

# The Magazine of the Bride Valley Churches

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# THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

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# FROM THE RECTORY THE RECTORY,

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**On Thursday** <sup>30th</sup> June there will be a service of confirmation at West Bay, before which there may also be a Baptism or so. Sometimes, when someone has not yet been Baptised, and wants to be confirmed the two services are run together.

Bishop Graham will be in Bridport taking part in the St. Aldhelm pilgrimage in the town and the surrounding area that week. Hence the confirmation. We grabbed his diary and booked him while we could. He has said that he would like to do the baptism and confirmation service on the beach, and so it might also become a kind of picnic. Another thought is that if we are to start having baptisms, and we are on the beach already, why are we not using the sea?

Because, June or not, the water will be cold.

Because, June or not, it may be rough.

Because, West bay or not we know how the Chesil beach shelves away, leaving a wide opportunity for a kind of "Carry on Christening" comedy moment.

Another reason for not going for the sea option was put by a local member of the Clergy. They suggested that we could all cross from beside the harbour to use St John's Church if we had to. What did they mean, had to? We asked.

Well, in case it rains, they said, or in case it is cold, leaving the rest of us, mindful of the cold wet sea, to wonder whether they were being consciously ironic, or if, in missing the point so completely they were suffering from terminal plot loss.

But for all that we may be using the sea anyway - because we can. If

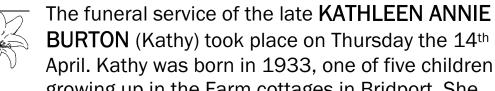


we do it will be wet and cold, but it will be memorable. Please look out for notices about this service. It should be grand, may be funny, and will provide ample opportunity for damp jokes about how the Bishop should be walking on the water and not wading into it.

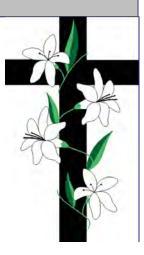
Bob Thorn

# FROM THE REGISTERS

#### FUNERALS



growing up in the Farm cottages in Bridport. She later married Dennis, the blacksmith in Burton Bradstock, and they lived with their son John in Mill Terrace, Burton Bradstock. Both were hard working members of the Royal British Legion, Dennis was the standard bearer for the local



branch and went on to serve in this capacity nationally. He and then Kathy were verger in St Mary's Church, a place she loved dearly and well. III health obliged Kathy to move from the village a few years ago.

Her funeral was attended by family and many old friends from the village who sang her favourite hymns, including "I danced in the morning when the world was begun." She was laid to rest in the cemetery at Burton Bradstock.



**MAY YEATES** lived and farmed in Swyre. Her late sister, Dora, looked after the inside work, and May the outside. May went for a stretch of 17 years without missing a milking. When I first met her

she had hurt her leg at the age of 85 lifting a sheep across a barn. She was as strong and tough as she was kind and generous; an extraordinary person whom it was a privilege to know. A woman of faith, she was in Church the Sunday before her unexpected death. Her funeral was held at her beloved Holy Trinity Church in Swyre on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> April. Her niece and her great niece, Avril, spoke of her life. They told of her love of horses, her work on the farm, her wisdom and her ever-bubbling wit. Mourners, led by May's nephew Peter, escorted her mortal remains into the churchyard where she was buried amid great respect and many fond memories.

#### WEDDINGS

On the 30<sup>th</sup> April, in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock, **Elizabeth Frances Powell** (Libby) and **Craig William Bemment** were married.

The marriage of **Kieron Richard McCarthy** and **Fiona Eva Parker** took place on the 7<sup>th</sup> May in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock.



#### BAPTISMS

Harriet Isabel Ash was baptized on Sunday, the 10<sup>th</sup> April at Chilcombe Church. Harriet lives with her sister and parents in Devon, but returned to the family home, and to the family Church for this most important of ceremonies. Her uncle, Andrew Fry, read the lesson at the service. She was attended



by her Godparents, Simon, Jane and Louise, while Andrew stood proxy for Kate. Harriet herself was untroubled by the attention or the excitement of the occasion, to which friends and family had traveled from near and far. She withstood the sudden application of water calmly and with quiet dignity, admired by all. It was a lovely day of a memory to be treasured in heaven.

On Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> April, the Sunday morning service at St Peter's Long Bredy became the baptism service of **Jado Arthur Saines**, a week after his first birthday,whose parents had been married in St Peter's in September 2008, and who now live in Beaminster. Among the hymns and songs sung we turned our voices to "One more step" which had been sung at the wedding. Jado himself was attentive, but relaxed and confident, taking with great assurance to the role of being the centre of attention for the occasion, and preacher of the word of God by means of the Baptism which he underwent with such confidence.

# POETS CORNER

#### The Banner of Spring

Spring's Banner has been spread over dale and hill With flowers that form a flag of triple hue The Snowdrop white the yellow Daffodil And then the silent bells of Hyacinth blue

Beneath the trees in dappled wooded shade A multitude of little bulbs have laid And now the Blue Bells on the tall strong stalk Form a wondrous carpet where we dare not walk

Now Spring you must give way to Summers show While we trample on your resting place below So furl your flag while in the ground you lie Again next year your triple flag will fly.

Frank Whillock. April 2011

# SHIPTON GORGE

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#### ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH



**THE FEAST OF FLOWERS** will be held on the weekend of July  $16^{th}/17^{th}$ . We invite **anyone** and **everyone** in the village to bring some flowers to decorate the church from Friday  $15^{th}$  July – an elaborate arrangement, or a simple bunch in a jam-jar, ALL are welcome. This is **NOT a competition**, and we hope to emulate last year's wonderful display when the church was filled with the sight and scent of summer.

As part of the celebration of Flowers we will be holding a cheese and wine party on the evening of  $16^{th}$  July, and cream teas will be available on  $17^{th}$  July for you to enjoy when you view the flowers.

#### ANOTHER FASCINATING TALK ON TUDOR WOMEN

We were lucky enough to have a second fascinating talk from the novelist Suzannah Dunn in Shipton Gorge Village Hall on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Suzannah held an audience of nearly 50 people enthralled for over an hour with her stories of Dorset Tudor women and more about two of Henry VIII's wives – Jane Seymour and Katherine Howard. Since the evening of the talk it's been announced that her most recent book – "The Confession of Katherine Howard" - has just been selected as one of Richard and Judy's chosen 8 Summer Reads.

The evening - organised by the West Dorset Womankind Supporters Group - raised a magnificent £300 for the work of Womankind Worldwide. For more information about the group contact <u>apple.loft@btinternet.com</u> or ring 897295.

#### SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

When you read this the Royal Wedding is long past. Shipton's "Street Party in the Park" was a huge success and many thanks must be accorded, particularly to the ladies of the committee who produced the children's picnic boxes and to Mark

Wellman who sourced and erected the wonderful marquee (the main reason it didn't rain was because it didn't matter if it did!)

Thanks also to the dedicated decorators who hung bunting on anything that didn't move, and painted red, white or blue anything that did, and to the group that purchased every memento produced including lovely mugs as gifts for the village children. THANK-YOU – it was GREAT!



**OUR ANNUAL PLANT SWAP** will have taken place – thanks to the generosity of Nova & Peter Varney at Stoneacre.

#### COMING UP NEXT:

Saturday June 25th **SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE FETE** – 2pm around the Village Hall

Sunday 31st July – **PICNIC IN THE PARK!** – Bring your picnic and come to join in the fun – entertainment provided. More information later.

John Kent

#### **CLOSE HARMONY**

A BARBERS SHOP QUINTET, CLOSE HARMONY, will be performing in Shipton Gorge Village Hall at 7.00pm on the evening of Saturday 11 June. Richard and Hilary Cunningham are sponsoring this evening. All proceeds, less expenses, will be donated to various village organisations.

The evening will take the form of a Victorian Music Hall. Cabaret style, so bring with you any drink and food that you require. Richard will be the MC for the evening, and any musical requests or on stage contributions are to be encouraged. For those so inclined Victorian dress or other out of date fashion statement is welcomed. Comments, suggestions, requests and ticket bookings to the Cunninghams on 01308 897928. Tickets  $\pounds 4.00$ .

#### VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

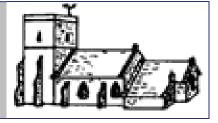
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£20	107	David Langbridge
£10	44	Jo Fulford
£5	62	Liz Fulford

#### MAY WINNERS

£20 65 £10 90 £5 106 Pam Jenkins Anne Jones Roger Sorrell

#### SWYRE

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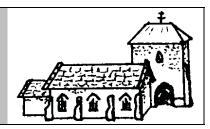
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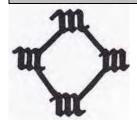
**EVENING SONGS OF PRAISE** will take place on each Sunday throughout August.

**SWYRE VILLAGE TRINITY FETE** will be held in the gardens of Holy Trinity on 18th June 2011. There will be a barbeque from 1pm. Come along and enjoy games. Stalls include: Books, plants, raffle, £1 stall, teas, cakes and produce. Proceeds to the Church's Redecoration and the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

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# ST MARY'S CHURCH

**PENTECOSTAL PRAISE – SUNDAY JUNE 12** Come and celebrate this Pentecost with a special All Age Service in St Mary's Puncknowle at 5pm. Specially designed with music

and children involved it is a great opportunity to enjoy this special occasion.

**PUNCKNOWLE GARDEN FETE** in aid of St Mary's Church will be held on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**, in Puncknowle Manor Gardens by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Wild. Put the date in your diary now. Quality Curtains will be here again (remember to bring the measurements of curtains you need). Punch & Judy, races, new games and entertainment. This may seem some time away but we would be grateful if you could spare a little time to start growing a few extra plants or taking cuttings so plants are ready to sell on the day, cooking and freezing cakes, sorting out good used clothing, collecting toys, books, bric a brac etc. for sale on the stalls. Children – start thinking about your fancy dress outfit for the parade from the hall to the Manor grounds. This year's theme is "Having Fun!" Many thanks to all those who have already offered to help out. If you would like to get involved please contact Geoffrey Fry (898068) or Liz Slater (897751), Coo Jones (898553), Linda Jeffries (897520) or Sue Brown (897953)

#### PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

**ART EXHIBITION & SALE** on Sat 25th & Sun 26th June 10.30 a.m.— 5p.m. Burton Bradstock reading room. *Christine Molony* 



THE PUNCKNOWLE FUNDRAISERS are pleased to report that the Celebration Wedding Party held in the Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall on the 29<sup>th</sup> April was a great success being well attended and enjoyed by children of all ages. Thank you everybody for your support. A special thank you to Brenda Oliver for organising the event.

BOOK CLUB—In May we have been reading "Old Filth" by Jane Gardam - Filth was the nickname of the main character in the book - which stood for Failed in London try Hong Kong. FILTH in his heydey, was an international lawyer with a practice in the Far East - a Raj orphan originally, and this novel tells his story, from birth to old age. Everybody enjoyed "Remarkable Creatures" very much indeed! No arguments in this reading group!

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# LITTON AND THORNERS COMMUNITY HALL (LATCH)

**SUMMER ANNIVERSARY SUPPER** – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June: This is the second anniversary of the opening of the community hall and it is an opportunity to come along, enjoy a meal with friends, light banter, light entertainment and an onset of the feel good factor, plus support for a community gathering. We have re-thought

the logistics of this event to make it both affordable and more enjoyable. We will provide the food and a bar, you provide the people –why not have a table of six? Call 482532 or 482313 for information on costs (very modest) and arrangements.

VILLAGE CAFÉ Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June from 10.30 am—12.30pm. All welcome! ART CLASSES continue from 6<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> June Mondays 9.45 am. PILATES continues from 13<sup>th</sup> June onwards Mondays 4.00 pm. YOGA continues Fridays in June, 9.45 except Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

#### COMING UP NEXT:

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB SHOW during the day and at 7.30 that evening, the return of THE QUANGLE WANGLE CHOIR. Not to be missed! (see Valley Notes for details)

Thank you to all who attended or supported the **BINGO** evening back in March. We raised a fantastic total of £375 to be shared between Thorner's Primary School TSA and LATCH.

Click on <u>www.littoncheney.org.uk</u> for up to the minute news on Litton Cheney, community hall and village organisations.



Congratulations to James Prentice (31), former Thorners and Colfox student, who completed his first London Marathon on April 17<sup>th</sup>. He finished in an excellent time of 3 hours 7 minutes and raised over £700 for Cancer Research.





#### LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

There is nothing like a **DUCK RACE** down Litton Main Street to encourage everyone out to follow their favourite number down the stream to the pub. They, the ducks, certainly bobbed along pretty quickly this year thanks to Georgina having switched on the wonderful Mill Wheel.



Despite this speed there had to be a last one home, belonging to a certain D.Taylor! These tactics brought David a last place prize, so congratulations to him and in particular the first 3 home, all of whom also received a prize. At least the first and second did, but the third placed, Viv Baxter, winner was not around to claim her prize. Viv, if you give me a call I have the envelope ready and waiting. Thanks to all who helped and Bridport Rotary Club for the use of the ducks!

Events came thick and fast with the **ROYAL WEDDING PICNIC** at the Hall .The weather was again kind and a very pleasant social afternoon was enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to Bev and Higgy who championed the event.



