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THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

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ST PETER: Long Bredy **CHILCOMBE:** (Dedication unknown)
ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN: Puncknowle
ST MARTIN: Shipton Gorge **HOLY TRINITY:** Swyre

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please telephone the Team Office on 01308 898799*

The June issue stand-in Editor apologises for upsetting the two people who sent emails complaining that their Swyre Fete event (18th June) had not been allocated sufficient space in the Magazine.

Also, although a 1pm start was stated in the article, the Fete was mistakenly listed in the diary at the back as lasting 'All day.'

(wait till I get my hands on that proof reader...)

Hope you didn't lose out on attendees!

Cover Picture: Flowers in St Martin's Church, Shipton Gorge by Barbara Chambers

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





I haven't been hitchhiking for years. Not only that, it has been a long time since I have seen a hitchhiker. I can remember when, at every motorway junction, there was a more or less gloomy line of people standing, thumb out with a lack of conviction and jollity in ratio to their distance from the roundabout.

I used to enjoy hitching, and reckon over the years to have travelled a smidgen over 22 miles an hour, which is pretty good when carrying a guitar. The guitar was not a social handicap, it was of use as a badge of identity, but it did take up a car seat.

The finest lift I ever had was all too short in a Rolls Royce from Bodmin to Wadebridge. The oddest was with an argumentative Frenchman on his way back on a baking hot day to Poitiers, with a car full of spider crabs that he had to sell estaminets along the way, the deal sealed with a little drink before the end of his probationary leave, when he had to present himself back at the prison gates to complete his sentence. The most beautiful was on a barge, picked up where a quiet road crossed a busy canal. That was one of the longest too, in that it lasted three days. The best there is no reason for you to know about.

All these memories, and many others of the delights of the open road, came back to me recently when my motorbike was ill. Jean had the car and I hitched up and down the Valley a couple of times. All the rules of how to do it, the customs codes and lore, came back from decades ago. Thank you to those who picked up a suspiciously happy Clergyman, though one, who was escorting a 700 mile sponsored bike ride, is unlikely to come across these thanks. I wish I knew what this was about, this letter. I feel there should be a moral to it; something to do with the times when not having a car was not an oddity, when asking was not begging and a possession was yours the more you shared it. But this is all very trite. If you can tell me why I remember hitchhiking so well, and why I still pick up hitchhikers when I can, stop and tell me. I am the one with my thumb out.



Bob Thorn

FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERALS

BARBARA ROSEMARY ALLEN. On Monday morning, the 16th May the ashes of the late Barbara Allen were set in the grave of her late husband, Alfred Charles Allen, who died in 2007.

The couple had moved to live in Weymouth some years ago, but their mortal remains were brought to be near those of other members of their family in the South West corner of the churchyard of St Mary's, Burton Bradstock.



On Monday the 23rd May the funeral took place of the late **JUSTIN STUART MALLINSON**, beloved husband of Juliana. They lived in Bredy farm, Burton Bradstock.



Justin was widely known in the Parish and throughout West Dorset, having long been involved with the N.F.U. with Melpash show and many other interests making up the life of the area. Mr Kenneth Palk paid tribute to Justin's involvement in the community and life of the area, remembering his good sense, good humour and benevolence. Further tributes were paid by Justin's Brother, Mr Terence Mallinson, on behalf of the family.

Justin's grandson, Jonathan, in introducing the lesson, remembered his grandfather having read the very same passage from Revelation at Justin's son John's (Jonathan's father) funeral. Antonia, a granddaughter, read a poem, "Bredy River." There were, at Justin's request stirring hymns of praise and acclamation before the mourners, led by Juliana followed up into Burton Bradstock cemetery, where Justin was laid to rest.

The large congregation were all invited back to Bredy after the funeral where much fond remembrance was made and stories lovingly told of Justin's sayings and doings over a long and deeply respected life.

The funeral of the late **MARGARET McCOURT** was held in St Mary Magdalen Richmond, in Surrey on the 1st of June, after which her mortal remains were brought to Burton Bradstock cemetery to be laid to rest with those of her late husband, Harry.



The couple moved into the village in the mid 1980s, but it was not long before Harry's death left Margaret on her own. A few years later she moved to be nearer her son, Graham. He led the groups of friends and family who on Friday, the 3rd of June attended the ceremony at Burton Bradstock.

WEDDINGS

The blessing of a marriage took place on Saturday 14th May in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock, combined with a baptism service of the twin children of **RICHARD SEBASTIAN TOZER** and **CATHERINE MARY WORSLEY TOZER**.



On Saturday 21st May **COLIN BURTON** and **SANDRA IKIN** were married at St Mary's Church. Litton Cheney.

Between two sunny days, on Saturday 28th May - an increasingly overcast day - **ALAN JAMES PINCH** and **LISA NICOLE WATTS** were married at St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. The Bride was accompanied down the aisle by her son, James, who later 'gave away' his mother at the appropriate point in the service. Lisa's father, Brian, followed the Bride & her son down the aisle as he shepherding three small attendants, two of whom carried the wedding rings in two tiny baskets.

A string quartet played before the service and during the signing of the register, with Janet Lane on the organ for the Bridal & Wedding Marches and hymns. After the service the West Bay gig rowers made a wedding arch with their oars by the Church Porch for the couple to pass through.

Alan & Lisa after a few pictures went to the beach for a photo call but the rain defeated them, so they drove off to Litton Cheney for their reception and the following evening dance. We pray for them to know the continual presence and help of the risen Lord in their future together

On June 4th St Michael's Church in Littlebredy was packed to overflowing with the family and friends of **TRACEY EMMA SHAW**, a doctor at Dorchester Hospital, and **DAVID JOHN WALL**, youth pastor of the Dorchester Family Church. The couple's pastor, Mark Coppard, shared the service with Ryder, and the talk given by a friend, Gary Fry.

The Bride, accompanied by her father and three bridesmaids and a shy little flower girl, entered to the sounds of Meditation from Thias played by Joe Lawrence on the violin and Vic Langford on the keyboard.

The joyful and worshipful singing that came at various points in the service was led by the Family Church's five strong worship band. After the service the couple and guests went down to the lake for a photo shoot and then off to the Litton Cheney hall for the reception. As David and Tracey serve the Lord in the Dorchester Family Church we pray the Lord's blessing on their new life together.



On Saturday 11th June, **PHILIP JOHN HOOK** and **ALEXANDRA LOUISE BUNYAN** were married at St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock.



BAPTISM

On Sunday 17th April, the Sunday morning service at St Peter's Long Bredy became the baptism service of **JADO ARTHUR SAINES**, a week after his first birthday, whose parents were married in St Peter's in September 2008, and who now live in Beaminster. Among the hymns and songs sung we turned our voices to "One More Step" which had been sung at the wedding.



Jado himself was attentive, but relaxed and confident, taking with great assurance to the role of being the centre of attention for the occasion, and preacher of the word of God by means of the Baptism which he underwent with such confidence.

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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BURTON BRADSTOCK CHURCH FETE

The **Annual Fete** will be held in St Mary's Rectory Garden on **Thursday 4 August** opening at **2pm**. It will have a theme of Country Pastimes. We will have all the usual stalls and games. **We are most grateful** for the offers of help and contributions already received but keep them coming please. So if you can

help please contact:

The Auction: Susan Moores (897673)

Filled Jars: Noreen Short (898766) suitable items to the value of 50p (wrapped sweets, pencils, rubbers etc.) will be most welcome a week in advance please as this year there will be **no glass jars**, plastic ones will be used.

