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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, JULY 2012

For Sunday Services, see back cover

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Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Puncknowle
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Long Bredy
Wednesday	<b>11</b> <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Swyre
Friday	13th	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Littlebredy
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Puncknowle
Friday	20th	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am	Long Bredy
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock, Holy Communion
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Swyre
Friday	$27^{th}$	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Monday	30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Littlebredy

# Festival of Weddings in St Peter's Church, Long Bredy

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> and Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August, 11.00 - 18.00

An Exhibition of flowers, dresses and accessories from brides in Long Bredy





Light refreshments, Parking available Entrance by donation To the St Peters Church Tower Fund

### THE GOVERNORS AND STAFF OF THORNER'S SCHOOL

cordially invite all colleagues, ex-colleagues, parents, ex-parents and ex-pupils to a

### FAREWELL AND THANK YOU TEA

for Mrs Gundry, Mrs Hooper and Miss Clarke

Litton & Thorner's Community Hall,
MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JULY, 6.00pm TO 7.30pm

Please let us know whether you are able to come. Tel: 01308 482410 - Email: office@thorners.dorset.sch.uk

### VILLAGE WEBSITES

www.burtonbradstock.org.uk
www.littoncheney.org.uk
www.shiptongorge.org.uk
www.puncknowle.net
www.swyre.org.uk
www.westbexington.org.uk

### ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

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

On why our church is safe from vandals.

The Rectory St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

I was sorry to hear that your church was broken into last week. Since your sound system rivals that of any concert hall and your projection equipment would put most cinemas to shame, it is not surprising that is what they had their sights on. Your bemusement that they never touched your library of recordings is less understandable. I would have thought that few thieves would have been much interested in thirteen alternative renditions of "Shine Jesus, shine" and other such artistic gems.

It may have been an act of Christian charity to put a sign outside saying "Thieves will be forgiven", although since they took this as an invitation to burgle your house the following evening, I hope your forgiveness still operates. You must have been greatly relieved to find that your collection of numbers from train spotting were untouched. They must have been so overjoyed to discover your tins of night-time cocoa that they overlooked them in their excitement.

Last year, we also had unwelcome visitors. The thieves must have spent several hours breaking down the 400 year-old oak door to get in. Had they bothered to try the handle, they would have discovered that we never lock the church anyway.

Since we have yet to leap forward into the nineteenth century, there was little to attract them. Had they removed the marble sarcophagi of the Earls of Lincombe, the money they may have made wouldn't even have paid for the subsequent hernia operations. Inevitably, there was general outrage that the poor box had been broken into - although as far as I can remember, for many years it had contained nothing more than an old three-penny piece and a button.

For many of our congregation, this represented the End of Civilisation as We Know It. Calls were made to have a permanent armed guard on the premises and a few even speculated about the possibility of having tactical nuclear weapons and strategically placed land mines about the place. Colonel Beauchamp generously offered us his collection of man traps.

Perhaps our thieves may be forgiven their crime, but until that three-penny piece and button are returned, it will not be forgotten.

> Your loving uncle, **Eustace**

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### **GOOD BOOKS**

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E-mail: orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk

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# "If we had some ham we could have a ham sandwich, if we had some bread."

A PEARL of wisdom from my Father's repertoire of sayings devised or borrowed over a lifetime of gleaning, of which some few, as above, could even be repeated in polite society. The ham sandwich tended to be fed to me when I was being fancifully idealistic in the days of my youth, and still appears before me to this day, I am glad to say, my having not entirely given up hopes that the world may yet be well.

I have had my old bike returned to me after it was damaged. In the meanwhile I was lent by the insurance company un moto sportif which zipped along merrily but was useless when it came to carrying anything. Now the old bike is back with its practical panniers, looking like a dowdy old maid off shopping amid an encumbrance of baskets. I can now carry bottles of milk. No longer will I have to turn up to meetings having rumpled a folder down the front of my jacket.

It is good to be able to carry things, but it is better not to have anything to carry.

Jim was 30 years old when he turned up a few years ago having spent the last 16 years on the road. His pack was the size of a bag I might stuff a towel in to go to the beach. It contained a sleeping bag, a bar of soap and a tooth brush and as far as I could tell not much more – there was no room. He was quite clean and never smelled too badly. When he left after hanging round the village for 2 or 3 months I was asked by a number of people where he had gone, because they missed the nice young man who stopped by for a bit to help with some gardening and would not take money for it. I heard of him once helping to fix a car, and only wanted to wash his hands afterwards. This is true, even if it seems almost too good to be.

But for all its truth I must curb the tendency to idealism before it becomes too fanciful. For all he was a strangely good young man, travelling so light he barely left a footmark on the earth, he did end up in prison, I heard later. I must choke on that. But my Father might have to admit in return that, perhaps in acknowledgement of his being, at heart, a good young man, Jim never seemed to want for a ham sandwich.

Bob Thorn.

We don't receive wisdom; we must discover it for ourselves after a journey that no one can take for us or spare us.

Marcel Proust (1871 - 1922)

### FROM THE REGISTERS

### **BAPTISMS**

Daisy Mae Wellman was Baptized on 13<sup>th</sup> May at St Martin's Church, Shipton Gorge. We sang with her, and said thankful prayers for her new Godparents,

Christopher, Lauren and Ryan who join Mark and Emma in watching over her, body and soul, in all the ways of which her heavenly Father will approve.

On June 10th at St Mary's, Puncknowle, **EVELYN MAY BROUGHTON** was Baptized; she of the dramatic gestures to go with her gorgeous and outrageous curls. She had a wonderful time variously screaming, giggling and singing her way through the service to the rapt attention of an admiring congregation. It was quite a performance.

Later in the afternoon of the same day, JACOB ALEC CLARK was Baptized in St Martin's Church, Shipton Gorge. Under the watchful eye of his elder brother, Charlie, Jacob gave a demonstration of contented serenity. He managed to get the Rector's glasses onto the floor, and was amused. He played with the water in the font in a way that was quite disarming, and then looked around at us all as if to say" what of it?" He is set to become a very relaxed young man.

### WEDDING

On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May at St Martin's, Shipton Gorge, **ANNE KELLY** and **JULIAN SHARMAN** were married. Many congratulations to them and every blessing for a long and happy life together.

### **FUNERAL**

At a quiet ceremony in the sunshine on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May, the ashes of the late **ROSEMARY KATHERINE DANIELL.** were laid to rest in the memorial plot in Litton Cheney churchyard.

The funeral of **KATE (POOH) WILKINSON** took place on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May, at St Mary's Church, Litton Cheney. Tributes were offered remembering her service during the war, when her talents in administration led her to work in Lord Mountbatten's office before he became Viceroy. Her life in the village was recalled formally in the service and by the many who attended Church. This was followed by a reception back at the house.

Rupert, her late husband was remembered with affection, and how close they were. We sang the hymns she had chosen, and of course she had chosen well. We all admired the photographs on the service booklet, one of a girl in uniform, and the other of her, the last ever taken, waving goodbye.

The ashes were interred at St Mary's Burton Bradstock, of the late **EDWIN (STAN) JONES** who died in November 2011. His widow, Joy and many of the family, young and old, attended the ceremony.

The funeral of **PHYL HYDE** was held in st Martin's Church Shipton Gorge on Monday, June 11th. The Church was full to overflowing with friends and neighbours from the village, from Burton Bradstock and the surrounding area. Phyl was a lifelong dedicated member of the W.I. having been a secretary, a treasurer and Chairman locally. A tribute by her husband, Nigel, was read, which remembered her God given voice, in memory of which her daughter, Kat led the singing of one of the hymns. Members of the Bridport choral society began the service with the singing of Flying free, by Don Besig. Kat and her Aunt, Joan each read a poem in a service which was warm with fond memories. A reception was held afterwards in Phyls lovely garden in Burton Bradstock.

The ashes of the late **CLIFFORD ROY HARRINGTON** were laid to rest in the cemetery of St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock on Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> June. Roy died in December 2011 in Stow-on-the-Wold. Family from far and wide gathered to remember and give thanks.

