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In Memory of

John Barry Roome

25/06/1931-09/05/2026 Aged 94 years

John sadly passed away Peacefully on the 9th May at Torquay Hospital. He is reunited with his late wife Christine.

The funeral took place on the 1st June 2026 . Donations were received in lieu of flowers and will benefit the RNLI at Teignmouth.

The Family would like to thank Friends and Neighbours who have helped and supported John and Christine over the years in Ipplepen. John will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him

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IPPLEPEN MEMORY CAFE

21st July, 2026 2pm until 3.30pm

St Andrews Church Hall

Theme 'What's in the Bag?'

Coordinator David Garland

Secretary Rose Debenham 01803 813458 Or 07549 827620

Gill Gould Kerswella Coordinator Mobile 07554 667037

Please contact the above number if you wish to attend.

Date of next meeting 18th August





1st Ipplepen Scout Group

1st Ipplepen Scout group will be holding its Celebration Evening and Annual Meeting on Tuesday 14th July 2026 at the Scout HQ in Edgelands Lane commencing at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Please come along and if you think that you could help us we would welcome your input and support



I'm sorry but this is an even shorter update this month as it was written while I was still busy with my GCSE exams. Those exams have taken up nearly all my time but I did have a Jamboree training camp in Plymouth at half term where it was great to meet up again with my unit. No photos this time I'm afraid!

I'm excited about the activities we can do in Poland. Although the Jamboree is officially in Gdansk, it is actually on an island just offshore from the city. So no doubt there will be beach side things to do. We also hope to get to explore the nearby forests and there is a visit to the city of Gdansk and a Polish Scout camp. Other activities include working towards the one-of-a-kind Solidarity Badge that encourages us to explore how bravery, peace and friendship can change the world. There is also the Youth Forum, a model UN type debate where we can discuss ongoing issues and how to find real-life solutions to these problems. There is even a special Jamboree board game! As the end of my exams get nearer I'm starting to think of what I can do to raise more funds, both to pay for my Jamboree and to buy the things I will need. Although we get given official uniform to wear on camp and at the opening and closing ceremonies (including our UK Scouts necker which we wear all the time), we will need other clothes suitable for the activities we will be doing in Poland. I'm looking forward to finding out more about Poland as well as meeting Scouts from all over the world. It is a tradition that Scouts take things that represent their home country and region to show the other Scouts we meet so I need to think about what I will take with me. And we always take little gifts to exchange with our new friends!

The next phase of my fundraising starts with helping at Broadhempston Fete then our own Village Show. Look out for me at the Scout stall!

To contact me please e-mail me on my Jamboree e-mail csaunders.wsj27@gmail.com or via our Scout treasurer at lsimmonds@talk21.com.

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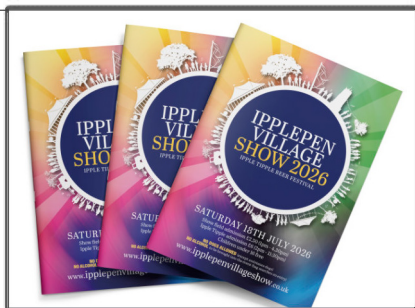
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The Show is nearly here and the preparations are really hotting up, hopefully so is the weather! By now, everyone should have received their programmes, have planned their day at the Show and are busy preparing their entries.

The Draw tickets will be on sale from 1st July. The best place to buy them is at the Show, find us in the dark red gazebo, next to the main Show marquee. Don't miss out on the chance to win the top prize of £100. If you're not coming to the Show, please get in touch.

At the time of writing, there are other lovely prizes, donated by Lisa's Cafe, The Tally Ho, The Welly, The Co-op, Dainton Park Golf Club, Dart's Farm Butchers, Southern Timber, Sandford Orchard Winery, Austin's, China Blue, Ipplepen Garage and Mane Haven hairdressers and beauty. I always want more prizes, so if you have anything spare or would like to donate anything suitable for a hamper, please get in touch.

Please ensure you get your entries in for the Garden Show by 9pm on Friday 10th July. This can be done online at www.ipplepenvillageshow.co.uk or by hand to Liz Hooker at 4 Tremlett Grove. Please help Liz out by submitting entries as early as possible. Please make sure you check the rules and eligibility of your entries before submitting.

As you know, cups must be returned before the Show to Liz Hooker, Show Secretary at the above address. Please ensure this is done by Friday 10th also but earlier is better. Thank you in anticipation.

The Show opens at 1pm. The Maypole procession will depart the War Memorial at 1.45pm and the first dance will be at 2pm. Please be aware that the road will be closed for a short while at this time. There is a lot to enjoy including the Craft Tent, the Carnival Club's Kid's Zone and a whole lot of fantastic stalls. Please remember to bring cash as not everyone can take card payments.

If you have any questions, please make contact by email or phone, details below. I am looking forward to seeing you all and to another fantastic event. Fingers crossed for a great day!

