

Bride Valley News



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THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

ST MARY THE VIRGIN: Burton Bradstock **ST MARY:** Litton Cheney
ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS: Littlebredy
ST PETER: Long Bredy **CHILCOMBE** (*Dedication unknown*)
ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN: Puncknowle
ST MARTIN: Shipton Gorge **HOLY TRINITY:** Swyre

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WEEKDAY SERVICES, NOVEMBER 2012

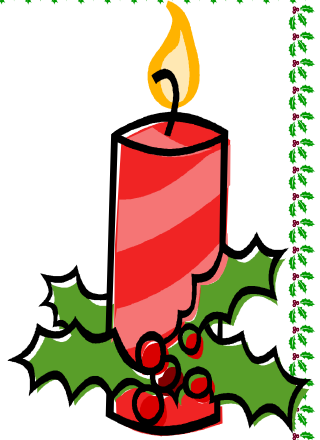
Thursday	1	9.00am	Puncknowle
Friday	2	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Monday	5	9.00am	Long Bredy
Wednesday	7	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	8	9.00am	Swyre
Friday	9	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Monday	12	9.00am	Littlebredy
Wednesday	14	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	15	9.00am	Puncknowle
Friday	16	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Monday	19	9.00am	Long Bredy
Wednesday	21	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	22	9.00am	Swyre
Friday	23	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Monday	26	9.00am	Little Bredy
Wednesday	28	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	29	9.30am	Puncknowle
Friday	30	9.30am	Litton Cheney

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS IN THE DECEMBER BVN

If you have not already heard, may I take this opportunity to remind people that there is

very little time left

to take the opportunity, as in past years, to send local Christmas Greetings by way of the BVN.



Your name will appear on a dedicated page under a collective greeting. Please give Susan Paul (Old Walls, Burton Bradstock, DT6 4QZ) your name(s), *as you would like it/them to appear in the BVN list* with, of course, your donation.

Cheques should be made payable to the **Bride Valley Benefice** and must arrive with Susan

no later than 6th November

in order to catch the deadline for the December issue.

It is planned to split the donations equally between the **BVN** and a local charity which this year is

FOOTPRINTS (charity no.1110916).

Many of you in the Valley will know about, and already support, this worthwhile cause. *Footprints* is a “person centered,” befriending and monitoring organization which supports ex-offenders to lead crime free lives, helping them to acknowledge the consequences of their actions and see them successfully resettle into the community.



Further information can be found on
www.footprintsproject.co.uk



I am writing about something that happened a while back, the more so by the time you come to read this. On 28th and 29th of September a small group of us gathered at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Littlebredy, to walk to the church of St Michael the Archangel, Lyme Regis. The pilgrimage was to celebrate Michaelmas, the feast of the saint, by walking the Southern coastal boundary of the Lyme Bay Deanery. It was a good morning for walking until after we had stopped for prayers at the Chapel in the Woods. Up on Abbotsbury fort it began to rain, all the way down through West Bexington to a welcome rest at the Hive. We stopped at West Bay, sleeping on the floor of St John's Church. Many thanks for their hospitality.

The next day was glorious, and just as well because we had four big climbs, including up onto Golden Cap before the day was done, arriving in Lyme at about 4.00pm, tired but triumphant. Even the doggies which walked the way with us were fagged. On the way we had stopped for prayers at St Gabriel's chapel at the foot of Golden Cap; a most eloquent place to pray. And notable, that our two St Michael's Churches at either end should bracket the other archangel, Gabriel who announced the birth of Christ to the blessed virgin Mary, in the middle.

But the real purpose of writing about something that happened way back in September is to note that Michaelmas next year falls on a Sunday, giving us more than a little incentive to walk the way again, or even to do it the other way about by starting at Lyme on the Friday, walking the Saturday to Littlebredy and thanksgiving in Church on Sunday.

Be warned.

Bob Thorn.



The remains of St. Gabriel's Chapel, Golden Cap.

TRAINER/LEARNING FACILITATOR



I am Elfrida Savigear, and have been ordained since 1993, and regularly worked in 43 churches since then. I am licensed SSM in the Beaminster Team, but on 9th June 2012 was licensed as the Lyme Bay Deanery Training/Learning Facilitator. I signed the 3 year contract on 10th September, backdated to 1st June.

So what is my role?

Lyme Bay Deanery is part of Salisbury diocese, but is 60 or more miles from Salisbury, where much training is offered for clergy and laity. I hope to provide a wide range of courses within the Deanery, to help each one of us fulfil our potential as Christians. Fortuitously, *The Aldhelm Certificate*, was launched by the Diocese in September, so we opted to offer this, and have 45 people attending, [It takes 30 two hour sessions] Others are still enquiring about this, and please let me know if you are interested, but I am unable to offer any more places until the New Year, or possibly next academic year. It is excellent, and all the participants are being challenged.

The Deanery has also been chosen by the Diocesan Education Department, to receive extra input from them, and this started with an evening entitled *Storytelling*. Unfortunately the Diocesan Officer was taken ill at the last moment, but with the help of The Rev'd Jan Delaney and Rev'd Jo Neary, we had a very practical and fun evening. There will be more sessions offered in the future.

Please let me know if there are other things you would like to do – they can be something which will involve one stand alone session, or a short course, a Day Course, and on any topic where there will be wider interest than yourself alone.

They can be deeply theological if you are that way inclined, serve our spiritual needs, or intensely practical. I hope to run a course about disabilities, visible and invisible, and how we can make all welcome in our church buildings and as members of our communities.

Costs at all times, will be kept to a minimum, but if we have to pay for venues and/or speakers, we will need to make a charge to cover these costs. It would be good if we could have a small fund to subsidise those who struggle to fund themselves. I am also on the look-out for suitable venues, so again please let me know if you have any suggestions.

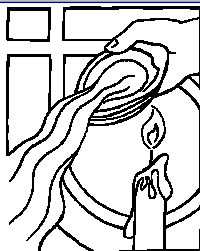
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FROM THE REGISTERS



BAPTISMS

Saturday the 15th September saw the baptism of **GEORGIA McCANN**, who came down from London with her parents to St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock for the occasion. Her grandparents on her Mother's side live in the village. We all sang "One more step along the world I go" to remind ourselves and to let Georgia know of the travelling that lies ahead of her in life and how best it is to be managed. And she took it all it with great serenity, even the bit with the water. We were full of admiration.



On Sunday, 30th September, **LAYLA MAE HOOK** was baptized in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. Layla's parents, Philip and Alex were as relaxed as she was during the ceremony, supported as they were by Keira, Matthew, Holly and James, the godparents. Layla calmly took charge of the photographs that followed making sure she was being taken to advantage, which in her case is not difficult. It was a charming occasion.



On Saturday 6th October, two grandchildren of the Rectory were baptized. The Revd. Jean Thorn led the service and administered the sacrament, which the two children seemed very much to enjoy.

BEATRICE ELIZABETH THORN was first to be tested, to be followed shortly by **THOMAS BROWN**. Many richly deserved plaudits were offered afterward to the two centres of attention, who continued to smile and gurgle at their circle of admirers. A party followed at LATCH in Litton Cheney.

WEDDINGS



On Saturday, 22nd September, the marriage of **MELANIE JANE HUSE** and **JAMES ALAN WILLIAM HARRIS** was celebrated in the Church of St Mary, Puncknowle. The Church was very full with family and friends gathered for the happy occasion. The couple made their vows confidently and with a sincerity that spoke of the love between them. We sang and we prayed for their good, and for ours in seeing them as they stood arm in arm in the presence of God.





Later that same afternoon the wedding of **ANDREW IAIN (IAIN) LOCKE** and, **SANDRA (SANDIE) CAROLINE HANSFORD** was held at St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. Friends, family and well wishers from the village and particularly those connected with the garage, turned out to wish the couple well. Afterwards there was an enthusiastic reception at the hall at Salway Ash, noisy with children playing and louder still with happy conversation. We all joined the groom in his expert appreciation of a good hog roast and a welcome something to wash it down.



The last of the weddings booked for 2012 took place on Friday the 5th October. **DANIEL MELLISH** and **CHRISTIE WALLIS** of Chilcombe were married in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. It rained. A bit to start with, and then seriously by the photographs; in the which it truly summed up the Summer. We have seen a number of lovely weddings this year, really happy occasions, and not one of them really scalding hot in the sunshine. One or two have been testingly wet. But this, of Daniel and Christie, typically of the rest, was not going to let a little damp effect the radiant happiness of the couple, or the delight of friends and family in seeing them married.



