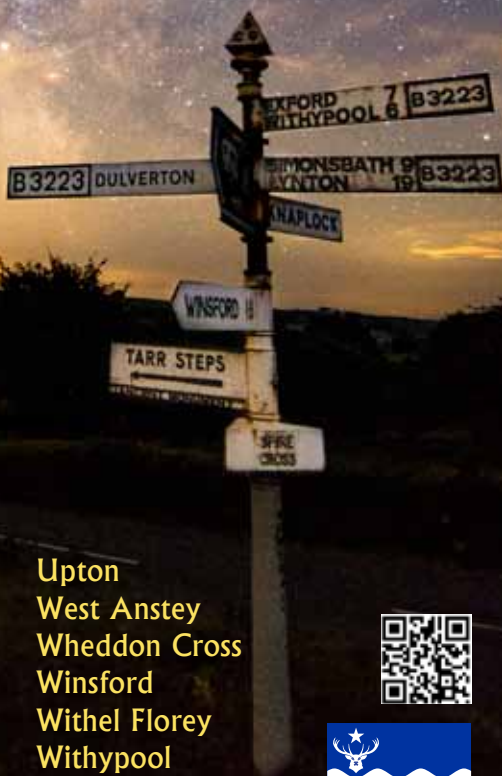


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# EXMOOR NEWS

## COVERING SOUTHERN EXMOOR

We've had some wonderful sunshine and Exmoor is looking marvellous (as ever, whatever the weather). Please do keep your community events and items coming in - we look forward to receiving them. Just a reminder... if your event gets cancelled don't forget to let us know before we go to print.

You can view copies of our magazine online at [www.exmoornews.co.uk](http://www.exmoornews.co.uk) for free, we can also send copies in the post at £9 incl. P&P, for 6 issues - If you are interested in getting your copy, please get in touch by email or phone and we will sort it out.

We have another new photographer on the cover - Paul Howell - thank you Paul for the stunning image of a night sky above Spire Cross. Please do send us your images.

At Exmoor News, we appreciate the very kind people who deliver our magazine or take copies in their shops etc., we are extremely grateful and send our thanks to you all. And please do let our advertisers know you found them in our magazine as it means we can keep providing it free to you.

*Best wishes, Ceri Keene and Claire Savill*

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*Paul has been a photographer for 40 years and has concentrated on the night sky for 4 years. This year he is organising workshops for up to 4 photographers to help them develop their skills with night sky images. He will be exhibiting his work in the Tythe Barn in Dunster at this years Dark Sky Festival.*

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Thursday 6.30pm - Kettlercise -  
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Friday 6.00am Bootcamp - Dulverton Sports  
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## JAZZ ON THE MOOR 2018

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
All Saints Church  
Dulverton  
7.30pm

# Le JAZZ

## On You, Beloved Eyes

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Steve Douglas

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Canapés £6.00 served in the interval - see your ticket for details

## Autumn Luncheon and Auction

Sunday 21st October 2018

12.30 pm

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The fast-moving comedy thriller, "The 39 Steps", is the Dulverton Players' autumn production. Based on John Buchan's famous spy story, the action rushes from London to Scotland and back again. The hero, Richard Hannay, tries to solve the riddle of the "39 Steps" while pursued by both the police, and the sinister Professor Jordan and his murderous gang.

Tamsin Blackmore, Banger Milton and Nicola Smith play hundreds of parts, from beautiful spies to corset salesmen. Charlie Blanning as Richard Hannay finds himself either dangling from the Forth Bridge or handcuffed to Suzy Wall as his unwilling companion, the gorgeous Pamela. "The 39 Steps" runs from Wednesday, October 31st to Saturday, 3rd November. Tickets £8 from Dulverton Post Office or phone 01643 831024.