On 8<sup>th</sup> May a service was held at Burton Bradstock for **RAYMOND GEORGE DANIELS,** known as Ray, who died at 80 years of age in Homestead Nursing Home, West Bay, on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, after a prolonged period of illness.

Ray was well known for chatting with locals and holiday makers on his regular walks along the Promenade in West Bay near to his friend Brian Lunness. Ray never married.

He moved down from Frome where he had lived on a pig farm owned by his father, that he later took over until his retirement. He was brought up there with his parents, brother and two sisters - all of whom died before him.

After the service Ray was buried in the cemetery near to his sister's grave. Our prayers are with his nephews Chris, Tony and Tim and their families. The peace of the Lord be always with you

I have yet to see any problem, however complicated, which, when you looked at it in the right way, did not become still more complicated.

Poul Anderson (1926 - 2001)

### FOR YOUNGER PEOPLE



# St. IGNATIUS of LOYOLA: 31st July

The youngest of 13 children, Ignatius Loyola was born in Spain. When a young soldier he was badly wounded by a cannon ball that shattered his leg. As he recovered he asked for a best selling book of the day, a romance, to read to take his mind off the pain but ended up reading about Jesus and the lives of the saints. His life changed as he resolved to continue being a soldier, but now as a soldier for Christ.

In 1534, at the age of 43, he and 6 others offered themselves to the service of the Catholic Church. They became the Society of Jesus and Ignatius was elected to serve as their first general. When other Jesuits were sent on various missions by the pope, Ignatius stayed in Rome founding homes for orphans and colleges all, in the words of the Jesuit motto, 'ad majorem Dei

gloriam' - for the greater glory of God.

### **BIBLE BOOKS**

Can you unscramble these letters to find books in the Bible?

- ashjou
- 2. imythot
- 3. hurt
- 4. kuel
- 5. brosprev
- 6. tonslaminate
- 7. chaimal
- theres
- chainstroin
- 10. himereaj



What kind of man was Boaz before he married?
Ruthless.

Which Bible character had no parents?

Joshua, son of Nun.

Answers: 1.Joshua 2.Timothy 3.Ruth 4.Luke 5.Proverbs 6.Lamentations 7.Malachi 8.Esther 9.Corinthians 10.Jeremiah



# Tied sin

### **Bible Sketchbook**

Sin has a nasty way of tying us up and stopping us from running the Christian race. So get rid of it! Be like an athlete and discipline your body. The prize is eternal life and that's much better than a wreath that fades. So – keep running for Jesus. He even died on the cross for you and me because of the amazing prize of resurrection joy!

Read more in: Hebrews 12:1-2, 1 Corinthians 9:23-27, 2 Timothy 4: 7

# Run for Jesus!







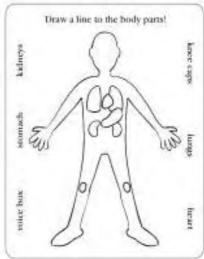
### Be a sport!

### Healthy living: Look after your body!

Help Samuel find his way to Jesse's family home.

Jesse's home

Look after your body it's got to last a lifetime!



### Sports charter

Colour in the good rules for playing sport and games and try to learn them!

Don't cheat Don't boast Don't be jealous

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### Colour in today's memory verse:

People Judge others by what they look like, but God Judges by what is in the heart

1 SAMUEL 16:7

## 'Be a sport!' word search

Find the words below in the grid.

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### LITTLEBREDY

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Well, what can one say?!

LITTLEBREDY'S JUBILEE WEEKEND celebrations

would have done a much bigger community proud, let alone this tiny one. The Sunday "lunch by the lake" was moved into the Village Hall by common consent in view of the chilly weather, but many households enjoyed the food amply supplied by Iceland, Ltd. (thanks to Mike Williams

winning it in a prize competition) and it was a great communal occasion. The card of loyal greetings signed by as many attenders as possible on that occasion has been sent to Buckingham Palace.

But that was surpassed by the success of the **EXTRAVAGANZA** on the cricket ground the following evening, when a crowd of well over 500 basked in the sunshine (while it lasted) with their drinks and picnics to the music of the Durnovaria Silver Band then Slipped Disc, with vintage cars and motorbikes to look at, all followed by an exceptional fireworks display and the lighting of our Jubilee Beacon atop Basket Hill. Ben Pentreath had motivated a great committee to put it all together, involving a massive amount of hard work and organisation by them all, and they all deserve "most humble and hearty thanks", as the Prayer Book so aptly puts it, from everyone else.

Just before that, the **DUCK RACE** in the Bride from the sheepdip to the Riverside Cottages had gathered a crowd of wellwishers to support Honor Slade's initiative in organising it. Not many (if any) plastic ducks crossed the finishing line the right way up, but there were winners and a booby prize, and Honor's Kenyan project benefited by over £200 as a result. Well done her.





Looking forward, on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July many friends and relations of the couple will be celebrating the marriage of **FRANCESCA LOZOWSKI** and **ADAM GAUNT** in Church and then afterwards at Crow Hill Cottage. May the sun shine on them literally throughout the day and figuratively throughout their life together. We wish them all happiness, fulfilment and success.

Later in the month, on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> July, Tom Foot and Neil Grigg are extending a welcome to all villagers to a **FARM WALK** round Longlands

Farm, to see what has been achieved there since they moved here last year, and in particular to be shown how the mobile milking system works. This has caught the media's attention recently, with articles in the farming press and an item on the local ITV News.

The walk will start at 10.00 a.m. at the top of White Hill (wellingtons or stout walking boots are advised), and will end with a lunchtime barbecue at the Longlands Buildings at about 12.30 p.m. Technically a Social Club event, but all are welcome (though they might get collared for a belated subscription!). Please let Liz Fitzpatrick know in advance if you will be there, on 07515 901191 or by e-mailing her at *liz.fitzpatrick3@googlemail.com* 

### SHIPTON GORGE

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### ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

DAISY MAE was baptized on 13<sup>th</sup> May and JACOB ALEC on 10<sup>th</sup> June and we are delighted to welcome them into our church family.



**JULIAN AND ANNE** were married on 26th May and we wish them a very happy life together.

**OUR JUBILEE SERVICE** lead by the Rev. Jean Thorn was also a joyous occasion and well attended. The church was decorated appropriately with beautiful red white and blue flowers as well as union flags and bunting.

There were those in the congregation who professed not to be singers but they joined in heartily with the traditional patriotic hymns and surprised us all with their melodic voices! They were able to lubricate their vocal chords after the service with wine and nibbles in church. A special thank you to our visiting bell ringers as we know just how much in demand they were on that day.

The funeral service for **PHYL HYDE** was held on 11<sup>th</sup> June and she was laid to rest at St Martin's. The building was crammed with more than 200 people who loved and respected her. She will also be remembered fondly by all those who knew her when she lived in Shipton Gorge and later Burton Bradstock, with Nigel and Daisy, their lovely dog.

A happier occasion on 11<sup>th</sup> June, for **JOHN** and **KATE KENT** who became grandparents for the first time to Lily Ann who weighed in at 7lbs 3oz. Congratulations!



Phyl Webster - Church Warden

### SHIPTON GORGE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council is pleased to welcome Stuart Thompson of Rosamond Avenue and Ben Boughton-White of Gullivers Orchard who will be officially co-opted onto the council at the July meeting. Unfortunately Duncan McShee has resigned from the council due to commitments that will take him away from the village on a regular basis, but we are grateful for his work on behalf of the village during his time as a councillor. This means that there is still one vacancy to be filled, either by election or co-option. If anyone is interested in the work of the Parish Council please contact myself or the Clerk

Mary Boughton - Chairman

A reminder that the next Parish Council Meeting takes place on 11<sup>th</sup> July starting at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Agendas will be posted on all the village notice boards and items for discussion will include the proposed skateboard ramp for the Playing Field, and the proposal to put a plaque on the new Playing Field Shelter to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. All parishioners are welcome to attend, but if you are unable to do so and wish to express an opinion on either of these matters, or anything else pertaining to the Playing Field, please contact me by 'phone or email.

