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WEEKDAY SERVICES, AUGUST 2017

Tuesday	1	9.00	Burton Bradstock - prayers
Thursday	3	10.00	Burton Bradstock - no service today
Thursday	6	19.00	Reflect & Study with H.C. at Puncknowle
Tuesday	8	9.00	Burton Bradstock - prayers
Thursday	10	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	14	9.00	Swyre - prayers
Tuesday	15	9.00	Burton Bradstock - prayers
Thursday	17	10.00	Burton Bradstock Morning Prayer
Thursday	17	19.00	Reflect & Study with H.C. at Puncknowle
Monday	21	9.00	Swyre – prayers
Tuesday	22	9.00	Burton Bradstock - prayers
Thursday	24	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Tuesday	29	9.00	Burton Bradstock - prayers
Thursday	31	10.00	Burton Bradstock Morning Prayer

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FROM THE RECTORY

BURTON BRADSTOCK, DT6 4QS
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'The Lord shall preserve your going out and coming in...'
Psalm 121

At first glance, this object may not look much but to me it has made a huge difference to my life: eight struts of wood, screwed into a length of timber which is a doorstep's width. And there's the clue: this is the underside of the wooden ramp which means that I have



smooth access over our doorstep when I need to leave and enter the house in my powered wheelchair. My clergy colleague Tom Clammer, who is Precentor at Salisbury Cathedral, says that it is only after having his mobility limited through Multiple Sclerosis that he has begun to notice the drop-kerbs in the city centre. That's close to my experience too. Since I was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease, kerbs and thresholds and other means of access have taken on great importance.

My simple wooden ramp is liberating and I appreciate not only its presence but the means of its construction. The standard NHS ramp was too long and hefty for the job. So it was marvellous to have the offer from two folk in the village to make a ramp for me. Before retirement, one of them had played an important role at Westland, my hometown's helicopter manufacturer. When he arrived to do the measuring up, he carried a file that bore the firm's logo.

It was a visible sign that all the engineering expertise he'd offered and gained in the field of aviation was now being ploughed back into helping me to skim in and out of my home. Outside our gate is an automobility vehicle. The firm it comes from was started thirty years ago by an engineer at Westland who offered to convert a car so that a disabled neighbour, a former airline pilot, could have enhanced mobility. This was the birth of what is now known as the 'Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle.' All this is a reminder of how focussed engineering skills can have a spin-off which serves the common good in ways that are surprising, imaginative and creative. For all this I am grateful to the Creator God who prospers the work of our hands.

Stephen Batty

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

23 July 2017 Alba May Dorothy Wills St Mary's Burton Bradstock

Weddings

17 July 2017 Edward Oakley & Keely Hogan

St Mary's Burton Bradstock*

9 August 2017 Adam Greenland & Joanna Channon

St Mary's Burton Bradstock

19 August 2017 Nicholas Parker & Shirley Bettley

St Martin's Shipton Gorge

26 August 2017 Craig Sorrell & Kate Symes

St Martin's Shipton Gorge

Burial of Ashes

24 July 2017 Nancy Mary Bushell St Mary's Burton Bradstock

*We apologise for the incorrect date given in last month's BVN for Edward and Keely's wedding

DEANERY & BENEFICE NEWS

WHERE JESUS LIVED AND DIED AND ROSE AGAIN

Local recently retired Vicar, **Prebendary Alastair Wheeler**, is inviting people to join him on his sixth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 16^{th} – 25^{th} April next year. Come and join us, and see your faith, and our world, with new insight. You are invited to share in experiencing some of the places where God has worked for the benefit of all humankind, and anchor your understanding of Jesus and the Bible in the layout and geography of the land we call Holy! This is a small area of the world, combining three faiths, with all their sub divisions and denominations, and two ethnicities with their overlapping hopes and histories. You will be experiencing just a little of the hopes and fears of those who live in the present, especially our Christian brothers and sisters, as we try to imagine the events of the past that have changed the world for ever.

Alastair writes: "It's not a holiday – but we hope it will be hugely enjoyable, stimulating, thought and prayer provoking as you look back and reflect. Many people have told me how, ever afterwards, they hear the Bible stories with new understanding, and even experience God in new ways. You will be travelling with a varied group from a wide range of backgrounds – do come and join us ..."

This will be my sixth group experience of Israel and Palestine from an

inclusive Christian perspective. I'm going to be sharing in leadership with The Revd Christopher Durrant (my son-in law, a Curate in Exeter on his third visit). And I am excited to be working again with one of the best and most experienced Christian Palestinian guides around, and arranging it all with Lightline Pilgrimages, whom I know and trust, and who are the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem's preferred partners. We look forward to welcoming you on this moving journey.

Alastair Wheeler 01308 862093

BRIDE VALLEY BENEFICE MUSIC GROUP

We are aware that there are many musicians and singers in the Benefice scattered among our churches and we would like to bring all this talent together to form a music group. The group will meet monthly on the last Wednesday evening in the month (venue tbc, depending on numbers) beginning in September. In addition to enjoying fellowship, we can learn new songs from each other.

If you are interested in being part of the new group, please contact **Gill Newell** by email: gill.newell@gmail.com

VALLEY LUNCHES

It was great to see at least seven people from other villages joining with Burton Bradstock residents for the delicious shared lunch in July. This is really appreciated as it takes more effort when living at a distance. Despite many regulars being away, a good number sat down to enjoy such a wide variety of tasty dishes. As usual, **Susan Paul's** beautiful garden flowers decorated the tables - following Betty Champkins' tradition of previous years. Thank you Susan!

Please come and join for the last two Valley Lunches in 2017 on **September 3rd** and **November 5th** at 12.30pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall. All are welcome. Tea and filtered coffee are provided - and there is no charge. However we would ask for a savoury or sweet contribution, or both, and maybe a little cash to spend at Liz Orza's FairTrade stall.

See you there!

Cilla (898473) or **Heather** (897780)

THANK YOU

James and Phyl Webster wish to thank all our churches, neighbours and friends throughout the Bride Valley for your prayers, help and kind wishes during our son Christopher's, long illness leading up to his death on 9^{th} July. Your strong support continues to be a great comfort and is very much appreciated by us.

Many thanks, Phyl and James

DUNKIRK

It's beginning to look as if one of the unmissable films of summer is going to be Christopher Nolan's *Dunkirk*. The film reminds us of one of the more extraordinary events of the Second World War.



Most of us are uneasy about war stories, particularly those that revel in the quantity of death and destruction we unleashed on our enemies. In fact, for the Second World War there are now only three big military events that retain a hold in the public memory. These are Dunkirk, the Battle of Britain and D-Day. I find it significant that each of these echoes with the great themes of the Bible: Dunkirk is about rescue; the Battle of Britain about deliverance and D-Day about liberation. Dunkirk, however, is a uniquely enthralling story. Who can resist the tale of how, surrounded by overwhelming enemies and faced with imminent annihilation, an entire army escaped to safety by sea? It almost seems like a reworking of the miracle of the biblical Exodus, with the English Channel replacing the Red Sea.

Yet Dunkirk is not simply a gripping story; it is also a thought-provoking one because even today the word 'miracle' hangs over it. Nevertheless, even for the most sceptical, the reality of what happened at Dunkirk is intriguing. If you don't know the story, on 10th May 1940, Hitler unleashed a military onslaught on France and Belgium. Within days the British Army – outmanoeuvred and unprepared – along with soldiers of other Allied nations, found themselves with their backs to the sea and hemmed in by enemies. The German High Command was able to boast with confidence that its troops were 'proceeding to annihilate the British Army'. That the total destruction of an entire army was imminent was a view shared by many in the military and political leadership of Britain. Prime Minister Winston Churchill found himself preparing to announce to the public an unprecedented military catastrophe involving the capture or death of a third of a million soldiers.