## A Magical Evening of Song

Come and join us for another magical evening of song on Saturday 29th September at Minehead Methodist Church starting at 7.30pm. Two years ago, the first concert was very well received and led to many requests for a repeat performance. Once again, the concert will feature the highly acclaimed Minehead Male Voice Choir and talented soloist Eloise Routledge. All proceeds will be donated to the West Somerset Advice Bureau, a local charity which provides a free independent advice service to residents across West Somerset. The Choir has a loyal following of supporters and always provides excellent entertainment with many of your favourite songs which range from shows, musicals and films to traditional, folk, spiritual and operetta. Founded in 2000, the Choir has 40 members and is very capably led by Jacqueline Butterworth, an experienced and highly accomplished Musical Director.

Eloise is an experienced opera singer and concert soloist, having performed in the UK and abroad with companies such as Garsington Opera, Holland Opera and Welsh National Opera, and in venues from Birmingham Symphony Hall, Nottingham Albert Hall and Queen Elizabeth Hall, to

Sydney Opera House and major concert halls across Australia as guest soloist on tour with Treorchy Male Voice Choir. Now based in Somerset, Eloise has been singing at Bristol's Colston Hall and Wells Cathedral, and enjoys bringing a range of repertoire from opera to show greats and well known favourites to her audience.

It promises again, to be a very enjoyable Magical Evening of Song not to be missed! Tickets are £8.50 and will be available from Toucan Wholefoods in The Parade, Minehead, The Tantivy in Dulverton and from reception at the West Somerset Advice Bureau, Market House Lane, Minehead. Alternatively phone 01398 371248. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door.



## Little Owls Nursery

Little Owls Nursery is a friendly and caring environment for children aged 0-4, the nursery opens 8.00-6.00 Monday-Thursday and offers 2-year-old funding and 15 and 30-hour funding for 3-4's.

A typical day in the setting sees some children arrive at 8.00 where they are offered breakfast and access to indoor or outdoor play as a mixed age group. Most children attend 9.00-3.30, during this time the children will be with their key practitioners in their age appropriate area.

Much of the nursery day is spent in child-led activities where the children have access to both the indoors and outdoors. Natural outdoor play with large loose parts such as logs, planks, stones, tyres and crates has recently been implemented to compliment the mud kitchen where the

children use the resources to make mint pies, hot chocolate, cakes and soups from the mud, the herb garden and the water tray. You often find children setting up a table and chairs where they share the things they have made with their friends in an impromptu café. Throughout the day the children participate in adult led activities such as Funky Fingers, this is a fun activity designed to build upper body strength and hand/finger strength and control, Early Years Phonics based on Letters and Sounds which lays the building blocks to help children learn to read when they start school, Song time and Storytime before they leave at 3.30.

Children who stay till 6.00 again have access to both inside and outside play and have tea before being collected by parents. Carole Flottesmesch, Deputy Manager, 01398 324360.

## Milverton Concert Society 2018- 19 Season



Friday October 26th 7.30pm 2018 Trio Isimsiz (Violin ,Cello, Piano). Formed in 2009 at the Guildhall school of Music and Drama, 'Isimsiz' means 'without a name', but these 3 young musicians are making a considerable name for themselves with the sensitivity and intensity of their performances.

All three members of Trio Isimsiz enjoy great success individually. Erdem Misirlioglu was a Concerto Finalist in the BBC Young Musician competition in 2008, Pablo Hernán Benedí is a member of the Chiaroscuro Quartet and Michael Petrov represented the UK in the European Concert Halls Organisation Rising Star series during the 2014/15 season. More information and tickets are available on our website. [www.milvertonconcerts.org.uk](http://www.milvertonconcerts.org.uk)

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Following on from the award winning 'When God was a Rabbit' and 'A Year of Marvellous Ways', Sarah will be here in conversation and talking about her latest novel, which was nominated and shortlisted for the Costa Novel Book of the year award. 'An exquisitely crafted tale of love and loss' The Guardian 'With her skilful command of language and deep emotional insight, Winman has produced in the exquisitely crafted Tin Man her best novel to date' Waterstones March '18

The Library and Resource Centre, Station Road, Bampton EX16 9NG. THURSDAY 20th Sept 2018 @ 7.30PM. TICKETS £5 - U.17 FREE. From the L.A.R.C. and The Bridge Hotel. Enjoy a relaxing, entertaining evening with a glass of wine. Limited Tickets so book early. Available from MONDAY 3rd SEPT.





