

# Bride Valley News



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## CONGRATULATIONS

After years of hard work since her acceptance for the Sarum course to be an LLM, Yvonne Buckland is not only the first person to complete the Foundation Degree in Arts (accredited by Oxford Brooks University) but passed with merit in Ministry. Well done, Yvonne.

## FROM THE REGISTERS

### BAPTISM



On Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> of August, Rebecca and Mark Curtis came to the Family Service at Litton Cheney to give thanks for their daughter **KITTY BEA CURTIS**, and to give her to God in Baptism. The church was comfortably filled with family and friends, as well as church regulars and some holiday makers, as we joyfully celebrated in worship.

It was appropriate that, on this Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, we thought not only about Christ's transfiguration, but our on-going transformation into the likeness of Christ - something that starts, as with Kitty, at our christening.

Kitty was happy throughout the service, even when anointed with oil, but didn't like it when the water was poured on her. Her older brother, Henry, was pleased to help Ryder by holding Kitty's candle (which was symbolically lit from his own christening candle that was lit from the pascal candle) as we prayed for him to be a help to Kitty in her growth into Christ.

Just about everyone stayed afterward for coffee that was served by the ladies of the church.

### VILLAGE WEBSITES

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

[www.burtonbradstock.org.uk](http://www.burtonbradstock.org.uk)

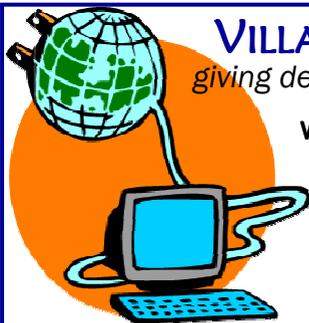
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[www.shiptongorge.org.uk](http://www.shiptongorge.org.uk)

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

[www.swyre.org.uk](http://www.swyre.org.uk)

[www.westbexington.org.uk](http://www.westbexington.org.uk)





## VALLEY NOTES

### DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S ADVICE SURGERY



John Russell, District Councillor for Burton Bradstock Ward (West Bexington, Burton Bradstock, Chilcombe, Puncknowle, Shipton Gorge and Swyre) will be holding a surgery on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2011, from 10.00am to 12noon, in the Reading Room in Burton Bradstock

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## COAST WATCH



Almost 60 people attended the inaugural AGM of the new NCI Lyme Bay National Coastwatch Station at Burton Bradstock which was held in Litton Cheney. It was not just an inaugural AGM but, much more, significantly the first presentation of Watchkeeper Certificates to a dozen former trainees who had attended intensive training sessions since the station first opened on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2010.

The Watchkeepers Certificates were presented by NCI Patron Sir Christopher Coville (who also chairs the NCI Lyme Bay Steering Group) and included awards to the first two ladies to qualify as Watchkeepers, Rosemary Lyth and Claire Reeves. Amongst the other recipients was a retired Air-Sea Rescue Service pilot, Ralph Probert.

During the evening Sir Christopher Coville was delighted to accept a donation of CB Radios from Brenda Oliver, Chair of The Puncknowle Fundraisers. These will improve the station's communications facility, and enable them to do far more radio operator training sessions.

NCI Lyme Bay now has some 25 qualified watchkeepers, and a further dozen or so trainees who are expected to qualify in the next six months, and this is enough for the station to operate somewhat longer hours this summer, from 9.00am to 8.00pm every week-end and bank holidays, but not yet enough to enable them to keep watch during the week, which would require at least a further dozen fully trained watchkeepers.



*Brenda Oliver presents the CB Radios funded by Puncknowle Fundraisers*

Station Manager Clive Edwards, Sir Christopher Coville and local NCI Trustee Trevor Craven, all urged everyone present to do their level best to recruit more volunteers so as to have sufficient trained watchkeepers to man the station seven days a week by the time of the Olympics.

Anyone interested in becoming a watchkeeper should contact Graeme Gemmill, the NCI Lyme Bay Operations Manager, on 01308 482178, or Deputy Station Manager William Knapman.

The formal proceedings were followed by a Bar B Q in the grounds of Litton Cheney Hall.

Trainees receiving Watchkeeper's Certificates this were Rosemary Lyth from West Bexington, Clare Reeves from Charmouth, Ralph Probert from Bridport, Keith Beattie from Martock, Bob Martin from Charmouth, Peter Merrick from Martinstown, Ross Wallace from Puncknowle, Michael Sheehan from Bridport, Graeme Gemmill from Litton Cheney, Graham Hallowell from Burton Bradstock, John Rowlands from Litton Cheney, Alan Lake from Bridport, and former KLM airline pilot Felicity Bush from Dorchester.



## BURTON BRADSTOCK W I.

We hope our members have enjoyed a cool, but sometimes sunny August. Many were involved in having stalls, making cakes in the many fetes and garden parties around our area and many had visits from families, or were away with families. Times to treasure even if exhausting!

We all meet again for our September meeting on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.15pm in the WI Hall, when our speaker will be Mrs. Damaris Graham on **"Hunting for Teulon"** the rogue Victorian architect. Well that sounds like something different!

The groups will all meet as usual from September, please check the Board for a note of timings and venues. Just a reminder that for September only, and before our meeting, the Reading group, Burton Browsers will meet on September 9<sup>th</sup> at Blegberry, West Bexington at 3.00pm. We have brought it forward as almost half the group were going to be away at the end of September. The Walking group, Mahjong, Embroidery and other groups will have their dates on the board as above.

## BRIDE VALLEY FILMS

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September

### FROM TIME TO TIME

'English film drama at it's best'

Cert.PG 1½hrs.

Based on Lucy Boston's best selling novel The Chimneys of Green Knowe, the film is directed by Oscar Winner & local writer of Gosford Park and Downton Abbey Julian Fellowes, and filmed at Athelhampton.



Starring the inimitable Maggie Smith and Hugh Bonneville, Timothy Spall and Dominic West comes an engrossing family ghost story. In times of war two centuries apart, two distinct worlds are linked by a single family and the house in which they live. It is 1944 and thirteen year-old Tolly Oldknow is sent to spend Christmas with his grandmother, whilst his mother searches for news of his father in wartime London. Spending his days exploring the sprawling ancestral estate, he begins to uncover family secrets and ghosts from the past as he becomes a witness to events during the Napoleonic wars and finds himself slowly drawn into participating in the drama. Invisible to most people in the past, yet able to move amongst them, he begins to unravel the mystery which has bewildered his family for two centuries. The solution to the puzzle leads him into his greatest adventure yet.

A wonderful heart-warming story of a young boy learning the value of his family and its history.

Doors Open: 7.30pm. Film starts 8.00pm. Tickets: £5.00 (to include a glass of wine). Tickets in advance from, Sally Dyke 482752, Lois Edwards 482605, Elizabeth Kingston 482162, Bella Spurrier 482367 or on the door if available. (All nos. 01308)

More films on Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup> October and Thurs. 8<sup>th</sup> December. (Plus Screen Bites will be showing “**BOTTLE SHOCK**” on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November). Details on posters, on the website and in the BVN.

## 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 (£3.50 with two scones) on the terrace - Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2.00 – 5.00pm.

Othona is on the B3157 Coast Road 1.7 miles east of Burton Bradstock. Families welcome, sorry no dogs. For more details ring 01308 897130 [www.othona-bb.org.uk](http://www.othona-bb.org.uk)

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## SAFER NEIGHB OURHOOD TEAMS

### DISTRACTION BURGLARY

### HELP YOUR COMMUNITY TO BE SAFE

The definition of distraction burglary is when a one burglar distracts the occupant of a house so that the other can quickly gain access and steal items. What the definition does not do is describe the devastation this can leave behind for those who have become victims. However astute you are, it can happen to anyone of any age. It is the elderly and vulnerable who are particularly targeted and an

incident of this kind can leave them with confidence shattered, and afraid to open the door.

Houses and gardens that are not cared for often indicate someone who is struggling to maintain their property and it is these places that are being sized up by distraction burglars. If someone you know is in this position, you can help by offering to mow the lawn and tidy the garden or help get the house painted. You really can help to prevent this crime.

Everyone should have a good quality chain and locks on their doors and windows. Don't let anyone into the house unless you are sure they are genuine. Always ask for identification and then check the telephone number from the phone book before allowing anyone in. A genuine official won't mind waiting while you phone to check they are in your area.

Tell family and friends never to do business on the doorstep or agree to work for cash with no documents or time to consider: you legally have 10 days to reconsider. Do not keep large amounts of cash in the house.

Regular phone calls and visits make all the difference and you can help remind people of these tips, particularly if they forget things easily. A notice by the front door can remind them to use the chain or check an identity.

Finally, Dorset Police is here to help. If you feel that you are being targeted by distraction burglars or feel threatened, dial 999 straight away. We have successfully returned thousands of pounds to victims because we have been notified in time.

If you have been a victim in the past - don't feel foolish - it can happen to anyone. Call us on our non emergency number 01202/01305 22 22 22 and report it and you may save someone else from being a victim.