Books: Denise Rogers (897464) - no videos or cassettes please

Cakes & Preserves: Betty Champkins (897419)

Cards & Crafts: Jane Stubbs (898002) - crafts, cards & stationery please

Children & Toddlers: Margaret Ackland (897872) - no soft toys please

Fancy Goods: Elizabeth Wigglesworth (897083) - good quality gifts

Plant Sales: Pat Broomhead (897408)

Produce Sales: Peter Colbert (897922)

Bottle Tombola: Kate & Bernard Chennells (897066) – bottles & cans a week in advance for labelling please

White Elephant: Denise Rogers (897464)

Volunteers are needed to help with the games and assist with running the stalls – please contact Liz Orza (897451) or Sylvia Delves (897358). Help is also needed to set up the tables etc at 8.30am and to remove them at 5pm – contact Jim Rogers (897464).

Jim Rogers – Church - Fete Co-Coordinator (897464)

ST. MARY'S MISSION COMMITTEE



Following recently established tradition, the Committee will be hosting **Cream Teas** in the Rectory Garden on **Sundays 24th and 31st July**, from 3.30pm. Enjoy the ambience of the lovely garden with as many friends and family as you can muster, lavish scones with home made jam and cream, and as much tea as necessary.

All proceeds will go to our chosen charities, The Christian Blind Mission and The Bible Society. On **Thursdays 11th and 18th August** the Reading Room will be the venue for our popular cake and produce sales, 10am – 12pm. Please support our Summer events.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

For Bookings – Telephone 01308 897673
Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust (BBVHT)
Village Hall Bookings



COMMITTEE MEMBERS – NEEDED

Valerie McRobert and Alistair Bristoll have resigned from the Hall Committee pending their departure for Dartmouth. The Committee owes them many thanks for their help and support, particularly in their involvement in the area of fundraising. Their departure leaves two vacancies on the Hall Committee.

I would be grateful if anyone in the Village who feels that they can volunteer to join the Committee in its ongoing work to manage and maintain the Village Hall contact me on 01308 897673

Susan Moores – Chairman - Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL “200 CLUB”

June 2011 Draw - Congratulations to the winners:

1st	£44.20	No 46:	Mrs Pauline Frost
2nd	£22.10	No 11:	Mr Stan Jones
3rd	£11.05	No 152:	Mrs Jill Harper

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the July-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £6 – one pound for each of the remaining 6 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

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VILLAGE FAYRE 2011 – THANK YOU

The Village Fayre was held in the Village Hall, Church Street and the Rectory Gardens on Bank Holiday Monday 30th May. Having had weeks of wonderful sunny weather, the rain came. However, as always, visitors and villagers alike rallied round and gave excellent support and help. £3,100 was raised, which given the inclement weather was an excellent result. The funds raised will go towards the second phase of the ‘Hall Preservation Project’, which comprises in the main, a refurbishment of the kitchen and stage area.



The Committee would like to thank all the villagers who helped in any way to organise and run stalls, games and refreshments. The Fayre would not be the draw to visitors or the success that it is without such support.

Susan Moores – Chairman - Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW

Saturday 16th July

Well it's that time of year once again for all you cooks gardeners and handicraft folk. For anybody who has not got a schedule for the flower and produce show yet they will be able to pick one up from the Burton Bradstock Post Office. Please come along and join in, you don't have to be an expert to enter the classes. Entries close on Wednesday July 13th but we do take late entries on the day although it will cost an extra 10p per item

All allotmenters need to have their entries in by Saturday 9th July as judging takes place in the week before the show. Hope to see you on the day and good luck to you all with your entries

Sandy Adderley

ARTSREACH NEWS - BURTON BRADSTOCK

For the second time we have tried to put on something for children and families in the Spring or Summer holidays yet although they have been enjoyed the audiences have been small and mostly from visitors.



"Skillywidden" - stories and legends from Cornwall with puppets, music and songs by Craig Johnson's Squashbox Theatre Company on Friday 3rd June while offering such an entertaining and educational fifty minutes (and ice creams) could only bring in an audience of 37! Maybe the fact that it was the hottest day of the year kept potential audiences on the beach.

We now have a break and hopefully bring you something in September or November. There are prospects of folk music, drama, and even a Tibetan group who have been travelling the world! But more news about bookings later...

Thanks to all those helpers who enable us in Burton Bradstock to enjoy quality professional theatre and music events that tour the country through Artsreach.

Norman Saunders-White - Artsreach Promoter for Burton Bradstock



TINY TOTS / PRAM SERVICE

Friday 8th July at 11am

All pre-school children, babies and families are welcome. We meet in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock on the second Friday of each month.

BURTON BRADSTOCK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

My advice for the 'summer season' has now started! Recently I found the burnt out remains of a Chinese lantern in Burton Bradstock. Oh yes they're good fun and pretty but not when they set fire to a thatched cottage or dry field. Please do not be tempted to buy them and increase their popularity.

Recently a charity worker was arrested and charged in Bridport for falsely collecting money for himself! Please do not sign up or give bank details to anyone at the door or on the phone no matter how friendly or professional they sound. These people are experts at their trade – deceit!



Ian Pitt-Aikens - 01308-897440



BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYERS
PRESENT A COMEDY



By Peter Gordon

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Josef Weinberger Ltd

Wednesday 27th to Saturday 30th July

Burton Bradstock Village Hall 7.30pm

Tickets: Adults: £7 Under 16: £5

Tickets on sale from Saturday July 2nd

Burton Bradstock Post Office

or by phone 01308 897389

JUSTIN MALLINSON

The funeral service of Justin Mallinson took place on **23rd May** at St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. Justin and his wife Juliana came to live at Bredy Farm in 1947 after his discharge from the army.

He was a councillor of Burton Bradstock Parish Council for 25 years and chairman for 12 years. He served 8 years as a Dorset County Councillor. He loved the village. He was very keen to keep the village tidy and as a result the village won the Best Kept Village Competition several times.

He instigated the building of the beach café after the National Trust pulled down the original café and burnt it. His negotiations with the National Trust to rebuild it resulted in the Parish Council being given the lease for 20 years for the beach café and car park. He used his saw mill at Bredy which had a horizontal wood saw to make the bench tables for the beach café and much more.

He organised many events, the V.E. Day 50th Anniversary Street Party, the Millennium Week involving a marquee on the playing field with events throughout the week. He arranged the celebration of the Parish Council Centenary by having a china mug designed and also another mug for the Millennium. He revamped the children's play area. He was a member of the British Legion.

He was a hands on person, doing odd jobs around the village. When the local scout group had to give up their hut in Shipton Lane Justin offered them land to build a scout hut.

He collected old and ancient agricultural items which he made into a museum at Bredy, which is open to the public at certain times. Justin was a man of many parts and that is how we should remember him.

DAVID MASON, TRUMPETER 1926 - 2011

I was sorry to hear today (9/6/11) of the death of David Mason, whose playing featured in the Burton Bradstock Music Festival concerts for several years. His brilliant, clean and seemingly effortless style was brilliant and beautiful to hear.

Many years ago - sixty years or more at least - when I was at elementary school, we were taken to the Church to which the school was joined, to hear a young musician, "who will be famous one day," we were told. The young trumpeter with great confidence and standing very straight and upright played with faultless clarity, and as a twelve or thirteen year old I was very impressed!



At an early Music Festival in the Church at Burton Bradstock, many years later, I sat in the chancel of the Church behind the solo trumpet player. The way he stood, his back so firm and straight stirred something in my mind. He began to play - his notes effortless - he seemed to pluck them from heaven. Could he possibly be that young boy who played so wonderfully in the Church of St Stephen, Westbourne Park, all those years ago?

After his performance he turned away after acknowledging the applause, and I saw his face and realised that it was the same person! I approached him and it was confirmed - "Fancy you remembering!" he said, "Goodness, that was a long time ago!"