Sunday Sept 2nd – Saturday Sept 8th  
- Dulverton Art Group - Exhibition by 'stand-alone' artists to show and sell their work. Work includes paintings across all mediums, crafts including knits, soft furnishings, cushions, throws, throws and pottery

Sunday 9th September – Saturday 15th September Arts and Crafts Paintings by Dawn Mangan and Crafts by Yvonne Whitamore.

Sunday Sept 16th – Saturday Sept 22nd  
- David and Liz Jessup with Brendon Hill Crafts - Original paintings/prints/cards and preserves from Brendon Hill Crafts

Sunday Sept 23rd – Saturday Sept 29th - Valerie Duckworth - Exciting and innovative work by a group of local artists including four painters, a jeweller, textile artist, sculptor and potter.

Sunday Sept 30th – Saturday Oct 6th - Lizzie Mee - Leaf and Tree – the Exhibition will explore the woodland through shapes, awareness and shadows of green spaces.

Sunday Oct 21st – Saturday Oct 27th  
- Edge of Exmoor Artisan Group - Exhibition and Sale featuring paintings, ceramics and jewellery

[www.dulvertonheritagecentre.org.uk](http://www.dulvertonheritagecentre.org.uk)

THE FRIENDS OF DULVERTON LIBRARY will meet on Thursdays September 6th and October 4th at 2pm.

THE LIBRARY BOOK GROUP will meet at 2pm on September 7th and the book we will be discussing is 1st TO DIE by James Patterson. The book we will be reading during September is THE KABUL BEAUTY SCHOOL by Deborah Rodriguez. To be discussed on October 5th. October's book will be MY NAME IS LUCY BARTON by Elizabeth Strout.

THE CRAFTERNOONERS will meet on Fridays September 14th and October 12th at 2pm. The project for September is FELT PATCHES and for October A DECOUPAGE DISH. A charge of £1 applies plus £1 for materials.

SCRABBLE CLUB will meet on Thursdays September 20th and October 18th at 2pm. LEGO CLUB will meet on Saturdays September 1st and 15th and October 20th at 10.30am. Booking is essential and a charge of £1 applies.

THE KNIT AND NATTER GROUP will meet on Fridays September 28th and October 26th at 2pm. Please bring your own knitting with you.

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## VINTAGE FILM CLUB

Wed 12th September – CABARET – starring Liza Minnelli – 1972

Wed 10th October – 84 CHARING CROSS ROAD – starring Anne Bancroft and Anthony Hopkins – 1986

Starting 2.30 pm at Fishers Mead Community Centre

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## DULVERTON ACTION GROUP -

Litter-picking (3rd Sunday):

Sun 16th September – 10.30 meet by the Heritage Centre - Everyone welcome and all kit supplied

Sun 21st October – 10.30 as usual





Tickets –Dulverton Films members £3, non-members £4.50, students, accompanied by an adult, £2.50. (Tickets may be available on the door - £4). Book in advance at Dulverton Post Office (Tel: 01398 323474) or email janaross2003@yahoo.co.uk. Bar open from 7pm.

## Dulverton Town Hall

### **Friday September 14th FUNNY COW (Cert 15) Director: Adrian Shergold 102 mins**

Starring Maxine Peake, a comedian uses her troubled past as material for her stand-up routine, trying to rise up through the comedy circuit by playing Northern England's working men's clubs before rising to the top in the 1970s and 1980s.

### **Friday September 28th THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY (Cert 12A) Director: Mike Newell 124 mins**

In 1946 a London-based writer begins exchanging letters with residents on the island of Guernsey, which was German-occupied during WWII. Feeling compelled to visit the island, she starts to get a picture of what it was like during the occupation.

### **Friday October 12th JOURNEYMAN (Cert 15) Director: Paddy Considine 92 mins**

Boxer Matty Burton suffers a serious head injury during a fight, but waking from a coma, the real fight begins. Suffering from memory loss and with his personality changed, he must begin to piece his life back together. A thoughtful, tender hearted drama.