But it didn't happen. On 23rd May, King George VI requested that the following Sunday should be observed as a National Day of Prayer. Late on the Saturday evening the military decision was taken to evacuate as many as possible of the Allied forces. On the Sunday, the nation devoted itself to prayer in an unprecedented way. Eyewitnesses and photographs confirm overflowing congregations in places of worship across the land. Long queues formed outside cathedrals. The same day an urgent request went out for boats of all sizes and shapes to cross the English Channel to rescue the besieged army, a

call ultimately answered by around 800 vessels.

Yet even before the praying began (in my experience, prayer often works like that) curious events were happening. In a decision that infuriated his generals and still baffles historians, Hitler ordered his army to halt. Had they continued to fight, the destruction of the Allied forces would have been inevitable and the war would have taken a different, darker and more terrible path. Yet for three days the German tanks and soldiers stood idle while the evacuation unfolded. Not only so, bad weather on the Tuesday grounded the Luftwaffe, allowing Allied soldiers to march unhindered to the beaches. In contrast, on Wednesday the sea was extraordinarily calm, making the perilous evacuation less hazardous. By the time the German Army was finally ordered to renew its attack, over 338,000 troops had been snatched from the beaches, including 140,000 French, Belgian, Dutch and Polish soldiers. Many of them were to return four years later to liberate Europe.

Now you could argue it was all a coincidence, but I think not. It certainly wasn't considered so at the time. Sunday 9th June was declared a National Day of Thanksgiving and, encouraged by Churchill himself, the phrase 'the miracle of Dunkirk' began to circulate.

We live in a world where people are not simply cautious about miracles but they prefer to rule them out entirely. In much of public culture it is an unchangeable and unbreakable rule of life that the miraculous cannot and does not occur. The view is that while we may pray, there is no one on the other end of the line. It's curious how we have come a full circle: in the past, few dared argue with the religious faith that saw the hand of God everywhere; now few dare argue against the atheistic faith that sees God's hand nowhere. The events of Dunkirk might make us want to reconsider the elimination of God as an actor from history and politics. On a more practical level, looking at the challenges facing the British nation, the idea of praying to God for deliverance seems to be something well worth encouraging.

Indeed I think Dunkirk stands as an extraordinary encouragement to pray in faith. However great our problems, God is greater than them all. That 'Dunkirk encouragement' to pray in times of need applies at every level of life and to every challenge, from what may be a petty domestic crisis to a national disaster. And although our nation may not face imminent military catastrophe on the scale that it did in 1940, you don't have to look hard to see major and overwhelming problems. Dunkirk may have been a military epic that should be remembered but, far more importantly, it is an encouragement to pray.

J. John

Revd Canon

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VALLEY NOTES



Bredy and Eggardon participated in the **Ridgeway 'Myths and Legends' Project:** They had

a day in Little Bredy's Valley of the Stones with the author, Martin Maudsley. Martin then came into school to help the children with their stories.

We raised nearly £450 from our book fair – thank you! All the classes, and Fledglings, are very pleased with all the free new books that we received. The week had a great start – Storyteller



Anthony Pedley held the whole school entranced with his retelling of the Big Friendly Giant. The houses competed in a 'Roald Dahl' quiz. Ellen MacArthur House won – well done!

Special assemblies: Ryan the drums teacher and some of the children learning drums displayed their skills. Tish Roberts told the children about how their contributions had helped children in Romania. The library encouraged the children to participate in their summer reading challenge. The Ethos Council led an assembly on our value of the half term – Respect and Reverence

Sport: We played the **Kenway Cup semi final** against Parett & Axe and won 6-1. We reached the finals for the first time since the year 2000 but, sadly, lost 1-0, a goal scored in the last few minutes. Our team played superbly and we won the Runners Up Shield – super work, team.

Year 5 had a great time at a **sports festival** at Colfox. An Eggardon team participated in the **Quadkids Athletics Competition** at Colfox. Our team participated in a collaboration **cricket tournament** and won – hurrah! The weather held for our **Sports Day**. The children ran, egged and spooned with gusto and Ernest Shackleton House won the trophy. Well done! Thank you to the TSA for providing ice-creams to the children at the end.

The children enjoyed displaying their swimming skills to their parents at our **swimming galas,** one in pouring rain!

The children have been on various visits. Year 6 visited Salisbury Cathedral for a leavers' service. Litton and Chesil had a superb time at Weymouth's Sealife Centre. Bredy visited Kingcombe as part of their Science 'Habitats' topic.

Children starting Reception in September, and their parents, came to an information session. The



following week, when Year 6 went to Colfox for their Induction Days, all classes, and the new Reception children, had a 'transition' session in their next year groups.



Pond dipping in our Discovery Area Enjoy the summer!

Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher

BURTON BRADSTOCK CE SCHOOL

Burton Bradstock CE School

As I write this report we have just one week left before the end of the Summer term. This year, as always, has been very busy and all are looking forward to the Summer holidays so that we can re -charge our batteries!



Since my last report our Year 2 children had a fantastic time on their residential weekend at Hooke Court, Class 4 enjoyed their residential to Swanage and Reception and Year 1 pupils met the animals at Vurlands Farm on their day trip there.



The school's Sports Ambassadors organised a number of events where everyone was very athletic during Sports Week and Hive Beach Team won the Sports trophy for the first time. We have welcomed our new Reception intake into school for their enhanced transition sessions, which they thoroughly enjoyed. They particularly had lots of fun on the newly established 'Forest School' which staff created on the Corncrake site. Unfortunately, over the last week the space, which staff have worked hard to create, has been spoilt through vandalism. As you can imagine, this has upset our young pupils.

I would like to congratulate our children for all the effort they have put into their studies over this year. They have worked extremely hard and the children performed well at the different statutory stages: the National Tests

(SATs) for Year 6 and Year 2, the Good Level of Development for end of Reception and the Year 1 Phonic Screen. Thanks also to the dedication and hard work of the staff of the school who ensure that they treat all pupils as individuals, teach them the next steps in their learning and guide them to reach their potential. The school is also very well supported by our Governing Body, who give an enormous amount of time to the role and really make a difference, as well as the Minerva Learning Trust.

For our Year 6 students it is the end of their time with us and they are about to embark on the next stage of their education. We recently travelled to Salisbury Cathedral where a special leavers' service took place. It was a wonderfully poignant time and a perfect opportunity to wish all our leavers the very best of luck for the future. Others look ahead to the changes that being in a new year group will bring, and we all look forward to welcoming our new four year olds in September.

Finally, I would like to thank the community for your support to the school this year and on behalf of the school I wish you all a happy summer holiday!

Claire Staple, Headteacher

TOTS AND PRAM SERVICE

We always have a break in August, but **THIS** year, as all four regular staff are away and some Tots will be unable to attend, we shall have a **TWO month break**. The Autumn session will now start on **October 13th at 2.15pm.**

All babies, toddlers and bumps with parents/carers are welcome for this informal friendly service, which includes singing, story time, marching, refreshments, craft activities and free play - and there is no charge!

For more information please contact either **Audrey** on **897227** or **Heather** on **897780**.

FIRST STEPS TODDLER GROUP

We're now on our summer break but re-starting on Tuesday 5th September. We've moved our First Steps Toddler Group to the afternoon to help parents, grandparents and carers. Our session will now run at 1:45pm - 3:15pm, at LATCH Village Hall. We have craft, ride-ons, soft play, trampoline, story corner, enthusiastic sing-along, friendly mums, snacks and a nice cuppa with biscuits

Please come along and join us for lots of fun. 0-4 yr olds welcome! Contact **Nicola Miller** 01308 482734 <u>jamieandnicola@gmail.com</u> or **Clare Turnbull** 07748 783442 clare.turnbull66@yahoo.com for more info.

BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

In June we had a talk from **Lesley Jelleyman**, about her experience of being a 'Britain in Bloom' judge.