But I couldn't forget completely his upright stance, his seamless style and of course the beautiful music he made. After which I made sure that I came to all the concerts in which he appeared at the Burton Bradstock Music Festival. The Gods will enjoy his residence now. But he is unforgettable and will be greatly missed.

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THANK YOU

Norman Saunders-White

Eileen and Gerald Collins would like to say thank you to all their Valley friends who have been so helpful in giving support to them both since Eileen became unwell in November. She is now able to get about a little in the house but we are both so very grateful for all the help that has been given. Sincere good wishes and thanks to all.

Eileen and Gerald Collins

PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

Our workshop with Debbie Veitch was well attended and we enjoyed a relaxing and colourful morning. Other ideas were triggered which could be followed up at a later date. We have two meetings in July - 8th and on the 22nd we will be staying for lunch.



There are no meetings in August but we will be meeting again on Sept 2nd to judge pictures for the Bembridge Trophy.

Christine Molony

DIARY

Fri	8	10.15am	Puncknowle Art Group	The Bull
Mon	18	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	The Old Timber Yard
Wed	20	7.30pm	BV Benefice Meeting	Hall
Fri	22	10.15am	Puncknowle Art Group	The Bull
Sat	23	2.30pm	Puncknowle Church Fete	Manor Gardens

EXERCISE CLASSES

Exercise classes have started in Puncknowle Village Hall on **Wednesdays from 2-3pm**, under the auspices of the "Fit as a Fiddle" programme with a lovely, well qualified instructor from Abbotsbury, Jackie Matthews. It costs £3 per session, or it was £30 for 12 classes, beginning with a free taster session. Don't worry if you missed the start - do still come along. The exercises are aimed at over 50's but under 50's can also come along. Just turn up!

PSWB BOOK CLUB



This month we are reading a Susan Hill book called "The Various Haunts of Men" a crime novel - something different. Most of the group really enjoyed "Old Filth" by Jane Gardam but there were a couple of dissenters! We meet in Puncknowle Village Hall roughly once a month to have a good discussion about the latest book.

Carol Bennett - 01308 897771

FLEDGLINGS

The fundraiser "Bit of a Do" on the 15th May really did the trick - so a **BIG THANK YOU** to all who baked scones, supplied lovely cream and jam, worked hard on the day on the stalls or elsewhere, and to all the owners of the interesting array of classic and other vehicles for bringing them along. The Rex Trevett Big Band was great too. It was a great afternoon and raised over £1120 for Fledglings.



Back in the garden - the peas are growing despite the hot weather and the children planted runner beans indoors in jars - to watch them grow. Our outing to Kingston Maurward will be this month and our leavers party will be near the end of term. More about these next time. Last day of term will be Tuesday 19th July and the start of the Autumn term will be Tuesday 6th September. For any information about Fledglings - just drop in, or ring Fiona Evans, Manager on 01308 482410 - during school hours.

PSWB LUNCHEON CLUB

Will members, who did not come to the June meal, please tel 897622 to order their July meal, which will be the last in this season.

LITTON CHENEY

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FROM ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Our thanks to everyone who helped and attended the village fete on Monday 30th May. Although the weather was very disappointing and attendance was down on last year, there seemed to be plenty of people enjoying the stalls, the Thorner's School Maypole Dancing and the Dog Agility Display Team. We were delighted to raise over

£3,000 for the upkeep of the Church.

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Exclusive - ROBBIE WILLIAMS WINS THE BRIDE VALLEY NAVIGATIONAL CHALLENGE! Clive Edwards spared no expense to get Robbie to enter this year's formidable challenge. We also had a new route planner, Bob Blackstock who really tested us with a series of navigational techniques, and very interesting questions, the answers to which could be found enroute. Probably the best one was a tie breaker at the end "How many pubs did you pass?" Note pass not enter! The answer was 4.

We started at the White Horse and using the A35 as a spine we, or rather the route, went through Puncknowle, Shipton Gorge, Uploders, Eggardon Hill, Kingston Russell, Winterbourne Abbas, Littlebredy, Long Bredy and back to Litton for a very well deserved pint or two followed by Cassie's delicious bangers and mash.

Last year's winners renamed themselves Acoustic Rangers, but came third.....more of a whimper than a bang! The perennial runners-up Top Draw came.....second, with the winners being first time entrants, Robbie and Anne Williams, again from West Bexington, with a total of 54 pints, sorry points, out of a possible 60. The Chenites are going to have to have to enter en masse next year to stop a third win in a row by WB. Although if they do they can organise it the following year!!! It was another very enjoyable evening taking us places we hadn't been before, some unplanned, and I understand that at least one car enjoyed it so much they did the route twice on the same evening!!!



Very many thanks to Clive for organising the evening and Bob for putting together a great route with interesting and challenging questions. Do not miss next year's BVNC and see what special guest Clive has managed to entice along....it might be you!!!

THE SUMMER BBQ is on **Sunday August 7th**, 5.30 at the Hall. Tickets cost £7.50 for Adults, and £4.00 for those aged 8 – 14. Under 8's are free. There will be the usual great disco, delicious food, and a wonderful atmosphere. There will be a bar with plenty to drink including a barrel of beer. We were booked out last year so get your tickets early. Tickets are on sale from Ron Davidson on telephone 482661 or email socialsec@littoncheney.org.uk

LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of Litton Cheney Parish Council on Tuesday 12th July, 7.30 pm at Litton and Thorner's Community Hall. Local residents are welcome and indeed encouraged to attend.

VILLAGE WALK

The next **Village Walk** will be on **Saturday 9th July** at 10.00 am starting from the Bus Shelter.

Ron Davidson.482661 LCSC

LITTON AND THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL (LATCH)

Please visit www.littoncheney.org.uk for more up to date details of happenings at the community hall.

Yoga sessions will be held on July 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd only, and there will be no more Table Tennis until September.

Quangle Wangle Choir – Saturday 2nd July, 7.30 pm – A great night. Be there!

Village Café – Sat. 23rd July, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm Come one, come all!

Litton Cheney Relief in Need Trust (*Registered Charity No 231338*)

As in previous years, the Trustees of this Charity, invite grant applications from students living in Litton Cheney who are finishing their full time school or 6th Form College education this summer and are intending to follow a course in Higher Education at University or enter full time employment this year. Please apply in writing to: Mr. B Prentice Trustee, Steddings, Chalk Pit Lane, Litton Cheney.

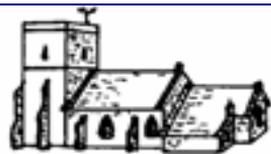


SWYRE

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SWYRE

CHURCH YARD WORKING PARTY

I have been calling churchyard working party days each month to help keep our churchyard in a good state. I realise that this is somewhat difficult for many in Swyre but it is becoming increasingly difficult to continue maintenance on my own with the help of our grass-cutter. I would ask, therefore, if anyone in Swyre can help to keep things cut back and tidy please do so, I do not necessarily have to be there. I am often in the churchyard on Saturday mornings and it would be great to see you for however long you can afford.

COMPOST

The churchyard has an abundant source of compost for anyone who would like to come and collect. It is free of charge you will only need a bag, a digging implement, and your energy.



SONGS OF PRAISE SEASON

These popular services of 8 hymns interspersed by a Bible reading, poem and prayers will be starting again on Sunday 31st July and will be for a total of 5 weeks. Each service will start at 7.30 PM. It would be lovely

to see as many of you as possible from the Valley and elsewhere as well, all will be given a special welcome. Please note that these are the only Holy Trinity services during this season.