Do remember the VILLAGE WALK on Saturday June  $11^{th}$ , 10.00 at the Bus Shelter.

Ron Davidson LCSC 482661

#### LITTON CHENEY VILLAGE GATHERING

The annual village assembly/gathering was held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at which a presentation was made to retiring Parish Council Chairman Freddie Spicer, and tributes paid to Brian Prentice and John Randall, all three of whom were standing down after a total of 36 years service to the community.

Well known local food writer Christine McFadden gave an enjoyable and informed talk about the delights of peppers to a well attended meeting, and this was followed by Steve Kourik who offered a short presentation on the new village website. The annual meeting of the Parish Council followed at which Steve Kourik was elected Chairman and Sally Dyke, Deputy Chairman. There are currently three vacancies on the Parish Council and these will be filled by co-option.

What makes life dreary is absence of motive. What makes life complicated is multiplicity of motive. What makes life victorious is singleness of motive. *George Eliot* 

# LONG BREDY

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#### ST PETER'S CHURCH THE LIVING CHURCHYARD PROJECT

St Peters, Long Bredy has been approved to be part of the living churchyards scheme. It has been implemented and supported by the Dorset Wildlife Trust. The Patron is the Bishop

of Salisbury. We will be judged and maybe awarded prizes on the state of the churchyard. The representative from the wildlife trust will make a census of the wild plants in June. He is very excited about the wide range of indigenous plants. It is hoped that this will create interest and encourage visitors who will contribute to the upkeep of the church.

The grass has been cut ready, there will be no more grass cutting in certain areas until June when help will be needed to clear the area so that more plants can grow (the dead grass prevents growth). This will be done twice a year. A huge thanks to Michael and Jac Felce who have organized this and carried out the groundwork in the church yard.

#### 100 CLUB WINNERS FOR APRIL

£25 Gwen Kinghorn £15 Percy Bastable £5 Mark Banham

It is not too late to join the 100 club. A simple way to contribute to the facilities of the village, i.e. The Church (upkeep), the Village Hall (upkeep) and the playing field (upkeep). Application forms from Andrew Bailey, Ruth Cullingford or Jackie Cain.

#### LONG BREDY GARDEN SAFARI

This year the garden safari will be from Langebride across the fields to Watergate (and vice versa). Walk, drive or ride. There will be lunches and teas, treasure hunt and some stalls.

We will require help setting up and on the day, if only for a short while. Elinor Frost and Jackie Cain will be approaching villagers soon to ask for help. This is our big fund raising event so please support us.





# Garden S&F&RI

# Long Bredy 2 (and Church) Sunday 17th July 11 till 5pm

Visit the gardens of

Langebride and Watergate

Either drive, ride or walk the fields in this beautiful area

#### Lunch and tea available

Some stalls and a Treasure Hunt

#### LITTLEBREDY

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#### ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

The WEDDING of David Wall and Tracey Shaw will take place in the Church on Saturday 4th June. We wish them all happiness and fulfilment in their married life together.



Looking back to start with, the lent FRUGAL LUNCH at Bridehead raised £250 for the "Send a Cow" charity, which encourages selfsufficiency in third world communities - an excellent result.



Excellent too was the BRING & SHARE SUPPER in the Village Hall, organised by the Social Club to round off the Royal Wedding day at the end of April. A good turnout enjoyed a variety of food and drinks to share in the celebrations of the day.



Continued success for **CHRIS YATES** in the horticultural world, although no longer in Littlebredy. He recently won the E.A. Bowles Trophy in the R.H.S.'s main Daffodil Show at Wisley Gardens, requiring him to exhibit 3 blossoms of each of 15 different varieties of daffodil. Winning this award is one of the pinnacles of the daffodil growers' world – very well done, Chris.

Looking forward, a reminder that **Ascension Day (Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June)** will be celebrated in the village by a walk from the Church to the top of the Danish Camp, where a short Holy Communion Service will be held. Participants should please meet at the Church at 6.00 p.m. Those not wanting to walk all the way will be able to drive towards Foxholes and leave cars beside the road if preferred.

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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#### ST MARY'S CHURCH

#### CHURCH FETE – Thursday 4th August 2011

The other major social event this year apart from the recent Royal Wedding is our annual Church Fete. The planning team is in place and the theme chosen this year will be 'Country Pastimes.'

In 2010 we managed to avoid rain on the day and with a cool wind blowing over 1000 people attended the Fete.

We raised a large sum for the church fabric fund which was entirely due to the hard work and dedication of over 100 village helpers and friends.

The fete committee would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to help on the day by contacting any of the following:

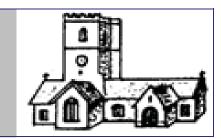
Liz Orza (897451), Alan/Judy Clarke (897051), Susan Moores (897673), Sylvia Delves (897358), Ian Wigglesworth (897083) or myself.

During June and July you can also help by having a thorough clean out of 'unwanted items' such as Books, Toys, Games/Puzzles plus items for the White Elephant stall.

If you have any please ring me and I will come and collect them. Thank you on behalf of St Mary's Church.

Jim Rogers – Church Fete Co-ordinator (897464)







GRETA HEAL wishes to thank everyone for their kind

thoughts, cards and flowers whilst she was in hospital and later recovering at home.

#### COFFEE MORNING to raise funds for the renewal of : BURTON BRADSTOCK CEMETERY GATES



We shall be holding a coffee morning in the Village Hall, Burton Bradstock, on Wednesday 15 June, 10.15 till noon, with delicious home made cakes and a raffle to surprise you. Please do come along – your support will help to further our cause towards the new gates at the Shipton Lane Cemetery. Thank you.

Those of you who visit the cemetery will be all too aware of the difficulty in gaining access through the present gates which were erected in 1907. It is not surprising that they have deteriorated. As concerned villagers we felt that we would like to raise funds for the gates to be renewed and to improve pedestrian access with any surplus being used for future cemetery maintenance. Permission was sought and well received by the Parochial Church Council.

We are now seeking to raise money to make this worthwhile project possible. If you would like to contribute your donation can be made either by cheque made payable to the Cemetery Gates Fund or by cash if preferred and posted at 51 Church Street (opposite the Rectory) or bring it with you to our coffee morning. Please give your name and address if you would like a receipt. We hope that with your help it will not be too long before we can



VILLAGE HALL TRUST Registered Charity No. 1108201

realize our aim which will be a benefit for all who visit the cemetery in the future.

Liz Mackay and Mary Ward and friends of the cemetery

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL For Bookings – Telephone 01308 897673 Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust (BBVHT)

Village Hall Bookings

A Roman Catholic Church in the diocese of Shrewsbury stated in their 'Pew News' - **Baptisms:** From now on, the North and South ends of the church will be utilised. Children will be baptised at both ends.

