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## **Editorial**

May is approaching fast and it will soon be mid summers day! The Coronation is near and a good time will be had by all I am sure. Hope we have good weather for it.

The costs of running The Calendar have risen as a result of recent national costing crises. We are keeping costs as sensible as possible, but we wont be having colour centre pages anymore, and we wil be keeping the size of the magazine within limits. We have reasonable amount of money in the bank just in case, and the revenue from advertising is just keeping pace with costs.

John Stourbridge passed away this month and our condolences go to the family at Larkbeare at this sad time.

Also we lost another former resident of Talaton. Judy Wise and her husband Roger lived in Talaton House for many years till they sold it, several years ago. Roger died a while ago, and he is now joined by Judy. Our thought go to the family.

Editor - Simon Spencer

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**July issue is 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

## Information

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## TALATON PARISH COUNCIL

Please find below the list of names and telephone numbers of your current Parish Councillors for Talaton. Should you have matters to raise please feel free to contact one of them. You are also reminded that the first part of any Parish Council Meeting is an open forum for all residents to air their views.

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# Churchyard Work Party

Here's the merry band that gave up a lovely Saturday morning in March to take part in the Annual Churchyard Tidy-up. Teas, coffees and wonderful cakes were prepared and served up half way through the morning by Jo Spencer and Sally Shannon, giving everyone a welcome breather. Not a crumb was left, but perhaps Buddy the Labrador saw to that!



From left to right, back row then front, my grateful thanks go to:

Sue Harwood, Mark Skerritt, Pete Deacon, Nigel James, Terry Wright, Neil Bollen, Gordon Pring, Jo Spencer, Sally Shannon, Jan May, Andy May, Jo Skerritt, Pete Morgan, Buddy on my lap, and Richard Bos. They've done a fantastic job! And more thanks to Chris Harwood for this photo, and others I couldn't publish.

## St James the Great

### Services

May 7<sup>th</sup> **Coronation Service on the Moor 11.00am**

May 14<sup>th</sup> Morning Worship 10.00am followed by refreshments

May 21<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 10.00am followed by refreshments

May 28<sup>th</sup> BCP Morning Prayer 10.00am followed by refreshments

**\*\*\* Please note the Coronation Service starts at 11am. \*\*\***

**\*\*\* Bishop Martin Shaw will be taking this service \*\*\***

**Midweek Coffee Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Join us for a chat and some good company in the North Aisle Room. There might even be cake!

All welcome



### Locking up the church

Many thanks to Nigel Scarr for locking the church on a daily basis come rain or shine for so long.

We are looking for a volunteer, who lives close by, to lock up in the late afternoon. Perhaps someone who walks their dog at about this time.

Please get in touch with Charlie Hutchings or Pam Weston if you think you could help.

Here is a reminder of the link to Roots and Shoots, the Diocesan newsletter that comes into your email inbox weekly if you sign up for it - <https://exeter.anglican.org/who-we-are/email-bulletin/>





## Talaton Toddlers

### Parents and Babies Get Together

Either within the Church in the North Aisle Room  
or if weather permits OUTSIDE on the Church Green  
bring your own chair and drink but wherever we are  
cake is provided

**Fridays 5th and 19th May 2023**

10.30am – 12noon

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### Talaton Knit and Natter

Talaton Knit and Natter is a relaxed informal group which meets once a fortnight (alternating Wednesday and Thursday). We meet at the Talaton Inn and our future dates are:

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

We meet at 11.30 for coffee and cake (and some of us stay on for lunch). Please come along with any craft work or just join us for a good natter.



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Your "not for profit" club, run by Talaton villagers with its own local ground and equipment. Unbeatable value right here in the parish.

Want to keep your eye in off season or try out a new hobby in a safe and friendly environment?



We normally meet the first Saturday of the month to shoot 40 clays for £10, far less than the price of commercial sites.

Cartridges can be supplied at cost price if you don't have your own. New to the sport? No problem. Newcomers will be given a safety briefing and instruction. You just need ear defenders and wellies. If you enjoy it then join for little more than the annual cost of insurance.

Contact Phil (822523) David (07484706989) or any other member of the club for more info.



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To help maintain a good show of bulbs for next year, do dead head your bulbs when they have finished flowering, unless you want to collect the seed, but whatever you do, let the leaves continue to make food to fatten the bulbs. Feed bulbs grown in pots.