A packed church came to share in the wedding of Margaret Webby's granddaughter **HELEN JANE WEBBY** to **KEVIN STEPHEN COULSON** on 18th August - a bright and sunny day. The bride, attended by three bridesmaids, and her father entered the church to a duet by Jen Webby & Katie Dale of Ave Maria. Sarah Keating read The Promise, and Jennifer Wakelin from Philippians 4 on which Ryder spoke. During the signing of the registers Will Dutta played Scriabin's "Nocturne" on the piano, with one hand.



The first wedding for 3yrs was held at Long Bredy when **HANNAH RUTH PITCHER** (daughter of Ruth Cullingford) was married to **PAUL DAVID HOWELL** on August 25th. Hannah was accompanied down the aisle by her brother to meet Paul who was supported by two best men.

During the singing of Love Divine the couple lit two candles in memory of their two fathers. Andrew Howell read from Ecclesiastes 4 (chosen by the couple) about two being better than one and a threefold cord not easily broken.

Before all the photographs they left the church to place part of the bride's bouquet on her father's grave. The rain held off until the couple left for their reception in Litton Cheney.



After a wedding at Bridport Registry Office on the Friday, **JESSICA RUTH DERRICOURT & RYAN DALE CAMBELL** Corrigan came on Saturday 1st September to St, Mary's, Litton Cheney, for a blessing on their marriage and for the giving and exchanging of their rings.

During the service the bride's mother read a poem and the groom's sister Eilise Corrigan sang a prayer accompanied by John Corrigan on the guitar.

The couple has just moved from London in order to live in Weymouth.

FUNERALS



On Friday the 14th September the ashes of the late **MARGARET HOLMES** were laid to rest in the churchyard of St Mary's, Burton Bradstock. Tom and his sons with their families attended a simple ceremony, decorated, as Margaret would have loved to have known, by the antics of the grandchildren; now skipping and playing and now solemn and remembering.



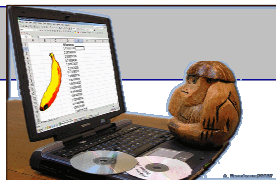
On Thursday the 20th September at Weymouth Crematorium the funeral service was held of the late **IRENE (RENE) HUSSEY**. The mourning was led by her son, Ken who was supported by many of the people of Long Bredy who had come to remember before God one who had been the oldest person in the village. Mr Robert Maltby told of Rene's life, her wisdom and humour, which memories continued to flow among those gathered after the service back at the house.



The 27th of September saw the funeral of **THELMA SKUES**, a much loved resident of Burton Bradstock. A service was held in the morning at Weymouth crematorium, followed by a service of thankful memory in celebration of her life. Thelma with her husband. Chris have been faithful members of the Church for many years. She was born and brought up in Norfolk, as her accent ever testified, and later became a medical missionary for the Baptist Church, choosing to go to the Congo. She was gifted in the care of neo-natal children in a place where there was all too much need. Locally having moved to Burton Bradstock she ran the stroke club, whose members sent tributes to be read at her funeral. They spoke of her care and dedication and the difference she made to the lives of many. She showed great courage and steadfastness in her faith in the days of her illness and approaching death. We will miss her.

*Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

FROM THE EDITOR



No-one will be more delighted than the Editor, that Burton Bradstock has found itself a new Village Correspondent - details at the head of the Burton Bradstock section.

I make a point of saying this now, because the last two months or so have highlighted a problem, that has become increasingly disruptive for some time now - **duplicate articles** (and before anyone makes 5 or more out of 2 + 2, this is not specifically a Burton Bradstock problem).

More and more often I receive same articles both direct from the contributor and via a Village Correspondent. These last two months I have twice received articles from three different sources! The result is time spent (wasted) checking that they are all the same and not earlier/later versions.

From now on, therefore, **all copy must be sent via the relevant Village Correspondent**, and that, much as the "belt & braces" approach is understood, nothing is to be sent direct to the editor. If articles/notices need to appear in any section other than a particular village section, then tell your correspondent when you send your copy to him/her.

I ask also that articles and notices sent by email to Village Correspondents, be sent as attachments to emails, not as the actual email itself. The file produced by converting an email message to a usable text document usually needs considerable manual reformatting, again adding to the time needed to produce each section of the magazine. If you don't know how to do this, then all well and good: if, however, you have means and the skill to produce documents and attach them to emails, please do so.



NB *There is, of course, no Correspondent for copy originating from outside the Bride Valley - such copy should continue to be sent direct to the Editor.*

"Facetiously is the only English word that has all six vowels in order," James Thurber declared. "Oh," replied copy editor Miss Gould, "What about abstemiously?"

David Remmick, Postscripts, 'Miss Gould' The New Yorker, Feb 28, 2005

Some editors are failed writers - but so are most writers.

T.S. Eliot

LONG BREDY

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DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST RIDE AND STRIDE

Thank you to every single one of my generous sponsors - I'm still collecting some money in, but my bike ride on the 8th September will have raised in the region of £1000! Half goes to the Trust, the rest to St Peters. So thrilled and grateful to have raised so much.

Lots of weddings that day and many good bits, my favourite was the church where, instead of the customary squash and biscuits, was a box of marrows and giant onions labelled 'Help yourself'. The total this year was 51 churches between 10.00am and 6.00pm - about 80 miles. I missed out a couple of churches due to map reading error (not concentrating, unfamiliar route) so if I can just get myself as fit next year.....

Rachel Maltby

HARVEST SUPPER

The bellringers of St Peter's Church would like to say a huge thank you to all those people who helped in any way to make the recent Harvest Supper such a tremendous success. We had an excellent evening and raised £476.51 towards the 'Tower Fund'.

LONG BREDY 100 CLUB

Winners for September:

£25	no. 12	Jo Milne
£15	no. 103	Roy & June Clewlow
£ 5	no. 17	Caddy Sitwell

LONG BREDY & KINGSTON RUSSELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council now has its full quota of Councillors following the co-option of Mrs Kate Smith representing Kingston Russell. Kate has taken over from Jane Gravelle, so thank you Kate for standing and thank you Jane for the work you did for Kingston Russell.

The parish councillors representing Long Bredy are

Jane Dowling, Chairman, Maybyrne, Long Bredy

David Peretz, Vice-Chairman, Whatcombe House, Long Bredy

Jackie Cain, Manor Farm, Long Bredy

Charlotte Kinghorn, 7 Bedford Terrace, Long Bredy and

Adrian Harrison, The Lookout, Long Bredy.

The parish councillors representing Kingston Russell are

Giles Maltby, Blackdown Farm and
Kate Smith, 2 Lower Kingston Russell, Long Bredy.

If you have any matters you would like brought to the attention of the Parish Council, please contact a Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk, Gwen Kinghorn, 7 Bedford Terrace, Long Bredy, Dorchester DT2 9HW; tel 01308 482270.

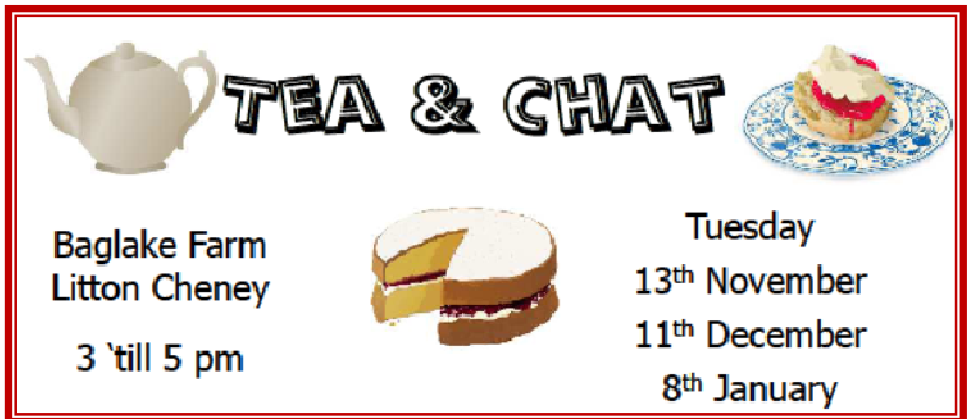
ROAD CLOSURES IN LONG BREDY

At the time of writing the parish council has been notified of the following temporary Road Traffic Regulation Orders to enable maintenance work to our roads to be undertaken:

1. Cox's Lane and through Long Bredy - 19th to 27th November.
2. Abbotsbury Lane - 20th - 21st November.
3. Long Bredy Hut Lane - 23rd - 29th November.