Barbara Chambers - Chairman Playing Field Committee

# SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY SGVS ANNUAL VILLAGE SHOW - SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY

This will be our next Event where Villagers have the chance to express their various degrees of growing skills with Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables as well as photographic and cooking entries. This Event will be held in and around the Village Hall. Entry forms listing the various categories should be in this issue of the BVN. There will be further information displayed on Notice Boards nearer to the date of the Event on the exact competition requirements.

\*\*\*NB...Would all Winners from last year, please return their Trophies to Sally Parker as soon as possible please (01308897168).

### DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION MUGS (CHILDREN)

Following on from the SGVS hugely successful Diamond Jubilee Celebrations held on Monday  $4^{th}$  June, SGVS still has some Diamond Jubilee Commemorative Mugs for the Village Children aged up to and including 15 years old.

If any Parents wish to receive one of the above Mugs (which have been donated by SGVS) for their Children, could they please telephone Sally Parker on 01308897168.

# SHIPTON GORGE COMMEMORATION OF THE DIAMOND JUBILEE

SGVS wishes to propose to all its members (i.e. all who live in the Parish of Shipton Gorge) that in addition to the very successful Jubilee Weekend events, this momentous Jubilee should be commemorated in the village by something more permanent. This is strongly supported by your Village Society Committee although it is proposed that all members of the Village Society should have their say in whether it should happen or not.

You will be aware that the village holds commemorations of the Silver Jubilee, the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer, the Millennium as well as the Golden Jubilee. The Diamond Jubilee is felt to be extra special as there has only ever been one before in English/British history (Queen Victoria 1897) and to omit this opportunity would perhaps be regretted in the future by the village.

You will know that on Saturday 28th July we will be holding the **ANNUAL VILLAGE FRUIT, VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SHOW** and on this occasion we intend to offer all SGVS Members the opportunity to vote as to whether a Diamond Jubilee Commemoration should happen and in what form it should take. On 28th July there will be a dedicated table where voting slips will be available and the chance to give your opinions as to how the Diamond Jubilee should be commemorated. We already have two ideas but for the present these will remain 'in confidence'.

Lastly, you will no doubt wonder how will it be paid for? After the success of the raffle at the Shipton Gorge Diamond Jubilee event with the first prize being a painting of Shipton Gorge from Bredy Lane by Philippa Young, we will be raffling another painting of the Village. Philippa will be painting a scene of the village especially for the Diamond Jubilee Commemoration. Also, there will be 25 limited edition prints available at a very reasonable price of £25 each. Although if you wish to give a donation that would be very welcome. Obviously the cost will depend on the type of commemoration decided.

In the four weeks between the time you receive the July BVN and the date of the Village Show please give this serious thought and then come and put in your ideas or just vote. Your help and assistance is both highly sought and much appreciated.

Simon Cleveland & Philippa Young (for SGVS Committee)

### DORSET BEST VILLAGE COMPETITION

As you will be well aware by now the judging of the Dorset Best Village Competition has been taking place in May and June and will continue until

the end of July. Whether Shipton Gorge has yet been judged is not known (but if anyone thinks we have been I would be grateful for any details?). Nevertheless may I please congratulate everyone for the way the Village was looking over the long weekend for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. If we were judged in the week before or the week after we will have a superb chance of gaining an award. Thank you to everyone.

Therefore may I ask all Villagers (i.e. all Members of the Village Society) to maintain an extra special litter watch and also any help in the four areas to be judged (The Orchard, St Martin's Church, Village Hall and King George Playing Field as well as the Special People's Project - THE NEW INN).

The results of the competition will not be announced until mid September but SGVS will keep all Members informed with any news .

Simon Cleveland (SGVS Treasurer & Best Village Competition Coordinator).

### VILLAGE HALL TRUST 100 CLUB

£50	No 105	Jan Sorrell
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£10	No 16	Ivy Platt
£10	No 87	Peter Varney
£10	No 70	Bob Simpson

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### VILLAGE CORRESPOPNDENT

I have found being Village Correspondent interesting and I have now taken over as Advertising Manager for the BVN from Kate Kent (thank you Kate for your excellent work). However, it does happen at the same time as the Burton Village correspondent job so I am giving three months notice of resignation as correspondent.

I will carry on for the July and August and September issues so that the last issue in which my name will appear as Village Correspondent will be the August issue.

Ian Ibbotson

### ST MARY'S CHURCH FETE

### Thursday 2nd August

The Church Fete planning team and helpers are rounding the final bend, and heading towards St Mary's Rectory Gardens ready to bolt out of the blocks at 2.00pm. This year's theme is the 2012 Olympic Games, and all our popular range of stalls, games and musical entertainers will be there. Also included is a once a year opportunity to test your 'Olympic Fitness' by ascending the church tower - but at your own pace!!

The Church Fete Team includes the following baton carriers who would welcome donations as follows:

Books Stall: Cathy/John Ley Fleurie (897281) – no videos/cassettes

Cakes

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**& Preserves**: Betty Champkins (897419)

**Cards & Crafts:** Jane Stubbs (898002) – crafts, cards & stationery please **Children** Margaret Ackland (897872) – toys, games, crayons, childrens'

& Toddlers books, fancy dresses

Fancy Goods: Elizabeth Wigglesworth (897083) – good quality gifts

Plant Sales: Pat Broomhead (897408) – any flowers or plants

Sweet Surprises: Noreen Short (898766) – wrapped sweets please

Produce Sales: Peter Colbert (897922) – any fresh garden produce

Bottle Tombola: Kate & Bernard Chennels (897066) - wine, beer or soft drinks

bottles and cans - week in advance for labelling

White Elephant: Denise Rogers (897464) – will collect or leave at 37 Annings

Lane

Volunteers are always welcome to help with running stalls – please contact Liz Orza (897451) or Sylvia Delves (897358). Help is also welcome to help set up tables, etc from 8.30 am and to remove them at 5 pm – please contact Jim Rogers (897464).

Jim Rogers - Church Fete Co-ordinator, 01308 897 464 & jae\_rogers@hotmail.co.uk

### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

The Christian Aid Week collection in Burton
Bradstock raised £694.32. I would like to thank all the

volunteer collectors who gave up their time to walk round the village collecting these donations and all the generous people who contributed to this very worthwhile collection.

Janet Proctor 01308 898594

### BURTON BRADSTOCK JUBILEE FAYRE

The annual Fayre went off brilliantly on  $4^{th}$  June. It was held as usual in the Rectory Gardens and Village Hall, and we had record numbers – over 1,000 people attending. Helped by good fete weather and the Jubilee atmosphere, and masses of hard work from all our helpers, a good time was had by all and about £5,700 was raised to help maintain the Village Hall.

As always, many volunteers helped set up, run and then clear away a

wide range of games, stalls and refreshments. We want to express our sincere thanks to them all, without whose efforts the annual Fayre would not take place.

Graham Moody & Jim Rogers, Co-Chairmen, Jubilee Fayre Organising Committee

# THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE WEEKEND - ARCHIVE PROJECT

The Burton Bradstock ONLINE Committee have committed to formally archive our village's 'Jubilee Weekend' for posterity. A small team of villagers were tasked with capturing the spirit of the celebrations via documents, photographs and film.

The task of collating and selecting this material for archiving has now started. If you would like to submit a digital photograph for consideration for the archive please email to Tim Linford at bburtonbradstock@gmail.com

Later this year we plan to present our archive results publicly, prior to placing them on the Burton Bradstock web site www.burtonbradstock.org.uk *Jim Rogers*, 01308 897 464

### THE KILLICK STONE

A special concert celebrating the Bride Valley in song and story

'It takes a village to bring up a child'

I was the headteacher of Burton Bradstock School from 1990 – 2003. When at the school I was presented with a book of poems written by Burton resident Douglas Northover, I put some of them to music and school choirs performed them. These songs provide the springboard for a special concert at the school on 8th July. They have been developed and added

to by ex-Bride Valley children Rosi Brewster and Emma Batchelor, both now at

University.