Weather permitting, May should be the month when the growing season really begins in earnest. Now is the time to use the extra hours of daylight to make our gardens as productive and beautiful as we can. Chill winds and frosty nights should be things of the past, but there is no guarantee, so don't be too impatient to plant out tender crops such as runner beans and courgettes. Harden off the plants you have grown on window sills or bought from a garden centre, before you plant them out.

Regular weeding is important at this time of year. Newly planted crops and emerging veg seedlings will do better if they do not have to compete with fast growing ephemerals.

## **Pest Alert**

Fresh new growth is tasty and appealing to more than just us, so do look out for competitors and remove them. Little animals such as aphids multiply fast. They have girl power and will clone masses of look alikes, when conditions are perfect for them. Garlic spray is meant to be effective at deterring them. If you have been encouraging

bluetits and their relatives all winter, they will reward you by eating a substantial number.



Lily beetles and vine weevils are already active. Removing these animals as soon as you see them is the best way to keep them under control, so it is good to do a daily check for adult lily beetles on lilies and fritillaries. They are bright red so are easy to spot, but take care, because if

disturbed, they cleverly drop off plants and land upside down on the soil where they are much harder to spot. Hunt carefully!

## **Plant Stall Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

**Church Car park**

**10.30am until 12noon**

Please help to make this a great success, by donating any spare plants you have divided up or grown from seed a day or so before Saturday and visiting us on the day. Profits help to fund our Annual Show and the Pumpkin Competition, both of which are free to enter.



## **Gardening for Wildlife**

We are delighted to say that Dr Mick Street is able to present this talk on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May in the Parish Hall

Hopefully all those who booked for February will be free, on this date, to come and enjoy it. Do bring friends and neighbours.

Association members £3.00    non-members £5.00

Pay at the door    Light refreshments included

## **Talaton Parish Council Report**

The following are major items from the minutes but a full copy of the minutes may be viewed on both Parish Noticeboards and on the Parish Web site [www.talatonparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.talatonparishcouncil.co.uk)

### **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

EDDC Cllr Skinner spoke about solar farms proposed for adjoining parishes and in particular the solar farm planned for Whimple. He was of the view that the planning system was a `failed system`. Concerns were expressed by councillors that if the solar farm was to go ahead it would result in the destruction of the infrastructure; that large numbers of lorries would travel through Talaton and that they would be unlikely to get through Newtown due to their size and the width of the road.

### **THE CORONATION CELEBRATIONS ON 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

A number of tickets for the event had already been sold and only one gazebo was now available. It was **AGREED** that the event be further publicised on Facebook. It was important that the Committee had an approx. idea as to numbers attending for catering purposes. The next Committee meeting was on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April

### **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL (IF APPROPRIATE) FOR THE COUNCIL TO REGISTER FOR LAND REGISTRY SERVICES**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk register the Parish Council for Land Registry services

### **PARISH MAINTENANCE: ITEMS REQUIRING ATTENTION AND UPDATE ON ITEMS REPORTED**

The Clerk had reported a number of issues by e-mail to Dan Wood (DCC Highways Officer) but he had advised that she needed to log the matters on DCC`s on-line system. She had therefore

had a walk around Talaton this week and had noted the potholes (although she had likely not seen all of them!) and the name sign pointing the wrong way and had logged all the matters on DCC`s on-line system. Each item had been logged with an individual reference number. She understood that the Highways Officer would inspect the defects and advise the Council as to whether DCC would carry out necessary repairs. Concerns were raised at the condition of specific potholes around the Parish

### **UPDATE RE THE ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk advised that she had met with an allotment holder at the allotments, who showed her the fence on the boundary (adjoining the track leading to the sewage works) and which was leaning at an angle and was likely to come down. It was understood that the fence had been erected by the Council some years ago. Legal advice had been obtained by the Clerk re the Council`s allotment lease which had been circulated to all councillors. After some discussion it was **AGREED** that the Clerk approach the landowners to ascertain whether they would be willing to enter into a new lease with the Council and to agree a term of years and other provisions. It was also **AGREED** that the allotment holders be invited to the Council`s Drop-In session

### **PARISH AND DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

Notice of an uncontested election in respect of Talaton Parish Council had been received from East Devon District Council. The present seven councillors would remain as councillors for the Parish Council. An election would take place for the East Devon District Councillor seat for the Tale Vale Ward, as there had been two nominations received