Karen Careswell Chairman Ipplepen Village Garden Show
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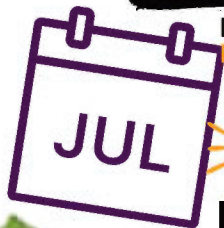
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8th July - Talk from **Dawlish Gardens Trust** £3

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12th August - TRIP - **Babbacombe Theatre - Variety Show**

Matinee at 2.30pm

Tickets **£30 plus £5 for the minibus** s.

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Pick up 1.15pm at village bus stops **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

9th September - TRIP - **Dawlish Gardens Trust**

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We offer hot home-cooked lunches every Tuesday and Thursday, with bacon rolls on Wednesdays, and jacket potatoes and toasties at all times. The lunch menu is posted on Spotted Ipplepen on Facebook each week.

Our library is free to join, and has a huge range of fiction, non-fiction, reference, large-print books, as well as DVDs and jigsaws. Wi-fi is free, the computer has a guest logon, and you can use our colour printer and photocopier for a minimal charge.

We open an hour earlier just for our **Toddler group at 9am** on Thursdays. We are accessible with a ramp for buggies, and baby-changing facilities.

Returning after an illness, bereavement, or long absence? Slightly apprehensive? Join our **ReNew Friendship** table. Pick up a token from inside the porch and we'll greet you, and help you re-find or make friends.

Upcoming free events, open to everyone, with no booking required:

- Wed. 1st July from 2pm – **Grief Café** – hosted by Brian and Carole.
- Wed. 8th July from 10.30am – **Digital Drop-in** – hosted by Mark.

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Ipplepen Amateur Dramatic Society

By the time you read this we will have had our A.G.M. and the lucky ones amongst us will now have knowledge of our plans for the immediate future! You know those plans I intimated at in last month's magazine? The ones that I *won't* be able to tell you about until next month because of the disparity between our meetings and the copy date for the magazine submissions? Oh well, *que sera sera*. All will come to light in due course and I really hope you will be suitably excited when you *eventually* hear.

What I can tell you is that, *joy of joys*, one of our number has agreed to choose and direct **PANTO 2027**. It is such a **huge** commitment and takes up a **lot** of time, months of preparation and rehearsal, a strong, creative vision of how all the elements can work on stage, adaptation of a script which will work to suit the cast that comes forth. I could go on for *days!!* But suffice to say you **will** have your *beloved* panto next January. (Enormous thanks to our brave and esteemed director – you know who you are. xx)

All that remains is for me to give a **big shout out** for the other groups of volunteers in our village who will be scurrying around, burning midnight oil, making sure all is safe, prepared and ready for your enjoyment this summer. Of course I'm talking about *Ipplepen Cottage Garden Society*, *Ippletipple* and *The Ipplepen CARNIVAL*.

Good luck, best wishes and huge respect from all of us at **IADS**.

A bientot! And look out for us in the **CARNIVAL** procession.

IPPLEPEN BOWLING CLUB WHIST DRIVE

Thursday 11th was the date of the June Whist Drive, and the afternoon was full of fun and laughter as we all met again to play cards.

A big welcome was given to Ella Watson who joined us for the first time, and we hope she enjoyed the event, and we look forward to seeing her again.

As always, I am so grateful to everyone who comes along to support it, to those who help with setting up and putting away the tables, to those who help at the tea break and for all the lovely raffle prizes that are also donated.

The results of this months Whist were as follows:

Ladies (or those playing in a ladies role) – 1st Sally Guppy, 2nd Margaret Jones, 3rd Marian Tuckett and mystery prize to Ann Jones. The booby prize was awarded to Des "Patch".

Gents – 1st Les Holman-Quick, 2nd Trevor Moore, 3rd David Northwood and mystery prize to Alan White. The booby prize was awarded to Keith Dommett.

Whist Drives are always held on the second Thursday of every month at the Clubhouse, and so a date for your diary of the next Whist is **Thursday 9th July starting at 1.30pm**. Everyone will be made very welcome (£3 to play Whist to include half-time refreshments – and an additional raffle is held), why not come along and join us.

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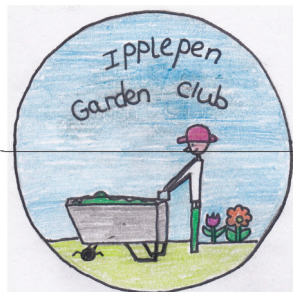
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Nigel West ***Garden Photography***



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One of the advantages of membership is free entry to our talks. Once the business of the AGM is complete there will be a talk. On this occasion we are delighted to welcome back John Risdon. John's theme for the evening will be **'Tidal Dart – A Thousand Year Journey up the Dart Estuary.'** Living in South Devon the Dart forms a backdrop to our lives. It gives its name to one of the most famous upland areas in the country – the Dartmoor National Park covering 368 square miles. The River Dart starts on the moor as the East Dart and West Dart becoming a single river at Dartmeet. After leaving the moor at Buckfastleigh, it flows through Totnes opening up into a long ria (drowned river valley) before reaching the sea at Dartmouth. The Dart estuary is tidal up as far as the Totnes weir and for many years, especially given the state of the roads, the river was the main thoroughfare for business and commerce.