Emma and I have been developing a narrative that links two girls growing up in the village in the Victorian and modern ages. The thread that runs through the story is the influence that rope and stone have had on the growth and development

of Burton Bradstock. Both girls find their families and villages provide the values that guide them through life and that the challenges faced are not so very different.

The centrepiece to the story is the killick anchor, made of rope, wood and stone, providing a cheap and effective way of securing the fishing lerretts out at sea. Emma, Rosi and I will be joined by Lauren and Remy for the concert, which will be a warm-up for our appearance at this years Sidmouth Folk Festival.

You are welcome to come to our special concert on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July at Burton Bradstock School starting at 3.30pm. Tickets are £8.00 for adults, £5.00 for children under 12 to include a glass of wine or soft drink and nibbles. All profits will go to the West Dorset branch of HomeStart, the UK's leading family support charity.

Tickets can be purchased from Bridport Music in South Street or from Barbara on 01308 897389. Seating is limited, so early purchase is advised!

David Powell

### BURTON BRADSTOCK DIAMOND JUBILEE

The Diamond Jubilee Committee would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make the celebrations of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II so memorable in Burton Bradstock. The Working Groups worked with military precision to bring off all aspects of the Celebrations including the biggest 'Big Lunch' in Burton Bradstock's history and the most successful Village Fayre. From the Spring Concert on Friday 1st June to the 1950's Tea Dance on Tuesday 5th June, all went exactly according to plan and this could not have been achieved without the magnificent and unstinting support of the whole Village. Many photographs have recorded the celebrations and two in particular stand out, the photograph of the whole congregation at the Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, and the Village Photograph, taken from the Church Tower before the Big Lunch.



Many, many thanks to all who contributed in any way. The atmosphere in Burton Bradstock during the Jubilee weekend was summed up when I saw Ian Ibbotson leaving the Church clutching four chairs. Asking him 'Why?' he replied, "It's a reflex action now; when I see a chair I automatically pick it up."

Many thanks, Sue

# THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS AND THE BIG LUNCH

On behalf of the village, we would like to extend sincere thanks and admiration for all those many folk who helped to make a very memorable four day Jubilee Celebration.

It is not possible to name so many people but special mention must be made of Susan Moores as Chairman of the Jubilee Committee for all her time and effort in gathering all the material for the exhibition in the Village Hall and Peter and Pat Broomhead for their work in organising the Jubilee Lunch.

Thanks once again to everyone who contributed to such fantastic four days.

Basil Dent and Howard Bongers, Churchwardens, Burton Bradstock.

### **BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL**

For Bookings – Telephone 01308 897673 Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust (BBVHT)

**"200 Club" June 2012 Draw** (WDDC Licence no: -\$L0080)

VILLAGE HALL TRUST
Registered Charity No. 1108201

Congratulations to the winners:

 1st
 £41.20.
 No 106:
 Mrs Wendy Froy

 2nd
 £20.60
 No 82:
 Mr Bob Ayres

 3rd
 £10.30
 No 80:
 Mr Ralph Sexton

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the July-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £6 – one pound for each of the remaining 6 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

### TOM HART-DYKE - "PLANT HUNTER"

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July Tom Hart-Dyke will present his show at Burton Bradstock Village Hall. Tom is a "plant hunter" in the truly traditional sense. He first shot to international prominence when he was kidnapped in the Columbian jungle while on a plant hunting expedition that went dangerously wrong. The idea for



a "World Garden" containing the plants he'd collected from across the globe was born in the depths of despair in the Columbian jungle. Since his release Tom has been busy building "The World Garden" in his back garden at Lullingstone Castle and recently appeared at The Chelsea Flower Show.

Tickets available from Burton Bradstock Post Office, £10/ Concessions under 16 £7.50

### LONG BREDY

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### JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Thank you everyone who supported our celebrations on Sunday 3rd June. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by so many people.

The Church was full for the Jubilee service, the stream pageant was magnificent - so many original boats (some floating, some not!), the village mural painted by the children captured life in Long Bredy and will be mounted in the Village Hall.

We estimated approximately 150 people took tea in the village hall which challenged our seating arrangements! We coped thanks to Chris & Caddy Sitwell who emptied their house of chairs! Finally we ended with games and community singing. It was a memorable day.

There are so many people to thank, but special thanks go to Andrew Bailey who stepped forward to organize the event (assisted by Eve), to Harold and Tess Carter for sponsoring the Barber Shop choir, to Val and lan Cameron for filming the event, to Val Shepherd who is still supervising children whilst they paint the Mural! and lastly to the Cubs who cleared the stream so that we could sail the boats.

### **100 CLUB**

### MAY WINNERS

£25 Robert Maltby

£15 Helen Horsley

£ 5 Norman and Selma Ling

### **POLISH A PEW**

The Church needs some tender loving care and we would like to rejuvenate the pews ready for a baptism on the 15<sup>th</sup> July and a wedding on the 25<sup>th</sup> August. Please could we have volunteers to polish one or two pews

the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> July. We will supply the polish and brushes. The more volunteers the easier the task. Any time to suit you. Contact Elinor 482269, or Jackie 482379

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tom Foot on his 80th birthday and best wishes for his continued recovery.

Best wishes also to Albert Pitcher on his recovery from his recent surgery.

### FESTIVAL OF WEDDINGS

Sunday  $26^{th}$  and Monday  $27^{th}$  August - 12.00 - 18.00hrs, at St Peter's Long Bredy.

This will be an exhibition of flowers, dresses and accessories from Brides in Long Bredy. Anyone willing to lend wedding dresses would be appreciated - we also need tailors' dummies to display the dresses and help with decorating the church on Friday  $24^{\text{th}}$  August.

Anyone who is able to help, please contact Jackie Cain, 482379 or Elinor Frost, 482269

# LONG BREDY AND KINGSTON RUSSELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council would like to say a huge thank you to the many people who gave so generously their time and effort to make the Jubilee celebrations so successful. It was certainly a day to remember and thanks to a grant from the West Dorset District Council and local donations of all kinds, costs were covered.

### Parish Council Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen on the parish council to represent Kingston Russell. The main criteria are for a candidate to be 18 years or over, live or work in Kingston Russell or reside within 3 miles of the parish and to be on the electoral role. If you have an abiding interest in the future of Kingston Russell parish this is for you. The closing date for applications will be the 31st August 2012. If anyone would like further details or would like to apply please contact Gwen Kinghorn, Parish Clerk, 7 Bedford Terrace, Long Bredy, Dorchester DT2 9HW; tel: 01308 482270.

### A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The bell ringers of St Peter's Church, Long Bredy are holding a Harvest Supper on the evening of Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> September in aid of the Tower Fund. Bonny Sartin will entertain us after supper with humorous poems and songs

with Dorset connections. Bonny was a member of 'The Yetties' before they retired and is a superb raconteur, a treat for all.



# PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON



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### HOLY TRINITY, SWYRE

On Trinity Sunday Holy Trinity Church celebrated with a Choral Evensong with Jean Thorn officiating and music most ably led by Janet Lane, Sue Smith and the Bride Valley Ladies Choir. This was a lovely evening with the very building

tel: 897318



joyously ringing to the sound of music and song. Happy fellowship followed over refreshments. Thanks go to Janet and her ladies for all the hard work and enthusiasm they put into providing such a high quality of music and song. Thanks also to all those from around the valley who came to join us for this celebration.

Earlier that week David, along with Church Wardens from Puncknowle, Litton Cheney and Long Bredy, attended a Choral Evensong at Sherborne Abbey for the Visitation which allows them to take on the role of Church Warden for the coming year. Bishop Nicholas officiated at this service (and all the visitations this year) in order to get to know more of the Church Wardens in the Diocese. The Abbey was full for this beautiful occasion.

### PCC MEETING.

Wednesday 11th July at 7.30pm.

### SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm is the first of our summer services. These will continue at 7.30pm every Sunday as the only services at Swyre Church for the whole of August. We would love to welcome friends from the village and around the valley to these services.

Yvonne

### **SWYRE VILLAGE TRINITY FETE**

Firstly this is a big thank you for everyone who was able to help with the fete this year. It went well, helped by the sunny weather and the turnout of visitors. Despite the economic situation around £700 was raised for the village church and our local charity.

Our stalls all performed well and I believe our bookstall in particular is

probably the best locally. In all we had around 30 helpers on the day setting up and running stalls including several from outside Swyre. The marquee was again in use for our displays this year about Swyre and The Sea.

On the same theme our local charity this year is Coastwatch and they put on a display with a member on hand to explain their work. They are losing their lookout at Burton Hive Beach and are raising funds to find a new lookout locally.

As the date was close to Old May Day (13<sup>th</sup> May) we had a May Garland of wild flowers and on the Sunday, Bob Thorn performed a ceremony on Chesil Beach casting the garland into the sea as was done in years gone by. A few parishioners watched as well as the fishermen and families somewhat bemused but happy to be told there would be an increase in mackerel!

Tony Taylor

### ST MARY'S CHURCH, PUNCKNOWLE

### **PUNCKNOWLE GARDEN FETE**

In Aid of St Mary's Church, Puncknowle, on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm. Do come and have an enjoyable afternoon. Quality Curtains will be here again, so bring the measurements of your curtains to get a good bargain.

Any Donations and/or ingredients for stalls will be gratefully received as follows:

Chocolate Tombola Items made of chocolate to Julie Arak Newman

897178

Produce jams/veg or ingredients to Liz Slater 897751
Filled Jars small items that will fit in a jam jar to Carole

Bennett 907771

Cakes

Homemade, for sale to Pam Carter 898711 for Refreshments to Linda Jeffries 897520

Bric a Brac

& Fancy Goods to Ellie Pearson 897907

Bottles Stall of any kind to Sandra Turner 898035

Toy Stall good used toys to Sue Brown 897953

Books in good condition to Coo Jones 898553

Plants to Geoffrey Fry 898068 Used Clothing to Lois Edwards 422605

Offers of help either before the fete, or on the day would be much appreciated. Please contact Geoffrey Fry – 898068

Thank you for supporting our church.

### A BIG HEARTY THANKS

Ron and Christine Gregory of 'The Hive', Puncknowle, wish to thank friends and neighbours for their cards, best wishes and offers of support after Ron's open heart surgery at Southampton General Hospital in

April. Ron has got some colour back and is now slowly improving in health and strength – next step is Cardiac Rehab!!

Many thanks

### **PUNCKNOWLE ART CLUB**

When painting in the hall, Philippa very kindly helped us create realistic looking dew drops. This can be a good time to try something new or catch up with work that was started earlier. The morning we spent sketching at Abbotsbury Gardens was very enjoyable and handy for coffee and



cake. On 6th July we have a free taster session for anyone who would like to meet and paint with us. Paints etc. will be provided. 20th we will be lunching at Sallie's.

Christine Molony



### **ZUMBA**

Classes will be continuing throughout the summer.

Open to holiday makers and visiting guests as well as regulars. Keep fit with Zumba over the summer 8-9pm,

Mondays at Puncknowle Village Hall. For further information call Jane on 01308 897756.

### **BOOK CLUB**

Well! The Catcher in the Rye book provoked some lively discussion - some found the repetitive teenage expressions very tedious, some disliked the swearing in it, but in the end, I think we all felt a bit of sympathy (if not empathy) with 17 year old Holden Caulfield and his mixed upness due to what he had been through in his short life.



Some thought what is the point of this book? It was a sensation when it was published in book form as long ago as 1951. Enjoyable evening had by all anyway.

Our next book is called "Betrayal" by Helen Dunmore - it looks like she has done a lot of research on the time in which it is set - Stalin's USSR in 1952, in Leningrad and what it was like to live in those times.

### **AFTERNOON TEAS**

Tuesday July  $3^{rd}$ , 3.30-5.00pm, £2 in Puncknowle and Swyre village Hall.

This is open to all who would like to join us for cake, tea and a chat. Contact Sue Brown 897953 to book a place or to offer help.



### LITTON CHENEY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: JOHN YATES 2, SUNNYSIDE COTTAGE, LITTON CHENEY

john-and-sandra@hotmail.com Tel: 01308 482585



### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Our grateful thanks go to the anonymous donor of champagne to toast Her Majesty the Queen after the Jubilee Thanksgiving on 3<sup>rd</sup> June. We enjoyed a very convivial hour of celebration after the well-attended service. Thank you for your very generous gift.

The next churchyard working party will be on Thursday morning 5<sup>th</sup> July when we hope the weather will be better. If you can help for an hour or so you would be very welcome. Refreshments provided (though not champagne!)

Looking ahead, St. Mary's will be hosting the Village Café at LATCH on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August, so we hope lots of you will come along for coffee and bacon butties and to browse around the stalls - produce, bric-a-brac and bottle tombola as well as the usual books, cards and raffle.

### LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The **Bride Valley Navigational Challenge** was held in early evening sunshine, and shine it did on the LC entry, Top Draw, which finally won, after finishing second on 4 previous occasions. The previous year's winner, Team Shearwater was a very close second, and The Rangers third.

We covered the Bride Valley across to Rodden and Abbottsbury, back to Corscombe en route for Askerswell, before returning to The White Horse. We were allowed 150 minutes for the Magical Mystery Tour, and needed every second, plus a few! Another really enjoyable "adventure" down the lanes and byways of West Dorset.

Many thanks to Clive and Bob, Graham and David, for organising the evening. Judging by their smiles they really did enjoy setting the clues! Just guess why and where you need to keep dogs on a lead from March to September!

For fuller details, including names, see the Village website.

The **VILLAGE WALK** is on Saturday. July 14th, 10.00am from the Bus shelter

# SUMMER BBQ DATE CHANGE NOW AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>.

Usual great food and disco. Sold out for the last 2 years so get your tickets early

\*\*Ron Davidson LCSC 482661\*

### **EVENTS AT LATCH IN JULY**

See Village Website for more details

Pilates continues until 16th July. Restarts 10th September

Yoga continues until 20th July. Restarts 7th September

**Zumba** continues on Thursdays at 5.30 p.m right through the summer and also on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 8.00 p.m. Open to holiday makers and visiting guests as well as regulars. For more information call Jane 01308 897 756.

Tuesday 10th July - Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm

Sunday 15th July - Family Service 3.00pm

Saturday 21st July - Village Café 10.30 - 12.30

Thursday  $26^{th}$  July - **Summer Art Course** 10.00 - 4.30 (also  $2^{nd}$  &  $9^{th}$  August),

and looking ahead, Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Last Night of the Proms. See it all on the Big Screen and join in the fun! Further details in August RVN

### WINE TASTING

The Great Annual Wine Tasting conducted by Wine Maestro Steven Spurrier will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October at LATCH. More details on the Litton Cheney website on how to book your place. This is a very popular event so the need to book early is paramount

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday  $10^{\text{th}}$  July, 7.30 pm at LATCH. Local residents are invited to attend, nay, actively encouraged to immerse themselves in village matters.

### JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to all those who helped make the Hog Roast and Big Screening of the Jubilee Concert, plus all the other happenings a great success on Monday  $4^{th}$  June. The next big screening is on  $8^{th}$  September – Last Night of the Proms.

### THE LITTON CHENEY RELIEF IN NEED TRUST

The Trustees invite applications for small grant assistance from school leavers resident in Litton Cheney who will be proceeding to higher education at university or who will be commencing full time work. Applicants are requested to apply in writing outlining their plans on leaving school. Those residents who received a school leavers grant in 2009-2011 may also apply for continuing assistance.