We held our Flower and Garden Produce Show on July 8th. The recent weather meant we had more vegetables and fruit among the exhibits this year, alongside excellent displays of flowers, all of which were judged by the visiting public. It was a lovely day for enjoying the exhibits and the excellent refreshments. We extend our grateful thanks to all who helped to make the day such a success and congratulate all the winners.

There is no meeting in August but Nigel Hewish will be talking to us about 'Penstemons and Salvias' on **Monday 18**th **September**, in the Village Hall in Puncknowle at 7.30pm.

Congratulations to Sue and Colin Dyer, members from Long Bredy, who have been successful in the Melplash Show Garden and Allotment Competition. They won First Prize in the large garden section and were also judged to have the best garden overall. Well done!



Jobs to do in August

Keep dead-heading blooms to extend flower displays. Prune lavender. Take cuttings of salvias, pelargoniums and penstemons to provide stock for next year. Keep camellias well-watered. Water rested cyclamen, to start them into growth. Feed salad crops with a high-nitrogen liquid fertiliser to boost leaf production. Plant specially prepared potatoes in pots or 'potato bags' ready for Christmas. Lettuces, salad leaves, radishes, beetroot and spring onions can still be sown. Prevent herbs going to seed by keeping them well watered.

Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473

THE OTHONA COMMUNITY'S OPEN DAY

A new Hat Festival "Fringe Event" is announced!
On HatFest day, Saturday 2nd September, the Othona
Community are holding an Open Day at their beautiful
house and grounds situated on the Coast Road, Burton
Bradstock. It starts at 2.30pm, after the on-street public hat
competitions in Bridport town centre.

from **2.30pm to 5pm** there will be live music, cream teas, craft stalls, and natural beauty! West Dorset's friendly Community and Retreat Centre offers a day 'with the human touch'. Yummy homemade food, fine musicians, stalls and displays in



surroundings resembling a nature reserve. Entry and car park are free, and a donation will be made to the Hat Festival's supported charities.

In the evening at 7.30pm there will be "A Piano for All Seasons" at the Othona Community, Coast



Rd – a gala concert: talent of every generation and style. A rich mix of musicians playing and singing at the Bechstein Grand. Classical, jazz, contemporary – from long-established artists to young stars-in-the-making. A fundraiser for Othona's new studio project.

Hats off for the performance!



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ART EXHIBITION!

Local artists are all set to welcome many visitors to the exhibition this year, which will be open from Saturday 12th to Sunday 20th August, in the Village Hall at Burton Bradstock. If you are a local resident, and you come, see and enjoy the experience, would you consider joining the very small group who together



organise, hang, run and finally dismantle the exhibition? We are few and friendly, and would love to welcome some new faces. Contact lizorza@hotmail.co.uk.

For latest news and updates follow the Festival on Facebook www.facebook.com/burtonbradstockfestival

THE BURTON BRADSTOCK FESTIVAL EVENSONG

The 2017 Burton Bradstock Festival Choral Evensong will take place in St.Mary's Church on Sunday 13th August at 6.30pm. It will be led by the Revd Canon Stephen Batty and sung by the choir of Colyton Parish Church (Director



Nicholas Brown) with **David Davies** (organ). The Canticles will be sung to Brewer in D and the anthem will be the beautiful "How lovely are thy dwellings" by Brahms. All are welcome to join us for what promises to be a truly memorable service.



DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2017

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Benefits Advice Session at Age UK Shop, Bridport

... an initiative by Dorset Welfare Benefits Partnership

Age UK Dorchester and Dorset County Council's Welfare Benefits Team are working together to help older Bridport residents to maximise their benefits entitlements.

Advice sessions will be held on the **first Wednesday** in each month, between 9.30am and 12.00 at Age UK Shop, Bridport, and will be **strictly by appointment**.

To make an appointment, please contact our Bridport Shop on **01308 424859** or at 16 West Street, Bridport DT6 3QP

Future dates: 2nd August, 6th September, 4th October

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH

NEXT SOCIAL MEETINGS 2017

25th September - 7pm for 7.30pm at The Anchor, Burton Bradstock

23rd October - 6.30pm annual general meeting 7pm supper at the Bridport and West Dorset Golf Club

27th November - 7pm for 7.30pm at The Anchor, Burton Bradstock

Please call Basil Dent on 01308 897125 or Malcolm Lawrence on 01308 897616 to book your place.

OTHER EVENTS IN 2017

20th OCTOBER - Band Concert 7pm in the Village Hall, Burton Bradstock 2nd NOVEMBER - Coffee Morning 10am in the Village Hall, Burton Bradstock 12th NOVEMBER - Remembrance Service 10.30am at St. Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock.

Members are reminded that British Legion information will be made available when possible at our Social Meetings. If help is required by any of our Members, or you are thinking of joining the Legion, please telephone our Chairman Malcolm Lawrence on 01308 898616 or our Secretary Hazel Dalgleish on 01308 897894.

WELDMAR SUNFLOWER SERVICE

Weldmar is holding a Sunflower Service in Weymouth's stunning **Greenhill Gardens** looking out across the bay, at **6.30pm on Thursday, August 24**.

Attending the service are **Don Smith** and **Brian Matthews** from Burton Bradstock.

Don, whose wife died 15 years ago while being cared for at home by



Weldmar's community nurses, said "The service saved my life – it gave me a purpose. The Sunflower Service is very peaceful. Sally doesn't preach, she's absolutely brilliant".

Don has five small sunflowers in his home, from five years of attending Weldmar's moving annual Sunflower Service. He will collect his sixth this year, and says it sparks conversation with his friends and visitors when he can tell them about his wife and Weldmar.

He is one of many people who have experienced the healing bereavement service offered by chaplain **Sally Bedborough**, and has formed friendships as a result, meeting up with widowers Brian Matthews and **Tim Randall** regularly.

They will also be at the Sunflower Service, which 150 people attended last year to remember their loved ones.

Brian, 79, said: "It's a very thoughtful sort of service. It's absolutely superb. When my wife died it was like a hole in my head, really.

"It was three years ago. You feel like you are breaking inside.



Tim, Brian, Don (L - R)

"But Sally talked to me and

reassured me – I thought this lady was a bit special. I said to Don, 'It's like she's been there,' and he said, 'She has'."

Everyone attending will be given the opportunity to write the name of those they are remembering on a small sunflower to hold during the service.

BRIDE VALLEY WI

Following our AGM in March, the Bride Valley WI have had a busy few months. In April we enjoyed an evening of spring craft, creating baskets from garden foliage, followed in May by a visit to Dorset Nectar Cider farm.



Sadly the weather wasn't on our side but it didn't stop us touring the orchard and learning about the cider making process, finishing with an opportunity to sample their award winning ciders.

In June we gathered together with our homemade garlands to celebrate Midsummer. Thank you to **Jill Neil** for allowing us to use your garden and to everyone who contributed to the bring and share feast.

July saw our final meet before the summer break with an evening of Archery. Thank you **Paul Kingston** for your time and patience. I think we may have a few wannabe Robin Hoods in the Valley!

We return on the **21st September** with an evening of **Burlesque dancing**, so why not come along and have some fun while learning a new skill, or brushing up on an old one! We welcome all women in the local area and for new members the first meeting is free! Unless we are out on a visit, meetings take place at the village hall in Puncknowle on the third Thursday of each month.

For more information please contact Nic Arundel on nicarundel@gmail.com.

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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ST MARY'S CHURCH SUMMER SONGS OF PRAISE!

On **Sunday August 6th** St. Mary's church will be holding the second in the 'Summer Songs of Praise' series and this month we will be

by our Rector, Rev'd Canon Stephen Batty, there will be six carefully chosen and uplifting hymns along with an explanation and a thought-provoking homily on each reading and hymn. Starting at a convenient time of 10.30am and lasting just under one hour, these are services to which all residents and visitors are invited. The last of this series will be on **September 3rd** when the theme will be 'Salvation'.

Come and join us!

