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Wimborne Gardening Club Autumn Show

Allendale Centre, Saturday 9th September

Why not enter one of the categories: Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Floral Art and Cookery. Entry forms are available from various venues around the town.

More details at www.wimbornegardeningclub.co.uk

The **Inside Out Festival** is coming to Wimborne on **Saturday 16th September.**

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Services at the Minster

Sundays

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30 am	Holy Communion (Common Worship)
11.15 am	Minster Praise <i>(with Communion on the 4th Sunday of the month)</i>
2.00 pm	<i>2nd Sunday</i> Messy Church (Church House)
2.00 pm	<i>4th Sunday</i> Sensory Church (Church House)
6.30 pm	Choral Evensong

Weekdays

Holy Communion	11am Wednesday <i>(in the Minster)</i>
Morning Prayer	8.30 am, Monday to Saturday <i>(on Zoom)</i>
Evening Prayer	5.00pm Monday to Saturday <i>(on Zoom)</i>

Services at St Margaret's Chapel

11.00 am	<i>3rd Thursday</i> Holy Communion (BCP)
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We will continue to stream the 9.30 am service on Youtube. Look for the 'Wimborne Minster official' Youtube channel for live and recorded services.

In August

6th	Baptism of Charlie Boorma
15th	Thanksgiving for the Life of Judith McConnell Aged 84 years

Dates for your diary - September

Friday 1st	10.30am	Funeral of Peter Douch
Saturday 2nd	2.00pm	Wedding of Jack Edwards and Natasha Miles
Sunday 3rd	12.45pm	Bring-and-share lunch to mark the departure of Revd. Nick Wells (Church House)
Tuesday 5th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden toddlers

Dates for your diary - September

Wednesday 6th	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Meditation Group (Minster Crypt)
	7.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 7th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
Friday 8th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden for Homeschooling families
	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
Saturday 9th	10.00am – 4.00pm	Dorset Historic Churches Sponsored Ride and Stride
Sunday 10th	Patronal Festival and Education Sunday	
	9.30am Parish Eucharist: Bp. Tim Thornton, preacher	
	11.15am	Minster Praise: Nick Ellis (MARS Trust), speaker
Monday 11th	2.00pm – 4.00pm	Belltower open for visits
Tuesday 12th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden toddlers
Wednesday 13th	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Meditation Group (Minster Crypt)
	7.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 14th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
	7.00pm	Institution, induction and installation of Revd. Nick Wells as vicar of St Mark's and St Saviour's, Talbot Village (at St. Mark's)
Friday 15th	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
Sunday 17th		
Tuesday 19th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden toddlers
Wednesday 20th	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Meditation Group (Minster Crypt)
	7.00pm	CMJ 200th Anniversary Service (Minster)
	7.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 21st	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
	2.15pm	Mothers' Union meeting (Church House)
	7.15pm	PCC meeting

Dates for your diary - September

Friday 22nd	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden for Homeschooling families
	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
Saturday 23rd	10.00am onwards	Visiting Ringers
	7.00pm	Enrico Caruso Recital (Church House)
Sunday 24th		
Tuesday 26th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden toddlers
Wednesday 27th	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Meditation Group (Minster Crypt)
	7.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 28th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
Friday 29th	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)



Education Sunday is a national day of prayer and celebration for everyone in the world of education. The theme this year is 'putting on the armour of light', as we are urged to by Saint Paul. If we take seriously that as Christians we are a people of light and hope, how can we journey together with children and young adults in education to that they can find hope, light, and a place where they can flourish?

Everyone is invited to the institution, induction and installation of Revd. Nick Wells as vicar of St Mark's and St Saviour's, Talbot Village, on Thursday 14th September at St. Mark's. We thank Nick, Ruth and their family for the part they have played in Minster life, and wish them well in this new stage of Nick's ministry.

Revd. Alan Davies died in August; as we go to print there are no details about his funeral. After retiring to Wimborne he assisted in services at the Minster but was particularly involved in the life of St Margaret's Chapel, leading worship and the Franciscan study group that has been meeting there for some years.