Letters of request should be sent or delivered to Mr Freddie Spicer, 1 Litton Hill or Mr Brian Prentice, Steddings, Chalk Pit Lane, by 30<sup>th</sup> September

### **VALLEY NOTES**

FAMILY AFTERNOON SERVICE

This new family afternoon service for children and parents continues at LATCH on the third Sunday of every month, from 3.00–4.00pm. The next session will be on Sunday July 15<sup>th</sup> and will include singing, stories, art and

crafts and refreshments

Further information from Heather, on 01308 482667.

### TOTS AND PRAMS SERVICE

All mums-to-be, and parents/carers with toddlers and preschool children are welcome at 2.15pm at St. Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock, on Friday, July 21st, for a short, toddlerfriendly service, craft activities, refreshments and play.

Any questions please contact Heather Rogers 897780 or Audrey Smith 897227.

# ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH.

At our social evening on the 28<sup>th</sup> May, Sir Christopher attended with his wife Irene. Our vice chairman Basil extended a warm welcome to Sir Christopher Coville as our new President.

Sir Christopher, as his first duty, made a presentation to Ray West who after 16 years as Chairman was leaving to move to Sussex. We all wish Ray and his wife Pauline the very best for the future.

The next **SOCIAL EVENING** will be on Monday September  $24^{th}$  at the Three Horseshoes. Please let Jim Reeves or Basil Dent know if you are attending. (897091 or 897125)

Please note that there are no social meetings in July & August

### **ADVANCE NOTICES:-**

The Poppy Day Appeal **BAND CONCERT** will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October in Burton Bradstock Village Hall

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

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

Our quarterly **Branch Committee Meeting** is at 7.30pm on 5<sup>th</sup> July in the Ron Doble Room, Portesham Village Hall. Any branch member is welcome to attend as an observer.

We meet again at the same Hall at 7.00pm on Wednesday (note the day) 18<sup>th</sup> July, for a **Fish & Chip supper**, plus a quiz, a draw, and games - with plenty of time for a good natter with your friends.

There is no Branch meeting in August due to the Olympics and other events.

Des and Jean Baker are now taking bookings for their fund raising 6 - Day **Tour of Kent**, starting on 23<sup>rd</sup> September. This is already well subscribed to and is in aid of RBL Poppy Appeal/Dors to India charities. We shall be using the 4\* Holiday Inn between Maidstone & Sevenoaks and visiting Chatham Historic Dockyard, Canterbury, Leeds Castle, Chartwell and Down Houses, Maidstone Carriage Museum (private visit) and sailing by Paddle Steamer on the River Medway. Fully detailed itinerary is available on request to the number below.

Members wishing to be considered for tickets to the Royal Albert Hall **Festival of Remembrance** on  $11^{\text{th}}$  November (evening performance) are reminded that they should apply forthwith via the Branch Secretary. Anyone who is not a member of the RBL and wishing to attend the event can apply to the Royal Albert Hall box office for tickets to the afternoon performance.

Des Baker, Branch Entertainments Chairman (01305 267617)

### BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS

Half Term is over already, but just before, the children held a Jubilee Party, for which they made Crowns, and Bunting, played games, e.g Pass the Teddies! and had a good time celebrating. Most parents were able to stay and join in too.

Now they are starting to make things, such as dried flowers, for the Summer Season display. They were also practising for the school sports day and playing in the Discovery area last time I was there

- just discovering!

Fiona has written a new Safeguarding Children Policy, due to changes in the curriculum headings, which everyone needs to be aware of, and that was a change to the CRB procedure. Staff statutory training is all up to date (e.g. Food, Health and Safety) by Maureen Lockett. Our Special Needs Co-Ordinator and Safeguarding Officer is Fiona Evans - all are trained in First Aid.

New Notices have now been distributed everywhere plus Fledglings information has gone on to more websites as well as having our own updated.

Children have started to come in from the Bridport area because Bradpole Playgroup was full. There is also a new Welcome Pack and new information cards.

Our fund-raiser "A Bit of a Do" will have taken place on 23<sup>rd</sup> June so more on this next time. Another Auction of Promises will be held in the autumn so look out for this date for the diary.

Fledglings Pre-School is open 3 days a week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday - in September it will also be open on Wednesdays. For further information please contact Fiona Evans, Manager, on 01308 482410 or drop in anytime to look around our dedicated play areas indoors and outdoors. Our website address is <a href="https://www.bridevalleyfledglings.co.uk">www.bridevalleyfledglings.co.uk</a>.

### THORNERS CE VA SCHOOL

The school celebrated the **Diamond Jubilee**. The children dressed in red, white and blue, made crown cakes and hats and looked at a display of memorabilia and objects spanning the six decades, including computers, typewriters, film spools





and a wooden tennis racquet! Some of our musicians performed on the newly-built stage in our Discovery Area. Our special visitor, Alison Johnstone, planted a Jubilee oak and gave the children commemorative medals. The event was made complete by cream teas kindly provided by the parents. It was an occasion the children will remember.

The Curator of the Bridport Museum visited Chesil with lots of **Victorian toys** in support of their History topic.

The children enjoyed a **berry breakfast** in school. They tried blueberries, blackberries and strawberries, on their own and in muffins. Summertime goodness and health in something so simple!

**Storyteller**, David Heathfield, visited Thorner's with wonderful things from all over the world and told us stories from China, Arabia, the Phillipines and other faraway places. The children were enthralled. This event was made possible by the kind contribution of £250 from St Mary's Church, Litton Cheney, Parochial Church Council. Thank you!

Many of our Year 5 children learned **bike road safety**. The trainer from Bridport Leisure Centre complimented the children on being attentive and well behaved and picking up the instructions very quickly.

Nigel Spring, a moth enthusiast, set **moth traps** overnight on 13 June and talked to the children about these nocturnal creatures. He also did a talk for interested parents and members of the community.

**Sports:** Eggardon participated in a cluster **cricket** festival. The Acting Headteacher of Symondsbury telephoned us especially to compliment the behaviour of our children. We are so proud of them!

Bredy and Eggardon are enjoying six weeks of cricket lessons throughout the second half of the summer term. Eggardon participated in a Team Theme **football** tournament. All the children are now enjoying **swimming** in school. It is wonderful to see their confidence growing every day.

We have been awarded **National Healthy Schools status** 'forever' in recognition of our continuing commitment to healthy living and learning.

Our Breakfast Club are collecting **used writing pens** as part of a recycling project – if you have any used pens, please bring them into school. Please also send any **Tesco vouchers and Nestle box tops** to school – we are collecting!

Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher

### BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC SCHOOL

What a busy first half of the Summer term we had! It started at the beginning of May when the school had an Ofsted Inspection. Our inspector visited the school over two days and spent a considerable amount of time talking with children, staff and governors about the school. The school was awarded

a 'good' grade which, with the new stringent Ofsted framework that was introduced in January 2012, is high praise indeed. Reading the official Ofsted report, some of the comments are listed below, I feel extremely proud of the pupils, staff and whole school community:

- The good relationships between adults and pupils reflect the school's positive ethos, and provides a strong basis for learning
- · The school does much to broaden pupils' horizons
- Pupils are well behaved and courteous to others. In lessons they are attentive, and engage well with teachers. They work well with other pupils and complete tasks diligently and productively.

There were also many exciting events taking place that created wonderful experiences for the children across the school. Class 4 had a fantastic day sailing at the Sailing Academy on Portland and even got to see some of the Olympic teams training! Class 3 welcomed sculptor Lal Hitchcock into school where she helped them to create some wonderful sculptures made out of marine litter. The children really used their imaginations to create some wonderful art work.

The final week of the half term started with our whole school Olympic team building day. The children once again worked together in their mixed age groups to take part in different 'challenges'. These challenges resulted in the children winning gold, silver or bronze medals for their team. All the scores were then added onto the 'Burton Bradstock School Olympic Scoreboard'. At the moment we have two teams in the lead - Japan and India. But it is still early days! Each class will be taking part in challenges during the course of the next half term which will not only earn them Olympic medals but also add points to their team's score. The challenges take on a range of different skills and talents from a hula-hoop challenge to a super spelling challenge! Each Monday involves the scores being added to the

scoreboard along with the medal ceremony. The Burton Bradstock School Olympics will culminate on the 12<sup>th</sup> July when we have our Sports Day, complete with opening and closing ceremonies!