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL "200 CLUB" May 2011 Draw

Congratulations to the winners:

1 <sup>st</sup>	£44.20	No 149	Mr Geoffrey Seward
$2^{nd}$	£22.10	No. 180	Mrs Pat Saunders-White
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£11.05	No. 210	Mrs Bobbie Sinclair-Brown

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the June-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have  $\pounds 7$  – one pound for each of the remaining 7 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

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#### BURTON BRADSTOCK SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

Another successful season at the Burton Bradstock short mat bowls club culminated with 'Finals Night' Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April played indoors at Burton Bradstock village hall. In a fiercely fought singles final Peter Colbert won against Allan Rodway. In the doubles final Steve Kiley and Ken Short overcame the strongly fancied Graham Blunden and Joyce Kiley.



We now have a summer break and restart next season Monday evening 26<sup>th</sup> September plus alternate Wednesday afternoons. New members of any standard are always welcome – contact Jim Rogers.

01308 897464

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

Your Correspondent has become absorbed by the Antics of the Audience at our monthly meetings: always in huge numbers these days, it is intensely interested and can intimidate all but the most resolute speaker by its Probing Questions (PQs) - my favourite, usually in the first volley, is he who invariably puts the speaker straight on the spot (for example: "You have lectured us for half an hour about someone called Virginia Woolf; could you tell me who she was?"). There is another phenomenon: the number of persons in the audience who believe they have an Interesting Connection with the speaker - these will accumulate in a smiling bustle around him during the interval.

Patrick Stokes, a "direct descendant of Jane Austen", got the full treatment when he addressed the Village Society, the last in the present series. Being the former Chairman of the Jane Austen Society came distinctly second. One the one hand, Patrick clearly revelled in his ancestry (who doesn't?), though, to be fair, he did say that if he were a *direct* descendant, it might hint that Jane's relationships with the opposite sex were more intimate than most would wish to acknowledge. Knowing that his grandmother's grandfather was a brother of Jane Austen, he said, had never drawn him to the literary world; as a child he had hated *Pride and Prejudice* (who doesn't? – "Ouch!").

That was a safe start, for one could *just tell* that there were literally dozens of audients who knew every word she had ever thought, let alone written. A chance trip to Bermuda with a couple of Admirals called Austen had done the trick, however, and Patrick had realized that there was something in all this Austen business, aside from literary stuff.



So we had some diverting lowdown on the family: Brother George was "not quite right";

Edward was the lucky one: being adopted by the rich Knights family, he inherited their vast Kentish estate and produced 1,000 descendants (clearly over a number of generations), though not our speaker;

Henry, who became a banker and parson, was rather witty; Francis and Charles both entered the Navy;

George looked like John Lennon (we saw some pictures of the family, though there is only one authorized picture of Jane [by her sister, Cassandra], to be found in the National Portrait Gallery).

Some say that Jane made it to Chatsworth; her accounts of the route certainly confirm the details and the Rutland Arms apparently claims that she slept there. "Jane may *not* have slept there," concluded our speaker, "but the Jane Austen Society certainly went there to eat Bakewell Tart". A series of PQs revealed much evidence of the huge depth of humour and irony with which Jane Austen was blessed, which "so readily adapts to modern media," added Stokes.

There was much of this humour and irony to be found in John Grantham's novel vote of thanks. Getting our speaker to his feet again – twice: once to iterate his exact antecedents; then to recite a tale of his appearance on a German television programme based upon "What's my Line?" And then, just when we thought it was all over, Bob Hynds sprang to his feet to implore all those present to complete the Library Questionnaires to be found in the Post Office.

In all, very eclectic; very Burton Bradstock!

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

At last a pavement and new road surface through Burton, well worth a bit of temporary chaos. Thank you to all the councillors who have worked extremely hard over the years to get this scheme agreed. Another thank you to all the people who joined together to pick up litter in and around the village last month.

It always amazes me what is left behind for the invisible people to pick up so that passing cars remain litter free! Thank you also to a well known resident for putting a pithy anti-litter notice, with empty cigarette packet attached, in their front garden for passersby to see.

Light fingers are back in the area. Solar lights have been stolen from several gardens and two garden sheds have been broken into. If you happen to see any suspect vehicles after dark then report them to 01305-222222.

A quick reminder for people selling jams, veg etc. outside their house: remember to check the honesty box regularly.

Ian Pitt-Aikens 01308-897440



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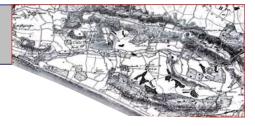
#### LAVENDER TRUST

Breast Cancer Care

#### BREAST CANCER CARE 'In the Pink' Afternoon on Wednesday 22 June 2011 2.30pm – 5.00pm in the Village Hall Burton Bradstock

# VALLEY NOTES

#### PETERTIDE PLAY



The fifth and final drama in the Luke and Theophilus saga is planned for Sunday June 26th at 6.00pm in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. This play, which tells of the life of St Paul, will take the place of the sermon in Evensong with Julian Piper as Saul/Paul and Luke and Theophilus played by Howard Bongers and Theo Jones respectively with full supporting cast.

Watch out for Mike Read as the Sea Captain, Vicky Thomas as Silas and Basil Dent as a magistrate. See Elise Ripley, Amy Van Zyl, Jim Armstrong and Liz Orza as you have never seen them before! Please come and bring a friend.

Heather Rogers 01308 897780



#### ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Bride Valley Branch

The next social evening is on **Monday**, **June 16**<sup>th</sup> at The Three Horseshoes 7.15 for 7.30 with light supper £5. Please telephone the Hon Sec. Jim Reeves on 01308 897091 to book your place, by June 9<sup>th</sup>. There will not be a social evening in July or August.

Ray West, Chairman

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYERS

Present their Summer Production, the play "OUT OF FOCUS" by Peter Gordon. Wed 27th July to Sat 30th July in Burton Bradstock Village Hall.

A comedy, the play is set within a village hall, not too dissimilar to any in the Bride valley. A range of people turn up expecting to take part in their own very different booked activities. The inefficiencies of the diary secretary (the vicar's wife) become clear and set off a series of amusing events. Ever wondered what running a village hall was like?



This play will reveal all! Please put these dates in your diary, ticket sales will be in Burton Bradstock Post Office in July.

