

Bride Valley News



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giving details of events, news, history, photographs etc

www.burtonbradstock.org.uk

www.littoncheney.org.uk

www.shiptongorge.org.uk

www.puncknowle.net

www.swyre.org.uk

www.westbexington.org.uk

www.littlebredy.com

www.longbredy.org.uk



Cover Image **St Mary's Church Tower over Blackthorn** © Stephen Batty

THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

ST MARY THE VIRGIN: Burton Bradstock ST MARY: Litton Cheney
 ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS: Littlebredy
 ST PETER: Long Bredy Chilcombe (*dedication unknown*)
 ST MARY THE BLESSED VIRGIN: Puncknowle
 ST MARTIN: Shipton Gorge HOLY TRINITY: Swyre

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 please telephone the Administrator on 01308 897695*

WEEKDAY SERVICES, JUNE 2015

Monday	1	9.00	Long Bredy
Wednesday	3	9.30	Burton Bradstock
		10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	4	9.00	Puncknowle
Friday	5	9.00	Shipton
Monday	8	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	9	9.00	Swyre
Wednesday	10	9.30	Burton Bradstock
		10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	15	9.00	Long Bredy
Wednesday	17	9.30	Burton Bradstock
		10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	18	9.00	Puncknowle
Friday	19	9.00	Shipton
Monday	22	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	23	9.00	Swyre
Wednesday	24	9.30	Burton Bradstock
		10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	29	9.00	Long Bredy

LICENSING OF THE NEW RECTOR



Following an inspiring Licensing Service at St Mary's Litton Cheney on 12th May the Valley now has a new Rector, **Canon Stephen Batty**. In a packed church and in front of churchgoers from across the Valley, visitors from Stephen's old parish of St Aldhelm's Branksome, representatives of Valley community bodies and fellow clergy, the Archdeacon of Sherborne formally licensed Stephen to begin his ministry in charge of the Bride Valley Benefice.

Representatives of the Valley congregations, the Deanery Synod, the two Valley schools, Parish Councils, Scouts and Valley voluntary bodies then presented Stephen with welcome cards, before a celebration of Holy Communion in a service marked with some resounding singing.

After the service refreshments were served at LATCH to round off a great evening. The Churchwardens of all the Valley parishes would like to thank the many people who helped by preparing the church and the flowers, organising the service, contributing the food and organising the LATCH reception. All in all a memorable and fitting welcome to Stephen and Frances.

FROM THE RECTORY

BURTON BRADSTOCK, DT6 4QS

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One of the aspects of the experience of moving to the Bride Valley from Poole in April which made the transition easier was the spell of fine weather. The **'blackthorn winter' brought colder nights but fine clear days**, and the bushes of blackthorn in the valley and on the surrounding coastlands were spectacular – even after dark when, from the car, you could see the white blossoms illuminated by the headlights. The Spanish poet Antonio Machado once wrote of **'white hosannas' emerging on the brambles**. **'Hosanna'** was the cry of praise that came from the citizens of Jerusalem as they greeted the arrival of Jesus. Machado imagines that God's creation has its own spontaneous utterance: the white **'hosanna'** of blossoming and burgeoning which accompanies the Spring. As I prepare now to be licensed as Rector to the Bride Valley, the May blossom is beginning to appear. As ministry begins here, I look forward to being part of the communities in the Valley through each of the seasons in their succession, with their light and dark aspects, their fallow times and their blossomings.

Stephen Batty

FROM THE REGISTERS

On 16th March the family and friends of **Geoffrey Charles Seward** gathered at **St Mary's Burton Bradstock** to celebrate his life of 94yrs. Geoffrey throughout his life enjoyed studying, gaining degrees as a chartered surveyor, qualifications in Forestry (working in the UK and Hong Kong) and took a final degree in Law at 84 years of age.



Geoffrey loved planes and the sea and combined these two in his wartime service with the RAF Air Sea Rescue. He enjoyed music and drama, singing in **Burton's village musicals**, and loved to sing the **Book of Common Prayer's Morning Prayer**. After 50 yrs of marriage his wife **Dorothy** died and this left him with his only daughter **Lesley** (& **William**), and grandchildren **Charlie Pip** & **Ian**. His sister-in-law **Brenda** and family came over from Ireland to be with us on the day.

The service he personally prepared some years ago was to be traditional and the reading he chose was from Revelation 21v5 (AV) was "Behold, I make all things new." Here God promises that no matter what our shortcomings or the errors that we make in life or how life may treat us, through Christ there is always hope of renewal. With this in mind we ended the service with *Abide with me*.

His ashes will be scattered from the Lyme Regis Lifeboat some time in **June**. We commend all of **Geoffrey's family** to **God's grace**



On 14th April 2015, the family and friends of **Malcolm Hill** gathered in **St Mary's Church, Puncknowle** to bid their final farewell to him. After a long life lived to the full, Malcolm spent his last few years in **Sydney Gale House** where he died at the age of 93.

