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FROM THE RECTORY

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The Rectory,
Burton Bradstock

LETTER FROM BOB

The 17th of May is the Ascension, one of the feasts of the Church that seems most odd to a world that likes to weigh and measure things, and calculate with numbers. And to Christians too, living in the same world, who have been taught from an early age that thought and analysis is the one means of learning.

The understanding of the mechanical mind does not cope well with Jesus ascending to heaven on a cloud. There are too many questions about gravity, cloud density and what after all is “up” in terms of a spherical planet.

One of the services we will hold on Ascension starts at St Mary’s Church, Puncknowle. From there we climb up onto the Knoll where we will celebrate Holy Communion. Then we will come down again.

Going up a hill is hard work, and there is a purpose to it – to get to the top. Sitting on a hill is contemplative: looking at the view and letting the imagination soar and fly. Going down the hill again begins to make sense of going up in the first place. If we are effected by what we have seen and felt, we are obliged, as changed people, to live differently, and to do different things in a new way.

The disciples went up the hill. What they experienced at the top changed them. What they did when they got back down again was live the change, and they were given the power of the Holy Spirit for the purpose.

There is no empirical demonstration of the effect of walking up hills – no change of colour in a test tube, and no difference in the totals of columns of figures. The closest a mountaineer gets to describing the point of climbing a mountain is to claim that he or she does it because it is there, which, as a bit of reasoned philosophy, hardly hangs together.

All the same, if you would rather not imagine, and are suspicious of dreams, it is probably best to stick to the lowlands. Avoid

slopes. Eschew hilltops. Steer around the contours, and especially on Ascension day.

Bob.

And a note from Jean

BASIX.

Our Basix course was well attended during Lent. Each session was different, both in content and learning style. After our first two sessions we looked at the birth, childhood, ministry, death and resurrection of Christ.

After Easter there is a chance to continue the course, this time looking at some aspects of the Holy Spirit and what we do with our faith. There is no obligation to come back if you simply wanted the Lent course to stand alone, and you can drop in to the May sessions if you were not at the Lent ones.

The four session series leads up to Pentecost. These sessions will be held at the Rectory, Burton Bradstock, on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm.

- 2nd May Worship
- 9th May Service
- 16th May Giving
- 23rd May Hospitality / in the form of a party.

For any other details, please 'phone Jean. 898799.

FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERALS

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Freda Mary Bonner was held on the 21st March at St Mary's Church, Puncknowle. A Cremation had taken place on Monday the 12th, and the service at St Mary's was held so as to allow time for Freda and Max's daughter, Anne, to arrive from Madagascar to share in the arrangements. Mrs Pam Coventry spoke movingly at the service about Freda, and the firm and lifelong friendships she had made with so many people in all parts of the world. Max will shortly be returning to his native Australia, where Freda's ashes will be interred.

Many family and friends of the Late Mildred Trenchard attended her funeral, held at St Mary's Church, Litton Cheney on 15th March. Mildred had lived in the village until moving, six years ago, to Portesham. It was the Vicar of Portesham, the Revd Pam Thomas, who gave the address at the funeral, speaking of Mildred's life of faith, her humour, her abiding sense of right and wrong and her determination in life. Mildred was buried in the Churchyard near her beloved sister who died many years ago.

Kathleen (Kaye) Bugler died on the 4th March, and her funeral service was held at Weymouth Crematorium on Monday the 19th.

Her early life was remembered, including her love of sports, and her business life. It was recalled how in her younger days, working as a telephonist in Churchill's office she put through the call that launched the D day bombardment. Her life in Burton Bradstock, and her involvement with many societies and organisations in the village was recalled, before the quieter years of age and increasing infirmity. She is remembered fondly by family and friends alike.

This publication comes too early to report the funerals of Horace Vickery and Dorrie Barnett. An account will be given in next month's magazine. Please pray for those now grieving, and for those whom they mourn. Jesus is risen; he is risen indeed. Alleluia.

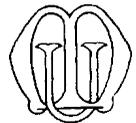
VALLEY NOTES

MOTHERS' UNION

Thursday 24th May, 2.30pm at The Rectory, Burton Bradstock: our Annual Overseas Meeting with a Bring and Buy for the Mother's Union General Relief Fund.

This was an interesting meeting, with speakers keeping us up to date with their overseas work.

Yvette Smith. 898219



TINY TOTS

Friday 11th May at St. Marys' Church Burton Bradstock.
A short service 0-5 year olds, everyone welcome.

Yvette Smith 898219.

DAWN CHORUS AT THE OTHONA COMMUNITY (COAST ROAD)

Tuesday, 8th May 4.15 am



Listen to nature coming alive on a Spring morning in the company of Dominic Couzens, acclaimed author of *The Secret Lives of Garden Birds*. A bird expert so knowledgeable and such a good communicator is a rare find. Then enjoy a full english breakfast together and still get home for 9.00 am. Total cost: £10 per person. Numbers

limited.

Phone 01308 897130 to reserve your place.

BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

This is to remind all members and anyone who is interested in the continuation of a gardening club in the valley that at the A.G.M. on Monday May 14th, the main item on the agenda will be the closure of the club. This has been brought about by the lack of volunteers to take on the various posts necessary to keep the club running. If there is anybody who would be interested in helping by taking on one of the posts then please contact one of the people listed below. The meeting will be followed by a cheese and wine party.



Jobs to Do

Pinch out tops of broad beans. Earth up early potatoes. Continue successional sowing of vegetables like lettuce, carrots, radishes and so on. Deadhead daffodils and remove spent tulips. Divide and re-plant perennial spring-flowering plants such as polyanthus. In late May plant dahlias and cannas. Don't forget that frequent hoeing will keep down weeds.

Valerie Cameron, Club Secretary. e-mail: secretary.bvgc@virgin.net

Dianne Ffoulkes, Chair.	tel: 01308 482420
Valerie Cameron	tel: 01308 482240
Pam Jukes	tel: 01308 897267
Ann Miles:	tel: 01308 482301

QUIET DAYS

The nearest Quiet Days arranged by the Bible Reading Fellowship for 2007 are:

Thursday 14th June, at Rowlands Castle, Hampshire, the speaker on the theme “Surprised by Joy: Reflection on the Psalms” being David Winter.

Tuesday 17th July, in the Taunton area, the speaker on the theme “Come away to a Lonely Place” being Wendy Bray.

Thursday 20th September, at Backwell, Bristol, the speaker on the theme “Surprised by Joy: Reflection on the Psalms” being David Winter.

The time in each case is 9.45am – 4pm. The cost for each of these days, including lunch, is £25. B.R.F. states that it is anxious to make these days as affordable as it can. The price reflects the minimum cost per person and, if people are able to pay more than this, B.R.F. would be very grateful for their support. These Days are booked up quickly so anyone interested is asked to be in touch with Hilary Mousley, The Red House, Middle Street, Burton Bradstock (01308-897849) by the 15th May please.

