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THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

ST MARY THE VIRGIN: Burton Bradstock ST MARY: Litton Cheney

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS: Littlebredy

ST PETER: Long Bredy Chilcombe (*dedication unknown*)

ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN: Puncknowle

ST MARTIN: Shipton Gorge HOLY TRINITY: Swyre

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*To enquire about Baptism, Marriage and Funeral arrangements,
please telephone the Administrator on 01308 897695*

WEEKDAY SERVICES, FEBRUARY 2017

Thursday	2	10.00	Burton Bradstock Morning Prayer
Thursday	2	19.00	Reflect & Study with Holy Communion at Puncknowle
Monday	6	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	7	9.00	Swyre
Thursday	9	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	13	9.00	Long Bredy
Thursday	16	10.00	Burton Bradstock Morning Prayer
Thursday	16	19.00	Reflect & Study with Holy Communion at Puncknowle
Monday	20	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	21	9.00	Swyre
Thursday	23	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion by extension
Monday	27	9.00	Long Bredy

VILLAGE WEBSITES

giving details of events, news, history, photographs etc



www.burtonbradstock.org.uk

www.littoncheney.org.uk

www.shiptongorge.org.uk

www.puncknowle.net

www.swyre.org.uk

www.westbexington.org.uk

www.littlebredy.com

www.longbredy.org.uk

MONTHLY THOUGHT

MIKE READ, LLM

As I write these words, we are still in the season of Christmas celebrating that God, who loves us so much, sent His son Jesus as a baby to live among us sharing our joys and sorrows, troubles and difficulties. As a result we may, if we so wish, enjoy fullness of life for eternity. St. Paul put it like this, *God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.*

But as you read these words we have entered 2017, the year in which Ann and I will have lived among you for 50 years. We take this opportunity to thank you for the welcome that we were given and the continued friendship and kindness shown us. We have been truly blessed.

Minnie Louise Haskins wrote these words. *I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown, and he replied, go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.*

God bless

Ann and Mike Read

PS Please continue to pray for Stephen, Frances and their family.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Please note that as from January 2017 'From the Registers' for the monthly BVN will include names, dates and parishes only, for baptisms, funerals, and weddings. There will be no 'write up' of each service from clergy. If individual parishes wish to write a few lines about any particular baptism, funeral or wedding which has taken place in their church then that is fine and they should send this to the BVN editor via their village correspondent.

Baptisms

22 January 2017 Annabel Elizabeth Metcalf St Mary's Puncknowle

Funerals

13 December 2016 Gordon Charles Moxom Weymouth Crematorium

3 January 2017 Valerie Ada Parsons Weymouth Crematorium

11 January 2017 John Rodney Gosbee St Mary's Litton Cheney

17 January 2017 Leslie Jukes St Mary's Burton Bradstock

19 January 2017 John Eaton Hubbard Chilcombe Church

23 January 2017
26 January 2017

Marjorie Berry
Eileen Collins

Burton Bradstock Cemetery
Weymouth Crematorium

Burial of Ashes

13 January 2017

Gordon Charles Moxom Holy Trinity Swyre

DEANERY NEWS



Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday March 3rd

This year's inspirational service prepared by the
Christian Women of The Philippines
will take place at 10.30am
The Catholic Church in Victoria Grove, Bridport.

The theme this year is '**Am I Being Unfair to You?**' The service has been translated into 1,000 different languages and dialects and will be used throughout the world on Friday March 3rd starting at sunrise over the island of Samoa.

Everyone is most welcome to come and join us and refreshments will be provided.

For details please contact
Kathy Hince
(kathyhince@icloud.com)
or 01308 485626.



VALLEY NOTES

The Valley Lunches are for **EVERYONE!**

Not just for a particular village. Not just for churchgoers. Not just for those with amazing skills. These monthly lunches take place at 12.30pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall on the first Sunday in



every 'odd' month, except for January. So this year they are scheduled for **March 5, May 7, July 2, September 3, November 5** These informal events are quite free, but everyone is asked to bring a savoury or sweet dish (or both) to put on the table to share. Coffee and tea are provided, but please bring your purse as Liz Orza usually has her FairTrade stall and you might just be tempted.

For further details please contact Cilla (898473) or Heather (897780)



THORNER'S CE VA SCHOOL

We raised £55 for Wessex Autism at our **Christmas collection**.



The TSA raised £49 through a **Christmas jumper day**.

We had lovely weather for our **church services**. The children sang beautifully at our carol service accompanied by David Jones on the organ. A big thank you to him and to our readers, bellringers and all who help prepare the church for our services.

Our **choir** joined other Bridport schools at Bridport's Christmas Cheer.

We hosted a **tea party** to thank our governors, volunteers and helpers who give so generously of their time. All the classes had end of term parties with party food and games – a well deserved reward for working very hard over a very long term.

Key Stage 2 results: We are very pleased that our summer 2016 results place us in **fourth rank in Dorset** in terms of pupils achieving expected standards.



Sport: All classes are enjoying five weeks of **rugby coaching** provided by Young South West. Eggardon are also enjoying five **swimming and multi-activity sessions** at the Bridport Leisure Centre.

100 CLUB WINNERS:

1st Place	£20	Elizabeth Kingston
2nd Place	£10	Nicola Miller

We look forward to a busy term!

Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher

BURTON BRADSTOCK CE SCHOOL



The children returned this term full of chatter about their Christmas break! The weather has been misty and wet and despite the odd frosty morning there has been little hope of snow, much to the disappointment of the children!



The Spring Term this year is slightly longer than in previous years due to the term dates, is a very busy one in school. This term we have a new Learning Quest across the school - 'How It Works'. Coming up shortly the children will be taking part in a Science morning exploring some of the amazing scientific concepts and pondering 'how does that work?' We also have other exciting events to look forward to such as the Minerva Learning Trust Concert at Freshwater, an animator working with the older children, a Dance Festival for our Year 3/4 children and Red Nose Day.

This term we continue to offer the children extra-curricular activities after school.

The much-loved football club each Friday continues to be well subscribed with nearly half of the school population attending! STAMP, a private drama club, will be continuing with a wonderful performance at the end of term and Nancy Bowles also offers peripatetic music tuition after school. A few new clubs this term are being offered such as Lego club and a Digital Archaeology club.



After the fantastic success of our Christmas Fayre in December, the Friends of the school are also busy on their next fundraising venture. On **Saturday 25th February** we will be having a **Jumble Sale at the United Church in Bridport** from 10am – 12 noon. The school would welcome any donations of clothing and bric-a-brac towards this (no electrical items please) and they can be dropped off at the school on **Friday 24th February**. Thank you for your support.