#### HATS OFF to the QUANGLE WANGLE CHOIR! Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at LATCH 7.30 p.m.

The Quangle Wangle Choir invites you to bring a hat to join in the hat song when they make their return trip to Litton Cheney hall. This popular community choir from Weymouth are promising a great evening's entertainment on Saturday 2nd July at 7.30pm. Any variety of hat will do -



from Sherlock Holmes to Mother of the Bride! The choir's infectious enthusiasm shines through their concerts with a repertoire that ranges from a dramatic eighteenth century psalm setting by a Dorset composer to the Beatles. With songs of shipwrecks, love - and of course a hat - there will be something for everyone, sprinkled

with Quangle humour to wash it down. Admission is £6, payable on the door. Accompanied children are both welcome and free. Doors open 7.00 p.m. Bar and refreshments available. To reserve a ticket or for more information about the choir contact Juliet Harwood on 01305 814940 or julietharwood@hotmail.com or visit the choir's website at <u>www.qwchoir.co.uk</u>

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC SCHOOL

What a wonderful start to the Summer term we have had. The weather has been glorious which has meant that the children have been able to enjoy PE on the field and eat their lunch outside. The first week back to school after the Easter holidays was a myriad of red, white and blue as we celebrated the Royal Wedding in style. The children took part in lots of different activities from writing their own wedding invitations to even designing Kate's wedding dress! The day culminated with a party in the playground for the younger children.

Things took a more serious note during the weeks following the celebrations when the children in Year 6 took part in the SATs (statutory assessment tests). The tests are a way of assessing what pupils have learnt during their time in primary school before they move onto their secondary

education. The children in Year 6 have worked extremely hard and were very positive and upbeat during the tests. With the tests out of the way, the children are now looking forward to the exciting events that are taking place this term. Reception and Key Stage 1 children



are off to Streetwise, the interactive safety centre in Poole, Year 2 will be going on their residential trip to Hooke Court, Class 4 are going to Sail Laser on Portland to try their hand at sailing as well as on their residential trip to the Ancient Technology Centre where they will be experiencing life in a long house and Year 4 will be taking part in the Music concert at Colfox.

In addition we also have our Summer Concert at school and Sports Day to look forward to. The Friends of the Burton Bradstock School continue to raise funds for the school. We had a fantastic turnout at the Duck Race which took place on Easter Sunday. The sun shone and the ducks floating down the river was a sight to behold. The event raised nearly £1000 for the school! The Friends are now in the process of organising the end of year BBQ for the children and their families to celebrate the end of another successful year. Over the course of the year we have also seen some changes to the Governing Body and will have a Community Governor Vacancy in September. If you are interested in becoming a School Governor then please contact the school office for more information.

#### THORNER'S CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Looking back over the last month we remember the Royal Wedding ... Bridport Local Food Links provided a special Wedding meal as part of their hot school dinner menu and we felt we had to mark the occasion with the children making hats and learning The National Anthem, which we sang before sitting down to the meal. The hats varied from the tall to the short, the large to the small, wide to the parrow k



the tall to the short, the large to the small, wide to the narrow but there was one common theme ...the colour! Red, white and blue naturally.

All of the children enjoyed the challenge of producing a hat, making it fit was most important. Having the following day off school to watch and enjoy the wedding may have played a part in their enthusiasm.

There is great excitement in school at the moment, especially with the gardening club who are awaiting the 'opening' of the polytunnel. We are very grateful to Thorner's School Association who have purchased a large polytunnel for the gardening cub to expand their gardening skills. We are also very pleased that a couple of parents offered to erect it...it looked very complicated. Thanks to everyone who has made it happen after such a long time planning.

During the first week in June we will be having an Art Week .... activities for the children both inside and outside. A local artist/sculptor highly recommended by ArtsReach will be starting the week by making screens for the Discovery Area with all the children. Donations of wooden things such as old or broken clothes pegs, picture frames, dowelling, broom handles and soft wood off cuts would be welcome. Also during that week children will be given a variety of art activities to experience such as painting in the style of .... and computer art, art appreciation. More about this next month.

Alison Johnstone, Headteacher

100 CLUB WINNERS:

£15 Jo Lee (parent) £10 Jill Maltby (grandparent)

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Too early at the time of writing June's report to mention the talk last month



by Jenny Malyon, about health maintenance in us older girls. I have to congratulate Audrey Hayward who won both categories in the Art competition last month. Congratulations Audrey! On June 14th we meet in the WI Hall at 7.15 when our Speaker will be Ms. Chrissie-Wathem -Neal who will be speaking on IOO years of McMillan Cancer Care. What a superb organisation that is! None of us know when we may need their care do we?

The usual groups are meeting - please check the Notice board outside the Hall for dates, of the Book group, the Mahjong group, the Walking group and the Embroidery groups. If you are new to the area, or have lived here for a while and feel you would like to give us a try, do come along, you will be most welcome!

Norma Millard

#### TRAIDCRAFT - FAIR TRADE

A big thank you to all who have purchased Traidcraft products during the past year. I have received a letter from HQ noting that we have spent over £1500 with the organisation in the last 12 months. Regulars will know that the traidcraft stall is set up at St. Mary's, Burton Bradstock on the second Sunday of most months, selling groceries and craft items; also at the Valley lunches, the church fete, and the Christmas craft fair. It has been a pleasure to be invited to some of the Litton Cheney Saturday Cafes, and to events at Puncknowle. Thanks also to both schools and the Cubs who have generously heard the spiell and bought the stuff.

I am always looking for new outlets and the opportunity to tap into different circles, and am grateful to those individuals who make room for the Traidcraft stall at their event. Should this be you, please get in touch! *Liz Orza –* 01308 897451

#### BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS



At the end of last term, we planted our peas at last and lots of children watered them in. Since then the weather has been so hot, they started sprouting up quickly. A rabbit dug a hole in our garden plot, which did not help. One of the new topics this term is Growing for learning about knowledge and understanding of the world - activities will include growing sunflowers too and other vegetables, nature walks

and learning words about the changing seasons. We will also be learning about bugs, by collecting creatures, counting legs etc and having related stories.

Another topic will be involving water to solve problems, using numbers and reasoning so activities will include words such as smaller, greater, lighter, heavier, less, more etc. – through lifting buckets, melting ice, comparing amounts of water and observing changes and making boats! Back by popular demand will also be acting out "The Three Little Pigs" with and without props, as well as making a book, recalling story lines and telling stories with music and dance. So, lots to do this term. Last day for Half Term is Thursday 26th May, returning on Monday 6th June. Our end of Summer Term Outing this year will be to Kingston Maurward with a picnic. Please ring Fiona Evans , Manager, on 01308 482410 for any information about Fledglings Pre-school or just drop in on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday during school hours.



#### SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAMS

I have been asked by one of "my" villagers if I could write a piece with regard to my role as a Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) from a personal perspective. I hope the following will serve.

