



# Winsham-in the county of Somerset

*A rural parish which includes the hamlets of Ammerham, Bridge, Leigh, Purtington, Street and Whatley at the southern tip of beautiful Somerset*

*The Winter theme banner above was created by Deborah Harris.*

## WINTER

Longer nights

Shorter days

Mornings covered with a haze.

Starry nights

Gloomy days

Mornings sprinkled to amaze.

Colder nights

Snowy days

Morning shivers make us laze.

*ELIZABETH TURNER*

Hi all,

Once again I have to start an e-letter with some sad news; Peter Harper passed away on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October, leaving his wife Sally and daughter. Sally and Peter moved from Purtington to Crewkerne some years ago, but those that knew them at that time will know that Peter had a fine tenor voice and sang regularly in the choir at St.Stephen's. Sally is also remembered for the leading role of Prince Georgeous which she played in the memorable Penny Pargeter production of [Cinderella in 2004.](#)

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## **Remembrance Sunday**

The important event this coming week will be Remembrance Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> November. Details of the service will be found below. Of special significance, is that the event will be the [Centenary of our War Memorial](#), which was the focus of its first service of remembrance in 1923. It was built on donated land and the cost of construction was met by the generosity of the people of Winsham. Erected to commemorate the dead from Winsham who fell in the First World War, it is sad to reflect that within sixteen years a Second World War would begin, which would claim further Winsham lives. The dead from both wars are now commemorated on the memorial. Earlier this year Winsham Parish Council commissioned an extensive refurbishment of this important memorial. Thanks to Ann Bevis who sent me the old postcard showing the Winsham War memorial soon after it was erected.

## **New Livery**

I hope you enjoy the second part of the new livery for the winter season produced by Debora Harris, and of course the new poem 'Winter' by Elizabeth Turner. What a clever lot we have in Winsham! Thank you both, and the rest of you also, for the way in which you support the Winsham E-Letter.

## **Apologies!**

I am experiencing some problems with the software which I use to distribute the e-letter by e-mail. The main body of the e-letter continues to be produced by my main PC, but for reasons best known to itself it refuses to receive or send out e-mails! For this reason, I am relying on my ancient lap-top to do the distribution and I am a little worried about its ability to deal with the three hundred or so addresses that it will have to cope with. Certainly, it will be very slow. If you are reading this on e-mail, then clearly it has worked for you. If, however you are reading it via the Community Facebook page, or the Winsham web site home page link and wondering why you haven't received your personal copy, this is the reason. If you have friends who have not received their e-letter by e-mail, and do not use Facebook, perhaps you could forward them a copy of yours.

Needless to say, I am seeking a solution to the problem, but so far without any luck! Oh, for a dull moment! Suggestions would be appreciated-I use Microsoft Office 365.

Stay warm, dry and cheerful; don't worry-it may never happen!

John

PS [Take a look at Market Place](#)-we have some new advertisers

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9<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## PARISH EVENTS

<b><i>Forthcoming events and reminders! New announcements, etc. in red</i></b>		
<b>Winsham Parish Web Site</b>	<b>HEADLINES</b> Always worth a visit. Most, but not everything, makes the E-letter or Facebook!	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>Winsham Street Fair Committee</b>	See new portal page which will display details of Street Fair events. See the poster for the Race Night at the Bell on 25 <sup>th</sup> November	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>Winsham Horticultural Society</b>	AGM, 7.00pm Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November Followed by a talk- 'Flower Power' by Ian Tribe	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE for details</u></a>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Responders</b>	<b>November Fund Raising Events</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>Evening Art Workshops</b> Hurry, book now while places available.	<b>Jubilee Hall</b> During October, November & December	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE for details</u></a>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>St. Stephen's</b></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>St. Stephens Services, and most recent Rector's letter</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Remembrance Sunday-12<sup>th</sup> November</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Winsham Community Club</b></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Forthcoming events- for October Details of Football Training for juniors. Pictures taken at Halloween event</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Winsham Art Club</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Details of Spring Workshops</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Winsham Walkers</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Details of current and past walks.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Clapton and Wayford Film Society</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Autumn Film programme, starting 7<sup>th</sup> September, has now been published</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JUBILEE HALL SHORT MAT BOWLING CLUB</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Jubilee Hall, every Friday, 2.00pm New members welcome.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JHMC</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Table Tennis at the Jubilee Hall Wednesday Mornings-10.am- 11.00am</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="#"><u>Click HERE for details</u></a></p>

<b>Pilates Classes</b>	<b>Weekly Pilates Classes</b> Starting 10.15am every Monday Jubilee Hall First Class Free	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>Hatha Yoga Classes</b>	<b>YOGA in the Jubilee Hall</b> Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE for details</u></a> <a href="#"><u>First session free!</u></a>
<b>Winsham Ki Aikido Club</b>		<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>St Stephen's Coffee Morning</b>	<b>Next Coffee Morning is 29th November at 10.30am</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b><i>Community Information</i></b> <b><i>-new in red</i></b>		
<b>Bike ride to Santiago de Compostela</b>	<b>Judith and Simon Hill's epic journey-latest has now been completed successfully, and are now back home</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a> <a href="#"><u>For the account of their journey</u></a>
<b>Winsham Parish Council Web Site</b>	<b>Well worth of visit to see the detail of the Winsham Parish Council's work, with links to Somerset County Council unified services.</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>Jubilee Hall Management Committee</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. Lottery Winners</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b>Useful for new residents and visitors</b>	<b>'Welcome to Winsham'</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>

	An online guide for visitors and people new to the parish	
<b><i>Village Interest Groups- New/coming week-in red</i></b>		
<b>Neighbourhood Watch Up-dated 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<p><b>Items relating to security over the Halloween period and Van security</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p> <p><b>Important information about how you can play a part in defeating Spammers and Phishers!</b></p> <p><b>All well worth reading-crime is everywhere, even in Winsham! Be vigilant</b></p>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
	<b>The Bell</b>	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b><i>Winsham Parish Council</i></b>		<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b><i>Catholic Parish of The English Martyrs, Chard</i></b>	New link to web site	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>
<b><i>Winsham Market Place</i></b>		



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**Addition to Loaring Family section by Jill Russell**

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**Winsham Web Museum**

**Winsham and the Covid-19 Pandemic**

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**Winsham Steet Fairs**

**1984-2022**

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**The Queen's Coronation Diamond Jubilee 2013 and the Diamond Jubilee of her accession in 2012**

**Enjoy a trip down Memory Lane!**

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**Winsham Shop and Post Office**

**The History of Winsham Shop and Post Office from 1850**

[Click HERE](#) for more information, and link to the new site

**Nature Lovers Guide to Winsham**

**Visit accounts of Winsham Flora and Fauna , dating back to 2002.**

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**Botany walks with Henk Beentje.**

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**Wildlife Diaries 2016-2020**

**Contributed by Liz Earl**

**Butterfly Diary 2019**

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	<p><b>Contributed by Liz Earl &amp; Henk Beentje</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Paul Smith's 'Bugs 'n' Bees'</b></p> <p><b>Index</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Natural Winsham Fossils, Flora &amp; Fauna</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Paul Smith's reflections on farming, and his experience as a farmer in Winsham since 1921 until his passing in 2007.</b></p> <p><b>A unique record</b></p>	<p><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a></p>
<b><i>Miscellaneous</i></b>		
Somerset Museums UPDATED-a really useful web site.	Gives you details of most of the Museums in Somerset.	<a href="#"><u>Click HERE</u></a>

**Take a picture of your pet-you never know when you will wish you had!**

**The Winsham e- letter will always help find missing pets.**

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