To download a copy of the notice to place by the door or hand to someone who is vulnerable click on the following link: [www.dorset.police.uk/pdf/BeSureBeSafe.pdf](http://www.dorset.police.uk/pdf/BeSureBeSafe.pdf)

## SCAMS

Mail, email and telephone scams, a high percentage of which originate abroad, are rife across the U.K. today, bringing misery and devastation to countless lives. Numerous types of these scams are received by individuals everyday, e.g. mail informing you that you have won lottery money or a prize and requiring you to send money to cover up front costs; phone calls asking you to call a hotline number to claim a prize, this turns out to be a premium rate number; emails asking for help in getting money belonging to a persecuted individual out of a country as they are planning to escape, offering you a percentage of the money if you will allow them to use your bank account and asking you to forward your bank details to them. The variety of ways to try to part people from their money seems endless.

It is easy to think that you will not get fooled. But scammers are cunning and know how to draw people in overcoming our 'sensible side', to the point where we start to think about the reward or prize rather than the fact that we are being asked to give sensitive information or send money to someone we really know nothing about.

As a general rule **if it looks too good to be true, it probably is.**

Registering with the Mailing Preference Service, call 0845 703 4599 or at [www.mpsonline.org.uk](http://www.mpsonline.org.uk) and the Telephone Preference Service, call 0845 070 0707 or at [www.mpsonline.org.uk/tps](http://www.mpsonline.org.uk/tps) may reduce some of the mailings and calls you receive. But overseas approaches are difficult to regulate and if mail is addressed to an individual the Royal Mail are obligated to deliver it.

You could also ask your telephone service provider to put a block on your line to prevent calls to premium rate lines.

If you are unsure about whether something you have received is a scam you can contact Consumer Direct South West (the consumer advice helpline) on 08454 04 05 06, or Trading Standards Service, General enquiries: 01305 or 01202 224012, email [tradingstandards@dorsetcc.gov.uk](mailto:tradingstandards@dorsetcc.gov.uk), website [www.dorsetforyou.com/tradingstandards](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/tradingstandards)

You may also find the website [www.thinkjessica.com](http://www.thinkjessica.com) worth a visit as it offers a great deal of information on the subject of scams and those that have been victims.

*For more information, please contact Dorchester East Safer Neighbourhood Team:  
Call: 01305 222 222, Mobile: 07500 816 291*

## BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS

The A.G.M. will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October this year: all parents are needed to be part of the new committee to assist with the running of the pre-school, which is a charity, and so your help will also be required with fund-raising to keep afloat. Please put the date in your diary and come along.



We do have an excellent partnership with Thorner's School and Reception staff, who get to know the children well before they start school.

We had to say au revoir to 11 children this year as they join Reception class in September - but will still see them every day. There will be plenty of room for replacements to join Fledglings so if there are any young ones out there in the Bride Valley or beyond, who are nearly ready for pre-school - please contact Fiona Evans for a place - or just drop in for a chat and have a look round our dedicated playroom, outdoor play area and other facilities available.

Term starts again on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, and you can contact Fiona on 01308 482410. We are open on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday all day during school hours.

**NB.** If you have Pots and Pans - real ones - that you no longer use , Fledglings would be very grateful for them for our play kitchen.



**THE END OF TERM** was very emotional for me and I did not have the chance to say a proper goodbye to everyone so thought this would be an ideal opportunity.

After 12 happy years at Thorner's, I know that the time was right for me to move on to another stage in my life and that Thorner's will be in very capable hands. I was overwhelmed with the generosity of gifts, cards and words from all of you and I cannot find the right words to really express how I felt other than *thank you* for having made me feel that my time at Thorner's has been appreciated and worthwhile. I cannot thank you enough; the garden bench in particular has been popular and every time I use it I remember the children from school. I shall take a little more time to spend the various vouchers over the coming months.

The last week of term passed with me in a slight daze. I am not even sure if I realise the fact that I am now retired as I have been so busy. I hope that I will see many of you in town and, as I shall hopefully have more time to pursue some leisure activities, around the valley.

Thank you all again and I wish everyone all the best for the future.

*Alison Johnstone*

## **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION ABBOTSBURY & PORTESHAM BRANCH**

Membership of the Legion starts on 1<sup>st</sup> October annually, so now is a good time to join. Cost is just £14 for the coming year - it is not necessary to be, or to have been, a member of the Armed Forces in order to join - you are simply asked to support the welfare aims of our membership charity organisation.



The Legion is celebrating our **90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY** this year and on 20<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00 am there will be a **THANKSGIVING SERVICE** to mark the occasion in Westminster Abbey.

29<sup>th</sup> September is the start date for Des & Jean Baker's charity fund raising tour of **"THE FENS"** - in aid of the Poppy Appeal and The Royal Hospital Chelsea (Home of the Chelsea Pensioners) on this occasion.

Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm is the date for our monthly meeting

when **SELWYN WILLIAMS** will be giving a presentation on “**CHESIL BANK SHIPWRECKS**” in Portesham Village Hall (note the venue).

The **BRANCH COMMITTEE MEETING** will be at the same venue at 7.30pm on 13<sup>th</sup> October.

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November there will be a **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING** trip to Cardiff, with an opportunity to visit Cardiff Castle (at group rates) in the afternoon. Book with the writer please.

We visit "**Tropicana**" **Holiday on Ice**" at Exeter on 17<sup>th</sup> February: To join the waiting list for any spare tickets call the writer.

*Des Baker Entertainments Chairman Tel. 01305 267617.*

## **BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH**

To celebrate the **75<sup>TH ANNIVERSARY</sup>** of the Branch and the **90<sup>TH ANNIVERSARY</sup>** of The Royal British Legion, we are holding a Service of Thanksgiving at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Burton Bradstock on September 18<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am. With light refreshments and drinks in the village hall after the service. The County President and County Chairman have accepted our invitation to attend together with chairmen and standard bearers from The West Dorset Branches. Please make a note in your diary now and support this event.

The next **SOCIAL EVENT** will be held at The Three Horseshoes at 7.00pm for 7.30pm, on Monday, September, 26<sup>th</sup>. Cost will be £5 including light supper. Raffle prizes would be appreciated. Please telephone Jim Reeves if you are attending. (01308 897091)

The **BAND CONCERT** featuring the St. Swithun's Band, will be held in the village hall on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Tickets will be available from the beginning of October priced at £5 - all in aid of The Poppy Appeal.

## **DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST ANNUAL SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 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:	Elianor Frost	482269
Puncknowle:	Miss Ann Roberts	897716
Shipton Gorge:	Mrs. Janet Lane	897241
Swyre:	Mr. Tony Taylor	898523



## FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY



You may have read in the local papers that the Dorset Library Service has proposed the closure of 9 rural libraries, as part of a cost cutting programme to save £800,000, unless these libraries take over responsibility for the cost of running their building and providing volunteers to run the service. (The details of the proposals are available on the Burton Bradstock web site [www.burtonbradstock.org.uk](http://www.burtonbradstock.org.uk) - click on Education in the top banner, then on Burton Bradstock Library).

Burton Bradstock library is one of the 9 rural libraries threatened with closure. Fortunately, due the formation of the Friends of Burton Bradstock in 2007, we have the fund raising and the volunteers organised to enable us to stay open under the proposed terms, although we believe that there are aspects that need to be modified.

In essence we will continue to provide the same service that we do now. We would welcome anyone living or staying in the Bride Valley to come to use the Burton Bradstock library and share this valuable resource with us. We have public access computers, and books ordered on-line can be delivered to the Burton Bradstock library for pick-up. Books to be returned to the library can be returned at Burton Bradstock, saving a trip into town.

We are open for 2 hours per day from Monday to Saturday, between 3.00 and 5.00pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and between 10.00am and noon on Tuesday and Saturday.

*R.J Hynds – Chairman of the FBBL*



## BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

After the success of our Flower Show in July we had a highly amusing and informative talk from Mr. and Mrs. Pitman on filling their small garden on Portland with masses of flowers round the year. They also have National Collections of Agapanthus and Penstemon.

We are now looking forward to our meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup> when an old friend of the club, Philip Gamble, will be taking us through what we should be doing in our gardens in the autumn. Philip is an experienced professional gardener so we should be getting some good tips from him.

### **JOBS TO DO** (*I hope Philip remembers these!*)

Divide herbaceous perennials. Finish planting daffodil bulbs by mid-September. Plant out spring cabbage and overwintering onion sets. Move evergreen shrubs or any plant that has outgrown its space while the soil is still warm.

*Valerie Cameron, Secretary. E-mail: [secretary.bvgc@virgin.net](mailto:secretary.bvgc@virgin.net) tel: 01308 482240*

## LATCH COMING SOON



### Matt Harvey 'WONDERMENTALIST'

In April this year LATCH hosted the highly-acclaimed 'Jurassic Journey' which featured some funny and superbly crafted poems by Matt Harvey. We are delighted to be presenting an evening with Matt Harvey at LATCH in October. His hit Edinburgh comedy show throws a new and humorous light on such topics as kippers and curtains not to mention pain relief and public nudity !