Claire Staple Headteacher

BRIDE VALLEY SCOUT GROUP

Please note that the Scout Group has changed its times and day

CUBS

We have a interesting program coming up this term including:- lots of badge work, visits from the coast guards mobile unit, Bug Fest, a trip to the kitchens of Morrisons, a pets evening. We are then looking forward to Easter and the Summer, we will be having Camps, sailing days, rock climbing, camp fires & cooking, to name a few.



Our numbers have dropped (due to age limits) and I would like to just let remind everybody that we are open for new members. We are still on a Monday but **now from 6:15 to 7:30**. For me this is something I have wanted for some time. These times are far more suitable for Cub age children.

Les Keatley Section Leader Cubs



TOTS AND PRAM SERVICE

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

You're welcome to the services to be held on **Friday s 10th February and 10th March**.

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

FIRST STEPS TODDLER GROUP

We are a fun, friendly, village group run by Mums for babies, toddlers and children (up to 4) together with their parents, grandparents or carers. We have a lovely selection of toys, we always run a craft or sensory activity and we love a good sing-song. Snacks are provided for the little ones (please feel free to bring a piece of fruit or veg to share), cuppa and biscuits for grown ups! £2 first



child, £1 siblings/friends. **Every Wednesday (term time) 9:45am-11:15am in the LATCH Litton Cheney Village Hall.** Contact **Nicola Miller** [01308 482734](tel:01308482734) jamieandnicola@gmail.com or **Clare Turnbull** 07748 783442 clare.turnbull66@yahoo.com for more info.

NCT BRIDPORT & LYME REGIS

The Bridport and Lyme Regis NatiOnal Childbirth Trust (NCT) offers a wide range of facilities for parents and babies; please visit <https://www.facebook.com/nctbridport/> to see what the group gets up to. WE have a fortnightly meet for parents with multiple births; week meets for mums with babies etc; and monthly meets for mums with bumps! There is also a Walk and Talk Group. We also run approved baby first aid courses and antenatal courses.



One of our biggest events is the popular NNS - Nearly New Sale. The next sale is **March 4th**— watch out for further details.



SPONSORED KNIT

On **February 22nd** I plan to do a 10 hours sponsored 'knit' from 8.00a m to 6 .00pm to provide sewing machines, along with training, for women and girls who have been rescued from trafficking.

Everyone is welcome to pop in for homemade biscuits and coffee during the morning, and tea and scones in the afternoon, at 25 Bindbarrow, Burton Bradstock.

Heather Rogers

For further details please contact me at 01308 897780

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH

The following Social evenings are held at The Anchor in Burton Bradstock 7.00 for 7.30 unless otherwise stated below



Please call Basil Dent 01308 897125 or Malcolm Lawrence 01308 898616 to book your place.

Our programme of the next few Social Evenings are as follows:-

FEBRUARY	Monday 27th	6.00 pm for 6.30 pm
MARCH	Monday 27th	

ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner will be held at Bridport & West Dorset Golf Club on **Monday 24th April at 6.30pm for 7.00pm**

OTHER EVENTS (for your diaries)

OCTOBER: Friday 20th Annual Band Concert with the St Swithun's Band

NOVEMBER: Thursday 2nd Coffee morning in Burton Bradstock Village at 10.00am

Saturday 11th Laying of wreaths in the Valley

Sunday 12th Remembrance Service at St Mary's, Burton Bradstock

POPPY APPEAL COLLECTION

Many thanks for all those who helped with the door to door collections throughout the valley and to those establishments which had collection boxes.

*Membership of The Legion is not restricted to ex-Servicemen and Women and is open to all. You are welcome to join us. Please contact either our Vice Chairman **Basil Dent** (01308 897125) or **Hazel Dalglish** Secretary (01308 897894) for further information.*

ABBOTSBURY & PORTESHAM BRANCH

Many Members, having travelled to the National Memorial Centre, Alrewas with us last year, contributed to an appeal to fund a **Memorial** to the County Regiments. They may like to know that the appeal has reached its target in so far as the cost of the sculptures is concerned, it now just remains to raise a little extra to pay for the work itself to be taken to the NMC and erected there on an appropriate base.



We are holding a private informal 3-course dinner at The **Sugar Loaf Cafe**, Easton, Portland, at 7 p.m. **Thursday 23 February** at £15.50 per head.

Our **Annual Lunch** takes place at the Highland End Leisure Centre, Eype, on **Thursday 23 March**. Advance booking is essential for either of the above events – guests are welcome to join us (add £3 per head).

Six day 'Heart of England' cruise, **River Severn** 15-20 May arranged by Des Baker for the benefit of the Legion Poppy Appeal: one twin cabin has unexpectedly become available. If you are interested contact the writer for detailed information.

Des Baker Chairman "The Social Fund" (01305 267617)

Thank You

John and Rachel Kingston would like to thank all their friends in the Bride valley for all the kind thoughts and offers of help, following their accident in the Caribbean at the end of last year.

BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

The Bride Valley Gardening Club starts its new season on the evening of **Monday March 20th** with a talk entitled **"From Grower to Garden Centre"**. At this meeting we will be providing details of the 2017 annual programme of monthly meetings which we hope will prove to be very interesting and includes talks on **'Wildflower Meadows'**, **'Penstemons and Salvias'** and **'Plants that changed the World'**. Please put the date in your diaries and look for more information on posters and in the BVN in March.



Jobs to do in February (weather permitting!)

Start dahlia and begonia tubers into growth. Cut back late-summer-flowering clematis to the lowest pair of strong buds. Trim winter-flowering heathers as the flowers fade. Sow sweet peas, if not done last month, and pot up those sown in autumn. Prune roses to promote the growth of strong young flowering stems. Top dress herbs growing in containers. From mid-February sow chillies at 21 °C, as they can be slow to germinate. Prepare seed beds for vegetables and warm the soil with cloches. Sow broad beans, Brussels sprouts, onions and spinach under cover. 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

FRIDAY 3RD FEBRUARY AT LATCH (LITTON CHENEY) 7.30 P.M. ARTSREACH PRESENTS "HARBOUR VOICES - SONGS OF THE SEA"

Harbour Voices, a twenty-strong group of men and women, bring you a heart-warming celebration of the sea with their performance of traditional shanties and original songs recounting tales of our Dorset coast past and present. Join in the rousing choruses, hear stories of sailors and whalers, boat-builders and fisher-wives, and glimpse moments in the lives of those who risked all to make their living from the sea. Prepare to be moved, amused, intrigued and inspired by this unusual show, featuring vocal harmonies to make your heart soar, and songs that speak of our vital connection to the sea. Bookings: 01308 482532 Adult £8, U18 £6

The logo for Artsreach, featuring the word "Artsreach" in a stylized, handwritten font with a thick black underline.