ST MARY'S CHURCH FETE

Thursday 3rd August 2017 starting at 2.00 pm AN AFTERNOON NOT TO MISS: A FETE TO



REMEMBER, as our visitors say – they book their holidays around it! The Church Fete, a truly traditional village affair, with fun for all the family – a wonderful Punch and Judy, magnificent flowers, music to tap feet to, stalls, games, auction, grand draw, cream teas.... the list goes on.

Although the Church Fete plans are well advanced, contributions are still needed, so clear out your wine cellars, bookshelves, attics and garages and/or make items for the following stalls:

Books Stall: Chris & Gaye Sundt (898531) – no magazines or

videos/cassettes. Items can be collected, left or

delivered on the day;

Bottle Tombola: Trevor Hawkins (897837) would like to receive wine,

beer and soft drinks, at least a week in advance for

labelling;

Cakes & Preserves: Betty Champkins (897419) and her team would be

pleased to receive home-made items;

Cards & Crafts: Barbara Pursey (897496) – crafts, cards & stationery

please;

Children: Irene Smith (897020) would welcome toys, games,

crayons, children's books, fancy dresses;

Fancy Goods: Elizabeth Wigglesworth (897083) is looking for good

quality gifts;

Plant Sales: Peter & Pat Broomhead (897408) would like to

receive plants;

Bags of Surprises: Joan Allan (897511) would like to receive sweets

Water into Wine: Julian & Irene Piper (898603) are seeking empty plus

full wine bottles (only screw top).

White elephant: Chrissie Bailey (897603) will collect items or you can

leave at Graston Farm, Annings Lane;

Grand Draw: Liz Orza (897451) would welcome non-perishable

items for a food hamper plus other items for prizes;

Auction of Promises: Janet Pearson (898346) would welcome donations

that can be bid for during the afternoon.

Volunteers are always welcome to help with running stalls – if you have not been contacted and would like to help, ring Irene Piper (898603) or Jenny Malyon (898768). Extra pairs of hands are also welcome to help set up tables, gazebos, bunting, etc. from 8.30 am and to clear the Rectory Garden at the end of the afternoon.

Loans of Gazebos on the day, for sheltering stall holders against the hot sunshine, would be welcome!

If there is anyone who would like to support the Fete but can't attend, perhaps you would like to be a sponsor of one of the attractions. Please contact Ian Wigglesworth (897083).

All proceeds will go to the Fabric Fund of St Mary's.

Judy & Alan Clarke - Church Fete Publicity

ST. MARY'S MISSION COMMITTEE

The St. Mary's Mission Committee will be hosting the usual Cake and Produce Sales in the Reading Room. Dates to put in your diary are **10th August**, and **17th August**. The Reading Room will be open from 9am to receive donations, and from 10 till 12 for sales, and of course, a cup of coffee. All proceeds will go to our designated charities, the Sudan Medical Link, and the Church Mission Society. We look forward to welcoming you to one or both of these mornings.

Liz Orza 879451.

ARTSREACH

LIZZIE BRYANT -QUESTING THE RIDGEWAY

Artsneach A workshop creating stories set in the ancient and magical Ridgeway landscape. I will share a bronze age story about a young girl, some old, old bones and a riddling quest. and together we'll explore fun ways to inspire and develop ideas for your own stories. Stories and ideas will be recorded in hand made books or on story cloths or scrolls to take home. Suitable for ages 9 - 13yrs.

Tickets: £6 available from Sue and Bryan Brown 01308 897421 / burtonartsreach@gmail.com

THE COASTAL SCHOOL AT HIVE BEACH, BURTON BRADSTOCK on Thursday 31st August, 11am - 3pm for fun and games ON THE BEACH If you love the beach and have a real sense of adventure, join The Coastal School and discover all about the wildlife and nature that can be found along the stunning Jurassic Coast. On Hive Beach at Burton Bradstock explore the surrounding water's edge and beach and learn all about the creatures and plants that inhabit our shoreline, then join everyone to light a fire and build a beach shelter! Remember sun cream and hats. Please bring a packed lunch. Suitable for ages 5 - 12yrs.

Tickets £10 available from **Sue** and **Bryan Brown** as above.

MOISHE'S BAGEL AT BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL, FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2017 AT 7.30PM.

The first Artsreach event of the new season will be a visit from a fabulous band from Scotland, Moishe's Bagel. The band began in 2003, the lucky accident of an Edinburghbased Chilean tango singer and four likeminded musicians! A shared love of klezmer, jazz and latin music soon saw them onstage at Henry's Cellar Bar with a few tunes and a lot



of enthusiasm. Since then, the band has regularly toured the UK, Ireland, and the Czech Republic, notching up sellout gigs at the Jazz Cafe, Sage Gateshead, St George's Bristol, Edinburgh Queens Hall and many many more. Along the way, they have managed to record four CDs, earning them a Songlines Top of the World and Sunday Telegraph top 10 world albums listing. Here is your chance to hear them in Burton Bradstock! Tickets available in Burton Bradstock Post Office, online by emailing your order to burtonartsreach@gmail.com or just ring the box office on (01308) 897421.

BURTON BRADSTOCK FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND ART BURTON 12TH to 20TH AUGUST 2017 FESTIVAL OF



Six days of brilliant classical, jazz and

world music with internationally acclaimed performers and an exhibition featuring some of the finest art and ceramics in the South West.

From Saturday 12th to Sunday 20th August you'll be able to enjoy a superb exhibition by West Country artists in the village hall.

From Monday 14th to Friday 19th August, Burton Bradstock will be filled with folk, classical and jazz music performed by internationally acclaimed musicians and some of the brightest young stars on the UK music scene. We are especially pleased to welcome **The Alexandra Ridout Quintet**. Andrea was the winner in 2016 BBC Young Musician jazz award winner. Many familiar faces return including, **Ross Brown**, **Milos Milivijevc**, **Craig Ogden** and **David Gordon**.

Tickets are now on sale from from **Gill Redford** 01308 897203.

Visit the Burton Bradstock Festival of Music and Art

www.burtonbradstockfestival.com for full details of the August Festival.

David Juritz Artistic Director



A VEAST OF FOLK 14TH, 15TH & 16TH SEPTEMBER 2017



Make a note in your diaries for

Burton Bradstock's 4th Veast of Folk 2017 Once again we

are planning a three day event kicking off with two free events at **The Anchor Pub**, firstly on **THURSDAY 14th SEPT**. with a **VEAST ANCHOR SESSION 8PM** till late. An evening of great music in support of **The Dorset Air Ambulance**. On **FRIDAY LUNCHTIME 1-3PM** there will be an **informal singaround**. All welcome to come along and take part or just listen over a pint and a sandwich in The Stable Bar. Thanks to the Anchor for hosting these events.

For our well established **FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY CEILIDH** we are very pleased to announce that we have a **return** visit from the wonderful **TATTERDEMALION** with caller ANGELA **LAYCOCK** at Burton Bradstock Village Hall, with music & dance, bar, supper and raffle, profits for the **RNLI**. Tickets go on sale 21st August. All welcome.

MUSIC IN THE GARDEN is our final event on **SATURDAY 16th SEPT**. 12.30-6PM at The Three Horseshoes Pub and Kitchen. Thanks to Hannah and Jaap for hosting the Veast once again. FREE entry –donations, raffle, proceeds to the **RNLI**. Music from local bands all playing for free.

With your generous donations over the last 3 years the Veast has raised over £2,500 for the RNLI. We hope you will come along and support this charity event and have a great time! To find out more please email us at burtonfolktickets@gmail.com or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/burtonbradstockfolkfestival

BURTON BRADSTOCK W.I.

It was the perfect evening for the WI barbeque in June. **Joan and lan Allan** welcomed us once again to their beautiful garden for some excellent food and good company. Many thanks to them and their family.



At the June meeting, **David Andrews** gave us a cavalcade of popular songs of past decades, and members were invited to sing along.

Trisha Lewis made a welcome return in July, with "**Keeping young and beautiful in the 1950's**", followed by her take on a 1965 committee meeting – which could not possibly have happened anywhere around here!