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Ipplepen Village Hall

Keeping you up to date



Summer is here and your Village Hall Committee wants to make sure you are fully in the picture about what is happening at the heart of our community.

A number of projects are now underway. Facility repairs are being scheduled, alongside work to make better use of the space, improve storage, and explore greener energy solutions for the building. Our website is also being refreshed to make it easier to find information and get in touch.

We are actively fundraising to help towards the costs of the hall refurbishment, and we are excited to announce a Clothes Swap event coming later in the year as one of the ways we will be raising money. If you have good quality items that might otherwise have headed to the charity shop, please hold onto them. More details to follow.

If you know a local contractor, or are one yourself, and would be interested in being on our preferred supplier list for work at the hall, please drop Simon Rees an email at simon@tdtyres.com.

We are also looking into hosting first aid courses and defibrillator awareness sessions, and we are proud to share that the hall has been designated as an official place of refuge in the event of a significant local emergency such as a major flood.

If you have ideas or suggestions you would like the committee to consider, please do get in touch with any one of us.

Your committee: Rob Vallance, Juliet Glanville, Simon Rees, Kat Christie, Helen Ballard, Kevin Thomas, Peter Parish, Dave Wells, Dave Lamb, June Coombe, June Rattledge, Liv Fletcher, John Marsh and Barbara Hawksby-Calland.

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The Church In Ipplepen



Last June I wrote about an old neglected table I was restoring, and how we're a bit like that bashed up table. I then reflected that God is like our restorer and sees through all our bumps, mess and mistakes to the person God made us to be.

At the time I wasn't sure what I was going to do with the table, but now it is in place working perfectly as my dining table. It's only little, and can just about seat four people at a cosy squeeze, but it's exactly what was needed.

Rather than dull, grey wood, it now glows with a golden sheen with sanded and waxed wood, back to it's original state. It looks so good that I was anxious to use it at first, worrying that I'd mark the newly polished surface and dull it's gently shining surface. So I looked at it for a couple of days.

Then I realised how foolish this was. The table was made a table for a reason: to be used as a table; to have plates and cutlery and mugs put on it, and probably to have things spilt and dropped on it. If I didn't use it for fear of damaging it, then it was an essentially pointless piece of furniture taking up space in my small house.

I saw that I needed to risk some damage in order for the table to fulfill it's purpose, but also that in doing so I must invest in some table-care. Some immediate everyday care like using placemats and coasters, and a regular wipe-down, and longer term like a re-wax when needed. Although I'd already spent hours on restoring it, this wasn't enough. It needs continual, regular care.

It's a bit like us on our faith journey and growth as followers of Jesus. Our relationship with God and how we live because of this also needs constant maintenance.

Not because God fails us on any part of his side of the relationship – God has promised never to leave us or let us down – but rather we fall down on our part as we get distracted, misled and wounded by the world around us and our own brokenness.

Care of our spiritual well-being and care of ourselves are vital if we are to fulfil the purpose that God has called us for, and to live our lives as Jesus would, in line with God's will.

Take some time this month to check on the health of your faith journey, and your care of yourself in prayer, reflection and perhaps discussion with a trusted friend, relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the love of God to lead you.

With love. Sara

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July 2026 – Services

Sunday 5th July – 5th Sunday after Trinity

Time	Service	Location
09.00am	Holy Communion	Denbury
11.00am	Holy Communion + Children's Activities	Ipplepen
5.00pm	Encounters Evening Service	Ipplepen Methodist Church

Sunday 12th July – 6th Sunday after Trinity

Time	Service	Location
09.00am	Holy Communion + Children's Craft Table	Broadhempston
11.00am	Holy Communion	Ipplepen
5.00pm	Evening Prayer + Benediction	Denbury

Sunday 19th July – 7th Sunday after Trinity

Time	Service	Location
09.00am	Holy Communion + Children's Activities	Denbury
11.00am	Holy Communion + Children's Activities	Ipplepen
3-4.30pm	St. Andrew's Outside - 'Captain Noah's Ship'	St. Andrew's Church Hall + Field

Sunday 26th July – 8th Sunday after Trinity

Time	Service	Location
09.00am	Holy Communion	Woodland
11.00am	Holy Communion	Ipplepen
5.00pm	Reflective/Taize Evening Worship	Broadhempston



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July additional events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Saturday 4 th July (1 st Saturday of each month)	10am – 12 noon	Coffee Morning	The Parish Rooms, Woodland
Wednesday 1 st July (1 st Wednesday of each month)	12 noon	Food for Thought Lunch Club	Church Hall, Ipplepen
Thursday 9 th July (2 nd Thursday of each month)	10.30am	Coffee Mates	Church Cottage, Denbury
Saturday 11 th July (2 nd Saturday of each month)	10am – 12 noon	Coffee & Chat!	St. Andrew's Church, Ipplepen

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12th – 18th July - Janice, Julie, Ed and Adam remembering Ivor and Daphne Partridge on their Wedding Anniversary on 13th July.

