# Bride Valley News



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giving details of events, news, history, photographs etc www.burtonbradstock.org.uk



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www.longbredy.org.uk

#### 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

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#### WEEKDAY SERVICES, NOVEMBER 2015

Monday	2	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	3	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	5	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	5	10.00	<b>Burton Bradstock Holy Communion</b>
Monday	9	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	10	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	12	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	12	10.00	<b>Burton Bradstock Holy Communion</b>
Thursday	12	19.00	Puncknowle Reflect & Study
Friday	13	9.00	Swyre
Monday	16	9.00	Long Bredy
Thursday	19	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	19	10.00	<b>Burton Bradstock Holy Communion</b>
Monday	23	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	24	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	26	9.00	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	26	10.00	<b>Burton Bradstock Holy Communion</b>
Thursday	26	19.00	Puncknowle Reflect & Study
Friday	27	9.00	Swyre
Monday	30	9.00	Long Bredy

#### FROM THE RECTORY

BURTON BRADSTOCK, DT6 4QS
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A pair of young people stride through one of our churchyards on a fine early Autumn evening: this image is a reminder of how, in our communities, we live alongside reminders of departed members of our villages and hamlets. Churchyards and cemeteries are places of stillness; around them life goes on, with almost ceaseless movement - and the two zones, one marked by immobility, the other by movement, exist side by side. And occasionally, as this photograph shows, the zone of movement comes into the place of stillness and the two exist together, for a few moments. In the churchyard of one of the North Dorset villages I once served, there was a tradition that villagers would turn out to watch the bride leave a church wedding. On more than one occasion I saw spectators waiting in the churchyard, sat on table-top tombs, swinging their legs as they waited, on the look-out for the first flash of the white dress emerging from the church porch. This was no disrespect for the departed: quite the opposite, it seemed a natural expression of how the two communities, the living and the departed, are closely interrelated through Jesus who is Lord of the living and Lord of the dead.

Stephen Batty

#### FROM THE REGISTERS

#### WEDDINGS

On 12<sup>th</sup> of September at Burton Bradstock **Sarah Louise Davies** entered the church to the Arrival of the Queen of Sheba to be 'joined together in holy matrimony' with **Daniel Michael Thorpe**. The theme of the service was love - with readings of Johnny Cash's song *I love you because* ... and St Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 13. With the aid of some scales the couple and congregation were asked how we assess love, and how God does. After prayers and the signing of the register the couple left on a quad bike to celebrate on a glorious day in the grounds of Bridesmead, Shipton Lane



**Dominic Tancock** and **Kerry Clare Larcombe**, assisted by her two daughters Jasmine and Lily, were married in Burton Bradstock Church on 19<sup>th</sup> September. After singing the song *Let there be love shared among us* the best man's young son Lori carefully read from the love song of Solomon about 'the

winter ending and love birds singing'. After talking about 'new beginnings' Ryder gave the couple a resin bird, that sings every time you pass it, to remind them of their commitment to love, and a Bible to guide them.

#### LITTON CHENEY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: JOHN YATES 2, SUNNYSIDE COTTAGE, LITTON CHENEY john-and-sandra@hotmail.com Tel: 01308 482392





#### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The **churchyard working party** will be on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November.** There is always plenty to do and volunteers are in short supply, so please come along from 9.30, even if you only have half an hour to spare - every little helps!

#### **ADVENT SONGS OF PRAISE**

The United Benefice service on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November** at 11.00 a.m. will be a special service here at St. Mary's with the theme of Peace & Justice and a collection for Christian Aid. Do join us to enjoy some wonderful music for Advent.

#### LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of Litton Cheney Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November**, 7.30 pm at Litton and Thorner's Community Hall. All local residents are welcome and indeed actively encouraged to attend.

#### **CANINES OF LITTON CHENEY UNITE!**

Canines of Litton Cheney, some of your owners and walkers are letting you down by not clearing up your poo, and, even when they do "bag it" have often left it lying by the roadside and outside other people's houses. Shame of them and they bring shame on you! Please bring this note to the attention of your owners. Tell them to do the right thing, respect their village and dispose of your poo responsibly by taking it home.



Beware - the eyes of the village are upon you!

# LITTON AND THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL (LATCH) EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

Mondays Beavers & Cubs

Wednesdays First Steps Toddler Group 9.45 a.m.

Thursdays Art Class 1.30pm-4.00pm in Meeting Room

Thursdays Scouts

Fridays Yoga Classes 10.00 a.m.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Youth Club

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel" - 8.00 p.m.

See further details opposite.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting 7.30 p.m.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Village Café - with a Christmas feel - Weldmar Hospice Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - Thorner's School Association Christmas Market - evening

#### VILLAGE CAFE IN AID OF WELDMAR HOSPICE



On **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November** we will be holding our annual Village Cafe in aid of Weldmar Hospice. In addition to the usual delights of a VC we will also have available cards and Christmas "things", with all proceeds going to this very worthy local charity. Timing is

10.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. and the whole world is welcome, but more importantly, you are.

#### LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Fans of a certain Saturday evening TV show - is it called **STRICTLY COME DANCING?** - will be able to watch the final on the LATCH big screen on **19th** 

**December.** The Social Committee are organising the evening, with similar arrangements to those for the Last Night of the Proms. A bar will be available, but bring along your picnic, klaxons, party dresses etc. and enjoy the evening. Tickets are £1 each and you



can ensure your place by phoning either **Elizabeth Kingston** 482162, or **Caroline Todhunter** 482117. Tickets will also available on the door... assuming any are left!! Exact timings in the December BVN. So do come along and create you own unique atmosphere as the final builds to a crescendo.

A NEW YEAR'S DAY WALK is also planned for, guess when, January 1st 2016! Surprise surprise! Further details in the December BVN.



The committee is planning an event in the Hall for early in the New Year. More details in the next BVN. First however is the annual **Carol Singing around the village on Wednesday and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of December. Times shown on village website and December's BVN.** 

Ron Davidson LCSC 482661

#### BRIDE VALLEY FILMS AT LATCH

Wed. 4 November THE SECOND BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL . Doors Open: 7.30 p.m. Film starts 8.00 p.m.

Wed. 2 December DARK HORSE
The incredible true story of Dream Alliance.
'A triumph. Emotional, funny, heartwarming and up there with the great
underdog stories'. Cert. PG 1 1/4 hrs.

An inspiring documentary film that's worth watching whether you are into horses or not. Set in a former mining village in Wales, against



the backdrop of recession, *Dark Horse* is the inspirational true story of a group of friends from a working men's club who decide to take on the elite 'sport of kings' and breed themselves a racehorse. Raised on a slagheap allotment, their foal grows into an unlikely champion...but that's not the end of the story, so come and see it!