Hilary Mousley, B.R.F. Group Secretary.

BRIDE VALLEY NEW INN SUPPER CLUB

Thanks to all for more complete sell-outs ... both the April 18th (included “Call Our Bluff” session) and May 23rd (includes “Antiques Road Show” session) Supper

Clubs are fully sold out, but there might be the odd May cancellation, so do check if interested.

Many thanks to John and Cathy Lay-Flurrie for the excellent entertainment sessions.

For info on Lunch Club on 14th May (Roast Beef) pl call 01308-897935 by 10th May.

Thanks to Gary and Sandra for all their work for us and thanks also *from* Gary, Sandra and myself to all for having given a great Launch Year lift-off to the New Inn, following the work of Shipton residents in re-opening the New Inn after it had been shut. And good luck to the New Inn for the future!

John Grantham.



PLANTS! PLANTS! - NOTE FOR THE DIARY!



A sale of plants, bedding and perennials - some unusual ones - will be held at the Red House, Middle St, Burton Bradstock, on Friday 11th May from 10a.m. to 1 p.m. The proceeds will be equally divided between the Church Mission Society (Reg'd charity 220297) and Bible Society (Reg'd charity 232759). All welcome to clear the stock!

BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS - PLAYGROUP NEWS

First some "Thank You's" - to Hattie the Clown who came in twice last term - the second time to tell us the Easter Story in a very entertaining way - and again to Paul Kingston, who showed us more pictures from the Americas, Australia and New Zealand - saw more volcanoes! Also "Thank You" to Jason Larcombe who brought in - **and played** - his two Didgeridoos for us. It was great - we tried blowing and shaking other instruments - and "Thank You" to the many ladies who supported playgroup by coming to our "Wellbeing for Women" evening. The food was mouth-watering and I enjoyed the Sound Therapy very much. It was very different from the usual playgroup sounds!



The winner of our last QUIZ was Mrs.Wheeler from Dorchester, who got 57.5 answers correct out of 60 - also well done to 4 children from Bridport who entered and got a score of 55. Our next fundraiser is our Sponsored Trike Ride by playgroup children - around the school playground - more next time. In July there will be an "AUCTION of PROMISES" - have you seen the advert?

This term our theme is "Children's Characters" - such as Thomas the Tank Engine, Underground Ernie, Fifi and Flower Tots, Sooty & Friends, Noddy, Sponge Bob Square Pants and others - we are basing activities around these, as well as our usual free play - hoping to finish with Dora the Explorer to bring us back to where we live - in the Bride Valley! Our pre-school children are getting extra help to prepare them for starting school next term in their own little

group together. We are enjoying getting outside more - going for walks to look at the environment, running on the school playing field and getting the equipment on the grass: eg the trampoline for jumping.

Don't forget - we are open on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday - all day - with morning and afternoon sessions plus Lunch Club from 12.00 - 1.00pm. "Nestlings" for younger children is on Thursday afternoons, and costs £3 for them to join in the activities and have fun.

For further information please ring Rachel, our Chair, on 482246 or myself, Carol Bennett on 897771. Or drop in and see us in action.

WELL! WELL! WELL!

£990.25p was the splendid total raised for the wells in Cambodia through my sponsored cycle ride. This included tax refunds because some people gift-aided their donations. Thank you so much for your amazing generosity, enabling 16 villages to have their own fresh water well, where children can attend school instead of trekking off to find water. I hope to have photographs of the wells later this year

Heather Rogers

WHIT SUNDAY – MAY 27TH

Please book this date! At St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock the 6pm Evensong includes The Pentecost drama *Luke and Theophilus Part 3*, starring Steve and Jake Dove in the title roles, and a cast from up and down the valley of about 40 people.

Come and bring a friend.

DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL SUMMER FETE

Saturday 9th June, 11:00am to 4:00pm

Any donations or gifts suitable for tombola or raffle prizes can be left with Jackie Cain at Manor Farmhouse, Long Bredy (482379), or arrangements can be made for collection.



A new website has been launched for the villages of Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington.

The new website sets out to provide up-to-date information about the villages for both residents and visitors, and serves to provide on-line communication between us all. It aims to promote the community and local businesses, and provide a vehicle for finding out about events and activities.

It is important to recognise that, although the web-site structure is firmly in place, we have deliberately planned for the information to be added and modified as we go along. In the next few weeks the information will be built up – so please be patient! There is also opportunity on the site now for you to comment about what you want to be added in future months.

The web development group, a group of villagers brought together with an interest in promoting the community, will now be drawing up a formal Constitution for the future Management Committee of the web-site and further announcements will follow about this.... if you wish to join this Committee – please contact us on-line.

Web-site access is via any of the following:

www.puncknowle.net www.swyre.org.uk www.westbexington.org.uk

Tony Edwards Chairman, Web Development Group

BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGELINGS AUCTION OF PROMISES

**Friday 6th July at
Crown Inn, Puncknowle**

We need YOUR promises

**So far we have: a days shooting, a load of logs,
tickets to the races, a farm walk, a celebration
cake, a load of manure . . .**

**Please call Kate Smith 482633
or Maria Maltby 482741
with your pledge**



Famed Musicians in Burton Bradstock Friday 25th May!



Internationally acclaimed
accordionist Milos Milivojevic;
James Oxley tenor - singing
Schubert songs ; David Juritz,
Festival Director and Leader of
London Mozart Players, violin;
Mary Ryan, flute; Hubert Dawkes, piano. Starts 7.30pm in the
Village Hall. Tickets (includes glass of wine) £10 from BB Post
Office now - or reserve on 01308-897487.

**At *this* concert, programme &
tickets available for 14-18 August
“Burton Bradstock Festival of
Music & Art”**

Music for All! Everything from Classical Masters to a ceilidh,
Dowland to Tangos, the Occasional Singers to late night
Bach...yes, it's here in Burton Bradstock! Come along on 25
May for news/tickets on the Music for 14-18 August, and the
Art Festival, or phone 01308-897487 now for details!

BEYOND THE VALLEY

SANCTUS

A new evening singing project so far numbering about 30 people has recently taken root in Bridport.

Gilo and Sarah, founders of Big Sing Dorset and popular local voice teachers, now also lead "Sanctus" - inviting all who enjoy making community through music to join them in singing sacred songs from around the world. "Sanctus" meets every first Tuesday of the month from 7.30 to 9.30pm at the Friends Meeting House in South Street.

All the songs and chants are taught by ear, so no reading of music is required. And unlike their Big Sing workshops, where songs can be quite complex taking a good hour to learn, Gilo and Sarah are keen to emphasize that songs at Sanctus will be fairly easy to learn for everyone - regardless of whether you sing regularly or not. Things like Taize, Harmonic Temple, World Church songs, rousing Gospel and Spiritual songs. They hope there'll be something for everyone who enjoys harmony and a little humour.