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		Miss Sara Crouch
19th	10.30	Local Arrangement
26th	10.30	Miss Sara Crouch

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It's been a very busy month at the club,

On May 16th we played the Ken Day Trophy. This is played every year in memory of Ken a former member and great friend to many. We thought rain would stop play but we carried on and it stopped.

The winners with a difference of 19 points on their rink were Dave Brook, Richard Butlin, Joan Preston congratulations. We had chocolate cake at tea break (Ken's favourite)

June 1st played a friendly against Den Teighmouth Good win on grass. A bit wet but lovely friendly afternoon.

Results for leagues

Men's over 55s

Away to Starcross won on both rinks, 8 points, Home to Abbrook won one, lost one, 6 points. Hot day way to Chudleigh lost both rinks (always a challenge on grass) Away to Shaldon, lost both rinks. Home to Bovey Tracey Won on both rinks 8 points.

Ladies Triple Challenge Trophy

Away to Totnes lost both rinks (again very challenging on grass) Home to Bovey Tracey Good win, won one both rinks 6 points. Home to Marina hard game lost on both rinks

Rivera Mixed League

Away to Brixham weather against us again lost overall 51 41 -2 points

Home to Marldon good win 8 points gained Home to Torquay A good win 8 points Away to Brixham SMA Very wet day could only play 13 ends normally 18 Lost 2 rinks won one

Well done to everyone playing in all above matches.

Also our summer competitions are starting so good luck to all taking part

We welcome new members so why not try bowling. Free coaching ring Mary on 07833662227

June Coombe

Summer is well and truly with us now. Although it's fair to say the weather has been a bit of a mixed bag so far, we were fortunate that Devon's County Show took place in May during one of the spells of very fine, warm weather.

The choir spent a fabulous Saturday afternoon there and were honoured to perform at the show for the first time, in glorious sunshine, on the BBC Radio Devon stage. Thanks to one of our new members, who came along to support us from the audience, for this brilliant photograph of us in full swing.



Looking ahead to July, we have a couple of summer gigs back on our home turf, starting with Denbury Country Fayre being held at Denbury Primary School on Sunday 5th July 11am-2pm. Billed as a fantastic day of sunshine, laughter and community spirit, it sounds right up our street. There will be food and drinks on sale, or you can bring a picnic. There will be lots to entertain the children, including a bouncy castle and friendly farm animals to meet. We will be singing around 11-12.

Then, of course, we round the year off by fulfilling our usual slot of 5-6 pm at the Ipplepen Village Show and Beer Festival on Saturday 18th July, before we take a break from rehearsals for the month of August.

Our last rehearsal will be 16th July ahead of the village show. Any ladies thinking of joining the choir are welcome to come along to one of our July rehearsals. Alternatively, we will be starting another four-week singing course, to learn a new song, when choir restarts after the summer break on Thursday 3rd September. More details will follow in the August magazine.

Squirrels. The Squirrels have been busy at the Scout hut thinking about people and things that are special to them. They brought in special toys and teddies from home, decorated chocolate bar wrappers to give to someone special and enjoyed a visit from a very special little tortoise called Tiny Tia. Our young leaders Lauren and Isabelle planned a session celebrating the King's birthday, they made a birthday card and are now hoping they may get a thank you card from the palace. They made crowns for themselves and of course no birthday would be complete without something tasty to eat so they made Chocolate Rice Krispies to take home. The run up to the summer holidays starts now and will be action packed, out and about. Hopefully in the sunshine!

Beavers. The Beavers hosted the coffee, tea & cake at the methodist church & we had cakes donated by the Beaver parents for our busy afternoon. It was a good event. We have also visited Decoy Country Park to do a scavenger hunt for small creatures, flora & fauna & finished with a play in the park. A litter pick was done around some areas of Ipplepen & we managed a couple of bags of rubbish in the time we were out. A badge night saw some enthusiastic Beavers showing & telling us their hobbies, book reading & animal care badges. This evening was finished off with some crafting pictures made from natural materials.

Cubs. Just before half term around half the Cubs enjoyed a day out at Crealy with other Cubs from the District to celebrate 110 years of the Cub Scout section. The Cubs then spent the weeks just before and just after half term covering the Athletics badge followed by a session looking at compass bearings and doing some orienteering. We are now getting ready for camp

Scouts Our Friday Scouts have been as busy as ever over the past few weeks. We have had a focus on knots, first aid and navigation in readiness for an upcoming camp where these skills will be put into practice. More on that in the next issue. We have had a go at testing out what we can use to successfully light a fire. Doritos and pretzels were very successful if you are ever in need of a fire during a picnic! We have also got a little green fingered and planted some bedding plants to brighten up the outside of the hut.

Pioneers. We have been making the most of the longer days doing far more outdoor activities. We did a trail round Abbotskerswell to practice map reading, teamworking and observation by answering questions on the way round. Another great evening was kayaking at Haven Banks in Exeter. The weather was great for both of these. Unfortunately, it didn't last and fire lighting had to be cancelled as the wood was too wet, but we still made our s'mmores over candles and played hide and seek round a small part of the village in the damp. We have also done the cannon run in the park - wooden rather than a real cannon. They had to build it, run, take it apart to get through obstacles, then build it again. You may have seen the Navy do similar on the TV. Also planned at the time of writing is a walk on Dartmoor. I hope the weather is good for this and it can go ahead on 18th June.