The mourners were led by his widow, **Anne** who was supported by other **members of the family**. **Anne's grandson**, wrote the following tribute to **Malcolm**: "*I will forever remember Malcolm as one of the most quintessentially British people you could ever want to meet. He was always eager to hear about people's lives and what was happening in them. Malcolm, the man with the stiffest of upper lips; and a damn fine innings to boot. You will be missed, but not forgotten.*"

Following the funeral service in church, Malcolm was buried in **Puncknowle cemetery**. We have commended him to **God's care** and pray that he will rest in peace and rise again in glory.

On Friday 8th May in St Martin's, Shipton Gorge, a thanksgiving service was held for the life of Gary Warren.



Family, friends and neighbours came from near and far, so numerous they spilled out of the church. Gary's remains were interred in the beautiful surroundings of St Martin's churchyard. A private cremation service had taken place earlier in the week.

With an ardent claim to Welsh roots, he also held a lasting love for London. He studied sculpture at St Martins under Pilotsky and Elizabeth Frink before going to the London School of Printing. He went on to successfully develop his creative talents and had his own agency from where he would rub shoulders with many famous names of the art and music world.

Settling in Shipton Gorge, he loved the village and countryside, the church and all that makes for village life. A much loved member of the community, he carried with ease, a charm with which he was able to turn those he met into friends.

We hold in our prayers, Gary's wife Jo, daughter Georgina, his family and all those who mourn the passing of a dear friend and "a life well lived."

LONG BREDY

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IN MEMORIAM

In April, Long Bredy, the Bride Valley and Dorset as a whole lost a true Dorset gentleman with the passing away of Tom Foot.



Tom was born and bred in Dorset and his passions were football and farming. He loved his animals right from an early age, when 10 years old he stayed up all night nursing his pet terrier after it was bitten by an adder; administering brandy to it which he was convinced saved its life. He would milk the cows for his Dad before going to school, at first hand milking and then when he was fourteen his Dad bought a milking machine. Tom milked in many dairies in Dorset, often helping out when farmers got into difficulties. Tom would never say no to anybody if he could help it. He

Cruse Bereavement Care runs an informal monthly meeting at Bridport Hospital for any who have been bereaved.

Feel free to drop in any time between 10.00am and 12.00 on the 3rd Friday of each month for a "cuppa" and a chat.

Contact Diana Wright 01308 456 967



farmed for himself at Nallers Farm for many years before moving to Long Bredy. He was an admired hedger and his trugs of garden produce given to his many friends were much appreciated, and were testament to his gardening skills. The trugs were made by Tom himself and made to last as were his chicken houses.

Tom was a Special Policeman for many years. He was also a very good darts player and liked his pint in the pub. He always had time for you and tales to tell and he was always willing to pass on his knowledge of the countryside and Dorset. He was deeply loved not only by his wife of 63 years and his six children but also by everyone who met him.

100 CLUB WINNERS

The winners for April 2015 were:

£25	No. 10	David Peretz
£15	No. 120	Kate Smith
£5	No. 32	Susan Dyer

Congratulations all!

COME AND MEET OUR NEW VICAR!

Canon Stephen Batty will be taking our service at St Peter's on Sunday 7th June at 11.00. All welcome to attend. If you cannot make the service please join us for coffee after to say hello.

Jackie Cain

SPRING CLEAN AND COFFEE MORNING

The Annual Spring Clean was very well attended, many thanks to everyone who turned out and collected the bags of litter and other assorted rubbish, it was very much appreciated. Thank you also to those who came to the coffee morning where we raised **£235** from coffee donations, the raffle and sponsorship of the Fingerpost letters. We have some letters left for sponsoring at £1 per letter if you are interested. All money raised was for the Fingerpost fund and we are hoping quite soon to start the refurbishment.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY FOR KINGSTON RUSSELL

A vacancy has arisen on the Long Bredy & Kingston Russell Group Parish Council to represent Kingston Russell. The main criteria is for a candidate to be 18 years or over, live or work in Kingston Russell parish or reside within 3 miles of the parish and be on the electoral roll. If you have an interest in the future of Kingston Russell parish this is for you. If anyone would like further details or would like to apply please contact **Gwen Kinghorn**, Parish Clerk, 7 Bedford Terrace, Long Bredy, Dorchester DT2 9HW Tel: 01308 482270. The closing date will be the **30th June 2015**.

DATE FOR YOUR JULY DIARY

DISCOVER THE LOST DORSET GENERATIONS - PART OF THE FESTIVAL OF ARCHAEOLOGY



A unique chance to discover and explore 1000 years of history in Long Bredy . Join us during the weekend of **25th and 26th July 2015** and be part of the county's biggest archaeological festival . With live archaeological digs and geophysical surveys (think Time Team), it is a unique opportunity to discover the history that is right here on your doorstep . Set in the village where only last year the oldest human remains ever found in Dorset were discovered , there will be exhibitions , hands-on children's activities and guided walks through history with **Dr Peter Northover** of Oxford University . With activities to engage all the family , join us from 11am -4pm both days to find out about our rich heritage and maybe discover more fascinating finds hidden below the famous South Dorset Ridgeway.