Maps of the areas to be repaired can be found on the Parish Council notice board in the centre of Long Bredy.

This is part of the traffic and safety management for a scheme that is part of the Highways programme of major maintenance works to the county roads. The closures will be in place between the hours of 0800 and 1700, therefore the roads will be open overnight and weekends. Whilst the roads are closed, a locally signed diversion route will be put up to enable traffic to travel around the closed section.



The poster features a white teapot on the left, a blue and white patterned plate with a strawberry shortcake dessert on the right, and a round cake with a slice missing in the center. The text 'TEA & CHAT' is written in large, bold, black letters with a white outline. Below the teapot, the text reads 'Baglake Farm', 'Litton Cheney', and '3 till 5 pm'. To the right of the cake, the text lists the dates: 'Tuesday', '13th November', '11th December', and '8th January'.

I object to being told that I am saving daylight when my reason tells me that I am doing nothing of the kind. At the back of the Daylight Saving scheme, I detect the bony, blue-fingered hand of Puritanism, eager to push people into bed earlier, and get them up earlier, to make them healthy, wealthy, and wise in spite of themselves.

Robertson Davies, *The Diary of Samuel Marchbanks, 1947*

SHIPTON GORGE

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

There will be a Service of Remembrance at St. Martin's church at 9.30am on November 11th, when we remember the fallen in both World Wars and subsequent conflicts. We are very pleased that Barbara Montgomery will be joining us from Rutherglen in Scotland. Barbara's great-uncle Alexander William Sanders died in the Great War of 1914-18, and is commemorated in St. Martin's church together with five other Shipton men who gave their lives in two World Wars.

All are welcome to join us in this act of remembrance, and refreshments will be provided after the service.

Janet Lane

SHIPTON GORGE HARVEST FESTIVAL



Our Harvest festival this year was a Songs of Praise with verses from a selection of eight popular harvest hymns, chosen from a list offered in a straw poll of some of the Shipton Gorge residents. The short service in church was followed immediately after, by a simple but delicious harvest buffet supper in the village hall. We had offered our thanks to God for our farmers and all who help to provide our food, and then went on to eat and drink the harvest gifts, mingle and chat with one another.

We were thrilled to have a full church and to see everyone enjoying themselves. Thank you so much for your most generous contributions, and for all the hard work which went into the preparation of the church and the supper and making it such a joyous occasion.

Phyl Webster for PCC

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY (SGVS)

TV THEME NIGHT

Unfortunately, our planned, 'ARE YOU BEING SERVED' on Saturday 6th October had to be cancelled due to a lack of support. To those who did purchase tickets, we can only apologise for the short notice given.

BOB AYER'S TALK/SLIDE SHOW

This will be our next Event - on Saturday 24th November in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. 'Big' Bob will be giving his usual 'professional fun packed presentation' on the people who have made London great over the years.

'Big' Bob, who has just returned from his duties at both the Olympics and Paralympics, will also be giving an insight into some of his own experiences from the Games. A supper of Stew & Dumplings with Crusty Bread will be served on the night (or a Veggie option)

Please bring your own Refreshments. Tickets are £7 each from Sally Parker on 01308897168

SGVS DIAMOND JUBILEE COMMEMORATION CONSULTATION

Once again, thanks to all those who have forwarded their views. SGVS are placing this 'on hold' at this point in time due to the Parish Council's plans on the placement of a Commemorative Memorial on the Playing Field Shelter.

DORSET BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2012

Hopefully all members of Shipton Gorge Parish will have seen the 'Flyer' in the October BVN as to the outstanding results achieved by our Parish in the Dorset Best Village competition this year.

This is just to say thank you – in particular to:

SHIPTON GORGE PARISH COUNCIL For the constant work and upkeep of the playing field (well done Graham Rozzy yet again!!) but also for the award of £50 made by WDDC for the environmental aspects of the construction of the Playing field shelter and canopy on Graham's store. The WDDC award of £50 for this will be going to the Parish Council.

SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE. This is for the work on the *Orchard* and now the little area of *woodland* they have taken on as well under their new title. SGVS will be presenting you with a cheque for £20 out of our award for being the Prettiest Small Village in Dorset - in the 'Previous Winners' category.

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL TRUST. Another area kept both smart, clean and very well used throughout the year. You will also be receiving a cheque for £20.00

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL. This was the fourth area judged in the competition and a wonderful amount of work has been done to keep St Martin's in very good condition. A cheque for £20 will also be coming to you from SGVS

THE NEW INN. Lastly, but by no means least, the New Inn receives £100 as the total award received for coming 1st in the special category 'The People's Project'. A great deal of renovation, improvements, decoration, new furniture and other additions have been made since Marilyn's arrival, under her direction and with help from many others including the FONIs.

However, a big thank you must go to every parishioner in Shipton Gorge who has helped through voluntary work, picking up rubbish and all

that makes Shipton Gorge the superb village it is today. Well done to everyone. We now have an array of awards running from 2007 to 2012. A very impressive effort.

Finally, just to let you know, the 2013 competition rules and eligibility will be published around this Christmas with entries being submitted by Spring 2013 - and YES we'll be there again !! Thank you to everyone

A big thank you to **Simon Cleveland** for all his outstanding work on this project on behalf of SGVS Committee.

VILLAGE ARCHIVIST

With Philippa Young's resignation, as reported in last month's BVN, the SGVS has elected Sally Parker as the Archivist. Sally will 'slot in' to the role quite easily, as she has been working alongside Philippa for some time on the Archive. Sally will now be assisted by Eileen Heaver, the SGVS Secretary. Terry Diver - Chairman

VILLAGE HALL TRUST 100 CLUB

£20	No 47	Mary Boughton
£10	No 75	Tracy Lynwood
£ 5	No 25	Jenny Burt

SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE LTD.

Shipton Gorge Heritage Ltd (formerly Shipton Gorge Ltd) will be holding its AGM on Friday 23rd November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Everyone, including non members of Shipton Gorge Heritage Ltd, is invited to attend and hear what this village charity has done over the past year. It is hoped that you will stay and join us for wine and mince pies after the meeting.

Hilary Cunningham - Chairman

PRE CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

A date for your diary - Sunday 25th November 12noon - 2.30pm in Shipton Gorge Village Hall. All residents of the village are invited. As usual please bring a plate of food for the table, and a bottle or two. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Robert & Christine Cornish

The whole problem with the world is that fools and fanatics are always so certain of themselves, but wiser people so full of doubts.

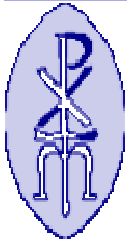
Bertrand Russell (1872 - 1970)

A fool's brain digests philosophy into folly, science into superstition, and art into pedantry. Hence University education.

George Bernard Shaw (1856 - 1950)

LITTON CHENEY

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ST MARY'S CHURCH

Many thanks to the **HARVEST FESTIVAL** flower arrangers who excelled themselves and made the Church a joy to behold. The Pilsdon Moving On House in Dorchester were very pleased to receive the food offerings for which many thanks to the donors.

The monthly **"FIRST THURSDAY CHURCH AND YARD WORK PARTY"** falls on the 1st of November this month.

Early warning for your diaries – the candle lit **CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE** is at 6.00 pm on Sunday 16th December.

EVENTS AT LATCH FOR NOVEMBER

ZUMBA continues on Thursdays, 17.30 - 18.30.

YOGA continues on Fridays, 9.45 - 11.15.

VILLAGE CAFÉ run by Coastwatch Saturday: 10th November, 10.30 - 12.30.

VILLAGE BARN DANCE: Saturday 10th November, 19.30 - 23.00. (Doors open 19.00)

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday 13th November - 19.30.

POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER ELECTIONS: Thursday 15th November, Meeting Room - open from 07.00 - 22.00.

FILM NIGHT: Thursday 15th November - *"Salmon Fishing in the Yemen"*. Film starts 8.00pm : doors open 19.30.