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IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL

Report on Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June 2026 for a more detailed report please read the draft minutes (yet to be approved at our next meeting) on our website: www.ipplepenparishcouncil.gov.uk

CORRESPONDENCE:

a) An email has been received from the Mayor of Newton Abbot Town Council inviting the Chairman to this Civic Service on Sunday 18th October at 3pm at St Paul's Church, Devon Square, Newton Abbot.

b) An email has been received from TDC, who are currently undertaking an Asset Transfer programme, in which they are welcoming Parish and Town Council's to come forward to potentially obtain any assets of interest within their catchment. The Parish Council have expressed an interest in the land in Crokers Way.

c) The Parish Clerk from Broadhempston Parish Council has emailed asking if Ipplepen Parish Council are members of the road warden scheme, and if we are, would we like to share a pallet of pothole filler with them. Action – Clerk to reply that the Parish Council are not members of the road warden scheme but they may consider it in the future.

d) The Clerk has received a few emails about large HGV's coming along Moor Road, Ipplepen. There have been a few incidents of the HGV's getting stuck and causing damage to walls and the fingerpost at Dornafield Cross has been ripped from the concrete base and dragged up the Road. The Clerk has emailed Councillor Horner about this issue.

e) An email has been received from the Secretary of the Teignbridge Archaeological Society asking for permission for some information to be disseminated to Parishioners. They have a test pitting project which aims to uncover the stories of various towns and villages in Teignbridge. They are looking for volunteers and residents who maybe interested in hosting a small archaeological test pit in their garden. If you are interested please email Jowan Albon on jowan-albon@hotmail.com

f) TDC have emailed regarding the CIL Adoption Statement. The notice of approval of the Teignbridge Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule was adopted on 19th May 2026 by Full Council. It replaces the previous charging schedule that had been in place since 2014 and based on the previous Teignbridge Local Plan 2013 – 2033.

g) TDC are beginning preparations for the next Development Management Town and Parish Council Forums which will take place on Monday 20th July 1pm-3pm at the Council Chamber at Forde House and Tuesday 21st July 5pm-7pm via Microsoft Teams. Action – Clerk to confirm that Coun.Farrow and Coun.Rattlidge would like to attend on Monday 20th July 2026.

OUTSIDE BODIES

Coun.Mrs.Calland met with members of IpplePlanet and looked at a couple of sites for them to enhance. They are going to come back to the Parish Council with some ideas.

AMENITIES: - Coun.Carnell The Minutes of the Amenities meeting held on 12th May 2026, were approved and taken as read.

a) The new salt shed is planned to be sited at the rear of the car park at the Millennium Centre, on the opposite side to the current shed.

b) Tiling of Rec Ground toilets are still ongoing. The Disabled toilets and the Gents toilets have been completed.

c) Teignbridge Trotters event on Sunday 28th June 2026 – The clerk has let them know that the skate park will still be under construction but won't have any impact on the event.

d) Allotment rules – Coun.Palethorpe has sent the revised rules, which have been circulated to all Councillors. These will be sent out to all allotment tenants at the end of the year.

e) Football Club half yearly inspection – Clerk to arrange a date in July or August. Action - Clerk to email Football Club to arrange.

f) Quotes are being obtained for fencing repairs at the end of the access road by the Recreation Ground.

g) Salt spreader – The amenities Committee have looked at quotes for replacing the current one. The cost of a new salt spreader is around £8,000. To discuss at October Parish Council meeting.

h) The Cleaner needs a new commercial mop and bucket and a fresh smelling disinfectant. Action - Clerk to contact cleaner to see about increasing her hours over the Summer holidays, and Coun.Carnell will purchase two new mops and buckets.

SKATE PARK – Coun.Burnham

Invoice has been received for payment in the sum of £9025.00 to cover: Detailed Design Stage – Pre-Construction Works

CDM Compliance, H&S & Project Planning -£ 2,500.00

Detailed Design Engineering - Drawings for Construction -£ 7,000.00

Subtotal £ 9,500.00 + Vat

Less 5% Retention @ £ 475.00 -to be held until practical completion of the project (4 July)

Net Amount £ 9,025.00 Vat @ 20% £ 1,805.00 Amount due/payable £ 10,830.00

• Date for diaries- Skatepark Launch event is scheduled for Saturday 25th July 2026 from 12:00 to 16:00 hours.

KERSWELLA CARE – Coun.Rattlidge

A total of 52 transport requests came in for May– 16 for the Ipplepen and surrounding area.

From this we had 6 cancellations / unable to find a driver.

The first newsletter has been published and has been distributed to the Health Centres, Hub, Library, Park Café and other sites.

It is also available on the Kerswella website - kerswellacare.org.uk.

Places are filling up for our trips for the Trailblazers group and other trips. All are welcome, to Trailblazers you don't have to commit to every month.

For more information on all our trips visit the website, check the Ipplepen magazine or pick up the newsletter.

