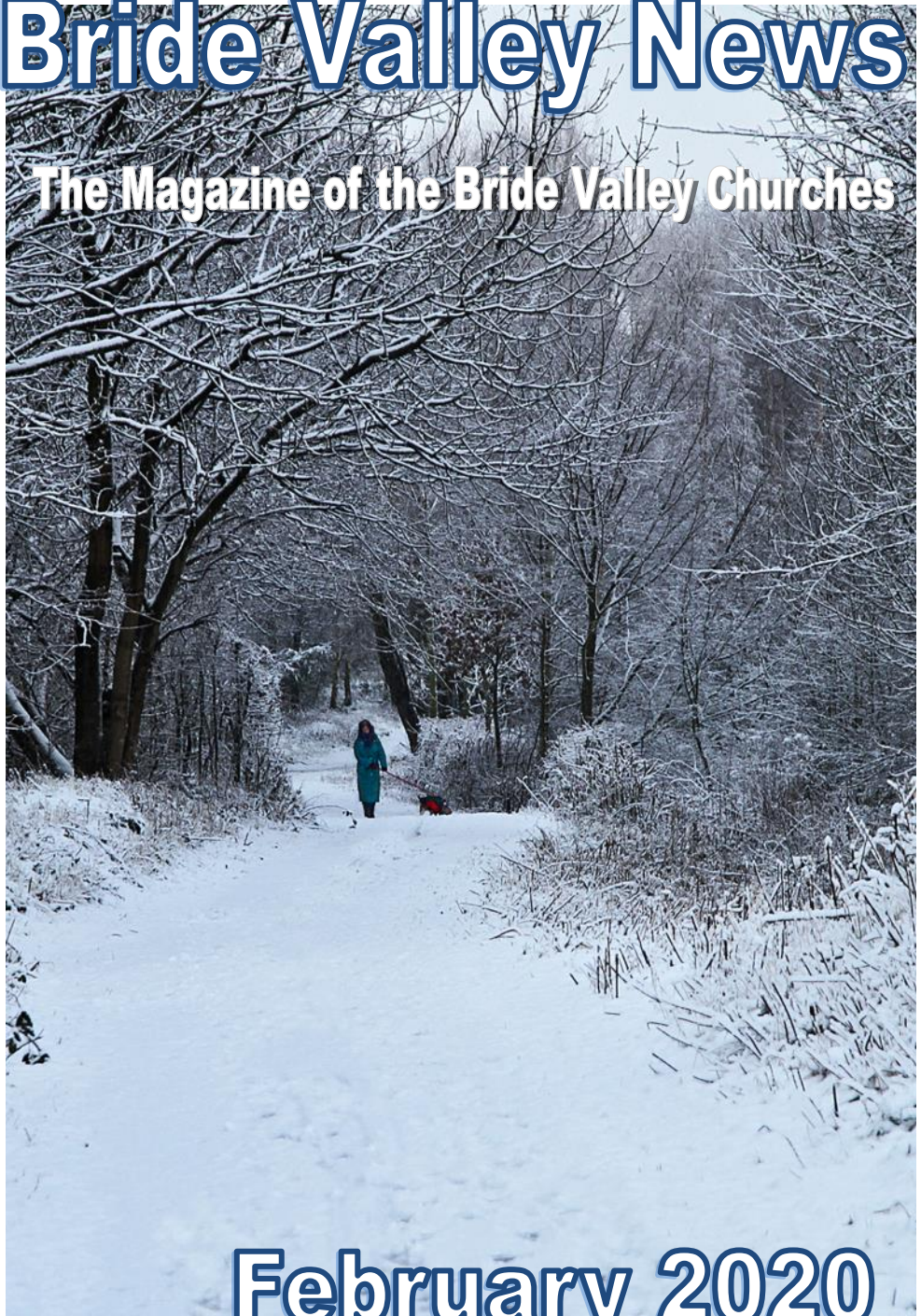


# Bride Valley News

The Magazine of the Bride Valley Churches



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[www.puncknowle.net](http://www.puncknowle.net)

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# THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

St Mary The Virgin: Burton Bradstock  
St Mary: Litton Cheney  
St Michael & All Angels: Littlebredy  
St Peter: Long Bredy  
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## BRIDE VALLEY CAR SERVICE



The BVCS is a volunteer scheme offering residents of the Bride Valley transport to and from medical appointments when they are unable to drive themselves or be driven by relatives or friends.

Clients are charged a mileage fee (currently 50p per mile) plus a standard charge (currently £1.00 per journey). Because the service depends on the availability of volunteer drivers, clients are asked to give as much notice as possible – we are unlikely to be able to respond to requests within 48 hours of an appointment.

BVCS simply provides door-to-door transport and cannot be responsible for assisting with clients' medical or mobility needs. Patients with complex transport needs for hospital appointments should contact the NHS Non-Emergency Patient Transport service.



To book a journey please call our voluntary co-ordinator Lesley on 01308 897695 between Monday and Friday.

Calls cannot be taken at weekends.



## FROM THE RECTORY

February is the month we traditionally celebrate Saint Valentine by giving our loved ones gifts or a card as a token of our affection for them. Whilst many people may not like the commercialism attached to St Valentine's Day, it is surely a good thing for us to remember those that we love in some way and to tell them that we love them whether that's by our words or our actions.

Valentine is believed to have been executed during 269 AD because he had continued to marry people despite orders by the Roman Emperor not to. Valentine maintained that marriage was part of God's plan and purpose for the world. The popularity of his actions resulted in him ultimately being arrested and executed, but not before he himself had fallen in love with the jailer's daughter. Legend suggests that on the evening of his execution the priest passed her a note which read "from your Valentine".

This month, over the Valentine weekend we will be hosting a wedding festival throughout the Bride Valley in our churches, an opportunity to celebrate loving relationships, not just in a romantic sense, but also our relationships with our friends and neighbours, our wider family and ultimately our relationship with God, our creator.

**Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love. 1 Corinthians 13.13 (The Message)**

This year then, as we think of those we love, may we remember God's love for each one of us and resolve to respond to that love in some way, perhaps by passing on the message of God's love to someone who needs to hear it, or by telling those closest to us that we love them, or by carrying out random acts of kindness, or by caring for God's creation, or by showing our love for others in our charitable giving.

Whichever way you choose to respond to God's call on our lives to show His love to the world, my prayer is that we may all know God's love and peace during the coming year and share that gift of love with all those around us.