There is no meeting in August.

Any woman living locally is welcome to come to a meeting before deciding whether to become a member (contact secretary, 897648).

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

IMPORTANT NOTICE.: The old 'round' one pound coin will cease to be legal tender during October and so we have decided to bring forward the collection date of boxes to September 30th. Please make a note of this now but we will remind you in the September BVN issue.

The Children's Society

The Children's Society has won a gold in the Training category at the 2017 national EVCOM Screen Awards. The film, Seen and Heard is part of a powerful campaign and e-learning package created by the Society which was commissioned by The Department of Health and supported by NHS England to help all health care professionals spot the signs of child sexual abuse and know how to encourage young people to talk about it.

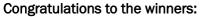
The Society are also lobbying Parliament to ensure that children's wellbeing must be a priority in the new government and in Brexit talks

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL TRUST.

For bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré (01308897648)

"200 CLUB" Draw WDDC Licence no: SL0080

JULY 2017 DRAW



1st	£33.77	No 27:	Mr Alan Jones
2^{nd}	£16.88	No 19:	Mrs Jill Harper
3 rd	£8.44	No 115:	Mr Derek Thomas

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the August 2017 draw should telephone **Keith Britton** on 01308 898008 and let him have £5 – one pound for each monthly draw in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw

COFFEE STOP MORNINGS

The regular monthly Coffee Stop mornings in the hall where a hot drink and a biscuit are available for 50p are run monthly to provide a general "meet and chat" venue for Villagers and visitors alike. They run from 10:00 to 12:00 and all are welcome. The next meeting date is on **Wed 20th Sep** organized by the Friends of the Library. There is no coffee stop in August.

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

The Village Hall Trust plans to schedule some more training on the use of the defibrillator later in the year. It takes half a day and will be held in the Village Hall. Any Village resident can ask to attend. The course will be free, paid for out of the residue of funds raised when we purchased the defibrillator.



If you would like to request a place, please contact **Richard Ferré** via email (rwferre99@gmail.com) or phone (897648).

HALL PAINTING/CLEAN UP

The Trust is organising a working session at the hall from **Mon 21st August** to **Sat 26th August**. During this time we plan to do some internal painting and minor repairs and freshen up the outside .All materials will be supplied. If you are able to give us some of your time during this period it would be much appreciated. Even half a day helps!

Please contact **Richard Ferré** (see above para for details) if you can.

BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS

Burton Bradstock Films returns from its summer break with three fantastic films to take us up to the Christmas break. Still only £5 for an evening out with friends, a glass of wine or soft drink, popcorn on the counter and the opportunity to see a great film.

Starting on Friday 29 September is **Lion** the astonishing true story of a 5 year old Indian boy who becomes separated from his family.

This film will also be shown by Bride Valley Films on Wednesday 4 October

Second up is Their Finest on Friday 27 October, a witty, romantic and moving Second World War Comedy starring **Gemma Arterton** and **Bill Nighy**

To be shown by Bride Valley Films Wednesday 1 November

Our third film **Viceroy House** on 24 November is a gripping political drama starring **Hugh Bonneville** as India's last Viceroy, Lord Mountbatten, who is charged with handing back India

Bride Valley have this on Wednesday 29 November

The showing of all three films will be dependent on the granting of public performance licences which will be applied for in due course.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETYAUGUST 2017

Village Society Annual Subscriptions remain great value at £5 and are due in September. Our team of collectors will be coming round to Members during August to collect their subscriptions.

Nature and Wildlife Photograph Exhibition and Illustrated Talk by Local Photographer **Charlie Wheeler** at The Reading Room, Burton Bradstock on **Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th August**

An illustrated talk on 'Photographing Nature' will begin at 11am Tickets available from Jayne's Salon, Burton Bradstock High Street £3 each (limited tickets available on the day - doors open at 10.30am)

An exhibition and sale of Charlie's nature and wildlife prints will be open from 12noon until 4pm, please feel free to come and look around.

STOP PRESS - FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW TROPHY WINNERS

Thanks to everyone who helped to make the show such a success this year with a record number of exhibits. Congratulations to all those who took part and particularly to the following trophy winners:

Louis/May Brown Cup for Fruit and Veg
 Bugler Cup for Roses
 Cracroft Challenge Cup for Flowers (not Roses)
 A Richard Ferre Rosemary Daniels
 Jan Dixon

4. Gordon Knight Cup for Pot Plants
5. Flower Arranger Trophy
6. Cookery and Home Produce Trophy
Sun Dixon

Joan Allen
Sandy Adderley
Sue Brown

7. Grove House Cup for Allotment Steve Dove 8. Knightsmith Trophy for Preserves Joan Allen 9. Mallinson Cup for Handicrafts Elaine Colbert

10. Photography Cup

Alan Pankhurst

Elaine Colbert

BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL
BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SHOP & POST OFFICE - THE MAYDOWN

11. Millennium Trophy 2000 for Art

FARM SHOP-USE IT OR LOSE IT!

In 2001 Burton Bradstock Parish Council and Village Society got together to stop the village shop & Post Office being sold as a private house and to keep this valuable asset available for the local community.

At that time the Post Office employed a Post Mistress/ Master on a healthy salary and the Post Office side of the business kept the shop going. Just over two years ago all that changed. The Post Office insisted that our operation be changed to "Post Office Local", with no salary for the Post Mistress and commission based on Post Office transactions only. The estimate at the time was that the Post Office income would fall from over £20,000 to around £8,000 pa, so the shop would now need to support the Post Office.

Gill and Pete Mayo of Maydown Farm offered to take on the job of running the shop and Post Office for a trial period of 3 years to see if they could make it work. At the time the slogan was "Use It or Lose It".

The Maydown Farm Shop has now been running from the Post Office for more than 2 years, and discussions with Gill and Pete have indicated that business has not been what they had hoped. Unless it improves they are not likely to renew their lease when it expires next March.

While the Parish Council and Village Society support the village shop and Post Office, they cannot see its continued operation if the lease is not renewed. While they shall be taking the measures they can to support the current business, they believe that the only way for the business to survive beyond the short term is for it to be better used by the local community. USE IT OR LOSE IT!

Burton Bradstock Parish Council and Burton Bradstock Village Society

HANDY PERSON REQUIRED

The Parish Council are looking for a self-employed Handy person to do the weekly play area checks.

The person must be available to carry out minor repairs in the play area, allotments, and on other Parish Council property on an ad-hoc basis, For further information please contact the Clerk or any Parish Councillor

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Wednesday 6th September** 7.30 pm in the Reading Room.All welcome!

Clerk: Mrs Michele Harding- email: burtonbradstock@dorset-aptc.gov.uk Tel: 07814 016971. Website: www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org https://www.facebook.com/burtonbradstockparishcouncil

FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY (FBBL)

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE continues until 9th September 2017 Open to all children, including summer visitors, up to 11 years of age, the Summer Reading Challenge is run at Libraries nationwide. Children can read whatever they like - fact books, joke books, picture books, just as long as they are borrowed from the library.

Illustrated by Tony Ross, the "Animal Agents" collector's card and stickers for each book they read, will help the children to solve the puzzle and catch the crook. On completion they will receive a medal and a certificate. All children who enter and complete the challenge in Burton Bradstock will automatically have the opportunity to win a book token. The draw will take place at our coffee stop in September.

EXHIBITIONS IN THE LIBRARY

WOMEN OF THE HOUSE OF WINDSOR - 31st July to 19th August 2017

There will be a small exhibition on the evolution of the House of Windsor over the last century and the role in history of the royal women through the generations. Compiled by Andrea Wilkinson and supported by books for you to enjoy.

DIANA PRINCESS OF WALES –A FLAWED ICON? 29th August to 11th September 2017 Always controversial. Compiled by Susan Moores with supporting books.