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**ADVANCE NOTICE OF ANNUAL PARISH AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS AND DROP IN SESSION TO BE HELD AT THE PARISH HALL**

**DROP IN SESSION SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023 FROM 10.30AM – 12 NOON** Parishioners are invited to `drop-in` without an appointment to raise any parish issues/concerns they may have

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY AT 7.30PM**

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council must be held in the month of May and in an election year (which 2023 is) the meeting must be held between 4 and 14 days after polling day. This is the meeting of the Parish Council where they elect the chairman, make other annual appointments and review their insurance, risk management policies, etc.

Many thanks to everyone who supported the coffee morning on the 1st April here in Talaton. I'm really pleased to say that we raised a fantastic £302. That's 20 care bags to local cancer patients.

TALATON BOOK CLUB.

Do you love books? More to the point do you love a good chat over tea & cake?

If you are interested in joining our small group (at the moment there are 9 of us) you would be most welcome.

We meet on the first Friday of every month in Talaton Parish Hall 2.30-4pm. £4 per session which includes loan of the book & refreshments.

Contact Lyndsey 07964836429 or 01404 850831.

# TALATON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Every year we review our neighbourhood watch scheme. In preparation for the Annual Parish Meeting this year we thought we would tell you how this last year has fared, any changes there have been and try to encourage more people to join in.

## What's happened this year ? (1/4/2022 - 31/03/2023)

Over the previous 5 whole calendar years the reported crime totals for the year in chronological order have been 20, 24, 18 and 16 respectively but in 2022 the figure dropped again to 8. The only change in pattern is that no crimes were recorded around Beautiful Days in August. This seems unusual as it usually accounts for around half our annual total so perhaps there was a new process in place at the event last year. With so little crime there are no clear trends other than to say we remain a remarkably safe place to live. By comparison Cranbrook recorded between 21 and 44 crimes per month last year and the 1 sq Km ward of North Walworth in London we knew well recorded between 197 and 351. Talaton is apparently 9.6 sq Km if you were wondering.

We have given advice about 16 matters this year, referring 4 of them to the police. This is a decrease from 19 and 7 respectively the previous year.

We have reviewed 150 alerts from the police and passed 8 of those on to some or all members of the scheme. This compares to 178 and 15 the previous year.

15 appeals have been placed on our page of the parish web site or circulated to some or all of our readership compared with 6 before.

## What's changed ?

We have had some contact with our Ottery Rural policing team this year but it's clear their focus is on busier parts of their patch stretching from Cowley to Feniton. Becky and Phil Everett have stepped down from looking after Newtown and their role has been taken on by Helen and John Reeves. Links to useful resources have been kept up to date on our page of the parish web site covering topics such as; how to report dog fouling, the address to forward scam emails to ( its [report@phishing.gov.uk](mailto:report@phishing.gov.uk) ), where to get fraud protection advice, a site advising older drivers and their families on keeping on the road safely for longer, how to report matters anonymously to the police, and many other topics. Please take a look.

## Why not join in ?

For those of you who haven't shared your email address with your local contact, please consider whether you'd like to receive timely emails about local issues. We won't share your details with other organisations and will promise to only send you the most up to date and relevant information we can. For your local contact look inside the front cover of The Calendar.



Thanks to everyone who helps to keep our parish safe and all the best for the year ahead.

# **PARISH COUNCIL DROP IN SURGERY**

**Saturday**

**29th April 2023**

**10:30am Till 12 noon**

Come Along and meet your Councillors  
and have a chat on a one to one basis  
On any subject you wish

**At the Parish Hall**

**Tea and coffee will be served**

It may be useful to give warning of any de-  
tailed question to the Clerk

Mrs Christine McIntyre(Parish Council Clerk)  
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Collect your pre-booked tickets from  
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by Friday 5 May

## **OPEN AIR CHURCH SERVICE Sun 7 May 11am**

On The Moor \* (the Village Green opposite the Parish Hall)  
led by Bishop Martin Shaw. Seating provided.

## **THE BIG CORONATION LUNCH Sun 7 May 12 noon – 3pm Talaton House**

Bring your own picnic and chairs to the beautiful grounds of  
Talaton House, by kind permission of the owners.