With every blessing,  
Jane (Rector of the Bride Valley Churches)

## WEEKDAY SERVICES, FEBRUARY 2020

Monday	3	9.00	Long Bredy Morning Prayer
Monday	3	10.00	Julian Prayer Group at Swyre
Tuesday	4	9.00	Prayers - Burton Bradstock
Wednesday	5	10.00	Burton Bradstock Morning Prayer
Thursday	6	19.00	Reflect & Study with HC at Puncknowle
Monday	10	9.00	Long Bredy Morning Prayer
Tuesday	11	9.00	Prayers – Burton Bradstock
Wednesday	12	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	17	9.00	Long Bredy Morning Prayer
Monday	17	9.00	Prayers - Swyre
Tuesday	18	9.00	Prayers - Burton Bradstock
Wednesday	19	10.00	Burton Bradstock Morning Prayer
Thursday	20	19.00	Reflect & Study with HC at Puncknowle
Monday	24	9.00	Long Bredy Morning Prayer
Monday	24	9.00	Prayers - Swyre
Tuesday	25	9.00	Prayers – Burton Bradstock
Wednesday	26	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion

### FROM THE REGISTERS

#### Funerals

Monday 13 January 2020 Arthur Pearce Holy Trinity Swyre

**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 456967



## VALLEY LUNCHES 2020



### Success on a Plate at The Valley Lunches

Our January Experiment was a definite success. Despite the fact that several of our 'regulars' were away we still had 29 guests, some of whom came for the first time. Nigel and Jane (Revd) were with us again, and chatted with some diners from Puncknowle on 'things Welsh'. We were amazed to see all the flower arrangements Susan Paul brought to beautify every table - despite there being so few blooms around.

#### Thank you Susan.

The Fairtrade stall was there as usual, and Liz will be bringing Easter goodies for purchase at the next Valley Lunch in March. A big 'thank you' to the gentlemen who vie with each other to get their hands into the soapsuds each time.

All are invited to the Valley Lunches held on the first Sunday of each **ODD** month. These meals are free. All we ask is that those who come would bring some contribution - sweet or savoury or both - for this shared meal. Filter coffee and tea ( with de-caff options) are provided. **The next dates are: March 1st; May 3rd; July 5th at 12.30pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall.**

For further details please 'phone Cilla (898473) or Heather (897780)

### Tiny Tots

In January we focussed on the coming of the Wise Men (as it was Epiphany) and talked about stars; looked through some 'telescopes'; and stood under a huge Star Map. When you are passing Burton Bradstock Church do pop in and see the banner made at Tots in December and January. You may recognise someone you know.

We invite all parents, grandparents, relatives and carers with toddlers, babies, and bumps to come **at 2.15pm on Friday 14th of February, St Valentine's Day**, for our next messy, noisy, FREE, Tiny Tots' time. The following Tiny Tots will be on **Friday March 13th at the convenient time of 2.15pm at St Mary's church, Burton Bradstock.** We look forward to all regular and new Tots in the Valley coming and joining us.

For more details contact Audrey (897227) or Heather (897780)



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



**Friday March 6th at 10.30  
At Bridport United Church  
East Street  
Bridport**

The service this year has been prepared by the women of Zimbabwe who call us to

### **'Rise, take your mat and walk'**

They encourage us to reflect on the difficulties that have plagued their country over many years and invite us to share the challenges they have met and the hopes they have for the future.

The Day Of Prayer is celebrated in over 170 countries. It begins in Samoa and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world.

Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be provided

**For details please contact Kathy Hince**  
[hincekathy@gmail.com](mailto:hincekathy@gmail.com) or 01308 485626

## **Bride Valley Benefice**

**The churches of the Bride Valley will be holding a Wedding Festival, to coincide with St. Valentine's Day 2020.**

Each church will create an unique display to celebrate the various aspects of love and marriage, ending with a special service in each church at **10.30 am on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February.**

Both schools will engage with this theme, staging a mock wedding and an enactment of the Wedding Feast at Cana and there will be a couple's preparation workshop for those being married in the Benefice in 2020.

**Each church will be open between 10am and 3pm on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February.**



## BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYERS



The Burton Bradstock Pantomime

### DICK WHITTINGTON

At 7.30pm on THUR 20th, FRI 21st, SAT 22nd February  
Matinee 2.30pm SAT 22nd

**Box Office Opened from 29th January**

**Tickets available from the Post Office**

**Or by telephoning 01308 898707**

**Adults £9 Under Sixteens £5**



### The Bride Valley Book Club Review

**In November** the Group read 'Dirt Music' by Tim Winton, an Australian author, which sparked a lively discussion.

This novel was set in the fictitious settlement of White Point on the west coast of Australia, where fishing was the main source of income and the scattered dwellings were occupied by a variety of eccentric and sometimes violent characters. The key character is a rebellious young woman who has drifted into the town and into a comfortable life with her partner and his children, but becomes aware of his more sinister history due to a chance encounter with a local poacher and musician, who becomes the other main character of the story – also with a troubled family past.

There follows a complex series of events which develop the characters and engage with the wider outback of Australia, leading to a struggle for survival on a remote island. Bit by bit the dirty secrets of White Point and the relationships between the characters are revealed. This is a romance, in the setting of a brutal frontier town and an inhospitable landscape.



The lack of a definitive conclusion, though leaving some of us unsatisfied, was perhaps appropriate. We all agreed that although the story unravelled slowly, the tension kept us turning the pages and the sense of Aussie frontier spirit was expertly evoked. The author's very distinctive and beautiful style of writing conveyed the ruggedness of the landscape and the people, and the local vocabulary added to its poetry. There was a depth and ease to his writing that enabled the reader to visualise even the simpler scenes and minor characters very vividly.

A film has been made of this book and we were intrigued to think how such a translation could be made.

## **Landmarks by Robert Macfarlane**

For the first time ever - we celebrated the arrival of 2020 by having lunch at The Three Horseshoes, Burton Bradstock and combining a lovely lunch with discussion about **Landmarks by Robert Macfarlane**.

### **All ten of us managed to be present - no doubt motivated by the prospect of food!**

We had a mixed response to "Landmarks" - it was not everyone's cup of tea. Some of us dipped in and out of the text which perhaps made it more palatable than doing a straight read through. I alternated it with reading other books and found that this worked. There was also a mixed response to his extensive glossaries used around the British Isles to describe landscape in all its infinite varieties.

The glossaries did take some wading through but repaid the effort when you came across a particularly memorable word which perfectly summed up a phenomenon for which no adequate expression had previously existed - or in some cases - recognising an apt word or phrase from several generations past.

I suppose he is trying to do his bit towards a revival of the way in which language interacts and resonates with our experience of landscape. He clearly believes that we are in the process of losing the rich vocabulary our forebears used as part of their lives. I did wonder whether it had started off as a much more formal piece of academic research?

We had an interesting debate about how language evolves, how it can be reduced and the extent to which we borrow and assimilate our vocabulary. Some of us felt he relied on accounts of other writers who have attempted to record a similar approach.

This was a unique book from a writer with an important point to make about the declining use of language about our landscape, its seasons and its weather.

**Liz Pinfield**

## Our Night sky in February 2020

You might just see Mercury setting shortly after Sunset, but Venus is unmistakable as an evening “Star” setting in the West about 2100.

Mars will be rising in the South East about 5am, followed by Jupiter and Saturn about 6am, but these last two will soon be lost in the dawn sky.

Orion is now well up after Sunset, and will dominate the southern sky during the night.

Betelgeux or Betelgeuse or “Beetlejuice” as most schoolchildren would like to call it, is the Red Giant star in the left shoulder of Orion, as you face him. Quite unmistakable normally, but during the last few months has dimmed quite noticeably, which has been quite a puzzle for astronomers, especially as they are expecting the very opposite in the astronomically near future.

