

KENCOT & BROADWELL

NOVEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the tenth edition of the Kencot & Broadwell Newsletter. We hope that you find it interesting. We look forward to receiving your comments and articles, contact details on page 6

Saturday 11 November 2023 Broadwell Presents ...

"An Evening with Steve Tomlin - on Broadwell Church"

Apotropaics, Mass dials and the history of Broadwell Church, it's interior and it's services from the Knight's Templar through the medieval period up to 1874.

Votive and witches marks will obviously be a component but the evidence and history of Broadwell is remarkable.

Venue : Broadwell Church

Time : 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm

Price : Tickets: £5.00 per person (under 16s free)

BACS Broadwell Parish Vicar and Church Wardens Sort Code :20-84-58 Account : 60205826 Reference : Tomlin

Or, Pay on the Door: Card or Cash

Further Info from anne.c.taylor61@gmail.com

All profits, after costs, to go to Broadwell Church.

Refreshments will be available for a donation.



Festive Wreath Making

Friday 24th : 2.00 pm : Venue: Broadwell Church
Maximum 12 people : (14 years upwards)

To Register or any queries, please contact anne.c.taylor61@gmail.com

Tickets: Minimum Donation : £5.00 per person

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Come along and create your own Christmas Wreath. Tea, Coffee, Biscuits and Cake provided.

Materials Supplied: Orange slices, Cinnamon sticks, Pine cones, Wire, Ribbons.

Please bring: Wreath frame (of your choice), Foliage from your garden to use and share,

Any particular ornamentation you want to use. Any bought foliage for personal use.

Partner Whist & Other Card Games in Broadwell
There will be no meeting in November



Broadwell Church

Sunday 12 November

Village memorial service. We will gather at the Church (War Memorial) at 10.50 am. Afterwards please join us for a glass of madeira inside the Church.

Church Services November
Kencot

5th Service of Personal Remembrance 6pm
19th Holy Communion & Baptism 10.30am

Kelmscott

5th Holy Communion 10.30am

Broadwell

26th Informal Service 11am

Further details of other services in the Benefice at <https://svbb.org.uk/>

Kencot Church Flower Rota

21st October to 11th November Sue Patrick
18th November to 26th November Janette Paine
3rd December Advent - no flowers

COFFEE MORNINGS

Kencot Village Hall. Call in between 10.45am & 12 noon Thursday

26th October

23rd November

21st December

18th January

15th February



All welcome. An opportunity to meet, have a chat and get to know your neighbours
There will be no charge but donations will be appreciated

The British Red Cross mobility van is outside the Carterton leisure centre Monday mornings 1030 to 1200. The van has wheelchairs, mobility aids, and toileting equipment available to hire and for sale



If you want something specific, please call 01235 552664 and they can make sure that its on the van.

Past Times in Kencot

History of the Village Hall

The Village Hall, also known as The Carter Institute, was built in 1911. It was built as a reading room for the men of the village as the result of a bequest from Amelia Carter. Reading rooms were also built in Filkins, Clanfield and Bampton

Amelia Carter was born in St Annes, Lower Canada (now Quebec) in 1829. She had two sisters Eleanor born 1826 and Louisa born 1831. Her parents were Amelia and Crisp Richard Beckham Barnaby who married in Kencot church in 1825

Amelia's grandfather was The Reverend James Thorold who was the vicar of Kencot from 1801 to 1857. He was a popular vicar as apparently congregations were at least 50 each Sunday. Rev Thorold sent one of the Kencot bells away to be restored but it never returned. The thought is that he sold it!

In the 1841 Census Amelia her mother and Louisa were living at Kencot Rectory with Rev Thorold. There is no mention of her father or Eleanor. The 1851 census has the same family members but now living at Hill Farm, Kencot.

Eleanor married Rev Arthur Neate at Kencot church in 1844 and they lived at Alvescot having at least two children.

It appears that Louisa did not marry and died in 1898 in Kensington, London. She left Eleanor and Amelia a total £4,024 12s 4d. (Would now be £641,000)

Amelia married John Carter, described on their wedding certificate as a "Gentleman" from Fairford and his father had the same description. We do not have sufficient information about him and there is no further mention of Amelia until her death in Kensington, London in 1905.