BINGO EVENING (LATCH/TSA/Children in Need): Friday 16th November. Doors open 18.30, eyes down 19.00.

VALLEY FAMILY SERVICE: 15.00, Sunday 18th November.

CHRISTMAS VILLAGE CAFÉ: Saturday 8th December, in aid of Weldmar Hospice

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The annual **BARN DANCE** is on Saturday 10th. 7.30 -11.00pm in the hall with music by the Casterbridge Band. There will be a light chicken supper and a bar will be available. If you haven't already booked your ticket there could be a few left and it is worth contacting a committee member to check.





With Christmas approaching our traditional **CAROL SINGING** around the village will take place on Thursday 13th and Friday 14th starting at 6.30pm from the Bus Shelter. Route details for each night will be in the December BVN, and on the website.
Ron Davidson LCSC 482661

LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th November, 7.30pm in the Meeting Room of the Community Hall. Local residents are most welcome and indeed very much encouraged to attend.

ELECTION

OF A POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR THE DORSET POLICE AUTHORITY

At the time of writing nominations are being invited for the Police & Crime Commissioner for Dorset. If more than one nomination is received, an election will take place on Thursday 15th November. You can cast your vote from 7.00am to 10.00pm in the Meeting Room of LATCH (Litton & Thorner's Community Hall). You must be on the Electoral Role to vote.

<p>LITTLEBREDY VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: email: pwbridehead@btinternet.com Tel: 482232</p>	
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The Patronal Festival of **ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS** was marked in two ways this year. The 2-day walk (of which the second was Michaelmas Day itself) to our sister St. Michael's in Lyme Regis was enjoyed by those intrepid few who took part, but there are known to be others who would have walked too if they could, so it may be repeated in 2013.

The Benefice United Service was held here the following day, on Sunday 30th September, and used an innovative and interactive format, which a good congregation greatly appreciated. Thanks as ever to the Rector for his eye for an individual approach!



We welcome **STEVE BOWMAN** and **JULIE** to 2, Longlands Cottages. This is a slightly belated welcome due to the volume of recent news, but we hope they are happily settling in – having moved all the way from Winterbourne Abbas. Steve is already a familiar figure around the farms and woods in the village, and we hope their time in – well, a bit outside – the village will be fulfilling and happy for them.

EXCELLENT NEWS from Christine McFadden (who tends to be described in magazines as the “local foodie”). Justifying the description, she has now been selected for the Shortlist for a British Cookery School Award, in the “Best Use of Local Ingredients” category. She is grateful for testimonials from various local figures which will undoubtedly have helped.



We don't know if there will be an opportunity to stuff ballot boxes or flood online polls in her favour in due course, or whether external judges alone will decide, but anyway: the very best of luck, Christine.

A reminder that very shortly after – or even before, if there's a delay – you receive this magazine, the **VILLAGE FIREWORKS PARTY** will be on the Green in the evening of Friday 2nd November, followed by a **SOCIAL** in the Village Hall. The bonfire will be lit at about 6.00pm, with the firework display beginning shortly afterwards. There will no doubt have been a request for fireworks or a small subsidy of the event emanating from the Social Club Committee in the meanwhile. It costs a lot to put on, but most would agree that it is thoroughly worthwhile both as a spectacle and as a social event.

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A reminder that **HOME BOXES** should be returned to Pauline Woodford at The Bramleys, Annings Lane, by Sunday 4th November or handed in to the churchwardens at St.Mary's Church. Thank you.

This year's **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE** will be held on Friday December 14th at 3.30pm in St Mary's Church. This is an invitation for everyone, whatever your age, so please put it in your diary and join us on this day to celebrate with the children of the village.



Our **CAROL SINGING** for the Society has been organised for Monday 17th December. More about this in the December issue of the B.V.N.

MR HULOT'S HOLIDAY

or

'LES VACANCES DE M. HULOT'

"Funniest film of all time"

Time Out

Friday 23rd November, 7.30pm,
Burton Bradstock Village Hall

This is a charity screening of this classic 1953 black and white French film by Jacques Tati, taking the role of 'Hulot'.

We are most grateful to the BFI for having given its permission to screen, and to all who are helping arrange the evening.

The film carries English sub-titles wherever there's conversation but it's primarily purely visual. It has been described as 'a seamless succession of gently mocking studies of human absurdity'. Ask anyone who has seen it before and they usually become animated and grin or break into laughter. It's a 'U' certificate, fun for all the family and un-numbered tickets are available at the flat rate for everyone at £5, available now from the BB Post Office.

The charity to benefit will be the Starlight Children's Foundation which grants 'wishes' to children who are very sick or terminally ill.

Doors open at 7.00pm. More details on posters and on tickets or please call 07990-583167.

John & Annie Grantham



VILLAGE SOCIETY

"A Military Diplomat in Yeltsin's Russia" a talk by Air Commodore Philip Wilkinson - 21st September.

An outstanding talk opened the season as Air Commodore Philip Wilkinson spoke on the latter part of his career, including in Berlin prior to and after the fall of the Wall – and his final period of duty based in Moscow, as Defence and Air Attaché, during the turbulence of Russia's emergence from the Soviet era.

The talk was full of striking images.... the Chipmunk above Berlin, Russian landscapes, the poverty of people selling in the market place, diplomatic social events where laughter was rife and drink flowed, but where one was always on one's guard and with a mild feeling of perhaps being observed. The shelling of the Russian Parliament in 1993 was a dramatic and historic moment...Yeltsin had tried to dissolve Parliament but Parliament claimed the decision was invalid, impeached Yeltsin and declared Aleksandr Rutskoy as acting president. But the Military moved in and swung behind

Yeltsin. At one stage Philip Wilkinson approached a tank driver and asked what was going on, and was told in true military terms that they weren't sure yet, were waiting for orders but on no account were they to open fire before 6.30am!

The talk offered a peep into the blanket of security. Both sides had a job to achieve and there was an understanding of one's opposite number's position and the need to appreciate the constraints on them. This broke down in humour often – on one occasion when being introduced to the Russian Chief of Staff the card, printed in Russian, was translated into English as the 'Chief of Stuff'!

In Moscow, off-duty, Philip Wilkinson stopped to observe a statue of Lenin, beautifully sculpted as the centre-piece of a fountain. While admiring it a Russian man approached him and asked in Russian... 'Do you like it? I made it'. Philip was initially taken aback but was soon convinced it was a genuine comment and when he asked the sculptor 'if he had created others' suddenly discovered this was possibly the most famous sculptor of his time in Russia, responsible for sculptures throughout the country. The two became good friends, and I'm delighted to say that Philip has agreed to return next year to tell the story of the life of this man.

John Grantham

The next Burton Bradstock Village Society Talk will be on Friday 16th November, 7.30pm, when Jane Steenbuch (daughter of Derek and Val Parsons) will speak on '**THE SPIRIT OF TIBET**', as appreciated by her travels there.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL TRUST

For Bookings with 2012 dates please contact Mr. David Edwards (01308 897673)

For Bookings with 2013 dates please contact Mrs. Val Ferré (01308 897648)

200 CLUB WDDC Licence no: SL0080

Congratulations to the winners of the October Draw

1 st	£41.60	No 31:	Mr John Bowden
2 nd	£20.80	No 51:	Mrs Lynda Blunden
3 rd	£10.40	No 188:	Mrs Linda Knapp

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the November-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £2 – one pound for each of the remaining 2 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Following a meeting of the Village Hall Committee, I am pleased to say that we have a new Chairman, new Bookings Officer and a new Minutes



Secretary for 2013 onwards. The Chairman Designate, who will take over at the Trust's AGM on Wednesday 16th January 2013, is Mr. Richard Ferré. The new Bookings Officer will be Mrs. Val Ferré and Minutes Secretary Mrs. Cilla Jones. However, the Trust is still looking for two people to volunteer to join the Committee and would like any volunteers who do come forward, to be prepared to take an active role in running the Village Hall.

VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Village Hall's Christmas Market will be held again on Saturday 8th December 2012 (10.30am - 1.00pm). If you are interested in having a stall you should contact Susan Moores on 01308 897673. Come to the Hall for freshly brewed coffee and French pastries and browse around festive stalls. The adult entrance fee, payable at the door, is £2.00 which includes the first cup of coffee and a pastry; children 50p to include juice and a pastry. Additional coffee and pastries will be on sale.

VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS QUIZ

The Village Hall's Seasonal Quiz will be taking place again this year on Saturday 15th December 2012 (7.30pm). Doors will open at 7.00pm for a prompt start to the quiz at 7.30pm. In order to achieve comfortable seating arrangements, bring along a team of 8 or join a team on the night. Enjoy not only a fun quiz but also nibbles and a light supper. There will be prizes for quiz winners, a Raffle and a Bar and, if previous years' Christmas events are anything to go by, a great evening will be had by all. Tickets will be available from Burton Bradstock Post Office, priced £6.00 each, from Saturday 24th November. Posters will be put up around the Village advertising the event.

Note: You can reserve a table in advance but only if you have a team of 8, all of whom have already bought tickets at the time of reservation. To reserve a table, please contact Susan Moores on 01308 897673.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL TRUST AGM

The eighth BBVHT Annual General Meeting will be held in Burton Bradstock Village Hall on Wednesday 16th January 2013 at 8.00pm. This is a public meeting, so please come along to hear all about the Village Hall Trust's past year, plans for the future and enjoy a glass of wine and nibbles.

Susan Moores, Chairman – Village Hall Trust Committee

ARTSREACH EVENTS

The Bride Valley is waking up to the opportunities of first class professional Theatre events offered by Artsreach. Last month we had Shipton Gorge booking "You're Not Like The Other Girls, Chrissy", a one woman show, and Litton Cheney, (LATCH) managed to book "The New Rope String Band". Burton has had them twice - wonderful entertainment!. I hope

they have a sell out as we did!

With a heavily booked Hall and with so many counter attractions both in the Bride Valley and in nearby Bridport it is increasingly difficult to find an unbooked evening in Burton Bradstock this year. However, for the Autumn we will have **"FRANKLAND AND SONS"** on Saturday 10th November at 7.30pm: tickets £8. This is a performance created and performed by Tom and his Dad, John Frankland: a true story of three generations of the same family. The show is playful, moving and surprising, and gained a double Fringe First award.

At the end of the show the audience is invited to remain and talk to the performers and share their stories. A review by Lyn Gardner of the Guardian said, "delicate and charming - a performance that reminds us that all families are fascinating."

After "Frankland and Sons" our next Artsreach event will not be until the New Year. On the 9th of February we will welcome the return of Pip Utton with his one man show **"CHURCHILL"**.

If you are not already on the Artsreach mailing list, you'll find copies of the programme for the whole County in the Library and at the Post Office.
Norman Saunders-White: Artsreach Promoter for Burton Bradstock. 01308 897214

BURTON BRADSTOCK FESTIVAL OF MUSIC & ART

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 30th November in the Village Hall at 7.00pm – with a drink to celebrate and also a chance to have your say about the Festival and about the Charity.

Janet Whitaker, Chairman.

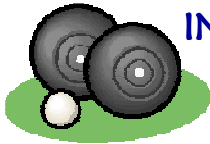


KAREN and **DAVID VENN** would like to thank all in the Bride Valley and beyond who have helped to raise over £650 for two charities this year.

The first event in May engaged many local sponsors for the cycle ride from Watchet to West Bay and raised £290.25 for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance Service. The online fundraising page finally closed at the end of August and the JustGiving Page reclaimed £26.25 of Gift Aid to add to the final total.

The second event, on Midsummer Day in memory of John Surry, was wonderful to host. The fundraising afternoon incorporated local performers from Encore and Burton Bradstock Players as well as cake bakers, helpers serving refreshments and an appreciative audience. The final total donated to Shelter, one of John's chosen charities, was £377.44 and it was lovely to hear how much people had enjoyed the occasion.

Thank you to all for your generosity with donations, time and spirit.



INDOOR BOWLS CLUB, BURTON BRADSTOCK

The new season of the indoor bowls club is now underway with a special welcome for new members who are offered two free trial sessions to try their hand at getting the woods next to the jack.

The club meets in the Village Hall every Monday from 7.00 to 9.00pm and from 2.00 to 4.00pm on alternate Wednesdays.

Free tuition for beginners, three rinks, friendly competitive games and refreshments for just £2 - a small price for an enjoyable evening or afternoon out. We look forward to seeing you.

Further information from Secretary, Colin Clark (897412)

FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY

The library fund raising committee will once again be serving up a Ploughman's Lunch on Saturday 17th of November in the village hall in Burton Bradstock from 12noon until 2.00pm. The tickets at £6 each will be available from the Post Office from the end of October. There will be a licensed bar and a choice of Ploughman's, i.e. cheese, ham or pate.

If anybody has any good quality books or DVD's they no longer want we would be very grateful for them to sell at the Ploughman's. Please contact Sandy on 898358 if you can help.

So come along and enjoy a very pleasant lunchtime with your friends.

Sandy Adderley



PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON

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VILLAGE WEBSITE

A small team of local people has now taken over the regeneration, and maintenance of the website serving the three villages. Currently they are honing the necessary skills preparatory to bringing the site up to speed with refreshed, up to date content.

The site has been cleared, all the old content taken away, and its appearance cleaned up. Some information has already been put up: forthcoming events, local notices and information are already there, as is a revamped "page" for the Village Hall, from which the Hire Agreement and

other documentation regarding hire of the hall can be downloaded. More will follow shortly.

In due course it is hoped we will be able to present a re-designed, more attractive site that will provide a reliable information service to the local community and also serve as a shop window for potential visitors to the area. To this end we are looking for a selection of

Puncknowle, Swyre & West Bexington

The web site that serves the communities surrounding Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington



Welcome

Welcome to the web site that serves the communities of Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington.

This site is actively undergoing renewal and redevelopment and more new content is being added all the time.

If you have an article, photograph or other content that you would like to contribute to this site, please use the "Contact" page or [click here](#).

At present we are particularly looking for photographs that give a general impression of each of the three villages and the surrounding area, for inclusion in what will be the "Front Page" of the re-installed website. If you think you have suitable photographs please send them in using the "Contact Us" link above (but they must be original, or accompanied by the copyright-holder's written permission for these to be used).

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photographs that will give an overall impression of each of the villages and the immediate area, for inclusion on what will be the re-designed "Front Page". Anyone who has any such photographs is welcome to submit them for consideration - simply log on to the website, follow the "Contact" link and attach the pictures to your message to us. Similarly anyone who fancies writing a short introduction to each of the villages and/or to the area as a whole, is welcome to submit their efforts in the same way.

Should you have any ideas and suggestions as to what should appear on the website, please let us know. There will of course, be some form of "business directory", in due course, so anyone who would like a mention there should also get in touch and let us know what they would like to present via the website.

Mike Brown

www.westbexington.org.uk

www.swyre.org.uk

www.puncknowle.net

VILLAGE WEBSITES

giving details of events, news, history, photographs etc



www.burtonbradstock.org.uk

www.littoncheney.org.uk

www.shiptongorge.org.uk

www.puncknowle.net

www.swyre.org.uk

www.westbexington.org.uk

www.littlebredy.com



ST MARY'S PUNCKNOWLE.

On Sunday 9th December there will be no Family Communion service in the morning, as the **CAROL SERVICE** will take place that evening at 5.00pm. This will follow on from the **CHRISTMAS FAYRE** being held from 3.00 - 5.00pm in the Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall. This will include Santa's Grotto, stalls and refreshments - more details to follow next month.

ANNUAL RIDE AND STRIDE FOR THE DORSET HISTORICAL CHURCHES TRUST

Thank you for all who took part and those who sponsored them. A small group set off on Saturday 8 September then as Thorners' School Morris dancers where performing in Weymouth that day a larger group set off on the Sunday. The money which is still being collected, is shared equally between the trust and St Mary's Church, Puncknowle.

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone.

Ann Roberts



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWYRE.

There will be no service at our church on 11th November. The main Remembrance Sunday Service will be at Burton Bradstock at 10.45am and other services in the valley will be as shown on the back of the magazine.

On Saturday 24th November we will be holding our **ADVENT COFFEE MORNING** from 10.30am. Please do come and support - there will be hot drinks, raffle, produce and Christmassy things to be had for a donation towards the Church Fabric Fund.