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





CHARITY VARIETY SHOW TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

Doors open at 6.45p.m. - Show starts at 7.30p.m.

Cast out those winter blues with an evening of first class entertainment on

Saturday 25th February, 2017

Seven VARIETY ACTS have been booked which include the world of SINGING, DANCE and MUSIC. We will have Cabaret style seating so you will be able to join your friends on a table for this fun evening

THE INTERVAL CHARITY SHOW 'Bake Off'

For all of you with culinary talents you will also be able to take part. Show ticket holders will be provided, in advance of the Show, with a recipe by the JUDGE which they must prepare in advance and bring to the show. The Bake will be judged and a SPECIAL PRIZE will be awarded during the interval. The remaining portion/s of the bake will be auctioned off and the proceeds will be divided between our three charities.

For a 'Bake Off' application please contact patricia.gates@btinternet.com

- **Adult Tickets £10.00, which includes a complimentary glass of wine or juice on arrival and a complimentary tea or coffee in the interval**
- **School age Children Tickets are £2.00 with also a complimentary juice on arrival**

There will also be wine, beer, soft drinks, cheese and savoury snacks available to purchase throughout the evening

For your tickets and also further information please e-mail patricia.gates@btinternet.com or Ali Halliday on balletboots@live.com

Or for further information about any aspect of our great show please telephone Patricia Gates on 01308 482742



BRIDE VALLEY WI

In December the Bride Valley WI celebrated Christmas with a meal at The Crown Inn, Puncknowle. Thank you to all the staff for a brilliant evening and wonderful food. January's meeting saw us bang and beat away the winter blues with an evening of African drumming. This was a well attended event and enjoyed by all. Our programme for 2017 is now available and promises to be another exciting year of events, so why not join us on **Thursday 16th February at 7.30pm** to find out more. Unless we are out on a visit, meetings take place at the village hall in Puncknowle on the third Thursday of each month. We welcome all women in the local area and for new members the first meeting is free! Please contact Nic Arundel on nicarundel@gmail.com for more information.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

BRIDE VALLEY FILMS AT LITTON CHENEY VILLAGE HALL.



Great films coming up this spring.....

Wed. 1 March BRIDGET JONES' BABY Cert. 15 2 hrs.

'Bridget is Back! Worth the wait!'

After breaking up with Mark Darcy (Colin Firth), Bridget Jones (Renée Zellweger)'s 'happily ever after' hasn't quite gone according to plan. Fortysomething and single again, she decides to focus on her job as top news producer and surround herself with old friends and new. For once, Bridget has everything completely under control. What could possibly go wrong? Then her love life takes a turn and Bridget meets a dashing American named Jack (Patrick Dempsey)...

Doors Open: 7.30 p.m. Film starts 8.00 p.m. TICKETS: £5.00 (to include a glass of wine).

Tickets in advance from: Elizabeth Kingston 482162, Bella Spurrier 482367 or on the door. (All nos. 01308)

We are sharing the licence for this film with Burton Bradstock (who will show it the previous Friday).



NEXT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY :

Wed. 5 April A STREET CAT NAMED BOB

Wed. 3 May Film to be decided

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



GOOD BOOKS

Bridport's Christian Bookshop

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Wed & Fri. 9.00am-3.00pm, Saturday. 10.00am-12.00 noon.**



GOOD BOOKS NEWS

LENT 2017

The key Lent title for 2017 is likely to be **Dethroning Mammon by Justin Welby** at £9.99. Not simply the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent book, it is the Archbishop's first published book. The subject of mammon-money, power, materialism, is one surrounding us all. Are we so deeply immersed in its all-pervading structures that we cannot live without it? The subtitle of the book, 'Making Money Serve Grace' hints at the direction the Archbishop might be wishing to take, turning our world upside down to put Gospel priorities at the top of our agenda, while conceding some benefits to be gained from aspects of capitalism. Written with the events of Holy Week as a lens through which to explore our consumerist economy, this book will be attractive not only to Lent groups but also to those interested in getting to grips with the Archbishop's thinking.

A new book by **Stephen Cottrell**, following *The Things He Said* and *The Things He Carried*, is **The Things He Did** (SPCK at £7.99), which shifts attention to the earlier part of Holy Week, from Christ's entrance into Jerusalem on a donkey to his agonised prayer in the garden of Gethsemane at the close of Maundy Thursday.

Another author steeped in biblical scholarship yet always writing with an accessible style and creative vigour is **Paula Gooder**. Her insightful **Let Me Go There** is the next in her series exploring the seasons of the Christian year, providing a collection of short daily meditations on seasonal themes. £9.99.

DAIRIES IN DORSET

I have an interest in all dairies that retailed milk in the South West of England between 1930 and 1980. I have a museum in Honiton and want to salvage as many milk bottles as possible as part of our social heritage for the



period mentioned above for future generations to enjoy.

At present I have no examples of a milk bottle from the Bride Valley, and so I wonder if anyone in the Bride Valley would have any such bottles and would pass them on to me. My collection will eventually be donated to a suitable museum within my area of interest.

If you can help please telephone **Peter Hayward** on 01404-42642.

OUT OF VALLEY EXPERIENCES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bridport Epicureans February FUNraiser for Food & Drink Pleasure Seekers. **Sunday 5th February** 10am-3pm. WI Hall, North St, Bridport, DT6 3JQ. Following our popular pre-Christmas event, Bridport Epicureans invite all Food & Drink Pleasure Seekers to step out of the early February gloom and join us for an afternoon of food, drink and fun. bridport.epicureans.uk

Linden Lea and a Barnes Supper - An Artsreach Event Sat 25 February, 7pm. Broadmayne Village Hall. 01305 854205. £15 including supper



A feast of Dorset fayre to celebrate the birthday of William Barnes in the company of the Ridgeway Singers & band. Alongside the music, songs and poems there will be a feast of watercress soup, artisan bread, cheeses, including the 'piping' in the of the Blue Vinny to an instrument called the Serpent, and to round off the evening moreish Dorset apple cake and cream.

CLINICAL SERVICES REVIEW

People living in and around Dorset are being reminded to have their say on proposals that could see changes to local healthcare as part of the ongoing Clinical Services Review.