Matt regularly guests on Radio 4's 'Saturday Live'. Having seen him perform at the Artsreach Promoters' Presentation we know how entertaining, original and funny he is. Part of his presentation included a clever and amusing routine based on his position as Poet-in-Residence at this year's Wimbledon Tennis Championships.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October at LATCH is the date for your diary and the show starts at 7.30pm. Box Office opens Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September - call 01308 482313 (John Firrell) for your tickets. Adults £6, U-18 £5.

.....and coming in January 2012, a return visit by **Forest Forge**, with their magical winter production of "**THE PHOENIX AND THE CARPET**" adapted from the classic children's book by E. Nesbit.

### AND NOW

for something very different! "THE CHALK LEGENDS" is officially Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra's 'trailblazing event' for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Weymouth and Portland.



Throughout 2011 and 2012 the BSO are engaging with approximately 60 Dorset villages who are promoters of Artsreach events. These villages are being grouped into clusters of half-a-dozen or so villages; BSO musicians will work with residents young and old on a creative music project, which will respond to music-making and community music groups already active in the village of whatever genre. The link to The Chalk Legends is that the starting point for the project will be a myth, legend, landmark or historical event associated with the village as well as a musical theme composed by Stephen McNeff.

The fruits of the work in the villages will then be brought together for a celebratory concert at one of the larger village venues at which a BSO ensemble will also perform.

On 11<sup>th</sup> November 2011 the BSO String Quintet and musicians from across West Dorset will create an evening of music making at LATCH with

workshops leading up to the event. If you are a singer/songwriter, part of a local choir, dance group, or an instrumentalist, and would like to get involved please contact Nick Thorne at [NThorne@bsorchestra.co.uk](mailto:NThorne@bsorchestra.co.uk) or on 01202 644725. For more information please visit [www.chalklegends.com](http://www.chalklegends.com).

Be part of Dorset's music and dance project to mark the London 2012 Olympics!

## LITTLEBREDY

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**WITH EFFECT** from the end of September, Longlands Farm will be occupied by Prospect Farming, the business name for **TOM FOOT** and **NEIL GRIGG**, who will be the joint tenants.

Tom is a member of a local farming family, whose business has been re-structured, enabling him to look for other land to farm. His wife Kelly is a nurse working part time in Dorset County Hospital. Three young children also occupy their time.

Neil already farms a mixed arable and livestock family farm with his wife Sally near Exeter. He is also a Chartered Accountant, specialising in agricultural matters, and Sally is a qualified Land Agent, working at present for Natural England. They have been using their Devon farm to build up a herd of livestock, which will replace the familiar longhorns in the grassland around the village.

That will be the most immediate visible change, as it is likely that they will be using the present Longlands Farm personnel and machinery as contractors, for the time being at least.

We welcome both families to the life of the village, though neither will be moving to live here quite yet.

**MAYBE** they will be free and able to join some of their new neighbours at the **HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE** in Church at 6.00 p.m. on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, followed by the usual **BRING & SHARE HARVEST SUPPER** in the Village Hall. This magazine will contain a flier to establish both numbers and voluntary contributions to the feast – please reply promptly if you can, so that organisers don't have to do so much chasing later on!



If Pac-Man had affected us as kids, we'd all be running around in dark rooms, munching pills and listening to repetitive electronic music.

*Marcus Bridgstocke*

## LONG BREDY

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### GARDEN SAFARI

Many thanks to everyone who helped in any way on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July during the Garden Safari.

Despite poor weather many people came and enjoyed the event. The gardens and Church were wonderful, the walk beautiful and the food fabulous. The villagers especially enjoyed the shuttle mini-bus through the village, driven by Alan and Charlotte Kinghorn (sponsored by Ashley Chase).

We made the magnificent sum of £1,500 which will be donated to the church, hall and playground. Special thanks to Juniper Greener and Guy and Claire Swinge for the loan of their gardens.

### 100 CLUB FOR JULY

Numbers drawn at the PCC meeting on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July were:

- £25 Lavinia Barbour
- £15 Bernard and Elizabeth Watts
- £ 5 Jackie Cain

### SHARE YOUR NEWS

Don't forget you can share your news and reach your village community with information posted here in the Bride Valley News. Please forward any news to Caroline Banham, details above.

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### *WHOSE FAULT WAS IT, ANYWAY?*

In a small town a businessman applied for planning permission to build a nightclub complete with dancing girls. The local Church started a vigorous campaign to block it from opening. The Church launched a petition and held prayers in public. Work progressed, however, right up until the week before opening. Then one night a bolt of lightning hit the nightclub and it burned to the ground.

The Church members were rather smug after that, until the nightclub owner sued them all—on the grounds that they were responsible for the fire. Loudly protesting their non-involvement and innocence, the church members were taken to court.

As the case began, the judge looked over the paperwork and observed, "I don't know how I'm going to decide this. It appears that we have a nightclub owner who believes in the power of prayer and an entire Church congregation that doesn't!"



## LITTON CHENEY

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### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Our Harvest Festival Family Service will be on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 11.00am at which your harvest offerings would be welcome. There will be a **"BRING & SHARE"** lunch in the church afterwards, so please bring some finger food for the feast. We do hope you will join us!



...and a date for your 2012 Diary - in a break with tradition, our **FETE** next year will be held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May next year, the first May Bank Holiday weekend.



**THANK YOU** to everyone who visited me during my stay in hospital and a belated thank-you for my birthday cards.

Kind regards, Peggy Paterson

### LITTON AND THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL



#### YOGA

This class begins again on Friday 9th September at 9.30am. New members are welcome, especially those with some experience of yoga. For more information ring Alison Davidson 482661 or the tutor, Sue O'Sullivan, 456940



#### WINE TASTING

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October

A must for all wine buffs. Hear the word of Master of Wines Steven Spurrier whilst tasting the nectar of Bacchus, the Roman god of wine. Contact Freddie Spicer (482617) or Ron Davidson (482661) for your date with the very best in viticulture. Places are limited and go very quickly.

For information on other activities visit [www.littoncheney.org.uk](http://www.littoncheney.org.uk) for up to date news and see Valley Notes for special occasions and films happening at LATCH in the near future.

### LITTON CHENEY WEBSITE

Litton Cheney's new website has been up and running for several months now and is proving a very popular source of information resulting in

over 6000 hits. The website is now available to advertise your business and wares at rates that will have you champing at the bit. Go to [www.littoncheney.org.uk](http://www.littoncheney.org.uk) and click on Local Businesses to find out more.

## LITTON CHENEY PARISH

The next meeting of the Litton Cheney Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm at Litton and Thorner's Community Hall. Local residents are invited and indeed very much encouraged to attend. If you cannot attend, a copy of the minutes of the meeting will be posted on the Litton Cheney website [www.littoncheney.org.uk](http://www.littoncheney.org.uk) several days after the meeting and on the bus shelter notice board at the Triangle.

## LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The **VILLAGE BBQ** was another sell out and a great success. After many hours looking at the various weather forecasts, each one slightly different, we all headed to the hall full of optimism. All the tables, chairs, food were out on the grass, and BBQs going at "full burn" when the squall hit. Gazebo rocked, guy ropes were held, and the world renowned British spirit simply responded by lifting up all the laden tables and moving in a very concerted manner into the Hall. As one observer noted, "Good game"! Even greater care was taken to carefully lift the table with the beer barrel into the hall. The stoic BBQ-ers continued their culinary duties under the gazebo, with the cooked chicken, burgers and sausages being brought into the hall in relays.



After eating, the tables were moved back and the Disco started in earnest. A particular feature was the number of children all enjoying the disco, when not running around outside in the rain.

Kieran Mulhall entertained all with his tremendous display of break dancing. John obviously spends hours training his son; by example?? It was also marvellous to see Peggy Parterson there.

There was a tremendous atmosphere throughout the evening, helped no doubt by the Otter Ale, and the bottles of wine which were bought at a great rate, keeping the adults going! What a difference having the hall made on this occasion.

Many thanks to all those who helped, preparing the food before hand, cooking and setting up on the day; it would not have been possible without you.



The **VILLAGE WALK** is on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September, meeting at 10.00am in the bus shelter.

## ADVANCE NOTICE

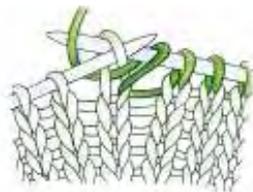
The **BARN DANCE** will be on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November. There will be a limit of 50 tickets, and those who came last year will remember it was a most enjoyable evening.

*Ron Davidson 482661 LCSC.*

## BRIDE VALLEY KNITTERS

The new season starts on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September and continues on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month from 2.00 to 4.00pm at Ourganics in Litton Cheney.

Sue is coming on 20<sup>th</sup> September to talk about and demonstrate lacemaking. Knitters of every level are welcome and Lesley will be on hand to help and advise and to introduce new ideas and projects, group and individual. Cost is £4 per session and includes tea and cakes



*Pat 01308 482455, Lesley 01308 482178*

## BURTON BRADSTOCK

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## ST MARY'S CHURCH

### AN APOLOGY

The Churchwardens wish to offer a sincere apology to those parishioners and visitors who on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July attended church for the 8.00am Holy Communion Service, only for it to be cancelled due to the absence of any clergy.