Doors Open: 7.30 p.m. Film starts 8.00 p.m.

**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. (All nos. 01308). We are sharing the licence for this film with Burton who will show it on Friday, 27 Nov.

#### **NEXT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:**

Wed. 3 February Film to be decided.

Look out for further details on posters, on the website and in the BVN.

#### SITUATION VACANT - GROW YOUR OWN

The Litton Cheney allotments currently have a vacant plot. If your garden is too small, full to the brim, or dark and unproductive, or you just fancy an excuse to escape from the telephone and the housework/kids/husband/wife from time to time, how about joining us? Our plots are very manageable in size -10m by 8m, which is plenty to keep a family going in veg, fruit or cut flowers, but not too daunting when it comes to the winter digging. We give preference to residents of Litton Cheney, but when there is no waiting list we can also offer the plot to neighbouring villagers. Contact Alison Dunbar on 01308



482376 or email dunbar.alison@gmail.com if you are interested.

#### **TOUR DE PALMERS 2015**

Well done to the White Horse Team (John Mulhall, Russ Procter, Nick Lunn, Pete Gull, Benny Wain and Tim Robins) who cycled 35 miles to visit 15 Palmers Pubs as part of cask ale week. Although not one of the main prize-winners (the top 3 won varying



quantities of ale), the White Horse Team is believed to be the only team that included the Landlord. Good effort Pete - will Palmers consider a new prize-winning category next year?? Ed.

#### A ROUND DORSET WALK

Congratulations to **Freddie Spicer** for a superb achievement - 180 miles around the County in 12 days . See the Litton Cheney Website for full details, and how to sponsor Freddie (Walking in aid of ZANE and St Mary's Litton Cheney).

#### **GOOD BOOKS**

Bridport's Christian Bookshop

St Mary's Old School, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3RL

Tel: 01308 420483

email: orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk website: www.goodbooksbridport.co.uk

Home of: Bridport Book of Hours, Threads of Hope, Pathways to Care, Bridport & District Good Neighbours & Hopeful Hampers.

Opening hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs. 9.00am-1.00pm, Wed & Fri. 9.00am-3.00pm, Saturday. 10.00am-12.00 noon.



#### PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON



VILLAGE CORRESPONDENTS

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#### ST MARY'S CHURCH PUNCKNOWLE STARTING ON NOVEMBER 15TH:

This is a new venture for everyone to come to, whether you are new to church or a regular attendee; young, young at heart or more mature; just come along and

give it a try.

**10.15 AT PUNCKNOWLE** every 3rd Sunday from 10.15am Puncknowle - St Mary's coffee, papers, chat children's club family service at 11am **ALL WELCOME** 



FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT YVONNE BUCKLAND (LLM) - 898 492

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT will be held at 5pm on Sunday December 13th during which we will hear the Christmas story and assemble the crib. Afterwards, please stay for mince pies and mulled wine.

Why not walk together by torchlight from the **Christmas Fayre** in the Village Hall which is from **3pm to 5pm** to the Carols in Church. Santa's Grotto and other attractions!

#### MESSAGE TO DOG OWNERS

There have been incidents of Dog Fouling reported in the local area. Dog Mess is an eyesore, unpleasant and a health hazard. We remind Dog Owners that it is their Legal Responsibility to clean up after their dog.

The Dog Warden will be making more regular visits to this



area to monitor this problem and on-the-spot fines may be issued. Please keep our villages and the countryside clean and pleasant for everyone.

#### THE NAPPER CHARITY TRUST - PUNCKNOWLE

#### INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS

The Napper Charity Trust raises a small fund each year to be used for the benefit of residents of Puncknowle and awards from it are now available on application – either in the form of grants to individuals or to groups. (The full terms of the Charity are available on request - see below.)

Any person or group (from Puncknowle) can make an application for a share of these funds.

Please apply in confidence to

The Clerk of Puncknowle & Swyre Parish Council (Carolyn Buckland) - Telephone 01308-897726 - email Puncknowle@dorsetparishes.gov.uk or contact any of the Parish Councillors for further details.

ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.

#### PUNCKNOWLE BOOK CLUB

This month we have read **Where Three Roads Meet** by **Salley Vickers.** This short but most intriguing novel is written entirely as a dialogue between the dying Sigmund Freud living at Maresfield

Road in Hampstead and Tiresias. Freud famously defined the 'Oedipus complex' whilst Tiresias is the blind seer who gives Oedipus the news of the terrible deeds he has (unwittingly) committed in the Greek myth. Beautifully written and enjoyed, if slightly a mystifying book.

We have just been notified of our book choices for 2016 and there are some cracking reads in the mix. We have one vacancy in the group so if you enjoy reading and talking about books please contact **Michele** on 07881 206103 or mail <a href="mailto:vassar14@gmail.com">vassar14@gmail.com</a>. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30.

Michele Vasser

#### PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

Members took a vote on our display of Summer work on the theme of local landscapes. Congratulations to **Kathy** who gained the most votes and won the **Bembridge Trophy.** Everyone worked

hard at our workshop on 'loose watercolour'. There was more than could be done in one morning so this may become something of an ongoing theme. We have the **6**th and **20**th left to cover more ground.

Christine Molony



#### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWYRE.

We shall be holding an Advent Coffee Morning at 10.30 am on 28<sup>th</sup> November any contributions and help on the day will be most welcome. This is a fund raising event and all proceeds will be used to maintain the fabric of the Church.

#### **JULIAN GROUP**

The Group meet at 10.00am on the first Monday in every month, next meeting is on **Monday 2**<sup>nd</sup> **November.** 

#### PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB

Our next meal will be on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November**. Anyone wishing to join us or those who have booked a meal and cannot make it please telephone **David Buckland** on 898492.



Helpers are always welcome, whether it is setting up the hall for the meals, preparing food and/or cooking or clearing up afterwards. You do not have to be a committee member. We are looking to have enough helpers/cooks to enable us to have more than one team. If you feel you would like to join us in this venture or want to know more please telephone me David Buckland 898492 and I would be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join this popular social event and are over 50 years of age please get in touch. I will be pleased to explain anything about the club you wish to know. We often have at least 30 members enjoying the meal and company.

David Buckland

#### SHIPTON GORGE

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: BARBARA CHAMBERS WEST COURT, BROOK STREET, SHIPTON GORGE bc74@btinternet.com Tel: 01308 897482





# ST MARTIN'S CHURCH FLOODLIGHT SPONSORS

St Martin's Church floodlights are shining in November for

Kate & John Kent Steve Larcombe in memory of Mildred. Liz and Frank, for their happy stay in Shipton Gorge with Pete, Cathryn & Charlotte Johnson. For Jill and Dave Curtis's Silver Wedding Anniversary. Doreen Rogers in memory of her husband Frank. Linda and Ed Buck.