We are always looking for a variety of volunteer roles so if anyone is interested they can call Gill on 07554 667037 for more information.

To note the date of the next PC meeting: Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 7.15pm

The Parish Clerk

District Report - Cllr David Palethorpe

Teignbridge Local Plan Adopted

At its Annual Council Meeting in May, Teignbridge District Council formally adopted the new Local Plan.

I am particularly pleased to report that the Ipplepen Neighbourhood Development Plan, which was approved by residents in the 2023 referendum, has been fully incorporated into the Local Plan. This provides a strong legal basis for future planning decisions and offers significant protection against speculative development proposals.

The Government has advised that local plans will need to be reviewed within the next 30 months, and I will keep residents informed of any changes that may affect our community.

During the past month I have continued to work with residents on a range of local concerns, including planning matters, parking on pavements and footways, and issues relating to property ownership and tenancy rights.

Blue Flag and Seaside Awards

I am delighted to report that five Teignbridge beaches have received national recognition for summer 2026.

Blue Flag Award

- Dawlish Warren

Seaside Awards

- Dawlish Town Beach
- Coryton Cove
- Teignmouth Town Beach
- Ness Cove

These awards recognise beaches that provide safe, clean and well-managed environments for residents and visitors.

Ipplepen Recreation Ground Improvements

I would like to congratulate Ipplepen Parish Council on the substantial improvements being delivered at the Recreation Ground.

In particular:

- The refurbishment of the recreation ground toilets.
- The progress being made on the new skate park wheeled sports area.

These facilities will provide lasting benefits for residents and young people and are expected to be completed around the time of this year's Village Show.

Village Show Rolling Road Closure

Residents are reminded that a rolling road closure will once again be in place to allow the May Queen Procession to travel safely from the War Memorial to the Recreation Ground during the Village Show.

Further details will be published through local social media nearer the event.

As always, if any resident has concerns or requires assistance with district council matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Cllr David Palethorpe

Teignbridge District Council – Councillor for the Ipplepen Ward

Contact david.palethorpe@teignbridge.gov.uk Mob 07506422686

County Report - Cllr Heather Horner

There is little to report that's new. Devon County Council held its Annual Meeting on 28 May 2026, which focused on establishing leadership and governance arrangements for the year ahead rather than making decisions about local services.

The Council confirmed its leadership, with Councillor Brazil continuing as Leader and Councillor Arnott as Deputy Leader, alongside the appointment of a new Chair and Vice-Chair. This continuity means the overall direction of the Council remains unchanged, including priorities around highways, children's services, and managing financial pressures.

The main point of relevance for parish councils is the approval of the Council's committee structure. The Development Management Committee, which determines major planning applications, will now be smaller. This may lead to more streamlined decisions, but with fewer councillors directly involved, making it important that local views are clearly represented in the planning process.

The Council has also established a new Scrutiny Committee to examine proposals for Local Government Reorganisation. While no immediate changes are planned, this work could, over time, reshape how services are delivered and how parish councils interact with higher tiers of local government. This is likely to be the most significant issue to monitor going forward.

No decisions were taken at this meeting affecting local highways, funding, or services in Ipplepen. However, wider issues raised during public participation—particularly around planning, transport, and community concerns—reflect pressures that continue to be seen across Devon.

In summary, this meeting set the structure for decision-making rather than the decisions themselves. The key areas for Ipplepen to be aware of are changes to planning governance and the emerging work on local government reorganisation, both of which could have longer-term implications.

Cllr Heather Horner

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EVERY MONDAY



Just a reminder, that we still have the Coffee Mornings being held up at the Village Hall on Monday mornings from 10 – until about 11.30. We're a friendly bunch and think you may enjoy it.

We have people who have lived in Ipplepen for most of their lives, some for many years and, of course, some who have just retired and moved here fairly recently. We do have some very interesting members from all walks of life and backgrounds, so there's always something to talk about. At the moment, we have ladies who have a couple of tables and men who have a their own table and even a table who have couples on. It means that whether you're a couple or on your own, there will always be somebody to sit with. Laughter is never very far away either. So why don't you come along and give it a go, maybe make a few new friends and enjoy having a chat, with a coffee and a biscuit, and of course put the world to rights. Is that possible these days!!

We usually buy a raffle ticket or two every week and the money collected for this goes towards the cost of a trip in the Summer; this year we're going to Sidmouth in July, so not too long to wait. We also arrange for a Christmas lunch in December, usually to a nearby coastal hotel which the committee are in the process of deciding which one for 2026. So why not come along on a Monday to see what we're all about; we'll be very pleased to welcome you.

IpplePlanet: Butterfly Conservation highlights Orley Common as one of Devon's best butterfly spots



Orley Common is one of Devon's best butterfly spots say Butterfly Conservation (BC)! You can find an online link to a self-guided 'Roger Bristow Memorial Walk' on their website alongside other self-guided butterfly walks around Devon with photos of key butterfly species: Marbled White (late June – July); Brown Argus (can be hard to find some seasons but occasionally occurs in good numbers in July & August), Wall, Small Copper, Common Blue, Silver-washed Fritillary all best seen in August. Wall, if seen, occurs in small numbers in spring and summer.