When first starting my role as a PCSO assigned to the Dorchester Rural West beat I thought it would be quiet and not particularly busy. Now after four years I realise how wrong I was, there are just not enough hours in the day. The area I cover is quite large and varied encompassing part of the Chesil Bank coastal area and inland areas including Cerne Valley, Frome Valley and the Maiden Newton and Martinstown areas. But I am blessed with 'my' lovely villages and villagers and I feel it is really quite a privilege to be able to 'look after' such a beautiful region.

My duties are diverse and, by necessity, fairly variable day-to-day. As well as foot patrol, which I feel I don't do enough of sometimes, dealing with anti social behaviour by any age group, gathering information from the community, dealing with abandoned and untaxed vehicles, and myriad other tasks. There are also ever increasing community engagements. These may include one to one visiting with someone, PACT (Partners and Communities Together) surgeries, PACT van visits, village events, group talks, attending multi-agency meetings with housing associations, local councillors, community workers, etc.

With regard to crime I do get quite protective when I hear of break-ins etc happening in my area. I was speaking with a gentleman the other day and we agreed that due to the fantastic area we live in we can get quite complacent about leaving buildings unlocked, items in gardens on view and so on. But there are opportunist and professional thieves out there, so please please do all you can all the time to secure your home and land. If you need any advice then do get in touch with myself or my colleagues and we will be happy to help. The various contact methods are listed below.

Thank- you for reading this little piece about me and my job and I look forward to catching up with you on my next visits.

PCSO 5410 Sarah Pilcher

Hello all,

We have had several incidents of field/farm gates being left open, enabling livestock to escape. Could you please take extra care when you are out walking to ensure you close them. Also if you see "joy-riding" taking place on land please call 999 as there have been reports of un-official "races" taking place which cause considerable damage. We would like to be able to check these out at the time.

Scrap metal is still an ongoing problem. Thieves are taking scrap from remote locations and selling it on. Please ensure all out building and outdoor materials are secure. We can provide signs which may deter offenders.

I have been busy reviving local surgeries. These are a time where you can come along and speak to me about any issues or concerns. It doesn't have to be Police focussed, as I can pass information on to the relevant agency. Look out for notices in your local areas in the next few weeks to see where I will be. Regards.

PCSO Poppy Wheeler–01305 226930

#### COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP ISSUES WARNING

Motorists, remember to secure your vehicles and empty them of valuables!

As weather improves so does the popularity of Dorset's beauty spots. With many vehicles being left in remote locations, it is important that people remove all valuable items, such as handbags, mobile phones, laptops and satellite navigations systems, from their vehicles.

Councillor Ray Nottage, Chair of Dorset Community Safety Partnership, said: "Our message is clear and the advice is simple. If you want to reduce the chances of your vehicle being targeted – while parked on driveways, roadsides, in towns and villages and particularly remote locations and beauty spots – remove **all** valuables from your vehicle and make sure it is secure."

"Often people are far too complacent and leave things like laptops, bags and cash on display in their vehicles. This leaves their vehicles vulnerable and more likely to be targeted by any would-be car criminal"

Dorset Community Safety Partnership is giving the following advice to members of the public:

Don't leave any valuable possessions in your vehicle – not even in the boot. Satellite navigation equipment is a favourite among thieves – make sure you remove the unit AND the cradle, rubbing out any sucker marks

Lock your car's doors and boot and close the windows and sunroof each time you leave it unoccupied, even when paying for petrol.

Use the security devices in your vehicle – fit an alarm if you do not have one. If your vehicle is broken into, call Dorset Police on 01202 or 01305 222222. Park in well lit and open locations.

Steve Brown—Partnership Communications Co-ordinator

If you wish to contact Dorchester West Safer Neighbourhood Team: Call: 01305 222 222 Mobile: 07500 816 292 Email: dorchester-rural-snt@dorset.pnn.police.uk Only dial 999 if a life is in danger or a crime is in progress.

PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE VILLAGE HALL

For bookings, telephone 01308 897724/897751

#### 'BRING AND SHARE' ITALIAN NIGHT

With Table Quiz on **Saturday 25th June** in Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall £1 entrance 7.00 for 7.30pm. Cash bar available.





#### NEW COMMUNITY WEBSITE inDORSET is a NEW Community Website for Dorset.

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It has been created to give residents of, and visitors to Dorset a rich and valuable resource from which they can find news and information, groups and organisation, businesses and services from ALL parts of Dorset, in one easy to navigate location.

Community groups and businesses are encouraged to send community news and information (news emails should be sent to **newsdesk@inDORSET.com** and

include pictures where possible) and add your listing to their Community Directory.

This is a FREE listing directory for any community group, charity or public organisation based in Dorset.

A business can have a basic listing in the directory for FREE - This is not a special offer, this is a core basis to the **inDORSET** community pledge to support Dorset.

# ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace:

On the best way to run a church council meeting

*The Rectory St. James the Least of All* 

My dear Nephew Darren

Since your parishioners live in an area of half a square mile, where their only concern in getting to church is whether to take the underpass, or to risk a dash across the ring road, you may have little understanding of the problems our folk have in travelling miles along country lanes to church, now that it requires a loan from the International Monetary Fund to fill the car with petrol.

Several now only arrive half way through the Service, having underestimated the time it takes to park a pony and trap and the noise they make at the back of church, removing waterproofs, propping up whips and looking for somewhere to stow travel rugs even drowns out "Onward Christian Soldiers".

Those who arrive on horse, leaving them to graze in the churchyard, have had to be reminded that flowers in memorial vases are not fodder; neither were the imitation ones on Lady Metropole's straw hat, left in her open topped car. But having our verger standing outside for an hour holding the reins of half a dozen horses is not, as he loudly points out, part of his job description. Apart from which, restraining his amorous charges from visiting the local stables during Mattins is beyond his strength.

Major Crompton's discovery that the fuel for his sit-on lawnmower is considerably cheaper than petrol has inspired him to travel to church on it. Since he is unable to uncouple the mowing apparatus, the tarmac on his 4 mile drive is acquiring interesting patterns. His drive at 2 miles per hour along narrow lanes means he arrives leading a procession of cars with drivers given the opportunity to exercise their gifts of Christian tolerance and forgiveness. It doesn't help that he uses his stately journey to finish his breakfast of bacon and eggs, with his wife walking by his side with the coffee pot.

The majority, naturally, arrive on foot, having negotiated fields, stiles and assorted cattle. The countryside may well praise God, but one does wish they wouldn't bring quite so much of it into church with them.

Lord Lipton who "is in oil" – which makes him sound like a sun-dried tomato – is apparently trying to come to some private arrangement with a Shiekh of his acquaintance. Should he be successful, while life in your city may grind to a halt, rural Evensong will be able to continue on its serene way, floating on an ocean of cut-price petroleum.