RECENT WORKS

You may be aware that a tree has had to be removed in the churchyard. This is because it had died and we were advised to have it removed as soon as possible due to its proximity to the road and possible dangers this represented.

The other work is on the front gate area. It had been noticed that the wall had a crack in it and it was beginning to lean over towards the gates which were not closing properly.

The wall at the time of writing has been taken back to the parts of the wall unaffected and is being rebuilt with some added secure fixings for bolts for the gate. It is hoped that by the time you read this the work will have been completed.

David Buckland

CHARITY WHIST DRIVE

To be held on **Tuesday 5th July 2011** at 7.30 pm prompt in The Bull Inn, Swyre. Proceeds in aid of Dorset Air Ambulance & IFAW (International Fund for Animal Welfare)

SHIPTON GORGE

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

FEAST OF FLOWERS

Our second Feast of Flowers will be held on the weekend of 16th / 17th July . We invite anyone and everyone in the village to bring some flowers to decorate the church from **3pm on Friday**

15th July an elaborate arrangement, or a simple bunch in a jam-jar, ALL are welcome. This is NOT a competition, and we hope to emulate last year's wonderful display when the church was filled with the sight and scent of summer.

As part of the celebration of flowers there will be nibbles and wine available from 6.00pm on the evening of 16th July - donations towards the upkeep of the church will be appreciated - and **cream teas will be served on 17th July** for you to enjoy when you view the flowers.



PCC



BORN TO RUN

Thank you very much to all those from Shipton Gorge who sponsored Wendy Robertshaw for The Save the Children 15 mile sponsored walk from Shaftesbury to Salisbury on Sunday May 15th. **Wendy raised an amazing £205** - the highest amount raised by any Colfox student.

Wendy, accompanied by her sister Cynthia on her bike, joined students, parents and staff from the Sir John Colfox School for the walk but while others completed the walk in 4-5 hours Wendy ran it in just under 2 hours arriving before the stewards had even set up the check-in points! The money raised by Wendy and the other walkers will be well used by Save the Children as part of their No Child is Born to Die campaign so well done Wendy and Cynthia and many thanks to all those who sponsored her so generously.

Ethna Jenkin - The Sir John Colfox School

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

When you read this we will have held the Village Fete, thanks to all involved! (When writing this report we are still running around in circles getting it organised and praying that the weather is kind)

Next up is the **PICNIC IN THE PARK**, on Sunday July 31st. It follows the usual format – bring your refreshments, something to sit on/or under, and come ready to meet old and make new friends in the village playing field. Starts at 2pm.

Entertainment is provided this year by local group Custer's Last Blues Band. Come along and enjoy the afternoon – there's no charge! (Sorry – no dogs)

Following that we have the **ANNUAL VILLAGE SHOW** on Saturday August 6th. Categories include Vegetables, Fruit & Flowers, Cooking, Needlecraft, Painting & Pencil sketches (also children's classes)

We will receive entries from 8.45 – 11.00am with competitors' and public entry to view at 2.00pm when refreshments will be available prior to the results and presentations. A schedule is included in this magazine for residents of Shipton Gorge. Further schedules for friends and neighbours in the Bride Valley who are welcome to participate are available from Sally Parker (897168) – Join in and have a go – it isn't overly competitive (most of the time!) (Please will all those who received trophies last year return them to Sally or an SGVS committee member as soon as possible?)

John Kent

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place, starting at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th July.

Parish Clerk

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

The winners for the bumper June draw were:

£50	No 37	Christine Huxtable
£20	No 106	Roger Sorrell
£10	No 46	Simon Cleveland
£10	No 28	Ian Daniel
£10	No 72	Robert and Lynn Pettit

TREATMENT OF VERGES

Concerns have been raised over chemical weed-killers being used by householders to kill weeds on verges bordering the highway. It would be helpful, particularly to pet owners, if a notice advising of such treatments could be displayed for 48 hours after spraying to save any unnecessary suffering to dogs who do like to eat grass.

Richard Cunningham - Chairman

LONG BREDY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT: CAROLINE MORRISH-BANHAM

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ST PETERS CHURCH

The services at St Peters for July will be the **1st & 4th Sundays**, omitting the third Sunday (Safari Day, 17th)

The Church Tower is in need of repair to keep the Church weather-proof. St Peters is Grade 1 listed and belongs to the

village so it falls to Long Bredy to try and care for this building.

With rising costs this is becoming increasingly difficult. At present quotes are being sought to carry out this work. There is a possibility that abseilers may be used to scale the tower and repair it, cutting the cost of scaffolding in some places.

GARDEN SAFARI

Sunday 17th July 11-5pm

Visit the gardens of Langebride, Watergate and the living churchyard of St Peters. Walk across the fields or ride in the mini-bus (sponsored by Ashley Chase). Ample parking. Lunches and teas. Raffle and stalls, games.

We will need help on this day or before setting up, even for just a couple of hours. We will be forming a rota, please help. We will also need donations for the cake and produce stall and the tombola (any unwanted gifts, bottles or chocolates etc).

Raffle - Elinor Frost

Cakes & Produce - Ruth Cullingford

Tombola - Rachael Maltby

Lunch & Teas - Jackie Cain

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Albert Pitcher** for his 70th birthday!

LONG BREDY & KINGSTON RUSSELL PARISH COUNCIL

In May the Annual Parish Meeting was held in the Village Hall, Long Bredy. Following her welcome to everyone, a comprehensive report on the parish council's year was given by Madam Chairman, Jane Dowling. Thanks for past service to the parish council were given to the three retiring councillors Geraldine Gregg-Smith, John ffoulkes and Robert Maltby and a warm welcome was given to the two new councillors Jane Gravell and Giles Maltby.

This was followed by a police report from Beat Manager, Rural West & East, Jeremy Cuff. Representatives of various village activities gave a brief update on their organisations including St Peters PCC and Living Churchyard Project; St Peters Bellringers; Village Hall; Gardening Club; Ladybirds; Youth Club; Home Watch with a display of alarms and crime prevention products; Library Service; Ashley Chase Cheese Factory; Garden Safari; the 100 Club and the Draw for May was made.

Jane Dowling spoke on behalf of everyone to thank Robert Maltby for his 43 years of service on the parish council following his retirement in May. Robert Maltby thanked Jane for her kind words and gave everyone present some fascinating insight into past times in Long Bredy. He then gave the toast to the Duke & Duchess of Cambridge in celebration of their recent wedding.

During the evening wine, soft drinks and light refreshments were served and a quiz on Long Bredy was held, being won by Giles Maltby. In addition there was a running slide show of photographs of the playground party and photographs of snow scenes of Long Bredy taken this winter. Many thanks to Val and Ian Cameron for the photographs.

ROBERT MALTBY retired from the Long Bredy and Kingston Russell Parish Council after an amazing forty three years. It was on November 26th 1968 that Robert joined the Parish Council although according to the minutes he had been attending parish council meetings for some time already. Robert Foot was in the chair that evening and he explained that as the village school had closed, the meetings would in the future take place in the Village Hall at a cost of five bob.

Over the years Robert has taken a very close interest in all aspects of council work and attended diligently to all the essential parts of village life and consequently has of course a huge fund of information and experience and we are going to miss him, for this, and also for himself. A very kind and reasoned man and good fun too. A champion of Long Bredy and a diplomatic sorter out of any problem large or small that is brought to his attention. It would be a very sobering exercise to count up the hundreds of hours that he has given all of us.

Robert took over as chairman on September 16th 1983 and continued in that role until 2003 when he handed over to Adrian Harrison. Adrian was unable to be present but wished to thank Robert for all that he has done and particularly for all the help and encouragement kindly given at the start of his chairmanship. The words to sum up Robert's tenure on the council would be strong purpose, calm resolve, patience and understanding. He has also been an essential link between our parish council and the District and the County Council through his many connections.