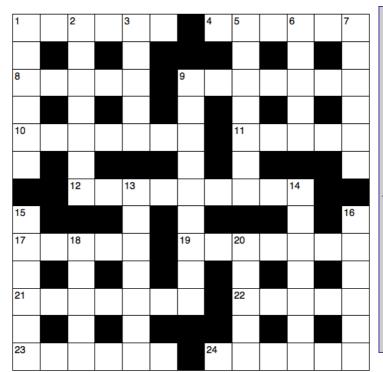
OPENING HOURS FOR BURTON BRADSTOCK COMMUNITY LIBRARY
Monday Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
Tuesday & Saturday
3.00pm to 5.00pm
10.00am to 12.00am

Contact information: Telephone: 01308 897563:

email: info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk

Rosemary Daniels (FBBL Trustees)

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- 'The people were at his teaching' (Mark 1:22) (6)
- 4 'He saved —: let him save himself (Luke 23:35) (6)
- 8 He addressed the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:14) (5)
- 9 Father of James and John (Matthew 4:21) (7)
- 10 One who charges another with an offence (Job 31:35) (7)
- 11 '— thy ministers with righteousness' (Book of Common Prayer) (5)
- 12 and 15 Down 'All is God-breathed and is for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness' (2 Timothy 3:16) (9,6)
- 17 'No of the field had yet appeared on the earth and no plant of the field had yet sprung up' (Genesis 2:5) (5)
- 19 Made to feel embarrassed (Isaiah 24:23) (7)
- 21 This man built his house on sand (Matthew 7:26) (7)
- 22 David's hypocritical message to Joab on the death in battle of Uriah: 'Don't let this — you' (2 Samuel 11:25) (5)
- 23 Detest (Job 10:1) (6)
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- **5** Tuba ale (anag.) (7)
- 'The day thou gavest, Lord, is —' (5)
- 7 Old Testament measure of weight, equivalent to about 12 grammes (Exodus 30:13) (6)
- 9 Where Elijah restored life to the son of a widow with whom he lodged (1 Kings 17:10) (9)
- 13 Paul said of whatever was to his profit, 'I consider them —, that I may gain Christ and be found in him' (Philippians 3:8) (7)
- 14 City visited by Paul, described by the city clerk as 'the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis' (Acts 19:35) (7)
- 15 See 12 Across
- **16** Rioted (anag.) (6)
- 18 She had a surprise when she answered the door and found 8 Across outside (Acts 12:13) (5)
- 20 Maltreat (1 Chronicles 10:4) (5)

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LITTLEBREDY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT:

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We have welcomed **Anne Lambton** to No. 2, Yew Tree Cottages during July. She is mainly London-based at present, but hopes to make Littlebredy increasingly her home as time goes on, and we hope her time among us will be long and happy.

There was an intriguing visitor to Bridehead during June. Eric Padfield grew up as a boy here for a decade in the 1940s, while his father worked (with ten others!) as a gardener in and around the village, apart from a period of war service. The family lived in one of the Punchbowl Cottages (currently the home of John & Sandra March or Jason & Natasha Pitcher). Eric arrived with a sheaf of notes and reminiscences about people and village life in those days, which could form the basis of a significant archive, as there are several people still left – not many of them in Littlebredy, though – who will be given the opportunity to add their own memories to it. A lecture in the Village Hall about times past one day, perhaps, if he can be persuaded?

This is the month in which we first try to canvass interest in the **Dorset Historic Churches Trust's annual Ride & Stride**, which will take place this year on Saturday 9th September. **Nic Armstrong** will be taking part and therefore raising sponsorship in aid of the event, so anyone wishing to support her should please get in touch on 482452. If anyone else wants to take part as well, all well and good, of course: Sir Philip has the paperwork. Half of any money raised is returned to the Church of the fundraiser's choosing.

On the subject of the DHCT, a group of the Friends of the organisation visited the Church at the beginning of July and heard a fascinating short exposition about it by **Professor Tim Connor**. Many thanks to the village team who provided the visitors with coffee and biscuits on arrival.

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DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING TO YOUR MEDICAL
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IF YOU LIVE IN THE BRIDE VALLEY, A B.V.C.S VOLUNTEER DRIVER CAN GET YOU THERE

For more information, please ring 01308 897695

LONG BREDY

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EMAIL: bvn@longbredy.org.uk



ST PETER'S CHURCH ST PETER'S FESTIVAL

The Festival raised £674.35 for the upkeep of the churchyard. This will help to pay for the new mower. Thank you to everyone who supported this in any way. (The main report for this was in

last month's BVN.)

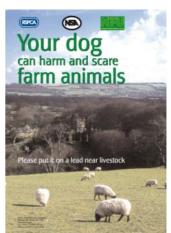
VISITING BELL RINGERS AT ST PETER'S CHURCH

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers Dorchester Branch practice was held at Long Bredy on Saturday July 8th. Approx 20 members attended including the President of the Guild, Judith Williamson. It was a very interesting and informative evening, particularly for the Long Bredy team who took advantage of the opportunity to ring with some very knowledgeable and skilled ringers. Everyone agreed the new mezzanine floor was a great improvement to the tower and this, along with the tea and cakes, ensured a jolly good evening was had by all.

SHEEP ATTACKED

Sadly we have to inform people that we have had three attacks on our sheep by a dog. Two were injured at Whatcombe where the bridleway runs through the field by the barns and one in the field behind Bottleknapp Cottage where Friday Lane crosses the field. One lamb at Whatcombe had to be destroyed and the lamb from Bottleknapp is recovering following treatment from the vet. We are not sure yet if we can save it.

Please, please keep your dog on a lead through fields of livestock and know where it is at all times when you take it for a walk. The person



knows their dog has chased these sheep; they may be unaware of the damage done or they may think it funny and the dog clever to have 'nipped' the animal. We can show the result of that and it is ugly and cruel.

If you have any information whatsoever about these events, please let us know.

Alan & Gwen Kinghorn 01308 482270.

LONG BREDY 100 CLUB

June 2017 Draw

£25	no. 38	Lavinia Palm
£15	no. 46	Phyllis Warren
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£5 no. 24 David and Ruth Cullingford

Drawn on 27th June 2017, at 11 The Gardens, by Kate, David and Ruth

BELLAMONT HOUSE EVENT

Below are two contributions about the afternoon, a joint venture of Long Bredy and Little Bredy.

The afternoon at Bellamont House at the beginning of July was a resounding success not only in money raised (£4000) but how two villages can work together to make such an event so enjoyable to all attending. Many thanks must be given to Anthony and Harriet Coote-Sykes for making it all possible by opening their amazing house, with over 400 people joining the guided tours throughout the afternoon.

Delicious teas were served in the Pavilion gardens, ice creams at the barn where **Tim Laycock** and Friends entertained with music and dance and there was a good mix of stalls to browse around.

Sincere thanks must be given to everyone who helped in all manner of ways. Events like this could not be done without them.

A big 'thank you' to Gwen Kinghorn for organising the event at Bellamont House. It was done with military precision. Others will thank Harriet and Anthony Coote Sykes for hosting the event, but we would like to express our thanks also. It was an amazing achievement and a fabulous day.



The on-going **Grand Draw** held at both events for the new Radiotherapy unit at Dorset County hospital has **raised £1600.00**, a staggering amount. Thank you to everyone who sponsored the draw with prizes and those who sold and bought tickets.

This was a magnificent effort for such a small community. Thank you.



MESSY CHURCH Puncknowle Village Hall Sunday 13th August 10.30am

coffee, play, chat #notjust4kids

LITTON CHENEY

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





ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The churchyard working party will be on **Thursday 3rd August** from 9.30 a.m. Your help would be very welcome!

Don't forget that there is the wonderful CD "Valley Notes"

for sale now in aid of St. Mary's. Recorded in the church by **Paul Cheater**, the CD contains an eclectic mix of organ and piano music and costs £6.50. If you would like a copy please contact **Wendy** on 482532.