I have obtained a copy of Amelia's will which was made on 3rd August 1905. It states that the executors were the Rev William HDW Rainey, Vicar of Clanfield & Charles Fletcher Edmunds of South Hinksey. She is described as a widow but there is no further information regarding her husband. Amelia left £9,544.5s.2d. (Now worth £1,529,755)

There are bequests to family and friends.

- A sum of money was to be invested to produce an income of £7 per annum to pay the Vicar and Churchwardens of Bampton for the reading room.
- Plus £4 a year for the Secretary of the Bampton reading room.

- £500 to be invested and the interest to the Vicar and Churchwardens to defray the cost of the Clanfield reading room.
- £200 to be invested and interest to Vicar and Churchwardens of Filkins to defray the cost of the Filkins reading room.
- £100 to Burford Cottage Hospital
- Income from remaining invested to following trusts
- £15 to Vicar and Churchwardens of Clanfield for coals for the poor.
- £7 to Vicar and Churchwardens of Kencott* for coals for the poor.
- £15 to Vicar and Churchwardens of Filkins for coals for the poor
- Two equal fifths of the residue of income for a comfortable Public Reading Room or library for male inhabitants of Clanfield. Balance of the two fifths for the support to the poor and needy.
- Two equal fifths of the residue of income for a comfortable Public Reading Room or library for male inhabitants of Filkins. Balance of the two fifths for the support to the poor and needy.
- Remaining equal fifth part for a Reading Room or Library in Kencott and to support the poor as above.

In 1824 Amelia's father sold the family home, Broughton Hall hence the connection with Filkins.

As Amelia lived in Kencot and her grandfather was the rector here we assume the reason for the bequest to Kencot.

Amelia requested that her ashes be buried with her son at Kensal Green Cemetery. Having contacted the cemetery, they have a record of her grave but were unable to give further information of her son. No record of her son's birth or death have been found,

We still do not know where Amelia's wealth came from. Many of her family had titles and were officers in the Navy, one being Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire and another Ambassador for Barbados.

*Interesting point Kencott is spelt with 2 "t's" in the will!

Gill Cox

May and Stella's Memories of Kencot Village Hall

The hall was the centre of activities. There was a stage, and plays were put on there.

May remembers wonderful Christmas parties organised by Mrs Darvell
There was always a Father Christmas and, until her son, Richard was killed in the war, he would be Father Christmas. Mr Caldwell then took over as Father Christmas for a while.

The hall had an open fire, and Stella remembers baking potatoes on it.
There were brownies, scouts, and wedding receptions - including May's and Stella's.

FUTURE EVENTS



**First and third Friday of each month
Lechlade and Fairford Memory Lane Singers**

This group is open to anyone with memory loss and their friends, family and carers.

December

**Sunday 3rd: 5.00 pm - 6.30 pm The Church of St Peter and St Paul, Broadwell
Concert**

Gorgeous Christmas flute, violin and cello music, gluwein and carols for everyone, St Birgitta, St Frances and great artists' different visions of the Nativity ... along with The French Revolutionary Calendar.

Tickets: £10 in advance, £15 on the door

Under 16s Free

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Friday 8th December - Kencot Community Christmas Concert: 7.30p.m. St George's Church Kencot Free entry. Donations to the village funds and the church.

Sunday 17th December - St George's Church Kencot Carol Service 4pm

Monday 25 December : Christmas Day Service 10.30am : Broadwell Church
Christmas Day Service 10.30am : Kencot Church

2024

April

Saturday 20 April 2024

Teams in Quiz Night : 7.30 pm

Venue : Kencot Village Hall

£5.00 per person

Further information to follow.

June

Saturday 8 June - Broadwell Village Arts & Crafts Event
11.00 am - 4.00 pm Venue: St Peter & St Paul's Church, Broadwell
Featuring: Sea Glass, Jewellery Pottery, Block Printing
More traders to be confirmed.

July

Friday 12 July 2024 Broadwell Presents "An Evening with The Mitfords in the Cotswolds"
Speaker : Dr Muriel Pilkington. Venue : Broadwell Church Time : 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm
Tickets: £5.00 per person (under 16s free)

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This is the 10th Edition of the newsletter we would appreciate some feedback please!
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Deadline for the December newsletter will be 23rd November 2023.