This sad happening is truly regretted and we sincerely pray that it will not in any way affect the future attendance at church of those who were disappointed on this day.

*PCC*



## THE BLESSING OF THE NEW GATES AT BURTON BRADSTOCK CEMETERY.

The Reverend Bob Thorn will bless the new gates at the Shipton Lane Cemetery on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm.

Please do come if you feel you would like to. *Liz Mackay and Mary Ward*

## CHURCH FETE

Once again God was with us and we enjoyed a fine afternoon for our Church Fete. The numbers through the gate swelled to around 1000 adults and their children who were wonderfully entertained.

This year's theme was Country Pastimes with perhaps pride of place being taken by the imaginative church flowers based around various rural

activities. Well done the 'church flower ladies'.

The Rectory garden was buzzing all afternoon to the sounds of the brass band, country dancing music and the ever popular Punch and Judy. The variety of stalls catered for all tastes and pockets, and when a quiet repose from the hustle and bustle was needed, the volunteers in the village hall worked tirelessly to supply endless cups of tea and cakes. Well done the 'tea ladies'!

Out of sight but very much in demand was the church tower visit. Such was the demand, for this once a year opportunity, that the tower was opened early to cope with the long queue. Also much in demand was the distant car park, without which the lanes around the fete would have been gridlocked, stoically manned by our car park wardens. Well done both the 'church tower team' and 'car park team'!

Over 100 parishioners (some recently arrived!) plus their relatives and visiting friends were involved in making the fete so successful. So well done everyone who helped setting up the stalls (in the rain!), manning the stalls, and packing the stalls away. But a special thank you to all those who gave generous donations for prizes and sponsored a number of the stalls. Well done everyone!

The Church Fete is very much a community effort and all involved have a right to be proud of their efforts so a huge thank you to everyone. All visitors would have left feeling royally entertained and perhaps making a note that next year's Church Fete will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2012.

*Jim Rogers – Church Fete Coordinator (01308 897464)*



## **MARION SNOW**

Julie and Tim would like to thank all Marion's friends and neighbours in Burton Bradstock for their help and support in the years following the death of her husband

Arthur, especially latterly.

Many thanks to Sue for her very moving rendition of Marion's life, and to the Rector, Bob Thorn, for his lovely service for Marion and for his compliments.

Thanks to Graham of A.G. Down and his team for being very professional yet personal Funeral Directors and also for donations received for the Lavender Trust which are still being accepted

## **BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY**

The following speakers have been organised for the monthly meetings during the next year's programme:

## 2011:

Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> September, David Boag: “The World of a Wild-life Photographer”

Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> October, Nicholas Jubber: “A journey through the upside-down worlds of Iran and Afghanistan” or, “Travels in the Persian-speaking world.”

Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, Richard Jones: “High speed 1 and rebuilding of St Pancras.”

Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, Paul Brickell: “Memories from 25 years in the MET.”

## 2012:

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, Bob Ayres: “The Secret Gardens of London.”

Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> February, Richard Edmonds: “New fossils for old museums (Dorset Pliosaur).”

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March, James Crowden: “Cider in Dorset.”

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> April, Lucy Goodison: “Holy Trees, Myths, Visions and Healing Legends.”

## VALERIE McROBERT

The Vice Chairman has asked me to write something to officially record the departure of Valerie McRobert as Chairman of the Village Society, a post she has held for some 4 years now, with great charm and ability. Before that she was Treasurer.

At times like this the usual platitudes are employed: “a hard act to follow” is the one that gets overdone. Anyone hoping to emulate her style of management would make a fool of themselves; her style is individual and typical of her lifestyle - “imperturbable geniality” (as E.Waugh once described a brigadier in Tanganyika). Easy with being called a chairman (which she was) rather than a chair (which she wasn't; in any case, ‘three piece suite’ would be a better description of her comfortable management style). Val genially ignored the endless references to her previous life in British Airways and the many (poor) imitations of her safety instructions before each monthly Village Society meeting, and remained unmoved by constant misrepresentation of her surname (as ‘McRadio’) in the BVN.

In a life scarred by committees, I have to say that hers are the only ones I have ever looked forward to. Much is being said round the village to mark the departure of Val and Alistair (and elsewhere another pen pays tribute to George); the Committee of the Village Society will miss very much, an excellent and sensitive leader of its deliberations and activities. GBT

*Most people would rather be certain they're miserable ,than risk being happy.*

*Robert Anthony*



## BURTON BRADSTOCK INDOOR BOWLS CLUB 2011/2012 SEASON

The new season starts on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm with the AGM scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> October. There are afternoon sessions on alternative Wednesdays (recycling day) starting on 5<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00pm.

The club membership is thriving but new members are most welcome especially those wishing to play on Wednesdays.

For further information contact the Chairman Graham Blunden (898331) Treasurer Peter Colbert (897922) or the Secretary Peter Broomhead (897408)

## BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

For Bookings – Telephone 01308 897673



### “200 CLUB”

WDDC Licence no: SL0080

August 2011 Draw

Congratulations to the winners:

1 <sup>st</sup>	£44.20	No :219	Mrs Angie Fowler
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£22.10	No :160	Ms Christine Green
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£11.05	No :146	Mrs Wendy Hart

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the September-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £4 – one pound for each of the remaining 4 draws in the year.

There are double prizes in the December draw.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS – NEEDED

There are currently two vacancies on the Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust Committee and in addition the Committee is still looking for someone to organise the 2012 Fayre. If anyone feels that they can volunteer to join the Committee and/or organise the Fayre they should contact Susan Moores on 01308 897673.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

#### VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Village Hall's Christmas Market will be held again on Saturday – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2011 (10.30am - 1.00pm). If you are interested in having a stall you should contact Susan Moores on 01308 897673.

#### VILLAGE HALL CHRISTMAS QUIZ

The Village Hall's Seasonal Quiz will be taking place again this year on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2011 at 7.30pm.

Susan Moores – *Chairman - Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust*

## ARTSREACH NEWS

Our first early Autumn booking at Burton Bradstock Village Hall on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September will be

**"THE SALTY SOCKS OF DUNKIRK"** from the Shanty Theatre Company, an up and coming Theatre Company from Devon. It is a story about a boy - a boat - and some socks!

Set at the beginning of WW2, when the boy is full of freedom and with confidence to take on any challenge, climb up any tree, win any race - but who one day finds his Mother in tears. What is the problem? How will he deal with it? Shanty's mix of mystery, mayhem and mirth comes to life as the story continues through a world of Brylcreem, BBC broadcasts and bunting.

There's plenty of music, comedy as well as some dark moments. "Salty Socks" is a show for adults and children who aren't afraid of the dark! (Suggest parent discretion for children under 9)

Don't forget, Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm Burton Bradstock Village Hall: tickets available from Burton Post Office, or phone 01308 897214, Adults £8 Children £6

*Norman Saunder-White, Promoter for Artsreach, 01308 897214*



## QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

Dear Residents and Friends of Burton Bradstock,

I invite all those interested to a meeting at 8.00pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 in the Village Hall to discuss and make arrangements for the celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

The purpose of this first meeting is to appoint a Chairman, a Minutes Secretary, a Treasurer and to receive ideas and suggestions as to how this event can be celebrated. It is likely that sub-groups for particular events will be set up who may then choose their own Chairmen.

If you would like to fill one of these roles or would like to nominate a candidate please make your preparations in advance. I invite you to email me with your suggestions and proposals in advance of the meeting which I will circulate by email.

If you have ideas and schemes there is no need to wait for this meeting before beginning your planning. This group is to be a coordinating body.

The Rector of Burton Bradstock, Bob Thorn, has volunteered to be the introductory chairman with the sole duty of supervising the election of the chairman who will then run the remainder of the meeting.

My involvement in this arises because the suggestion came from the PCC of which I am a member and I am the Village Correspondent.

The church is supporting not organising these events and looks forward to the whole village being involved.

*Ian Ibbotson, Treasurer of the PCC of Burton Bradstock*

## GOODBYE GEORGE

Somewhere over the Rainbow there is life after Burton Bradstock. It's in Dartmouth, where those with the money go on to after the main course. George Mc Radio, good at sniffing out a bargain, has found a nice place with plenty of (*en*) *suites* for his (pedigree) chums and, not surprisingly, his Mum and Dad are happy to move there, too.



George's bladder control is more than remarkable (as anyone who knows him will vouch) actually it's atavistic: centuries ago talbots were hunted by rhinos and didn't get much time to hang about near trees. He can do all day and most of the evening, then take a leisurely stroll in no haste to find the essential verdant patch that he stipulates must form the backdrop to his final arrangements before bed on the sofa upstairs. So moving to the house on the hill, just above M and S, twenty steps from the roadside (also in a delightful position on the Dart) is just fine. And when he lifts a South-facing eyelid at regular intervals during his somnolent days, he will enjoy the view of the estuary that is presented from every terrace.

"Bladder control," he barked when I taxed him on the question, "you've seen nothing yet! Walkies in future are to be preceded by a river trip, so the sound of running water will be a good catalyst (so to speak)."