**PRE-BOOKED TICKETS:** Please collect (and pay if  
required) from the Shop by Friday 5 May. If you are unable  
to do so, they will be at the gate for you.

The tickets are in fact coupons, which must be presented at  
the food tent for your complimentary items, no exceptions.

- Talaton Mess (mixed berries, cream, meringue)
- Home-made cake (various flavours)
- Glass of Prosecco or sparkling elderflower (adults only)

You may want to bring a tray with you for ease of collection.

**ACCESS & FACILITIES:** Pedestrian access only, or drop-off  
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Hall lay-by is for Blue Badge holders only. Limited parking  
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**CHILDRENS ENTERTAINMENT** is provided free of charge  
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required. Craft table, outdoor games, bubbles open all day.

Face Painting: 12 noon – 1pm A simple royal design.

**DRESS CODE:** Regal head gear or Kings & Queens *optional*

**RUBBISH:** Please take all your rubbish home with you.

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# Talaton Open Gardens Weekend

27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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TALATON GARDEN & PRODUCE  
ASSOCIATION

## **Annual Produce and Flower Show Saturday 5th August 2023**

### **Children's Entries**

**Open to residents and non-residents up to 16 years of age**  
**Resident young people over 16 are eligible to enter the Adult classes**

**Age Groups:** (a) 7 years and under      (b) 8 years to 16 years

**Classes:**

1. Make an animal mask
2. A painting of flowers on paper, no larger than A4
3. Make *three* ladybird biscuits
4. Any vegetable grown by the child
5. Potato grown in a bucket. All entries will be turned out at the show and weighed, by the judges. The heaviest crop wins
6. Make a vehicle out of vegetables

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### **Children's Entry Form**

**To be handed in with your entry  
between 10am and 12noon on Show Day**

Resident / Non-Resident (please delete as appropriate)

Name ..... Age on 5th August 2023 .....

Tick the class or classes you are entering:-

1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6.....

SAVE THE DATE



Saturday 3rd June

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**POSTPONED TO NEXT YEAR**

## **HALL DETAILS**

The Village Hall is ideal for all manner of occasions, including meetings, luncheon and dinner events, wedding parties, children's parties, fairs and concerts and exercise classes.

The main Hall is approximately 12.7m x 6.3m and can seat up to 100 people in theatre-style layout and up to 80 for dinners or lunches dependent on layout. Our licence also allows for up to 145 at standing only events.

There is a separate committee room measuring approximately 6.3m x 2.3m which can be hired on its own for small meetings etc.

The Hall benefits from a fully equipped kitchen with serving area, toilet facilities and a foyer. In addition, there are ample tables and chairs, a stage, and a lighting system for stage events.

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## TALATON PARISH HALL HIRE CHARGES

Main Hall	£10 per hour
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Minimum hiring period is 2 hours and this includes setting up and clearing away. There is no additional charge for use of the kitchen or stage. A deposit is not required but the hirer will be expected to pay for breakages or any repairs required resulting from damage during the hiring period.

Discounted rates are available for regular users.

The rate for professional events is £20 per hour. For such events all tables and chairs will be set up as required and cleared away at the end of the event. The bar can be made available subject to negotiation.

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Gazebos 3mx3m - £10 ea (10 avail)	Gazebos 6mx3m - £75 ea (2 avail)

All the above are per day.

In addition to the hiring fee a deposit is required for gazebo hire which will be returned if the items are returned in the same condition as that at the start of the hire period. The deposit for the 6mx3m gazebos is £100 and the 3mx3m gazebos is £50. Cutlery, China, cutlery and glasses must be washed prior to return.

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**Rainfall at the Cobblers/Parish Hall 100 Club**

**Rainfall at the Cobblers in Talaton During March**

March was a very wet month indeed here in Talaton. The Met Office tells us that March began cold and dry for the first week but from the 8<sup>th</sup> onwards it was 'unsettled and moist'!!! Rainfall was well above average in most areas with twice the average for many southern areas. Over all the UK had 155% of rain for the month, they tell us that this was one of the wettest months since 1836! From a sunshine point of view that also say that was the 'dullest' since 1910.