Our grateful thanks go to all our supporters including those who wish to remain anonymous. If you would like to light up St Martins for a special occasion or a fond memory, sponsorship is just £5. For your occasion to be mentioned in the BVN for the appropriate month, please contact me in good time to reach the BVN submission date. Our sponsor's names are also posted in the church porch.

Phyl Webster 01308 898657

#### ST MARTIN NEEDS YOU!

Our lovely Village Church, standing on its hill with its wonderful views is in need of a little more love.

Our cleaning crew have worked really hard to keep it clean and polished over the last few years. However, with people moving and others ready for a rest we really need some new faces on the team. It only means an hour of your time 3 times a year to dust and vacuum.

If anyone can help please get in touch with **Linda Buck** on 01308 898278.

We also need a volunteer from the village to join other village representatives in collecting the Bride Valley News from Creeds the Printers twice a year. For details ring **Linda**.

#### SHIPTON GORGE PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and all are welcome to attend. This is the meeting where the council sets its budget for next year (April 2016 – March 2017) so if you are interested in knowing how your council tax is spent in the village, do come along.

By the time you read this the work on Cuckoo Lane will be underway, or even finished, and the road will then be re-opened one way northbound. It's taken over 3 years and will be good to have this finally open again. Although we have all enjoyed being able to walk the lane during the past few years, so a reminder to walkers to take care and look out for vehicles on the lane when it is re-opened.

Our new household refuse collection schedule, with the new bins, started during October and hopefully everyone is clear about the way it works. However if you need any help with this please contact the clerk who has leaflets on 01308-898189 or speak to any parish councillor or committee

member of any other village organisations who will be happy to explain the details.

Our fingerposts are starting to go back up again after their refurbishment and the one at the top of Cuckoo Lane is already in place and looking very smart now. Our thanks to **Christine Huxtable** for all her hard work on this monumental task.

Finally a reminder for everyone about how you can report potholes or other problems or issues that you notice on the highways. Use the Dorset County Council Highways Department's on-line system at <a href="http://">http://</a>

www.dorsetforyou.com/travel-dorset/roads-and-driving/report-a-road-

problem or alternatively phone them on **01305 221020**. We would urge all residents to report these direct as this is the most effective way of getting them investigated and remedied quickly.

Mary Boughton

#### DCA DORSET BEST KEPT VILLAGE RESULTS 2015

Yes once again we have WON, having being placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Previous Small Village Winners category.

Thanks to **Simon Cleveland** for compiling and submitting our entry and a big thanks to everybody who did their bit in contributing to our WIN. Congratulations also to **Burton Bradstock** who picked up a Winner's award for coming 1<sup>st</sup> in the Large Village entry as well as Awards in other categories.

The full results can be found on the dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk website.

#### XMAS SHOPPING TRIP TO EXETER ON THURS 3RD DECEMBER

Early notice of our Annual Shopping Trip by coach to **EXETER** which will be leaving at 9.30am from the NEW INN car park on the above date. Please book your place early with **Sally Parker** on 01308 897168 in order that we can obtain a suitably sized Coach.

Terry Diver

#### SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE AGM

Shipton Gorge Heritage will be holding its AGM on **Friday 4 December** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The meeting is open to all members and non members so if you are new to the village or do not know what one of your village charities does, do come along to find out. If there are any items that you would like to be included on the agenda, please contact me (897928) or **Mary** (897958).

Hilary Cunningham (Chair)

#### PRE-CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

This year's Pre-Christmas Get Together will be on Sunday 29th November in the Village Hall, between noon and 2.30 pm.

Everyone is welcome – and if you are new to Shipton Gorge, come along and put some names to faces (or the other way round!). Please bring a plate of food and something to drink ... and have fun.

Jane & Tony Mallett

#### VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB OCTOBER DRAW



£20 No 10 Dick & Barbara West £10 No 86 Jill Curtis £5 No 99 Ann Hunt

#### **BURTON BRADSTOCK**

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# ST MARY'S CHURCH THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Home boxes are now due to be returned to **The Bramleys**, **Annings** Lane or to a sidesperson at
church services. If you would prefer your box to be



collected please ring 898327.



Our **CHRISTINGLE**, which will be led by our Rector, Canon Stephen Batty, is at 3.30pm on **Friday December 11**th in St. Mary's Church. Everyone is welcome to come and share this happy event in which children from the school will be taking part. It will be followed by a party for the children and tea for the adults in the Village Hall.

Our fundraising carol singing round the village takes place on Monday **December 21st** and we look forward to plenty of singers joining us (torch in hand) at 6pm outside the church.

Pauline Woodford (Village Representative for The Children's Society)

#### A BIG THANK YOU EVERYONE!

Very many thanks to everyone who has sent cards and messages of support following Sheila's recent stroke. We have been overwhelmed by people's concern and offers of help.



We hope she will make a complete recovery in the fullness of time.

Sheila & Ken Pett

# BURTON BRADSTOCK MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Crafts, Coffee and Cakes will be on sale from 10am-12noon on **Wednesday 4th November** in the Burton Bradstock Reading Room. This special effort is to support Doug and Jacqui Marshall, our CMS Link Missionaries, working with refugees in Malta. All are very welcome.

Burton Bradstock Missions Committee



#### BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

CONGRATULATIONS TO BURTON BRADSTOCK ON WINNING THE DORSET BEST LARGE VILLAGE COMPETITION AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD 2015



#### The Corncrake Working Group

Winners of the Environmental award 2015

Sponsored by Magna and DCC



The Burton Bradstock Volunteers

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone involved in keeping the village tidy planting, painting and generally maintaining this beautiful village.

#### Chairman for the forthcoming meetings:-

Nov Mike Evans
Dec & Jan Dave Venn
Feb& Mar Darren Batten

#### **BURTON BRADSTOCK PC CURRENTLY HAS 4 VACANCIES**

Please contact the Clerk for further information about the role.

#### NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November** 7.30 pm at the Reading Room. All welcome.

The agenda will be available at least 3 clear days before the meeting, on the Parish Council notice boards (outside the Reading Room and the Library), and on the website <a href="https://www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org">www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org</a>.