"Are you sure you're not going to miss dear old Burton Bradstock?" "Nah," he sniffed, fixing me with eyes so baleful, that in Bridport, I would have bought the whole bundle of *Big Issues*, rather than miss the moment by crossing the road earlier, "there's a whole new cosmopolitan world just waiting for me; I never liked Barking, which was *ruff*; Burton is OK, but Dartmouth is the business for a dog, or the " :- "as they say in the printing trade. *And* I won't have that Basil the Dog snappin' at my heels when I'm least expecting it.

"I suppose I *shall* miss slipping under the 'bed' in the *Shoes*. And, of course, the street lights will mean that there are no more exploits in the dark, tripping up tipsy pedestrians with my 30 yard retractable lead (actually not a lot of villagers know that that is why my Mum, Valerie Mc Radio, always wears black)."

"Well, I've really enjoyed hearing your views, George, and we shall certainly miss you; have you ever thought about jotting down your

memoires?” “No fear,” he snapped, “you must think I’m barking; anyway it’s already been done by Virginia the Wolf: *Flush* it was called; terrible book; found it very hard to get my teeth into.”

## BURTON BRADSTOCK ONLINE COMPUTER TRAINING REVIVED



As you may know, in February 2011 the Beaminster Community Learning Centre at the Yarn Barton Centre that we used for several courses last year finally ran out of funding, and was forced to close. However, I am pleased to report that some of the Yarn Barton tutors are continuing the work of the Centre, teaching & coaching the use of Personal Computers, and are still able to use part of the original building.

Thus, they still are able to offer professional services including consultation, advice, troubleshooting, and training in Yarn Barton, or (with the partnership and support of Magna Housing) in the community rooms at Glebe Court in Beaminster, the Reading Room or in your home.

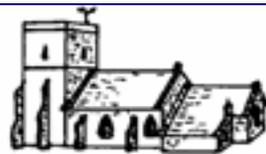
Current courses include: Beginners, Internet and email, Microsoft Office, Digital Images, Desktop Publishing, Photoshop and Web Design. They will teach wherever there is a suitable room and a requirement (classes are between 5 and 7 students). Some courses need a wireless broadband link (not available in the Reading Room, so any course, or part of a course, needing the internet would have to be carried out at Beaminster or, of course, in your home).

However, the tutors will also come to your home to teach 1-1 or to help with a wide range of computer problems and queries.

For further details, or if you are looking for a specific subject, advice, have a computer problem or would like to attend a course, please phone or e-mail me with details of your requirements. *Ken Pett: Tel: 01308 897 550*

### SWYRE

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SWYRE FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

### COFFEE MORNING.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, from 10.30am

These regular fundraising events are essential if we are to continue to keep our church going, and hopefully make some more improvements. Throughout the year we hope to raise more than the mere running costs – insurance, electricity and the like - so



that in time we can decorate the inside of this beautiful place.

Please support this Coffee Morning where we will be serving Fair Trade Tea, Coffee and Biscuits. Any contributions of cakes, preserves, produce or handicrafts to sell would be much appreciated, and there will be a raffle. All are very welcome to come and meet, chat, and support your local Church.

*Yvonne and David (898 492)*

## PCC

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September  
Meeting at Vera's.

## HARVEST SUPPER.

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October

We shall be following our successful format for the Harvest Supper. A bring and share for the food, bring wine or any other favourite drink either to share or for your own consumption and we will provide tea and coffee. We shall be sending village letters and reminding those folk who are not now in the village and those who have enjoyed the event in the past.

We are happy to include anyone who wishes to join us at this very happy get together. In the meantime if you would like to come, please note the 1<sup>st</sup> October in your diary and give me a ring on 01308 897318.

*Madeline Marshall for PCC Holy Trinity Swyre.*

## HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 6.30pm

This will be a special service to celebrate the Harvest and to bring our harvest gifts which will again be taken to Chancery House, Bridport, to enable the folks who attend there to have some special treats. I would like to include your favourite harvest hymns in the service so that we can have a good sing. Please let me know your choice by the week before, and then

*'Come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest-home!'*

*Yvonne.*

## OTHER NEWS

At the end of July, **SIMON, ALISON, BEN AND OLIVER** left the farm and farmhouse next to the church and moved to Cornwall. We wish them well as they all settle into a new phase of their lives.



We welcome **MARTIN YEATES** and his family who will be our new neighbours in the farmhouse, and wish them well on their return to Swyre.



At the end of August, **ANDREA** will be leaving the valley for warmer climes as she goes to Barbados. Andrea has been in Swyre and Puncknowle for about 5 years and has been an active member of Swyre Church. She has always loved to travel, and we are lucky to have had her here for so long. We will miss Andrea – her well delivered Scripture reading and her enthusiasm in running the games at our fayres in particular – and we will miss her parents who have been regular visitors and helpers! We wish you well in Barbados and all that follows, and hope you may find the time to visit us sometimes when in England.

*'May the Lord himself, who is our source of peace, give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you all.'* 2 Thessalonians 3:16.

**FINALLY**, I am delighted to be able to tell you that Oxford Brookes University have awarded me the Foundation Degree in Arts with Merit in Ministry. This is the completion of my studies to continue as a Licensed Lay Minister, and I am most grateful to all who have supported me through this sometimes difficult, although most rewarding time. I am the first person to complete the course from Salisbury diocese. David and I, and hopefully Bob, will be attending the degree ceremony at Oxford Brookes on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September. This will be streamed LIVE on [www.iamagraduate.com/brookes/](http://www.iamagraduate.com/brookes/) Should you be interested in seeing this it is a live webcast and cannot be accessed after the ceremony, so log on for 5pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2011. In the words of St Paul to the Corinthians, *'Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, who has made us competent ministers of a new covenant.'* I thank God that I can claim that for myself.



Yvonne

## PUNCKNOWLE & W. BEXINGTON

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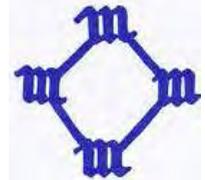


## ST MARY'S CHURCH

### THE HISTORIC CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

Children taking part meet at St Mary's Church at midday on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September. We cycle to Swyre Church, on to Litton Cheney where we have a picnic lunch, then back to Puncknowle. The sponsorship money raised is divided equally between the Trust and St Mary's Church.

Please give generously as in the past the Trust has given us a



generous grant towards the money needed to repair the Church roof. The ride or walk is open to people of any age who want to plan their own route.

Sponsorship forms may be obtained from Ann Roberts, Burwood Cottage, Puncknowle Tel: 897716. *Ann Roberts*

## **PUNCKNOWLE FETE**

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2011

A big thank you to all who helped to make our 2011 Fete a huge success, whether you helped organise, served on a stall, donated goods or produce, washed up or just came along and spent your money. A special thank you to Sarah and Jim Wild for the use of their beautifully landscaped garden.

Without the help of those who worked so hard on and before the day we could not have raised the magnificent sum of over £3,500. Very many thanks. *The Fete Committee*

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

The Harvest Family Service will take place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am, and will be followed by a 'Bring and Share' Harvest Lunch in the hall from noon onwards. Everyone, including children, is most welcome.

This is an invitation to all in the Bride Valley, to celebrate our harvest. So please make a note in your Diary and join us. For further information please contact Sue Brown on 897953 or Liz Slater 897751.

## **PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE VILLAGE HALL**

*For bookings, telephone 01308 897724/897751*

### **LOCAL ARTS AND CRAFTS EVENT**

We had some lovely work brought in to display as local arts and crafts: beautiful quilts, knitted items, including vegetables, a selection of **paintings**, colourful



*Joseph Truscott*

pictures by Joseph Truscott, painted stones by Jessica Green, carved wooden pieces by John Dillely, narrowboat artwork, Japanese temari balls, local marmalades and jam, wonderful photos by Rob Reeks, and superb scones donated for the cream teas. Anna brought along a copy of the Swyre Millennium Map.

Many thanks to all who helped in any way, especially to kitchen helpers who did the teas, and to Chris who weeded the outdoor yard in readiness.

The weather stayed fine apart from being rather blowy, and the gazebo tried to take off, but

didn't. Some from the local area came to support the event, and some visitors too - if you did not, you missed an interesting experience - a good amount was raised for the Hall of £210. It will help pay the bills!

## PS &WB LUNCHEON CLUB

The next lunch will be on Tuesday 20th September at 12.30pm for 1.00pm. The menu will start with fruit juices, Toad-in-the-Hole or Salmon Fishcakes, followed by Summer Pudding or Poached Plums, with cheese and biscuits, tea or coffee.

Members are reminded that as this is the start of a new year they will need an extra £1 for their new subscription. If any member wishes to order a meal or cancel one they have already ordered, please contact Madeline Marshall on 897318.



## BOOK CLUB



Our last book, "The Stars' Tennis Balls" by Stephen Fry was not a nice bit of light relief after all, but a gruesome romp, with parallels to the famous "Count of Monte Cristo"! Most members enjoyed it nonetheless, although some did not, and a few did not fancy it at all.