The door charge for these evenings is £5 or £4 concession, and participants are asked to bring their own bottle of water. If you'd like more details, please ring the teachers on 01308 455749 or email bigsingdorset@naturalvoice.net

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION (Abbotsbury & Portesham Branch)

Our Annual Dinner held at the Upwey Wishing Well Restaurant on 23rd. March was enjoyed by 64 members and their guests. The County President was unable to attend at the last moment, but the County Chairman, Alan North and his wife joined us instead. It was a proud occasion for Branch President Ron Beale who was presented with a County Certificate of Appreciation (announced at the County Conference last January). Little did the writer know that he too would be similarly hon-



oured! Also presented with a Poppy Appeal Certificate of Appreciation for five years service as Poppy Appeal Organiser for the branch area was David Bliss.

The National Conference of the RBL takes place at the BIC, Bournemouth 26-28th May, when John Perry will be the Branch delegate.

Our May meeting is on Tuesday, 29th combining a morning at Clarke's Village, Street, and from 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. a visit to Tyntesfield House and Gardens, North Somerset. Coach leaves Abbotsbury Square at 8.50 a.m., Portesham Green 9 a.m., etc., with a return e.t.a. of 6.30 p.m. This event is open to non-members. Fare will be £11 (plus 50p for non-members) and £9 National Trust admission fee (group rate) or of course free if you take your N.T. Membership Card. Book with me please.

"Remembrance Travel" is planning to visit the British and American beaches, the airborne operations at Pegasus and Merville, German Battery positions, cemeteries, and museums, with a guide throughout. Departure is from RBL Village or Folkestone Shuttle early a.m. 14th returning 17th June. For more details see website remembrancetravel@britishlegion.org.uk.

Our 8-day Annual Holiday coach tour is from 15th - 22nd September this year, based in the Auvergne region of France. For a detailed itinerary contact any Committee Member. There are at present some seats left and the event is now open to non-members.

Des Baker (Branch Vice Chairman) (01305 871413)

MADALINA RUSU - PIANO RECITAL

To all those who have kindly supported Maddy in the past, and to those who have not yet heard her play, please come to St. Mary's Church, BEAMINSTER, on Saturday 26th May at 7.30pm, and hear her one and only recital in Dorset this year!

Her programme will include works by Schubert, Chopin and Barber.

Tickets (un-numbered) £10 from Symonds & Sampson, Hogshill Street, Beaminster, Mike Read, tel 01308 897445, or at the church door.

Mike Read

BRIDPORT CHORAL SOCIETY

Our next concert is due to take place on Saturday 12th May at 7.30pm in the United Reformed Church, East Street, Bridport.

A programme of pleasant music is promised and we hope you will be able to attend so that we can send a good donation to the Lavendar Trust and Julia's House Children's Hospice.

Tickets £5 will be available from choir members, Burton Bradstock Post Office, or at the door on the night.



BURTON BRADSTOCK
VILLAGE FAYRE

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
28th MAY 2007
In the Rectory Gardens

Children's Fun Obstacle Course
Fancy Dress Competition
& Mr Custard

Opening 2.00pm

Filled Jars Box Clever
Book Stall

All proceeds in aid of the Village Hall

Ice Cream *Fancy Goods* *Lucky Dip*
Cream Teas *Face Painting* *White Elephant*
Raffle *BBQ*
Bottle Tombola *Splat the Rat*
Beat the Buzzer *Roll a Penny*
Human Fruit Machine *Cakes and Preserves*
Plants & Produce *Whisky Raffle*
Coconut Shy *Pig Racing*

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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BRIDE VALLEY CHURCH LUNCH

St. Mary's, Burton Bradstock, is hosting a Bring and Share lunch in the Village Hall at 12.30 on Sunday 6th. May. Anyone from the Bride valley churches is welcomed to attend. All we ask is that you bring a plate of savouries or a sweet to share. Tea, coffee and squash will be provided.

MISSION NEWS

Andy and Susie Hart, our Mission Partners, and their two little girls, will be visiting us from Tanzania on Saturday and Sunday 26th/27th May (Pentecost weekend). There will be a get together at 3.30pm in the Rectory garden on the Saturday afternoon for tea and they will speak of their work at the 9.30am and 11.00am services in the church on the Sunday.

Mission Committee

BURTON BRADSTOCK CHURCH FETE

2nd August 2007

Planning is now well underway and the same Working Group as last year is back in action namely:

Ian Wigglesworth (897083) Treasurer and General Administration

Pauline Woodford (898327) Grand Draw

Susan Moores 897673) Auction

Alan and Judy Clarke (897051) Publicity

Susan Paul (897381) Stalls

Peter Broomhead (897308) Games and Overall Co-ordination

It has been decided to have a theme again and for 2007 this will be "The Sea". Some new "sea related" attractions have already been thought about but we would welcome more ideas please.

Work is also going ahead with the preparation of items for sale on the day and more information on needs and who to provide them to will follow in future additions of the BVN.

One early request comes from Thelma Skues (898032) for small items for the Children's Lucky Dip as she would like to get ahead with her wrapping as soon as possible.

Any thoughts on the theme or any fresh ideas for stalls or games would be most welcome. Please contact any of the Working Group.

Peter Broomhead Fete Co-ordinator

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL (BBVH)

200 Club – April 2007 Draw – Congratulations to:

1st Prize:	No. 216	Mr Geoff Adderley	£41.60
2nd Prize:	No. 385	Mrs Nancy Bushell	£20.80
3rd Prize:	No. 355	Mrs Heather Thomson	£10.40

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the May-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £8 – one pound for each of the remaining 8 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

The Village Hall Trust is a trust registered with the local authority, West Dorset District Council. Lotteries Licence No. LA005.

Forthcoming Events

Artsreach

Another successful evening in the Burton Bradstock Village Hall on 24th March was "Wheatley's Arcadians". It was an evening of amazing instrumental talent in a programme of music from the 20's to the 50's, interspersed with some witty historical notes of jazz and its influence. The rhythms of Stephane Grappelli, Django Reinhardt and others kept feet tapping throughout. Brilliant!

The next musical event will be a group from the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, "Kokoro" on Saturday 2nd June at 7.30 p.m. You will remember that this was the concert booked for last year that had to be cancelled because one of the players damaged a finger just before the concert. All's well now and "Kokoro" will be presenting an accessible programme of popular contemporary music including pieces by Michael Nyman, Phillip Glass, Graham Fitkin and others.

Tickets will be £7.50 (under 18's £6) and will be available in



advance from me on 01308 897214, from Burton Bradstock Post Office or on the door, if available.

Norman Saunders-White - Promoter for Artsreach - 01308 897214

Burton Bradstock Village Fayre

Monday 28th May 2007 (2.00 pm to 4.30 pm)

The Burton Bradstock Village Fayre will once again be held in the Rectory Gardens on Bank Holiday Monday 28th May. Your support last year made this event a great success and the money raised has allowed the Village Hall Committee to maintain the hall and facilities.

There will be many stalls and games with plenty for children to do; they can test their speed and agility over a fun Obstacle Course, take part in a Fancy Dress Competition and be entertained by Mr Custard.

In order to make this event a success we need volunteers to help with the stalls and games and we need donations for the stalls, the General Raffle and Bottle Tombola. If you can help in any way the people to contact are:

Fancy Goods – Susan Moores - Tel: 897673

Susan would be grateful for any soaps, small pieces of china, costume jewellery, scarves etc.

Soft Toys – Mary Bailey - Tel: 897288

Mary will be grateful for any donations. The soft toys must be clean, in good condition and safe for young children.

Books – Mike Southgate - Tel: 897487

Mike will be coordinating this stall which needs books, CDs, DVDs and Videos. There will be a box in the Library in the two weeks before the Fayre where you may leave any of the above items.

Bottle Tombola – Rosemary Daniels - Tel: 898049

Rosemary would like donations of any bottles or cans of alcoholic or soft drinks. She is willing to collect.

White Elephant – Cathy Lay-Flurrie - Tel: 897281

People willing to offer any items for the White Elephant Stall should contact Cathy who will let them know time and place for delivery.

Plants and Produce – Pat Broomhead - Tel: 897408

Pat will be pleased to receive any plants or produce in the Rectory Gardens on the morning of the Fayre between 10.00am and mid-day.

Filled Jars – Joan Allan - Tel 897511 and Noreen Short - Tel 897212

At present we particularly need clean, empty, lidded jars for the 'Filled Jar' stall. If you wish to fill jars yourself with things for children to the value of 50p e.g. a jar containing wrapped sweets or one containing pencils, eraser, pencil sharpener etc. please do so.

Cake and Preserves – Maureen Miller

Maureen is organising this stall on behalf of the WI and she would be grateful for any donations and these can be brought to the Village Hall on the morning of the Fayre.

General Raffle – Susan Moores - Tel: 897673

Susan is organising the General Raffle and, along with needing stand alone items, it is hoped to put together hampers of food and fruit so even tins of food, packets of tea, coffee etc; will be much appreciated.

A lot of help will be needed on the day to set up, man stalls and supervise games; if you wish to volunteer please contact **Susan Moores - Tel: 897673.**

Note: The Village Hall will be open from 9.30am to midday on Saturday 26th May to receive items for any of the stalls.

Susan Moores – Secretary, Burton Bradstock Village Hall Committee

BURTON BRADSTOCK FOOTBALL CLUB CENTENARY

To mark the centenary of Burton Bradstock Football Club there will be a weekend of celebration on 15th/16th September 2007.

Events planned so far include; an exhibition of footballing memorabilia in the Reading Room and an 11 a side match against local rivals!

If you have any memorabilia to share or want to know more about the football team contact Dave Dixon (898620) or visit the club website: <http://mysite.wanadoo-members.co.uk/thebbc>"



BURTON BRADSTOCK BRIDGE GROUP

Meets on Tuesdays at 2.00pm in the Village Hall.
New members welcomed, but a little experience necessary. For further information Tel: 01308 898117



BURTON BRADSTOCK WI



At the meeting on March 13th Burton Bradstock WI was very entertained by the speaker, Mrs Margaret Adams, whose talk was entitled “Living with the Boss.” In a series of rhymes worthy of Pam Ayres, Mrs Adams described the reactions of the boss to the ups and downs of farm life, the antics of the animals, the tractor, the mud and the mandatory wellington boots . . . all great fun.

After a refreshing interval, members heard of plans for an art exhibition and a play to be performed by members of the drama group at the next meeting. Other groups: walking, tapestry and book club are all flourishing well.

Burton Bradstock is a member of a local group of WIs and our group representative, Mary Bailey, told the meeting of a forthcoming group poetry competition and an outing to Buckfast Abbey in May.

Heather Seadon

A more succinct report this time. Apologies for the mix-up last month. Ed.

BURTON BRADSTOCK HOME WATCH – MAY 2007

The number of incidents over the past year has remained the same as last year, and for information this is the sort of thing that happens: the area covered is Burton Bradstock (includes outlying parts of the village/sightseeing spots and Freshwater).

Damage to Cars	7
Domestic related incidents....	3
Theft of car.....	3
‘Assaults’	7
Fraud.....	4
Burglaries	13
Theft other.....	19



Other damage.....	9
Sexual offence.....	2
Distraction burglary incident...1	
Drugs.....	1

Often the offence is minor; eg a ‘burglary’ could be one small item. However things *do* happen, and although Burton is safer than the average village/town please do report anything you think might be suspicious by phoning the easy-to remember number 01305-222222 (unless it is urgent enough to be a 999 call) and let *the Police* decide if they will follow it up. Never be embarrassed to report something to the Police in this way – let *them* decide! Thanks.

John Grantham.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

Roman Dorchester

Bill Putnam made a welcome return visit to us on 9th March when he gave us a second talk on Roman Dorchester, this time describing the Roman Baths and evidence of a Roman Fort in the town. The Baths were excavated in 1977 but are now buried under the Waitrose car park! In Roman times they were more like a leisure centre with all sorts of services on offer and large amounts of staff to administer them. There was an entrance fee but thousands of people used them. The Dorchester Baths were on a smaller scale with a sauna, cold plunge pool and several heated rooms. It was fed by an aqueduct bringing water from Frampton.

We do not know for sure, where the fort was in Dorchester. There has been little evidence found at Maiden Castle to suggest this as the site. The most significant evidence lies in the Maumbury Rings built in 50 AD by the Roman army as a military amphitheatre and capable of seating 5000 souls. It may be that the original site lies somewhere under Victoria Park estate area but this will never be excavated.

AGM

Please note that our next meeting on 11th May will be our Annual General meeting, to start at 7.30pm. There are **four** vacancies on the committee: a chairman and three other committee members,

to include catering and programme secretaries. The catering could be done through job sharing and perhaps for just two years. However we need people to come forward and nomination papers have been sent out with the agendas to all members.

Coffee Morning

The coffee morning will be on the day after the AGM to start at 10.15 am. Donations of cakes, plants etc will be very welcome. Please bring these to the village hall well before we open. Many thanks

Peter Dutton

NATIONAL CHILDREN’S HOMES COLLECTION

Once more I have to say a big thank you to all the residents of Grove Orchard and Grove Road who gave to the NCH collection. The collection raised £53.50

If anyone would like to take over this collection for next year only which normally takes about 3 hours in February, please contact me.

Once more a big thank you.

Joyce Roberts, Tel no 897180

<p>LONG BREDY VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: MRS ELINOR FROST BRIDELANDS, LONG BREDY TEL: 482269</p>	
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PARISH NEWS

St Peter’s looked splendid for Easter Sunday, with mown grounds and lots of spring flowers, both outside and inside. Thank you to all our decorators and mowers.

The PCC will meet at Langebride on 24th May.

Welcome to Nicola and John Harris-Jones, Sabrina 13 and Lewis 8 years old. They have come to live at Rowden Farm, plus a dairy of cows, border puppy etc etc, and we hope they will enjoy living in this lovely valley.

VILLAGE FETE

It is the time of year to start planning the village fete on Sunday 15th July. The Village Hall AGM to be held at 7.30pm on 14th May will, therefore, be followed by a Fete planning meeting.

Do come and bring some ideas and offers of help.

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & W. BEXINGTON

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COME SING HIS PRAISES

An evening of food, fellowship and song.

Sunday May 20th at 5pm, Puncknowle Village Hall.

You are invited to come to an opportunity to sing some of your favourite hymns and Christian songs and even learn some new ones on the way. Sally and Jonathan Jevons will lead the music but it is hoped that we might gather some more musicians. Don't worry about the quality of your voice!



All are welcome: any age.

There will be a shared supper. We will provide the baked potatoes. Please bring a topping or a salad to share. Tea and coffee provided. Bring other drinks if you want.

Contact Sue Brown for more details. 897953

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND W, BEXINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

The Annual Meeting of the Group Parish Councils will take place on 8th May in the Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall at 7.30pm. The first item of business will be to elect the Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year. Other matters to be decided will be

the Appointment of Councillors to Parish Council Committees, and appointment of representatives to external bodies or committees.

May Meeting of the Parish Council.

The May meeting of the Parish Council will follow the Annual Meeting of the Council on 8th May as above.

West Bexington Ward, It is not too late!!!

West Bexington Ward of Puncknowle Parish Council has two seats to represent the ward on the Parish Council, all the nominations for Councillors have been submitted to the Returning Officer, and only one seat has been filled. Councillor Adam Simon has been returned unopposed. The Council is permitted to fill the vacant seat by means of co option, within 28 days of the Parish Council Elections on 3rd May. It would meet the deadline and be appropriate if the new Council could undertake this business on 8th May. If anyone is interested in filling this vacancy, they should contact Mrs Buckland the Parish Clerk on 897726 as soon as possible.

Madeline Marshall, Chair, Puncknowle and Swyre Group Parish Council.

FAMILY/LOCAL HISTORY

Are you interested in [family history/ local history](#) ? Then come and join the new group which will meet at Puncknowle Village Hall. We hope to have talks and walks of the local area, help and advice on researching the above areas and a chance to develop your knowledge, or pass on knowledge, of the local area. First meeting on Monday 14th May at 7.00pm in Puncknowle Village Hall, talk on Puncknowle's 19th Century Beat (police) records and discussion of future events.

All in the Bride Valley welcome.

Please contact Debbie Legge on 898506 or debbielegge@aol.com

ART CLUB

We spent a very pleasant morning in Bridport at the stained glass workshop where we were given a talk and demonstration. I think we were all impressed with the designs and artwork. Our next meeting was a whole afternoon spent in the village hall working with Jill Newsome who guided us through techniques using charcoal and rubbers.

Dates for May

11th EXHIBITION – ALL WELCOME at 11.15

25th This may be a visit to West Bay.

Members of the public are very welcome to the opening of this year's exhibition. We have chosen 'Shelterbox' as the charity we are supporting for the season. Someone from Shelterbox will be giving a short talk and will have items on display.

Christine Molony

PUNCKNOWLE AND SWYRE VILLAGE HALL.

The **Open Morning** and **Bingo Night** arranged for Saturday 31st March were a great success. Many people called in to see the progress we have made. Later many more enjoyed the Bingo. We hope to have an open morning each Saturday from 10am to 12noon regularly in the future. Watch this space for the commencing date.

The next formal event will be on 18th May (not the 16th as previously published) when Steve Griffith will be giving a talk on Abbotsbury Tropical Gardens.

Talk will commence at 7.30pm. Please make a note in your diary.

Sid Marshall 897318; Yvonne Buckland 899492

PRESENTATION TO JULIA'S HOUSE

We will be presenting to Julia's House a cheque for £2,000.00 at The Crown on the 19th May which includes the money raised from the Christmas Event and a matching amount from the Puncknowle Fundraisers.

Andrew Marshall

MARY HARDY

Mary Hardy, who lived in Bexington for thirty-three years died peacefully at home on March 17th aged 93. Her ashes were scattered in the Garden of Remembrance at Weymouth.

CONGRATULATIONS

The marriage of Adam Newton to Yuliya Kramskaya took place in Bridport on 23rd March. We wish Adam and Yuliya every happiness in their future together.

SWYRE

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

Saturday 5th May, from 10am – Finish Spring cleaning the church.

Thursday 10th May, 7.30pm – PCC at Clayhanger bungalow.

Saturday 12th May, from 10am – Churchyard Working Party.

Saturday 26th May – Friday 1st June, Fundraising events at The Bull, in support of Holy Trinity Church.

INTER-PARISH FLOWER ARRANGING COMPETITION.

Friday 1st June, 4pm – 6pm and Saturday 2nd June, 10am -12noon

Each parish is invited to have 2 entries in the adults' large flower arrangement class. If you would like to enter this class please contact the flower rota co-ordinator for your parish church for details.

The other classes are open to everyone, and are:-

Miniature flower arrangements for adults.

Miniature flower arrangements for children under 16.

These arrangements should be no more than 6 inches in any dimension, and in your own container.

Miniature gardens for primary school children.

Miniature gardens for secondary school students.

These should be made in an oblong seed tray or similar, and should be made with mainly natural materials, to depict any garden of your dreams.

These can just be brought along on the Friday or Saturday. Entry fees payable on entry are 50p for all adult classes and 25p for children's.

The entries will be judged by public vote during Saturday afternoon, with prize giving at approx. 4pm Saturday, at the end of the Fayre. Please do not remove entries before Monday morning.



HOLY TRINITY WEEKEND OF CELEBRATIONS

Saturday 2nd June, from 12.30pm onwards

Programme

Saturday, 2nd June

12.30pm Short Guided Walk from the church to take in points of interest.

1pm BBQ

2pm Fayre opens, with Live music, Games, Stalls, Flower arrangements, and of course, Cream Teas.

Please see April BVN for details of stalls and goods required.

Sunday 3rd June,

5pm Concert in the Church with light classical music and song, to be followed by refreshments. Tickets for this at £5 each – accompanied children free - available from David and Yvonne at dandy@dandyhollybush.plus.com or tel. 898492.

6.30pm This will be followed at by a special Evening Service and Organ recital, which is based on one held in February 1890 when the present organ was installed. Everyone is most welcome to join us for this service.

This evening will be of particular interest to anyone who has past family connections with Swyre village or church, and will be a fitting conclusion to our weekend-plus of festivities celebrating the past, present and future in Swyre.
Yvonne Buckland and Vera Hirst, Churchwardens

CLOSURE

By following the simple advice I heard on a TV chat show, I have finally found inner peace. The TV doctor advised: "The way to achieve inner peace is to finish all the things you've started and never finished."

So, I looked around my house to see all the things I started and hadn't finished, and before leaving the house this morning,I finished off a bottle of White Zinfandel, a bottle of Bailey's Irish Cream, a packet of Jaffa Cakes, the remainder of my old Prozac prescription, the rest of the cheesecake, some Doritos and a box of chocolates. You have no idea how good I feel! The man is a genius!

LITTON CHENEY

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CHURGH FETE

Monday 28th May at Court House, 2.00 p.m.

Come and enjoy all the fun at the Fete. Attractions include Hattie the Clown, Bouncy Castle, teas and ice creams, coconut shy, lots of games and wonderful stalls!

Entrance only £1 for adults and children are FREE.

Please let us have whatever you can for the following stalls:

Books – Robert and Penny Dewar (482335).

White Elephant – Jennie Prentice (482535). No electrical items, please.

Cakes – Rachel Gershfield and Nancy Vicars (482484) Please bring on the day.

Plants – Ron Davidson (482661) Please label and bring on the morning.

Produce & Provisions – Diana Spicer (482617) – Any homemade goodies welcome.

Handicrafts and Gifts – Claire Gross (482748)

DIY – Please bring any tools etc. on the morning

Toys – Please bring on the morning, good, clean, working and complete!

Bottle Tombola – Wendy and David Taylor (482532) – Collection round the village 23rd -25th May.

We shall also need lots of cakes for teas, so please bake for us if you can!

And it's not too late to offer your help with games and other activities – please call Freddie Spicer (482617)

Very many thanks

LATCH PHOTO COMPETITION

As part of the fundraising effort it is planned to hold another photograph competition this year. The rules are simple:

Up to five entries per person

Three age groups – 5 to 11 years, 12 to 16 years and 17 and over.

Entry fee – 50p per entry for the two childrens' groups and £1 per entry for adults

Subject of your entry must have a connection with the Bride Valley or the surrounding area

All entries must be as a print between 7 x 5 and 10 x 8 inches unframed and submitted by 14th September 2007

A condition of entry is that LATCH may copy, publish or use any entry without charge and that original negatives, slides or digital files must be made available

All proceeds, including from subsequent use of the entries, will go to the Litton and Thorners Community Hall (LATCH) fund-raising project

For further information and details of prizes contact Steve Kourik (01308 482552 or e-mail: skourik@toucansurf.com)



LITTON & THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL (LATCH) NEWS UPDATE

At the time of writing, the Dorset Youth Orchestra Concert is barely a week away but ticket sales have been good and we are looking forward to a lovely evening.

Our next event is the **Open Gardens/Art Exhibition** weekend on **16th/17th June**. The June BVN will have the ultimate in up to date news for this event but be sure it is building up into quite an occasion. A considerable number of village residents have generously agreed to open their gardens to the public over this weekend and local art groups and artists are busy planning a display of their talents at Thorner's School. If you or your art group would like to know more about the exhibition, Alison Davidson on 482661 would welcome your call. Over the weekend, lunch and teas will be served at the school .

Presently we still await news of our lottery bid which we expect sometime during the next few weeks.

If you wish to make a donation or obtain more information on LATCH and fundraising call Ron Davidson (482661), David Taylor (482532) or John Firrell (482313).

VILLAGE VOICES

As a lot of you are aware, I was contacted in January by Plus 3 Productions who were putting together a series of half hour programmes for ITV Meridian called Village Voices. They had found the Bride Valley News and my contact details on the Internet and thought we fitted the bill. In their words:



“If your village is full of interesting people and you’d like to see it on the TV, please tell us why it is special. Each half hour programme will profile a village looking at the people who live there, the village history and following at least one key local

event - anything from a horticultural show, the giant vegetable competition to an annual village lawnmower race! We are looking for villages with an event happening between the beginning of January and end of June 2007. The village should have a good community spirit, some interesting historical background, good natural history and a range of local inhabitants who have interesting and unusual hobbies from bee keeping to vehicle restoration or who are keeping old traditions alive (hurdle making, weaving, spinning, woodturning etc).”

Working with volunteers from the village and their researcher Jenni Day we put together items of interest about the village. Lots of interviews and filming took place in March and culminated in the filming of the Duck Race and Easter Egg Hunt.

I would therefore like to thank everyone who helped in any way by being interviewed, filmed or provided information for the programme. Also I would like to apologise to those who found it all a bit intrusive.

The programme is due to be aired in July or August but as the majority of us are tuned into the reception for the South West area we will unfortunately not be able to receive the programme. Therefore it is hoped to have a gathering in maybe August, in order that we can watch the programme. Further details to follow.

Kathy Kourik Secretary LCSC 482552

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The weather could not have been better, resulting in the most successful Duck Race ever. Special thanks to Cassie and John, and Chris for helping to make this such an enjoyable event, and to everyone who came along and bought ducks.

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 10th May 7.30; at Thorner's School, Village meeting with speaker.

Saturday 12th May; join us for the village walk of about 5 miles, along the Bride Valley starting at 10.00am at the Bus Shelter.

Saturday 2nd June; Whist Drive 7.30 in the Church Hall. Entrance £2.50.

PLEASE NOTE: we have unfortunately had to change the date of the Summer BBQ from Saturday 7th July. Please put the NEW DATE OF SATURDAY 30TH JUNE into your diary.

ALSO the date of the Harvest Buffet Supper and Barn Dance has been changed from Saturday 6th October to SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

PRODUCERS' MARKET

Saturday 19th May – The White Horse, Litton Cheney

Our first market in 2007 will hopefully get off to a barnstorming start with the generous assistance of the weather and lots of shoppers.

The venue for those new to the markets is The White Horse Inn at Litton Cheney. Opening at 9.30am through to 12.30pm, it provides for all tastes but with the emphasis on freshness, local provenance and quality.

Come and join us either as a newcomer or a loyal stalwart from previous markets.

You will not be disappointed.

For more information on buying and selling please contact Wendy Taylor (482532) or John Firrell (482313).



SHIPTON GORGE

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - ST. MARTIN'S PCC

At the AGM on the 29th March Sir Geoffrey Howlett resigned from the P.C.C. and Mrs. Janet Lane resigned as Church Warden. St. Martin's P.C.C. wishes to thank both of them for all their hard work and enthusiasm they have contributed over the years.

The new Church Wardens are Mrs. Gillian Maxfield, tel. 897346 and Mrs. Phyl. Webster tel. 898657.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH SUMMER FETE

This will take place on Saturday 14th July at 2.00 p.m. As usual, the P.C.C. needs lots of helpers. If you can help or have any goods to donate please contact Gillian or Phyl.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCHYARD

The churchyard is consecrated ground and as such should be treated with respect. Unfortunately, we appear to have people who are using it as a dog exercising area, allowing their dogs to run free and foul both the paths and the graves. In future dogs will only be allowed into the churchyard on leads and if your dog poops YOU SCOOP.

Gillian Maxfield – Church Warden

PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will take place at the Village Hall on Wednesday 9th May commencing at 7.30 p.m. This will be the first meeting of the new Parish Council following the election. The public and press are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Ernie Thomas – Parish Clerk

HANGING BASKET COMPETITION

Judging will take place on Saturday 2nd June at 11.00 a.m. Can all baskets please be returned to the New Inn car park by 10.30am on that date.

Ann Hunt – New Inn Support Ltd

VILLAGE SOCIETY PLANT SWAP AND COFFEE MORNING

This will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday May 12th. Please bring a potted plant to swap.

VILLAGE SOCIETY QUIZ NIGHT AND FISH & CHIP SUPPER

Saturday 2nd June, commencing 7.00 p.m. Tickets £6.50 each from Sally Parker on 01308 897168.

SHIPTON GORGE LTD

At the meeting of Shipton Gorge Ltd., held on Friday 6th April it was agreed that the acre of land between Brook Street and St. Martin's Church would be restored to an orchard, as the records show that it was for at least 100 years up to the 1940's. It will be known simply as "The Orchard, Brook Street". A committee was set up to research the type, size and number of apple trees required, with a view to planting during the autumn/winter. The meeting heard that a grant of £1,820 had been awarded from the Community Action Fund for Dorset and that this would be used to clear the land, erect a fence on the western boundary and a gate at the bottom of the footpath into Brook Street. Just over £2,000 had been received in donations since the meeting in February and this had enabled repayment of the loans to begin. There are currently just over £5,000 of loans to be repaid and fund raising events will be taking place throughout the summer to enable these to be cleared as soon as possible.

Household & Garden Items Sale

As a first fund raising event for Shipton Gorge Limited there will be a Household & Garden Items Sale to be held in and around the Village Hall on Saturday 5th May from 10 a.m. – 12 noon. If you have good but unwanted items from a Spring Clean or a House Move, that you keep meaning to dispose of, please let us have them for the sale.

Any items in good condition and working order are acceptable but please note that we do not want clothes. Items can be left at West Court, Brook Street on Friday 4th May, brought to the Village Hall on the morning of the sale, or contact Barbara and Colin Chambers – tel. 897482 – if you would like them collected.

Proceeds go towards the land purchased for the village by Shipton Gorge Ltd.

SHIPTON GORGE RAMBLERS

We will be walking around historic Bridport this month, so come and join us for what should be a fascinating morning. Meet by the telephone kiosk in Brook Street at 10.30 a.m. for shared transport to the car park at Bridport Football Club (only 50p). This walk covers approximately 3 miles on fairly level ground.

Vicky & Janet

WEDDING

Pete and Sue Bowditch of Peashill are pleased to announce the marriage of their son Stephen to Samantha Hansford on the 19th April 2007 in the Dominican Republic. Best wishes from all the family.

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB APRIL DRAW WINNERS

£20 No. 35

Pauline Osmond

£10 No. 13

Edward Burt

LITTLEBREDY

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EASTER has just passed with a fabulous sunny weekend as these notes are written, and the Church decorations looked at their absolute best for the Easter Communion and Bank Holiday Weekend. Thanks and congratulations to those who picked the 5,000+ primroses for the traditional writing in the window ledges and to all those who laboured long and hard with floral decorations throughout the Church (much appreciated by many visitors to the village). Thanks too to the Rev. Derek Jackson, who took the service.

The Jacksons had previously hosted the village's Lent Frugal Lunch at Littlebredy Farmhouse, after which some £60.00 was sent to Julia's House, a children's hospice near Wimborne. Thank you Carrie and Peter.

NEW ARRIVALS

It proved to be a bit premature to welcome Michelle Adshead to 1, Riverside Cottage last month, as in the event she was unable to come. Instead, Peter and Eileen Murton are now making their home there, and we hope they will be settled and happy among us.

The same applies to Ian Gibson and Corinna Fox, who, with their daughter Charlotte (11), have moved into 2, Longlands Cottages. Very best wishes for a happy residence in the Littlebredy community to them all.

VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall will next be open for a Social on Friday 11th May from about 7.30 onwards. At this stage, the Committee is hoping that they will be able to organise the Annual General Meeting for 8.00 p.m. that evening, but formal Notice will have been given in the meanwhile if this is so. If not, there will be every intention to hold the A.G.M. in the Hall during June's Club Event there. If there are items which members (and/or prospective members) want to draw to the committee's attention for the Agenda, please contact Glenn or Mandy Wilkinson on 482525 in advance.

EPITAPHS FOUND ON HEADSTONES IN ENGLAND AND ACROSS THE WORLD:

IN LONDON:

*HERE LIES ANN MANN
WHO LIVED AN OLD MAID
BUT DIED AN OLD MANN.*

IN HARTSCOMBE, ENGLAND:

*ON THE 22ND OF JUNE
JONATHAN FIDDLE
WENT OUT OF TUNE.*

IN RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO:

*HERE LIES JOHNNY YEAST
PARDON ME FOR NOT RISING.*

IN WIMBOURNE, ENGLAND:

*JOHN PENNY:
READER IF CASH THOU ART IN
WANT OF ANY
DIG FOUR FEET DEEP AND
THOU WILT FIND A PENNY.*

IN THURMONT, MARYLAND:

*HERE LIES AN ATHEIST
ALL DRESSED UP, AND NO
PLACE TO GO.*

DIARY OF EVENTS FOR ALL PARISHES MAY/JUNE 2007

1	Burton Bradstock Bridge Group Lithe Litton Ladies	BB Village Hall Litton Cheney Church Hall	2.00pm 4.30pm
2	BASIX - Worship	BB Rectory	7.30pm
3	Parish Council Elections		7.00pm
5	Church Spring Cleaning	Holy Trinity, Swyre	10.00am
5	Household & Garden Items Sale	Shipton Gorge Village Hall	10.00am
6	Bride Valley Church Lunch	BB Village Hall	12.30pm
	One World Worship & Supper	Othona Community	
8	Burton Bradstock Bridge Group Dawn Chorus Lithe Litton Ladies PSWB Parish Council, Annual Meeting	BB Village Hall Othona Community Litton Cheney Church Hall PSWB Village Hall	2.00pm 4.15am 4.30pm 7.30pm
9	BASIX - Service St Martin's Shipton Gorge , PCC Meeting	BB Rectory Village Hall	7.30pm 7.30pm
10	Holy Trinity, Swyre: PCC Meeting Litton Cheney Village Meeting with Speaker	Clayhanger bungalow Thorner's School	7.30pm 7.30pm
11	Plant Sale	Red House, Middle St, Burton Bradstock	10-1.00pm
11	Tiny Tots Service Puncknowle Art Club Exhibition Burton Bradstock Village Society AGM Village Hall Social	St Mary's, BB Crown Inn, Puncknowle BB Village Hall Littlebredy	11.00am 11.15am 7.30pm 7.30pm
	BVN DEADLINE		
12	Churchyard Working Party Village Walk Burton Bradstock Village Socy Coffee Morning Bridport Choral Society Concert Plant Swap & Coffee Morning	Holy Trinity, Swyre Litton Cheney Bus Shelter BB Village Hall U R C, Bridport Shipton Gorge Village Hall	10.00am 10.00am 10.15am 7.30pm
13	Start of Christian Aid Week		
14	B V Lunch Club New History Group, Meeting Village Hall AGM & Fete Planning Meeting Bride Valley Garden Club, AGM Bride Valley Gardening Club AGM Lunch Club	New Inn, Shipton Gorge PSWB Village Hall Long Bredy Thorner's New Inn, Shipton Gorge	12.30pm 7.00pm 7.30pm 7.30pm

15	Burton Bradstock Bridge Group	BB Village Hall	2.00pm
15	Lithe Litton Ladies	Litton Cheney Church Hall	4.30pm
16	BASIX - Giving	BB Rectory	7.30pm
17	ASCENSION DAY		
18	Talk:		
	Abbotsbury Tropical Gardens	PSWB Village Hall	7.30pm
19	Producers' Market	White Horse, Litton Cheney	9.30am
	Presentation to Julia's House	Crown Inn, Puncknowle	
20	Come Sing His Praises	PSWB Village Hall	5.00pm
22	Burton Bradstock Bridge Group	BB Village Hall	2.00pm
23	B V Supper Club	New Inn, Shipton Gorge	6.30pm
	BASIX - Hospitality	BB Rectory	7.30pm
	Supper Club	New Inn, Shipton Gorge	
24	MU Annual Overseas Meeting	BB Rectory	2.30pm
	St Peter's Long Bredy, PCC Meeting	Langbridge	7.30pm
25	Famed Musicians in Burton Bradstock	Village Hall	7.30pm
	Puncknowle Art Club Visit	West Bay	10.30am
	Madalina Rusu, Piano Recital	St Mary's, Beaminster	7.30pm
27	Evensong & Pentecost Drama	St Mary's, Burton Bradstock	6.00pm
28	Burton Bradstock Village Fayre	Rectory Gardens	2.00pm
	Litton Cheney Church Fete	Court House	2.00pm
29	Burton Bradstock Bridge Group	BB Village Hall	2.00pm
	Lithe Litton Ladies	Litton Cheney Church Hall	4.30pm

June

2	Whist Drive	Litton Cheney Church Hall	
	Village Socy, Quiz and Fish & Chip Supper	Shipton Gorge Village Hall	7.00pm
	Hanging Basket Competition Judging	New Inn Car Park, Shipton Gorge	11.00am
	Start of Weekend of Celebrations	Holy Trinity, Swyre	12.30pm
14	Quiet Day	Rowlands Castle	
16	Open Gardens Weekend	Litton Cheney Church Hall	

SCHOOL REPORT

The father was reading the school report which had just been handed to him by his hopeful son. He frowned as he read: 'English, poor; French, weak; Maths, dismal.' He gave a glance of disgust at his son. "Well, Dad," the son ventured: "It isn't as good as it might be, but have you seen that?" And he pointed to the next line, which read: "Health, excellent."



VILLAGE WEBSITES

giving details of events, news, history, photographs etc.

www.burtonbradstock.org.uk

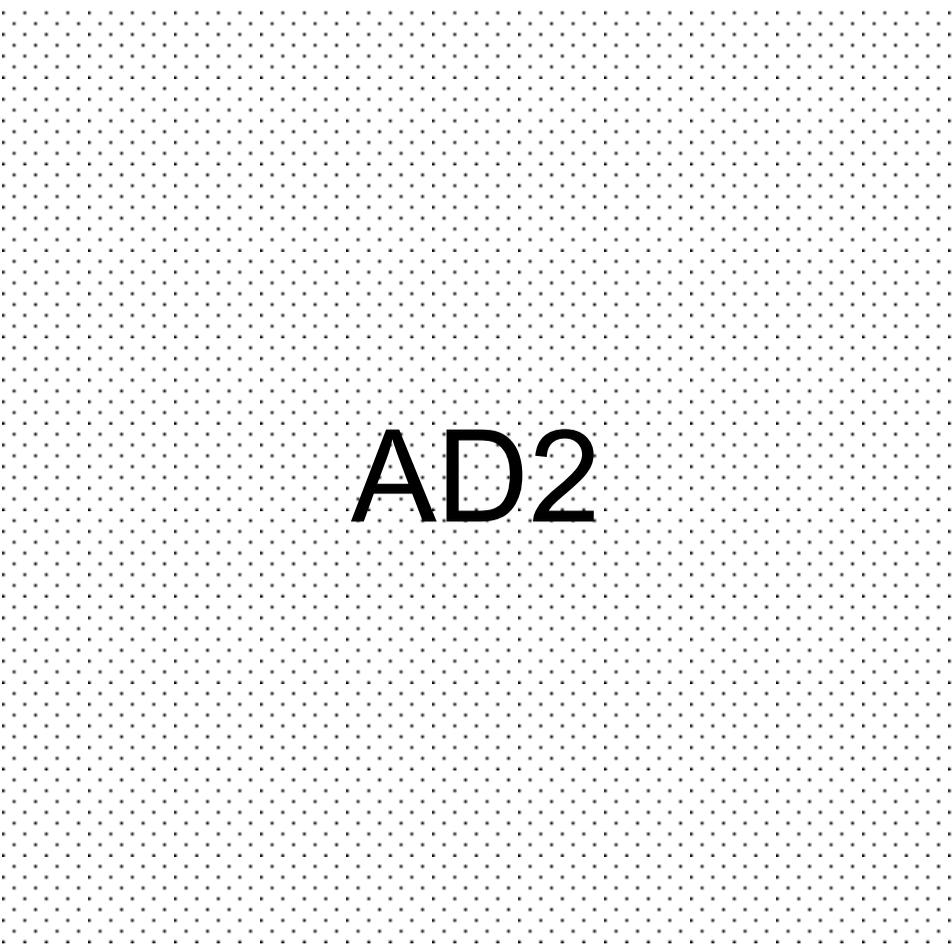
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