It is very hard to see a man like this leave the council and all we can do is say thank you Robert and we will try to continue in a manner that you approve.

£100 DRAW

Tickets for the annual £100 draw will be distributed for sale early in July.

100 CLUB

Winners for May: Sue Talbot £25; Percy Bastable £15; Win Road £5



Long Bredy Garden Safari
Sunday 17th July 11am-5pm

Visit the gardens of **Langebride, Watergate**
and the living churchyard of **St Peters Church**
Ample parking behind St Peters and at Watergate
Map guided walk across the fields
or ride in the mini-bus (sponsored by Ashley Chase)

Lunch and teas, raffle, tombola, stalls and games

Entry: £4 per adult, children FREE

Price includes:
Entry to gardens and church
Map guided walk;
Treasure hunt (prize)
Spot the animals (prize)
Rides in the
mini-bus
Parking

LITTLEBREDY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT:

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HILLTOP HOLY COMMUNION ON ASCENSION DAY

There was at least one representative from every village in the Benefice for the hilltop Holy Communion on Ascension Day. Those who made the trek up to the summit of the Danish Camp were rewarded with a moving service on a glorious summer evening, with fantastic sunlit views right down the Bride Valley and across Lyme Bay to the west; down the chalkland hillside to Bridehead, the lake and its surrounding woodland to the north; and across the hills to a scaffolding-clad Hardy Monument and beyond to the east. Thanks especially to our Rector, whose instinct for making an event of this sort of special occasion in the Church calendar is spot on.



WEDDING

Let us hope the conditions are much the same on **Saturday 9th July**, when David Williams of Bridehead marries Ana Robador Arana, his Spanish fiancée, in the Church here. They will be surrounded there by memorials to his forebears, but he may well be the first Williams male ever to be married in St. Michael & All Angels Church. There is bound to be a Spanish as

well as English flavour to the celebrations, and as well as extending to Ana and David all very best wishes for happiness and fulfilment in their future life together, it is hoped the village will also want to welcome its many Spanish guests (like everyone else, of course!) to share in their special day.

SOCIAL CLUB

At the time of writing, the Social Club is hoping to fix a **rounders and barbecue evening** on the cricket ground, but the date is not yet decided. If there is a flier in Littlebredy residents' copy of this magazine, a July date will have been chosen; if not, then please await a similar invitation for August. And in either case, can everyone (valley visitors all welcome) please try to support this very enjoyable event (weather permitting, of course...), for which a great deal of work is put in by the committee members and others. Skill (or even average ability) at rounders is an optional extra, by the way, so any deficiency [or modesty] should not prevent anyone from coming to enjoy the evening when the time comes...

BEYOND THE VALLEY



BUMPER BARGAIN BONANZA

Saturday, **6 August 2011** - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Salt House, West Bay, Bridport.

Proceeds in aid of Barnardo's.

Raffle, Sale of New -to-You Clothing and Homeware, Books and Puzzles, Bric a Brac and Jewellery, etc. **Refreshments available.**

GOOD BOOKS

St Mary's Old School, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3RL, Tel: 01308 420483

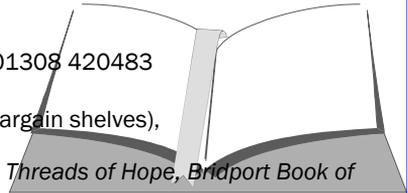
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SUMMER AT GOOD BOOKS

During July and August, with lots of summer visitors around, we'll be focussing on **our local churches** – not just the history and beauty of the buildings but as living and vibrant communities. Do let us have details of your events and services, as well as leaflets and guidebooks we can display - the excellent **Bradpole Book of Walks** produced by Holy Trinity Bradpole is now in-store, revised and republished and a bargain at £2.50.

We urgently need relief volunteers for the long summer break. If you can help at all for a couple of hours at any time, do contact us as soon as possible. And a big thank you to the **Maytree Choir** for their fundraiser for Good Books on **29 July** (see details below).

THE MAYTREE SPEAKING CHOIR

warmly invite you to an afternoon of **WORDS AND MUSIC** at 3.00pm on **Friday 29th July** at St John's Church, West Bay.

Music from Sue Smith & Dan Shackell

Dance from Caitlin O'Farrell

CREAM TEAS!

Donations in aid of Good Books and St John's Church Repair Fund.



DAY OF REFLECTION

Led by KIM NATARAJA

from the World Community for Christian Meditation

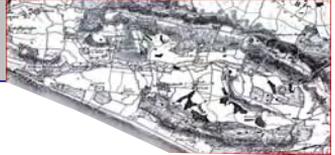
"Becoming a More Whole Person - The Contemplative Journey"

Saturday 8th October 2011 from 10am to 4pm

at The Dorford Centre, Dorchester

Contact details: 01308 427851

VALLEY NOTES



BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

In May the Gardening Club had a short AGM followed by an informative and amusing talk on the Construction and Maintenance of Ponds and in June we shall have had an eagerly awaited talk on Growing Your Own Vegetables by James Foster-Pegg from the Poundbury Garden Centre.

Following this on Saturday July 2nd the Club will be holding their Flower Show, this year at the Litton Cheney Hall, when members will be competing with each other in displaying their flowers and produce. This popular event is open to the public from 2 p.m. who are all invited to judge each class for themselves and the results of this "first past the post" (no AV here) will be announced at 4p.m. and the prizes awarded by our President, Brian Prentice. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the event when tea, cakes and scones will be on offer in the beautiful surroundings of the Bride Valley.

On Monday July 18th, back at the Puncknowle Village Hall, we are having a talk from Mr. and Mrs. Pitman from Portland on growing quantities of plants in their small garden including National Collections of Penstemons and Agapanthus. As many readers know they regularly open their garden to the public under the NGS scheme.

JOBS TO DO:

Sow fennel, spinach and pak choi for autumn crops. Prune whippy summer growth of Wisteria to within five or six buds of the main stem. Deadhead roses regularly to prolong flowering. Provide a reliable source of clean water for wildlife. Make a feather-cleaning station - at the edge of a bed leave a patch of bare, loose soil for birds to use as a dust bath cleaning their feathers of dirt and parasites.

Valerie Cameron, Secretary - Email: secretary.bvgc@virgin.net - Tel: 01308 482240

DIARY OF EVENTS:

- Sat July 2nd Gardening Club's Flower Show 2p.m. Litton Cheney Village Hall
- Mon July 18th "A Quart into a Pint Pot" Mr & Mrs Pitman 7.30p.m. Puncknowle Village Hall

BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION



Despite my plea in the April BVN no member has volunteered to replace the Officers on the committee namely, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Poppy Appeal Organiser. Unless these important positions are filled at the next AGM scheduled for the 31st October the Branch will have to close. This would be a great pity after surviving for 75 years. One important role is that of Poppy Appeal Organiser and Tony Combe would like someone to contact him soon so that he can show his successor the ropes ready for next years appeal. This job involves a

hectic two weeks during the end of October and the beginning of November and a little time ordering Poppies, wreaths etc. in August.

So I appeal to members to think about involving themselves in the work of the Branch and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Ray West Chairman

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Some of our members spent an interesting afternoon in May learning how to make Dorset buttons, given by a very patient tutor Valerie Nicholls. The results were colourful! A Dorset button looks like a wheel with spokes, and from someone who knows these do take a while to learn the art!

To think that in Dorset in the 18th century, women and children would make these to sell in not very bright light, no electricity then. How our lives have changed. On the 24th June the Bride Valley group will have met in Burton to hear Mrs. Amy Brennan of Dukes Auctioneers, Dorchester give her expert opinion on items brought in by members.