A favourite with butterfly enthusiasts, the Brown Argus is a member of the 'blue' family of butterflies, with two separate broods a year, flying in May/June and then again in Jul/Aug. At Orley, the later brood is usually the more numerous. Look for it in the grasses on the top section of the common. It is a fast flyer and looks silvery grey in flight but when it is perched on a grass stem and opens its wings to feel the sun you can see it is a rich chocolatey brown colour with distinctive yellow/orange 'spots' around the edges of the wings. The underwing is a silvery brown. 'Blue' family males are territorial and will chase off other males in his patch with short darting flights, whilst females often meander amongst grasses searching for suitable spots to lay. The larva generally prefer Common Rock-rose or Common Storks-bill to feed on but adults will nectar on a range of plants, they love the Marjoram in the summer.

Other local self-guided walks on this web page are Berry Head and Kerswell Down plus a range of other excellent Devon butterfly locations. These butterfly walks are in remembrance of a much respected and highly regarded member of BC, Roger Bristow, who passed away in September 2020. Roger was one of the founders of the Devon Branch of BC and played a huge role in improving the knowledge of Devon's butterflies and was Devon County Butterfly Recorder for many years.

If you would like to take a walk with a knowledgeable BC volunteer on hand to answer questions then BC has guided Spring & Summer events including a BC led walk at Orley on the Sunday 5th July 2026 (weather permitting!). Please book via Pete Hurst 01626 854 182 / pete-hurst@outlook.com.

The other local commons around Stoneycombe Quarry are also rich in butterfly species and well worth a visit. If you are interested in helping with winter habitat management, then BC's volunteers usually do a winter day of conservation work at Miltor Mator Common (above Dainton) and at Kerswell Down. More details will be posted online in autumn. Brown argus photos by Amanda Hunter:



IpplePlanet will be at the Village Show on Saturday 18th July and will be providing advice on wildlife gardening. Please come and say hi to find out more on wildlife and environmental issues.

OUR MONTHLY WEATHER

MAY

Year	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Highest temp {C}	28.3	22.1	22.9	22.6	21.0	18.8
Lowest temp {C}	1.4	3.2	2.9	4.3	3.7	-1.3
Average max temp {C}	18.9	18.4	17.7	18.2	17.6	14.4
Average min temp {C}	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.0	7.4	5.4
Total rainfall {mm}	27.4	35.6	82.6	27.2	48.4	250.2
Number of dry days	21	22	15	20	15	10

General Comments: Not a record breaking month from the point of view of its weather but this May was a month of two distinct parts – the first three weeks being cool and bringing most of the rain whilst the last ten days were very much warmer, hot even, but largely dry.

Our rainfall for the month was well below the long term mean of 64.7 mm – a shortfall of almost 58%. Only ten times since 1987 has May had less rain placing this well into the driest third of our data. Taken together with the previous four months, two very wet and two very dry, this has brought our annual rainfall for the year to date to 554.4 mm, about 23% above our mean expectation. Most of the rainfall arrived as lightish showers mainly concentrated in the first three weeks of the month. Only one day had rainfall of 10 mm or more. As a result, the number of dry days is significantly above average being well into the upper quartile of our data and three or four days above the norm.

Our maximum temperature was very high, the third highest since 1987 – only 2011 and 2008 had higher maxima! However, the minimum temperature was quite low, 1.3C° below the mean. Only ten previous Mays have had lower minima. The average maximum temperature was well above the long term mean, by 1.5C°. The average minimum temperature was also moderately elevated, 0.1C° above the mean and just into the upper half of our record. Taken together, we calculate an average temperature for the month of 13.55°C, 0.85C° above the mean and well into the upper quintile of our data. There were eleven days with temperatures at or above 20°C whereas seven or eight would be expected for a typical May. We also had a mini heatwave with temperatures above 25°C for three successive days from the 24th to the 26th.

The barometer remained quite steady throughout the month with no sudden changes. A high of just 1030 mb was noted with a low of 1003 mb.

The predominant wind directions were from west and north for the first 20 days or so before backing to the east-north-east thereafter. There were no high winds and the fiercest gust of the month was just 22 mph (Fresh Breeze, Force 5). With a wind run of only 855 miles (not a record but well below average), this could be described as a settled month with some showery interludes. but well below average), this could be described as a settled month with some showery interludes.

Overall, this was a fairly balmy, gentle month though a bit chilly at first and very warm to hot later on. There was little wind chill with opportunities to get out and about in reasonable comfort.

Spring: This Spring was very dry but not the driest in our record. With 95.2 mm of rain, it was 56% drier than the average. The Met Office figures (which apply to the much wider South West Region but are broadly in line with our own) place this as the eighth driest Spring since 1873, only two of which are in our humble record – 1990 and 2011. Together, this produced a total of 54 dry days against a mean of 50 or 51 and each of the months produced very similar figures. The average maximum temperature was 15.3°C against an expectation of 14.2°C and sixth warmest in our data. The average minimum temperature was 5.9°C against a mean of 5.8°C, just in the top half of our record. These combined to yield an average temperature of 10.6°C, against a long term average of 10.0°C. There have only been eight higher average temperatures since 1987. There were just four occasions with temperatures at or below freezing and twelve with temperatures at or above 20°C (eleven in May), both more than expected.