### **Friday October 26th MARY SHELLEY (Cert 12A) Director: Haifaa Al-Mansour 120 mins**

She will forever be remembered as the author of Frankenstein. But the real life story of Mary Shelley and the creation of her immortal monster is nearly as fantastical as her fiction. Raised by a renowned philosopher father in 18th-century London, Mary is a teenage dreamer, determined to make her mark on the world. She meets the dashing and brilliant poet Percy Shelley and so begins a torrid, bohemian love affair, marked by both passion and personal tragedy that will transform Mary and fuel the writing of her Gothic masterwork. Imbued with the imaginative spirit of its heroine, the film brings to life the world of a trailblazing woman who defied convention and channeled her innermost demons into a legend.

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**Tuesday, 9th October 7.30 pm**

**Film: 'The Greatest Showman' (PG)**

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## The Globe Theatre and Royal Opera

### House come to Minehead in a new season of live screenings at the Regal

The Regal Film Society's new season of live screenings at the Minehead Regal starts on Thursday October 4 with The Winter's Tale broadcast live from Shakespeare's Globe in London.

This new production is staged at the beautiful and iconic Globe Theatre, a reconstruction of the Elizabethan playhouse originally built on the south bank of the River Thames in 1599 and associated with Shakespeare himself.

Live screenings from the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, begin on Monday

With short spooky stories from these authors and guest writer of Victorian Gothic Horror stories and retired postman, Brian Willis, the evening is sure to scare you to death! Admission £2, includes tea and cake to steady the nerves. All welcome

## Friday, 19th October 7.00 pm 'SAM GREEN'

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October 15 with The Royal Ballet's production Mayerling, choreographed by Kenneth McMillan and set to music by Franz Liszt.

The Royal Opera's production of Die Walküre, the second opera in Richard Wagner's Ring cycle, one of the greatest works of all opera, will be screened live at the Regal on Sunday October 28.

Tickets for the live screenings cost £15 (Regal Film Society members and Friends of the Regal £12.50, full-time students/ES40 £10) and may be booked in advance at the Regal Box Office (Tel: 01643 706430). The full Regal bar will be open for refreshments from 6.30pm onwards. For more details visit the Regal Theatre website [www.regaltheatre.co.uk](http://www.regaltheatre.co.uk) or telephone Victoria Thomas on 01643 831343.

## Small Grants available for Exmoor projects

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wildlife survey, investigate some heritage, create a local guide, engage a new audience, arrange a nature day, explore Exmoor's moorland, woodlands, rivers and streams, conserve a local landmark.

If you have an idea that you think might be eligible contact the Funding Officer on 01398 322237 or email [partnershipfund@exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk](mailto:partnershipfund@exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk).

Full details, guidance notes and application forms are available on the Authority's website <http://www.exmoor-nationalpark.gov.uk/living-and-working/grants-and-funding/partnership-fund>

### MOOR MOVIES in Winsford

Tuesday 18th September. THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY. 12A - Winsford Village Hall 7.30pm.

Check the Winsford website for details of more films [www.winsfordexmoor.org.uk/](http://www.winsfordexmoor.org.uk/)



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[www.mineheadmuseum.co.uk](http://www.mineheadmuseum.co.uk)

### Minehead Museum

**'From Minehead to the Stars'  
- the life of Sir Arthur C Clarke  
24th October.**

Open to the public, Dr. Cherrie Temple, will talk about Minehead's famous son, Sir Arthur C Clarke - a talk that forms part of the ENP Dark Skies Festival 2018.

Seating is restricted to 100, so tickets must be purchased in advance, either from the Museum or by contacting Janet Styles : [janetstyles@btinternet.com](mailto:janetstyles@btinternet.com) or 01643 822097

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**Thursday 11th October**  
 Dulverton Group Exmoor Society  
 invite you to  
**Meet Sarah Bryan**  
 new ENPA Chief Executive



Dr Nigel Stone retired as ENPA Chief Executive in 2016. Sarah Bryan was appointed as the new Chief Executive in January 2017 from a list of 70 applicants. Sarah had been Head of Conservation and Access at the Authority for four years and has a wealth of experience of National Parks and a strong background in landscape and its management.

7:30 p.m. Congregational Church Hall,  
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**Thursday 13th September**  
 7:30 p.m.  
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 Michael Hankin  
 who took over as chairman  
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 of the fauna and flora  
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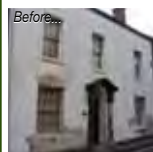


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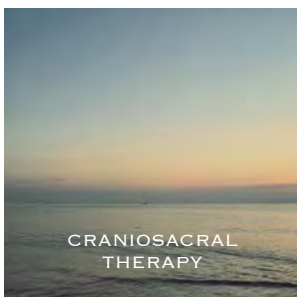
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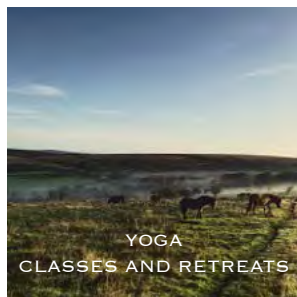
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Meet 7.00pm, NT car park at Horner village TA24 8HY (SS 898 456). No dogs. Ref. NH

### **Wednesday 12th September 2018 11.00am – 2.30pm**

#### **Trentishoe Down & the South West Coast Path**

Starting on Trentishoe Down, the walk visits the small church at Trentishoe before skirting along Heddon's Mouth Cleave. The coast path is followed to The Glass Box before we return over Trentishoe Down. 3.5hrs/4.5miles.

Meet 11.00am Car park at start of road going down to Trentishoe Church EX31 4QD (SS 635 480)

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### **Saturday 22nd September 2018 10.30am – 1.00pm**

#### **Hope Bourne & her beloved Exmoor**

A walk around the Withypool area in the footsteps of Exmoor artist and author Hope Bourne, taking in some of the favourite views from her writings. Some parts rough underfoot and steep. Followed by optional refreshments in Withypool tea rooms or bring a picnic.

2.5hrs/3miles.

Meet 10.30am, Withypool Car Park TA24 7RA. (SS 842 353)

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### **Thursday 4th October 2018 10.00am – 1.00pm**

#### **Porlock Weir & Culbone**

Following the South West Coast Path through woods to Culbone Church (the smallest parish

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Meet 10.00am Porlock Weir Car Park, TA24 8QD. (SS 865 479) Ref. JR

### **Thursday 11th October 2018 10.00am – 12 noon**

#### **Headwaters of the Exe – Exmoor Water Improvement Project**

Join a member of the Headwaters of the Exe team on a walk to hear about this Project to improve water quality within Exmoor National Park, as part of Upstream Thinking. Great views of the Danes Brook and River Barle. Some moderately steep sections. 2hrs/3miles.

Meet 10.00am Hawkrigge Village TA22 9QW (SS 860 306). Ref. AL

### **Thursday 25th October 2018 11.00am – 2.30pm**

#### **Watersmeet & the East Lyn River**

Moderate walk to Watersmeet and along the East Lyn river to the Rockford Inn for lunch. Back through autumn woods beside the chuckling river with its waterfalls.

3.5hrs/5miles.

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## **The Great Exmoor Ride**

The Great Exmoor Ride, a new Somerset city-to-coast challenge bike ride, is taking place on Sunday 2nd September, has joined forces with the recently re-launched Taunton Cider Company to help riders celebrate their achievements at the end of this year's challenge.

The Ride starts in Taunton and takes participants on a stunning 66-mile journey through quiet Somerset country lanes and across the eastern part of Exmoor National Park, before ending in a tranquil spot on the West Somerset coast at Blue Anchor near Minehead.

And, thanks to this new partnership, this Summer thirsty riders can look forward to sinking a well-earned pint (or two) of Taunton Cider after a very rewarding and enjoyable day in the saddle.

Darren McKimm, the Ride Organiser, commented: "Taunton Cider has been recognised internationally as one of the best ciders in the world and we're absolutely delighted to have them on board as one of our key supporters - it's obviously a great Somerset partnership for the Ride which starts in Taunton, and it's great to know that our riders will now be able to enjoy a pint of proper cider from Somerset when they cross the finish line! Taunton Cider has an extensive history and heritage but in its current form it's also something refreshing and new from Somerset, just like the GER, and it feels like the perfect West Country combination for the Ride - a fabulous Somerset route with a pint of proper Somerset cider waiting at the finish - so participants can really look forward to a fantastic challenge AND a great day out."