For July we hold the WI Barbeque for members only (plus spouses) at North Lodge, Beach Road on the 9th July - let's hope the weather holds for us.

Our next Hall meeting will be on **Tuesday 13th July** when Mrs. Christine Shaw will be speaking on "Sugar Island - Castro's Cuba" at 7.15p.m. We look forward to seeing current members then and welcome any new ladies of the Bride Valley to join us.





WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP DORSET RESIDENTS SAFE

Crime in Dorset continues to fall, with fewer crimes and in turn fewer victims of crime across the Dorset county area (excl. B'mth & Poole) during 2010/early 2011.

Yearly statistics at the end of March 2011 (1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011) show that **total crime is down**. During this time there were 1,457 fewer offences recorded by Dorset Police compared to the same period in 2009-10 – a reduction of 7.1 per cent across the county area. There were significant reductions in anti-social behaviour, violent crime and those killed and seriously injured in road traffic accidents on Dorset roads.

- *There were 2,286 fewer incidents of anti-social behaviour (-10.4%)*
- *There were 400 fewer violent crimes in the Dorset county area (-9.4%)*
- *There were eight fewer fatalities and 52 fewer people seriously injured on Dorset's roads (these results are for roads in the Dorset County Council area and not pan-Dorset)*

The **Dorset Community Safety Partnership (CSP)**, which consists of Dorset local authorities, Dorset Police, Dorset Probation Trust, Dorset Primary Care Trust, Dorset Fire & Rescue Service and Dorset Police Authority, continues to work with communities on those issues that matter locally.

Councillor **Ray Nottage, Chair of Dorset CSP**, said: “By making the community aware that crime rates are falling we hope that they feel safer and more confident that local agencies like the police and local authorities are working together to keep crime low. Members of the Community Safety Partnership work hard with partners and the community to continue to make Dorset safer, and this is having a good effect. By working together reductions in crime continue to be met.

Increasing public confidence and reducing the fear of crime has been a priority for the partnership for many years. However, sometimes the public's perception of crime differs to the reality. This is for a variety of reasons including how crime stories are publicised. “We know that **Dorset remains one of the safest places to live in England** and we know that crime is continuing to fall in Dorset.”

Superintendent Dave Thorp of Dorset Police, said: “These figures show how effective partnerships can be in helping to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. It is extremely pleasing to see that the latest crime figures show that we are maintaining a downward trend in crime in Dorset. We have worked extremely closely with the councils and other partners who are absolutely essential to making our communities safer.”

The Community Safety Partnership is committed to providing accurate information to communities throughout 2011. Visit the website: www.dorsetforyou.com/communitysafety and look out for our consultation events, which will be held throughout the year. If you want to find out more in your local area contact your local Community Safety Officer, contact details can be found below:

**JULY EVENTS AT
THE OTHONA COMMUNITY**



Othona
WEST DORSET

A Cream Tea with a Sea View

“What is that funny place on the Coast Road called Othona?”

**See for yourself and enjoy a luscious homemade
cream tea on the terrace
(£3.50 with two scones)**

**Tuesday 19 July
2.00 - 5.00 p.m.**

Othona is on the B3157 Coast Road 1.7 miles east of Burton Bradstock
Garage. Families welcome, sorry no dogs.
For more details ring 01308 897130

othona-bb.org.uk

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DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

ANNUAL SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE – Saturday **10th September 2011**
Cycle or walk to Dorset's beautiful churches and raise money for the Trust and your own church at the same time! Alternatively, **consider becoming a sponsor** of a participant!

For further information, please contact your parish organiser:-

Burton Bradstock:	Mr. Howard Bongers	898029
Littlebredy;	Sir Philip Williams	482232
Litton Cheney:	Mr. Freddie Spicer	482617
Long Bredy:	Mrs. Elinor Frost	482269
Puncknowle:	Miss Anne Roberts	897716
Shipton Gorge:	Mrs. Janet Lane	897241
Swyre:	Mr. Tony Taylor	898523

PLEASE HELP OUR CAMPAIGN

BETTER BBC COVERAGE FOR ALL OF DORSET!

The **Dorset Broadcasting Action Group (DorBAG)** has been working for some time trying to get the BBC to provide a BBC Dorset Radio station and has come close several times. We are now close to a decision by the BBC. In order to add further pressure on them, we have set up a "Blog" on our web site so anyone with access to a computer can have their say.

We would be most grateful for your support, as we know the BBC avidly monitors all press/media/internet coverage to look out for bad press! So this is a useful and powerful tool – but only if a large number of people support it!

It is easy to do – just log on to www.dorbag.org.uk and click on "**The DorBAG Blog**" at the top of the page. You will be able to read my initial comments and then you can simply add your own by clicking on "**comment**" at the bottom of my post.

This will then show you other comments that have been added and give you the opportunity to add yours in the small box at the bottom (it expands as you type over the box size).

To complete your Post, you can simply click on "**Post**" (or you can review it first, as it will look when live, so you can edit it if necessary). If you have **Google**, just type in **DorBAG Blog** and it should come up as the first choice – click on that and away you go.

Just to mention we are also working for our own local TV news, super fast broadband etc. too, but the focus right now is on radio as decisions are being made this summer/autumn!

Ken Pett - DorBAG

THORNER'S CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL



At the end of this term our year 6 pupils will leave Thorner's to continue their education in their new schools. The minority of these pupils started in Reception since when staff have watched them develop and grow in both knowledge and confidence.

Others in the cohort have joined later ... as late as last September, settling into new routines, getting used to a village school and having to make friendships.

We pride ourselves here at Thorner's on knowing all the children and treating the pupils as individuals, encouraging them in all areas of the curriculum both in and out of school. It is hoped that each pupil leaves Thorner's having the confidence to meet the challenges of their next school and life in general with an understanding of what they did do to fulfil their ambitions.

We wish Brook, Kieran, Tilly, Jack, Wilf, Callum, Tayla and Becky well as they move on hoping that they make new friends and take the opportunity to widen their experiences.

After 12 years of writing articles for the Bride Valley News this will be my last one! Looking back over the years, people I have met, children I have taught and changes made in school it is not surprising that I am tired and in need of a rest. I have enjoyed my time both here at Thorner's and in Dorset.

As many of you know the area was unfamiliar to me when I arrived and I have gradually got to know different places, in the very near future I intend to explore even more so do not be surprised if you see me out and about, camera at the ready!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to everyone who has helped to make my time here so enjoyable and especially to the staff, both past and present, and governors who appointed me in the first place, without your support I am sure I would have moved on years ago. Looking around at the other schools in the area there must be something special about Thorner's as headteachers and staff seem to stay much longer than other schools. Other schools have had more headteachers in my time here than Thorner's has had since WWII! Partly due to all of you I am sure.

I will be sad to leave as Thorner's has been such a big part of my life but now is the time for me to do some of things I want to do and put myself and my family first. It is not goodbye, just au revoir! It is good to be able to report that Mrs Chaffey has been appointed and will take up the post in September.

I am sure that you will make her feel welcome and part of the community just as you did me. I wish the whole community well as they enter a new phase.

Alison Johnstone - Headteacher

THORNER'S SCHOOL 100 CLUB WINNERS:

£15 Mrs Jane Price (my mum);

£10 Bridget Wetherall (outside member Portesham)

BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC SCHOOL

Class 4 had a fantastic day sailing at the Sailing Academy on Portland. It was wonderful that they could gain experience of this sport as well as actually being at the venue which will be hosting the sailing events at the Olympics in 2012!