If you have any queries on any of the above information you can contact the Council through the Parish Clerk, **Mrs Michele Harding**, by email on <a href="mailto:burtonbradstockparishclerk@gmail.com">burtonbradstockparishclerk@gmail.com</a> or by phone on Tel: 01305 871268

On **Saturday, 21st November** we welcome the West Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Bellringers to Burton Bradstock for their AGM. Ringing will take place during the afternoon, followed by a Church Service at 4.30 p.m. and by tea and a business meeting in the Village Hall. Howard Bongers



Dorset Historic Churches Trust Annual Ride & Stride - 12 September. The magnificent sum of £572.00 was raised and thanks go to Clare, Liz and Linda for taking part, to all those who generously sponsored them and to those who helped on the day.

Howard Bongers

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY



"PA 474 to XM 607 (the Lancaster to the Vulcan) is the title of our next talk on Friday 13th November in the village hall at 7.30 p.m. The speaker will be Squadron Leader (rtd) Kevin Lawry. Kevin was born in Cornwall and grew up



to the sound of RR Griffon engines on the Shackletons from nearby St

Mawgan. He joined the RAF in 1967 and after training as a pilot was posted to No 44 Squadron on the Vulcan. He had subsequent tours of duty with the Vulcan on the Operational Conversion Unit and 35 and 101 Squadrons. In addition he carried out one tour of duty as Officer Commanding operations at RAFU Goose Bay Canada.

Kevin later became a instructor and commanded Liverpool University Air Squadron before finishing as a standards instructor on the Royal Air Force College Air Squadron at RAF Cranwell.

Our December meeting will be on Friday December the 4th when Susan Moores will be our speaker with a talk entitled "Xmas...Pagan or what? "We will also be serving mulled wine mince pies and stollen cake.

#### VILLAGE HALL TRUST.

For bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré (01308897648)

#### "200 CLUB" SEPTEMBER 2015 DRAW

No 137

No 14

No 192

WDDC LICENCE NO: SL0080

1st

2nd

3rd

#### Congratulations to the winners: £42.40

£21.20

£10.60



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.

Ms Elise Ripley

Apologies - in the October BVN the second and third winners were shown as the same person in error. The Editor

#### COFFEE STOP MORNINGS

The Coffee Stop mornings in the hall where a hot drink and a biscuit are available for 50p were started to provide a general "meet and chat" venue. They run from 10:00 to 12:00 and all are welcome.



Date Organiser Wed 18th November **Bowls Club** Weds 16th December St Mary's Church

While they are not intended to raise funds, they have made small contributions, so all the various organisers have agreed to contribute any profits from them into a fund to purchase a **defibrillator and outside cabinet** for general use at the Village Hall. They cost in the region of  $\pounds 2,000$  including VAT. So far, including some generous private donations and income from the **Pudding and Pimms** event the fund stands at about  $\pounds 1,0150$ .

#### **BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS**

The last film before Christmas at Burton Bradstock Village Hall will be on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November** and is **Dark Horse.** This is an inspirational true story of Dream Alliance, a champion racehorse bred on a Welsh allotment by a group of friends from a working men's club who decide to take on the elite



'sport of kings'. Set in a depressed Welsh mining village the film is described as a documentary version of an Ealing comedy with sheer warmth and likability and was a winner at the Sundance Film Festival.

Doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Tickets are £5 and include a glass of wine or a soft drink and can be bought in advance from Burton Bradstock Post Office or, if available, on the door on the night.

This film is also being shared with Bride Valley Films at Litton Cheney and will be in their village hall the following **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015** 

Burton Bradstock Films takes a break over the Christmas period until the next film evening on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2016**. The title of this film will be decided in the New Year and posters will be distributed to advertise it at the beginning of January.

#### CHRISTMAS MARKET & COFFEE MORNING.

This year's Christmas Market in the Hall will be on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December**., 10:00 to 12:30, entry £1 for adults, children under 16 free. Coffee. Tea biscuits and cakes will be available to purchase.

The market encourages Christmas related crafts, sweet and gift products, so come and do some Christmas shopping.

People looking for a stall table (£6 each) should contact **Richard Ferré** on 01308897648 or email <u>richard@rferre.fsnet.co.uk</u>. The hall opens at 09:00 for Vendors.

#### CHRISTMAS QUIZ.

The ever popular Village Quiz is on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December, with quiz questions arranged by Sue Brown. In a happy Christmas atmosphere there will be a bar, raffle, prizes for teams doing well (and badly), plus supper in the interval. This fun event is ticket only and is always sold out, so put the date in the diary.



Tickets go on sale at the Post Office on **Wednedsay 25<sup>th</sup> November**, price £7 each which includes supper. All are welcome, teams of 8 or small groups and individuals. To book a vegetarian meal, team table or request being added to a team call **Richard Ferré**, contact details on previous page.



# BURTON BRADSTOCK'S 'A VEAST OF FOLK 2015' was a great success this

year with record audiences, superb music and fine weather as well as a record breaking donation to the RNLI.

Kicking off with the Thursday evening Anchor session, on Friday the lunch time acoustic session, followed by the Ceilidh in the evening

and then the main event on Saturday it was an amazing weekend of music and dance and raised  $\pounds 761$  for the RNLI beating last year's total by more than  $\pounds 100$ . Organisers made the presentation to Jim Sanders, treasurer for Bridport RNLI and were thanked for their splendid donation.

Thanks go to everyone who came and supported the day and especially to local musicians: Acoustic Rooster, Ann Lambert and Wendy Bentley, Bill Cain, Bob Kirkpatrick, Branded Men, Bride Valley Band, Chris Deacon & Jess, Daisy Wardle, David Powell's Bride Valley Dance Band, Delta 88, Hazel and Dave, Henry Nield, Last Gasp Orchestra, Mor or Less, Moveable Feast, Shiraz and the Ukulele players all giving their time for free and making the Veast such an enjoyable event. Many thanks to everyone who helped, to Roy Koerner for the excellent sound and The Anchor Inn and Three Horseshoes Pub & Kitchen for hosting the events.

Plans are already being made for the 3rd Veast of Folk to be held 8th-10<sup>th</sup> Sep 2016. To see pictures of this year's festival and follow our plans for next year find us on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">www.facebook.com/</a> burtonbradstockfolkfestival



# BURTON BRADSTOCK COMMUNITY LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 3.00pm to 5.00pm Tuesday & Saturday 10.00am to 12.00am info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk

#### FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY (FBBL)

As the evenings are drawing in I thought it worthwhile reminding everyone of the DVDs and Jigsaw Lending Catalogue available in the Library. All the jigsaws and DVDs have been donated to create this facility and there is no need to be a member of the library to take advantage of them.

New donations of each are always welcome to keep the choice of material fresh.

You may not realise that as a member of the Library you can access a range of magazines and newspapers on-line. Details are available in the library or on <a href="https://www.dorsetforyou.com/libraryonline">www.dorsetforyou.com/libraryonline</a> website.

#### IN THE LIBRARY THIS MONTH



STORY TIME for children under 5
2.30pm in the Library on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November,
Children should be accompanied by a parent or carer.
Children's books to suit all ages even babies can be borrowed from the Library.

#### **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Once again **James Webster** has kindly donated a water colour painting for the library Christmas card. This year's picture entitled "**Carols on the Village Green**" is on display and cards are available to buy in the Library and both pubs in the village.

Tickets to win the original painting are £1 each from the Village Post Office & Shop. The draw will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> December at the Christmas Market. All proceeds will go to the Friends of Burton Bradstock Library funds.

#### FBBL PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

The FBBL Annual Ploughman's Lunch will be held on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November** from 12.15pm until 2.00pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall.
We will be serving a choice of Gammon, Cheese or Pate, with a licensed bar serving wine, beer and soft drinks.

Tickets are £7 each and will be on sale from Monday 26th October at Burton Bradstock Post Office or from Sandy Adderley on 898358

We also have a sale of books, so if anybody has any books in good condition they no longer want and would like to donate them to our fund raising event, please phone **Sandy** on the above telephone number. Do come along to a very social lunchtime. We look forward to seeing you there on the day.

#### **CHILDRENS POSTERS for Remembrance Day**

If you missed the children's pictures at the British Legion coffee morning or would just like to see them again, they will be on display in the Library from 5<sup>th</sup> November for the following week.

#### **DIARY OF EVENTS**

Thursday 5th November		Children's Posters for Remembrance Day
Monday 9th November	2.30pm	Pre-school Children Story Time
Saturday 14th November	12.15pm	FBBL Ploughman's Lunch in the Village Hall

R.Daniels Chair FBBL



This is a big thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan coffee morning. The weather was kind and the cakes and biscuits were delicious, and £405.10 was raised. There was so much help from people, it made the event memorable and we are very grateful ".

Pat and Peter Broomhead, Pat Neale, and John and Judy Pitchford.

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK W.I.

A late change in the programme brought **Diana Perry** to demonstrate "**Creative Ways with Scarves**" at the October meeting. The mysteries of butterflies, fans, the Ascot knot and other fashions were shown, then reproduced by members with varying degrees of success! More scarves may be seen about the village in the coming months. Meanwhile, Bruce Upton's talk on "adverts" is postponed until January.

We're starting November with our **Early Christmas Fair** (10 - 12 on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>),** so do join us – the £1 admission charge includes tea or coffee and a mince pie, and there will be craft, cake and gift stalls.

Meetings are held in the afternoon during the winter, so at 2.15 on 10<sup>th</sup> November, Chrissie Bailey will be speaking about "Hope and Homes for Children", an international charity working to ensure that all children have the chance to grow up in the love of a family. It was founded in 1994 by a soldier appalled by the terrible conditions in a Sarajevo orphanage.

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

#### **LITTLEBREDY**

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT:

email: pwbridehead@btinternet.com Tel: 482232





Many congratulations to **Nic Armstrong**, whose "Ride and Stride" efforts in September raised not far short of  $\pounds 1,000$  for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust (half of which is returned to Littlebredy). If anyone who didn't chip in at the time would like to help her get to that magic figure, no doubt it's not too late to

offer a bit of retrospective sponsorship when you see her – or by ringing 482452.

We welcome **Lee Quincey** to Spring Cottage. Lee is already a familiar figure around the village, with several family members already here, and we have no doubt he will enhance the community and vice versa. A warm welcome to him.

The village BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS EVENING will be on FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER. For various reasons it is planned to start rather later than usual, with the fire being lit at about 7.30 p.m. and the firework display starting at about 7.45 p.m. (but the bar and barbecue may be open a bit earlier). Anyone wanting to contribute a large firework or two or a bit of cash to defray expenses should please contact Glenn Wilkinson at 1, Yew Tree Cottage (482550) or Dan Barrett at Gardens Cottage (482307).

#### LONG BREDY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: SUSAN DYER

TEL: 482882

EMAIL: bvn@longbredy.org.uk





#### **COFFEE MORNING**

On Saturday, November 14th there will be a Pre-Christmas coffee morning, raffle, and bring and buy in the Village Hall from 10.00a.m. until 12 noon. Last year's coffee mornings were very popular and provided a lovely opportunity for people

to meet and chat, especially anyone new to the village. Come for a **friendly atmosphere** and excellent **home-made refreshments** in the newly decorated hall.

#### **MOVING ON**

'Travelling' just down the road, Charlotte Kinghorn has now moved into No

1, The Rookery. Good luck and much happiness there, Charlotte. It's good that you are staying in the village.

Moving a little further afield, after 21 years here, **Valerie** and **lain Cameron** have now left the village to live in Poundbury. During those years they contributed a lot to village life - helping with the fetes, and photographing Long Bredy events. As a very keen gardener, Val was an active village rep for the Bride Valley Garden Club and delighted in sharing her knowledge of, and enthusiasm for, plants. Iain gave several beautifully illustrated talks about their travels to Ladybirds and was extremely helpful with photographs for the village website. They will be missed in the village but we hope they will be very happy in their new home and return to enjoy some Long Bredy events in future. (The last item in the Long Bredy entry this month may be of particular interest to them!)

#### TEA AND CHAT

Enjoy the opportunity to meet up with others for tea and chat, on Wednesday 11th November and Tuesday 8th December, from 3.00p.m. until 5.00pm. All are welcomenot just Long Bredy residents - at Baglake Farm. The days are alternating this winter so that anyone with regular commitments on Tuesdays or Wednesdays doesn't totally miss out.



#### **100 CLUB WINNERS**

The winners for September 2015 were:

£25	No.100	Charlotte Kinghorn
£25	No.88	Sir Philip Williams
£5	No.7	David Cain

Now, plan ahead - wherever you live in the area - for an exciting.......

#### PICTORIAL CHALLENGE

In association with the summer event being planned in **Long Bredy for 2016** it is proposed to have a flower arranging competition. Incorporated with this there will be a photographic competition.



So get out those cameras and get your entries ready. To assist you deciding what photos to take, listed below are the proposed subject classes, with some general guidelines.

#### 1)" Anything Long Bredy "

This may be a scene, person or subject specifically in Long Bredy. It

will only be open to residents of Long Bredy and there will be a special prize for the winning entry

#### 2) "A Royal Connection"

With the royal celebrations in mind try your hand at this class. OK connections can be tenuous, so use your imagination and create something special. This class will be open to all.

#### 3) "A Winter's Scene"

To keep you interested and busy through the winter months have a go at this class. This class will be open to all.

#### 4) " Fun "

Open to young people (13Yrs or below). Must be a fun subject.

