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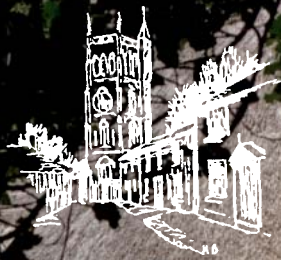
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### June

3rd Littlefields Road  
10th Moor Lane  
17th North Road  
24th North View Drive

### July

1st Orchard Close  
8th Queens Road

If you have any special prayers or concerns, whether for yourself, one of your family or for a neighbour (e.g. someone who is sick: getting married: seeking employment: going away to work or college: or in any kind of trouble or difficulty), please ring one of the following numbers either to have a chat, or leave a message, or make an appointment for one of us to visit you, or vice versa.

St Andrew's: Dinah Harrison 822344

Methodist: The Revd. Sam 852314

Sunday July 1st  
**Songs of Praise**

at  
The Coach House  
East Street  
6pm

A retiring collection will be  
taken for  
Weston Hospice Care.

All Welcome

If wet, in St Andrew's Church

When a man is wrapped up in himself, he makes a pretty small package.

**John Ruskin**

Banwell Playgroup for rising 3s-5yr. olds meets Monday to Friday during term-time 9.00am - 11.30am. For more information please contact the Playgroup on 823404 or Wendy Lloyd 820605.

Baby/Toddler Group meets every Friday morning 9.30am -11.45am. at the Scout Hut.  
Contact Gareth Thomas 823177

Banwell Scout Group: Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Peter Bradbury, Group Scout Leader 01934 822719

Banwell Fish Scheme: Chairman Mrs Dinah Harrison 822344. Lift Co-ordinator Mrs G Boddy 823621.

Village Hall Booking Secretary: Mr David Westlake 30 Knightcott Road, Banwell. Tel: 822433.

Youth & Community Centre Booking Secretary: Nicola Hooper (Parish Clerk) 812567,  
[email clerk@banwell.org](mailto:email clerk@banwell.org)

Methodist School Room Hire Bookings Tel: 822873 or 822066

Banwell-Potigny Twinning Assoc. Contact Jeanne Evans 823878

Banwell Bridge Club Contact: Roger Boland Tel: 820615 or Meg Tillotson Tel: 823252

## Services In Our Churches

### ST. ANDREW'S

	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Family Eucharist
	3.30 pm	Evensong
1st Sunday	3.30 pm	BCP Eucharist
	7.15 pm	Young at Heart

### METHODIST

	10.30 am	Morning Service & Sunday School
	6.30 pm	Evening Service

**ROMAN CATHOLIC** Cheddar  
Sunday 9.00 am Mass

**ALL WELCOME**

## No More Banwell Market

Banwell market will no longer run as it has not been busy with stall holders and customers. I would like to give a big thank you everyone who supported the market, stall holders, customers, parish news, Banwell school and Banwell news.

ONE OFF CHRISTMAS MARKET WILL BE HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL IN DECEMBER. DATE TO BE AGREED

Many thanks. Lisa Griffiths

### *From the Registers*

#### Baptism

##### May

6th Isabelle Catherine Penrose  
Shayler

#### Wedding

19th Hannah Oriel Paul to  
Adam James Burrows

#### Funeral

##### April

18th Winifred Dorothy Hoddinott

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## W.I.

For our May meeting we were pleased to welcome Mr. Brian Amesbury from Bristol, who gave us one of his very interesting talks on Old Bristol.

It is always a pleasure to hear him and he was warmly thanked for his visit. Don't forget our open meeting on June 7th. when Miss Clare Hanham is to give us a talk on her studies at the Royal School of Needlework at Hampton Court. All are welcome.

### Please note our email address & website

theeditor@banwellparishnews.org.uk  
www.banwellparishnews.org.uk

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## Archaeology

The next Meeting of the Society will be the A.G.M. The Speaker for this evening will be Mrs. Adams - her subject - Living with the Boss. Her life as a Farmer's wife.

In July Mr. Horseman will bring his slides of a journey along the Kennet & Avon Canal.

There will be no Meeting in August.

## Village Websites

St Andrew's Church – www.standrewsbanwell.org.uk  
Contact: Dinah Harrison, email: pccsecretary@standrewsbanwell.org.uk

Banwell Village Website – www.banwell.info  
Contact: Graham Found, email: graham@banwell.info Tel: 822619

Banwell Parish Council Website – www.banwell.org  
Contact Jony Russell, email: wordsatwork@macunlimited.net Tel: 822715

The Friends of Banwell Primary School Website – www.banwell.info/friends

Westfield Residents Assoc - www.westfield.banwell.info  
email: westfield@banwell.info

Banwell Bowling Club Website – www.geocities.com/johnnyamos2002

Banwell Royal British Legion Website – www.rbl.banwell.info

Banwell Baby and Toddler Group – www.geocities.com/banwellbabytoddlers

# Two Jazz Giants Gardening Tips

Chris Garrick and John Etheridge

June 23rd 7.30pm

St. John the Baptist Church, Churchill

Two giants of Jazz are coming to Churchill. Virtuoso violinist Chris Garrick and leading British jazz guitarist, John Etheridge, will entertain you with their interpretations of jazz, folk world and rock music from composers ranging from Duke Ellington to Paul McCartney. This incredible duo offers a tantalisingly special chance to hear two great players fire off one another to produce live music that is life-affirming, accessible and totally charming!

Chris Garrick is well recognised as the foremost jazz violinist in Britain and one of the leading players on the world scene. Maxim Vengerov – one of the finest classical violinists of our time – heard Chris play and is quoted as saying, “I want to learn to play like Chris Garrick”. Chris has toured and recorded with artists such as Cleo Lane and Brian Ferry.

John Etheridge is a legend among guitarists – the leading British jazz guitarist of his generation. Described by Pat Metheny as one of the best guitarists in the world, he has also teamed up with John Williams. He has had an extraordinarily distinguished career ranging from playing with Soft Machine and Nigel Kennedy to touring with Stephane Grapelli’s quartet no less!

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From: Ursula Dornton 01934 852919

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# Gardening Tips For June



Thin spring-sown hardy annuals to six inches apart and prop up tall varieties with link stakes. Boost growth of herbaceous plants by watering the root area fortnightly with quick Miracle Grow or the like. Continue planting out summer bedding annuals. Prune flowered forsythia, shorten a third of older shoots to near ground level. Mow lawns twice a week when possible. Keep up the watering as and when possible. Disbud hybrid tea roses, this helps for better buds later. Lift white outdoor Christmas roses, part them and move them to a warm place, you will get pristine snow-white blooms.

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# Seniors Club

What a shame the lovely weather has gone - it was so nice to see people with a smile on their faces. Never mind, we must look forward to better weather again soon.

On Monday, 14 May, we went to the Soup Lunch in the Village Hall. We all enjoyed being together and the ladies gave us a nice lunch.

Our Strawberry Tea will be on the 21st June and there will be another outing when the weather is warmer.

We were delighted to welcome a new member to our meeting, Mrs. Bowering, and we hope some more friends will join us for a happy afternoon together every Thursday from 2.30 - 4.00pm.

(D. GREEN)

## BANFEST \*07

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### CONTACTS

Church of England.	The PCC Secretary, The Coach House, East Street, Banwell	Tel. 822320
Methodist.	Revd. Sam, Wesley Manse, Dinghurst Rd, Churchill	852314
Roman Catholic.	Revd. Fr. Tibor Szende, The Presbytery, Tweentown, Cheddar	742564

# News From The Gardening Club

At the Annual General Meeting last month the chairman reported a successful year with good attendance at monthly meetings. He thanked everyone for their support.

The speaker for the evening, Chris Sperring gave us a talk on Bird Song. There was a power point presentation showing many of the birds that frequent our gardens and Chris very aptly mimicked their songs and gave us tips on how to recognise them. We also had an audio resentation with commentary, of birds singing.

This was the last meeting of the season; we shall be next meeting on Thursday 27th September.

We look forward to receiving your entries for the Horticultural Show on Saturday 1st September

A coach trip has been organised to Cothay Manor, Wellington on Saturday 28th July departing from Village Car Park at 1pm and returning at approx. 4.30pm. If you would like more information please ring Hilary on 822087.

Happiness is when what you think,  
what you say, and what you do are in  
harmony.

**Gandhi**



# William Tyndale

William Tyndale's burning ambition was to translate the Bible into English so that even the ploughboy could read the Scriptures. Betrayed and imprisoned for the work he had begun as a boy, in 1535 he wrote in Latin to the prison governor of Vilvorde Castle for a few essentials to help him with his study.

"I beg your lordship, and that by the Lord Jesus, that if I am to remain here through the winter you will request the commissary to have the kindness to send me, from the goods of mine which he has, a warmer cap; for I suffer greatly from cold in the head... I ask to be allowed to have a lamp in the evening; it is indeed wearisome sitting alone in the dark. But most of all I beg and beseech your clemency, that he will kindly permit me to have the Hebrew Bible, Hebrew grammar, and Hebrew dictionary, that I may pass the time in study."

Early in October 1536, Tyndale was led out of the castle towards the southern gate of the town. The sun had barely risen above the horizon when he was brought before the authorities and a final appeal was made that he should recant. Tyndale stood immovable. A silence fell over the crowd as they watched the lean form and thin face of the prisoner; his lips moved with a final impassioned prayer: "Lord, open the King of England's eyes."

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# Banwell Caves Heritage Group



The pebble summerhouse

Over 200 visitors enjoyed the first open day of 2007 on the 20th May. The weather was perfect and visitor's had a tour of the bone cave and follies followed by a climb to the top of the tower and rounded their visit off with some home made cake and a cup of tea on the terrace admiring views across the Bristol Channel.

The next open day will be on Sunday the 17th June from 2.00pm to 4.30pm and cream teas will be served. For those who haven't been before, entry is free and access and parking is from the Christon Road at the west end of Banwell Hill.

Regular visitors to The Caves will be pleased to know that we have now applied for listed building consent to restore the Pebble Summerhouse. Conditional permission has been granted and restoration works should be underway later this year. The work will involve rebuilding the collapsed sections of walls, repointing, a new roof, repair of missing pebbled sections and replacement of the carved lion & camel to replicate the original. The original summerhouse had an elaborate decorative ceiling but this will be

left until a further stage of the restoration. If any one should have any old photos of the summerhouse, no matter how trivial, we would be delighted to see them, please telephone 820516. Many thanks to those



visitors enjoying refreshments on the terrace

who have contributed over recent years towards this project.

During the year we also intend to carry out repairs to the entrance to the Stalactite Cave, this will allow visitors to access the cave entrance and peer inside to the illuminated cave beyond. Unfortunately, for safety reasons visitors will not be allowed inside the actual cave.

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Modification Order No. 32005. Public In-  
quiry on Tuesday 20th February 2007.

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pleased to say the above footpath remains  
a footpath.

Thank you to everyone who has supported  
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Jean Harris  
Winthill Farm

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## St. Andrew's Church Now and Long Ago

The new priest who will be in charge at St. Andrew's for five years (as mentioned in the last Parish News) has yet to be selected but he, or she, can be assured of coming to a friendly welcoming church.

An increase in congregation is always hoped for; but thanks to Churchwardens, Lay Readers, and excellent visiting clergy, services during the interregnum have continued uninterrupted. The number of christenings has spiralled upwards; communion is taken as usual; Christmas, Mothering Sunday and Easter were very special occasions; and, of course, the church, with its fine architecture and beautiful carved screen, remains a wonderful place for weddings.

Traditionally many Banwell families have their own long cherished memories of weddings and christenings at St. Andrew's; and from ancient records we can look back even farther. We may not know when the first Banwell Church marriage was held; or even when Banwell first had a church. But we can be sure that over the centuries St. Andrew's has been the setting for thousands of local christenings, marriages, and funerals; creating a shared bond among the families who, in olden times, made Banwell their home over several generations.

Historically; if for example we look back to Saxon times, (and there is a carved Saxon stone in the church porch) we find that Banwell in the time of King Alfred

the Great had already become a 'Minster' (or 'Mother') church. Later there would be daughter chapels in Winthill, Puxton, Compton Bishop, and Churchill. Banwell had become a place of importance; and in religious matters was playing a prominent part.

When the vast Sherborne (West Wessex) diocese was split up to form smaller, more manageable, Bishoprics the Diocese of Wells was created; and Banwell was one of the parishes included; the Bishop afterwards acquiring the additional position of Lord of the Manor. Naturally, with the setting up of this new Diocese, came frequent visits by the Bishop, acting in his dual capacity of spiritual and manorial head. Manor Court business, in particular, frequently required him to stay at Banwell for a week or more at a time; and it is not surprising that he needed a fine house to be built for his use alongside the church. Over the years fishponds, a deer park, and a rabbit warren would eventually be included in the grounds; but since those days there has been much rebuilding and remodelling, as well as changes of ownership and of name. At one time known as The Palace, or The Courthouse, the Bishop's house has long been replaced by the private residence well known to everyone as Banwell Abbey. St. Andrew's itself has seen much re-building and re-styling since the Saxon times.

Anyone wishing to share in worship can be assured of a warm welcome.

Stan Rendell

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# WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

## MONDAY

11th	12.30 - 1.30pm	Soup Lunch	*	V.H.
11th	7.30 pm	Parish Council	*	V.H.
25th	7.30 pm	“ “	*	Meth. Hall
Weekly	10.00 am	Keep Fit	*	V.H.
Weekly	5.30 - 6.30 pm	Beavers	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	6.00 - 8.45 pm	Beginners & Advanced Yoga	*	V.H.

## TUESDAY

26th	7.30 pm	Banwell Flower Arranging Group - “Corsages & Buttonholes” - Helen Baker	*	Meth. Hall
Weekly	10.00 am	Mendip Art Group (term time only)	*	V.H.
Weekly	1.00 - 3.30 pm	Playgroup	*	P. H.
Weekly	5.45 - 7.15 pm	Brownies	*	V.H.
Weekly	7.00 - 9.00 pm	Guides	*	Scout Hall

## WEDNESDAY

6th & 20th	1.30 - 3.30 pm	Baby Clinic	*	V.H.
13th		Mothers' Union Outing		
13th	7.15 pm	Royal British Legion	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	7.30 pm	Bell Ringing Practice	*	St. Andrews
Weekly	8.00 pm	Banwell Sequence Dance Club	*	V.H.
Weekly	1.30 pm	Bridge Club	*	V.H.

## THURSDAY

14th & 28th	10.00 am	Banwell Short Mat Bowling	*	V.H.
7th & 21st	7.30 pm	“ “ “ “	*	V.H.
14th	7.30 pm	W.I. Speaker: Clare Hanham “Life & Work at the Royal School of Needlework”	*	V.H.
Weekly	1.00 - 3.30pm	Playgroup	*	P.H.
Weekly	2.30 pm	Seniors' Club	*	V.H.
Weekly	7.30 - 10.00 pm	Youth Club (term time only)	*	Y.C.C.
Weekly	5.30 - 6.30 pm	Rainbows	*	Scout Hall

## FRIDAY

8th	7.30 pm	Archaeology Society – A.G.M. Speaker: Margaret Adams “Living with the Boss”	*	V.H.
Weekly	9.30 - 11.45 am	Baby/Toddler Group	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	6.30 - 7.45 pm	Cub Scouts	*	Scout Hall
Weekly	7.45 - 9.30 pm	Scouts	*	Scout Hall

## SUNDAY

Weekly	11.00 am	Judo Club	*	Y.C.C.
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Abbreviations: \* Visitors Welcome; V.H. Village Hall; M.H. Methodist Hall; P.H. Playgroup Hall; Y.C.C. Youth and Community Centre.

# TAI CHI



Tai Chi Taster - Friday  
June 22nd Banwell Village Hall 3.30 - 4.30pm

Tai chi is a form of exercise that has been practised in China for centuries. Recently it has been practised in this country where health professionals have found that it is particularly good at maintaining and improving strength and balance in older age. Increasing frailty and deteriorating balance are a main cause of falls in the elderly and for this reason North Somerset Primary Care Trust is supporting a number of exercise initiatives for older people across the district. If you

would like to find out more about this class then come along to a

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