This red giant star, 600 times larger and 10,000 times brighter than the Sun, is coming to the end of its life, having gobbled up all its nuclear fuel. As the last elements which have been sustaining the burning process turn to iron, an element that cannot take the thermonuclear process any further, the star will collapse inwards under its own enormous gravity, and then rebound in a catastrophic explosion as a Supernova whose light will be visible on Earth even in daylight.

In this explosion, all the elements that we humans are made of are created, and hurled across space where they once more will coalesce into a new star and planetary system, ready to start a new life cycle which could support life.

Supernovae are popping off all over the Universe on a very regular basis, but Betelgeuse is relatively close to us at only about 500 light years away, so its explosion will be a quite remarkable sight for us on Earth.

### **When will this happen?**

Probably in the next 100,000 years or so, but explode it will just like the last close one did 1000 years ago, although it might not be wise to hold your breath waiting for it to happen!

Do keep enjoying our wonderful night skies, and a very happy 2020 to all my readers.

*Bill Turnill*



## BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB



**The Bride Valley Gardening Club starts its new season on the evening of Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> with a talk on 'Herbaceous Borders' from Philip Gamble.**

At this meeting we will be providing details of the 2020 annual programme, information concerning these will be found on village noticeboards and in the BVN each month.

### **Jobs to do in February (weather permitting!)**

Trim winter heathers and winter-flowering jasmine once they have finished flowering.

Tidy up over-wintering fuchsias by removing dead stems at the base and trim back to healthy buds.

Divide large clumps of snowdrops, they establish best if moved after flowering but before the foliage dies back.

Plant lilies in pots. Put a 5cm layer of mulch on pots and borders to suppress weed growth and conserve moisture.

Continue planting new flowering shrubs.

Clematis that flowers after June can be pruned hard, taking all stems back to healthy buds just above the base.

Sow hardy annuals under cover to plant out in spring.

Continue preparing seed beds for vegetables and warm the soil with cloches.

Sow broad beans, Brussels sprouts and lettuces under cover.

Plant out rhubarb crowns. Sprout early potatoes in warmth and light to produce strong shoots.

Cut back any overgrown hedges before nesting starts.

Continue to feed the birds and provide them with fresh water

**Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473**

The first meeting of 2020 saw the ladies of Bride Valley WI trying out the Charleston. I doubt if any of us will be called upon to stand in for Strictly Come dancing but a great time was had by all trying!!!!

Our programme for 2020 has been finalised and the activities planned are many and varied.

<b>February 20th</b>	AGM Purple Nanny Puncknowle VH	<b>July 16th</b>	Summer Social Venue TBC
<b>March 19th</b>	Baboo Gelato talk/ tasting Puncknowle VH	<b>September 17th</b>	Cheese Factory tour and tasting Ford Farm
<b>April 16th</b>	Ten Pin Bowling Fresh Water Jurassic fun centre	<b>October 15th</b>	Martin Fielding A vet's life Puncknowle VH
<b>May 21st</b>	Open Air Milking Field Little Bredy area	<b>November 19th</b>	Christmas craft Puncknowle VH
<b>June 18th</b>	Tour and wine tasting Bride Valley Vineyards	<b>December 17th</b>	Christmas Social Venue TBC

The dates above give an idea of what will be going on in Bride Valley WI during 2020 and if any particular activity interests you why not come along and have a go!! There are always opportunities to put forward ideas that could be incorporated into future programmes.

The first meeting is free and if you would like to join the group there is an annual membership fee of £43 which covers the cost of every activity. Good value and good fun. New skills learned and we even have a skittles team which practices regularly and takes part in the County league. There is a walking group during the lighter evenings led by one of our members.

Do come along and give us a try..... we usually meet in Puncknowle Village Hall on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

If you would like further information the email address is

Bridevalleywi@gmail.com



The first signs of Spring are peeking through at Mapperton Gardens as we prepare to welcome visitors for Snowdrop Sundays, and you may find crocuses and daffodils as well this year!

This annual tradition is an opportunity to enjoy a spot of fresh air with a peaceful woodland wander as well as

exploring the topiary and grottoes of the formal Italianate gardens.

The Coach House Café onsite will be open offering hot drinks, cakes and light lunches, including warming soup and a selection of delicious sandwiches. Selected plants including snowdrops and reticulated iris will also be on sale.

Head Gardener Steven Lannin is looking forward to welcoming everyone, **“February is a great month to get the wellies out and look around the garden with fresh eyes. The peaceful wild garden and woodlands offer space to stretch your legs and admire the early blooming spring flowers.”**

Keen gardeners will find many different hellebores and camellias making an appearance around the gardens, and don't forget to take a look inside the Orangery to spot the *Abutilon*, citrus flowers, begonias and tree ferns.

**Snowdrop Sundays will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February with entry open from 11am to 4pm. Admission is £5 per person with under 16s free, payable on entry. Mapperton Estate will be making a donation to the National Garden Scheme from Snowdrop Sundays proceeds.**

For more information about Mapperton House & Gardens, which opens its doors for the season on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, please visit [mapperton.com](http://mapperton.com)





## THORNERS CE VA SCHOOL



**A very Happy New Year to you!**

Our **Christmas shows**, A Midwife Crisis and Superstar, were brilliant! As always, the children sang, danced and performed beautifully. It is amazing how all had learned the words to the songs and of course their own lines. A big thank you to them and to staff, parents and everyone who helped.

All proceeds from the tickets went to the Bus Shelter Dorset, a charity for the homeless. We raised more than £200 – thank you. Thank you also to the TSA for providing refreshments at the shows. They raised about £250 (after deducting costs) from the refreshments and raffle. Excellent!

Thank you to all who joined us at our **carol service**. The church was beautifully festive and everyone enjoyed the singing and bellringing. Thank you to our readers and bellringers and to all who help make the church so welcoming. Thank you to David Jones for accompanying the carols and to the TSA for kindly providing mince pies after the service. We also had a lovely church service in the new year. The weather held up for both!

Our **helpers' tea party** is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank those who give so generously of their time throughout the year and the children enjoy showing what they have made.

As you know, Mrs Peach retired at the end of December after 44 years of service at Thorners. She joined us at the helpers' tea party and we wished her a 'Happy Retirement'. The children had made her a special card, and staff, parents and governors presented retirement gifts. We wish her all the very best.

**Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher**



# Burton Bradstock CE Primary School



The children returned this term refreshed after a very mild Christmas break. The excitement of performing 'The Peace Child' at Freshwater is a distant memory and the children are focused and eager to immerse themselves in their new learning.

The Spring Term, as always, is looking to be a very busy one in school. This half term the children are continuing with their creative curriculum through our Cornerstones topics.

Our Reception class are enjoying listening to, and acting out, traditional tales with their topic entitled 'Will you read me a story?'.

Our Key Stage 1 class will be travelling back in time and thinking about the past with their topic 'Memory Box'.

Our Lower Key Stage 2 class has a science focus with their topic 'Mighty Metals' and they will be investigating a range of scientific phenomena.

Finally, Upper Key Stage 2's topic of 'Darwin's Delights' means that they will be investigating adaptation, natural selection, variation and inheritance.

This term we continue to offer the children extra-curricular activities. The regular football club continues along with drama club, archery club, Nerf club, craft club and history club. For the first time we are also running a Zumba club!

We welcomed our eight new pre-school children into our newly formed pre-school this term, along with our new pre-school assistant, Mrs Proudfoot. The pre-school forms part of the Foundation Stage Unit, which includes our Reception children. Children are eligible for our pre-school in the term following their third birthday. For more information and an application form, please contact the school.

After the fantastic success of our Christmas Fayre in December that raised over £1000, the Friends of the school are now busy on their next big fundraising venture – a sponsored swim-a-thon, which takes place at Bridport Leisure Centre on Saturday 8th February.

We also have the annual Duck Race to look forward to. This year it will take place on Sunday 5th April and ducks can be purchased from the school and various locations closer to the time.



**Pictures of School Achievers**

**and Peace Child cast**

**Claire Staple  
Headteacher**





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### ST MARY'S CHURCH PUNCKNOWLE

## FUND RAISING TO PURCHASE A DEFIBRILLATOR IN SWYRE

# FAMILY BINGO

PUNCKNOWLE VILLAGE HALL

7PM FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2020

RAFFLE, BAR, TEA AND BISCUITS,  
CHILDRENS' REFRESHMENTS

We would be delighted to receive donations for prizes such  
as wine, chocolates and biscuits.

**PLEASE CONTACT S. BOWSHER 01308 897987 – Parish Clerk**



## PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

At this year's AGM we planned our programme for the year ahead with the usual mix of home grown workshops and those from visiting artists. New members are always welcome and do not have to be able to paint. There is a good deal of help on offer in this friendly little group. Our next two meetings will be in the hall on 14th and 28th Feb.

<https://puncknowleartgroup.blogspot.com/>

*Christine Molony*



**PUNCKNOWLE,  
SWYRE, WEST  
BEXINGTON AND  
CHILCOMBE**

**Puncknowle Village  
Hall.**

**12.30 for 1pm**

Please contact David  
Buckland, Tel No 01308  
898492 for further  
details.

### **February Menu - 18.2.2020**

Steak and kidney casserole with  
puff pastry, mash and gravy, or  
Chicken Kiev

.....

Bread & Butter pudding, or  
Treacle tart with custard

.....

Cheese and biscuits  
Tea/coffee

**£5.00 for home-cooked three  
course lunch.**

### **2020 Lunches:**

**17 March**

**21 April**

**19 May**

## HOLY TRINITY SWYRE

As part of the Valley wide celebration of loving and caring relationships weekend; Holy Trinity Swyre are holding an exhibition of wedding photographs over the decades, from 20th century to present day.

In addition there will be a display of marriage linked archive for Swyre dating back to 1588. We hope that as many as possible of our friends across the valley will visit us.

# LITTON CHENEY

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## St. Mary's Church

The church was beautifully decorated for Christmas and our thanks go to those who decorated the tree and arranged all the flowers. Thanks to the generosity of the congregations at the Carol Service, the Crib Service and Midnight Communion, the combined collections totalled £536, which has been donated equally to Julia's House and the Pilsdon Community.

Many thanks to those who kindly donated for the church to be floodlit for a total of nineteen nights over Christmas and the New Year. The floodlights lit up the church over Christmas, but unfortunately a fault prevented them coming on for six nights over the New Year. Now having been inspected by an electrician it appears that the floodlights are badly corroded and will have to be replaced, which hopefully will happen over the next few weeks. When they are once again functioning they will be lit up for the "missing" six nights.

**During the weekend of 14th – 16th February** there will be a **Wedding Festival** throughout the Benefice – a joyful celebration of loving relationships of all kinds. All the churches will have wedding-themed displays on Saturday 15th from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm, and on Sunday 16th all the churches will hold the same service at 10.30 am to celebrate "Loving and Caring".

The end of the month sees the start of Lent, with Pancake Day on the 25th and Ash Wednesday on the 26th January.

### Litton Cheney Parish Council

At its meeting in January the Parish Council determined the amount of parish precept required to carry out its duties and responsibilities for 2020/21. The minutes of the meeting, available on the village website and main noticeboard will show the amount which at the time of going to press is not expected to change from 2019/20.

**The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March.**

### Royal British Legion Poppy Collection at Thorner's School

A fine effort by pupils at Thorner's School resulted in a collection of £66 for this very worthy cause in November, and for which they received grateful thanks and congratulations from the RBL.

### Litton Cheney Social Committee

**CAROL SINGING** - Unfortunately both nights had to be cancelled due to the weather which was wet, windy and cold and certainly not very deep, crisp and even!

However the Christmas spirit of generosity has led to several donations, always happy to receive more, to which the Social Committee has added. and a cheque for £157 has been sent to Julia's House.

Ron Davidson LCSC



**Litton and Thorner's Community Hall –**  
**LATCH - Let's All Take Care of our Hall!**



## Events at LATCH in February

**Tuesdays:** 4.00 pm Short Mat Bowls – Why not come and try it – All welcome.  
6.15 pm Ballroom & Latin dance classes

**Wednesdays:** 4.00 pm Table Tennis  
7.00 - 8.30 pm Iyengar Yoga

**Thursdays:** 10.00 am – 11.30 First Steps Toddlers (not 20th)

**Sunday 23rd :** 9.30 am Yoga with Nadiya Wynn



### LITTON FILMS

**Please note earlier start time!**



#### **Thursday 6th 7.30 pm. Film Night “Can You Ever Forgive Me”**

Based on a true story. Melissa McCarthy stars as Lee Israel, the best-selling celebrity biographer. When Lee found herself unable to get published because she had fallen out of step with the marketplace, she turned her literary skills to deception, assisted by her loyal friend Jack (Richard E. Grant). McCarthy effortlessly portrays the loneliness and insecurity of her character. Starring **Melissa McCarthy, Richard E Grant & Dolly Wells**. Cert. 15. 1 hr 46 mins.

**Coming up: Thursday 5th March Film Night 7.30 pm “Yesterday”**

**Litton and Thorner's Community Hall** has just installed LED lighting, the intent being to improve the light levels (amazing) and save energy (they do). The lights were installed by local electrician Eonne Sinclair and his colleague, Mike. They did a super job and we are very appreciative of Eonne's goodwill gesture in “donating” his fee, calling it a community contribution. Grateful thanks to our local “Greeny”.

If your organisation or community group are looking for fund-raising opportunities, why not hold your own event. You get to use LATCH rent-free on a Saturday morning, and you decide how best to maximise your fund-raising efforts to make the best of the opportunity. If you think this might be just what you are looking for, why not contact **Wendy Firrell on 01308 482532** and check out some dates?

### **Burton Bradstock Post Office**

Elsewhere in this BVN there will be a “Use it or Lose it” exhortation relating to the Burton Bradstock Post Office. All too often when these facilities disappear they are gone forever, and the journey into the nearest town gets ever longer. Your support is requested and required - please.

# LITTLEBREDY

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## St Michael and All Angels

The Christmas period in the village saw several really successful and enjoyable events:- The candlelit Carol Service in Church on December 23rd, shared with our Longbredy neighbours, was a great occasion, and a packed Church not only enjoyed the service but a short concert afterwards, when Tim Laycock (concertina – alias squeezebox) was accompanied by Ludo De La Mare on Trumpet and his sister Clover on clarinet in a short concert of seasonal tunes – a lovely innovation. In the absence of our organist, Sandra, on Christmas Day, Tim also provided the music for the service, also very well attended. Many thanks to him, and to the Rector, who led both services.

The weather on Boxing Day began foul, but it did not dampen the spirits of the many who turned out for the annual duck race from the waterfall to the Riverside bridge. From the large entry, the victor was Clover de la Mare's duck – a deserved reward, no doubt, for her musical contributions. The best-decorated duck(s) were Father Christmas and his reindeers, created by the Quincey family at Spring Cottage – congratulations to them. Thanks and congratulations also go to Edgar and Jacqui Moxom, who again organised the event, and raised just over £300 in the process, a little bit more than last year.

By the time this appears, readers may already have been contacted with a request to locate and then lend a wedding photograph for the display in Church for the **weekend celebrating human love and relationships from St. Valentine's Day, Friday February 14th till Sunday 16th**. If nobody has been in touch with you yet to suggest an arrangement, please feel free to deliver one or more photographs (it doesn't matter whether loose, mounted or framed) to the Armstrongs at West Lodge or the Williamses at Bridehead. Obviously, they will be cherished and returned safely shortly after the weekend. And (also obviously) we hope for a good number of village visitors during the weekend – the formal "open time" is the Saturday from 10.00 a.m. till 3.00 p.m., but the Church will be open throughout. It will also host a special service for the event on the Sunday at 10.30 a.m. when identical services will be being held simultaneously in every church in the valley.

A reminder that there will also be a **Concert of chamber music at Bridehead at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday 16th February**. Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra musicians Barbara Brown (flute), Tom Beer (viola) and Eluned Pierce (harp) will present a programme featuring Debussy, Leclair and Arnold Bax in a wonderful Dorset Artsreach spring concert. There is a "block ad" giving more details on the next page but tickets at £10 can be obtained on request from Tim Laycock (482443) or Catherine Williams (482232).



## CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT

by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Trio  
(flute, viola & harp)

at BRIDEHEAD, LITTLEBREDY

on **SUNDAY 16th FEBRUARY : 3.00 p.m.**

**Tickets (including tea & biscuits  
during the Interval):**

£10 adult: £6 under 18: £25 family (2+2)

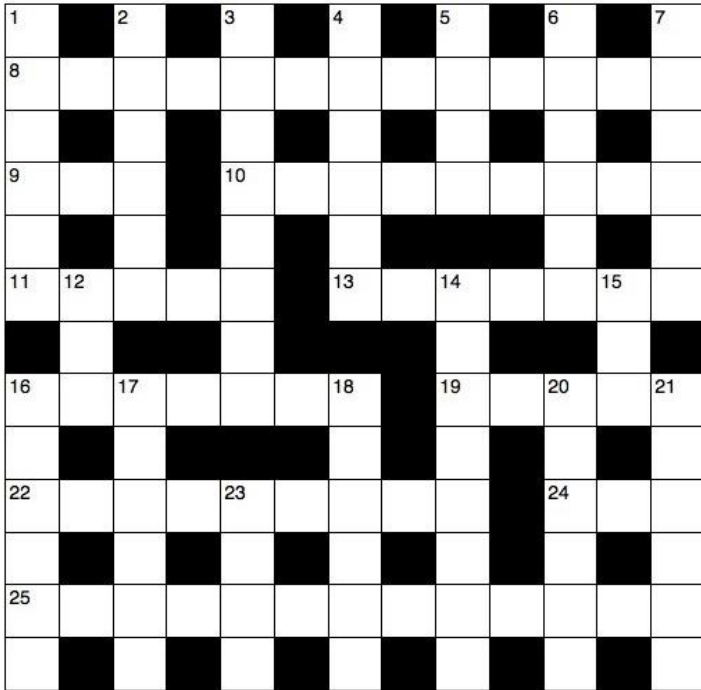
available on application from Tim Laycock 01308 482443

or Catherine Williams 01308 482232

or online at [www.artsreach.co.uk](http://www.artsreach.co.uk)



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**CROSSWORD**  
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**CROSSWORD CLUES**

**Across**

- 8 Interrogated (Acts 12:19) (5-8)
- 9 'Burn it in a wood fire on the – heap' (Leviticus 4:12) (3)
- 10 Tobit, Judith, Baruch and the books of Esdras and the Maccabees are part of it (9)
- 11 Science fiction (abbrev.) (3-2)
- 13 Clay pit (anag.) (7)
- 16 Went to (John 4:46) (7)
- 19 'Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to – your bodies as living sacrifices' (Romans 12:1) (5)
- 22 David's plea to God concerning those referred to in 14 Down: 'On – – let them escape' (Psalm 56:7) (2,7)
- 24 Royal Automobile Club (1,1,1)
- 25 How the book of Ezekiel refers to God more than 200 times (Ezekiel 2:4) (9,4)

**Down**

- 1 Seas (Proverbs 8:24) (6)
- 2 One of the sons of Eli the priest, killed in battle by the Philistines (1 Samuel 4:11) (6)
- 3 Specialist in the study of the Muslim religion (8)

- 4 'Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but – him as if he were your father' (1 Timothy 5:1) (6)
- 5 One of Esau's grandsons (Genesis 36:11) (4)
- 6 Taking a chance (colloq.) (2,4)
- 7 God's instructions to the Israelites concerning grain offerings: ' – salt to – your offerings' (Leviticus 2:13) (3,3)
- 12 Confederation of British Industry (1,1,1)
- 14 'All day long they twist my words; they are always – to harm me' (Psalm 56:5) (8)
- 15 The crowd's reaction to Jesus bringing back to life a widow's son in Nain (Luke 7:16) (3)
- 16 Disappear (Psalm 104:35) (6)
- 17 How Jeremiah was likely to die if he wasn't rescued from the cistern where he was imprisoned (Jeremiah 38:9) (6)
- 18 What the prophets do to a wall, with whitewash (Ezekiel 13:10, RSV) (4,2)
- 20 Made by a plough (Job 39:10) (6)
- 21 Noah was relieved when the flood waters continued to – (Genesis 8:5) (6)
- 23 Jesus gave the Twelve the power and authority to do this to diseases (Luke 9:1) (4)

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# LONG BREDY

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## St Peter's Church

### Long Bredy 100 Club December 2019 Draw

£25.00	No 58	J. and B. Holmes
£15.00	No 102	B. and A. Peppiatt
£ 5.00	No 131	J. Greener

Drawn on 20/12/2019 at Long Bredy Pop-up- Pub

### Long Bredy 100 Club December 2019 Super Draw

£ 150.00	No 138	C. Tretheway and J. Talbot
£ 85.00	No 13	E. Frost
£ 40.00	No 130	A. and J. Handoll

Drawn on 20/12/2019 at Long Bredy Pop-up- Pub

If you have not yet bought your 100 Club numbers for 2020, please contact Ruth Cullingford (482562); there are still eleven months of the year left for you to be a potential prize winner!

### Dog Attack on Sheep

Unfortunately the year did not start well for the sheep in the field behind Bottle Knapp Cottage. A ewe lamb was attacked and badly bitten. Following a visit to the vet she is now recovering but still very traumatised and undergoing further treatment. The attack was severe and the dog responsible would have returned to its owner with blood on it, so the owner would know what the dog had done. Without doubt it will do it again! Please, please can we ask that dog owners keep dogs on leads wherever and whenever you see livestock.

Thank you to the majority of dog owners who pick up the poo left by their dogs but unfortunately not all do, particularly when walking in the fields. Sadly some owners even let their dogs roam free to do their business so never know whose field, gateway or garden their dog's poo is left in. Dog poo is toxic to livestock in what it carries and can cause extremely painful death for sheep and cattle infected by worms and secondary infections. People have lost their sight when strimming and hitting dog poo, children have been seriously ill caused just by playing and falling over into dog poo and there are not many worse jobs than getting dog poo off shoes and wheels.

**Please be a responsible dog owner; make sure you know where it is and you pick up its poo.**



## Village Coffee Break

The next Coffee Break will be on **Saturday, February 8th, from 10.30 to 12.00** in the village hall. It was lovely to welcome visitors from different villages in the Bride Valley and further afield in January. Tasty refreshments and a warm fire will be on offer for a small donation to cover expenses.

## Christmas Quiz - reminder

If you completed the quiz and it is still languishing somewhere, don't forget to let Caddy have it before **February 14th** for a chance to win £20.00.

## Wedding Festival

Long Bredy's arrangements for the Bride Valley Churches' Wedding Festival are as follows:

**Friday 14th February** - The plan is to set up the church and decorate with snowdrops and ivy, with a green and white theme to set off the display of wedding hats. Anyone wishing to help with this in any way will be very welcome; **please contact Jackie Cain or Elinor Frost.**

If you have a hat which you have worn for a wedding /baptism (and any accompanying photo) and would be willing to lend these for the weekend, please bring them along to the church or give to Jackie, Elinor, Ruth or Sue.

**Saturday 15th February** - The church will be open from **10.00 am to 3.30 pm.**

In addition to the displays in church, there will be a bell exhibition, a webcam in the ringing chamber which will show the action of the bells as they ring and the opportunity to be creative, flamboyant, imaginative and make a hat with materials provided!

**Refreshments will be available all day.**

**Sunday 16th February** - There will be a service at **10.30am** in St Peter's Church, followed by refreshments, which will again be available all day.

**The church will be open from then until 3.30pm.**

## Come-Along Inn

This will open again on **Friday February 21st from 5.30 till 9.00pm**

Meet up for a drink with friends and neighbours, enjoy a warm fire and maybe have a bite to eat.

## Seeds and Plants

There will be the annual plant stall at the May coffee break so if you are sowing seeds or dividing plants and would be able to put any extras to one side for this event, all contributions for the stall will be much appreciated.

## Long Bredy Summer Event

Long Bredy will be on show over the weekend of the **19th, 20th and 21st June.** The weekend begins with the 'Come Along Inn' open on the Friday evening, followed on the Saturday with Open Gardens, a boat race, stalls and exhibitions. Then on Sunday there will be a Dog Show along with other attractions.

**Make sure you mark the date in your calendar as it is not to be missed.**

# SHIPTON GORGE

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## ST MARTIN'S CHURCH Floodlight Sponsors for February 2020

Thank you so much to our sponsors this month. The lights really do cheer up the village during the damp and dreary nights.

The lights are shining for Roy Symes on his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday and  
In Memory of Percy Symes on his birthday  
In Memory of Ron Grisedale's Dad  
and for Peter Bradley who donated his fluttering fiver!

We would love to hear from anyone who would like to light up St Martin's for any reason, be it a special occasion, or a memory. As we are rather low on sponsors for the next few months we would be especially grateful if you could contact Phyl on 01308 898657. Many thanks!

### Wedding Festival

To celebrate the Bride Valley Churches Wedding Festival this month the Flower Team at St Martins are planning to display in the church a series of arrangements/installations taking traditional Anniversary materials as a theme.

We hope to complete 9 arrangements in total, which are: 1 Year – Paper, 5 Years – Wood, 10 Years – Tin, 15 Years – Crystal, 20 Years – China, 25 Years – Silver, 30 Years – Pearl, 40 Years – Ruby and 50 Years – Gold.

If anyone or family connected to the village will be celebrating a Wedding Anniversary, Civil Marriage or Partnership in 2020 or are already in the year of any of the above we would love to hear from you as we would like to dedicate each display to as many people as possible. Please email names and dates by February 7th to: [fionamilo.ross@gmail.com](mailto:fionamilo.ross@gmail.com).

The displays will be in the Church to view from Friday 14th February – Tuesday 25th February

### PARISH COUNCIL

We would like to thank all those who have completed and returned their Village Appraisal questionnaires. At the time of writing we have received back 176 out of the 212 delivered, and we still expect more to come in. So an excellent response and it's all down to our lovely residents who took the time to do this, so thank you so much. There is still time to get yours in if you haven't already done so, or if you've

mislaid it we'd be happy to deliver another copy to complete. Contact any parish councillor or the parish clerk on 898189.

You may have heard that Heidi Briscoe has recently opened The Nook Café in Victoria Grove, Bridport, so do pop in and see her when you're passing – her reputation for good home-made food and snacks means that you'll be glad you did! Unfortunately for us it also means that because of all the work and time involved in this, she has decided that she cannot also find the time to continue as a parish councillor – so we have a vacancy on the council. If you are interested in joining us please contact the parish clerk, as above. Meanwhile we all wish Heidi the very best with her new venture.

At its November meeting the Parish Council joined with other parishes and Dorset Council in declaring a Climate Change Emergency and as a result we will be looking at positive steps we can take as a community to deal with this. Suggestions arising from the Village Appraisal questionnaires will form part of our planning with regard to this.

**Mary Boughton – Chairman**

### **SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE**

At the end of January the trustees will be planning their calendar of events for 2020 and expect to be able to publish this on the village website and also in the March edition of the Bride Valley News. So keep your eyes peeled for details of our exciting plans for the year.

### **SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

**A Date for Your Diary - Village Hall Bingo - Saturday 14th March 2020,**  
Shipton Gorge Village Hall.

Top Cash Prize ... plus loads of other fantastic prizes .... plus a licensed bar. Could there be a nicer way to prepare for the Spring Equinox - come in like a lamb and walk out a winner !

Doors open 7:00 pm, Eyes Down 7:30 pm.

Proceeds will go to the hall's general maintenance fund.

### **100 Club JANUARY 2020**

<b>£25</b>	<b>No 67</b>	<b>Lena Williams</b>
<b>£10</b>	<b>No 136</b>	<b>Tony &amp; Claire Colbourne</b>
<b>£5</b>	<b>No 4</b>	<b>Nicky Devecsery</b>

**Congratulations to all the winners.**

## VILLAGE CAROL SINGING

Many thanks to everyone who came along on 16th December to sing favourite carols around the village. We all sang our hearts out for over two hours, ending up at the New Inn for well needed liquid refreshment!

£140 was collected for Save the Children Fund - well done everyone, including our very willing bucket shakers!

See you all again in 12 months time.

*Janet Lane*



## COMPTON VALENCE SNOW DROPS



## VILLAGE HALL LUNCHEAS and TEAS

**Monday 3rd Feb to Friday 14th February 2020**

**COME and WALK/DRIVE** through our beautiful village and see the stunning white drifts of snowdrops. (The village hall is below the church)

**OPEN (WEATHER PERMITTING): 10.30am -3.30 pm Daily**

To Book Please ring or email so we can cater accordingly:

**Tessa Russell Tel: 01308 482227 or email: [tessa@cvfarms.co.uk](mailto:tessa@cvfarms.co.uk)  
Or Pippa James 01305 889338 m 07880882985  
email:[enquiries@dovehousedorset.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@dovehousedorset.co.uk)**

Pre booked guests will take priority as the hall is small. In bad/icy weather we may not be open.

Please be considerate of our village/verges etc when parking or ring us to discuss your needs so we can advise you where to go.

We very much look forward to seeing you.

# BURTON BRADSTOCK

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## ST MARY'S CHURCH

Our Songs of Praise service on Sunday 2nd February will be a special one for Candlemas. With the theme of 'Light', Candlemas is 40 days after the birth of Jesus when he was presented to the Lord in the Temple and we shall have the church decorated with candles and the Crib still in place. Starting at a convenient time of 10.30am and lasting just under one hour the service will be led by the Revd Sue Linford. As usual there will be refreshments afterwards and all residents and visitors are welcome.



The next Songs of Praise service will be on Sunday 1st March at the start of Lent and will be led by Revd Elfrida Savigear.

Come and join us for these inspiring services

**Wedding Festival St Mary's Burton Bradstock**  
**Saturday 15th February 2020**  
**10.00 am - 3.00 pm**

You are invited to an Exhibition of photographs and memorabilia loaned by villagers married in our lovely Church which will be decorated with beautiful flowers befitting a wedding.

Join in this joyful Celebration of Loving and Caring Relationships and share your memories.

Coffee & Biscuits: 10 am – 12.00 noon  
Tea & Cakes: 2 pm – 3 pm

## Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust

For Hall bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré (01308897648)

### 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 dates are listed below.

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Organised by:</b>
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Village Society
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> March	St Mary’s Church



### BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS



For an evening of Fantasy, Fun and Romance the Village Hall is the place to be on Friday 28 February 2020 where the film Yesterday will be shown.

Himash Patel and Lily James star in this story about an accident, when the whole world is hit by a massive blackout, and a struggling musician finds he is the only person on earth who remembers The Beatles after waking up in an alternative time line where they never existed. Realising his improbable opportunity he starts to play Beatles music claiming it as his own.



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

### Dates For Your Diary

All the films mentioned below will be shown subject to licences being obtained:

**Friday 27 March 2020** - The Good Liar - When consummate con man Roy Courtney targets his next victim, a recently widowed lady worth millions, it should have been a simple swindle for him but it escalates into a cat-and- mouse game with the

ultimate stakes. Starring Helen Mirren and Ian McKellen

**Friday 24 April 2020 - Judy**

**Friday 22 May 2020 – Downton Abbey**

## **Burton Bradstock Village Hall “200 Club”**

### **January 2020 Draw**

<b>1st</b>	<b>£33.80</b>	<b>No 142:</b>	<b>Mrs Jill Harper</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>£16.90</b>	<b>No 110:</b>	<b>Mr Bob Ayers</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>£8.45</b>	<b>No 136:</b>	<b>Mrs Mags Chue</b>

### **Congratulations to the winners:**

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the February 2020 draw should telephone Keith Britton on 01308 898008 and let him have £11 – one pound for each monthly draw in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

**WDDC Licence no: SL0080**

## **BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY**

All are invited to our next Village Society talk which takes place at **7.30pm** on **Friday February 7th** in **Burton Bradstock Village Hall**.

**Ian Williamson** will talk about '**My Three Weeks Adventure in Nepal**'.

Ian travelled to Nepal six months after the earthquake there. This is a tale of what he found and how he was able to help.

It should be fascinating.

Members pay just **£1** on the door and Non-Members/Guests **£4**.

## **THANK YOU**

Warmest thanks for all the great kindness shown to me in my recent time in hospital. I feel sure it played a large part in health restoration.

**Hilary Mousley**

We packed a lot into our first meeting of the New Year in January! We discussed several resolutions that had been put forward for consideration as to which one should be selected for the WI National Campaign for this year. We also had a photographic competition entitled "Native English Trees" alongside which there was a "Do you know your trees?" picture quiz. Subscriptions were paid and new Programme cards were given out – it looks to be an exciting year ahead.

Nearly all of our groups resumed their meetings with renewed enthusiasm for the year ahead, which promises to be as busy as the last, if not more so.

At our February meeting we shall be celebrating Green Hearts Day, the WI adaptation of St. Valentine's Day, when we think of the environment and what we can do to preserve it. This year we are having a talk about recycling given by Kirsten Juniper, who is the Recycling Officer for the Dorset Waste Partnership. She will be reminding us of what we can recycle, where to recycle it and then what happens to it next. We shall also be thinking of how to reduce the amount of single use plastic in our day to day lives. Hopefully we can make a difference, however small.

The walking group will be setting off for one of their favourite walks – to see the snowdrops at Compton Valence, where they shall also be enjoying refreshments in the village hall there.

The kurling enthusiasts will be practising hard as we are hoping to enter a team in the Dorset WI Kurling Competition which starts this month. In fact we are so enthusiastic that we have extended our practices to twice a month as we have so much fun!

The Activities group, Skittles, Mah Jong and Reading groups will all be meeting with similar enthusiasm this month too.

Hopefully we can entice some new members during this year. If you are interested in joining us or wish to know more please phone Janet Pearson on 898346.

### **ST. MARY'S MISSION COMMITTEE.**

There will be a delicious Pancake Spectacular Lunch on Shrove Tuesday, 25th February, in aid of our Mission Charities, the Sudan Medical Link and the Church Mission Society.

Please join us at the Chesil Court Lounge between 12 mid-day and 2pm.

A selection of savoury and sweet pancakes will be served by the hard working team, and we look forward to welcoming you.

Updates on the work of the Charities will be available.

**Any queries, contact Liz Orza (897451).**



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

### **Activities in the Library**

#### **Digital Champion - drop in session - Monday 10th FEBRUARY**

Do you need help using your PC, tablet or smart phone? Would you like to know what an app is, how to email, access the internet or understand the cloud? Carol will be in the library from 3pm to answer your questions and if necessary arrange friendly, FREE one to one tuition at a speed you can keep up with. Supported by Superfast Dorset, Digital Champions are volunteers who help and support people in their local community to use the internet and gain basic online skills. **The next drop-in session will be on 9th March**

#### **Wedding Festival Exhibition**

Following the St Valentine's Day celebrations in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock, photographs picturing couples who have been married there will be available to view in the Library during opening hours from 17<sup>th</sup> February. As space is limited this will not include everything on display in the church.



#### **LEGO in the Library on Wednesday 19th February**

The Library welcomes all Lego Builders, young and old during the half-term holidays. The session will start at 10.30am and run for a maximum of 1½ hours. Children should be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The format of the session will very much depend upon the numbers on the day.

#### **Dates for your Diary**

##### **The Thursday Morning Discussion**

The subject for 26th March will be **Charles Rennie Mackintosh. "Art is the Flower. Life is the Green Leaf"**, more details to follow.

Will you volunteer to lead a session? What will be the topic? Please let me know.

##### **FBBL AGM**

26th March in Burton Bradstock Village Hall at 7.30pm

#### **Opening hours for Burton Bradstock Community Library**

Monday Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 3.00pm to 5.00pm

Tuesday & Saturday 10.00am to 12.00am

##### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Telephone: 01308 897563;

email: [info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk)



Friends of Burton Bradstock Library

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Rosemary Daniels (Chair of the FBBL Trustees)

## **Strong Response on Post Office Village Shop**

Thanks from the Villagers' Steering Support Group for around 100 replies in 3 days to the Leaflet distributed in early January. It looks like by early February 50% of the village will have responded that they wish to be kept in touch with Post Office Village Shop news. (We have left some spare copies of the leaflet distributed at the Post Office).

Two encouraging habits that seem spontaneously to be happening are (a) for some supporters to be aiming at buying '5 items or more' a week from the Shop; and (b) for supermarket shoppers to 'stop off first' at the Shop to see if certain needs can be met by the Shop.

The Group's next stage will be to distribute a very short questionnaire to village residents on any products they would themselves ideally like to see stocked because they would be likely to buy them. The Support Group is well aware of the space limitations in the shop but the Mayos have said they will be very keen to see and study the results.

We'll also be publicising news to other villages close to Burton Bradstock, whose custom is already welcome.

**John Grantham & Support Steering Group, [john.grantham4@btinternet.com](mailto:john.grantham4@btinternet.com)**

### **BURTON BRADSTOCK SOCIAL SUPPER GROUP**

**OUR NEXT SOCIAL SUPPER WILL BE ON**

**24<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

6.30pm for 7pm at the BRIDPORT & WEST GOLF CLUB

Enquiries to Hazel Dalglish 01308 897894 or Mags Chue 01308 897543

### **Burton Bradstock Short Mat Bowls Club**



Would you like to do something on the long winter evenings? Why not join us for Indoor Bowls at Burton Bradstock Village Hall on Monday evenings? No experience necessary and all are welcome. It's just good fun and none of us are experts!

We meet at 7.00pm every Monday evening and the first session is free. Why not come along and give it a try?

# BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

## News and Updates:

### **Vacant Seat on the Parish Council**

There is still 1 vacant seat on the Parish Council. Please contact the Clerk for further info or come along to the next PC meeting.

**Play Area Project**- Phase 2 is now in the final stages of planning. Due to the weather there has been a delay in the installation of the shelter. We hope to have this completed very soon

**Parish Plan Review** - Following the Parish Plan review, feedback is now on the website and the draft plan will be considered at the Feb PC meeting.

**Community Speed Watch** - the new Community Speed Watch Scheme is now under way in the village. If you are interested in getting involved please let us know and we can pass you onto the team leader. The PC are also looking into the installation of a SID Speed Indicator Device in the village.

### **Flood protection in the village**

The village has a sand bag store. If you would like to collect sand bags for your properties, please contact the Council and we can arrange a Saturday when the store will be open for collection.

**Reading Room, Office Space** - The Parish Council has a vacant office space on the second floor of the Reading Room to rent. Please contact the Clerk for more details.

**PO & Village Shop** - Don't forget to pop into your Post Office and Village Shop to buy local

**The next PC meeting will be held on  
Wednesday 5th February 2020  
7.30 pm in the Reading Room.  
All welcome!**

Clerk: Mrs Michele Harding- email: [theclerk@burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org](mailto:theclerk@burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org)

Tel: 07814 016971. Website: [www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org](http://www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/burtonbradstockparishcouncil>

Burton Bradstock are now on Twitter follow the link below take a look and follow us....

<https://twitter.com/BurtonBParish>

# Lily's Christmas Act of Kindness for Weldmar Patients and Staff

A nine year old from Burton Bradstock delivered an early Christmas gift to Weldmar Hospicecare patients and staff.

Lily Tancock visited the Inpatient Unit in Dorchester with boxes of special gift bags that she'd put together, full of treats.

The gifts for patients included chocolates, wordsearch books, and toiletries such as soap, sponges, and toothbrushes.



Community Fundraiser Emily Fisher and Director of Nursing Caroline Sweetland with Lily



Lily says, "I thought it would make everyone feel special at Christmas and make them real happy, and it would cheer them up if they were feeling a bit sad or something".

Well done Lily and thank you.

## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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## SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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## DIARY, FEBRUARY 2020

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Sun	2	10.30	Songs of Praise	St Mary's, Burton
Wed	5	19.30	Burton Parish Council meeting	Burton Reading Room
Fri	7	19.30	Village Society: Nepal	Burton Village Hall
Sat	8	10.30	Village Coffee Break	Long Bredy Village Hall
Mon	10	15.00	Digital Champion Drop-in	Burton Library
Fri	14	10.00	Art Club	Puncknowle Village Hall
		19.30	Family Bingo to raise funds for defibrillator in Swyre	Puncknowle Village Hall
Sat	15	10.00-15.00	Wedding Festival	St Mary's, Burton
		10.00	Wedding Festival Hats and Bells	St Peter's Church, Long Bredy
Sun	16	10.00	Wedding Festival Hats and Bells	St Peter's Church, Long Bredy
		15.00	Arts Reach Chamber Music Concert	Bridehead Little Bredy
Wed	19	10.00 - 12 noon	Coffee Stop	Burton Village Hall
Wed	19	10.30	Lego in the Library	Burton Library
Thurs	20	19.30	Burton Pantomime Dick Whittington	Burton Village Hall
Fri	21	17.30 -21.00	Come Along Inn	Long Bredy Village Hall
		19.30	Burton Pantomime Dick Whittington	Burton Village Hall
Sat	22	14.30 <b>Matinee</b> and 19.30	Burton Pantomime Dick Whittington	Burton Village Hall
Mon	24	18.30	Social Supper Group	Bridport Golf Club
Fri	28	10.00	Art Club	Puncknowle Village Hall
		19.30	Film: Yesterday	Burton Village Hall

## SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES FEBRUARY 2020



	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 2 February Candlemas	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 9 February 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 16 February 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 23 February Sunday next before Lent
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion SL 10.30 Songs of Praise SL	11.00 Holy Communion Rector 6.30 Evening Prayer MR	8.00 Holy Communion Rector 10.30 Special Morning Worship MR	11.00 Holy Communion RR 6.30 Evening Prayer JW
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion RR	9.30 Morning Prayer JW	10.30 Special Morning Worship YB	5.30 Evensong Rector
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer Rector	11.00 Holy Communion by ext JW	10.30 Special Morning Worship RR	9.30 Holy Communion Rector
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion Rector	5.00 Evening Prayer VT	10.30 Special Morning Worship VT	9.30 Family Service RR
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship MR	9.30 Holy Communion Rector	10.30 Special Morning Worship JW	9.30 Holy Communion by ext YB
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion Rector		10.30 Special Morning Worship Rector	
Littlebredy		11.00 Holy Communion by ext MR	10.30 Special Morning Worship SL	11.00 Holy Communion Rector