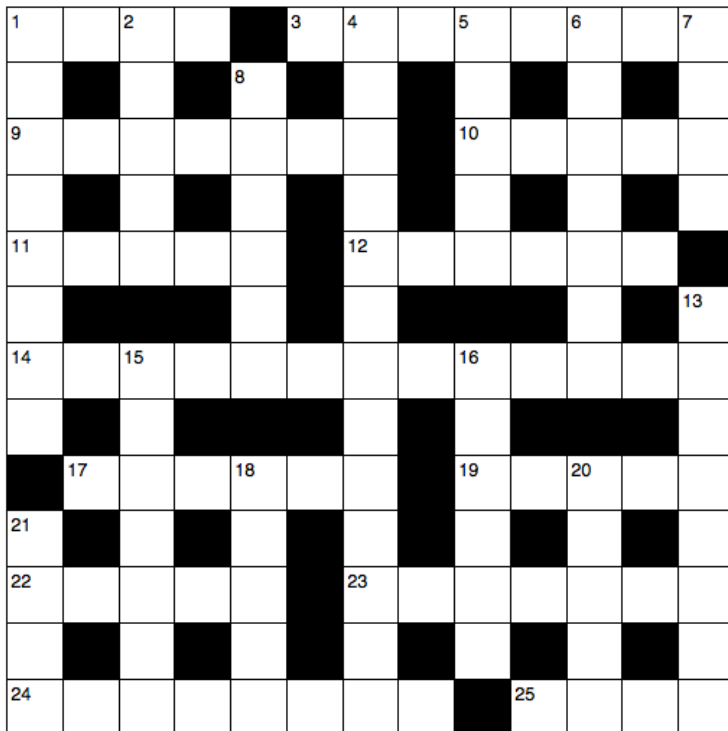
Questionnaires are available through GP practices, hospitals and local libraries, with people being encouraged

to read the supporting information and make their views known. Proposals include changes to the acute hospitals in Dorset (the development of a major planned hospital and major emergency hospital) along with community services which will bring care closer to home for many people.

The consultation ends on 28 February 2017 after which all views will be considered before final proposals are considered later in the year. Go to www.csr.dorsetsvision.nhs.uk/have-your-say/ or call 01202 541946, for details.



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CROSSWORD Solution Page 30

Across

- 1 Salary (Isaiah 19:10) (4)
- 3 Question Jesus asked of those healed of leprosy, 'Were not all ten — ?' (Luke 17:17) (8)
- 9 Wide, elevated level area of land (Joshua 13:9) (7)
- 10 'So you also must be — , because the Son of Man will come... when you do not expect him' (Matthew 24:44) (5)
- 11 '[He] said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He — — , and his hand was completely restored' (Luke 6:10) (3,2)
- 12 'Who has gathered up the wind in the — of his hand?' (Proverbs 30:4) (6)
- 14 Not born again (13)
- 17 'Again and again he — the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins' (Hebrews 10:11) (6)
- 19 Mails (anag.) (5)
- 22 'He — — here; he has risen' (Matthew 28:6) (2,3)
- 23 Defeated (Judges 20:43) (7)
- 24 Soldiers' quarters (Acts 21:34) (8)
- 25 'Pillars of marble' were how the Beloved described those of her Lover (Song of Songs 5:15) (4)

Down

- 1 Totally destroyed (Genesis 7:23) (5,3)
- 2 What the Philippian jailer was told to do with his prisoners Paul and Silas (Acts 16:23) (5)
- 4 Object of ridicule (Job 12:4) (8-5)
- 5 In most years, the month in which Easter falls (5)
- 6 For example, Caesarea, Joppa, Tyre, Sidon (7)
- 7 '[Jesus] was in the desert for forty — , being tempted by Satan' (Mark 1:13) (4)
- 8 'Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power — to our God' (Revelation 19:1) (6)
- 13 Mend dots (anag.) (8)
- 15 Purifier (Malachi 3:3) (7)
- 16 Attacked (1 Samuel 27:8) (6)
- 18 The good Samaritan to the innkeeper: 'When I return, I will reimburse you for any — expense you may have' (Luke 10:35) (5)
- 20 How Matthew described the crowds who followed Jesus (Matthew 4:25) (5)
- 21 For example, one of 25 Across (Judges 19:29) (4)

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LA LA LAND

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF WHIPLASH

MOVIE MOMENTS Nick and Carol Pollard from EthosMedia.org share thought-provoking reflections on the latest films.

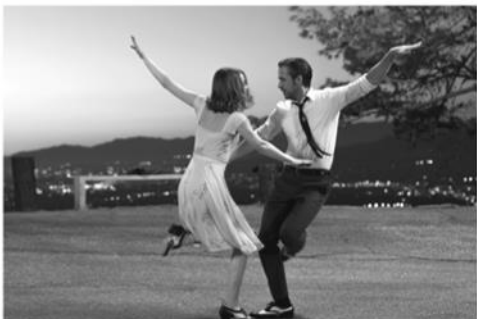
'That's L.A. They worship everything and value nothing.'

So says Sebastian (Ryan Gosling) as he walks through the Warner Brothers' back lot with Mia (Emma Stone) in the award-winning new film *La La Land*. These two star-crossed lovers, drawn together by their shared failures, develop a beautiful and beautifying relationship as they share their distinctive dreams for the future. He seeks to restore the popularity of jazz in a world of soulless commercial music. She seeks to restore the creative role of the actress in a world of formulaic soap operas.

But what choices will they have to make as they pursue their dreams? And what impact will this have on their lives?

The Times described this film as an *'intravenous shot of joy in the January darkness.'* And it certainly is that. But it is also more than that, as it raises questions about values and choices.

In one key scene Sebastian shows Mia how jazz musicians are spontaneous, with individual instruments suddenly taking the lead and driving the music in a different direction. In the same way, the film illustrates how life is messy as new opportunities take us in unexpected directions. But what are the core values that underpin the choices we make, and affect what we worship?



La La Land breaks the standard mould of formulaic movies. Instead of the customary three-act configuration where all is resolved in the final scenes, this has five parts – taking us beyond a conventional resolution. And the ending is deliberately enigmatic as we are left wondering about Sebastian and Mia's view of what could have been different if they had made other choices.

Whatever your perspective on life and love, *La La Land* is a bright and colourful musical extravaganza that will cause you to think about what we value and what we worship.

EthosMedia.org provides free resources to help people explore spiritual, moral, social and cultural issues through the latest feature films.

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La La Land is in cinemas now, certificate 12A. Find screenings at FindAnyFilm.com

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BURTON BRADSTOCK

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY A record amount of **£1,113.76** was raised in Burton Bradstock for the Children's Society in



2016. We would like to thank everyone who contributed and in particular the box holders who donated **£844.26** of this. The money will be used to help and keep safe vulnerable children in this country. WAVES, our local centre in Weymouth, provides targeted support for children (especially those who have suffered domestic abuse) and their families with counselling, mediation and parenting services.

We celebrated with children and their parents the coming of Christ to be the light of the world in our **Candlelit Christingle Service** in December. The usual party in the Village Hall followed this



with tea, games and Father Christmas. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this event in so many different ways.

Carol singing around the village this year finished at the **Three Horse Shoes**, where we were very kindly hosted by **Hannah** and sang more carols accompanied by **Bridget Pearse** on her fiddle. Our thanks to everyone who gave their time and their money to help us raise a total of **£188.05**.

Please think about supporting the valuable work of this society by having a homebox in which to collect your loose change throughout the year. For details contact **Pauline Woodford** on 898327.

On **February 12th** at 11am we will be welcoming the **Bishop of Sherborne**, the Rt. **Revd Karen Gorham**, to the morning service. This will be a united benefice communion service and will be followed by a bring and share lunch in the Village Hall.



BURTON BRADSTOCK W.I. 100 YEARS 1917 - 2017

On 27th November 1917, in the schoolroom at Burton Bradstock, a meeting was held “to discuss the objects and working of Women’s Institutes” and after a talk by a lady from the Women’s Board of Agriculture, it was resolved that a branch should be established in the village.



42 members were enrolled at the December meeting; the subscription was two shillings for a year. There was a competition of “Xmas presents not costing more than sixpence” and an exhibition of War Souvenirs. “Vocal and instrumental music” was also on the programme. Topics at early meetings included Food Economy, war cookery, “Practical Patriotism for Women” and a demonstration of making starch from potatoes. There was always a fundraising stall to help Prisoners of War.

During 2017, members will be looking back at some of the changes of the past 100 years. At the February meeting, **Bruce Upton** will present “A Glimpse of Old Bridport” with photographs from Bridport Museum’s extensive collection.

Any woman living locally is welcome as a new member – come along to a meeting first (Secretary, 897648).

FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY (FBBL)

Your LIBRARY CARD not only enables you to borrow books off the shelf at any LibrariesWest Library, it gives you access to the LibrariesWest Catalogue. Order books for collection at your local library here in Burton Bradstock, download audio and e-books to your own device and read newspapers and magazine online. All of these options are available free of charge.

Burton Bradstock Community library continues to offer free WiFi and a jigsaw lending library. Photocopying and laminating, DVDs (all donated), maps and cards depicting scenes from the millennium tapestry are all available for a small charge which goes to help maintain this service in the village.

The Library is free to join.

The Friends of Burton Bradstock Library AGM will be held on 30th March 2017 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. If you would like to become a volunteer or are interested in taking an active part in the running of the Library by becoming a trustee for the Friends please contact me on 01308 898049 for more information.

The Police Surgery will be on the second Tuesday of each month between 11 and 11-30am – hence the February visit will be on the 14th.

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 (Chair of the FBBL Trustees)

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL TRUST

*For bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré
(01308897648)*



“200 CLUB” Draw January 2017

WDDC Licence no: SL0080

Congratulations to the winners:

1 st	£28.80	No 52:	Mrs Mary Ibbotston
2 nd	£14.40	No 126:	Mrs Dene Bishop
3 rd	£7.20	No 49:	Mrs Annie Grantham

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the February 2017 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.

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 2 meeting dates are listed below.



Date.	Organiser.
Wed 22 nd Feb	Village Society
Wed 22 nd Mar	W.I.

BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS

Guaranteed to brighten any dark evening our next film is **Bridget Jones's Baby** and will be screened at Burton Bradstock Village Hall on **Friday 24 February 2017**.

The next chapter in Bridget Jones life should have been uncomplicated following her split from Mark Darcy. Forty something, single again and focusing on her job as a top news producer with all her friends around her, for once she had everything under control. Then she meets American, Jack, who is everything Mr Darcy is not and finds she is pregnant, but with one hitch – she can only be fifty percent sure of the identity of the baby's father. This latest "Bridget" is packed with laughs and a lot of fun.



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

Bride Valley Films will show **Bridget Jones Baby** on **Wednesday 1 March**

Dates for the Diary:

A Street Cat Named Bob – Burton Bradstock Village Hall – **Friday 31 March**, and to be shown by **Bride Valley Films** on **Wednesday 5th April**.

DIARY DATE, FISH & CHIP QUIZ.

This will be held in the Village Hall on **Saturday 1st April** and is open to all who wish to participate wherever they live, as individuals who will be assigned to a team on the night or organised teams of 8. Entry fee will include a Fish & Chip Supper of vegetarian option.



Full details on prices and when tickets go on sale will be in next month's BVN.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

Friday 3rd February is our next meeting in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Hope you have all received your BVN as the talk is early in the month.

Cleeves Palmer will be our speaker and the subject is the "History of Skiing" Cleeves is very well placed to give this talk as he was the Skiing Captain of the Kandahar Ski Club from 1993 to 2000. He has also won many races over the years and has served as both Chairman and President of the Kandahar Ski Club.

Many clubs and communities in the Bridport area have benefited from the fund raising of both Cleeves and his brother.

Do come along for an interesting evening and I heard a whisper that the first prize in the raffle this month is a lesson on a dry ski slope !!!!!!!!!

BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

The Council would like to thank **Keith Delves** who has decided to leave the PC after 7 years he has been a valued member and will be sorely missed.

We now welcome **Steve Meek** who was co-opted on to the PC at the January meeting. There are still vacancies and we welcome new members, come along and see what goes on.

The **Corncrake group** will shortly be purchasing new trees thank you to the WI and other village groups who are considering sponsorship, if you would like to support this project please contact **Cllr David Dixon**. The planting is hoped to be booked for March, look out for dates on the website and notice board if you would like to help.

The Parish Council will shortly be installing bollards to prevent cars from parking and blocking the entrance to the playing field

Allotments

We currently have vacancies at the Allotments please contact the Clerk for further info

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 1st February 2017
7.30 pm in the Reading Room. All welcome!

The agenda will be available at least 3 clear days before the meeting on the Parish Council notice boards and the PC website

www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org

If you have any queries on any of the above information you can contact the Council via the Parish Clerk or the Cllr contact details can be found on the website.

Clerk: **Mrs Michele Harding** - email: burtonbradstsock@dorset-aptc.gov.uk
Tel: 07814 016971. Website www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org



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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

Artsreach

DARE DEVIL RIDES TO JARAMA

There is still time to book for the next Artsreach production in Burton Bradstock Village Hall. We welcome back **Townsend Productions**, who bring us an exciting new play which tells the story of **Clem Beckett**, a famous 1920s-30s Speedway Rider who fought against fascism in the **Spanish Civil War** and especially at the Battle of Jarama. We are promised entertaining theatre offering a 'good night out', but with a powerful story and message. The play includes a variety of appropriate music, specially arranged by renowned folk musician **John Kirkpatrick**, ranging from traditional numbers like 'The Manchester Rambler' to original songs in the style of George Formby.



The performance starts at 7.30pm on Saturday **4th February 2017**. Tickets are available from Burton Bradstock Post Office (adults £9, under 18s £7, family £28). You can also order from the Box Office on (01308) 897421 or just email us at burtonartsreach@gmail.com to reserve your seats.

LITTLEBREDY

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The Christmas period in the village passed off happily and well, with the Church beautifully decorated, as always on these occasions, and a good congregation for the service, where Edward Tildesley was again a welcome priest and preacher. Thank you to him for coming.

There will be no service here on the second Sunday in February (the 12th), as the new Bishop of Sherborne is coming to lead a United Benefice Service at 11.00 a.m. in Burton Bradstock. This is Bishop Karen's first foray into the Bride valley, so we hope the service will be well supported from here.

The Boxing Day duck race was also well supported, as a plastic yellow cavalcade bobbed its way from the waterfall to the Riverside Cottages. The winning duck belonged to a niece of John & Sandra March, and the prize for the best decorated duck went to Joy Reeves, Kate's mother, who had designed a costume resembling a black velvet suit with silver buttons and

tights. What was it supposed to represent...? Much of the success of the event is due to those who had cleared the river of weed beforehand, **Mike Luddington** especially, so thank you to all of them.

The first Social Club event of 2017 will be held in the Hall during the weekend following St. Valentine's Day. There are no details as we go to press, but a flier with further information will be delivered round the village with this magazine.

LONG BREDY

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ST PETER'S CHURCH CAROL SERVICE

The 'Living Nativity' Carol Service was very popular and attracted a congregation of 80 people. Two donkeys stood patiently by the porch; the Holy Family formed a tableau, seated in the porch, which had been transformed into a stable; sheep, with their shepherds, grazed and munched in the churchyard, and elegant bantams scratched about in their protective cage. The congregation entered through the west door for the traditional service of readings and carols. Especially moving was the opening verse of 'Once in Royal David's City' sung beautifully by **Beth Hannigan**. After the service everyone enjoyed Christmas refreshments.



Thank you to everyone who decorated the church, prepared the stable, brought their animals and provided refreshments, all creating a memorable service leading up to Christmas.

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

Thank you, **Caddy**, for organising this fun fund-raiser to enjoy over Christmas. For £1.00 a copy it provided very good entertainment value for money, with a range of questions for all ages. The present total raised is **£160.00**, going towards the maintenance of village amenities.

I'm sure many people hope that this may become an annual brain teaser!

LONG BREDY 100 CLUB WINNERS

DECEMBER 2016			CHRISTMAS SUPERDRAW		
£25	No. 29	Val & Mike Shepherd	£100	No. 13	Elinor Frost
£15	No. 11	David Peretz	£70	No. 49	Andrew Bailey
£5	No. 35	David Peretz	£30	No. 120	Susan & Colin Dyer

TEA AND CHAT

The next time this is held will be on **Tuesday February 14th** between **3.00 and 5.00pm** at **Bridelands**. Enjoy a warm welcome, a lovely fireside tea and a chance to swap news and views on the world!



LITTON CHENEY

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The Church was beautifully decorated for Christmas and we were able to send **£235** each to **The Pilsdon Community** and **Julia's House** from the collections taken at our three Christmas services.

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING

Many thanks to the following who sponsored the Church floodlighting over Christmas and the New Year - **Lyn Lacey**, **Tricia** and **Nigel Gates**, **John** and **Wendy Firrell**, **Philip** and **Sally Dyke**, **Bill** and **Andrea Orchard** and **Michelle Williams**.

If you would like the floodlights at any time of the year in memory of someone or to celebrate an event or because you just like it please contact **Freddie Spicer (482617)** with your £5 per night.

A big thank you to all those who came to give the Church its annual "grand clean" at the beginning of January - everywhere is now sparkling again! The next working party will be on **Thursday 2nd February** when there will be outside work from 9.30 a.m., weather permitting.

POPPY APPEAL

The total of the village house to house collection in November amounted to **£317.78**. Many thanks to all who contributed so generously and to the five collectors.

BELL RESTORATION PROJECT

The bells are back and working well, but you may have noticed that the clock is not striking. The hammer that hits the tenor bell to sound the hour needs some adjustment following changes to the way the bell is hung and we're hoping that the necessary work will soon be completed. Three new ringers



have been recruited, but there's always room for more, so if you are interested in learning to ring, please contact Wendy (482532).

There is still some repair work to be done to the louvre shutters in the belfry, but there is only a modest amount of money left in the Restoration Fund now that all the bills have been paid. To help raise some more, **Lesley Salvetti** has kindly offered to run another Quiz Evening at **The White Horse** on **Sunday 30th April** - please put the date in your diary! Thank you.

LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL – VACANCY FOR PARISH CLERK

Current Parish Clerk John Firrell is standing down in May 2017 and as such a vacancy will exist in the office of Clerk to Litton Cheney Parish Council. If you are interested in taking on this task which will consume somewhere in the region of 20 remunerative hours per month, and 6 PC meetings a year please contact John Firrell on 482313 or email littoncheney@dorset-aptc.gov.uk for more information. Previous experience not essential, although an administrative background may help.

LITTON CHENEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

December's BVN explained that the Parish Council had approved the Steering Group's Terms of Reference, and that for the purpose of discussion with West Dorset District Council planners the area to be covered by a potential Neighbourhood Plan would be Litton parish. Useful preliminary discussions have been held with WDDC and other experts, and armed with information gathered from them and from other sources, the Steering Group is now concentrating on preparations to consult residents as to whether we should go ahead with producing a draft Neighbourhood Plan. The intention is to set out the pros and cons both on paper and at 'drop in' sessions, before asking residents to vote Yes or No. A timetable for doing this has not yet been fixed, but the hope is that we will be in a position to ask residents for their decision during March or April.

210 BUS SERVICE

In January's BVN it may have given the impression that as a result of an earlier consultation and the response received by DCC that the 210 bus service that serves the village and other villages in the Bride Valley was safe, and other ways were being sought to save money. We are informed by WATAG (Western Area Transport Action Group) that the service is still very much at risk and every effort should be made to inform DCC of people's wish to retain the service should that be the case. The Parish Council have already objected along the strongest possible lines.



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



Mondays (Evenings) Beavers, Cubs & Scouts (not 13th)
Tuesdays Short Mat Bowls 4.00 p.m.(if enough people)
Wednesdays First Steps Toddler Group 9.45 - 11.15
Table Tennis 4.00 p.m. .(if enough people)
Thursdays Watercolour class 1.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. (not 16th)
Fridays: Yoga 10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m (not 17th)

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Friday 3rd: Artsreach presents “**Harbour Voices**” 7.30 p.m. (see page 11 of Valley Notes). They come highly recommended by those who have seen them before!
Saturday 18th: (morning) Village Café
Saturday 25th: (evening) Charity Variety Show – see posters and page 12 of Valley Notes
Wednesday 1st March: Film Night “Bridget Jones's Baby” - Hilarious! - see page 13 of Valley Notes

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Our VILLAGE WALK was postponed from New Year's Day until Monday 2nd, and what a great decision. Over twenty people keen to have some exercise, plus enjoy both the sunshine and each other's company, set out from the Triangle to walk across the valley, past Ashley Chase Estates cheese dairy and back again. It was good to welcome new faces and soak in the wonderful views. Our thanks to **Steve Kourik** for leading the walk, and everyone for coming.

**Litton and Thorne's
Community Hall (LATCH)
CLEANER REQUIRED**
How about a job that offers
flexible working,
four hours per week,
to ensure our community hall
is kept spick and span?

For more information
contact Wendy Firrell on
482532



CHARITY VARIETY SHOW TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

Doors open at 6.45p.m. - Show starts at 7.30p.m.

Cast out those winter blues with an evening of first class entertainment on **Saturday 25th February, 2017**

Seven VARIETY ACTS have been booked which include the world of SINGING, DANCE and MUSIC. We will have Cabaret style seating so you will be able to join your friends on a table for this fun evening

Plus INTERVAL CHARITY SHOW 'Bake Off'

For tickets, Bake Off applications and further info please e-mail patricia.gates@btinternet.com or Ali Halliday on balletboots@live.com, or phone Patricia Gates on 01308 482742 See Valley Notes p.12 for details.

VILLAGE BBQ UPDATE

As reported in the November edition I have, together with Rachel Kingston and Hannah Bunting, taken on the organisation of the Village BBQ. We have over the past few weeks been putting our head together on how to make this a memorable evening for everyone.




So the **VILLAGE SUPPER** will take place on **SATURDAY 1ST JULY 2017** at LATCH. We plan to organise a two course supper together with live music. We have not firmed up exact timings but expect it to start around 6/6:30 and we anticipate tickets to be no more than £10.

For now all we ask is that you mark the date in the diary and we will provide further update on final detail including how to get your tickets later in early Spring.


We look forward to seeing you in July.

Tess Mulhall



BRIDGET JONES' BABY

Wednesday 1st March 7.30
for 8.00pm LATCH
See Valley Notes page 13 for
further details





BRIDE VALLEY

Messin' with the Bishop @ BB in February—
back next month
Puncknowle Village Hall
Sunday 12th March
10.30am
coffee, play, chat
#notjust4kids

SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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LOCAL CREATIVE TALENT!

We're always on the look out for photographs or artwork to grace the cover of the BVN. Forward electronic copies of images for submission, along with any queries about format, resolution etc to the editor at bridevalleynews@gmail.com.





PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON

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100 CLUB

Christmas draw

1st prize £40 David Bush

2nd prize £20 Claire Procter

3rd prize £10 David Buckland

AED AWARENESS AT WEST BEXINGTON

The DEFIBRILLATOR AT West Bexington is placed just outside the Manor Hotel. Come along and learn how to use it at the Hotel on **Saturday 11 February** from 2 to 4pm.



PUNCKNOWLE ART CLUB

Our AGM was well attended and a new programme of events planned. All officers were re - elected and we begin February with a workshop by Margaret Tebbs [3rd]. The **17th** will also be at the hall.

Christine Molony <http://puncknowleartgroup.blogspot.co.uk>

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND WEST BEXINGTON BOOK GROUP

We enjoyed a refreshing start to the New Year with the caustic prose and dark humour of Hilary Mantel's short story collection 'The Assassination of Margaret Thatcher'. Some stories had macabre twists reminiscent of Dahl's 'Tales of the Unexpected' whilst others were clearly based on Mantel's own experiences as a writer giving book talks or living in Saudi Arabia. Members on the whole enjoyed these tales and Mantel's writing in which every word counts.



If you enjoy reading, why not consider joining the Book Group? We have a couple of vacancies for new members at present. We read a wide range of fiction and non-fiction (chosen by members) and meet on the first Wednesday of the month at Puncknowle Village Hall from 7.30pm. Members come from all over the Bride Valley area, not just the villages mentioned in our name. For more information email or call Michele on 01308 897566 or vassar14@gmail.com.



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWYRE CHRISTMAS 2016

It was lovely to see so many people in Church for our Christmas Eve Service. **Sue Linford** led us all in worship with help from **Yvonne Buckland** and music was played by **David Jones** with his grandson, **Edward**, playing the trombone. The Church was lit by candle light adding to a wonderful atmosphere. We wish all our villagers and friends throughout the valley a very Happy New Year.

PCC Holy Trinity Swyre.

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND WEST BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB.



Our next meal will be on **21st February**. Anyone wishing to join us or those who have booked a meal and cannot make it please telephone **David Buckland** on 898492. New members are always welcome. If you would like to join this popular social event and are over 50 years of age please get in touch and I will be pleased to explain anything about the club you wish to know.

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. We do welcome **Carol Brown** to our ranks which will be a great help more is needed however to ensure we can keep this popular event going into the future. 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

VILLAGE WEDDING

I just wanted to put a little note in the Bride Valley News to say a huge thank you to all those who made our Wedding Day possible. Ben and I were privileged to be married at Holy Trinity Swyre on 22nd October which turned out to be a beautifully, sunny, Autumn day. After a few 'delays' the service was able to go ahead as we had hoped. It was so special to walk through the village, with Dad, on the way to church and to see so many friendly faces on the road to wish us well. Eventually Ben could breathe a sigh of relief that we had arrived!

The church was full to bursting and so many people enjoyed hearing the service relayed outside whilst they sat in the sunshine and watched children play. Sue L was amazing, totally unflappable in the midst of the

complications, and we are so grateful that in Stephen's absence she kindly agreed to officiate. We are so thankful to many friends who helped to pull the last-minute details together in the church and marquee - blessing us through the music and the readings they brought to the service as well as the cakes shared at the reception. However, a key part of this thank you must go to **Sue T, Madeline, Pam, Valerie, Mary** and the rest of the 'floral decoration brigade' - Holy Trinity looked stunning! From day one you enthusiastically got behind any ideas we had and made them come alive in a way that we could not have imagined. Thank you so much!

On a day of such emotions, never was I more proud to grow up within such a loving and kind community. Thank you all so much.

Avril and Ben Mackie-Gandy (née Yeates)

SHIPTON GORGE

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Vestry Meeting and APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) will be held in the church at 7p.m. on **Wednesday 8th February**. At this meeting the Parochial Church Council (PCC) is elected. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. Linda Buck holds the church electoral register. Please contact her if you wish your name to be added to or

deleted from the list.

ST MARTIN'S FLOODLIGHTS

The beautiful church of St Martin's is lighting up the sky for all to see during this dark February month, thanks to our generous sponsors.

David and Rosemary Greasby.
Linda Stockwell and Terry Diver
celebrating **2** weddings, **3** new
grandchildren and their impending
house move.
Robert and Christine Cornish.

Tracey and Dave, (the Essex Pair!)
Nesta Symes remembering **Percy on**
his birthday.
Roy and Les Symes in memory of
Percy on his birthday.
Karen Jones of Fir Tree Cottage

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.

NINEBARROW CONCERT

On 10th December a large audience was entertained in the church by the celebrated folk duo Ninebarrow. The proceeds were shared between the church and the Village Hall and we thank Richard Hewlett and his team for organising a memorable evening.

CAROL SERVICE

Many villagers and visitors attended our Carol Service led by James Webster. We sang familiar carols and heard the Christmas story. The church was decorated with beautiful floral arrangements and the Christmas tree added to the festive atmosphere. Mince pies and mulled wine were enjoyed afterwards and thanks are due to all who contributed to the success of this service.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sally Parker who has been awarded the British Empire Medal in the New Years Honours for her Services to the Community. We thank her for her hard work in Shipton Gorge and the wider community. Thank you Sally – very much deserved.



SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

A message from Sally Parker (BEM)

I would like to thank everyone in The Bride Valley for their really lovely messages of congratulations on my award of the British Empire Medal (BEM) in the New Year's Honour's List. I am completely overwhelmed by so many kind words and so proud for Shipton Gorge. To complete a fantastic couple of weeks, I have also become a Great Grandmother for the first time with the birth my Great Grandson.

Once again, thank you all.....Sally

SGVS AGM on 18th January 2017

By the time you read this, our AGM would have been completed with (hopefully) some new faces on the Committee. A full list of all those elected will be on the SG website and will also be published in the March edition of the BVN.

The new Committee will also be finalising our complete Social Programme for 2017, which will also be published in due course.

VILLAGE CAROL SINGING

We were few in number, but lusty in our singing just before Christmas last year, raising **£154.40** for Save the Children. The Government matched

this amount, making a magnificent total of £308 80p, so we would like to thank all our very generous village friends who always give us great support every year, and we hope our carols brought you some festive joy!

Janet Lane

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL

'Pip Utton – Playing Maggie...the Iron Lady', Friday 24th February, 7.30 p.m. at Shipton Gorge Village Hall

Pip Utton is 'the Iron Lady' in an evening with Margaret Thatcher. Margaret Thatcher divided the nation like no other politician and the effects of her influence and policies are still felt today. Saviour or witch? Love her or hate her? Not for Pip to decide, only to portray. Listen to Maggie's philosophies, her inspiration, and her logic, then take the chance to question her!



Tickets £8, £6 (u18s), £25 (fam 4 – max 2 adults) on door if available, or in advance from Doris Benselin: 01308 897562 or by email from kateshiptonvh@gmail.com. Bar available. Proceeds in aid of the Village Hall maintenance fund. (An Artsreach promotion.)

Kate Chomacki

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB JANUARY DRAW

£20	No 50	Tye Love
£10	No 8	Chris & Ruth Nunn
£5	No 61	Eddie Buck



Snowdrop Sundays!

Mapperton Gardens

5 & 12 February 2017

11.00am – 4.00pm

Entrance £4.50, children free

Teas, Coffees & cakes (no lunches)



Shared proceeds to Perennial & The National Gardens Scheme

CALLING ALL LOCAL CREATIVE TALENT!

We're always on the look out for photographs or artwork to grace the cover of the BVN. Forward electronic copies of images for submission, along with any queries about format, resolution etc to the editor at bridevalleynews@gmail.com.



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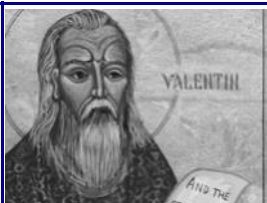


DIARY, FEBRUARY 2017

Wed	1	19.30	Parish Council meeting	The Reading Room, Burton
Wed	1	19.30	Book Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	2	9.30	Churchyard Working Party	St Mary's Litton Cheney
Fri	3	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	3	19.30	Village Society "History of Skiing" with Cleeve Palmer	Burton Village Hall
Fri	3	19.30	Harbour Voices - Songs of the Sea	LATCH
Sat	4	19.30	Arts Reach "Dare devil rides in Jarama"	Burton Village Hall
Wed	8	19.00	Vestry Meeting and APCM	St Martin's, Shipton
Fri	10	14.15	Tots & Pram Service	St Mary's Burton
Sat	11	14.00	AED Awareness	Manor, West Bexington
Tue	14	11.00	Police Surgery	Burton Library
Tue	14	15.00	Tea and Chat	Bridelands, Long Bredy
Fri	17	19.30	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Sat	18	TBC	Village Café	LATCH
Tue	21	12.30	PWSB Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Wed	22	10.00	Coffee stop hosted by the Village Society	Burton Village hall
Fri	24	19.30	Burton Films "Bridget Jones' Baby"	Burton Village Hall
Fri	24	19.30	'Pip Utton – Playing Maggie'	Village Hall, Shipton
Sat	25	10.00	Friend of BB School Jumble Sale	United Church, Bridport
Sat	25	19.30	Charity Variety Show & Bake Off	LATCH
Mon	27	18.30	Bride Valley British Legion social	The Anchor, Burton
Wed	1	20.00	BV Films - Bridget Jones' Baby	LATCH



Tea and Chat
Bridelands, Long Bredy on
Tuesday 14th February
3.00 p.m. till 5.00 p.m.
All are welcome



SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES FEBRUARY

	1 st Sunday 5 February 4 th Sunday before Lent	2 nd Sunday 12 February 3 rd Sunday before Lent	3 rd Sunday 19 February 2 nd Sunday before Lent	4 th Sunday 26 February Sunday next before Lent
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service	11.00 United Valley Service of Holy Communion with Bishop Karen followed by lunch	9.30 Family Service 6.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion		9.30 Holy Communion	5.30 Evensong
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer		11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion		5.00 Evening Prayer	11.00 All age Holy Communion
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship		9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion		9.30 Morning Worship	
Littlebredy				11.00 Holy Communion