Praying for the Minster and the Northern Villages, Wimborne and the world

Prayer cycle for August

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|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Museum of East Dorset, Walford Mill and Model Town | 16 The Anglican Community in all its diversity |
| 2 Our vergers, John and Martin | 17 Twinning Associations |
| 3 Lay Worship Leaders | 18 Prison chaplains |
| 4 Prayer groups | 19 Local farmers |
| 5 The Mission to Seafarers | 20 Allenbourn School |
| 6 Archdeacon Anthony | 21 PCC Treasurers and Safeguarding representatives |
| 7 Wimborne Civic Society and Wimborne in Bloom | 22 Two By Two |
| 8 Local businesses, the Chamber of Trade, the BID | 23 The Minster bellringers |
| 9 FairTrade | 24 God's Acre Group |
| 10 GPs, nurses, carers, physiotherapists | 25 Pramcare |
| 11 Our retired clergy | 26 Dioceses of Yambio and Nzara in South Sudan |
| 12 The Minster Choir, children and adults | 27 Vision Wimborne |
| 13 The flower arrangers, silver polishers and Broderers | 28 The financial sector |
| 14 The Friends of Wimborne Minster | 29 Climate change |
| 15 Church Mission Society | 30 Local Hospices |

*Please use this diary as a part of your own prayers.
In this way we can pray together as a parish for our common concerns.*



Coming up ... **Cuthburga Lecture, Wednesday 4th October**

The annual Cuthburga Lecture, organised by the Friends of the Minster, will be given by Andrew Williams about the Bankes family and their connections with the Minster. Further details to follow!

Looking back, moving on

Despite having left school 26 years ago, September still reminds me of the smell of brand-new pencil cases stuffed with pristine stationery. A scent that represented the promise of a new academic year ahead, a year full of the promise of what was to come, where I might finally discover a little more about who I was and what my future might hold. Well, 26 summers later and some of those questions are beginning to be answered! After a period of more than 10 years, during which I have gone through discernment, Bishops Advisory Panel, studying for my Masters and completing my curacy at Wimborne Minster and the Wimborne Villages, I am on the verge of starting my first post as the Vicar of St Mark's Talbot Village. As I stand on the threshold of this new adventure, I find that as well as looking forward I am reflecting on all that I have experienced

and learnt during my curacy. Arriving in lockdown with services still online only and having a delayed ordination in a nearly empty Salisbury Cathedral will ensure that that my curacy is one I'll never forget. However, the things that have been really important have been the amazing opportunities that a curacy at the Minster has afforded me; Cantoring at Evensong, ministering in the villages, running a confirmation course and seeing five young people confirmed, civic services marking the deaths of Her late Majesty the Queen and Prince Phillip, leading the Two By Two end of term services, leading collective worship at Queen Elizabeth School, praying the daily office with faithful Minster folk, and recently being invited to pray with the bellringers before the 9.30am service.... the list could go on. That being said, what has really made this a



standout curacy for me are all the people that I have met along the way. I am so grateful to all of you who have welcomed us as a family and encouraged us as we've journeyed with you over the last three years. It's been such a joy to serve you and as I've sought to minister amongst you, I have found that so often it has been you who have ministered to me. So, as I sign off for the final time my prayer is that, as I said in my first sermon at the Minster, you will continue to be a community of faith that is anchored in tradition, but rooted in Christ. Amen.



Photos: St Mark's Church Talbot Village, St Saviour's Church Wallisdown and St Mark's Church Hall



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News from the Belltower

Though the Minster is regularly open during the annual Architectural Heritage Week, this year the ringers will be giving talks about, and demonstrations of, ringing on Monday 11th September, at 2.00pm and 3.00pm. This is being organised by Heritage Open Days and tickets can be booked through the heritageopendays.org.uk website.

Later in the month, on Saturday 23rd September, a visiting band will ring in the tower for the first time since 2019. The visitors are members of The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths (founded in 1747), a London-based Society, although ringers in this peal at Wimborne will be coming from several different parts of the country. Meanwhile, three new peal boards are now hanging in the Baptistry.

They record the peals rung in 2022 for the Platinum Jubilee (5th June), to celebrate the



Flower Festival and the rebuilding of the organ (4th September), and to mark the funeral of Her late Majesty (19th September).

On Saturday 12th August, Wimborne Minster entered three teams for the East Dorset Striking Competition held at

Lytchett Matravers. Our teams came 1st, 3rd and 4th and now proceed to the Salisbury Guild competition in September. During the school summer holiday two of our young ringers successfully completed their first quarter peals - details below:



Thursday, 27 July 2023 in 44m (8 in A)

1260 Doubles (2m)

Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles

1 Esther Davey

2 Hilary Child

3 Flick Warwick

4 Robert Child

5 David Warwick (C)

6 Ben Avery

First Quarter Peal - 1.

Tuesday, 1 August 2023 in 46m (8 in A)

1260 Plain Bob Triples

1 Ben Avery

2 David Hilling

3 Hilary Child

4 David Warwick (C)

5 Flick Warwick

6 John Riley

7 Robert Child

8 Ewan Ayers

First Quarter Peal - 8.

First Quarter on 8 - 1.

David Warwick (Tower Captain)

RIDE+STRIDES

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Saturday 9th September

Explore unusual and historic churches around Dorset – by bike, horse, or on foot. Discover interesting local stories, beautiful stained glass, quirky monuments... and you will receive a warm welcome from everyone!

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Enjoy a day out in good company. Go out as a family or get together with friends and plan a trip of exploration, or re-visit favourite places.

How?

- (i) Create your own page on the DHCT's dedicated page www.justgiving.com/campaign/dhctriderandstride2023 :
When asked for a web address, type 'WimborneMinsterStCuthburga' and add your initials (with no spaces),
- (ii) Tell friends and supporters where to donate; they can sponsor per church visited or just donate a lump sum
- (iii) Plan your trip!
- (iv) Your Parish Organiser will give you a record sheet to take along on the day.

-Rosalind Jensen (Ride+Stride Parish Organiser)



Q. In which simple north Dorset church would you find this splendid marble monument?

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Pirate Summer

It has been a busy Pirate Summer for children in the Minster, with a hunt around the Minster to find a series of tiny treasure chests (with everything from crabs to jewels in them), and activities overflowing across the back of the church, or in the Forest Garden. Inspiration for the theme was the story of Isaac Gulliver, famous smuggler and later upstanding citizen of Wimborne! The holiday will wrap up (after we go to press) with a special pirate drama in the Minster. Thank you to Claire and everyone who has helped through the school holidays, welcoming many young families to explore the building and the Forest Garden.

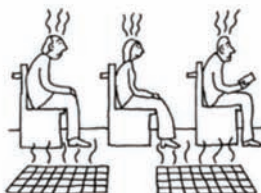


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Three recent visitors

If you have spent time as a Guide, Welcomer or Verger in the Minster, you will doubtless have had many interesting conversations with visitors. Here are just two recent encounters.



One Sunday morning a visitor, James, came in during the short break between the 8am and 9.30am services. He is an Ettricke, eight generations removed from Anthony (The Man In The Wall,

1622-1703) and had come specifically to visit his ancestor. He told Verger Martin Smith of the family tradition that Anthony's father, William, whose gravestone is on the floor in Trinity Chapel, fled his

home in Scotland (the village of Ettrick) after killing someone in a duel. Seeking somewhere unknown, peaceful and 'remote' he came to Wimborne to make good his escape. In the interests of historical truth we must note that this tradition is sadly inaccurate, since the earliest Ettrick recorded in the Wimborne area was born here around 1504. However, since William is an Ettrick family name, perhaps we can still hope that the story relates to an even earlier period and another William?



A young woman visiting the Minster with her Labrador chatted with Churchwarden Bruce Jensen. She was Elizabeth Stratford, a recipient of a Michael James Trust

bursary in the '90s, and her 'instruments' then were organ and voice. When it came time to perform in the Minster for the Trust concert (which still takes place every spring), there were already two organ scholars on the program, so she sang instead – thus missing out on playing the Minster organ. She went on to a brilliant musical career, and in 2002 was appointed to the post of Organist and Master of the Choristers at Arundel (Catholic) Cathedral, West Sussex. She is the first woman to hold this position and the youngest Cathedral organist in Britain appointed to date, according to Arundel Cathedral website.

Since she has been in post, she has overseen the rebuilding of the cathedral's historic Hill organ. It was a particular pleasure that she could now play on the new Minster organ on her visit and we hope to see and hear her again. <https://arundelcathedral.uk/elizabeth-stratford>





We were delighted to welcome the Laudemus choir back this year, on their tour of Dorset churches to sing Evensong. Their venues for 2023 included Cerne Abbas and Shapwick as well as the Minster. The Michael James Trust gives grants for choral scholars to join the group for their tour. The Trust also supports the local PipeUp scheme (to encourage young organists) and young people studying at music college, as undergraduates or postgraduates. The



Trust gave almost £100k towards the rebuilding of the Minster organ, and has given a grant to enable the Minster to

have an organ scholar in the coming year, Erin Bruce, who is a student at Canford School.