The half term ended on Friday with our Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations. All the children



dressed up in the red, white and blue theme and took part in a number of events throughout the day, ending with a Jubilee picnic to really mark the occasion. Our thanks go to the Friends of Burton Bradstock School for their generous donation of commemorative metal bookmarks for each child. What a fantastic celebration to end such a successful half term!

Claire Staple, Headteacher

### A PIANO RECITAL

Works by Bach, Rachmaninov, Chopin and Liszt will be played by Madalina Rusu at Norburton Hall, Burton Bradstock, at 8.00pm on Monday, 16th July.

For more information and tickets, please call Ann & Mike Read on 01308 897445.



### **BRIDE VALLEY SCOUT GROUP**

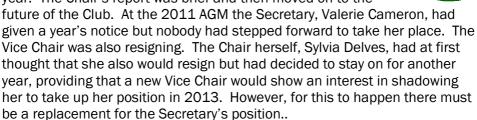
We **URGENTLY** need a new leader for our Cub Section (aged 7-10) who are based in Puncknowle. If you feel you could fill this position, like the outdoor pursuits and are over 18yrs old or require further details please contact

scouts@bridevalleyscouts.org.uk or telephone Denise Hunt 01308-458007 as soon as possible.- before we close for the summer holidays

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### **BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB**

The Bride Valley Gardening Club AGM was held at the May meeting. The Treasurer, Jane Peretz, reported that the club's finances were in a healthy state and therefore the subscription was being held at the same amount of  $\pounds 5$  a year. The Chair's report was brief and then moved on to the



Members were then invited to put their names forward to take up the positions of Vice Chair and Secretary but there were no nominees. As there were no offers to replace these positions the closure of the club in October is likely to be inevitable unless offers from members are made before the

meeting in September. The Treasurer then discussed the possible disposal of the Club's assets in this event.

It was suggested that it could be helpful if the Committee wrote job descriptions to help any prospective applicants and those for the Chair and Secretary have been done and circulated to all members.

The meeting then continued with a very interesting and informative talk by Martin Young on Gardening for Wildlife, followed by a cheese and wine social gathering. The next meeting will take place on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July when the subject will be the Cultivation of Plants in and around Ponds given by Julie Riley of the Bride Valley Nurseries in Litton Cheney.

### JOBS TO DO

Deadhead flowering shrubs such as repeat-flowering roses to keep them producing new buds and flowers. Summer prune overlong shoots on trained fruit trees such as espaliers and arches to four or five buds and prune summer growth of Wisteria to within five or six buds of the main stem. Harvest vegetables such as garlic, shallots and onions as they are ready and sow salads and spinach for autumn. Divide bearded iris after flowering. Take cuttings of evergreens.

Valerie Cameron, Secretary. email: secretary.bvgc@virgin.net tel: 01308 482240

### **BB PLAYERS**

### FOR THREE NIGHTS ONLY

Thursday 19th, to Saturday 21st July

You are invited to a fun-packed evening of two One-Act comedy plays and 'something to make you think'

during the interval!

The first play, **"KEEP CALM!"** is a farce by Louis Goodrich and is set in the late 1930s, whilst the second play, **"A SLICE OF THE CAKE"** is a comedy by Jean Homer, set in the late 1990s.

Tickets £7 (Adults) or £5 (Child under 16) available from Burton Bradstock Post Office or by telephoning 01308 898707.

Box Office opens 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Hurry ... tickets already being reserved!

### BURTON BRADSTOCK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We were entertained at the June meeting by David Andrews, who gave us a whistle-stop tour of popular music. He sang and played the guitar: we sang and played chime bars. And drums. We all learned something and enjoyed ourselves as well.

The **SUMMER BARBECUE** takes place on 7th July, so we

are hoping for good weather.

The next day, some members will attend the Dorset Federation of Womens' Institutes 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday Garden Party at Milton Abbey. Our WI is also 95 in November. We were one of the earliest in Dorset, formed only two years after the WI had been founded.

The meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July is about **"WOOFABILITY"**, Jenny Clarke's charity which trains assistance dogs for disabled people in this area. The dogs perform a variety of tasks and help the disabled person to have the confidence to live independently.

There will be no meeting in August.

Any woman living locally is welcome to come to some meetings before deciding whether to become a member (contact secretary, 898484).

### GO FOR GOLD THIS SUMMER

This summer Dorset Fire and Rescue Service are encouraging children and their



parents to think about fire safety in their home. By accepting the challenge to 'Go for Gold' we aim to inspire young people to see how fire safe their homes are by working to achieve a Bronze, Silver or Gold certificate. To achieve a Bronze certificate, households need to have a working smoke alarm, tested regularly. To achieve a Silver certificate, a working smoke alarm and a well practised escape plan is essential. Young people can sign up for a FREE Home Safety Check or self-assessment pack on our website and when they do, they will receive an exclusive Gold certificate. Youngsters can collect as many Gold certificates as they like, by referring their grandparents, aunts, uncles and other family and friends (with their permission of course!)

In 2011, Dorset Fire and Rescue Service (DFRS) attended 439 accidental fires in the home. Your home is full of potential fire risks; and we can help you identify them to reduce the chances of a fire starting. Knowing the dangers and taking precautionary measures could help to save the lives of you and your family.

We provide free Home Safety advice and, if appropriate, a member of DFRS staff will visit your home and ensure each premises has the correct number of working smoke alarms, fitting or replacing them free of charge if needed, pointing out any potential risks and offering advice as to how they can be minimised. Each home is different in content and layout so visits are tailored to the person, their home and their own unique circumstances.

DFRS are working hard to prevent avoidable fires and you can help us do that – so take up the challenge to 'Go For Gold' and apply for a **FREE** home safety check and the opportunity to achieve a Gold certificate today. Please contact us on 01305 252600 or visit www.dorsetfire.gov.uk.

Also, if you know of someone who may be vulnerable and would benefit from a visit, please get their permission and then contact us on their behalf to arrange an appointment.

### BEEKEEPING MONTH BY MONTH

Over the next months, Ruth and Ian Homer of Bride Valley Apiaries, Litton Cheney, are giving us an insight into the world of Bee-Keeping.



### THE MAIN CROP

We live in an unusual area – unusual in that there are fewer agricultural crops grown here than in many parts of the country, largely because so much agricultural land is used for grazing and rearing stock. This means that our bees have to find natural flora from which to gather their nectar and pollen as they can gain little benefit from grassland. There are certainly some agricultural crops grown which can be of benefit – both oil seed rape and field beans have been grown in the Puncknowle area this year but unless the bees are actually moved into or close by the crop, they will rarely travel more than a few hundred metres to forage. This is certainly not laziness on the bees part, but a very careful and reasoned evaluation of the energy balance.

It may seem strange that a creature such as the honey bee is capable of advanced mathematics but they can evaluate alternatives and if one choice will take them twice as long to travel there and back (and by definition use twice as much energy to do the journey) as another choice, they may well determine that the second alternative, even though it may be an inferior crop, gives a better overall deal for the colony as a whole. This reasoning aspect is seen in several different ways within honey bee colonies.

Most readers will have heard of the waggle dances carried out by scout bees to advertise where a good source of forage is (direction and distance) and its quality. This is an attempt to make best use of their resources, guide those bees who are uncertain away from inferior crops and direct them to those which will be of maximum benefit to the colony. The same dances are used when a swarm is looking for a new home – scout bees will advertise the various possibilities which they have discovered by their dances until there is a consensus on a single location – an excellent example of true collective democracy at work!