Entries will be required printed on 6" X 4" sheet.

Further details will be available nearer the event. The purpose of this is to make you aware and allow you to prepare. Happy Snapping!

Alan Kinghorn 01308 482270 or aking44634@aol.com

#### THE LIVING TREE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Living Tree meets on Fridays between 2pm and 4.30pm at the Friends' Meeting House in South Street, Bridport. It offers friendship, mutual support, creative activities, holistic therapies, diet and lifestyle information for anyone with any kind of cancer.



www.thelivingtree.org.uk or contact Jo O'Farrell on 01308 427851

# BRIDE VALLEY CAR SERVICE DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING TO YOUR MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS?



# IF YOU LIVE IN THE BRIDE VALLEY, A B.V.C.S VOLUNTEER DRIVER CAN GET YOU THERE

For more information, contact Virginia McShane: 425591

Cruse Bereavement Care runs an informal monthly meeting at Bridport

Hospital for any who have been bereaved.

Feel free to drop in any time between 10.00am and 12.00 on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday** of each month for a "cuppa" and a chat.

Contact Diana Wright 01308 456 967



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#### ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-incheek letters From 'Uncle Eustace': On church management consultants

> The Rectory St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

I'm sure your church's team of management consultants meant well, but their visit here was not wholly helpful. It is all very well when they are coordinating office staff, secretaries, clergy teams and legions of volunteers, but here, there is me, Miss Margison and a golden retriever.

Our simpler pattern works perfectly well: if it happens in church, I do it; if it involves drawing up rotas, stoking the boiler, visiting the sick or clearing the car park of snow or the churchyard of leaves, Miss Margison does it. If something small and furry or flapping and feathery has strayed into the church, the golden retriever does it – by carrying it back outside.

Inevitably, there are legions of people around the parish who are always "glad to lend a hand if needed." Having said that, they then feel satisfied, and actually do nothing – but complain about those of us who do do things.

Rotas are irrelevant, as whatever is written down never bears the slightest resemblance to reality anyway. As soon as someone finds that they are booked on a certain date to read a lesson, make coffee, or mow the churchyard, they immediately book a holiday for that week.

If we are lucky, they may find a replacement - apart from one occasion. Major Hastings was unable to read the lessons on a certain day, so he booked another, then forgot and booked a second person. Cometh the day, they both went to the lectern and neither would

give way, so we had the lessons read by two people. It would not have been too bad if they read at the same pace, but they got ever more out of phase as the reading progressed, one having returned to his pew while the other was still doggedly finishing the last few verses.

I did, however, greatly appreciate your team's advice on time efficiency. From now on, on Sunday mornings, the lessons will be read while the hymns are sung, the collection taken while the anthem is given and the sermon preached while the notices are delivered. In future, we should get through Mattins in twelve and a half minutes.

Your loving uncle, Eustace

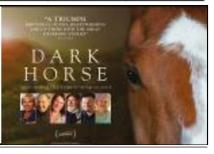
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#### **DARK HORSE**

Wednesday 2nd December 7.30 for 8.00pm LATCH See Litton Cheney Section page 7 for further details



#### VALLEY NOTES



# BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL



During our assemblies this term we are considering the theme of 'inspiration'. The

children have been thinking about people who inspire them ranging from family members to famous people who have special talents. The children have also been trying hard to be good role models and an inspiration to others within school. So far we have seen the older children encouraging the younger ones at playtimes, we have seen children modelling good behaviour for others to follow and their work...wow! At the start of term we talked about high expectations and the children have really risen to the challenge and are showing us that they are putting in 100% effort with amazing results. We are so proud of them!



This term we have also achieved the National School Games Silver Award for our commitment to sport and competition. For the last two years the school has been awarded the Bronze award and we are over the moon to get a Silver award this year! The last academic year saw lots of new sporting initiatives

including a Skip Hop Talent Show, Key Stage 2 Sports Challenge and the introduction of the new Beach Team Sports Challenge Shield. All of these things happened thanks to our Year 5 and 6 School Sports Ambassadors who worked extremely hard to plan, lead and co-ordinate the events. In fact they were truly inspirational!

We welcomed lots of parents and friends into Church this October as part of our Harvest Festival. The Church looked splendid with not only the produce that was donated but also with the colourful arrangements of flowers. The children gave thanks for the harvest with poems, songs and prayers. Two of the poems are reproduced on the opposite page.

The **Friends of the School** are as busy as ever! This month saw the launch of our very first Bingo night and already plans are afoot for the **Christmas Fayre** which will be held at the school on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, 10-noon.

Another new initiative is a 100 club that is being set up to support the school. If you would like to take part in the 100 club please see Mrs Barrett in the school office. For only £10 per year you will have the chance to win monthly monetary prizes with additional bonus prizes twice a year. Not only will you have the anticipation of a win but you will know that your £10 will be going towards supporting the children of the school!

Claire Staple, Headteacher

Withered Wheat waving in the wind,
Valuable Vegetables pushing through the ground,
Brilliant Bread baking in the sur.

Fabralous Fruit brightening up the fields.

Scrumptions Strawberies hanging on their stalks,
Radiant Rasparies repening in the sun.

Sparkling Sun shiring on the crops, Funky Towers flowing on the field, Tremendous Trees towing the orchard. Funtastic farmers waiting for horsest time.

Foreing tractors powering across the fields,

Huge horses barrying their owners.

Brilliant baking still warm from the oven.

Appelishing apples rosy red in the tree.

Crunchy corn waiting to be cut.

Planip pumpkins bursting with seeds.

Tall trees shredding their leaves.

Perfect produce fresh from the crops.

ByEva

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#### THORNER'S CE VA SCHOOL

Towards the end of last term, the children and staff agreed on five core values to be adopted by

the school. These are love, endurance, hope, forgiveness and trust.

With the help of a local stone carver, all the children took part in carving our school values in stone. The stone plaques, when finished, will be displayed in school.

The children enjoyed a drama workshop, involving lots of role play and acting out various scenarios. The Bredy children are enjoying free tuition in ukulele. Time to start practising those old songs...

The children have been enjoying the Discovery Area and learning 'nature art'. One of the children told a governor they were 'looking for body parts for their face'!







Eggardon picked blackberries from the school hedge and made tarts and pies.

The **Discovery Area Action Day** saw some lovely weather. There was a good turnout of helpers including our Reverend, Stephen Batty. So much was achieved. The Curtis family worked hard to weave the willow back into the willow structures. Charlie and Stephen built two raised beds, ready for some vegetable growing. Several children worked hard filling wheelbarrows and weeding the tyres and were given some of the windfalls in the orchard to eat as a reward!