> Your loving uncle, Eustace

# BEYOND THE VALLEY GOOD BOOKS St Mary's Old School, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3RL, Tel: 01308 420483 email: orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk Good Books: for Christian books (including 2<sup>nd</sup> hand bargain shelves), cards, gifts and church supplies. Home of Bridport Good Neighbours/Pathways to Care, Threads of Hope, Bruport Book of Hours' and Monthly Book Club Opening hours: Monday-Friday 9am-1pm, Saturday 10am-12noon Now open 9am-3pm on Wednesdays and Fridays.

#### Not just one but TWO OPEN HOUSES this month!

1) Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 10am – 2pm: Join us to celebrate National Volunteers' Week with Pathways to Care/Bridport & District Good Neighbours. Find out what they do & how they can help – or just come for a chat and home-made nibbles.

2) Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 10am-2pm: Another celebration, this time Shirley Smith's special birthday (80!). Shirley is known to many as Licensed Lay Minister in the Bridport Anglican Team, choir member, Good Books trustee etc – and a very good friend.

Come and wish her many happy returns of the day (more food!). We urgently **need volunteers** for Fridays: regular afternoons 1-3pm and for morning relief as required 9-11am or 11-1pm.



#### BRIDPORT MUSIC-A-THON

Saturday 11 June 2011 at Bridport United Church, East Street from 9am-5pm. Last call for this event, supporting The Richard Ely Trust for Young Musicians and music makers at Julia's House, Dorset children's hospice.

The line up as we write includes : Bothenhampton Handbell Ringers, skiffle group, Marshwood Primary School, Society of Recorder Players, and pupils of Claire Conlon & Bridget Pearse.

Do call 01308 427851 for sponsor forms as there may be some slots left – we'd like to fill the whole day. And **do come and support the performers.** See Julia's House shop window for who's on when. *Thank you!* 



#### CANADA DAY CHAI & CHAT

Friday 1 July from 2pm-4pm at Good Books, Gundry Lane, Bridport. Join us for tea and cake and experiences of the **Canadian Tulip Festival** with Veronica Ziegler.

#### BRIDPORT COMMUNITY LUNCH

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 12.30-2.00pm at Bridport United Church Hall, East Street. Come to the quarterly bring-and-share lunch for local voluntary and community groups and charities in Bridport and the surrounding area to meet & chat and share ideas & information. More details: Jo on 01308 427851, jo@jovian.co.uk or



Karen Jones on 07918639012 email: K.Jones@volunteeringdorset.org.uk Hosted by Churches Together & Volunteer Centre Dorset.

#### DORSET VOICES

A community-led project featuring LOCAL WRITERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS



If you are a writer or photographer living in Dorset, or with connections to the county, here's an opportunity to see your work published.

*Dorset Voices* is an anthology that reflects local and diverse voices. The project was instigated by three local writers aimed at showcasing the talent of local writers and photographers. The book will be an inspirational, original collection of the best poetry, prose and photography that local people have to offer.

The project has the support of Creative Dorset and other local organisations and full guidelines can be found at www.poundburyvoices.blogspot.com.

Anyone submitting work for consideration will receive a free copy of the book, which will be published in spring 2012 by independent local publisher Roving Press. The closing date for submissions is 30 July 2011.

Go on – be inspired, be creative, you could see yourself in print! A section at the back of the book entitled *Useful Contacts* will include details about individuals, groups, businesses, classes, workshops, courses, etc. relevant to writers and photographers.

If you are interested in promoting yourself, your group or organisation, or wish to find out more, please contact Roving Press (tel 01300 321531, info@rovingpress.co.uk, www.rovingpress.co.uk)

#### The Hand of God

'Yes, 'replied Philip, 'God did it and he did it left handed.'

This confused his grandmother so she asked him, 'What makes you say God did this with his left hand?' 'Well, 'said Philip, 'we learned at Sunday School last week that Jesus sits on God's right hand.'

Little Philip was spending the weekend with his grandmother after a particularly trying week in infant school. His grandmother decided to take him to the park on Saturday morning. It had been snowing all night and everything was beautiful. His grandmother commented, 'Doesn't it look like an artist painted this scenery? Did you know God painted this just for you?'

# FOR YOUNGER PEOPLE

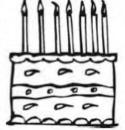


Of the three main festivals in the Christian year, Pentecost or Whitsun is the least celebrated today.

Christmas celebrates the birth of a baby in a stable. Easter celebrates that baby grown to a man, our Risen Lord. And Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the beginning of the Christian Church.

Pentecost is the birthday of all Christian Churches. It was the start of all those ripples that spread wider and wider to cover the whole world. From the 11 disciples and Matthias (who replaced Judas Iscariot) to us today.

But we don't send Whitsun cards or give sweets or presents to mark Pentecost, do we? Nowadays it isn't even a Bank Holiday. How do



you think we should celebrate Pentecost?

#### **PEN-THINGS**

Pentecost comes 50 days after Easter. PENTA means 5 so a pentagon has five sides and the first five books of the Old Testament are called the Pentateuch.

There are quite a number of words that begin with the letters PEN, so can you say which PEN is... (answers at the bottom of the page)