A maximum temperature was recorded in Norfolk of 17.8C on 30<sup>th</sup> and a lowest of -16.0C was Recorded in Altnaharra in the North of Scotland on the 9<sup>th</sup>. In a 24 hour period on 13<sup>th</sup> 118.6 mms or 4.74 inches of rain fell at Honister Pass in Cumbria. 32 cms of snow fell at Buxton in Derbyshire on the 10<sup>th</sup>

Here in Talaton it was wet, day after day. You may remember that in February we had 0.48 of an inch for the whole month, were as in March from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> we had well over 4 times as much with a whooping 123ms or 4.92 inches. We had only 6 dry days and 25 days when it rained and rained!

Our Total for the year now stans at 9.24 inches.

ANNE BOLES

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**TALATON PARISH HALL  
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Please find below the draw for April 2023

The draw for the April took place on the 7th drawn by Pam Weston

The winners were:

1st	No.13.	Sarah Witcombe	£20
2nd	No.56.	Clare Melbourne	£10
3rd	No 65.	Pete Deacon.	£5

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April sees the start of a new season of illustrated talks at The Beehive organised by Honiton u3a. There is a wide variety of subjects to appeal to all tastes, and visitors are very welcome to attend.

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Robert Hesketh will be sharing his knowledge of what he describes as an eclectic selection of the “Weirdest buildings in the West Country.”

June 21<sup>st</sup> sees former vet Stephen Powles talk about his life as “The Countryside Detective.” Having changed careers, Stephen has spent his new life pursuing his lifelong passions of photography, filming and conservation.

July 19<sup>th</sup>'s talk is entitled. “Treading The Wards” by Lottie Dale. A former nurse, who also completed 1200 jumps as a parachutist and skydiver, Lottie says she really wanted to a pilot. Her humorous talk describes her experiences and adventures at Bart’s Hospital in London in the early 1970s.

She promises that her talk will take listeners beyond the bedpan, “From Carry on Nurse to Oooh Matron.”

All talks take place at The Beehive, starting at 2 p.m. Doors open at 1.30 p.m. Visitors are welcome in return for a donation of £2.

Honiton u3a is for like-minded people in their third age who come together to share creative, leisure and learning activities. As it celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year, Honiton u3a is looking forward to welcoming new members to enjoy the range of opportunities it offers.

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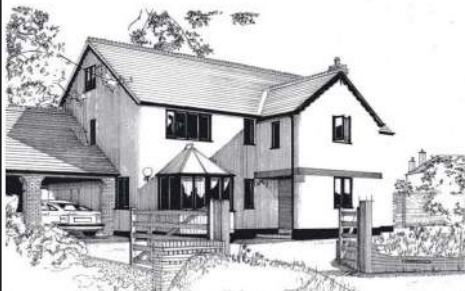
A spokesperson said: “Honiton u3a is a great place to meet new friends, to share activities and to learn together.”

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May 3rd

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council 17th May

June 7th

July 5th

September 6th

October 4th

November 1st

December 6th



We will ring as many bells in Talaton Church for as many services as is possible

Please contact Chris Trimmer 01404 850831

**Talaton Calendar Contact us**

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The Coleridge Medical Centre	01404 814447
Ottery St. Mary Hospital	01404 816000
Hall Booking Secretary (Phil Deacon)	01404 822300
Police (to report a crime – non urgent)	101
Talaton Inn	01404 822214
Talaton Community Shop & Post Office	01404 822084
Parish Priest (Marc Kerslake)	01404 822525
Talaton Calendar Editor (Simon Spencer)	01404 822778
Talaton Calendar Production (Arnie James)	01404 47566

**Talaton Community Shop & Post Office Opening Times**

	Shop			Post Office	
	OPEN		CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE
<b>Mon</b>	<b>9.00</b>	-	<b>6.00</b>		
<b>Tues</b>	<b>9.00</b>	-	<b>6.00</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>9.00</b>	-	<b>6.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>4.00</b>
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>9.00</b>	-	<b>6.00</b>		
<b>Fri</b>	<b>9.00</b>	-	<b>6.00</b>		
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9.00</b>	-	<b>1.00</b>		
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10.00</b>		<b>12.00</b>		

## News from Talaton Community Shop

# MILK

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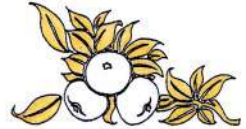
### **May Bank Holiday Opening Hours**

Monday 1 May	9am – 1pm
Monday 8 May	9am – 1pm
Monday 29 May	9am – 1pm

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Sunday	10am – 12 noon

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