The **TSA Bag2School** raised £60 – thank you. The **TSA** are running a **Christmas market shopping evening on Friday 27 November**; please put the date in your diaries.

#### 100 club winners:

June £15 Janet Jackson £10 D. Anderson July £15 Jane Hutchins £10 Rachel Maltby Aug £15 Marion Harp £10 Helen Jones

Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher

#### BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS PRE -SCHOOL

#### Auction of promises

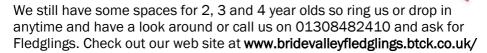
At the White Horse 7.30 on Friday 20th November—All funds raised going to Bride Valley Fledglings.

Please do come along and have a fun evening while supporting Fledglings.

Going...

If anyone has a promise they would like to donate please contact **jill.neill@live.co.uk** 

News Flash-From **November 2015** we will be opening on a **Friday**. Please pass the message on to anyone you know who might be interested



We are open Monday – Thursday 9-3.30

#### TOTS AND PRAM SERVICE

An informal friendly service for all tots, babies and bumps and their parents/carers is held at **St Mary's Church Burton Bradstock** on the second Friday of each month (except August) at **2.15 pm**. It includes singing, activities, story time, refreshments and playtime. You're welcome to the services held on **Friday 13th November**, and **Friday 11th December** 

For more information about the tots' events please contact either **Audrey** on **897227** or **Heather** on **897780**.

#### FIRST STEPS TODDLER GROUP

We would like to invite any parents, grandparents or carers of children from babies until 4 years old along to our lovely toddler group. We have a good selection of toys and soft play equipment. We provide snacks and tea or coffee for the bargain price of £2!



Please come along and support the group as we only have a small number at the moment. We meet every Wednesday (term time) from 9.45 am to 11.15 am in LATCH (Litton Cheney Hall) Contact Claire Gauden for more info (01308 898728 or email <a href="mailto:claire.gauden@yahoo.co.uk">claire.gauden@yahoo.co.uk</a>)

#### GOOD BOOKS VOLUNTEER VACANCY

Volunteer Accounts Clerk needed to job share this role in Good Books. Must be computer literate. Experience of Excel and online banking would be helpful, but not essential as training will be given. Hours by arrangement between the job sharers, usually 2 to 3 a week. If you can help us with this or would like more information, please call in at Good Books with your details or send an email to: orders@goodbooks.co.uk for the attention of Jan Brown.

#### **Burton Bradstock W.I.**

Early Christmas Fayre.
Sat 7th Nov
10:00 - 12:00
In the Village Hall.







Crafts - Christmas Gifts Books - Cakes - Raffle





Admission £1 (includes Tea/Coffee & Mince Pie) CHORAL CONCERT
BRIDE VALLEY LADIES CHOIR &
FRIENDS
SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER 3pm
at St. JOHN'S WEST BAY

Programme includes
FOUR CORONATION ANTHEMS HANDEL and music by BACH,
VIVALDI and HAYDN.

Entry by programme, price £8 - Available from choir members, or at the door.

Contacts: Janet Lane 897241 and Vicky Thomas 898648

Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup> from 10.15am Puncknowle - St Mary's coffee, papers, chat, children's club family service at 11am

ALL WELCOME



#### RENOVARE CONFERENCE

Four people from the Benefice attended the Renovare conference, which was advertised by Salisbury diocese. Renovare is an international, cross-denominational movement to support Christians to become more Christlike. For more information on Renovare go to <a href="https://www.renovarelife.org">www.renovarelife.org</a>

The conference was held at Canford Magna Parish Centre but we also had time to visit the beautiful 1000 year old church. It's not easy to summarise a conference that has had such a deep and lasting impact, but here goes:

- There's far more to the gospel than has been traditionally taught by the Church, particularly since the Reformation. It's not just about dealing with sin, which is the predominant church teaching, but also its about living life differently now: having a different way of looking at the world and people and, especially, God. The word "repent" means "change your way of thinking". If Jesus said "anyone who has seen me has seen the Father", do we need to change the way we think about God?
- We looked at various spiritual practices, many of which appear to have gone out of fashion, and how they're designed to help us rather than being yet another burden we feel we must/ought to take on. We're far too good at piling stuff onto ourselves, yet Jesus said his "yoke" (teaching) was easy....Why do we persist in doing this to ourselves?
- We looked at the rich and varied aspects of Christian spirituality and how they can all help us in different ways.
- We explored the various stages of faith and how going through these stages – sometimes several times – affects our relationships with God and with each other, as well as how we feel about Church.
- We discussed and practised meditation as a means to be in God's presence and be mindful of the present

In addition to the inspirational teaching, the day was punctuated by delicious refreshments, provided by Canford Magna church members, and some hilarious yet thought provoking video clips. The impact of this conference is still with us and will be for a long time.

Gill Newell

#### **BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB**

At the Gardening Club's meeting in September Malcolm Mills, from the Gold Club, made a return visit to talk to us about all aspects of growing soft fruit. Beginning with soil preparation he advised us what to plant, how and where to plant them,



then demonstrated how to look after and prune them. From the long list of soft fruits available to us we have been encouraged us to try new varieties in the future.

#### Jobs to do in November

Clump-forming perennials should be divided every three to four years and this is the ideal time to do it so that they have time to establish before spring. To prevent frost damage mulch vulnerable perennials with a thick layer of garden compost and protect planted containers by wrapping them in bubble wrap. Pot up lilies for next year. Bring prepared bulbs such as hyacinths into a well-lit area for flowers at Christmas. Sow broad beans and peas under cloches. Plant new rows of summer raspberries. Before lighting bonfires check they are clear of sheltering wildlife; clean out bird boxes; regularly clean bird feeders and bird baths.

Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473

#### VERY LAST MINUTE REMINDER re. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Last minute requests *may* be in time to catch the deadline for the above; please give your cheque payable to *The Bride Valley Churches Team Council* to Susan as soon as possible. *Please refer to October B.V.N. page 35 for further details*.

# ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH

#### **SOCIAL EVENINGS**

Social evenings are usually held on the last Monday evening in the month commencing at 7.00 for 7.30 pm.



There will be a Social Evening in the **Stable Bar** of **The Anchor** on **Monday 30th November.** 

Please let Basil Dent (897125) or Malcolm Lawrence (89861) know if you are attending.

#### OTHER EVENTS

Thursday Nov. 5th Coffee morning in Burton Village Hall from 10.00am

Saturday Nov.7th Wreath laying in the Bride Valley

Sunday Nov. 8th Remembrance Service at St Mary's Burton 10.45am

Membership of The Legion is not restricted to ex-Servicemen and women; it is open to all and you are welcome to join us. Please contact myself or Basil Dent on the above telephone number for more details.

