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Hi All,

Once again I have to open the E-Letter with the sad news. This week it is the Passing of Andrew Partridge. His untimely death followed a lengthy illness. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, and our heartfelt condolences go out to Brenda, his father, Ernie and the rest of his family.

I knew Andrew mainly though the Parish Council and his maintenance of the cemetery and the public spaces, a task in which he followed his father. The care with which Andrew undertook these tasks deserve mention. Not only did he cut the grass with love and great care, he also undertook the levelling of the grave spaces, making a real contribution to the appearance and facility of the area.

In the absence of a funeral service at St. Stephens due to lockdown regulations, we will have a brief opportunity next Friday (24th April) to pay our last respects. The Funeral procession will leave Western Way at 11.45am and then travel up Back Street, around into Fore Street and then down back to the five ways crossing before travelling to Taunton Crematorium.

Denise Nicholls

A message placed on the Winsham Community Facebook by Sian Williams:

On the 23rd April at 2pm Denise will be coming home to be laid to rest. There will be a private burial at the cemetery however she will be coming through the village from Chard at 1.45pm with a pause at the shop, which was as everybody knows a big part of her life, for anybody to pay their respects. A celebration of her life will be held at St. Stephen's at a later date when time allows us which Gemma and the family would like everybody who knew and loved her to attend. The family would like to thank everybody for all their kind words and offers of support at this difficult time.

FANTASTIC FOTOS

The pictures continue to come in, and one of the most striking will be found below. Thanks to Lucy, and all other contributors. I will use as many as I can during the weeks ahead.

Winsham Shop and Post Office

Kate Morgan has not yet returned following her scrap with Covid-19, but she is recovering well, and hopefully we will see her back soon. Meanwhile the Post Office remains closed.

However the rest of the operation is flying along, with battalions (well perhaps a platoon!) of volunteer helpers delivering boxes of groceries to isolating vulnerable households in many parts of the village. As one of the grateful beneficiaries of this free service I would like to express my thanks, and I am sure many will join me in this.

Road Works on Forton Road

It is good to know that not everything has ground to a standstill. Even if the roadwork itself might cause the traffic to! Access details from link below.

Somerset County Council Covid -19

Linda Vijeh is sending us regular reports on SCC activity to manage the Covid-19 epidemic. These are quite lengthy documents, but make fascinating reading as they illustrate the wide variety of responsibilities the SCC shoulders in these difficult times. Well done Linda, Sue Osborne and all their colleagues.

Neighbour Hood Watch/Corona virus

It has been a long time since this section of the Winsham Parish Website has been so busy. It is buzzing with news of virus related scams, and also contains an interesting video clip. This week it also includes a link to information relating to the new guidelines (16th April) issued to the police forces in the UK covered by the Criminal Prosecution Service. In doing this it clarifies the attitudes police forces should take towards a number of social isolation issues. The one I found of most interest related to exercise walks and the guidance relating to car travel related to them.

STIR KRAZY KORNER

No entries for the Grand Winsham Challenge yet, but it is very early days, but I hope many of our readers are thinking about their entries.

Meanwhile, Brian Turner has produced another pair of quizzes for both adults and juniors, along with the answers to last week's quizzes.

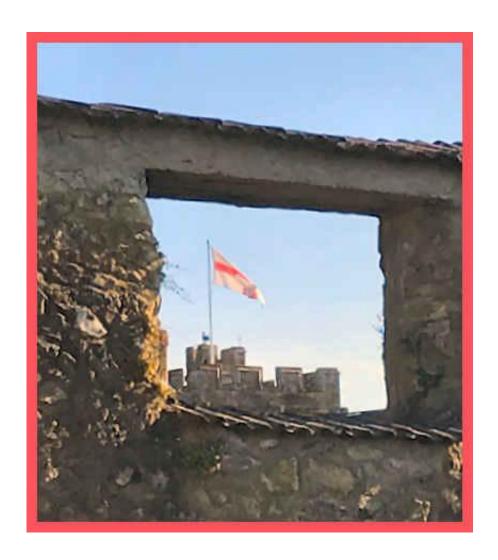
That's it for this week!



Keep safe, stay cheerful!

John

PS Household without the Internet can now get a printed copy of the e-letter. If you know somebody who would like this service, please let me know. No hyperlinks of course



Fortress Winsham-it shall not pass!
Picture by Lucy Binns



Each week we dip into a part of the Winsham Web Museum.
A visit to the Home Page to see the scope of the Winsham Web Museum
This week: Click on the logo.

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