David and Yvonne

PUNCKNOWLE ART CLUB

Many thanks to Sallie for leading a workshop on 'Shapes in the Landscape' and for all the preparation beforehand. Our next meeting at Philippa's was a demonstration on impasto. Her website is <http://philippayoung.blogspot.co.uk/2011/06/moonlight-sailing.html>



On November 2nd we are at *Patria* to design Xmas cards: 16th is a workshop in the hall with Jane Huxtable-Brown on gouache: 30th will be a follow up session in the hall.

Christine Molony



BOOK CLUB

Our mystery book "Parrot and Olivier in America" turned out to be based on the life of Alexis de Toqueville - you know him don't you? If not - just Google him. The book did not grab everyone - so some did not read it and gave it a miss. Other

members absolutely loved it and just ate it up and even found it very funny , while some of us struggled through it, trying to keep up with all the events within.

It started off in the the early days of printing in England, then over to the French Revolution, thus introducing the two main characters - then continuing with them on further adventures, travelling to America in its early democratic days. Such a lot was packed into this book!

Our next read is a second book by Victoria Hislop called "The Return" - a story of family betrayals, forbidden love, and the historical turmoil of the Spanish civil war - apparently a beach book with a heart.

Next meeting, 7th November, 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Puncknowle.

MUSIC NIGHTS

On Saturday 10th November at 8.00pm there will be a Music Night in Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall, with a local group,



THE IMPROMPTU JAZZ QUINTET providing us with some stimulating music. They received an excellent review in the Bridport News recently when they played at West Bay in September.

Bar available on the night - so come along and listen to some hot tunes! We hope this will be the first of more Music Nights to keep our toes tapping. Look out for posters with details before the date.

For tickets at £5 each please contact Carol on 8977771 or email carol.dorset@btinternet.com.

LOCAL/FAMILY HISTORY MORNING

In the Village Hall, Puncknowle, on Saturday morning, 10th November, with Bridport Local History Centre/Bridport Museum from 10.00am to 12.00pm. Come along to share and look at memories of Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington. Please bring along any old photos/books/pictures/recordings etc so the Bridport Local History Centre/Museum can add them to their archive - and see what they already have on the three villages.

For more info contact Debbie on debbielegge@hotmail.com or on 898506 - and check out posters.

Refreshments for the occasion will be made available by a

COFFEE MORNING

from 10.30am, to run concurrently with the History Event. Proceeds will go to the **UPARO PROJECT**, which aims to support a medical dispensary for the people of Uparo in northern Tanzania. Veronica Ziegler (from "Good Books") will



be present, and will explain how vital it is for local people to have such a facility in this area close to Kilimanjairo.

Please come along and help turn this hope into a reality - and perhaps also learn something of our past at the same time.

Pam Coventry/Heather Goffee.

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & W. BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB



The next lunch will be on 20th November in the Village Hall, Puncknowle, 12.30pm for 1.00pm. Any member who has not already ordered their meal or who wishes to cancel a meal should telephone 897622 before 16th November. Anyone who would like to become a member in time for the November lunch, should ring the same number as soon as possible.

As previously mentioned in the October BVN, we expect to lose two of our experienced cooks in the autumn when they move away from Puncknowle. In order to help us we now **urgently** need some volunteers who are able and willing to join the cooks team. If anyone would like to help with this, or with the washing/clearing up, please contact me on 897622. *Ken*

VILLAGE HALL AGM

Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall Charity will be holding its AGM in the Hall on 29th November at 8.00pm (not 22nd, as previously announced). The committee to manage the hall for the next 12 months will be elected at this meeting, so if you feel you can help/offer skills and experience to assist the maintenance and development of this facility, or can help with the Social Committee, please make yourself known. Nominations can be registered with the Secretary (01308 8976771) before the meeting or at the meeting itself. We are particularly anxious to acquire a new potential Chair for the committee, and someone to shadow the Treasurer, with a view to taking over his duties during the next 12 months.

100 CLUB WINNERS

AUGUST	Carol Bennett	£15
	Avril Upjohn	£10
SEPTEMBER	Ellie Pearson	£15
	Peter Bunyan	£10

If you are interested in joining the 100 Club please contact me on 897318 or at 3 Green Barton, Swyre. Cost is £18 per year (by cheque please).

Sid Marshall

BEYOND THE VALLEY



AN EXTRAORDINARY LIFE, AN EXTRAORDINARY GOD

is the title of her autobiography by a remarkable woman, Paula Douthett. Paula trained in New York as a dancer with the legendary Martha Graham and went on to use her talents in God's service by offering a healing ministry through movement and song in worship.

Paula lives part of each year in Lyme Regis and so we are very blessed that she will be in Bridport at the next **GOOD BOOKS OPEN HOUSE** on Thursday 15th November 10.00am-2.00pm to meet and chat and share her story.

The monthly **TEA AND CHAT** celebrates its 3rd anniversary on Monday 26th November at Good Books from 10am-12.00, with its annual review at 10am and cutting of a celebration cake at 11am. Tea and Chat volunteers from all the churches involved are warmly welcomed plus anyone else who would like to help in future or wants to find out more.

PATHWAYS TO CARE, the local charity which coordinates Bridport & District Good Neighbours Scheme and Bridport's food bank Hopeful Hampers, invites everyone interested to join them for a bring-and-share lunch at Good Books from 12.00noon on Tuesday 27th November, followed by the AGM at 1.00pm.

And on Saturday 17th November, we're delighted that Dan Shackell (alto sax) and Sue Smith (piano) will reprise their free lunchtime concert "**SONGS FROM THE SHOWS**" at St Mary's Church, South Street, Bridport. Lunch (suggested donation £5) from 12.30pm, music from 1.00pm, all funds towards the work and ministry of Good Books.



ROTARY CLUB OF BRIDPORT

Invites
You
to

SING SANKEY

WITH WEYMOUTH SALVATION ARMY BAND

at the United Church, East Street, Bridport, on
Saturday 24th November 2012 at 7.00pm

Programme £5.00 (incl refreshments)
(In aid of Local and Rotary Charities)

from: - Julia's House Shop, West Street Bridport,
or telephone 01308 458816



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH.

The **AGM** will be held on Monday December 3rd at the Three Horseshoes at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Please let Jim Reeves or Basil Dent know if you are attending. (897091 or 897125)

The **ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING** will be held on Thursday November 8th at 10.30am in Burton Bradstock Village Hall.

The **ANNUAL RBL PILGRIMAGE** around the war memorials and war graves in the Valley will leave from the library in Burton Bradstock at 10.00am on November 10th.

The **ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE** will be held in St Mary's Church Burton Bradstock at 10.45am on Sunday November 11th.

The **ANNUAL DINNER** of the Branch will be held at Bridport Golf Club on Monday 18th February 2013. Please put this in your diary so that we get a full turn out.

Membership of The Legion is not restricted to ex-Servicemen and women it is open to all and you are welcomed to join us. Please contact Jim Reeves, or Basil Dent on the above telephone numbers for more details.

Malcolm Lawrence Secretary (898616)

ABBOTSBURY & PORTESHAM BRANCH

The September **TOUR OF KENT** was supported by 30 people, as a result donations will be made to the "Dors to India" and "Poppy Appeal" charities.

The **BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** will take place in Strangways Hall, Abbotsbury at 7.30 pm Thursday 1st November. Members are urged to make an effort to attend. Following the business there will be light refreshments.

It is our privilege to run **THE VILLAGE CAFE**, Portesham Village Hall from 10.00am to 12noon on Saturday 10th November. Let's ensure a good turn out of members, friends and families!

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY is on 11th November. There will be a short wreath laying ceremony at St. Nicholas Churchyard, Abbotsbury at 10.15am to which all are invited. At 10.50am the same day, Divine Service will be conducted by Branch Padre Rev Ada Whittock at St. Peter's Church, Portesham followed by wreath laying at the War Memorial in the Churchyard.

Our **VISIT TO WINCHESTER** takes place on Thursday 29th November. Coach pick-ups will be Abbotsbury Square 8.15 am, Portesham Green 8.20 am, Steepleton Pond 8.30 am, Martinstown 8.40 am, London Road



Dorchester 9.00 am. Fares £12.50 (plus £2.50 booking fee for non-members). Christmas Markets will be in full swing, but the city has much else to offer - the Cathedral, King Arthur's Round Table etc.

We are holding **AN EVENING OF GENTLE JAZZ** starting at 7.30 for 8.00pm in Portesham Village Hall on Saturday 8th December: music will be provided by Mill Street Band. You can either sit and listen or dance as the mood takes you! Bring your own alcoholic drinks. Tickets, to include refreshments can be pre-booked with Malcolm Pugh (Abbotsbury - 01305 871001) John Perry (Portesham - 01305 871346) or Des Baker (Dorchester - 01305 267617), priced at £10 (seating will be limited so advance booking is recommended) or on the door.

Come and support a good cause - in aid of the RBL Poppy Appeal.

Branch Membership (commencing 1st October) fees are £15 per annum - ask any Committee Member for an application form: we always welcome new members.

HOLIDAYS 2013: Des Baker will run two next year - 6 days **Lancashire Tour** from 19th May and 8 days **Tuscany & Umbria** from 17th September. For a full detailed itinerary please contact the writer.

Des Baker: Branch Entertainments Chairman (tel. 01305 267617 or email "aveswood@sky.com")



BURTON BRADSTOCK W.I.

Make a start on Christmas at the WI Early Christmas Fair on the morning of Saturday, 3rd November! Find a gift perhaps, enjoy coffee and a homemade mince pie, and go home with something from the cake stall.

The House of Marbles in Bovey Tracey has a museum of glass; it has the largest marble run in the world – mesmerising! - and you can watch craftsmen making glass in the workshop. There was an extensive shop, and a restaurant. It was the first destination on the WI outing in October; later, there were more opportunities for shopping and refreshment at Trago Mills. All in all, a good day out!

Michael Michaud brought chillies to the October meeting, and gave a fascinating talk on the properties of these mysterious plants. The amazing Dorset Naga Chilli is acknowledged to be one of the hottest chillies in the world; it was developed in Bexington by Michael and his wife Joy at their company, Sea Spring Seeds. Some chillies are hot, other chillies may not be hot at all, yet they may look the same! Take care.

On 13th November, the meeting is at the winter time of 2.15pm; the speaker is Martin Fielding on "My Life as a Vet". His reputation as an entertaining speaker goes before him. Members will also be celebrating the 95th "birthday" of Burton Bradstock W.I. Valley Notes

BRIDE VALLEY FILMS

SALMON FISHING IN THE YEMEN

Cert. 12 1.5hrs 'a brilliantly crafted and acted film'.

.Thursday 15th November

Salmon Fishing in the Yemen stars Ewan McGregor as Fred Jones, a fisheries expert who is approached by Harriet (Emily Blunt) with a plan to introduce salmon into the waterways of Yemen.

Despite Fred's protests, he soon finds himself working on

a project that seems not only frivolous but absolutely unfeasible in the arid land of Yemen. But as the mission begins, they soon find that hope can spring – even in the most unexpected places!

Written by Oscar-winning screenwriter Simon Beaufoy (*The Full Monty*, *Slumdog Millionaire*), directed by Lasse Hallström (*Chocolat*) and featuring hilarious performances from the stellar cast, *Salmon Fishing* is an unmissable tale of overcoming the odds!

Doors Open: 7.30pm. Film starts 8.00pm. Tickets: £5.00 (to include a glass of wine) in advance from: Sally Dyke 482752, Lois Edwards 482605, Elizabeth Kingston 482162, Bella Spurrier 482367 or on the door if available. (All nos. 01308)

MORE FILM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (all Thursdays):

December 6th - *Midnight in Paris*,

January 10th (N.B. Change of date to avoid clash with National Theatre Live). Film title to be announced.

February 21st, March 21st. Look out for more details on posters, on the website and in the BVN.

THORNER'S SCHOOL

Our **BIG GREEN APPLE DAY** on Saturday 6th October was the place to be! There were arts and crafts stalls, environmental organisations, stone carving for children, archery, apple bobbing, an apple cake competition, a brisk sale of teas, coffees and cakes, live music and... the sun shone on it all! We



raised a huge £1,400 for our Discovery Area – a great big thank you to all who helped make this such a successful event.

At our **Harvest assembly** on 5th October, we sang hymns accompanied by our very own orchestra. The children sang songs about the harvest,



recited poems they had written and displayed a range of collages and artwork. They all made bread, helped very kindly by Adam Simon of Tamarisk Farm, and it was lovely to see the older children helping the younger ones with the **breadmaking**. Our parents contributed very generously to our collection of tins and packets of food for the Dorchester Food Bank.

On 28th September, the children thoroughly enjoyed our **Dahlicious Dressing Up Day**. The school was full of Enormous Crocodiles, Matildas, Charlies, Willy Wonka!! We collected £57 for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.

Chesil were given a little talk by children **visiting from Australia**. This linked in nicely with their learning about Australian animals as part of Science and ICT.

Eggardon are carrying out a pilot '**Big Field Project**' sponsored by the Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The project finishes with an exhibition of photographs which will be displayed in our Library from 23rd October.

On 1st October, we had a **Literacy information evening** for parents. Focussed on phonics, reading and handwriting, it was very well received by the large number of parents who attended.

The first half of the Autumn Term has gone so quickly - our lessons, clubs, music and sports activities are in full swing and we are starting to put together our Christmas performance!
Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher

FLEDGLINGS NEWS

Welcome to all the new families that have joined Fledglings this term - we are all getting to know each other through routines, and familiar stories, such as The Three Little Pigs. Each family has a key worker - key workers are the first contact if there any concerns or children's achievements you would like to share with staff. Parents and carers can come into Fledglings and talk to your key worker, and even join in messy play activities



There was an Open Morning on Thursday 4th October, when more people came in to visit. Refreshments were available and Fiona gave a short presentation about the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and working

together with families. There are now 17 children registered.

Our expressive Art Display is going from strength to strength with textured rubbings, wool paintings, and others.

For Autumn we will be making bread and doing more printing - apple prints, cabbage leaf prints - that sort of thing. Outdoor play often involves riding round the playground on trikes, bikes and scooters. Some of the younger children are also interacting with the Toddler group children, who meet up in LATCH on Wednesdays.

Fledglings Pre-School is open 4 days every week during term time - Mon, Tues, Wed, and Thursday - children can bring a packed lunch or have a hot meal at lunch time, but sorry cannot attend School Breakfast Club as mentioned last time. Please drop in or ring our manager, Fiona Evans, on 01308 482410 for more information.



JOIN OUR WEDNESDAY WALKING GROUP

Two hours' gentle walking Wednesday mornings, weather permitting. Discover the countryside and keep fit. Small, friendly group. Current members are from the Bride Valley and Bridport. For more information, contact Tony Colls on 01308 423166

BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening Club's meeting in September was "The Garden in Winter" by Diana Guy. We were treated to some very informative and lovely images showing borders in summer and then in winter that were of equal beauty and interest in both seasons. We were given many tips on how to make plants and trees show their best points in winter and finally given a short appreciation of the role of hellebores during the year.



As many of you may know, the Gardening Club has had an anxious few months wondering if it would be able to continue without a Chair and Secretary. The good news is that Ed Atyeo has stepped forward to replace Sylvia Delves as Chair and Cilla Jones has offered to replace Valerie Cameron as Secretary. Both will take on the positions as Acting Chair and Acting Secretary on October 16th after the last meeting of the year, prior to being voted in at the AGM next year. We wish them both a happy and successful tenure and that our members will continue to show their support for the club.

JOBS TO DO:

Mulch vulnerable perennials with a thick layer of garden compost. Protect planted containers from frost damage by wrapping them in bubble

wrap. Begin winter pruning, including hedge renovation and fruit trees. Bring prepared bulbs such as hyacinths into a well-lit area for flowers at Christmas. Regularly clean bird feeders and bird baths to help avoid birds contracting avian pox. Clean out bird boxes.

Valerie Cameron, Secretary. E-mail: secretary.bvgc@virgin.net tel: 01308 482240

BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC SCHOOL

We have had a very good first half term here at Burton Bradstock School, with 15 children joining us in our Reception class and we also welcomed an additional two families into our school.



Our Harvest Festival held at St Mary's Church was well attended by members of our local community and parents/carers. All of the children took part in our service of thanksgiving and we had a good display of harvest gifts that had generously been donated by the children. Unfortunately we were unable to include produce from our school allotment this year as it was all ruined by the floods back in the summer. The harvest boxes were distributed to members of our local community.

