



# Summer Events Special

2018



Village Day



by  
Parish News



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Our next full issue will arrive on your doorstep at the end of September as usual with some new features and contributions from our readers.

Look for some more interesting Hobbies, the Parish Best Kept Secret and much more. **Be sure to read your copy!**

## Village Day 7th July 2018

**The sun came out and so did you in your hundreds!**

**Jill Acton and her daughter Tracey**, together with a great team of helpers, put on another memorable show for us to enjoy. Village clubs and organisations had stalls to show the wide variety of talent in Slip End and to encourage us to take part in their activities in the future.

Who says there is nothing to do?

If this was not enough there was constant entertainment from the singers and dancers. If you had the courage there was the chance to try and stay on the bouncing surf board which seemed to have a mind of its own and dispense with a rider within seconds.

There was something for everyone from hundreds of Teddy Bears, to original jewellery and felt picture-craft. From children's and school clothing to sand drawing, help in the community to the chance to select your next car.

Will it be a Citroen or Ferrari? The choice was on show.

The Inner 'man' was not forgotten with food including burgers and other healthy items cooked by the intrepid group of chefs.

The Photography Group presented some examples of members' work and had the most enticing cakes to go with a welcome cup of tea in The Peter Edwards Hall. On a hot day such as this the drinks tent was very welcome and very busy.

Those who have taken on the task of organising an event like this will know the huge amount of work which it entails in the knowledge that you only get one chance. If it's not right on the day you cannot come back tomorrow and so we say a sincere THANK YOU to Jill and everyone who gave their time to this very successful day.

Final Score on the Day. Village Day 1 FIFA 1

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weather?

A shame it  
clashed with that  
football match!





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Enjoying the activities at Village Day



Former Editor caught surfing!



New Car??





*Bounce (left)  
Kick Boxing (right)*

**Arena Entertainment**



*Rock Choir*

*Irish Dancing*



*On Pointe*



# Some of the Stalls & Organisations

*Matt Flitton helps a would-be surfer*



Garage, FoSELS, GNS and Woodside Home





Aley Green, Photography Group, Bell Classics and Friendship Club



SEADA, Brownies and local crafts



Pepperstock Archers and a couple of different things to ride



# Good Neighbour Scheme 20th Tea Party

It's hard to believe that since the Good Neighbour Scheme started the volunteers have achieved so much.

These Tea Parties are held every three to four months and are open to all residents of the Parish, not just those who have used the scheme. We regularly have forty to fifty guests along to this free Wednesday afternoon party.



As volunteers, we meet many members of the Parish and know of those who have little opportunity to get out to see other like minded folk. Hence, this idea of a regular meeting was introduced.

The Good Neighbour Scheme sets out to do just what its title suggests– to do anything a good neighbour might do. This might be taking others to the hospital or doctor, collecting prescriptions or visits to the local hairdresser and much, much more.

It is organised by a 'office' volunteer taking the job in turns for two or three days and calling those who have offered to help to ask them to do the job. These volunteers offer a day or more each month in advance.

If you are unable to do what is needed the next volunteer will take over and so there is no pressure on you to do something with which you might feel uncomfortable. The costs of running your car are reimbursed by the client on a pre-arranged charge basis.

There is a great deal of pleasure gained from helping others and right now the number of requests for help is growing and more volunteers are needed. Do you think you can help?



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*Carol Beeton and Rosemary Wickens, cake makers for the Tea Party who receive help from many others including Penny Hooker.*



Enjoying the cakes at the GNS tea Party



Lynne Sandle and family following her ordination service at St Albans Abbey



A few more photos from Village Day



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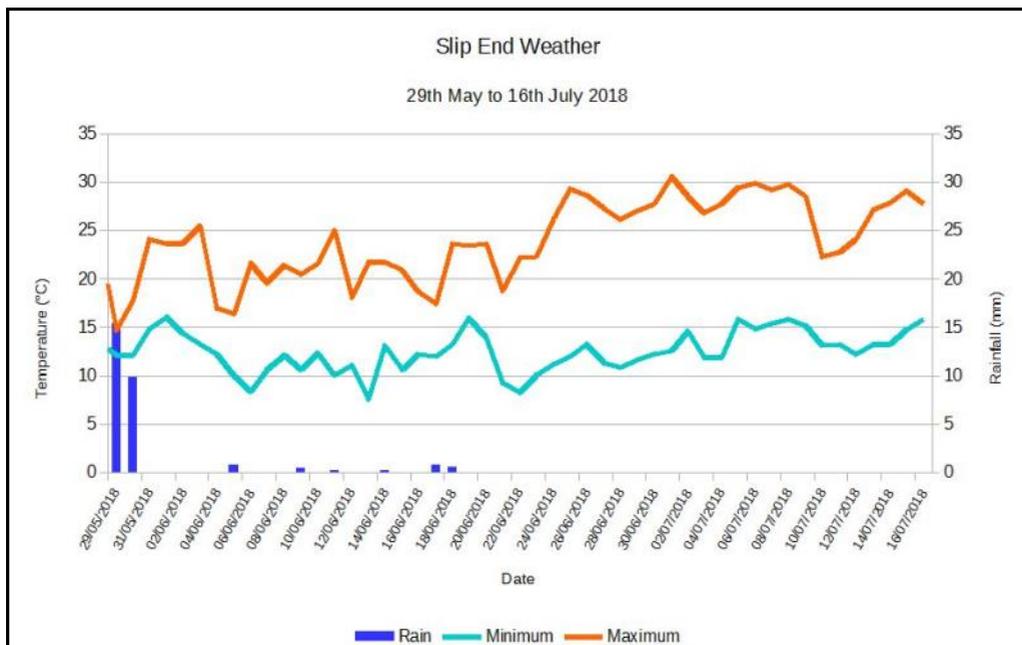
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## Summer Weather

My husband, Mervyn has been collecting weather data for many years. He has data for Slip End starting in 1992. He also has hand written records for his former home in Mid-Wales, including the summer of 1976!

This graph show maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall from the end of May (when we last had any significant rain) up to mid July.



Looking at the summary he keeps, the average rainfall over the last 19 years for June and July added together is 130mm. This year we had 3mm in June and have recorded none so far in July!

No wonder some of our gardens are beginning to struggle! However, we haven't had to travel far to find suitable "holiday weather".

*Alison Wilson*

*(photo—from Berrow Beach,  
Somerset)*



# HOT NEWS

You're never too cool to learn something new!

*The hottest temperature ever recorded on earth was in Iran at Dasht-e Lut where it reached 153.2 F (67.3C)*

The highest recorded UK temperature was in 2003 at Faversham in Kent 101F (38.5C)

*The highest Bedfordshire temperature was recorded as 96.6F (35.9C)*

The world's hottest pepper is the Carolina Reaper.  
It has Spiciness of about 2,200,000 Scoville Heat Units  
(Jalapeno peppers are about 3000 to 8000 on the same scale)

*Heatwave*, one of funk and disco's preeminent bands, performs in London in October

## **Why are HOTDOGS so called?**

In times past, sausages were sometimes made from dog meat and had added spices to disguise the taste

## **FIVE STEPS TO PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN IN A HEATWAVE**

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