LITTON CHENEY FETE

Despite ideal fete weather, the Litton Fete on 15th July saw a drop in visitor numbers following its experimental change of date. Those who did come were entertained by Steel The Show, a very proficient steel band from the Blackdown Hills Music Group, and there were the usual barbecue lunches, teas, stalls and games, plus the chance to sample and win Bride Valley wine.

A big thank-you from the PCC to everyone who helped before and on the day - setting up and taking down as well as running the stalls, games and catering – and to all those who donated cakes and bottles.

The day raised £1600 for the St Mary's Church fabric fund – thank you, everybody.

Richard Jones, Churchwarden

EVENTS AT LATCH FOR AUGUST

Wednesdays: Table Tennis 4.00 p.m. (if sufficient people)



ARTSREACH REP AT LATCH

Thank you to those who answered Ron Davidson's appeal for an Artsreach representative for the Community Hall (LATCH). Our thanks to **Steve Kourik** who was the first to volunteer and he will now be contacting Artsreach and hopefully arranging future entertainment.

VILLAGE SUPPER UPDATE

The sun shone, the tickets sold out and those that attended enjoyed a lovely evening. We were delighted to see so many Litton Cheneyians (and a small Burton contingent) get together for food and music. It was a pleasure to organise the event.

We are delighted to report that we raised £1080 which will be equally divided between Weldmar Hospicecare and Litton Cheney Playground Project.

We have a few "Thank you's"

Thanks to the set up team - John, Nick x2, JK and Woody

Thanks again to Morrish and Banham, Mr and Mrs Spurrier, CG Frys, Crown Inn Puncknowle, Rachel's @ West Bay, and Raspberry and Rhubarb for the raffle prizes. Jan and Jess were impressive ticket sellers!

Finally we are grateful to our suppliers, Raspberry and Rhubarb, Rachel's @West Bay, Spyway Inn, June Clewlow, Morrish and Banham, and AJ Supplies; without them it would have not all been possible.

Next Year Is a possibility?

Tess, Rachel and Hannah

ANNUAL WINE TASTING WITH STEVEN SPURRIER



(Decanter Man of the Year 2017)

This year Steven will be exploring the delights of Spanish wine, and we make no apologies for giving you early notice of this event. **Saturday 4th November** is the date, 7 pm is the time. Steven will be assisted by **Mark Banham** who, together with his wife, **Caroline**, run the superb Morrish & Banham

Wine Merchants & Tasting Room in Brewery Square, Dorchester. Steven & Mark are our own Flanders & Swann of Oenology and this will be their 9th fund raising event for LATCH – Thank you. To book early for the delightful event please call **Wendy Firrell** on 482532 or Freddie Spicer on 482617.

LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

website www.littoncheney.gov.uk.

210 BUS SERVICE

By the time you read this there will be no regular bus service to and from Litton Cheney. Other Bride Valley villages have suffered the same fate. We are putting together a list of local residents who subject to availability and notice would be willing to offer bus users a lift to and from the X51 bus stops on the A35 at the top of Whiteway. If you would like to add your name to the list of willing drivers please call **John Firrell** on 482313 who will send you full details of the scheme.

Other travel options are available, and long term solutions investigated but initially this is an ideal opportunity for local non-bus users to assist their fellow villagers in getting about their daily business.

Thank you in anticipation

THE ISSUE THAT DOGS LIFE IN LITTON CHENEY

Those attending the Village Assembly in May will not need reminding that the subject of loose dogs and dog poo once more took centre stage, as it probably did in many other communities throughout this green and pleasant land. If this problem is ever to have a reasonable chance of being



solved, it is highly likely the Parish Council will have to take a hard line with those dog owners who offend either by allowing their dogs to run loose, or by not picking up after their dogs. Options available to the council include fines and bringing in dog wardens to remove dogs left wandering the village, and naming and shaming offending dog owners, none of which is ideal or conducive to a cohesive contented community. Suggested Solution – No loose dogs, and responsible dog owners = no fines or dog wardens – Simple!

MAINTAINING OUR VILLAGE

We live in a delightful village in the beautiful Bride Valley. For things to remain delightful and beautiful, nature often needs our help, especially with the changing seasons. Litton Cheney is no different from hundreds of other villages and from time to time we need villagers to roll up their sleeves and assist in keeping Litton looking pristine and up together. If you would be prepared to join a jolly working party periodically to assist in maintaining our village please contact **John Firrell** on 482313. Many thanks in anticipation.

WESSEX WATER WATER TREATMENT WORK

Wessex Water will shortly begin to update their water treatment plant on land almost adjacent to **Whiteway** about a third of the way up the hill. It will be quite extensive, and will involve construction work and movement of heavy transport over a period of **three to four months**. Those properties in the near vicinity will shortly receive a letter from WW informing them in greater detail of the work involved but it is highly possible that other local residents will experience WW's presence in some shape or form hence this BVN message.

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Many congratulations and grateful thanks to Tess, Hannah and Rachel for organising and running the VILLAGE SUPPER. I am just sorry that after 13 years of standing up at the Village BBQs I was not here and able to go along, sit down in the company of friends and enjoy such an event! Very pleased that it was a sell out...Well done all!

As a result of this wonderful fund-raising event, the Litton Playground Project benefitted by £540 and Weldmar HospiceCare by the same amount. Ron Davidson LCSC 482661.

Much of this information on Litton Cheney can be found on the Litton Cheney website www.littoncheney.org.uk together with a myriad of other locally related information.

PRUDENTIAL RIDE LONDON 2017 – VILLAGE CAFÉ FUNDRAISER

They think it's all over... it is now.. By the time you read this the Village Café will have come and gone, the event will be over, the podium boys and girls will be a distant memory... Thanks you to all those who helped at the Village Café and to all our supporters. We are so grateful for all your support.. There will be an update in September BVN.

THE LITTON CHENEY TRUST

The Trustees invite applications for a grant, which are readily available, from students resident in Litton Cheney who will be proceeding to higher education at university and those leaving school or college who will be commencing full time employment or an apprenticeship. Please apply in writing giving brief details of your plans on leaving school.

Those who have already received a grant from the Trust are invited to apply again.

Letters of request should be sent or delivered to Mr Freddie Spicer, 8 Garden Close or Mr Brian Prentice, Steddings, Chalk Pit Lane, by 31st August.



SID MARSHALL

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON

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PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

It was most therapeutic to sit and paint the lovely roses in Kate's garden. Many thanks to Frances Hatch for talking to us about the paintings in her latest exhibition at Sladers Yard and for taking

our imaginations into the countryside with her under the super moon. There are no meetings in August but we are back in the hall on Sept 8th.

Christine Molony

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON BOOK GROUP

This month we read a crime thriller called **Awakening** by **SJ Bolton**. Set in Dorset the story concerns a young vet who has become a recluse following a childhood incident that left her face scarred. When a series of deaths from snake bites occur in the small village where she lives and people's houses are overrun with snakes, she becomes unwillingly involved.

This was an intriguing start to an atmospherically creepy story. We all enjoyed the Dorset setting and Bolton's descriptive writing. The story had a number of good twists and red herrings but some of us felt the resolution was just too farfetched. The author has recently changed publishers and is now writing as Sharon Bolton so we feel this may signal a new direction and, as we thought she was a talented writer we hope a new editor may make her latest novel Dead Woman Walking (published in April) a better read overall.

Michele Vassar vassar14@gmail.com.

HOLY TRINITY, SWYRE

The annual fundraising Ride and Stride will take place on **Saturday 9th September.** The event aims to raise funds for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust which supports maintenance and repair of our churches. Anyone young or

old can take part either by sponsored walking or cycling between some or all of our Bride Valley churches or even beyond. If you are interested in taking part this year in support of Holy Trinity Church Swyre please contact **Tony Taylor** on 898 523.

