



June 2018 Newsletter

## Evening Drawing In



On May 22, there was a different approach to history: that of painting. Local artist Kieran Stiles (left) who lives in Charlbury and has a studio in Woodstock, gave a seminar and demonstration of how artists produced light effects in cloud formations using Turner and modern artist Fred Cuming as prime examples. He spoke of Constable and Turner as the fathers of fine art in England and how Turner has influenced the French impressionist movement and documented the beginning of the Industrial Revolution. Using oil paints and dry brushing technique he showed ( see below) how green and yellow were used for blue and white in clouds and he cited Rembrandt's use of white using crushed chalk to create impact on collars in his great

paintings. Kieran Stiles gives regular master classes locally and those interested in learning more can go to his web site: [kieranstiles.com](http://kieranstiles.com)



## St Kenelm's Feast

There is no meeting during June and the next event will be the annual St Kenelm's Feast on Tuesday July 17th. As last year it will be held at St Kenelm's Church if fine under the ancient yew tree in the churchyard or if wet inside the church where we can enjoy the glory of its renovations which will have been

celebrated with a service on July 15th. Please come bringing your picnic as usual.

#### Drink Up

Our splendid 'cellar master' Brian Pennington has reported that wine prices are rising and while he buys judiciously, we will need to reflect the increases in what we charge members. The committee agreed that from the September meeting prices will be as follows: guests to £6.50 (from £6.00), members for snacks and first glass of wine to £3.50 (from £3.00) and an additional glass of wine to £2.00 (from £1.50)

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#### Diary Dates:

Tuesday July 17th, St Kenelm's picnic feast at St Kenelm's Church, Church Enstone

Wednesday August 15; afternoon tour to local historic churches led by Nicola Coldstream

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