The next half term promises to be a busy and exciting one. Dates for the Christmas events have already been planned and include our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 24th November, 2.00 – 4.00pm at the school, the Christingle Service at St Mary's Church on Friday 14th December at 3.30pm, our Nativity Service in St Mary's Church on Tuesday 18th December and finally our Carols Around the Tree on the last day, Friday 16th December, at 9.15am. We hope that you will be able to join us for some of our events.

Claire Staple, Headteacher

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM (DORCHESTER WEST) OPEN ACCESS AND RIGHT TO ROAM

A message from Dorset Police

This notice aims to draw attention to the potential hazards faced by persons walking on open country land during periods of wild game control.

Many people wrongly assume that the Country Side and Rights of Way Act 2000 gives the public free access to virtually all open areas of rural countryside. This is not the case. What the Act does provide is a definition of what will constitute Open Access land and goes on to provide the "Right to Roam" in these areas.

In general terms, open access land is common land or open country, further defined as Mountain, Moor, Heath or Down. Privately owned land such as farmland, private woodland or river sides would not fall into the classification of open country, however, the Act does provide for land owners



to permanently dedicate their land as Open Access. It is strongly advised that any person intending to walk on what they perceive as open country for any purpose, to first check the access state of the land.

This is easily achieved either with an Ordnance Survey explorer series map or online at www.naturalengland.org.uk following the links to maps of the area concerned. Open Access land is highlighted in yellow.

Problems arise when game keepers operating on private land encounter members of the public believing they are exercising a right to roam, when in fact in many cases, they are trespassing.

You could put yourself at significant risk of harm by entering land without first knowing its access state, or the activities taking place there.

For more information on Open Access and Right To Roam please visit www.naturalengland.org.uk or Dorchester West Safer Neighbourhood Team. Call: 101 (Only dial 999 if a life is in danger or a crime is in progress) Mobile: 07500 816 292; Email: dorchester-rural-snt@dorset.pnn.police.uk

INTER-SCHOOL & INTER-VILLAGE BIBLE QUIZZES

Quizzes will be held at Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington Village Hall on Sunday November 18th from 2.30 to 5.00pm - including refreshments. All are welcome, especially enthusiastic supporters to cheer the teams on. Come and enjoy the event.



TRADICRAFT - FAIR TRADE

Due to a clash of dates, the Fair Trade Coffee morning scheduled for November 3rd at the Reading Room in Burton Bradstock will now take place on November 10th, same time, same place!

FRY BROTHERS CHARITY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons requiring to be considered for a tenancy of a Fry Brothers Charity Bungalow.

The property is situated in Portesham and may be available shortly. Anyone who meets the terms of reference namely: "The residents shall be persons in need who are or have been inhabitants of Portesham and the neighbourhood thereof with preference for such persons who are retired or about to retire from agriculture or other land based employment."

Further details and application form can be obtained from the Secretary, 27, Shaston Crescent, Manor Park, DORCHESTER, DT1 2EB

K.V. Lambert Secretary, 01305 265838

May you live all the days of your life.

Jonathan Swift (1667 - 1745)

BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS

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Friday 23rd November

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Burton Bradstock W.I.

EARLY CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 3rd November

10.30am to 12.00noon

in Burton Bradstock Village Hall

Crafts, Gifts, Fancy Goods, Books, Cakes & Raffle

Admission £1

(includes tea/coffee & mince pie)



ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

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

On the challenge of hitting 11 o'clock precisely....

*The Rectory
St. James the Least*

My dear Nephew Darren

It is a great shame that your church doesn't have chandeliers – although in your low-ceilinged converted cinema, any chandelier more than a few feet tall would also be embedded in your floor carpeting. But I find that there is nothing like watching the standard bearers on Remembrance Sunday parading up the aisle with their flags and getting them caught up in our brass candelabra.

One year, the procession ground to a halt while a bearer fought to retrieve his flag, and was obliged to leave it flying in the centre of the church while he presented me with an empty pole. I always feel obliged to tell parishioners the previous week, that since all the candelabra will inevitably be sent spinning, not to stare at them, or they may leave the church hypnotised. On the other hand, Miss Simpson generally leaves the church looking like that.

Major Hastings always arrives bejewelled with so many medals that every time he kneels for prayer, it sounds as if he is taking the collection. Their weight increases his stoop by at least ten degrees, to the point where some feel we should support him with a personal flying buttress.

Since the trumpeter playing the Last Post can be of varying quality, your idea of broadcasting it from London into your church is inspired. However, your worries about whether your radio will be good enough need not trouble you. If you tell your congregation that they are about to hear the broadcast silence and you then simply not switch the thing on, no one will be able to tell the slightest difference whether the silence is being broadcast or not. In fact, they will even congratulate you on hitting 11am at exactly the right moment.

I always use subterfuge; I have the church clock disconnected and then when we reach the time for silence, irrespective of the true time, I

get a churchwarden to toll the bell eleven times. This way, I have apparently come to the exact moment without a hitch for the last 30 years.

You will also find that preaching about warfare and of man's inhumanity to man will give you greater insights into the working of your church council. The only difference is that on committees – sadly – the use of machine guns is rather frowned on.

Your loving uncle,
Eustace

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SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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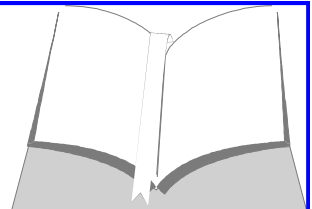
Everyone values things differently. In other words, they place their own value on everything that affects their lives. Also from moment to moment they may even change their values. Such as a person, who values diamonds above all else, might be willing to trade a gallon of diamonds for a drink of water to save his life in a desert. What this means is value is a relative thing depending on a need or a perceived need. Yet, how many people will argue and even violently fight over the perceived value of something or some idea only later have an entirely different view point or value.

Sidney Madwed

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DIARY, NOVEMBER 2012

Thu	1	9.30 Church Working Party	St Mary's, Litton Cheney
		14.30 BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Fri	2	10.15 Puncknowle Art Club	Patria
Mon	5	18.00 Bonfire and fireworks display	Village Green, Littlebredy
Tue	6	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	B Bradstock Village Hall
		15.30 Afternoon Tea	Village Hall, Puncknowle
		19.30 Puncknowle & Swyre Parish Council	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Wed	7	19.30 Book Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	8	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	LATCH
Fri	9	14.15 Valley Tots Service	St. Mary's, Burton Bradstock
Sat	10	10.00 Traidcraft Coffee Morning	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Mon	12	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Thu	15	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	LATCH
		19.30 Bride valley Films	LATCH
Fri	16	10.00 Puncknowle Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
		19.30 BBVS Talk 'The Spirit of Tibet'	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Sun	18	14.30 Bible Quiz	Village Hall, Puncknowle
		15.00 Family Afternoon Service	LATCH
Mon	19	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
		14.30 BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Tue	20	12.30 Puncknowle & Swyre Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	22	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	LATCH
Fri	23	19.30 Classic Film: 'M.Hulot's Holiday'	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
		20.00 Fledglings Auction of Promises	White Horse, Litton Cheney
Mon	26	13.30 Watercolour Painting + Acrylic Options	Burton Bradstock WI Hall
Tue	27	15.30 Afternoon Tea	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	30	10.15 Puncknowle Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle

Political language -- and with variations this is true of all political parties, from Conservatives to Anarchists -- is designed to make lies sound truthful and murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure wind.

George Orwell (1903 - 1950), "Politics and the English Language", 1946

No one party can fool all of the people all of the time; that's why we have two parties.

Bob Hope (1903 - 2003)

SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES: November 2012

	1st Sunday 4 November Trinity 22	2nd Sunday 11 November Remembrance Sunday	3rd Sunday 18 November Trinity 24	4th Sunday 25 November Christ the King
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Songs of Praise 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Service 10.45 Remembrance Service 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion (by Extension) 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Communion 11.00 Morning Prayer 6.30 Evening Prayer
Sipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Remembrance Service	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship 6.30 Evening Prayer
Swyre	3.30 Evening Prayer		11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Communion (by Extension) 5.00 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship		9.30 Morning Prayer 3.00 LATCH Service	9.30 Holy Communion
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion		11.00 Morning Worship	
Littlebredy		10.50 Remembrance Service		11.00 Holy Communion