It is particularly important this year as the church needs some funds from the Trust for repair work. Needless to say without our support for the Trust's fund we are unlikely to qualify for the funds we need.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

Saturday October 7th 2017
GREAT HARVEST HOG ROAST
at THE BULL INN SWYRE
Tickets for sale in September watch this space!!



PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND WEST BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB



The lunch club is for all people over 50 who live or have lived in our 3 villages. It is a very social time with a great meal as well. It is not just for our older residents and it would be good to see you join us every 3rd Tuesday of the month. Please get in touch if you would like to join us. Just a reminder that we do

not meet in August which gives our small band of helpers a much needed break. After our July meal we meet again on **19**th **September**.

The meal is a choice of 2 main meals and 2 puddings finished off with cheese and biscuits, tea and coffee all for £5. We serve at 1 pm but most of our regulars come early for a great social get together. Hope to see you soon.

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 especially in great need of people to cook for us as our numbers of helpers has decreased. 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.

David Buckland

SHIPTON GORGE

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



ST MARTIN'S CHURCH SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE FETE

On 5th August St Martin's will be at the fete, running a cake stall . Also, the church tower will be open. Come and see the magnificent views from the top. Refreshments and cakes will be available in the church as well.

APPEAL FOR CAKES

We always need more cakes for the popular stall we are running. If you can help by donating one, please contact **Linda Buck**: 01308 898278.

FLOODLIGHTS SPONSORSHIP FOR AUGUST

St Martin's floodlights have been sponsored this month in memory of Bob by the Tucker Family and by Jill Curtis for David's birthday.

Thank you to all our generous sponsors

If you would like to light up St Martin's for a special occasion or a fond memory, sponsorship is just £5. You can contact me, Phyl Webster, on Tel. No. 01308 898657. Should you want your occasion mentioned in the BVN for the appropriate month, please let me know in good time for the BVN submission date. Our sponsor's names are also posted in the church porch unless of course, they wish to remain anonymous.

PARISH COUNCIL

Many thanks to those of you who turned out to help on Playing Field Maintenance Day. It was a brilliant effort and with just under twenty people helping, we managed to paint most of the equipment; also the main gates, fences as well as a fair amount of lopping and trimming too. It was one of the most productive, and enjoyable maintenance days we have had for many years, so thanks to all who gave a hand.

This year everyone had a well-earned break at lunch time and it was nice to be able to relax in the shade on one of the picnic tables and have a chat while enjoying the refreshments, so grateful thanks to those who put the food together for us.

People have asked about training on how to use the defibrillator, located at the village hall. So just to reiterate, you don't need any training to use it as it is simple and guides you through the process, so it can be used by anyone even without any knowledge or training. However we will be holding training sessions on it and more importantly also on administering first aid, and CPR as well. We are expecting that these will be held in September and the dates will be in next month's BVN.

Sadly we have just been informed that our daily bus service into Bridport will cease to operate from 22^{nd} July. This is the 210 route from Litton Cheney that has served us for a number of years now.

The Parish Council has been active, in conjunction with other affected parishes, in campaigning for the service to continue even if only on a less frequent basis, but unfortunately we were not successful. There are some community transport schemes that may be useful for some as an alternative, including the **Bride Valley Dial-A-Bus** scheme who can be contacted on 01305 228965 and the **Axe Valley & West Dorset Ring & Ride** service who can be contacted on 01404 46520.

The Parish Council will be having a stall at the Summer Show and Fete on 5th August, where we will be giving out information and raising awareness of the village having a defibrillator and where it is located.

Mary Boughton, Chairman, Shipton Gorge Parish Council

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 **3rd Friday** of each month for a "cuppa" and a chat.

Contact Diana Wright 01308 456 967

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

SUMMER SHOW & FETE
SATURDAY 5th AUGUST 2017
AT THE VILLAGE HALL - 14:00 to 17:00
FLOWERS - VEGETABLES - COOKERY
PHOTOGRAPHY - CRAFT
JUNIOR CATEGORIES

(Schedule available from Sally Parker on 897168)

Visit Marquees and Stands

Village Hall Trust for Pimms, Tombola, 100 Club

St Martins Church for Cake Stall, Church Tower Visits and Lighting Sponsorship

Shipton Gorge Heritage Ltd for Village Calendars, Bat & Bird Boxes

New Inn Support Group Ltd for Raffle Tickets

Parish Council

Village Society for Cream Teas, Book Stall, Kid's Treasure Hunt, Welly Wanging, Coconut Shy

A word to the wise - If you were lucky enough to win a Trophy at last year's Summer Show please return it as soon as possible.

PARTY IN THE PADDOCK

A great night made possible by; the Sorrel Family who allowed us use of their Paddock, **Chris Deacon** & **Jess** for some beautiful songs, **Tony Sargeson** 'The Saxophone Busker from Hull', **Pete Mayo** for the popular Hog Roast and **Jason** & **Simone** of The New Inn for providing the bar. Also a Special thanks to the **Good Eggs** of Shipton Gorge who gave their time and energy to make the Party in the Paddock a success. Thank you all, you know who you are!

SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE

Many thanks to everyone who submitted photographs for the **2018 SHIPTON GORGEOUS CALENDAR.** It was a very difficult task to make the final selection and we hope that you will like the chosen photographs. You will be able to purchase the calendar at our stall during the Fete. Please continue to take photographs as there will be future calendars and we hope to show why Shipton Gorge us a unique place to live.

Compost bins - there are two back compost bins that are not being used in the Orchard, so if you would like them, free, please contact me, Hilary Cunningham, on 897928.

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL

Shipton Gorge Village Hall "100 Club"

Money raised by subscriptions to the "100 Club" is used in the maintenance and repair of the Shipton Gorge Village Hall. There is one draw (and at least three prizes!) each month, and purchase of a £10 ticket gives you the chance to win up to £20 in prize money – such a solid investment!

Tickets go on sale in August, with the first draw of the new fund raising year taking place in October.

If you don't have a ticket but would like to join, please contact **Graham Garner** on 01308-897357; or look out for us at the Village Fete on 5^{th} August.

If you are an existing subscriber, a committee member will be around to invite you to re-join (and collect your tenner) mid-August onwards.

100 Club results for July 2017 Draw

£20 No 104 Larry Davie £10 No 61 Eddie Buck £5 No 87 Peter Varney

Congratulations to all the winners.

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DIARY, AUGUST 2017

Mon 31 July → Exhibition of "Women of the House of Windsor" Burton Library

Thu 3 14.00 Church Fete Rectory Gardens, Burton

Sun 13 18.30 Burton Music Festival – Choral evensong St Mary's, Burton

Mon 14 to Friday 16th Burton Music Festival St Mary's, Burton

The diary is (mainly) on holiday - go to the beach ☺

SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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CROSSWORD SOLUTION



	SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES AUGUST 2017									
	1st Sunday 6 August Transfiguration of the Lord	2 nd Sunday 13 August Trinity 9	3 rd Sunday 20 August Trinity 10	4 th Sunday 27 August Trinity 11						
Burton Bradstock	•	11.00 Holy Communion	8.00 Holy Communion _{ET} 9.30 Family Service _{RR}	11.00 Holy Communion SB						
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Chilcombe			6.30 Evening Prayer Jw							
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion _{SL}	9.30 Morning Prayer _{JL}	9.30 Holy Communion _{ET}	5.30 Evensong Hugh King						
Swyre	7.30 Songs of Praise _{YB}	7.30 Songs of Praise RR	7.30 Songs of Praise _{SB}	7.30 Songs of Praise Jw						
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion _{SL}	10.30 Messy Church in Puncknowle Hall _{YB}	5.00 Evening Prayer ντ	11.00 All age Holy Communion RR						
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship _{c/w}	9.30 Holy Communion sв	9.30 Morning Prayer _{YB}	9.30 Holy Communion RR						
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion by ext үв		9.30 Morning Worship Jw							
Littlebredy		11am Holy Communion		11.00 Holy Communion by ext Jw						