The youngest children in Sails and Boats classes had an informative visit to the Streetwise Interactive Safety Centre in Poole. They were very keen to share their knowledge of different dangers with us on their return to school.



Our gardening club has been very busy planting on the school grounds and in the school allotment. The fruit and vegetables are growing nicely and the flowers and hanging baskets really brighten up the school environment. We are grateful to everyone who has donated seeds and their time and especially to Freshwater Holiday Park for their donation of topsoil. The new arrival of the tiger worms in our wormery are also a very welcome addition!

Claire Staple—Headteacher

NEW BAR AND RESTAURANT NOW OPEN



After much hunting, the goal being to re-locate to Dorset where Alison was born, the Allen family have taken on the challenge to re-inspire The Manor Hotel. They look forward to working within the local community and welcoming many visitors to enjoy this special area of South West Dorset.

Their original family home near Winchester was redeveloped to include a successful B&B business with Alison at the helm providing the hospitality. Daughter Jess has worked with such names as Hotel Du Vin and other eating/drinking establishments. David, who comes from a career of international sales and customer service says, "With the new kitchen now complete and the Cellar bar, Garden restaurant and beer garden refreshed, we are ready to serve some great food and drink at reasonable prices." Menu is available at www.manorhoteldorset.com. Bedrooms will start to become available during the month of June.

Opening Hours for Food

Mon thru Sat	Lunch	12.00	till	14.30 hrs
	Dinner	18.00	till	21.00 hrs
Sunday	Open all day	12.00	till	20.30 hrs

Bar opening times are the same as above, but will close approximately 22.00hrs (or later if necessary). They can be contacted via www.manorhoteldorset.com or Tel: **01308 897660**.

SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

*The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters
from 'Uncle Eustace:'*

On the best way to run a church council meeting

The Rectory
St. James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

Thank you for the kind offer of your old computer, but I do not want it. I know you find it invaluable for keeping in touch with those doing missionary work in remote parts of Africa, but even if I knew legions of clergy on that continent, I would have few pearls of wisdom to e-mail them and would not be overly interested in what they may be yearning to tell me.

I know that our diocesan offices long for us all to have computers, so we can receive at hourly intervals briefings, questionnaires, notifications of meetings and lists of irresistible training days, but I seem to have survived in ministry for the last 50 years without them and suspect I can do so for a little while longer.

When pressed why I have still not purchased one, I tell everyone that I am waiting for a few more weeks when I will be able to get an even better one. And as the wretched things continue to improve, there is every reason to defer a decision until they improve a little more. Surely, if I bought one today, I would regret it by tomorrow, as there would be a more advanced model out by then.

Besides, once you get a computer, you will need to buy a telephone connection, then a printer and spare ink cartridges and then equipment to protect you from viruses. The money can far more usefully be spent on claret.

Being without a computer also saves me much aggravation. From what I can gather, most computer owners spend significant parts of their lives trying to get their machine to do something it doggedly refuses to. Once they admit defeat, they then spend another significant chunk of time on what is called by naïve optimists a "helpline", where someone in a remote part of the world who speaks a jargon only distantly related to English tries to tell you that whatever you did, it would have been better if you hadn't.

No, no-one over the age of 25 should be allowed to possess a computer. On those rare occasions you really do need to use one, you should adopt my practice: visit your local primary school and get a 6 year-old to do the job - which they do with effortless efficiency, speed and accuracy.

Your loving uncle,
Eustace

SUDOKU

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INTERMEDIATE





MARY MAGDALENE

22nd July

Mary Magdalene is one of the most important women associated with Jesus during his ministry.

Mary, who came from the village of Magdala on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, was a devoted follower of Jesus, part of the close group of those taught by Jesus during his ministry. Jesus had healed her of seven devils. She was with Jesus during his travels and followed him to the end, witnessing his crucifixion when others had fled, and his burial. According to all four Gospels, she was the first person to see the Risen Christ in the garden on the very first Easter Day.



She is often shown in pictures holding a pot of ointment because she was among those women who brought ointment and linens to the tomb of Jesus. For this reason, in the

Eastern Orthodox Church she is called a Myrrhbearer.

M-WORDS

All the answers to this quiz begin with the letter M. Which M is...

1. A Canadian police person in a red jacket?
2. A mixture of water and earth?
3. A type of pasta?
4. A black and white bird?
5. A white drink?
6. A hairy, extinct elephant?
7. What you do with a ruler?
8. A wall painting?
9. Not the beginning or the end?



What did the monster say to the grand piano?

Darling, you've got lovely teeth.

What do moths study in school?

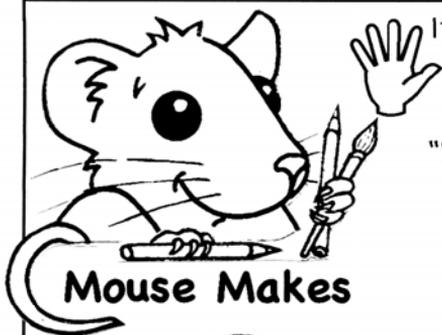
Motheletics.



What is a dog's favourite musical?

The Hound of Music.

Answers: 1.Mountie 2.mud 3.macaroni
4.magpie 5.milk 6.mammoth
7.measure 8.mural 9.middle



It was Jesus who taught us to call God our 'Heavenly Father'. When the disciples asked Jesus how to pray he said:
"When you pray, go to your room, close the door and pray to your Father who is unseen. And your Father who sees what you do in private, will reward you."

READ Matthew 6:9-15



THANK YOU

PRAYSE YOU

SORRY

PLEASE

FOR FAMILY

FOR FRIENDS

FOR THE WORLD

FOR THE CHURCH

LORD JESUS,
 Thank you
 that you love me,
 Thank you
 that you care,
 Thank you
 that you listen,
 Thank you
 that your near.
AMEN

Our Father in heaven:
 may your holy name
 be honoured;
 your Kingdom come;
 your will be done
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us today the food we need.
 Forgive us the wrongs we have
 done, as we forgive the wrongs
 that others have done to us.
 Do not bring us to hard testing,
 but keep us safe from
 the evil one.
AMEN

To make a praying hand bookmark, carefully cut out around the hands, fold back along the centre dotted line and glue together. Use the the words on the hands and fingers to help you as you pray.

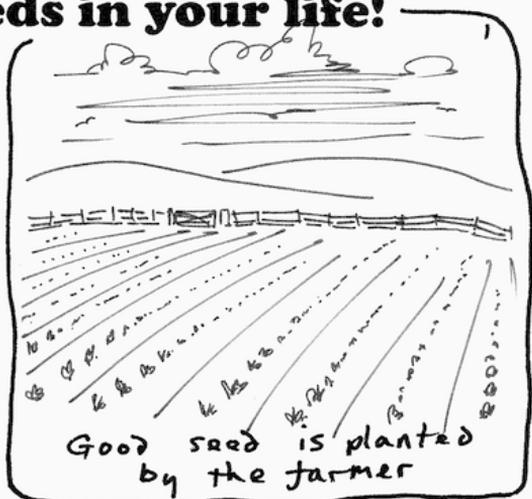


Don't let the

enemy sow weeds in your life!

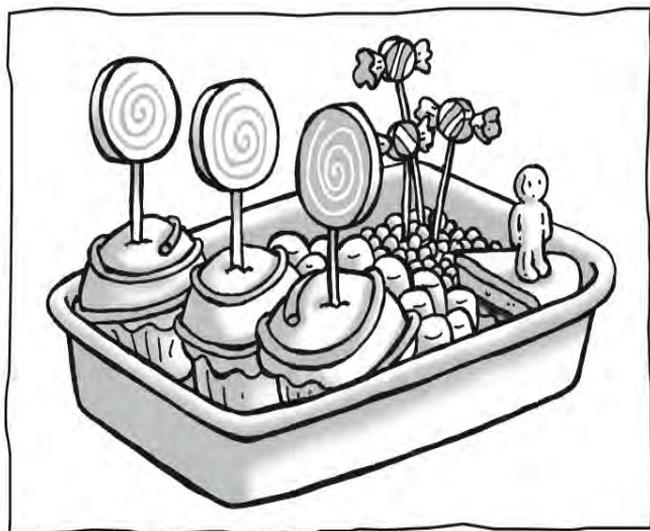
Sin is like weeds planted by an enemy in a field, aiming to destroy God's good crops. When harvest comes, those who are faithfully following Jesus will come into his Kingdom barn. Those who have let the sin-seeds take root will not...

Read more in
Matthew 13: 24-30



Paradise garden

Create an edible landscape



Queen Esther's
royal playground

Garden of
Eden

Heaven

King David's
palace garden

Use any of the following:

- fruit segments
- biscuits
- sweets
- strawberry laces
- readymade icing
- writing icing or glacé icing
- chocolate sticks
- mini marshmallows
- jelly babies
- buns
- cake pieces
- chocolate coins
- chocolate leaves
- lollipop 'trees'

DIARY OF EVENTS: JULY 2011

Fri	1	9.45am	Yoga	LATCH
Fri	1	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Sat	2	2.00pm	BV Gardening Club Flower Show	LATCH
Sat	2	7.30pm	The Quangle Wangle Choir	LATCH
Sun	3	12.30pm	BV Bring & Share Lunch	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Sun	3	7.00pm	One World Worship	Othona
Mon	4	9.45am	Art Classes	LATCH
Mon	4	9.45am	Art Classes	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Mon	4	4.00pm	Pilates	LATCH
Tue	5	7.30pm	Charity Whist Drive	The Bull, Swyre
Tue	5	2.00pm	Bride Valley Knitting Group	Ourganics, Litton Cheney
Tue	5	7.30pm	Puncknowle & Swyre Parish Council	PSWB Village Hall
Wed	6	2-3pm	Fit as a Fiddle Exercise Class	Puncknowle Village Hall
Wed	6	2.00pm	Tai Chi	LATCH
Wed	6	2.00pm	Indoor Bowls	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Wed	6	3.30pm	Table Tennis	LATCH
Wed	6	7.30pm	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Thu	7	2.30pm	BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona
Fri	8	9.45am	Yoga	LATCH
Fri	8	10.15am	Puncknowle Art Group	The Bull, Swyre
Fri	8	11.00am	Tiny Tots	St Mary's Burton Bradstock
Fri	8	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Sat	9	7.30pm	Keeeeeep Dancing	LATCH
Mon	11	9.45am	Art Classes	LATCH
Mon	11	1.30pm	Art Classes	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Mon	11	4.00pm	Pilates	LATCH
Tue	12	7.30pm	Litton Cheney Parish Council	LATCH
Tue	12	7.15pm	Women's Institute	WI Hall, Burton Bradstock
Wed	13	7.30pm	Shipton Gorge Parish Council	Shipton Gorge Village Hall
Wed	13	2.00pm	Tai Chi	LATCH
Wed	13	2.00pm	Indoor Bowls	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Wed	13	2-3pm	Fit as a Fiddle Exercise Class	Puncknowle Village Hall
Wed	13	3.30pm	Table Tennis	LATCH
Wed	13	7.30pm	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Thu	14	2.30pm	BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Fri	15	9.45am	Yoga	LATCH
Fri	15	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Sat	16	All day?	Feast of Flowers	St Martin's Shipton Gorge
Sat	16	6.00pm	Cheese & Wine	St Martin's Shipton Gorge
Sat	16	All day	Flower + Produce Show	Burton Brad. Village Hall?
Sun	17	-	Cream Teas during Flowers Feast	St Martin's Shipton Gorge
Sun	17	11-5pm	Garden Safari	Long Bredy
Mon	18	9.45am	Art Classes	LATCH
Mon	18	1.30pm	Art Classes	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Mon	18	4.00pm	Pilates	LATCH
Mon	18	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	The Old Timber Yard
Mon	18	7.30pm	Talk 'A Quart into a Pint'	Puncknowle Village Hall
Tue	19	12.30pm	Puncknowle & Swyre Lunch Club	PSWB Village Hall
Tue	19	2.00pm	Bride Valley Knitting Group	Ourganics, Litton Cheney

Tue	19	2-5pm	A Cream Tea with a Sea View	Othona
Wed	20	2.00pm	Tai Chi	LATCH
Wed	20	2.00pm	Indoor Bowls	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Wed	20	2-3pm	Fit as a Fiddle Exercise Class	Puncknowle Village Hall
Wed	20	3.30pm	Table Tennis	LATCH
Wed	20	7.30pm	BV Benefice Meeting	PSWB Hall
Wed	20	7.30pm	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Thu	21	2.30pm	BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona
Fri	22	9.45am	Yoga	LATCH
Fri	22	10.15am	Puncknowle Art Group	The Bull Pub, Swyre
Fri	22	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Sat	23	2.30pm	Puncknowle Church Garden Fete	Punck. Manor Gardens
Sat	23	10.30am	Village Café open till 12.30pm	LATCH
Sun	24	3.30pm	Cream Teas at the Rectory	Burton Bradstock
Mon	25	9.45am	Art Classes	LATCH
Mon	25	1.30pm	Art Classes	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Mon	25	4.00pm	Pilates	LATCH
Wed	27	2.00pm	Tai Chi	LATCH
Wed	27	2.00pm	Indoor Bowls	Burton Brad. Village Hall
Wed	27	2-3pm	Fit as a Fiddle Exercise Class	Puncknowle Village Hall
Wed	27	3.30pm	Table Tennis	LATCH
Wed	27	7.30pm	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Thu	28	5.00pm	Baptisms - St Aldhelm's Pilgrimage	West Bay Beach
Fri	29	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Fri	29	3.00pm	Maytree Speaking Choir	St John's West Bay
Sun	31	7.30pm	Songs of Praise	Holy Trinity Swyre
Sun	31	2.00pm	Picnic in the Park	Shipton Gorge
Sun	31	3.30pm	Cream Teas at the Rectory	Burton Bradstock

WEEKDAY SERVICES, JULY 2011

Day	Date	Time	Place
Fri	1st	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Mon	4th	9.00am	Littlebredy
Wed	6th	9.30am	Burton Bradstock also 10.00am
Thu	7th	9.00am	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Fri	8th	9.00am	Puncknowle
Mon	11th	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Wed	13th	9.30am	Long Bredy
Thu	14th	9.00am	Burton Bradstock also 10.00am
Fri	15th	9.00am	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Mon	18th	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Wed	20th	9.30am	Littlebredy
Thu	21st	9.00am	Burton Bradstock also 10.00am
Fri	22nd	9.00am	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Mon	25th	9.00am	Puncknowle
Wed	27th	9.30am	Litton Cheney
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			Shipton Gorge

JULY	1st Sunday July 3 Thomas the Apostle	2nd Sunday July 10 Trinity 3	3rd Sunday July 17 Trinity 4	4th Sunday July 24 James the Apostle	5th Sunday July 31 Trinity 6
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Songs of Praise 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	9.30 Family Communion 11.00 Morning Prayer 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service 6.30 Evening Prayer	
Chilcombe			6.30 Evening Prayer		
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	7.30 Songs of Praise
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service	
Litton Cheney	11.00 Family Service	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion (By Extension)	8am Holy Communion
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion			9.30 Morning Worship	
Littlebredy		11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	9.30 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 United Service