Archaeological Dig - if anyone is interested in archaeology and would like to be involved in helping with the test pits over the weekend of the 25th & 26th July, we would be delighted to have you. No experience necessary and stay for as long or short time as you wish. Please contact either **Gwen Kinghorn** (482270) or **Liz Hensley** (482647) for further information.

LITTON CHENEY

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The next churchyard working party will be on **Thursday 4th June** from 9.30 a.m. - please do come along and help if you have an hour or so to spare.

BELL RESTORATION PROJECT

Fund raising continues and the Sharpe Trust Fund has awarded us £150. We await responses from further grant applications and are getting close to selecting the company to do the work. The bell ringers held a very successful Quiz at **The White Horse** on the 3rd May. 47 participants in 10 teams answered questions set by **Lesley Salvetti** and the



evening raised **£100** for the bell fund. Special thanks to all those who contributed the raffle prizes and also to Val and Kelvan for making us so welcome.

Finally, a reminder that you can contribute online by visiting the village website www.littoncheney.org.uk and following the link to the bells restoration page. There you will find a link to the **mydonate** page. Click on this link and you can use your credit or debit card to donate and claim gift aid at the same time. Thank you.



LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

Your new Parish Council is now in place. **Sally Dyke** and **David Bowen** have now stood down, Sally after 15 years of sterling service to her community, and their places have been taken by **Diana Cheater** and **Chris Franklin**. Your Parish Council is (in alphabetical order):- **Diana Cheater, Chris Franklin, Ian Homer, Steve Kourik, Dr. Hugh Lantos, Bill Orchard and Bella Spurrier**. Names and contact details of Parish Councillors and Parish Clerk, **John Firrell**, can be found on village noticeboards and village website. Litton Cheney is now in Burton Bradstock Ward for District Council purposes, having been previously in Chesil Bank Ward. The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Tuesday 14th July**.

At the Village Assembly on **19th May**, the subject for discussion was **“Neighbourhood Planning”**. **If you were there you will know what was discussed**. If you were not able to attend, you can find further details, what the general feeling of the gathering was, and what course of action may be taken in the near future, on the village website www.littoncheney.org.uk .

LATCH EVENTS IN JUNE

Mondays	Beavers 5.45pm - 7.00pm Cubs 7.00pm - 8.00pm
Tuesdays	Short Mat Bowls 3.45 p.m.
Wednesdays	Table Tennis 3.45 p.m.
Thursdays	Art Class 1.30pm in Meeting Room
Thursday evenings	Scouts
Fridays	Yoga 10.00 a.m.
Tuesdays 9 th /23 rd	Youth Club
Friday 12 th	TSA Fundraiser Supper and Disco (see ad page 24)
Saturday 21 st	Village Café in aid of Cancer Research
Saturday 20 th /	Artsreach Poetry Workshop in Meeting Room
Sunday 21 st	



LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Many thanks to **Heather** and **Lyn** for planning and leading a wonderful circular walk along the Fleet from the Elm Tree Inn and, surprise, surprise, back again. It was a glorious day to match the views, with an interesting half way stop at the Old Church, Fleet, or rather all that remains of it after storms drove the sea over Chesil Beach to destroy much of the original in November 1824. It featured in the novel "**Moonfleet**" by **J. Meade Falkner**, and there are lots of more interesting information plaques on the walls. Our appetites fully wetted we returned to the **Elm Tree** to sample beer from the barrels and select sustenance from an interesting menu.

The **AGM** was held on Wednesday 6th May along with those of **LATCH** and the **LC WEB GROUP**. We formally welcomed **Caroline Franklin** onto the committee, **Lesley Salvetti** presented the accounts, which are in a healthy state, and **Ron Davidson** thanked all the committee members plus the many volunteer helpers for their support during the year.

The evening was tastefully rounded off with a demonstration of chocolate decorating by **Gareth**, the **Bridport Chocolatier**, before the assembled company was invited to try their hand decorating chocolate hearts. Gareth may have suggested that we use our creative side, but for some it was a test of how much molten chocolate you could firstly get into an icing bag, and then squeeze on top of the chocolate heart! Amazing results for both tests! It really was a highly enjoyable fun evening and a pity if you missed it. Many thanks to all who came along and supported the village groups - we do value your support and interest.

I am sure you have all noted **Sunday July 19th** on your iPads, smart phones and even your smart calendars. By the time you read this, tickets will be available so do buy them to guarantee your place. If you are wondering what I am talking about, I am hugely disappointed. Best Be Quick!!! Details on the village website. See you there.

Ron Davidson LCSC 482661

FROM VAL & KELVAN (THE WHITE HORSE)

Val & Kelvan sadly leave the White Horse on **1st June** and would like to thank their customers, friends, suppliers and everyone who has supported them at the pub during the last (almost) 2 years. It has been a fabulous experience and a privilege to live in such a warm friendly community in such a beautiful village. We wish Jaemie & Pete every success in their new venture at the White Horse and look forward to **returning as 'guest hosts' on occasions and more importantly as customers!**



TO JAEMIE & PETE (LANDLORDS DESIGNATE AT THE WHITE HORSE)



As we say sad farewell to Val & Kelvan, Litton Cheney wishes Jaemie, Pete & their family the very best of success as you assume custodianship of our village pub. You will undoubtedly receive the support of the “regulars” of The Horse and from those of us looking for a welcoming inn that provides good ale and a hearty meal. Good luck, and Cheers!