Now we are reading "The Colour" by Rose Tremain, a very popular author. The story is set in New Zealand during the time of settlement by British people. Having begun reading it, I find that "the Colour" is the colour of Gold.

Carol Bennett.

## PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

New members of whatever ability are always welcome to the group. We are happy to share materials with those who want to try something new.

On September 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be at Patria, looking at our paintings of beach huts. Terry Whitworth is leading our workshop 'seascapes' on 16<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall in Puncknowle.

We hope the weather will be fine enough to paint outside on the 30<sup>th</sup>: location to be decided. We also look forward to a workshop in October with Jane Huxtable-Brown.



Christine Molony

*Beware of the man who works hard to learn something, learns it, and finds himself no wiser than before. He is full of murderous resentment of people who are ignorant without having come by their ignorance the hard way.*

*Kurt Vonnegut (1922 - 2007), "Cat's Cradle"*

# SHIPTON GORGE

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## ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

### FEAST OF FLOWERS, WINE & NIBBLES, AND AFTERNOON CREAM TEAS

St. Martin's PCC wishes to thank everyone who brought flowers into the church, from Aston aged 3 who picked his flowers from Granny's garden, to the older members of the village who came with beautiful flowers; some as more formal displays and others as posies. The church looked and smelt wonderful. Once again, THANK YOU.

Due to the uncertain state of the weather, it was decided to hold the Wine & Nibbles party in the church rather than outside. We all admired the flowers rather than the view. A very jolly party of around 50 people enjoyed the refreshments and the party lasted for several hours. It proved so successful that we have been asked to do another one next year!

Then to finish the week-end off we had Cream Teas in the Village Hall. This again proved to be successful.

### WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE CHURCHYARD?

This is a question I am being asked, and so are all members of the PCC. This note is to inform everyone in the village exactly what is happening.

I, (as Churchwarden) am required by the Diocese of Salisbury to provide burial space for the next 30 years (this includes cremations). The only way I could do this was to clear the bottom space of the churchyard, which we started last year. Unfortunately, part of our church wall fell down earlier this year and this had to involve the Church Architect.



The wall must be replaced exactly as it was, using the original stones as far as possible, BUT it has given us the opportunity to bring in a 'Digger' to re-shape the sloping earth into tiers, similar to the rest of the churchyard. By the time you have read this, hopefully, all the work will have been done.

The other thing I have been told by the Church Architect is to expect to hit bedrock round about the village hall. If this proves to be correct, it has been suggested that we turn that part of the churchyard

into a Garden of Remembrance. I am now asking the people of Shipton Gorge for their opinion on this suggestion. Please either 'phone me, write to me, stop me in the street **OR**, if more convenient, let the rest of the PCC know your views. I'm sure you all know Linda, Kate, Elizabeth, Vicky and James.

**Please give us your views.**

**THANK YOU**

I wish to thank Mr. Keith Sorrell for his unstinting help in the re-building of the church wall. He has given us access to his land to enable the rebuilding of the wall and also has allowed access for the digger. Thank you so very much, without your help it would have been a very difficult task.

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

This special service will take place on September 25<sup>th</sup>, at 11.00am. Anyone wishing to bring gifts of flowers, fruit or vegetables to the church, please contact Kate Kent on 897 574.

## **HARVEST SUPPER**

This will take place on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets will be on sale from the beginning of September from any member of the PCC.

*Gillian Maxfield, Church Warden*

## **SHIPTON GORGE PARISH COUNCIL**

Following the election in May, councillors on the new Shipton Gorge Parish Council are as follows, together with their areas of responsibility:-

**Mary Boughton:** Chairman and Deputy Community Resilience officer

**Richard Cunningham:** Vice-chairman, Chairman of Planning Committee, PACT Representative and acting Highways Officer

**Barbara Chambers:** Chairman of Playing Field Committee

**Keith Sorrell:** Rights of Way Liaison Officer

**Jan Sorrell:** Community Resilience Officer

**Duncan McShee:** Vice chairman of Planning Committee

**Jo Adams:** Deputy Rights of Way Liaison Officer

**Steve Young**

The Parish Clerk is **Paula Biss**, who can be contacted on 01308 898189 or [clerk@shiptongorge.org.uk](mailto:clerk@shiptongorge.org.uk)

Councillor Peter Gates has recently resigned from the council, as he is about to move away from the village, and I would like to thank him on behalf of the community for all his work while serving as a councillor. This means that there is a vacancy for a further parish councillor to serve on the council and if anyone is interested in knowing more about this, they should contact me on 01308-897958.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Village Hall on  
Wednesday 14th September.

*Mary Boughton - Chairman*

## SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

### 'ALLO ALLO' EVENING –

Saturday 1<sup>ST</sup> October

Following the success of last year's 'Dad's Army Bash', we invite you all to join us for an evening in the company of René, Edith, their staff and customers for two episodes from the vintage BBC series 'Allo Allo'. A two course French style supper is included in the ticket price of £7.50 – please see enclosed flyer for full details or contact Sally Parker on 01308 897168.

Booking essential – seating will be cabaret style with tables of 4 or 6 and as ever, you will need to bring your own refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.

## VILLAGE SHOW

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2011

Many thanks to all who found the time, and the produce, to bring along to the annual Village Show and to our judges for their help in making this a successful day. We look forward to more bumper crops next year and hope that all of you who won this year will be back to defend your title in 2012.

*Liz Gates*

## VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

£20	No 16	Ivy Platt
£10	No 71	Table Tennis Club
£ 5	No 91	Peter Gates

## BEYOND THE VALLEY

# BATTLE OF THE BANDS

HERRISON HALL, CHARLTON DOWN

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011.

7.15pm to 10.15pm

Tickets £3.00

available from Harmony Music, Dorchester

This event is aimed at 14-18 year olds (years 10-13). For more information, contact [battle-of-the-bands-cd@hotmail.com](mailto:battle-of-the-bands-cd@hotmail.com)



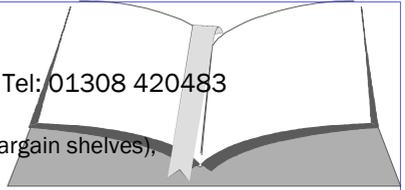
## GOOD BOOKS

St Mary's Old School, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3RL, Tel: 01308 420483  
email: [orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk](mailto:orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk)

Good Books: for Christian books (including 2<sup>nd</sup> hand bargain shelves),  
cards, gifts and church supplies.

Home of *Bridport Good Neighbours/Pathways to Care*,  
*Threads of Hope*, *Bridport Book of Hours* and *Monthly Book Club*

Opening hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs 9am-1.00pm, Wed & Fri 9am-3pm, Saturday 10am-12.00



## WEAR YOUR HAT AT GOOD BOOKS!

Celebrate the Bridport Hat Festival with us at our next Open House on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00am to 2.00pm – complimentary pen for everyone wearing a hat! Enjoy our usual home-made goodies and browse our special offers. If you have a hat with a special story, come and share it with us.

## UPARO PROJECT

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 12.00-3.00pm, we're hosting lunch, bring & buy stall and **AGM FOR THE UPARO PROJECT**, a charity set up by Veronica Ziegler to support a medical dispensary in N.Tanzania. Do join us if you can.

## BRIDPORT COMMUNITY LUNCH

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 12.30-2.00pm, in Bridport United Church Hall. Hosted by Churches Together & Volunteer Centre Dorset

If you're involved with any local voluntary and community groups and charities or want to get involved with volunteering, come along to this informal quarterly bring-and-share lunch to meet, chat, and share ideas & information.

Contacts: Jo on 01308 427851, [jo@jovian.co.uk](mailto:jo@jovian.co.uk) and Karen on 07918639012, [K.Jones@volunteeringdorset.org.uk](mailto:K.Jones@volunteeringdorset.org.uk)

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION FOR ALL

In his simple booklet, Dom Laurence Freeman wrote "... we must move beyond the level of mental prayer: talking to God, thinking about God, asking God for our needs. We must go to the depths, to where the spirit of Jesus is praying in our hearts..."

Laurence, a Benedictine monk, is the Director of the World Community of Christian Meditation and successor to John Main, who re-discovered the ancient meditative practices of the Desert Fathers and Mothers and re-introduced them to the church.

A Christian meditation group affiliated to WCCM has been meeting in Bridport for 10 years, it's members from diverse backgrounds including



Anglican, RC, Quaker and no specific affiliation – all are welcome. The first Dorset Meditators' Day of Reflection "**Becoming a More Whole Person - The Contemplative Journey**", led by Kim Nataraja (WCCM) takes place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at The Dorford Centre, Dorchester.

Laurence also wrote "Contemplative prayer is not the privilege of monks and nuns or special mystical types. It is a dimension of prayer to which we are all called." [www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org) provides full details of the World Community of Christian Meditation and Good Books stocks many books on the contemplative tradition.

For more information about the local group or the Day of Reflection, contact 01308 427851.



to everyone who supported the **BRIDPORT MUSICATHON** in any way: performers, teachers, parents, helpers, sponsors. We raised the amazing total of £2000, £1000 each for Julia's House and The Richard Ely Trust for Young Musicians. Well done!

## ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

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

### On the perils of taking a wedding

*The Rectory  
St. James the Least of All*

*My dear Nephew Darren*

*As with so many of your ideas, your intentions are admirable; it is just that they never work.*

*So it was with the recent wedding in your church, where you allowed the happy but quite mad young couple to try and imitate the marriage of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. It did not seem to occur to anybody that your church, converted from a 1960's warehouse, is fractionally less impressive than Westminster Abbey. Also, sadly, a backdrop of a car park and canal make a poor substitute for the Houses of Parliament and the Thames. Finally, even 43 very enthusiastic young people can hardly pretend they are a congregation of several thousand.*

*I applaud your decision to invite me to take it, in order to impart a degree of gravitas to the proceedings; though of course I would not presume to upstage the Archbishop of Canterbury. (Although were he to ask my advice on how to run the Anglican Church, I have several helpful suggestions to hand.) But even I struggled to keep things on what I feel is a proper course, when the bride,*

*lacking a horse-drawn carriage, simply walked up the lane, leading her ancient pony. (For one thing, the pony tried to bite me at the church door!)*

*Her arrival was greeted with music. I will pass no comment on this, as when the Bible says we are to make a joyful noise unto the Lord, it does not specify that it has to be a harmonious noise. I am sure that drums and kazoos and guitars all have their place - somewhere or other.*

*It was a pity that the groom, unlike Prince William, had not thought to get to the church on time - or indeed, at all. It was fortunate that the bride's mother found him in that pub nearby, or really, we could not have completed the wedding. I wonder why the groom saw fit to display the word "help" on the soles of his shoes when he knelt at the altar.*

*If I may give one final word of advice: a row of trees in a massive, ancient building looks fine; a line of plastic Christmas trees, even with lights, simply does not give the same effect.*

*Your loving uncle,  
Eustace*

## **BEEKEEPING MONTH BY MONTH**

*Over the next months, Ruth and Ian Homer of Bride Valley Apiaries, Litton Cheney, will be giving us an insight into the world of Bee-Keeping.*



### **SEPTEMBER**

Beekeepers often think of September as the start of the season, as it is the preparations made now which can affect the health and well being of our colonies next spring. A major issue which we have had to deal with in recent years has been the parasitic mite "varroa" which can damage and disable bees as well as introduce unwanted viruses. The picture shows a honey bee whose wings have been damaged by these viruses. She is unable



to fly or contribute to the colony in any way and, as more bees in the colony become similarly damaged, then so the colony will die out.

Varroa was discovered in the UK in 1992 and is a global problem. We are unable to eradicate it and beekeepers need to manage their colonies to minimise mite levels. Most beekeepers have used chemicals or acids to control varroa but these themselves can cause damage to our bees. Any treatment must be carefully applied as the margin between killing the varroa mite whilst not causing detriment to the bees is quite small. There is a considerable amount of research going on around the world but as the beekeeping community worldwide is tiny, the marketplace is quite limited, and veterinary products developed specifically for bees are very rare. For the last 8 or 10 years we have tried to minimise the use of chemicals and now try to use biotechnical methods to keep varroa under control. This requires a better understanding of the life cycle of bees and varroa and a little more effort by the beekeeper, but has proven to be quite effective.



The other major activity at this time of year is to ensure that colonies have sufficient stores to see them through the winter. Bees don't hibernate but slow their body rate right down and only fly to collect water or to defecate since, from around November until January/February, there are no flowers for them to forage on in order to collect nectar and pollen. The typical colony will require something like 20 kg of stores and, ideally we would leave that much honey on the colony. In a normal year there will be a good nectar flow from the ivy to supplement their stores; if the ivy fails to yield then we would use a sugar syrup to top up if necessary.

Experienced beekeepers have learnt how to prepare for the winter but it can be a very difficult time for new beekeepers. In recent years as many as 40% of colonies have died during the winter, mostly as a result of inadequate varroa management or stores provisioning, but losses can be minimised by careful planning and by fully understanding the needs of the bees.

*You must learn from the mistakes of others. You can't possibly live long enough to make them all yourself.*

*Sam Levenson (1911 - 1980)*

# SUDOKU

*Solutions on p. 37*

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*Easy*



*Intermediate*



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# DISCOVERING THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF SAINT IGNATIUS

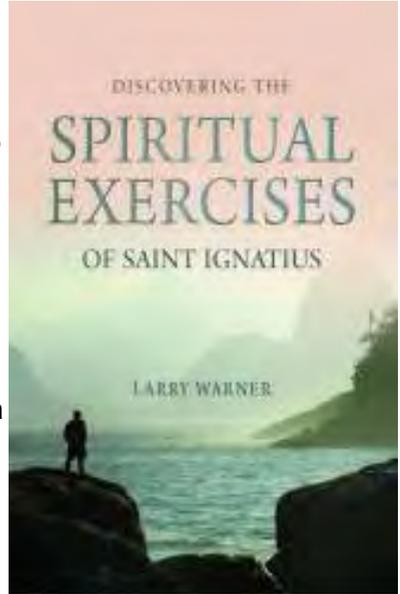
BY LARRY WARNER,  
BRF, £10.99

Building on the interest developed by TV programmes such as *The Monastery*, Larry Warner provides the guidebook for all serious students of Christian spiritual formation.

First written over 500 years ago, the original Exercises are in the format of a 30-day experience in which the retreatant would go to the isolation of a monastery or retreat centre. Ignatius subsequently provided adaptations of the exercises for those involved in public life who could not easily withdraw to isolation for study.

Warner has taken one of these adaptations, the 19th annotation, as the basis for his guide offering a nine-month course that can be used by an individual with a Spiritual Director (the book includes guide notes for Spiritual Directors/Listeners) or in a group setting.

The course has been tried with students and staff at Bethel Seminary in San Diego and is now a regular part of the student curriculum.



## SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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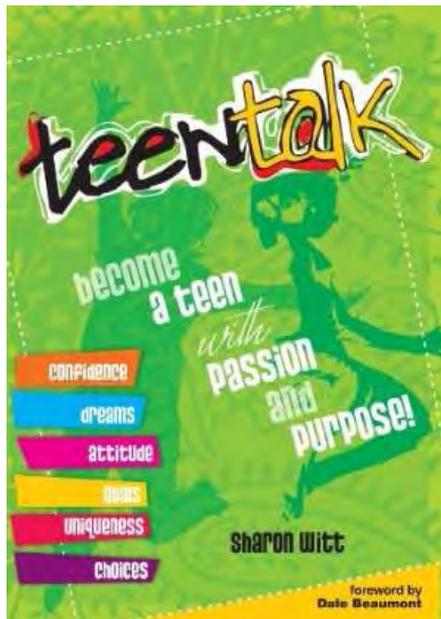
## TEEN TALK

BY SHARON WITT,

AUTHENTIC MEDIA, £5.99

We all remember what it was like to be a teenager. It can be pretty tough at times and most teenagers can feel like they are the only one in the world going through it all.

The Teen Talk series, aimed at 9 to 13 year-olds, tackles some of those difficult issues teenagers face in a language they understand. Topics covered in the series include: how to develop and maintain a positive self-image; why you, and only you, are responsible for how you think and feel; how to make positive life choices; top steps to deal with bullies; how to cope with parents; how to set goals and achieve them; why failure can be a good thing; puberty and body changes



## DID YOU KNOW?

**10%** of the population celebrated Harvest last year – more than half by taking a tin of baked beans to a church or school.

**65%** of people in the UK know nothing about the Prodigal Son

About **10%** of UK church buildings are used as polling stations

**20%** of children under 5 in the UK has a TV in the bedroom

**FROM** 2005 to 2010, the number of churches in the UK has increased from 49,500 to 50,700, across some 340 denominations. The average membership for each church has declined from 120 to 100, and attendance from 80 to 65 in the same period.

(Source: UK Church Statistics 2005-2015)

*There is a theory which states that if ever anybody discovers exactly what the Universe is for and why it is here, it will instantly disappear and be replaced by something even more bizarre and inexplicable. There is another theory which states that this has already happened.*

*Douglas Adams (1952 - 2001)*



### THANK YOU

The beginning of autumn and Harvest time is here again, a time when we come together to thank God for all of his blessings.

Harvest is a popular time of the year with special school and church services. Baskets of fruit and vegetables, tins of baked beans and sliced mangos – all offerings from our garden or kitchen cupboards to be given to the sick or elderly or sold to raise money for those in other places who go hungry.

We thank God for all his gifts at Harvest. In the words of the harvest hymn we sing 'All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above, then thank the Lord... for all his love.' So even the humble tin of beans becomes a symbol of God's love and care for us.



### BEAN CAKE

Well, it's not really made with baked beans but it looks as if it is...

You will need:

- 100 g (4 oz) margarine
- 100 g (4 oz) toffees
- 100 g (4 oz) pink and white marshmallows
- 100 g (4 oz) Rice Crispies

Grease and line a Swiss roll tin.

Put the margarine, toffees and marshmallows into a large saucepan and stir over a gentle heat until everything is melted together.

Take the pan off the heat and stir in the Rice Crispies.

Press the mixture into the prepared tin and leave to set in a cool place. Cut into squares when cold.

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**What do you get when you put three ducks in a box?**

A box of quackers.

**Why did the boy eat his homework?**

The teacher told him it was a piece of cake.

**What did the hungry computer eat?**

Chips, one byte at a time.

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# God sends the rain

BIBLE STORY | Kings 18:1–45

Activity: A rain cloud collage

## You will need:

- Two paper plates per child
- Coloured or plain cotton wool
- Scissors
- Glue
- Blue wool
- Sticky tape
- Coloured felt
- Hole punch

## Instructions

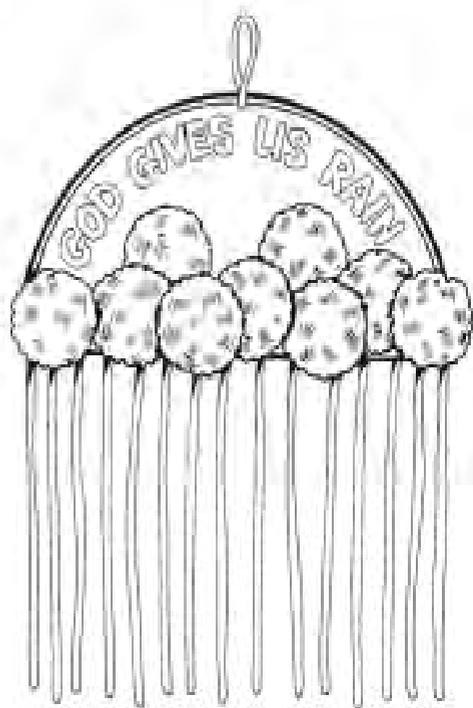
Cut the paper plate in half. Write 'God gives us rain' around the back rim of one half of the plate.

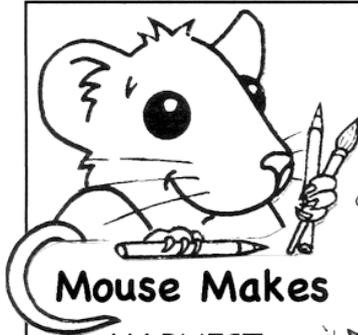
Cut the wool into pieces measuring 10–15cm in length. Glue the lengths of wool along the straight edge of the same half of the plate to make rain, and then tape the wool in place to secure it firmly.

Glue the remaining plate half to the back of the first half. Glue cotton wool balls over the front plate. Punch a hole in the top of the collage and tie a piece of wool through the hole to form a loop. Hang up the clouds as a reminder that rain is a gift from God.

## Other ideas

- Use tinsel instead of wool to make the rain.
- Use just one plate half, with or without the writing on it.
- Using a display board, pile several plate halves together to create a thunderstorm mural, or make a long rain cloud by overlapping a row of plates.





# Mouse Makes

## HARVEST WORDSEARCH

- HARVEST
- THANKSGIVING
- PRAISE (x2) • GOD
- BLESSED
- SEED • SOW
- PLOUGH • LAND
- SCATTER • GROW
- CROP • REAP • SOIL
- WATER • RAIN
- SUN • AUTUMN
- GATHER • BALE
- TRACTOR • BARN
- CART • HAYSTACK
- FOOD • MOUSE
- BREAD • LOAF
- GRAIN • CORN
- WHEAT • OATS
- FLOUR
- PIPS • GRAPES
- PEARS • PEACHES
- PLUMS • APPLE
- BERRIES • NUTS
- VINE • WINE
- BEANS • POTATOES
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- MUSHROOMS • RICE
- LETTUCE • SWEDE

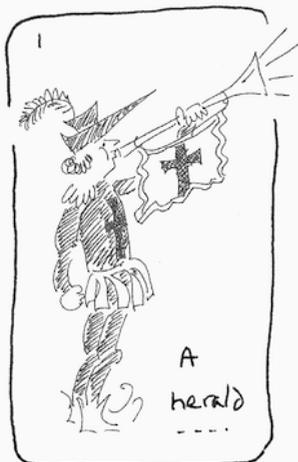
GOD SAID  
 "As the rain and snow come  
 down from heaven and do not return until  
 they have watered the earth- making it  
 blossom and sprout, and giving seed to be  
 sown and bread for food- so it is with the  
 word of my mouth: it will not return  
 fruitless, but will accomplish my purpose,  
 and achieve that for which I sent it"

Isaiah 55:10-11

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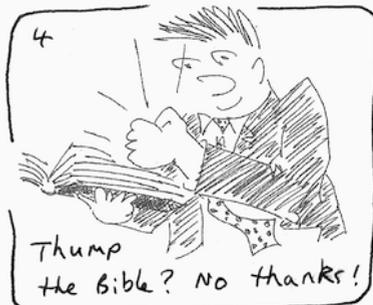
# All called to be heralds!



John the Baptist paid for his life when he stood up for truth. His head was cut off and put on a plate. This was the cost of being a herald for Jesus. King Solomon asked God for wisdom so he could be his herald. That's better than just thumping your Bible!



Paul said trusting in Jesus is the only way to experience real peace with God. He said: "For the sake of this gospel I am a herald!" We may not all lose our heads but we are all called to be heralds for Jesus.



How about you?

Read more in:  
Matthew 14:1-12;  
Ephesians 6: 20;  
1 Kings 3:4-15

## DIARY OF EVENTS: AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2011

Thu	1	2.30pm BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Fri	2	10.00am Puncknowle Art Club	"Patria", W. Bexington
Sat	3	10.30am Coffee Morning	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Sun	4	7.00pm One World Worship	Othona Community
Tue	6	2.00pm Bride Valley Knitting Group	Ourganics, Litton Cheney
		7.30pm Puncknowle & Swyre Parish Council Mtg	PSWB Village Hall
Wed	7	12.30pm Bridport Community Lunch	Bridport United Church Hall
		7.30pm Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
		7.30pm Book Club	PSWB Village Hall
Fri	9	9.30am Yoga	LATCH
Sat	10	<i>various</i> Dorset Historic Churches Ride/Stride	<i>various</i>
		10.00am Village Walk	Bus Shelter, Litton Cheney
Mon	12	7.30pm St Mary's, Puncknowle, PCC Meeting	Old Timberyard, Puncknowle
Tue	13	7.15pm BBWI talk " <i>Hunting for Teulon</i> "	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
		7.30pm Litton Cheney Parish Council Meeting	LATCH
Wed	14	7.30pm Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
		7.30pm Shipton Gorge parish Council Meeting	Shipton Gorge Village Hall
Thu	15	2.30pm BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
		7.30pm BVFilms: " <i>From Time to Time</i> "	LATCH
Fri	16	9.30am Yoga	LATCH
		10.15am Puncknowle Art Club	PSWB Village Hall
		11.00am Open House <i>Celebration of Hats</i>	Good Books, Bridport
		BBVS: Talk by David Boag	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Sat	17	10.00am District Councillor Advice Surgery	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Sun	18	11.00am RBL(BV): Service of Thanksgiving	St Mary's, Burton Bradstock
Mon	19	7.30pm BVGC: " <i>Autumn Jobs</i> " <i>Philip Gamble</i>	PSWB Village Hall
Tue	20	12.30pm Puncknowle & Swyre Lunch Club	PSWB Village Hall
		2.00pm Bride Valley Knitting Group	Ourganics, Litton Cheney
Wed	21	7.30pm Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Thu	22	2.00pm Cream Teas with a View	Othona Community
		8.00pm BB Diamond Jubilee meeting	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Fri	23	9.30am Yoga	LATCH
Sun	25	10.00am Harvest Service + Bring & Share Lunch	St Mary's Church, PSWBVH
		2.00pm Blessing of New Gates	Cemetery, Burton Bradstock
Mon	26	7.00pm BB Indoor Bowling Season start	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
		7.00pm RBL(BB): Social Evening	Three Horseshoes
		7.30pm Harvest Supper	Shipton Gorge Village Hall
Wed	28	12.00noon Uparo Bring & Buy/Lunch/AGM	Good Books, Bridport
		7.30pm Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Fri	30	9.30am Yoga	LATCH
		10.15am Puncknowle Art Club	Outside ( <i>weather permitting</i> )
		7.30pm Artsreach: " <i>Salty Socks of Dunkirk</i> "	Burton Bradstock Village Hall



## SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES: September 2011

	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 4 September Trinity 11	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 11 September Trinity 12	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 18 September Trinity 13	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 25 September Trinity 14
<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	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 British Legion 90 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service	9.30 Family Communion 11.00 Morning Prayer 6.30 Evening Prayer
<b>Shipton Gorge</b>	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service <i>Harvest</i> 6.30 Evening Prayer
<b>Chilcombe</b>			6.30 Evening Prayer	
<b>Swyre</b>	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion
<b>Puncknowle</b>	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Service <i>Harvest</i>
<b>Litton Cheney</b>	11.00 Family Service	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion
<b>Long Bredy</b>	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Worship	11.00 Morning Worship <i>Harvest</i>	
<b>Littlebredy</b>		11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	9.30 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion