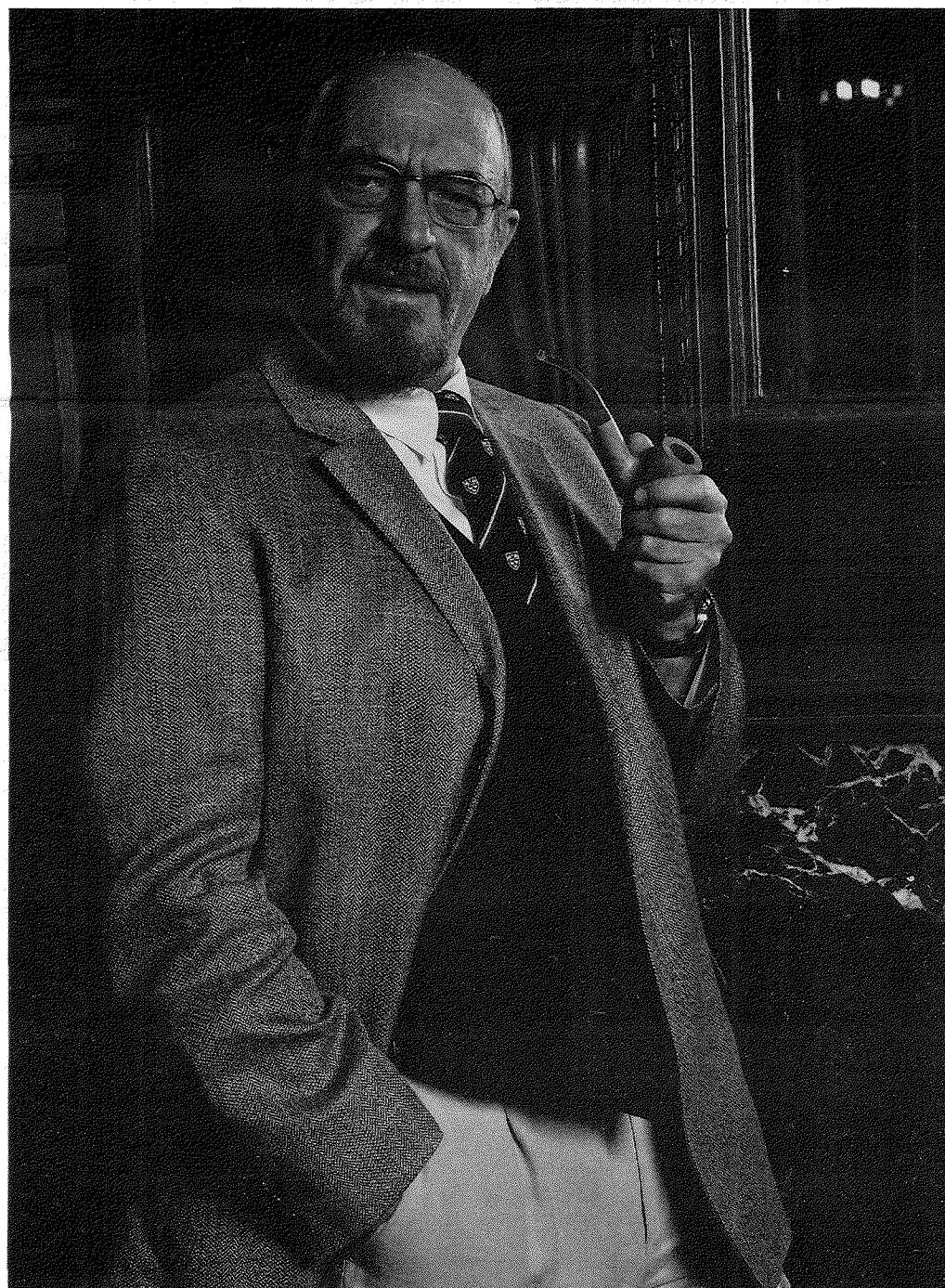
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St Cleve C of E Primary School gets arty!

ON 19th March, families were invited to join their children at St Cleve C of E School to take part in lots of wonderful art and leisure activities which provided a fabulous end to our theme week of team-building activities. There was a huge range of things to do - printing, life-drawing, sewing, marbling, clay work, batik, more life drawing, appliqué, taxidermy, combat darts, stick-fighting, and newt arranging.

A huge thanks from the Headmaster to all of our wonderful volunteers from all of the staff and children - we couldn't have planned such an exciting morning



without your help and support.

Headmaster Jason Arbutt also gives clay and game-shooting instruction to the under-10s and can assist with acquisition of shotgun licences for anyone without

a really serious criminal record. A nice pair of Henry Atkin side-by-side, sidelock ejectors, 28" barrels and 1/4 and 3/4 choke are for sale. £16,500 ono.

Okay, make it £12K. Cash. No receipt.

SOMETHING FOR

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WHAT'S ON TULLAVISION! *Highlights, By Pressley Offswitch*

Saturday

BBC1

9.00 The Octonauts. Captain Barnacles loses control of the submarine and ends up in R'lyeh. Can the gang rescue him before Cthulhu awakes?
10.00 Little Chef. Sven Dwarve shows you 10 ways with a can of pears.
11.15 News and weather.
1.05 More weather. It just keeps on doing its thing.
4.15 Local sport. Straw bear burning, live from Linwell.
4.30 Stop! Fire! Linwell's straw bear burning goes awry.
5.00 Star Trek episode 30. Spock experiences Pon Farr, Uhura shows him her Moog.
8.30 Prog Hospital. Status Quo need a piledriver. And quick.
9.30 Dancing On Thin Ice.

BBC2

2.00 Family film: Emmanuelle 26: Legally Bland.
4.30 Doctor ?. The TURDIS

is towed away by clampers.

5.30 Sports reviews. Cheese rolling with Cheddar George.
6.00 Local news. What's not happening in St Cleve and Linwell tonight.
6.30 Ann of St Cleve. Report on Henry VIII's recently discovered ninth wife.
8.00 Don't Take Me Out. Will Luton Len score tonight?
9.45 In concert: Warpz.
10.30 Film '84. Where the hell has Barry Norman gone? Sponsored by Pickleodeon.
11.15 Late news, local tweets.
11.49 Midnight movie: Paradoormal Activity (horror). All the doorknobs in a student apartment come alive, with eye-watering consequences. Seriously unhinged stuff.

ITV

9.00 Jackanory - Bill Bailey reads from the Kindle.
9.30 Lunar Jim. Jim discovers an enormous singularity that threatens the very notion of

existence by engulfing the entire universe.

5.05 Barre Billiards. Martin talks prog with Steve Davis over pub games and real ale.
5.06 Weather again. Plus: fig roll comparison report.
5.30 Who Wants To Be A Marillionaire?
8.30 The Last Of The Summer Whine. Farmer Giles discovers a new crop of arsegrapes.
10.00 The Only Way Is Linwell. Dramality depression.

Channel 33^{1/3}

9.00 Mister Maker. Create a Mellotron from empty washing-up liquid bottles.
1.30 Ski Sunday. On the piste.
4.00 Going For A Schlong. David Dickinson invites a team of experts to value antique cod-pieces.
9.30 CSI Linwell. New DNA evidence convicts gang 40 years after Post Office robbery.
11.00 St Cleve's Got Talent (lowlights).

Sunday

BBC1

9.00 Andrew Marr Show: Banjolele banter with Boris Johnson and Germaine Greer.
10.00 The Big Questions. Confused overspill from 9am.
1.00 News At One.
2.00 News At One + 1.
3.10 Feature film: Brick Over the River Kwai.
5.20 Wipeout: Riot special.
6.05 News at Five. See News at 2.45 and last night's punctuality special.
8.00 Press Hash After The Beep. Call centre drama (may be recorded for purposes of quality and training).
10.45 Nudes At Ten, with Indy Buff and Alastair Stewart.
10.55 Living In The Past. Are village pubs in crisis? The sad fate of The Diving Mermaid.

BBC2

2.00 Jacques Cousteau's Aqualung. The famed French

underwater explorer examines the wreck of the Cross-Eyed Mary. How did this 16th century pirate ship end up at the bottom of a Scottish salmon farm?

4.30 The Dukes Of Wizzards.
6.00 Top Of The Progs.
9.30 Arts Review. Melvyn Bragg talks to Mary Bostock, daughter of Julia Feeley and Gerald Bostock, about her new concept album.

ITV

11.00 Black Mass. Presented by Richard Dawkins.
12.05 Antiques Roadshow. This week - Wishbone Ash.
12.55 Film: Dracula. Prince of Barkness. The Count becomes a tree surgeon to feed his addiction to sap.
2.00 Football. Linwell Arms v St Cleves Gas.
4.30 Deal Or No Deal. Two homeless men compete in relocating to the Kent coast.
5.30 48 Up. Gerald Bostock, man and boy.

8.00 The Sweeney - Regan & Carter come out of retirement to attend a diversity workshop.
9.00 Bible stories. With the Reverend Russell Brand.

Channel 33^{1/3}

9.00 Morning worship from St Olive's parish church.
1.30 Saturday Supershed. Tool display from Dixits.
4.00 Family film: Carry On Paraiddling. Babs gets her bongos out as Sid bangs his drum. "Bonzo showed me his Moby Dick this morning, Ginger, and I've never seen a longer one... Ooh, 'ark at me..." etc etc etc
5.06 Close.
5.07 Whoops, back on again.
6.30 Blue Peter Gabriel. Brian Withering from Scunthorpe is awarded a badge for nose-humming Tubular Bells.
10.30 Parper Ted. Sitcom. Three keyboard players are stranded on a lonely island, populated by 70s roadies. (R)

R THE WEEKEND

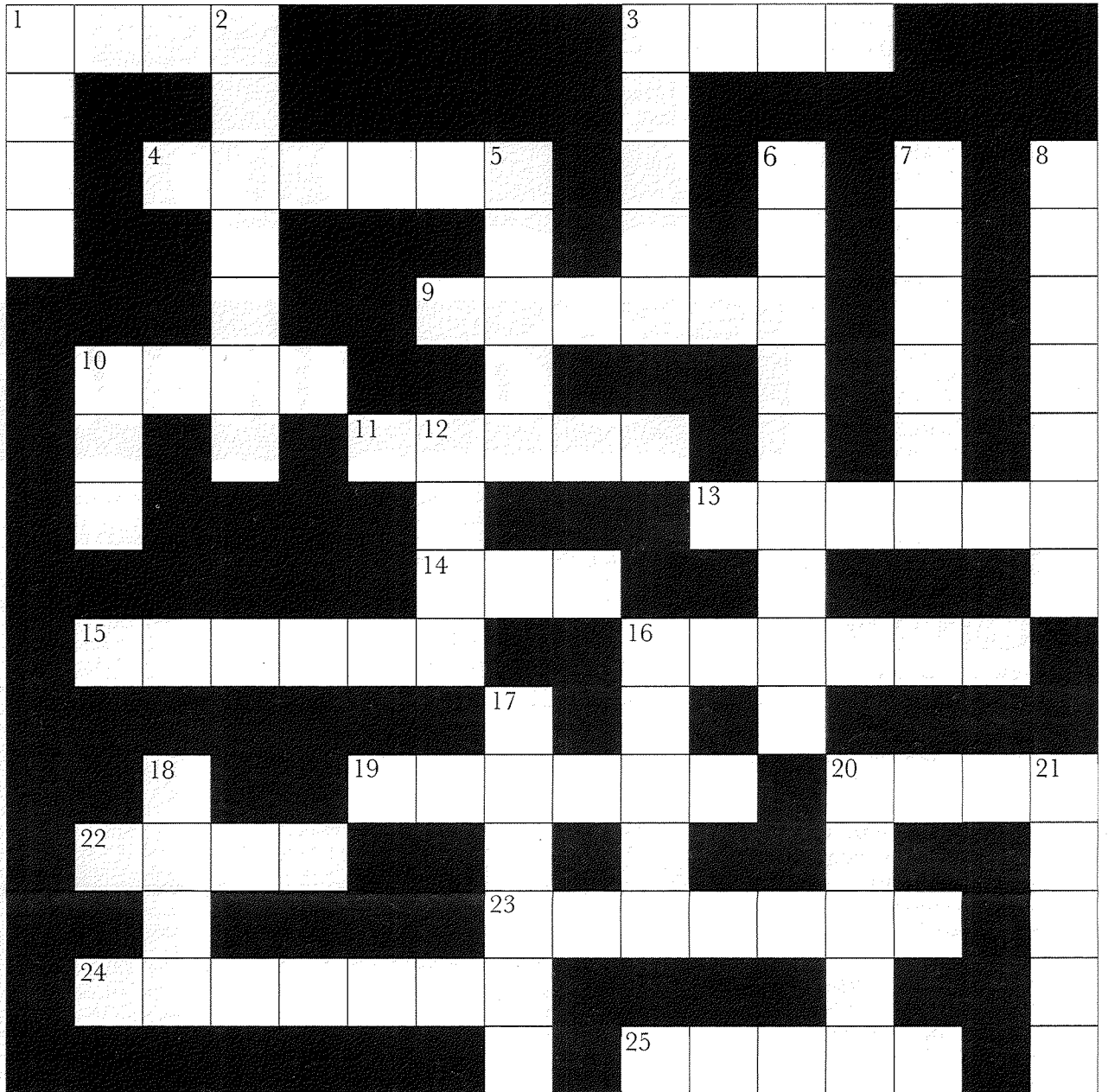
St Cleve Crossword *compiled by Paul Henderson*

ACROSS

- 1. and 25. Aqualung girl looks like this. (4,5)
- 3. Where you'll find trees and The Whistler. (4)
- 4. and 22. Doing 4 in 22 brought Tull early success. (6,4)
- 9. and 5. Down. What a pantomime. (6,5)
- 10. and 16. Down. Guitarist helped out Tull briefly. (4,5)
- 11. It doesn't cost much to go to Aqualung song and back. (5)
- 14. Tull's first label - Munchen perhaps more associated with the movies. (3)
- 13. She made the headlines by pulling them out. (6)
- 15. They were in the news and in the Post Office. (6)
- 16. Home to Tull in the early days. (6)
- 19. Buck would have liked Clive's solo. (6)
- 20. Getting it up, whether it's a song or an old-fashioned watch. (4)
- 23. Which was the first one? (7)
- 24. Where the newspaper advertiser was from. (7)

DOWN

- 1. Take one from a mineral water and you have a Tull man. (4)
- 2. Early Tull B-side suited to cruising the motorway. (7)
- 3. Tulip Grove defenders make the council fell it. (5)
- 6. If it happens in St Cleve, it will be in here. (9)
- 7. A Tull bassist went to the part of a London landmark that was untrendy in the 60s. (6)
- 8. A member of Tull, but it's not what he played. (7)
- 10. Jethro who? Someone put their foot in it on Tull's first single. (3)
- 12. Were we to hear a Tull song in church, it might well be this one. (4)
- 17. This sandman called it a day, it said in the paper. (6)
- 18. Getting too old? Then you'll grab one of these. (4)
- 20. Part of a Tull album is beneath these alternatives to sandwiches. (5)
- 21. A sweet one is better than a bad one for a single. (5)



Answers can be found at StCleve.com



YOUR STARS FOR THE MONTH

By Calypso Royale, St Cleve's resident psychic



ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20)

Aries rushes in where angels fear to tread, but you should try to put the brakes on until the Sun reaches your sign on the 22nd. Your lucky fabric is jumbo corduroy.

TAURUS (APR 21 - MAY 21)

Mars in your sign all month bestows vigour and virility, needed when love planet Venus enters Taurus on the 8th. Your fortuitous comestibles are beef, beets and iron tonics.

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

Lies and duplicity surround you, as they do most months. Try to stop lying so much. Try not to lie on Sundays, or lie-in even, for example. Avoid roofs. Also avoid cats.

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 21)

Oh fecund crab, the planets say: a babe is on the way! But Neptune, lord of Twisted Schemes, asks: "Is the mother all she seems?" Beware cryptic warnings.

LEO (JULY 22 - AUG 21)

Your hair will be quite untamable for weeks to come. Strangers will shun you; close friends will avoid your company. So maybe it's time for inner reflection. But best avoid mirrors.

VIRGO (AUG 22 - SEPT 21)

The Sun in poetic Pisces suggests that you will be moved by poetry and your outlook may never be the same again. Your bowels still need work. Eat plenty of spinach.

LIBRA (SEPT 22 - OCT 21)

Uranus hangs in the balance all month; expect disruption and disturbances, explosions and eruptions. Stay away from aerials and lightning rods. Technology confounds you. Eat kale. Wear rubber boots.

SCORPIO (OCT 22 - NOV 21)

With Mars in opposition to your sign, you yearn to Make War, Not Love. Vent your rage writing anonymous denunciations of your neighbours. Your lucky vegetable is the mandrake.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 22 - DEC 21)

Retrograde Neptune in your sign from the 5th means that jam making, gardening and séances will all go swimmingly for you this month. Your lucky sleeve is the raglan.

CAPRICORN (DEC 22 - JAN 21)

Jovial Jupiter (the luck-giver) is in your sign: this is a very good time to gamble all you own and an excellent opportunity to commit any crime you might have been considering.

AQUARIUS (JAN 22 - FEB 21)

All is well-starred providing you take care to avoid the number 77, lugworm, manhole covers, Gerald Bostock and front doors. Your lucky kitchen utensil is the fetting-stick.

PISCES (FEB 22 - MAR 21)

You are susceptible to chest colds this month: ward them off by wreathing your bed and your person in cow parsley. Your lucky garment is the gymslip. Avoid banjos.



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Third salon for Davide

HAIRDRESSER Davide Harley has opened a third salon in Clutterbury to supplement his original Linwell-based venture and the in-store Quiff and Quaff™ franchise at the Clutterbury branch of Waitrose. Davide, who changed his name from Dave Spurling to Davide Harley after his obsession with the US Motorcycle manufacturer, rides out with the Maltington Dark Angels, a disreputable Somerset motorcycle club.

Club Secretary and organiser Justin Matlock, recently placed runner-up in the Hell for Leathers Fetish Contest in Clutterbury Fairgrounds, is assisting Davide in press and promotion for the new salon. A waffle party is planned. Customers are warmly invited to bring their own toppings.

New life for the Old Library?

ANTIQUÉ Bookseller Matthew Bunter, purchased the Old Library in Linwell village last month in the hope of reopening in due course, as an on-line book download centre and erotic literature emporium.

"It will perfectly supplement my more traditional range of literary wares," said Mr Bunter, former church warden at St Olive's. "Got to move with the times before the times move with you," pondered Matthew, with wry humour.

StCleve.com feels the same, obviously. Planning is to be sought in the latter months of the year after basic repairs to the roof. The old Library is thought to have some roof timbers originally salvaged from renovation works at Canterbury Cathedral during the last century.

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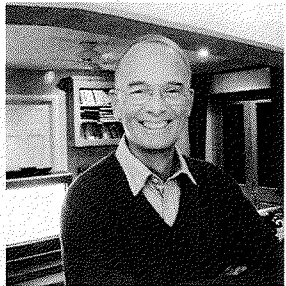
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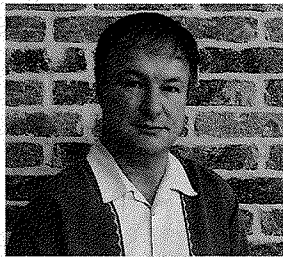
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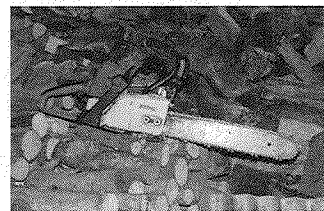
Community

Burt Carpenter seeks (and finds) his roots

1960s Hollywood heart-throb Burt Carpenter (72) has traced his roots to St Cleve, according to the Hollywood Informer online site. The twice Oscar-nominated actor has recently discovered that his great-grandparents originally hailed from our parish. They emigrated to Northern California during the great sheep bollock-blight years which decimated English farming in 1882.

Since retiring from his movie career, Carpenter became a leading conservationist, now owning more than 300,000 acres of wilderness in Idaho and Montana and has planted forests throughout the Northwest of the USA. His timber and construction industries use only sustainable wood products. Burt was given a chainsaw as a gift by his agent following his starring role in the musical *Logger Boys*, co-starring Florence Chastity and featuring Burt wielding a chainsaw in defence of his dignity and to ward off the attention of the overly amorous loggers, who were often away from home for many months at a time. Having taken to the German-made Stihl 28" in a big way, Burt soon took his on-set movie skills to the outside real world. It was said that if a tree came down in a storm, blocking a road, there would be nothing left but a trace of sawdust ten minutes after Burt got to hear of it.

Linwell's own Andrew Lancome is said to idolise Burt Carpenter, having all his classic movies on DVD and a framed and signed photo over the marital bed.



Doping in the countryside

MANY of our parishioners have been concerned, of late, as to the presence of increased numbers of foxes. Local hunt protesters have accused the ex-Master Of Hounds Morton Wood of feeding and encouraging the fox population locally to justify a return to active fox-hunting across the farms and woodlands of our tranquil farmland. High levels of Vagora™, a veterinarian prescription similar to Viagra, have been found in foxes suggesting that there is an attempt to influence birth rates. Vagora has been used with positive results in zoos across the world to increase panda and other threatened species populations in captivity. Many zoo-keepers are also experiencing increased fertility rates.

Speaking exclusively to the StCleve.com, local vet Cyril Hughes has denounced the use of such products and insisted that nature's way was best. Cyril is a senior partner in The Animal House, The

High Street, Clutterbury. He is married with nine children. While StCleve.com has no editorial policy to support or decry fox-hunting locally or nationally, we deplore the use of dangerous chemicals to excite and stimulate poor defenceless animals to overt displays of a sexual nature, especially in front of children. Only last week, three goats, some chickens and a small flock of llamas were seen in the Linwell Primary playground, apparently engaging in group activities. A crowd of parents had gathered and some reports suggest they were seen applauding and cheering. Video footage has subsequently appeared on YouTube but was removed at the request of the headmaster.

Open nights at the Art and Soul Studio™

"EVERYONE has some artistic talent," says Carol Feeley, proprietor (38-23-36). First-timers are invited to a free evaluation and lesson in life drawing. "It's good to shed inhibitions and join our little team of artists and models in unfettered freedom of expression," says Carol. "We encourage nudity without embarrassment or shame. The delicate tracing of the human form, conveying light, shade, contrast, line and movement are a joy to experience and we can all join in to have a fun evening of art and soul."

Ms Feeley trained at the Bourbon Institute in Lyons and has exhibited in many galleries in the UK and France, where she has a Summer home. Bring your own drawing tools or buy sketch pads, charcoal and crayons from the studio boutique. Posing pouches in various colours available for bashful gents.

Easy-peel Labimask™ tape on hand for the ladies. Well, not on hand; more down there, but you know what we mean.

Carnivore carnival

LANDLORD Jamie Dinnerman (38) of the Dirty Duck in Linwell, has put donkey on the menu again in defiance of some objectors. "We tried llama and swan at the request of the more adventurous and culinary-curious, but the old beast-of-burden is back by popular request," said Jamie. "We have Nettle Chilli Salsa Salad and Yew Tree Suicide Pie for the veggie brigade, so why not cater for the carnivores of the village?" Samantha Muttering-Parritt (49) is threatening to garner support for the boycotting of the Dirty Duck if Mr Dinnerman does not capitulate. Mrs Muttering-Parritt, a keen curry club enthusiast and past traveller to India and the East, attempted to get planning permission for change of use to a dedicated vegetarian Bangladeshi-style restaurant two years ago before Mr Dinnerman took on the licence. Her husband, lorry-driver Dave Muttering, did not favour her plan, saying at the time, "Foreign muck, that stuff. Don't get me started. Nothing wrong with a good pie,

chips and mushy peas. Dirty Duck forever, I say. Heart of gold, the old hippie, but a hummus sandwich for Sunday lunch doesn't cut it."

Reigning cats and dogs

POPULAR dog breed, the Porterdale Terrier, has triumphed again in the St Cleve Cat and Dog Show. Sheena Sanderson's champion stud, Sluggo of Rutland, wowed the judges with his natural aggression and wiry physique. Sluggo has been permanently confined to barracks and is sedated for most of the time these days.

TJ and Kash, two farm moggies, were disqualified after peeing in Sluggo's travel basket. The beautiful black and white Talisker (4), of Cruddock Hall, was eventually chosen to represent the feline contingent in the winner's enclosure. Rewarded with a dish of Waitrose Seafood Cocktail, Talisker posed for photos with the younger children and supped his favourite tippie of Isle-of-Skye malt whisky in milk. He travels to the USA next month and is scheduled to meet the President of the United States. (See story in Family Matters pages.)

Knickers in a twist

OONA Karparc stages her one-woman contortionist show at the Community Centre, St Cleve on Sunday, 8th April. Audience participation invited as Oona gets into some strange and unlikely poses with props and exotic costume. £8.50 entrance to include glass of Yuki (Latvian curdled goat milk) and hot chutz-cakes (made from sweet lentil and sun-dried cow-pat). Bring the kids and granddad, too!

Pub quiz night at Dirty Duck

THE local team takes on visitors from Beddington and Slimpton-on-Marsh in the quiz of quizzes. Andrew J Lancome leads the local contingent in the hope of winning for the third month in a row. As the Dirty Duckers triumphed last month at the away match in Beddington, the visitors are now set on retribution. Concerned as to possible fisticuffs, landlord Jamie has brought in Tim Thorne and a couple of his ex-constabulary mates to keep law and order. The genial Thorne has never failed to entertain with the Phil Collins Tribute Karaoke evenings which he organises at the Duck on alternate Wednesdays.

Whimsical drama

GAY and Lesbian life in the three parishes is set to be celebrated in a new play staged by the Linwell Players at the Cardamom Theatre in Clutterbury next month. The whimsical drama, entitled 'Mr Jennings', is set in a West Country village and explores the interaction between newly resident middle class commuters and the local agricultural community. Whilst comedic in places, the poignant and sometimes sad story line will touch the hearts of all, regardless of sexual orientation. Michael Quad and Lilly Pipwell

take the lead roles, aided and abetted by some marvellous cameo moments from ex-Linwell Player Spike Doolittle, regular on Holby City and other TV dramas. Peter Parry-Jones wrote and directs the play.

Southwest Homeless League

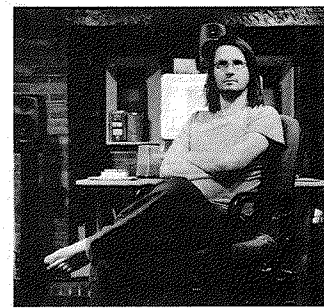
ANOTHER bring-and-buy sale is booked in at the St Cleve Community Centre for Sat morning April 21st with proceeds going to the charity, Southwest Homeless League. The League has raised many hundreds in recent years to benefit homeless individuals and families. Any old stuff in the attic? Any old clothes or books, tools, toys in the garden shed? Come along to the bring-and-buy and meet neighbours and friends, old and new. Help save a life. Help save dignity.

Hypnotist sees eye to eye

Occultist and Hypnotist Ariel Spellbinder will appear for the third time at the Community Centre in July, for a knockout evening of mind games with the volunteer audience. His stagecraft and wizardry will take the place by storm. Audience members will simply not believe what they have got up to under Ariel's spells. Hypnotism, card tricks, old-school Magick. The Dark Arts come alive.....

Steven Wilson moves up to 16-track

COMMUNITY recording studio and rehearsal room owner, Steven Wilson, has revamped his facilities to introduce a 16-track recorder. A retro-enthusiast moving up from 4-track and 8-track systems, Stevie has long advocated the Sgt Pepper approach to recording with two Ferrographs and a Grundig from the early 1960s. Using high quality Shure studio microphones purchased on eBay, he succeeded in getting warm and full-sounding recordings of the Clutterbury Brass Band last Christmas. Not to mention some wonderful live gig audio snapshots of the Thunderbards, local thrash-metal Shakespearean tribute band, when they appeared at the Dirty Duck audition night. Steven purchased the 1970s Studer tape machine from lederhosen-clad visitor Ulf Doerner in March and has had it reconditioned ready for integration into his studio at Little Cruddock. With his own neo-prog band, Hedgehog Forest, Steve has recorded some demos which he hopes may get a favourable listen from the record companies in London.



MESSAGES

WOULD THE owner of a blue Volvo Electrocrise Hybrid, parked last Friday morning, 22nd March at Waitrose Car Park, please contact Harry Shear, hshear1943@gmail.com, regarding a nasty scrape to its offside wheel arch. Mr Shear would like to recompense and apologise. The Waitrose Valued Customer Wine-tasting went on a bit and it weren't half good.

DAVID AND Doris Thripe wish to announce the departure of their daughter, Thelanda, on her gap year to Reykjavik where she will work part-time with Chief Fisheries Scientist Daniel Birgisson as a campaigner for world peace and fish stock management. She can be reached by her usual email address and will advise of her new mobile phone number in due course.

HERMIONE - WHERE were you? I waited hours at the Boddingtons. They said you had accepted the invitation. You probably went up to London to see that banker chappie. I don't get it. What has he got that I haven't? Yours, still hoping. Bunty.

ANDREW Lancome thanks the Bitterns of Thurble Close, St Cleve for their valued custom and trade. Logs supplied and fields topped by appointment. Day and night. If the Bitterns are happy, you will be, too. Difficult buggers, the Bitterns.

DAVIDE, I think we should organise another waffle party. Don't you agree, leather-man? Bring-your-own toppings and then party-on into the night. Yours, Justin. Vroom.....

A MICROLIGHT has been discovered in Lower Bottom Field, Glebe Acres. No body was there. Just the machine with a blade missing from the propeller. Anyone lost it? These things don't just fall from the sky, do they? Call PC Derrick Dixon, Flockingham Police HQ.

PUNGENT and deeply unpleasant pong coming from the Old Granary at Linwell. It has permeated across the village and I am not the only resident to complain. My chest hurts, my sinuses are acting up and I have repeated headaches and nausea. Mr Lancome - please DO something. Paul and Sandra Bittern.

SLURPY - don't go so early next time. Love U 2 Bitz. Your own, Fumbles.

ANNA PHOEBE is looking for a babysitter to do Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 19.00 to 22.00. No particular skills necessary but must have a soft spot for children. Run of the larder, fridge and booze cabinet. £6 per hour plus a bit more if you do funny voices.

Worship

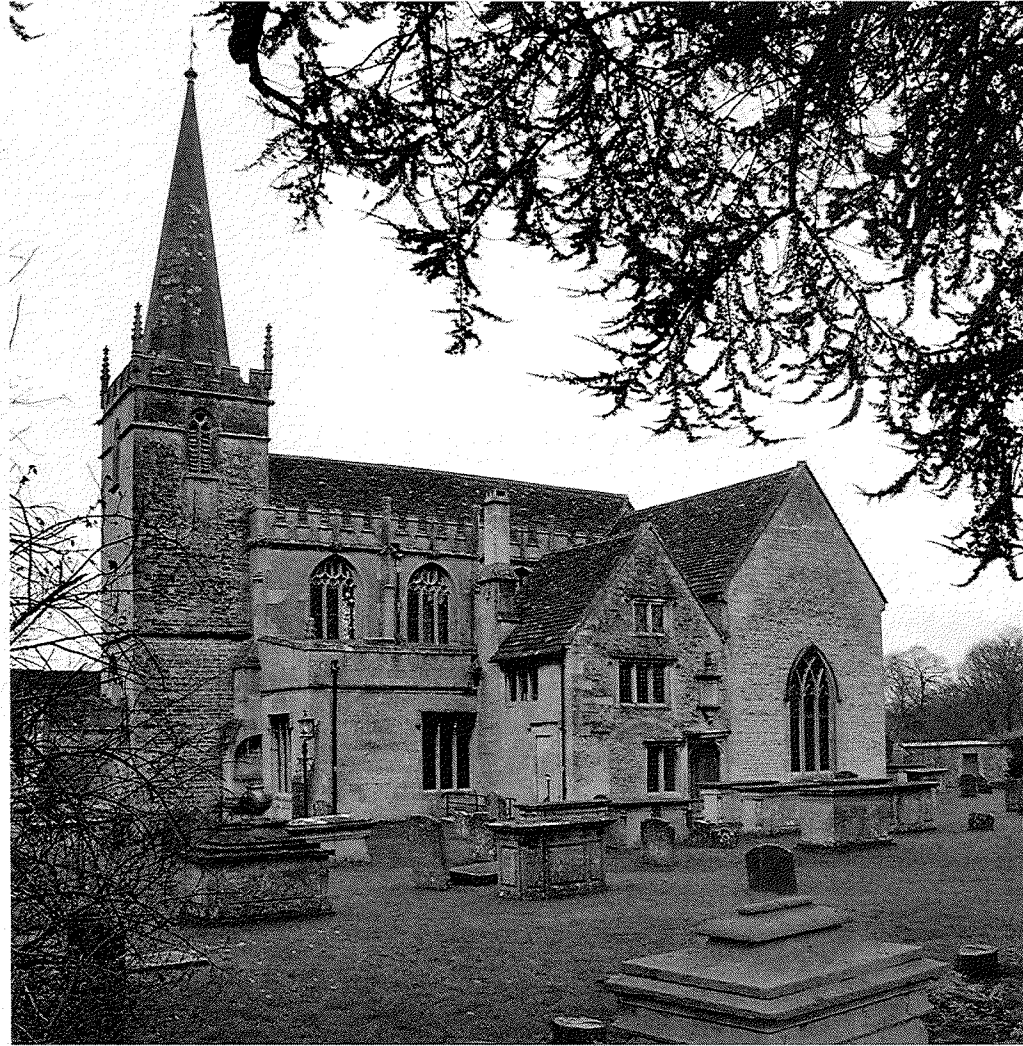
A LITTLE HISTORY (OF A LITTLE PARISH)

The parish of Little Cruddock was once, of course, tiny in relation to its bigger neighbour, Great Cruddock. But that was in the 1700s before the ravages of the Blight took hold and decimated the farming and trading community of Great Cruddock. Little Cruddock, however, was mercifully spared due to the use of roadside footbaths containing a natural organic disinfectant, similar to today's Deettol™, made from the then-secret ingredients derived from ancient country lore and magick.

It was also given in liberal dosages to the still-healthy sheep, resulting in high levels of immunity to the Bolk-blight. While Great Cruddock declined and faded to nothing except empty fields and meadows, Little Cruddock became the powerhouse of the community that it is today, with Church, Post Office, Village shop, Blacksmith, Nursery School and, until the recent closure of the The Diving Mermaid, a public house. The light industrial estate at nearby Linwell is soon set to face competition from a smaller version in Little Cruddock, to be called Cruddock Traders Ltd. featuring computer supplies, white goods, G-nomes Showroom and garden machinery.

St Olive's, Little Cruddock Parish

As you will know, we have been without a permanent vicar at St Olive's since January 2009. There has been difficulty in finding suitable candidates for the role in Little Cruddock, but the Bishop of Clutterbury has kindly consented to making a temporary appointment while we take stock and think about the best way to move things forward. We are therefore delighted to announce that the Revd Dennis Small will be licensed as part-time Priest-in-Charge of St Olive's for 12 months from 1st January 2013. Dennis has been a regular visiting priest at St Olive's during the current vacancy and we are thrilled that he will be taking an even more active part in the life of our parish after the roof repairs are complete, courtesy of our "white goods" benefactor Freezit-Kwik. Little Cruddock is very fortunate to benefit from Dennis's ministry and we look forward to working with

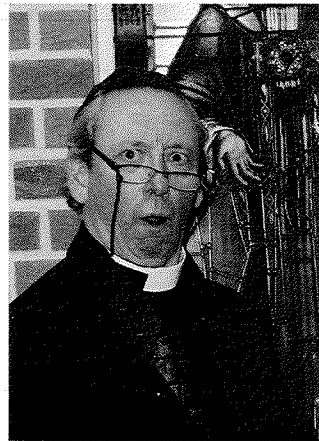


him. Proper gent and Saint-in-the-making, our Dennis.

St Cleve Parish

The pretty and ornate St Cleve Parish Church is a small Anglo-Saxon origin Anglican church on the Western margins of St Cleve.

In 1270 the Abbot gave patronage of the church to the Bishop of Clutterbury who retained it until the 19th century. St Cleve was in the Chabworth Rural Deanery until 1866 when it became the Calthorpe South Rural Deanery. In 1887 it became part of the Dippenford Rural Deanery. In 1956 the Rectory of Linwell and the Vicarage of St Cleve amalgamated. They parted in 1987 and the Benefice of Doubletree, Marriott and Fairmont was created in 2007.

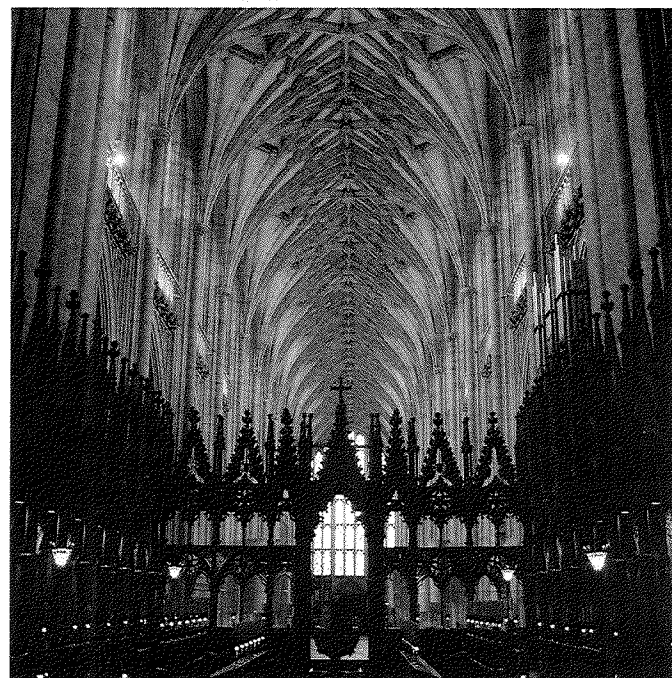


From 1987 the vicar of the amalgamated benefice lived in Gableton. In 2004 the trainee Curate lived in St Cleve which is now part of the Deanery of North Somerset. Clear so far, readers? Our church building is in Upper Cleve but we also work closely with other village organisa-

tions and those attending our activities and services come from a variety of backgrounds and places as far afield as Little Cruddock and Linwell.

We have been working within the context of the Diocese of Clutterbury growth programme. This seeks to "create communities of wholeness with Christ at the centre" and to enable the church to grow in vigorous commitment, partnership, influence and numbers. And we are seeking to create in St Cleve a community of hope. So, what's going on? Even the Bishop asked this question.

For starters, we have a wide range of activities and services for all ages. Full details are in the church building. Pick up a free copy of the brochure, "What's there for me at St Cleve?" Now that St Olive's is set to close for some time, we welcome its tiny and declining congregation and can promise them, at St Cleve, a better and altogether more professional religious product within the Anglican Communion. Visiting celebrity priest, The Revd Godfrey Pitcher, well-known and loved for his repartee and rapier wit can be relied upon to fill the house with compassion, reflection, laughter, scorn and vitriol. As long-time previous resident of the Parish, Godfrey (Godot, to his mates) knows how to pull strings, push buttons and tweak the tails of the faithful and faithless alike.



Who's who at St Cleve Parish Church?

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WARDENS: Angela de Groot, 01313 860754 & Tarquin Parritt 01314 860494
LAY MINISTERS: Rachel Towpath 01314 861035 & Harry Frapp 01314 860475
PASTORAL SUPPORT: Julia Feeley-Parritt 01312 860930

Services:

Sunday 15th April
(truncated service)
Holy Communion Mattins
Book of Common Prayer sung by the Vicars Choral Godfrey and Jubilate in E by The Reverend Max Quad, Treasurer and Priest in Residence. Organ recital by Tarquin Parritt. The Organ Grinder's Psalm, Jimmy Smith and the Iron Tower of Babylon, Reginald Dixon.

8.00 am
Holy Communion Mattins
Book of Common Prayer
Responses illuminare plainsong Psalm 89. 20-30 Hymns 51, 49 (ii).

9.15 am
Responses illuminare plainsong Psalm 145. 1-12 Hymns 54 (ii), 137.

Canticles
Sketch in F minor (Op. 58 No. 3) sung by the Vicars Choral Godfrey a tre voci Carissimi O salutaris hostia Charpentier, Minor Canon and Sacrist Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan (BWV 684) J. S. Bach

Canticles Preacher Voluntary Sung Eucharist Setting

Te Deum and Benedictus (First Service) Sheppard The Reverend Max Quad, Treasurer and priest in Residence Voluntary in D minor Purcell.

11.31 am
Schumann Hymns 50 (338) (omit vv 4, 5), 58 (84) (omit vv 4, 5), 56 (omit v 4), CFC 47.

11.47 am
Missa O magnum mysterium Victoria Quod chorus vatum Tallis The Reverend Max Quad, Clutterbury Area Missioner Prelude and Fugue in C major (BWV 547) J. S. Bach Hymns 336, SP 217 (NEH 385), 487, 55 Anthem Preacher Voluntary

3.18 pm
Evensong Canticles sung by the Bishop of Clutterbury Choral Magnificat Buxtehude Nunc dimittis plainsong Tribus miraculis Merulo The Reverend Max Quad, Prelude and Fugue in G minor Brahms Encircling the Land with Sacred Dance.

3.41 pm
The Holy Mount Procession An atmospheric liturgy of music, words and movement. Anthem Preacher Voluntary Responses Psalm 46 Hymns 48, 242, 46 (214 ii).

4.58 pm
Organ Recita Eucharist, Quentin Parritt to celebrate the shining forth of God in the world in Jesus Christ.

6.07 pm
Eucharist again.
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Revd Max Quad

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Sportview

Local teams run neck-and-neck and head-to-head in a fiercely fought battle to retain the Community Cup. By our intrepid sports correspondent Wally Waa? on the sidelines.

FOOTBALL 

Amazing result for the Blues and Greens

ST CLEVE United swept to glory at the inter-parish soccer final last week at the Community Sports Ground. In spite of injuries taking their toll on two of the older players, Andrew Lancome and Jamie Dinnerman, the rest of the team, including reserve stalwarts F. Thrushton and P. Slumbert set about systematically destroying the opposition in the later minutes of the first half.

A foolish off-side from McCernick, Captain of opposing team Clutterbury Academicals, brought about a free kick and the subsequent goal to set the pace anew. In quick succession, further goals

were scored by Tompkins Minor and first-time player Matt Bostock, son of recent resident and ex-MP, Gerald.

While the academics tried to restore both dignity and fighting spirit in the second half, there was nothing, finally, to stop the ball settling comfortably in the back of the net twice more, courtesy of Slumbert and Tompkins. That's football.

The final whistle brought closure and the 4 - 0 win for the local boys and Clutterbury took their places on the bus home with heads hung and to the jeers of a few supporters. A limping A. J. Lancome, on behalf of the winners, hoisted the silverware high as they made their way back to the Community Hall for hot crumpet and Waitrose Best Elderflower Cordial.

PITCH AND PUTT 

PITCH AND PUTT BENEFIT RAISES £956

A HASTILY constructed pitch and putt 9-hole mini golf course in the grounds of Cruddock Hall created huge support and a brilliant day out in the Spring sun for the 80 or so, would-be Tiger Woods who attended the event.

Spread over the day, and armed with only a putter and a number five iron, the players thrashed their way around the course in teams of four. Mark Slibbeth, Tim Thorne, Jake Crake and surprise entrant Oona Karparc clocked up a team score of 105 and, in the final

play-off against the next best team, a resounding 103. Ms Karparc revealed afterwards that she had been Young Ladies Champion in her high-school years in Riga. Entrance fees of £15.00, less the cost of constructing the makeshift but eminently-serviceable course constructed by A. J. Lancome Contractors, ensured a good profit for the Youth Centre, where the welcome funds are to be used for a cage-fighting facility and courses in combat sarcasm, to be taught by pacifist Tim Thorne.

DE GROOT FITNESS CLUB

The Club was formed in 1999 as part of a District Council fitness initiative.

It is now run entirely as a more or less non-profit making village club aimed at helping people acquire an hour of un-medicated exercise locally once a week.

WHY SHOULD YOU TAKE PART?

If you are not basically fit, you won't be able to enjoy taking part in exercise, sport or conventional nookie. In fact, if you are really unfit, you won't be able to do much more than walk short distances and sit around, stuffing yourselves with turkey twizzlers!

You will also not feel as well, fulfilled or as randy as someone who leads a more active life.

Now you can take part for general health, mental well-being, specific sports training or for social intercourse and recreational reasons. Or whatever.

WHO SHOULD TAKE PART?

There are no prerequisites in terms of your current level of fitness.

The club allows people to work at a rate appropriate to them.

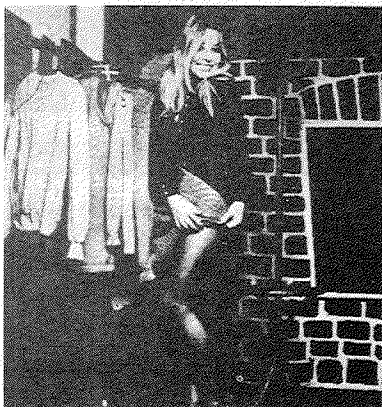
De Groot Fitness Club has always attracted a wide range of people, whether young or old, male or female, transgender or simply not sure. Nearly everyone is welcome.

Angela de Groot (57), often referred to as the Jane Fonda of St Cleve, welcomes the aged, the infirm, the downright flabby as well as the bronzed hunks of St Cleve (yes, there are one or two) to get down and dirty on the gym floor with her small team of personal trainers.

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Anal scrubs and defoliation by appointment.



FALCONRY FLY-OFF

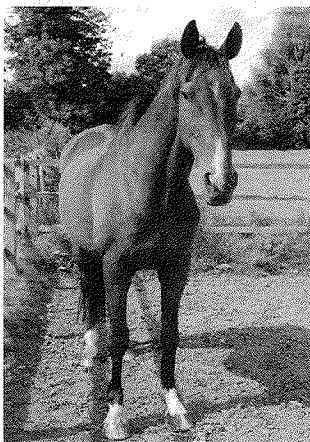


GAELY Coppett-Jones (27) flew her Harris Hawk "Spindle-plum" to win the Southern Counties Falconry Championship at Cruddock Hall in March.

Fending off a challenge from Crown Prince Bin Abdul Aziz-Azwaz, who arrived with a retinue of some 40-odd assistants, several prize hawks and a pair of Sea Eagles was finally no match for the young entrepreneur, who runs a knitting collective in the Cotswolds. A keen conservationist,

Mrs Coppett-Jones also campaigns for small wildcat species and is a Fennel instructor for the under 10s.

Mr Samuel Coppett-Jones is an investment fund manager in the City of London and journeys home to rural bliss each Friday to be with his wife and family of six.



HORSE RACING

Point to Point

AMATEUR jockey enthusiasts will be delighted to hear of the Cruddock Hall course reinstatement after the pitch and putt match. Local farmers and members of the Hunt will be hoping to compete with the previous jockeying supremacy of Paul Slumbert on his mount, Kloppety.

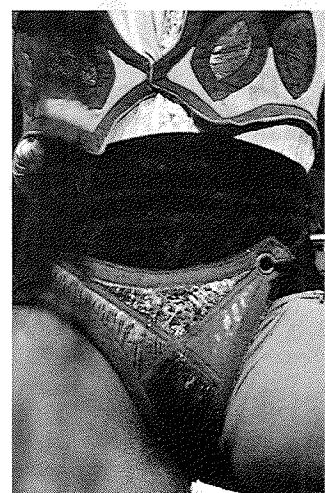
The park will be open to the public in advance of the day and a good number of retailers and catering providers are expected to liven up the occasion for all the family. Book in advance for car parking and entrance.

Contact The Secretary, Cruddock Hall Point To Point. Tel. 01312 254878 or buy tickets at the Cruddock Park Visitor Reception Office at any time, Mon-Sat, 09.00 to 17.00.

Fennel rebirth

A TRIAL game of the the ancient team pursuit, Fennel, has taken place to explore the potential for a few fixtures in the area. Fennel, originating in the Shires at Cathedral schools in the 1600s, has often been described as Quidditch with your feet on the ground.

Popular in the early '70s at some public schools and at a few locations in the Home Counties, it suffered in popularity in the wake of computer video games and other alternative forms of violence. But local maker of Fennel sticks and protective wear, Freddie Thrushton, himself a Fennel player during his days at Rudleigh College, vows to bring the game back to the three parishes and to make sure that younger players can feel the thrill of the sport and the slight chaffing of the protective box worn above the tights (pictured, below).

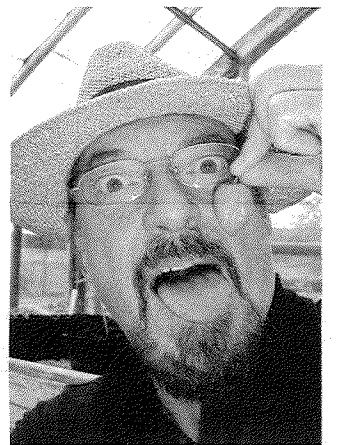


Hot Chilli Contest

WHILE not officially yet classified as a sport, Hot Chilli-eating is fast becoming a local, and even national, pastime. Given the number of injuries and the competitive nature of the gladiatorial battles between both macho men and pain-impervious female combatants, it is expected to be given official Olympic Games status in 2024.

Scotch Bonnet

Local chilli-heads were out in force in the Community Centre for the first meeting of the St Cleve Habanero Club and a variety of Bhut Jolokia, Dorset Naga, Habanero and Scotch Bonnet varieties were consumed by the several contestants. Ms Rupi Patacake took first place, with 17 Bhut Jolokia consumed in 120 seconds, with Ian Anderson a distant second with 9. Ms Patacake is expected to be discharged from Bristol Royal Infirmary in a few days at the time of going to press.



FENCING 

Fencing Final

BRYCE Dickens has announced his retirement after an unconvincing win in the Cross-County Fencing Championship. Dickens originally placed second but, after the disqualification of Tarquin M Spindle, was given the title. Spindle had been guilty, the judges decided, of abusive language and taunting his opponent by humming Iron Maiden songs and making loud cabin announcements of an inappropriate nature. Dickens complained to judges and his protests were upheld.

Angry winner Bryce spoke to StCleve.com after the bout and announced his intention to borrow a friend's Boeing 757 and "slope off for a bit". Captain Dickens of BryceAir International Airlines gives flying lessons at nearby Linwell Air Park in both Cessna trainers and an old Con-vaire 440, which he is currently restoring.