For much of the time, Spring was quite calm and balmy although we did have some blustery days, especially in March and April, where wind speeds of up to 33 mph were noted (relatively moderate, though, for the season) and often coming from the east and north, hence some of the cooler periods.

Martin Stentiford

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IPPLEPEN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE REPORT FOR JUNE 2026

This month we were very pleased to welcome David and Gemma who have spent many years working on cruise ships, which Gemma still does, but David is now the chef at Dainton Golf Course.

From the ages 2-14 David lived in Jamaica but then the family came back to London. He started to work in numerous London restaurants and then worked on "The Circuit" for a while. This involves working at several racecourses and cricket grounds, such as The Oval. He then found an agent and got a job with P&O. He worked on a small ship which was not very pleasant and then on 'The Aurora' where he sailed the world which was very interesting. He also worked for a Norwegian Cruise Line and then Royal Caribbean.

By this time he had got fed up with London so moved to Canada to a place called London in Ontario! which is very close to three of the Great Lakes. He still has the house in Canada.

He worked for Royal as sous chef but then became executive chef for the large ships. He has seven sous chefs who have speciality areas. 'Windjammer' is the main restaurant, (on all Royal ships), which caters for 6,800 passengers and there are also 2,200 crew members of varying nationalities who have chefs to cater for their differing diets.

The ships have a seven day itinerary but food is purchased for fourteen days in case of delays.. Every day there is a team meeting at 7.45 where menus are discussed and tasting takes place as everything is tasted before going to the table. A typical breakfast menu uses 700lbs of bacon, 800lbs of sausages and 18 cases of fried eggs! It's a standardised menu on any ship of the fleet. People with special diets are catered for. There are five speciality restaurants.

There has to be minimum waste but after four hours anything not used has to be disposed of. The target is 13% waste. Food can be burnt and used for fuel and turned into drinking water.

The ships are inspected twice a year. David says his favourite tool is his flashlight! There are 5-7 inspectors and they hope to get a score of 99%. If the score is lower than 96% that is bad. The results are published so there is no hiding. Gemma is his overall boss so he has to be careful

! In 2018 they came to live in England. They have a daughter, Olivia, who is partly looked after by grandparents and but they have decided that they want to be together as a family more so Gemma is looking for another interesting job.

David now seems settled at Dainton so go there and enjoy some of his food knowing that it will be of the highest standard. We thank them both for their time and insight into 'A Life on the Ocean Wave'.

The flower of the month was won by Marion Penny with another beautiful peony. Our next speaker is Tom Morris talking about understanding Voice. Get ready to blow through straws!!

Please join us at 2pm in the village hall to see what this is all about on the 14th July. Barbara Hersey- Secretary

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...hot off the plot: what's happening in July

July is normally one of the driest months, so to keep our crops happy we will be watering at all hours. Fortunately, our village allotments have a communal main-fed water butt, which is an absolute godsend this time of year. We have passed the hectic sowing, potting on and planting out phase of the last few months, but there are still a few things to be sowing, particularly those delicious salad crops.

All the allotmenters will be looking forward to the Ipplepen Village Show on Saturday 18th July. It's a chance to show-off our produce, admire each others horticultural skills and talk about gardening all day long! Everyone works really hard on their plots, each with their own style of growing and taste for produce. We're excited to see who will win this year. Good luck everyone!

The highlight at the allotments this month will be early potatoes coming out of the ground. They don't store as well as main crop potatoes, but they won't be around long anyway; they'll simply be brushed off, boiled and eaten with a slather of butter and some fresh herbs... summer on a plate.

What we're sowing & growing

Beetroot - Spring Cabbage - Chicory -
Chinese Cabbage - Carrots - Kohlrabi -
Lettuce - Peas - French Beans - Radishes -
Spring Onions - Cauliflower - Broccoli - Kale

What we're harvesting

Broad Beans - French Beans - Runner Beans
- Cabbage - Peas - Carrots - Celery -
Beetroot - Courgettes - Cucumbers - Kale -
Kohlrabi - Lettuce - Onions - Spring Onions -
New Potatoes - Cherries - Strawberries -
Raspberries - Gooseberries - Blueberries

Tidy up summer strawberries

As soon as summer strawberries have finished tidy up old foliage, remove straw and either cut off any runners or use them to make new plants.

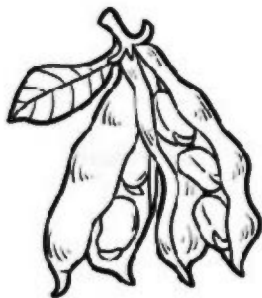
Finding it difficult to remove seedlings from seed trays and modules without damaging the plants?

Try using a tea spoon to scoop out the plant leaving as much compost on the roots as possible.

IPPLEPEN ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

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