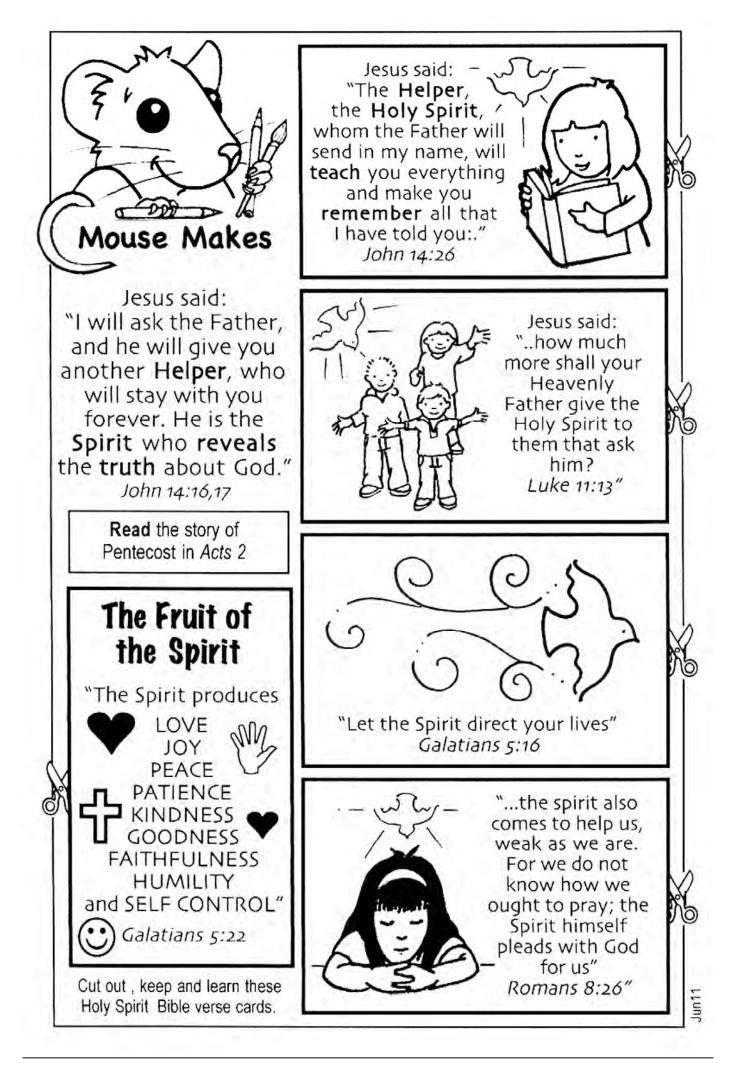
- 1. A free kick in football?
- 2. A female swan?
- 3. Someone you write to?
- 4. An early kind of bicycle?
- 5. A sporting event?
- 6. A small coin?
- 7. A flag?
- A black and white bird that can't fly?

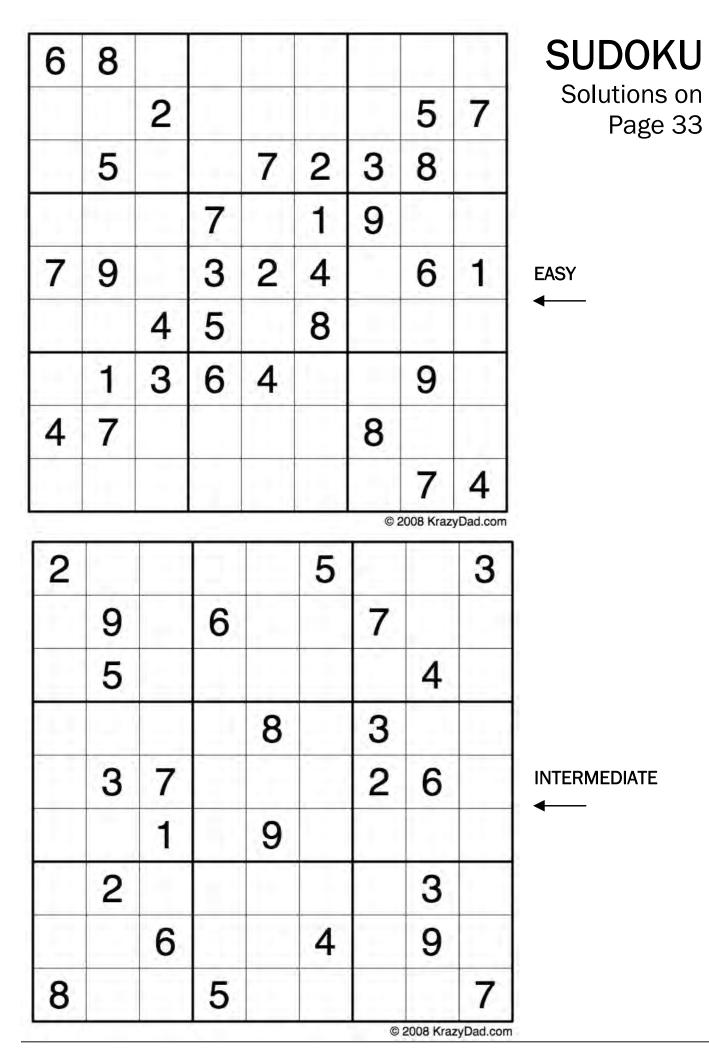
Why did the man take a pencil to bed? To draw the curtains.

What did the pencil say to the rubber? Take me to your ruler.

Why is it bad to write on an empty stomach? Because paper is better.

Answers: 1. penalty 2. pen 3. pen friend 4. penny farthing 5. pentathlon 6. penny 7. pennant 8. penguin







# SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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Sun Sun	26 26	10.30am 6.00pm	Puncknowle Art Club Exhibition & Sale Petertide Play at St Mary's Church	Burton Reading Room Burton Bradstock
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#### WEEKDAY SERVICES, JUNE 2011

<b>Day</b> Wednesday Thursday Friday	Date 1st 2nd 3rd	<b>Time</b> 9.30am 9.00am 9.00am	Swyre Shipton Gorge	and at 10.00am there's Holy Communion
Monday Wednesday	6th 8th	9.00am 9.30am	Littlebredy Burton Bradstock	and at 10.00am there's Holy Communion
Thursday	9th	9.00am	Puncknowle	
Friday	10th	9.00am	Litton Cheney	
Monday	13th	9.00am	Long Bredy	and at 10,00pm there's Hely Communian
Wednesday Thursday	15th 16th	9.30am 9.00am	Swyre	and at 10.00am there's Holy Communion
Friday	17th	9.00am	Shipton Gorge	
Monday	20th	9.00am	Littlebredy	
Wednesday			Burton Bradstock	and at 10.00am there's Holy Communion
Thursday	23rd	9.00am	Puncknowle	
Friday	24th	9.00am	Litton Cheney	
Monday	27th	9.00am	Long Bredy	
Wednesday		9.30am	Burton Bradstock	and at 10.00am there's Holy Communion
Thursday	30th	9.00am	Swyre	

#### SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES June 2011 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ascension Day June 5 JUNE June 12 June 19 June 26 June 2 Sunday after **Trinity Sunday** Trinity 1 Pentecost Ascension 8.00 Holy Communion 8.00 Holy Communion 0.20 Eamily Sonvioo 0.20 Eamily Sanvioa 0.20 Eamily Convior 0.20 Family Communian

Burton Bradstock		<ul><li>9.30 Family Service</li><li>11.00 Songs of Praise</li><li>6.30 Evening Prayer</li></ul>	9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion by Ext	<ul><li>9.30 Family Communion</li><li>11.00 Morning Prayer</li><li>6.00 Drama Petertide</li></ul>
Shipton Gorge		11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service 6.30 Evening Prayer
Chilcombe				6.30 Evening Prayer	
Swyre		6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)
Puncknowle		9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service
Litton Cheney		11.00 Family Service	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion
Long Bredy		11.00 Holy Communion		11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Morning Worship
Littlebredy	6.00pm Walk+HC		11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	9.30 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion