



# Marwood Matters

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**Happy New Year to you all. Please remember that all information for March needs to be in by 15th February. Items received after this date cannot be guaranteed inclusion.**

## DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS IN 1897 AND 2012

Anna Bowman has found these fascinating extracts from Marwood Church Monthly, 1897.

In January 1897, the Rector of Marwood Parish Church spoke of the special glory of the year ahead with the approach of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria. He hoped that some plan would be devised 'by which Marwood would be able to worthily commemorate the fact that infinitely the best Sovereign that ever sat on the throne of England has now reigned longer than any of her ancestors'.

After a Parish Council Meeting, on April 26th, a meeting was held of the Jubilee Commemoration Committee. On the motion of Reverend Pryke, seconded by Mr Pugsley, it was resolved that there should be held in the parish, a public tea, free to all; that medals should be given to the children; that athletic sports should take place and that a bonfire be lit in the evening.

On Tuesday, June 22nd, the church bells rang out merry peals at early morning and throughout the day. At 2.30pm the children assembled in the Rectory garden, where every child received a jubilee medal. After singing the National Anthem, conducted by Mr Main, they proceeded to the Tithe Barn and the two lincays and over 150 children sat down for tea. These buildings had been decorated with flags, flowers and evergreens, and in all three a portrait of the Queen occupied the place of honour. From 4 o'clock the children were playing on Mr William Alford's field, while an excellent tea with roast and boiled beef, bread and butter and cake, was served in the same buildings. Four hundred adults sat down in all so that the whole number present including children in arms, was about six hundred. "Queen's weather" prevailed and the gathering was probably the largest ever seen in Marwood. Cheerfulness and happiness were the rule. There was no jealousy, no discontent, no discordant note. The whole parish was united in the bonds of loyalty to the Throne of England. At 6 o'clock, short speeches, expressive of loyalty and unity, were made to the assembled company in the Rectory garden. Sports were carried on in Mr Alford's field until dusk, and then the parishioners assembled in their hundreds on the top of Swindon, where, at 10 o'clock, Mrs Pryke lighted the bonfire. About forty beacon fires sprang up at the same instant on the distant heights, round each one of which arose, as round our own, the heart-deep strains of fervent loyal aspiration.



### ??MARWOOD ONLINE??

Some of the Marwood Matters team have been thinking about setting up a dedicated website for Marwood that would be an appropriate and inclusive platform for us all in 2012.

An email about this from Angela Webb of Prieford, making a similar suggestion has prompted us to do something about it!

We still intend to deliver paper copies of MM but this could be more immediate and available to those who have left the area but are still interested in what is going on.

We have initial ideas but is there anyone who would like to discuss our plans and consider being commissioned by us?

### WHAT DO WE DO TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE IN 2012?

It is important that we start to make arrangements as soon as possible if we want to celebrate the Jubilee in Marwood. The school is a vital part of the community and would like to be involved. Others have also shown an interest.

If you want to help make this a really memorable occasion please give your suggestions to the MM team and/or come to a short meeting at;



**Marwood School**  
**Tues 7th Feb**  
**7pm.**



### MARWOOD COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE NEED HELP AND SUPPORT

The Marwood Community Hall Committee met on January 9th after a period of inaction. It has been great to welcome new faces to the committee to support the expertise and experience of existing members. If anybody else would be interested in joining the team please come along to the next meeting.

Good progress has made already and there are some exciting bid opportunities which we are nearly ready to submit applications for.

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## MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Report of Marwood Parish Council Meeting 12  
January 2012

**Present:** Cllrs Mrs S Darling, T Bigge, C Latham, J Glanville, C Spear, G Tamlyn, R May, C Wallis  
**In Attendance:** Cllr Mrs A Davis, Cllr J Tucker. M J Measures.

**Police Report:** No crimes have been reported

**County Councillor Report:** Cllr Mrs Davis commented on the new arrangements to improve health and wellbeing for Devon communities and that she will Chair the new Board. Devon is England's top recycling County. She commented on the dangers of leaving excess mud on the roads and said it is an offence under the Highways Act.

**District Councillor Report:** Cllr Tucker said NDC has sent letters to residents regarding the Wind Farm. Deer poaching is being investigated. Problems have been experienced with obtaining a response from the new 101 police number.

**Finance:** In light of the comments from NDC concerning grants, the Parish precept will remain unchanged again next year at £4000 with a grant application for £1250

**Planning:** 53242 Mr R Berry, Honeywell Farm. Erection of one 800kW wind turbine.

The Clerk reported that he has received five letters opposing the application.

Members are of the opinion that the proposed turbine is too large and should be relative to the needs of the holding only. Recommend: Refusal

Cllr Latham declared a personal interest

50654 Broomhill Art Hotel. Retrospective application for change of use from agricultural land to extension to sculpture garden together with creation of three ponds and footpaths.

Members commented that this is another retrospective application and that the hotel owner should have known he needed planning approval. There is still some confusion regarding the land that was agreed to be returned to a meadow. Recommend: Refusal

52757 Erection of one local needs dwelling at land adj. The Barn Milltown.

This application has been discussed on three previous occasions and the Council agreed there is no change to their comments. Recommend: Approval in principle with the following comments: the size of the proposed dwelling was questioned as well as the visual impact; the roof design should be amended; there is a need for clarification of the planning criteria for determining "local needs". Cllr Wallis declared a prejudicial interest and did not speak or vote.

**Reports from Councillors:** Cllr Mrs Darling said the DCC forms for footpaths maintenance grant are being prepared. Cllr Latham was informed by Members of some highways matters including blocked drains, loose tar/chippings near the school, water on the road. He will contact DCC.

Cllr May reported that the Hall Management Committee had their first meeting since June last year and he said that DCC must produce a lease agreement for land etc. Cllr Davis will attend a site meeting next week. Cllr May said there is some confusion regarding the role of Trustees.

The Clerk explained and the matter will be discussed at the next Council Meeting.

*The meeting closed at 20.55*

*M J Measures (Clerk to the Council)*

## SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY

### MARWOOD CHURCH

**Priest in Charge:** Revd Iain Robertson 817448

**Curate:** Revd Margaret Cranston 372426

**Churchwardens:** Christine Walter 377405

Margaret Greenslade 372065

5th	9.30 am	Holy Communion
12th	9.30 am	All Age Worship
19th	10.00am	MCC at Methodist
22nd	6.30pm	Taize for Ash Wednesday
26th	9.30 am	Morning Worship

**Housegroup's words for February:**

'God can do ....far more than you could ever imagine'  
Ephesians 3:20

**Revd Iain is issuing a 'Lenten Challenge' to increase fund raising and mission during Lent. As part of the challenge the following events are being arranged - a Family Day in Marwood Church on March 10<sup>th</sup> and a Valuation of Antiques Day in the Church Hall on March 24<sup>th</sup>. More details next month.**

*Congratulations to Anna and Richard from Guineaford who are to be married. Wonderful news!*

**Marwood Parish Website.** Derek Holland is the contact for this website. His telephone number is 01271 813931.

### MUDDIFORD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

**Minister... Revd. Barbara Bennett 01271 862175**

**Sunday Services at 10 am unless otherwise stated.**

5th	Mr. Cliff Bailey
12th	Revd Barbara Bennett Holy Communion
19th	MCC at Methodist
26th	Mr David Symons

**ANNUAL BULB SHOW with stalls and tea.**

**Wednesday 15th February at 2.30pm**

*Please come and enjoy a pleasant afternoon and see the beautiful exhibits. Everyone welcome*

### MARWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

**Minister... Revd. David Coppard 01271 812574**

**Services at 11 am, unless otherwise stated.**

5th	Mr Peter Edwards
12th	At Loxhore 10am
19th	MCC - 10 am Revd David Coppard
26th	Mr J.Baxter

**Get together meeting, Thursday February 9th,  
11 am - 12 noon**

We will welcome Mrs Hilda Ley of Goodleigh to speak  
Refreshments provided and all are welcome.

Christine Smith



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### Maddy's Brain Teaser

Answer to December 2011—Last of the Summer Wine

Thank you...  
to all our contributors, the many people who help produce this newsletter and those who give up their time to deliver it.



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*Please remember anyone is welcome to join us;  
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