Judith McConnell (September 3rd, 1938 – July 24th, 2023)

A service of Thanksgiving celebrated Judith's life on August 15th. Judith grew up in Parkstone, and acquired her lifelong love of swimming at Branksome Chine; she also had a passion for cats and birds. Her son Danny, who wrote and read the tribute at the service, also has special memories of taking her to Lords, since she was a keen cricket watcher. Judith studied history at Kings College London and

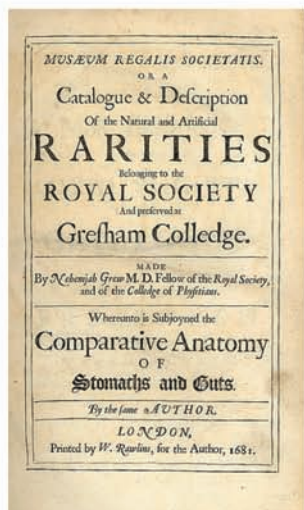
trained as a teacher. She married in 1962, and the family moved back to Poole in 1967; she delighted in her three children and, later, in her three grandchildren. In the 1970s she returned to teaching for some years, but stopped after her divorce. At that point she moved to Cuthbury Gardens, becoming more involved in Minster life and with friends who were neighbours. At the Minster she was

part of the team for Lunch and Chat on Fridays, helped with refreshments at many events, was sidesman and welcomer, and was involved in other aspects of Minster life, including the Minster Fair. Judith trained as a Lay Pastoral Assistant, and her colleagues in this ministry remember her as a gentle calm presence.

Wimborne Chained Library - Book of the Month:

Musaeum Regalis Societatis (1681)

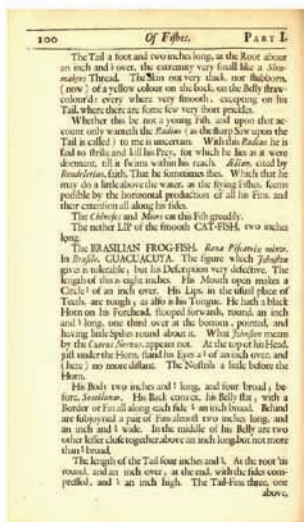
by Nehemiah Grew

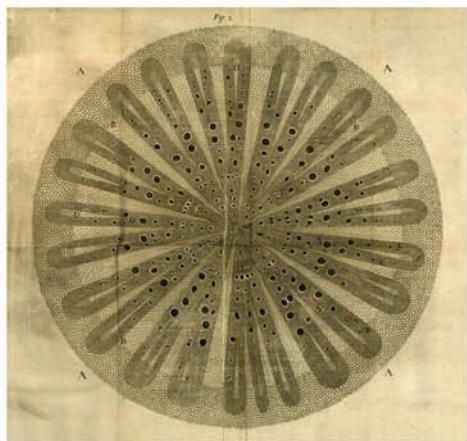


This book binds together a detailed catalogue of specimens and 'rarities' donated to the Royal Society (founded in 1660), with lectures given by the author, Nehemiah Grew, at Gresham College on the comparative anatomy of the digestive system of various animals. The curiosities are categorised in four sections, animals, plants, minerals, and artificial objects; this last includes new objects donated by their inventors, as well as items such as Roman coins. This catalogue is fascinating because of Grew's close observation and detailed description of the specimens (see page right, describing an anglerfish), and the information it gives us about the Royal Society's

broad range of scientific interests. The anatomy lectures that follow are part of Grew's lifelong work in comparative biology and botany. Our copy dates from the year of printing, and was part of the Gillingham Bequest. Nehemiah Grew, born in 1641, graduated from Pembroke College, Cambridge in 1661, and received his medical degree from Leiden University, after which he started practising medicine in London. He notes he became interested in studying 'vegetable anatomy' early on, considering that both plants and animals 'came at first out of the same Hand, and were therefore the Contrivances of the same Wisdom,' and so inferring the

probable analogy of their structures. In 1670 he sent his essay on *The Anatomy of Vegetables Begun* to Henry Oldenburg, Secretary to the Royal Society, and as a result Grew was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society on 30th November 1671, and then employed as co-curator of the Society (with Robert Hooke, who was responsible for lectures and demonstrations). Grew's *Anatomy of Plants* (1682) was one of the most important botanical books of the 17th Century, and is the work of his that remains well-known. His detailed studies using the microscope ran parallel with that of Hooke and the Italian Malpighi, and for instance he found that the size and shape of pollen differs between species. His work confirmed a theory that plants had an internal structure where different organs played specific roles; the *Anatomy of Plants* has 82 meticulously-drawn diagrams of such structures (see illustration over page). Grew is also considered a pioneer of dactyloscopy, the science of fingerprint identification. He was the first person to study and describe ridges, furrows, and pores on hand and





foot surfaces and in 1684 he published accurate drawings of finger ridge patterns. Among his other shorter publications was a study of the shapes of

snowflakes.