Malcolm Lawrence Secretary (898616)

### EXETER

By coach

Visiting Exeter Cathedral Lunchtime Carol Service

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Time for late Christmas Shopping from Dorchester

Sat. 19 December

#### **Now Booking!**

Call Des Baker (01305 267617)
for further information

Sponsored by 
"The Social Fund"/Royal British <u>Legion (Abbotsbury & Portesham Branch)</u>

### CARDIFF

By executive style coach

For Christmas Shopping etc.

**Dorchester** 

Thurs. 26 November (Fare only £23.50)

#### **Now Booking!**

Call Des Baker (01305 267617) for further information

Sponsored by "The Social Fund"/Royal British <u>Legion (Abbotsbury &</u> Portesham Branch)

Des Baker (The Social Fund Chairman) 01305 267617 or aveswood@sky.com

# Stepping Out

For people living with or beyond cancer

**Stepping Out** is a 12 week cancer rehabilitation referral scheme at Bridport Leisure Centre funded by Macmillan, West Dorset District

Council's Leisure Development Fund, West Dorset's Clinical Commissioning Group and the Inspired by 2012 Health and Wellbeing Olympic Legacy Fund. It is free to anyone that has received a cancer diagnosis and aims to encourage a physically active lifestyle for greater wellbeing.

Physical activity can help to manage some of the side effects of cancer treatment such as reducing cancer related fatigue, reducing stress and anxiety, improving low mood, improving bone and heart health, building muscular strength, helping to maintain a healthy weight, and improving quality of life and life expectancy.

On **Mondays** the session runs from 10am - 12.30pm and includes a one hour supported group exercise class followed by an educational session covering topics such as Fatigue Management, Diet and Nutrition and Mindfulness. On **Fridays** the session runs from 10 am - 11.30am and introduces participants to new activities such as Nordic walking, Yoga, Relaxation and Meditation, and Tripudio.

Participation on the scheme is by GP/ CNS referral and after an initial assessment with project manager Jo Perfect. For more information please contact Jo on <a href="mailto:j.perfect@bridportleisure.com">j.perfect@bridportleisure.com</a> or at Bridport Leisure Centre on 01308 427464.

#### WALKING FOOTBALL!

LOVE Football? Want to stay Active?

Walking Football, a slower version of the beautiful game!

The game is small sided, with no running on or off the ball, very little contact and kick-ins instead of throw-ins. With less stress on the body and no real sudden change of direction or cutting movements, the game allows participants to play in a safe environment.

Walking football has become increasingly popular and is designed to help people live an active lifestyle, as well as to support getting people back into football who have stopped playing due to age or injury. Long term benefits can include reduced heart rate and blood pressure and better mobility.

As well as offering health benefits walking football offers social benefits - the opportunity for participants to meet new people, prevent isolation and create interaction for individuals and small groups. Many sessions are increasing in numbers simply due to word of mouth within local communities and players sharing their positive experiences from taking part in the game.



Sessions are taking place across Dorset for men and women keen to come back to playing or brand new and wanting to stay healthy, make friends and socialise. We are always keen to support new sessions where there is demand and for those who want competition we are also developing a Walking Football League across the county.

For details on how to join sessions or to enter a team into the league please contact at **justine.mosley@dorsetfa**.com or 01202 688277

# DIARY, NOVEMBER 2015

Mon	2	10.00	Julian Meeting	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Tue	3	18.30	Bride Valley Youth Club	LATCH
Wed	4	10.00	Burton Missions - Craft, Coffee & Cakes	Reading Room, Burton
Wed	4	19.30	Burton Parish Council Meeting	Reading Room, Burton
Wed	4	20.00	Bride Valley Films - Second Best Marigold Hotel	LATCH
Thu	5	9.30	Churchyard Working Party	St Mary's Litton Cheney
Thu	5	14.30	G of H Prayer/Meditation Group	Othona Community House
Fri	6	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	6	19.30	Bonfire & Fireworks Evening	Littlebredy
Sat	7	10.00	Early Christmas Fayre	Village Hall, Burton
Sat	7	15.00	Concert - Bride Valley Ladies Choir & Friends	St John's West Bay
Mon	9	14.30	Childrens' under 5 Story Time	Library, Burton
Tue	10	14.15	Burton WI - Hope & Homes for Children	Village Hall, Burton
Tue	10	19.30	Litton Cheney Parish Council Meeting	LATCH
Wed	11	15.00	Tea & Chat	Baglake Farm
Wed	11	19.30	Shipton Gorge Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall, Shipton
Fri	13	14.15	Tots & Pram Service	St Mary's Burton
Fri	13	19.30	Village Society - Sq Leader (Rt'd) Kevin Lawry	Village Hall, Burton
Sat	14	10.00	Pre-Xmas Coffee Morning, Raffle, Bring'n'Buy	Village Hall, Long Bredy
Sat	14	12.15	FBBL - Ploughmans Lunch	Village Hall, Burton
Tue	17	12.30	PWSB Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Wed	18	10.00	Coffee Stop hosted by Bowls Club	Village Hall, Burton
Wed	18	19.30	Bride Valley Gardening Club -	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	19	14.30	G of H Prayer/Meditation Group	Othona Community House
Fri	20	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	20	19.30	BV Fledglings - Auction of Promises	White Horse, Litton Cheney
Sat	21	10.30	Village Café - Weldmar Hospice	LATCH
Fri	27	19.30	Burton Films "Dark Horse"	Village Hall, Burton
Fri	27	18.00	Thorner's School Association Christmas Market	LATCH
Sat	28	10.30	Advent Coffee Morning	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Sun	29	12.00	Pre-Christmas Get Together	Village Hall, Shipton
Mon	30	19.30	Bride Valley British Legion - Social	The Anchor, Burton

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	SUNDAY SER	SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES NOVEMBER 2015									
	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 1 November All Saints Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 8 November Remembrance Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 15 November 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 22 November Christ the King	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 29 November Advent Sunday						
Burton	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service	10.45 RBL Service of Remembrance	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service	11.00 Holy Communion	8.00 Holy Communion						
Bradstock	6.30 Evening Prayer	6.30 Evening Prayer	6.30 Evening Prayer	6.30 Evening Prayer							
Shipton Gorge	11.00 All Saints Service	9.30 Remembrance Service	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship 3.30 Evensong							
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	10.50 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion							
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	10.15 Coffee, Papers 11.00 Family Service	9.30 All age Holy Communion							
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship	No service today	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 United Benefice Advent Songs of Praise						
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion		9.30 Morning Worship								
Littlebredy		10.50 Holy Communion by ext		11.00 Holy Communion							