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**3rd October** A visit to Summers Palace, Whitestone.

**18th October** Sue Fisher on Making the most of a Small Garden - Sue has an extensive horticultural career spanning over 35 years. She currently writes for BBC Gardeners' World and has co-authored books with Carol Klein. She will be imparting her knowledge on design and growing advice to achieve maximum value from a small garden.

**Advance Notice** we have arranged a talk by Nick Bailey on 17th January 2019, make a note in your diaries now, tickets available from Dulverton Post Office. Nick is a freelance horticulturalist, best-selling author, award-winning TV presenter, garden designer and speaker, part of BBC Gardeners' World Team.



Talks take place in the Dulverton Town Hall. Doors open at 7.00pm. Talks to start promptly at 7.30pm. Refreshments available.

Times and arrangements for trips to be confirmed once numbers are known. Please contact Jenny Boyce to confirm if you would like to go on any trips, 01398 323463.

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**Concert, All Saints Church, Saturday 17 th November at 7.30.**

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Drivers who attend will be able to sign up for a subsidised assessment drive, and all will get a free latest edition of the Highway Code.

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## Cycling Advice

Firstly, let's be clear, there is no law which prevents you from riding two, or even three or more abreast, just advisory rule 66 of the Highway Code.

Rule 66 is not well drafted, because it starts with the words "You should", and later says "never ride more than two abreast". 'Should' is advisory, but 'never' sounds like it's directory, leading some drivers and police officers to assume that riding more than two abreast is illegal when it isn't. Doing so is contrary to the HC and can be presented as evidence in a prosecution for cycling without reasonable consideration for other road users, but the entire context would be relevant (was it a minor road, was there a lack of consideration for another road user or was the road empty?).

Of itself however, cycling more than two abreast, though not recommended, is not illegal.

Rule 66 further advises that cyclists should "ride in single file on narrow

or busy roads and when riding round bends", however the interpretation of this rule undoubtedly causes problems. Cyclists often ride two abreast for safety reasons, whereas some drivers believe cyclists should single out to avoid delaying motorists, forgetting that motorised users don't have enhanced rights to the road over cyclists.

Cycling UK agrees that there are times when cyclists should single out, but it's safety that should be the over-riding factor when making that decision and considering the rule 66 advice, not whether the driver behind might have to wait a few seconds before overtaking.

Many thanks to Cycling UK's Senior Road Safety and Legal Campaigner Duncan Dollimore

For the longer article, please go to

<https://www.cyclinguk.org/article/whats-legal-and-whats-not-your-bike>

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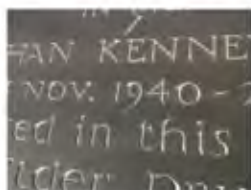
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being made a fuss of by the residents. The hot weather has meant an early start to the day for ponies and riders alike as most of the exercising is being done at 4 am to beat the heat. Of course, the rain was bound to come sooner or later and it was just our luck that on our July 29th open day the heavens opened and we had torrential rain. Unsurprisingly, there weren't many visitors that day!

We have welcomed two new people to our team this month. Kirsty is our new office manager having replaced Claire who, sadly, had to leave us for personal reasons. Kestra has re-joined us (you may remember her from a year or so ago when she helped with the pony rides) and is now busy setting up local fundraising groups to help with activities at the Pony Centre.

We all have our fingers crossed for a good result from Minehead Tesco and their Bags of Help Scheme. So far, the tokens are mounting up nicely and with a bit of luck we will soon be able to make much-needed access improvements to our interactive pony area. Thanks to volunteers, we have now completed the fencing for the field shelter paddock where Roger and Kate, our two elderly ponies, live. The riding ponies are working hard giving rides on activity days and visiting some of our followers who are unable to come to the Centre. Tom has been making his regular visits to care homes and thoroughly enjoys

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