Near the end of his life, Nehemiah Grew published a work of theology and philosophy; his dominant theme was that the universe reveals the existence and wisdom of God in its design and structure. He died in 1712 aged 70 and is buried in St Mary the Virgin Church Cheshunt, Broxbourne Borough, Hertfordshire.

In Pembroke College Library, a set of modern stained glass windows, representing his work on plant and animal anatomy, celebrate his achievements (see below).

If you would like to read the *Musaeum Regalis Societatis* you can also find a scanned copy online at the Biodiversity Library.

(see reference below).

References: The Daily Gardner; Royal Society Publishing; Encyclopædia Britannica; Dictionary of National Biography.

For further reading: Scanned text: <https://www.biodiversitylibrary.org/bibliography/105136>

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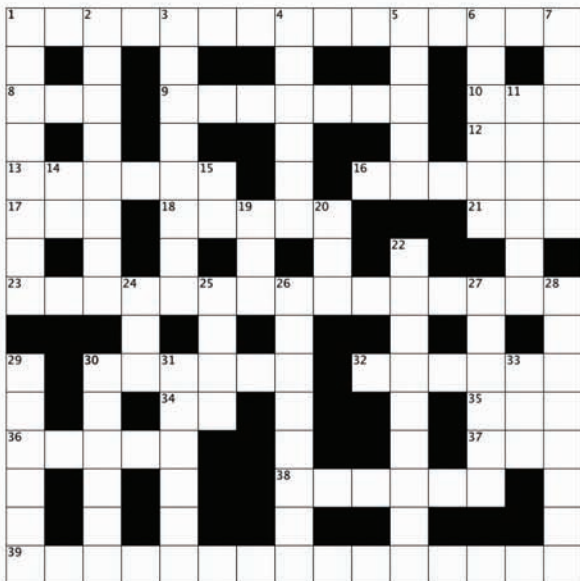


ACROSS

1. The National Anthem, until Sept 2022 (3,4,3,5)
8. Oath or promise (3)
9. "The package won't be delivered unless you pay the ___" (7)
10. The First Lady (3)
12. A boy or young man, sometimes likely (3)
13. A bird of prey, or a speedy vicious dinosaur (6)
16. A strong want or wish (6)
17. A score of zero, in football (3)
18. "Some crosswords go to the worse/When their clues are written in ___" (5)
21. "___ he ever love me?" (a much-Googled question) (3)
23. Where you can see La Traviata in Covent Garden this summer (5,5,5)
30. Stories told about those not present, sometimes true (6)
32. Cinderella lost her slipper at the ___ of midnight (6)
34. @ (2)
35. A small hard seed in an apple (3)
36. Explode, like a bomb, or become foul, like milk (2,3)
37. Irish paramilitary organisation with 'provisional', 'continuity', 'real' and other branches (abbr) (3)
38. ___ Artois, a Belgian beer which seems to now be found in every corner of the earth (6)
39. What all proper British people speak, with no Americanisms (3,5,7)

DOWN

1. In the British Empire, the head of a crown colony (8)



2. Act as if something is less important than it actually is (8)
3. "Here's the new sofa: does it meet with your ___?" (8)
4. Names of books (6)
5. An orderly line of people waiting for a bus (5)
6. "A cool customer: the plane went into a dive and he didn't bat an ___." (6)
7. Necessary (6)
11. Changes. "Are his sermons interesting or dull?" "It ___." (6)
14. HAL from 2001 or ChatGPT (abbr.) (2)
15. Regarding (memo or email abbr.) (2)
19. Tear (3)
20. An organ for hearing (3)
22. Raising this is a sign of surrender (5,4)
24. "A long time ___." (3)
25. Drive out or expel (4)
26. "Don't worry about the bill, I'll put it on ___", said the dodgy businessman. (8)
27. Fictional perfectly governed land where everyone is happy (6)
28. A pirate without depth perception wears one (3,5)
29. Dairy product that comes in low-fat, greek, and fruit-flavoured varieties (6)
30. Elizabeth's dad, Charles' grandad (6)
31. An expedition to watch, hunt, or photograph wild animals, from Arabic for 'trip' (6)
33. A drink of white wine & cassis (3)

Answers to August's crossword



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