During July honey bees will sense that the season is changing, the days are getting shorter and the forage choices are becoming more limited. At this time the queen bee will be encouraged to reduce the rate at which she lays her eggs as there is little benefit maintaining a large colony population through the autumn and winter when the availability of forage flowers is so limited. We have already seen that the normal foraging

distance is quite restricted, so they will be looking for good flowers almost "in their own backyard". Typically the various bramble varieties (Rubus sp.) which enrich our hedgerows will provide a staple diet enhanced by lime trees (Tillia sp.) if there are any around. Unfortunately lime can be a fickle source as so often the nectar flow from this crop coincides with warm,



dry winds which cause it to evaporate before the poor old honey bee has had time to collect it. However, beekeepers are eternal optimists and we always hope for a good return from the lime as it is one of lan's favourite honeys.

Another of life's little oddities is that so many of the plants which offer a good source of nectar to the honey bee are considered to be weeds which, in some cases, mankind seeks to eradicate. In the spring, honey bees will readily visit ragwort (Jacobaea vulgaris) although the honey derived from it is quite unpalatable. Late summer offers rosebay willowherb (Epilobium augustifolium) or fireweed (known in London as bombweed as it was always the first plant to appear in flower on bomb sites during the second world war) and himalayan balsam (Impatiens glandulifera) or policemans helmet both of which, but particularly the latter, are seen by some people to be offensive. Indeed himalayan balsam is listed by Defra as a non-native invasive species under The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

White clover (Trifolium repens) was, traditionally one of the major summer crops which honey bees used as a nectar source but, for two reasons, this is rarely the case today. Firstly, the rapid growth rate of grass which has had artificial fertilizer applied outstrips the growth rate of the clover and secondly, where white clover is planted today it seems to be a large headed variety which is too large for the honey bee even though most species of bumble bee can cope with it.

The last significant crop of the season in this area is derived from ivy (Hedera sp.) which produces a very strongly flavoured honey which granulates quickly and, is not generally liked by those who have tried it. But it makes a very good source of winter stores for the honey bee as it also produces copious quantities of pollen in addition to nectar.

We await the summer and autumn crop with some anxiety as 2012 has, to date, seen very lean pickings for our bees due to the vagaries of the weather. That seems to be generally the case around the country – buy your honey now as the world price of honey is on the increase!

Ruth & Ian Homer

### FROM THE EDITOR

This month, the Diary of Events found towards the end of *Bride Valley News*, is a little thin. For this I apologise. However, production of this diary is the



longest single process for each month's issue, and on occasion, mistakes and un-notified changes have resulted in errors in the diary, and even delays in delivery to the printer. Consequently, responsibility for the content of the diary must now rest more with the contributors to BVN.

For the August issue onwards, and where appropriate, contributors to the magazine are asked to list any dates they wish to appear in the diary for the *coming* month, in the required format(see below). Failure to do so may result in dates not appearing in the diary listing. Each correspondent will then amalgamate these lists into a schedule for his/her village, for inclusion with their submissions to the editor. The editor make up the diary for that month's issue using thes schedules (plus with any schedules provided as follows).

Organisations etc. which have regular periodic (e.g. weekly, monthly) meetings/events, and who need identical inserts for every date, may send their dates for the next 12 months (starting with August 2012) direct to the editor (as soon as possible) in the necessary format (see below). Any such schedules should take into account any of the regular dates on which meetings/events do not ordinarily happen (e.g. half terms, public holidays etc). Each organisation will then be responsible for ensuring that any change to its schedule is notified to the <u>editor</u> before the deadline for copy for the relevant month.

Please note, this means that **all** copy originating from within the valley **must** go to the relevant village correspondent, regardless of whether item(s) are to be published in a village section or any other section. (Please do not send "safety" copies to the editor - these often cause confusion!)

### EXTRACT FROM NOTES OF MEETING 15/03/2012

In future events/functions to be included in the monthly diary are to be notified as follow:

- i. Times for entries in the diary must be in the 24hour clock format, although either format is acceptable within the body of an article.
- ii. Clubs etc. which have regular or periodic meetings/events (weekly, fortnightly, etc.) and who need the same entry for every meeting (e.g. Yoga, Parish Council Meeting) may provide a schedule of meetings for a period of 12 months, direct to the editor.
- iii. Where a spread-sheet or a table is not used, each element must be separated using tab stops, *not* spaces, or punctuation marks.
- iv. Diary entries should be listed as follows;

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Wisdom born of experience should tell us that war is obsolete. There may have been a time when war served as a negative good by preventing the spread and growth of an evil force... If we assume that life is worth living, if we assume that mankind has the right to survive, then we must find an alternative to war.

Martin Luther King Jr. (1929 - 1968), Christmas Sermon On Peace in on Dec 24, 1967

### ALL IN THE MONTH OF JULY, It was....

- 175 years ago:- on 13<sup>th</sup> July 1837 that Queen Victoria became the first British sovereign to take up residence in Buckingham Palace.
- 150 years ago:- on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1862 that Lewis Carroll made up the story of 'Alice in Wonderland' to entertain Alice Liddell and her sisters on a boat trip.
- 100 years ago:- on 31st July 1912 that Milton Friedman, economist and educator, winner of the 1976 Nobel Prize for Economics, was born.
- 80 years ago:- on 8<sup>th</sup> July 1932 that the USA's stock market fell to its lowest point (41.22) during the Great Depression.
- Also 80 years ago:- on 30th July 1932, that the 10th Olympiad opened in L.A.
- 75 years ago:- on 11th July 1937 that George Gershwin died.
- 70 years ago:- on 6th July 1942 that Anne Frank and her family went into hiding in a secret annex at her father's workplace in Amsterdam.
- 65 years ago:- on 9th July 1947 that Buckingham Palace announced the engagement of Princess Elizabeth to Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten.
- 60 years ago:- on 26th July 1952 that Eva Peron (Evita), died.
- 40 years ago:- on 21st July 1972 that Bloody Friday took place when the IRA exploded 22 bombs in Belfast, killing nine people and injuring 130.
- 30 years ago:- on 9th July 1982 that Michael Fagan broke into Buckingham Palace and spent 10 minutes talking to the Queen in her bedroom.
- 25 years ago:- on 11th July 1987 that the world's population reached five billion.
- 20 years ago:- on 25<sup>th</sup> July 1992 that the 22nd Olympiad opened in Barcelona, with no countries boycotting the event, or excluded the first time in decades.
- 15 years ago:- on 1st July 1997 that Britain returned Hong Kong to China.

### DIARY OF EVENTS: JULY 2012

Sun	1	12.30 Bride Valley Lunch	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Tue	3	19.30 Puncknowle & Swyre Parish Council	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Wed	4	19.30 Book Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	5	9.30 Church Working Party	St Mary's, Litton Cheney
		14.30 BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Fri	6	10.15 Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	10	19.30 WI Meeting: "Woofability"	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Thu	12	15.15 Olympic Torch event	Burton Bradstock
		19.30 Benefice Meeting	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	14	12.00 Tots & Prams Service	St Mary's, Burton Bradstock
Sun	15	15.00 Family Afternoon Service	LATCH
Mon	16	19.30 BVGC Cultivation of Plants in/around Ponds	Village Hall, Puncknowle
		19.30 PCC Meeting	Pitcombe
Thu	19	14.30 BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Fri	20	10.15 Puncknowle Art Club	Sallie's
Tue	20	12.30 Puncknowle & Swyre Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Sat	28	10.00 Farm Walk & Barbecue	White Hill (farm gate)
		14.30 Puncknowle Church Fete	Puncknowle Manor Gardens



### SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES: July 2012

	1st Sunday 1 July Trinity 4	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 8 July Trinity 5	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 15 July Trinity 6	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 22 July Mary Magdalene	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 29 July Trinity 8
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Songs of Praise 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion (by Extension)	9.30 Family Communion 11.00 Morning Prayer 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion
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Chilcombe			6.30 Evening Prayer		
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion (by (by Extension)	
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Communion (by Extension) 5.00 Evening Prayer	•	11.00 Family Service	
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 United Service
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Worship	11.00 Morning Worship Baptism		
Littlebredy		11.00 Holy Communion (by Extension)		11.00 Holy Communion	