There will be a launch party on **Saturday 6th June** from 6pm till late, including popular female solo artist Nina Garcia (Vocals & Violin), Hog Roast, Curry and rice, and try your luck on Bucking Bronco!! (See page 24 for advert).



PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON



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ST MARY'S CHURCH PUNCKNOWLE PUNCKNOWLE FETE SATURDAY 25TH JULY 2:30 PM



in the grounds of the Manor – thanks to the Wild family

YES, it's that time of the year folks.

Sideshows - Stalls - Refreshments

Quality Curtains will be here again; bring your measurements to get a bargain.

Donations and/or ingredients for stalls will be gratefully received as follows:

Books (in good condition) Coo Jones 898553

Bottle Tombola Chris Robbins 898185

Bric-a-Brac/Fancy Goods Ellie Pearson 897907

Cakes

homemade for sale Pam Carter 898711

for Refreshments (ingredients) Linda Jeffries 897520

Chocolate Tombola Julie 897178

Clothes (nearly new) Lois Edwards 482605

Produce/Plant jams/veg/ingredients Liz Slater 897751

Grand Draw prizes Jackie Hunt 07785512546

Toys/Games Sue Brown 897953

Join us - we would like to hear from you – offers of help on the day would be great. Get out your sunscreen and shades (with luck)

Email: puncknowlefete@gmail.com

Contact: **Geoffrey Fry** 01308 898068 or **Sarah Turner** 01308 898935

PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

"We had an interesting month in May starting with a superb visit on May 1st to Sladers Yard Gallery, West Bay to see the current exhibition there of "Earth and Rock". We were indeed fortunate to be given a talk by **Frances Hatch** one of the artists of this exhibition, on her work and background. Her shows here are unplanned, speculative and dependent on accommodating raw materials collected as she walks, or loiters! So she uses, materials found on the walks, earth, sand, grit charcoal, berries to great effect. In this exhibition are works she has done here in Dorset, Devon and Scotland - one can almost feel the scenery she experienced! Uplifting works. We are very grateful to Frances for allowing us to see her work and to hear what inspires her..



So on **June 12th** we are out and about Painting *en plein air* in Abbotsbury, drawing and painting around the village. On the 26th June we are back in the Village hall and members are invited to give a workshop.

So happy painting, or drawing members and don't forget to take a look at our website www.puncknowleartgroup.blogspot.com compiled by our Chair Philippa to learn more about us.

Norma Millard Vice Secretary

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND WEST BEXINGTON BOOK GROUP

This month we have been reading **The Night Circus** by **Erin Morgenstern**. This is a remarkable first novel by a young American author. It is quite hard to give a plot summary of such a magical and fable-like story. Set in Victorian times and ranging from London to Paris and New York, the night circus arrives without warning and is a fantastical place to visit. It is also the venue for a contest between two magicians, brought up since childhood to take part even though they do not know who their opponent is, what the rules are or how a victor will be decided. Morgenstern's detailed and vivid descriptions of the circus and the characters who are part of it make the book come alive. Most of us loved this book.



Michele Vassar



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWYRE

SWYRE SUMMER FETE

13TH JUNE 1PM



The be held in **Swyre**

Village Trinity Fete will start at 1pm in the grounds of Holy Trinity Church, with prize ticket entry, raffle prizes, produce, plants, teas, hot and cold refreshments, cakes, books, bric a brac, children's books, toys and games stall, bottle stall, live music, fancy dress for under 13's with a prize for all taking part, face painting, tattoos, games for the young at heart including stomp rockets, human fruit machine, splat the rat, parking at DT2 9DN.

Proceeds will go to Julia's House and Church upkeep.



Offers of help to **Tony Taylor** 898523

Please leave donated items on the day in the church, and in the case of plants and produce, in the porch. Cakes are always welcome! Please contact the following organisers if you have a query.

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|--------------------|---|
| Books: | Caroline MacTaggart 898174; |
| Produce and cakes: | Val and Ken Martin 897622 |
| Plants: | Sue Taylor 898523 |
| Bottles: | Ann Dillon and Stan Hancock 898014 at least a day before to 6 Green Barton |
| Bric-a-brac: | Ellie Pearson 897907 |

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB

Our next meal will be on **Tuesday 16th June**. Anyone wishing to join us or those who have booked a meal and cannot make it please telephone **David Buckland** on 898492. New members are always welcome. We often have over 30 members enjoying the meal and company. If you would like to join this popular social event and are over 50 years of age please get in touch. I will be pleased to explain anything about the club you wish to know.



Helpers are always welcome whether it is setting up the hall for the meals, preparing food and/or cooking or clearing up afterwards. You do not have to be a committee member. We are looking to have enough helpers/cooks to enable us to have more than one team. If you feel you would like to join us in this venture or want to know more please telephone me David Buckland 898492 and I would be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

David Buckland

SHIPTON GORGE

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

FLOODLIGHT SPONSORS FOR MAY

Kate & John Kent for Lily's birthday

Dawn Symes - belated birthday memories of her brother Brian Harper who would have been 70 on 4th May.

Many thanks to our sponsors.

For just £5 you too can sponsor the floodlights of St Martin's for a special occasion or a fond memory although during the summer months they are lit for a much shorter time.

If you would like your occasion to be mentioned in the appropriate month in this column, please let me have your sponsorship in good time to reach the BVN submission date – Sponsorship for September onwards gratefully received! Please contact **Phyl Webster** on 01308 898657.

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

ARCHIVE EVENT ON SAT 9TH MAY IN THE SG VILLAGE HALL

A big thank you to all those who attended our above Event and I'm sure that many were totally surprised by what they found in researching their property's history as well as village people of the past.

Sally Parker and Eileen Heaver have been working on this project over a number of years which was confirmed by the wealth of material as produced and displayed on the day. A huge thank you to both Sally and Eileen from all the SGVS Committee for your work.

QUIZ NIGHT WITH FISH + CHIPS SUPPER -

SAT 27TH JUNE IN THE SG VILLAGE HALL @ 7.00PM

This will be our next Event and will start at 7.00pm sharp ! We will have the usual format of a number of Rounds with a chance to play your Joker (double points) in a Round of your choice. A **Supper of Fish & Chips or an alternative 'Veggie'** will be served at 'half time'. Please feel free to bring your own drinks etc..



Book your place (£6.50) with **Sally Parker** on 01308 897168 and if you require a 'Veggie' alternative supper, please inform Sally at the time of booking.

SGVS COMMITTEE 2015/16

In response to our vacant Committee position as advertised in the last edition of the BVN, we welcome **Mr Chris Griffiths-Hardman** of Rosamond Avenue onto our Committee who having applied, has now been formally elected at our last meeting. This will see SGVS with a full complement of Committee members. The names etc...of our full Committee, can be found on the SG website -

<http://shiptongorge.org.uk/index.php/the-village-society>

DCA BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2015

Just a reminder that the Competition has now started (May 1st) and the judging period will end on **31st July**. The Judges will visit us on any number of occasions and without any prior notification. Once again, if you come across any litter as dropped by inconsiderate people, would you kindly do your bit and place it in the nearest bin. Experience has shown that a 'Litter Free' Village is well on it's way to becoming a '**WINNING**' Village !

THANK YOU

Jo and Georgina sincerely thank all those who supported Gary and both of us during the past months with hospital visits, cards and memories, meals, cakes, dog sitting etc. This wonderful community of friendship and your hearts of gold have meant the world to us, so thank you all.



Jo and Georgina Warren

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB DRAWS



April			May		
£20	93	Graham Garner	£20	69	Colin Chambers
£10	39	Lesley Garner	£10	25	Jo Chatworth
£5	81	Stuart Thomson	£5	100	Richard Hewlett

BRIDE VALLEY CAR SERVICE

DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING TO YOUR MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS?



IF YOU LIVE IN THE BRIDE VALLEY, A B.V.C.S VOLUNTEER DRIVER CAN GET YOU THERE

For more information, contact Virginia McShane: 425591

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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ST MARY'S CHURCH

BETTY STARKEY 7.1.1913—28.04.2015

Betty's family would like to say thank you for the overwhelming kindness and support received on her passing; for lovely messages and cards of condolence, and for so much practical help with the arrangements. Many thanks to all those involved in the Thanksgiving Service, and those who helped with the refreshments. Special thanks to Mr and Mrs Peter Tompkins of Manor Farm.



BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYERS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!



WED 22ND, THURS 23RD AND FRI 24TH JULY

BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYERS

PRESENT

BOTHERED & BEWILDERED

BY GAIL YOUNG

A dramatic comedy full of poignancy and humour

Tickets will be available from Burton Bradstock Post Office or by telephoning 01308 898707 Box Office opens 27TH JUNE

SPRING CONCERT BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

FRIDAY 5TH JUNE AT 7.30PM

The concert will feature David Juritz (violin) Craig Ogden (guitar) and Eluned Pearce (harp).

Giuliani Duo Concertante for violin and guitar

Camille Saint-Saëns Fantasy for violin and harp

Louise Spohr Sonata for violin and harp in C minor

AlphoNse Hasselmans La Source Op. 44

Jean Sibelius A selection of pieces for violin Op. 81

Nicollò Paganini Centone Di sonata Op. 64, No.1 for violin and

Guitar Sonata in E minor OP.3, No.6 for violin and guitar.

Tickets £10, will be on sale from **Saturday 9th May**

From Burton Bradstock Post Office or Gill Redford 01308 897203

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

The Village Society will be hosting the next Coffee Stop in the Village Hall on **Wednesday 24th June** from 10am to 12 noon Everybody welcome. We will be putting on a mini Flower and Produce Show to encourage you all to take **part in this year's Show, so come along and see how it's done !**

This year's Flower and Produce Show will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 11th July. More details in next months BVN. Schedules are available from the Post Office ,the Library or can be downloaded from <http://www.burtonbradstock.org.uk/flowershow>

BURTON BRADSTOCK WI

Our speaker in May, **Sue Hennessy**, told us how in the earliest days of the lifeboat service, it would be women who launched the boat, pulling it into the sea with ropes and getting soaked in the process. As the RNLI developed, women were there doing the essential fundraising. Today, women are serving at all levels of the RNLI, whether as competent, well-trained volunteers in a lifeboat crew, or in other roles. Their courage and dedication, on a par with that of the men, assures the future of the RNLI and its vital work of saving lives at sea.

At our meeting on **9th June**, our speaker will be **Abigail Langstone-Wring**, a reflexologist and holistic health practitioner who promotes self-help for health and well-being.

On **17th September** the WI is taking a coach to Salisbury for the **Magna Flor Flower Festival** in the Cathedral, leaving Burton at 9.15 and returning at 6.30 approx. Cost £23 including Festival entry (£14 without). Open to non-members; enquiries to 01308 898484.

VILLAGE HALL TRUST

For bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré (01308 897648)

VILLAGE HALL "200 CLUB"

May 2015 Draw

WDDC Licence no: SL0080

Congratulations to the winners:

1st	£42.40	No 211:	Mr Bob Hynds
2nd	£21.20	No 156:	The late Mrs Daphne Hewlett (prize donated to Village Hall)
3rd	£10.60	No 101:	Mrs Rebecca Bryan



Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the May -December draws

should telephone **Alan Clarke** on 01308 897051 and let him have £7 – one pound for each of the remaining 7 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

VILLAGE FAYRE

This extremely popular event took place on Monday 25th May. It is the single largest fund raiser for the Village Hall and only happens because of the team of Volunteers who plan it, find prizes, erect tents, games and stalls, run them then take them all down and clear up. A huge thank you to all who helped, particularly the Fayre Committee organised by **Graham Moody**.

COFFEE STOP MORNINGS

The Coffee Stop mornings in the hall where a hot drink and a biscuit are available for 50p are very popular. Dates of the next 2 are listed below. Please come along and meet some friends, they run from 10:00 to 12:00 and all are welcome.



While they are not intended to raise funds, they have made small contributions, so all the various organisers have agreed to contribute any profits from them into a fund to purchase a defibrillator for general use at the Village Hall. They cost in the region of £1,000, so you may see extra functions being organized to speed up the process.

The first of these is likely to be a “Pudding & Pimms” evening at the Village Hall on **Wednesday 29th July** in the evening.

Details have not yet been finalized, but an entry fee will get you 2 puddings and a glass of Pimms, with more puddings to buy if **you want them. Look out for final details in next month’s BVN.**



Date	Organiser
Wed 24 th June	Village Society
Wed 15 th July	Village Hall Trust
There is no event during August	

VILLAGE HALL REPAIRS

The Hall will be closed for 2 weeks after the Music and arts Festival from 24th Aug to 3rd Sep. During this time it is planned to rectify damage to internal wall woodwork caused by damp and replace current rusting steel windows with new, double glazed aluminium windows that are virtually identical in appearance to the existing ones.

BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS

The Spring series of films has now ended, they will recommence in September, look out for posters and BVN announcements nearer the time.

BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL BEST KEPT VILLAGE 2015

Burton Bradstock has entered the competition again this year;

- Best Village
- Environmental Champions—(Corncrake Group)
- Best Village Shop award

You will see that the Volunteers and various groups in the village have been hard at work cleaning and preparing planters especially at the Bus Shelter. The judges will be around any time from May to July so we hope you will help us keep our village tidy!

VACANCY ON THE COUNCIL

After the May elections the Council still has 2 vacant seats if you are interested please contact the Clerk or any Councillor for more information

JUNE COUNCIL MEETING-

The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on **Wednesday 3rd June 14th May** 7.30 pm at the Reading Room. All welcome.

The agenda will be available at least 3 clear days before the meeting, on the Parish Council notice boards (outside the Reading Room and the Library), and on the website. www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org

If you have any queries on any of the above information you can contact the Council through the Parish Clerk, **Mrs Michele Harding**, by email on burtonbradstockparishclerk@gmail.com or by phone on Tel: 01305 871268 or Mob: 07814 016971 – Council contact details are on the website.

BURTON BRADSTOCK COMMUNITY LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 3.00pm to 5.00pm
Tuesday & Saturday 10.00am to 12.00am

✉ info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk



June is National Crime Reading month held to promote the crime genre, both fiction and non-fiction. To support the event Burton Bradstock Community Library is featuring books by **Elly Griffiths** who writes crime fiction novels. Her main character, Ruth Galloway, is a forensic archaeologist, who lives in a cottage near King's Lynn in Norfolk. **Crossing Places** is the first in a series of eight books, the latest, **The Ghost Fields**, was published this year. Elly Griffiths books are available on display to borrow from the Library this month.

There are three new cards/notelets from the Millennium Tapestry available to buy - I am sure you will recognise where they are.



On a more mundane note, our **Building Manager** is looking for **volunteers** to help with some small maintenance jobs in the Library, especially painting. If you are willing to offer your services please contact **John Lewis** on 01308 897304.



Story Time

THIS MONTH'S STORY TIME FOR CHILDREN UNDER 5

Monday 8th June 2015 at 2.30pm.

Take home a book to share. There are lovely children's books suitable for all ages available to borrow on a Dorset Library card.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Monday 8 th June	2.30pm	STORY TIME for Children under 5
Tuesday 9 th June	11.00am	Police Surgery with PCSO Dave Ash.
Thursday 18 th June	10am – 1pm	Photoshop Refresher Workshop

R.Daniels Chair FBBL

BOOK REVIEW BY POPPY & INGRID

THE INGO CHRONICLES is an amazing series of books that follow the story of Sapphire and her brother who live in a small village in Cornwall. Sapphire and Connor have always felt a **connection to the Sea and it's not until their father goes missing** that they find out why. When the siblings climb down to the cove one morning, they are surprised to see **another boy and girl in the Sea, and it's not until they join them** that they realise that their new friends are mythical mermaids. Sapphire and Connor are about to find out the biggest secret that could unlock their way to finding their father. Dive down under the waves and join the Mer friends on their incredible adventure.



Helen Dunmore works wonders with these stories as you feel like you are part of the story too!! *The Ingo Chronicles* are a must read this year, and I recommend the books to experienced readers.

Poppy and Ingrid :)

THANK YOU

I would like to say a huge heart felt thank you for the kindness shown to myself, Andrew and kids following my car accident in February. Your cards, messages, visits and gifts lifted my spirits during a particularly tough time, it was so reassuring to know that Andrew was being looked after with meals being cooked by neighbours and a network of taxi-drivers! Once again it has shown how strong our community spirit is in Burton Bradstock, I really am most grateful.

Love and best wishes, Elaine White x

*Thank
you*

Barn Dance & Bar-B-Q

**Manor Farm - Burton Bradstock
Saturday, 13th June 2015 at 6:45pm**

Dancing to the music of

The Bride Valley Dance Band

Caller: David Powell



**Adults £10 - accompanied under 12s - £5
Includes supper
Cash Bar**

A summer evening, not to be missed

**Tickets from Burton Bradstock Post Office
Proceeds in aid of St Mary's Church Funds**

GOOD BOOKS

Bridport's Christian Bookshop

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

email: orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk

website: www.goodbooksbridport.co.uk

**Home of: Bridport Book of Hours, Threads of Hope, Pathways to
Care, Bridport & District Good Neighbours & Hopeful Hampers.**

**Opening hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs. 9.00am-1.00pm,
Wed & Fri. 9.00am-3.00pm, Saturday. 10.00am-12.00 noon.**



LITTLEBREDY

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT:

email: pwbridehead@btinternet.com

Tel: 482232



Charlotte Appleby would like to thank all those who responded to the earlier notification and sponsored her in the **Paris Marathon** on the 12th April. She duly completed the course in well under 5 hours, and has raised **over**

£1,000 for Whizz Kidz, her chosen charity. Anybody whose memory or conscience is jolted by being reminded of this now can still contact her to add to her sponsorship at Foxholes Farm Cottage or on trekkingcharlotte@talktalk.net



The village had another Marathon runner in April, whom **unfortunately we didn't know about in advance to give her** any publicity in previous magazines. **Kathi Lozowski** completed the **London Marathon** in about four hours, running

in aid of **GOAL UK**, which is the charity the recent Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale at Bridehead also supported. She too has raised **over £1,000** in recognition of her efforts, and anyone wanting to increase this in retrospect can write to Crow Hill Cottage here in Littlebredy, or ring Kathi or her parents on their London number, which is **0208 332 6478**, to find out how best to boost the funds.



Very many congratulations to them both – rather them than your correspondent, and most others in the village, I suspect...!

Local fundraising Volunteers Needed!

Can you spare a couple of hours each month? We need local volunteers to place and visit pin badge boxes in shops and busy locations near you. A box can raise £1,000 and make a real difference for nature!

The Pin Badge Minder role is an enjoyable opportunity to get out and about in your local area, meeting people and chatting about nature and the RSPB.

We need friendly and personable volunteers with a high level of motivation, good communication skills and an ability to work on own initiative.

Training and support will be given.

If you are interested, please contact Richard Evans, your local Community Fundraiser:

richardw.evans@rspb.org.uk



VALLEY NOTES

ADVERTISING MANAGER

After several years' sterling work in the crucial job of managing the BVN advertising, the Advertising Manager Ian Ibbotson, is resigning following his election as a Churchwarden in Burton Bradstock and we are looking for a replacement for this vital (voluntary) role.

The new Manager needs to be in place by the beginning of August so we can include the name and contact details in the September edition of the BVN. There will be support at the beginning.

The Role currently includes:

- Keeping a list of advertisers, including end date of advert and position in magazine.
- Inviting finishing advertisers to renew.
- Dealing with prospective advertisers.
- Advising the printers, Creeds, of monthly additions, alterations and removals.
- Requesting payments to be made to Benefice bank account.

If you are interested in the role or would like to find out more please contact Ian Ibbotson on 01308 898484 or by email bvtc@btinternet.com (but without any spaces).

BRIDE VALLEY COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 13th June

Hello to everyone in the Bride Valley

I am 11 years old and live in Shipton Gorge.

I have decided I would like to raise some money for

CANCER RESEARCH UK

and should be grateful for any support you can give me.

I have hired the Village Hall in

SHIPTON GORGE

from

10.30 am. until 12 noon on Saturday 13th June

If you can let me have anything for a raffle prize, or bake some cakes that I can sell I would be so pleased. If you can perhaps you can bring them to the hall before hand or ring me on 01308 897168 so that my Mum and I can collect them from you beforehand.

Thank you so much

JESSICA HARDIE

**CANCER
RESEARCH
UK**



Jaemie & Peter Welcome you to our official opening night **WHITE HORSE INN**

Live Music By The Talented
Nina Garcia

Twist And Turn On Our
Bucking Bronco

A Mouth Watering Hog Roast

Delicious Curry and Rice
&

Complimentary

Buck's Fizz
To Kick Start The Night

SATURDAY

6TH JUNE 2015

6.00PM

TILL

LATE



White Horse Inn, Litton Cheney, Dorchester, Dorset, DT2 9AT. Tel: 01308 482539

**THORNERS SCHOOL
ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS**

**RETRO
DISCO
AND CURRY**

AT LATCH LITTON CHENEY

**FRIDAY 12TH JUNE 2015
FROM 8PM
BAR AVAILABLE
TICKETS: £12.50 PER PERSON**



**A SELECTION OF CURRIES FROM SPICE AND RICE
MUSIC FROM DJ DR FUNK**

ALL PROCEEDS TO PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR THE CHILDREN OF THORNER'S SCHOOL

Cash or cheques made payable to "Thorner's School Association" to be given to the school office or sent to Thorner's School, Litton Cheney, Dorchester, DT2 9AU. Please include contact details for ticket distribution

THORNER'S CE VA SCHOOL

How time flies! Here we are, in the last few weeks of the academic year!

Thank you to all who joined us at our **church service**; it was a sunny, uplifting start to the summer term.



Sport: All the children have **tennis** coaching for 6 weeks. Following their **tri-golf** coaching, Year 4 participated in a pyramid festival at Colfox – and came second! Well done!

House competitions: Ellen MacArthur house celebrated winning a **tag rugby tournament**. Bredy and Eggardon had an inter-house **quiz competition** – and Ellen MacArthur house won again! The best singing in **hymn practice** was by Mary Kingsley house.

Representatives of our council attended the **Bridport Youth Council meeting**.

Our PCSO, Sarah, gave an assembly presentation on **road safety** and all the children were given workshops by the **RNLI** to make them better aware of safety on the beach and at the seaside.

We started a new **knitting lunchtime club** at the request of some very keen knitters!



A big thank you to all of you who came along to the **Splashathon** at Bridport Leisure Centre. Over 300 lengths were swum and a very healthy sponsorship amount was raised. It was great to see so many people take part and particularly impressive to see so many little ones swimming lengths! Much fun was had by all.

Jyotsna Chaffey, Headteacher

BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC SCHOOL

With the momentous General Election taking place this month as a school we took the opportunity to educate the children by making it relevant to them. The children in Class 4 found out about the main political parties as well as the systems and processes that are in place. With this background knowledge they then created their own political parties, elected their political leaders,



wrote mottos and devised their own manifestos. They addressed the school and canvassed in the playground. What a fantastic atmosphere this created! The whole school was excited on voting day where all the children and staff went to the hall to vote at the polling booths. But that was nothing compared to the excitement on result

day when the returning officers announced the results and **Zac**, of the **Light Bulb party**, gave his victory speech.



The **Bronze Sports Ambassadors** have also been busy this half term in their role to promote sport and activity in the school. They have led an assembly

and are looking forward to the Skip Hop Skipping Talent Show at the end of this half term that they have organised. There is also a sponsored obstacle run next half term and they also have great plans for 'Sports Fortnight' to complement our traditional, inclusive Sports Day. We can't wait to see what they have planned!

This week the children in Year 6 are all set to take their SATs (Standardised Assessment Tests) to assess their end of Key Stage 2 attainment. The children in Year 6 have worked exceptionally hard this year and we are proud of the progress they have made. As always we try to make the experience as relaxed as we can and most of the children are excited by the challenge!

The Friends of the School are also busy organising their next event which will be a **Jumble Sale** at the **United Church in Bridport** on **Saturday 13th June**. If you are having a spring clean before this date we would be happy to receive your donated items at the school on **Friday 12th June**.

Claire Staple, Headteacher



BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS PRE-SCHOOL

News Flash- we are now able to accept 2 year olds (providing we have spaces) please pass on to anyone you think might be interested.



This term we are experimenting with how to build using different tools and materials (using play dough etc.)

During the last two weeks of term we will look at our bodies, the effects food and physical activities have on them and how to self-care.

We will look at the safety around the coast and how to stay safe on the beach. We hope to get the coast guard back in.

Also we will be having a big drama at the end of term with different books to support role-play and communication.

A big **Thank you** to **Mace** for fixing our climbing frame—the children are very happy to be back on it.



After half term Fledglings will have access to the swimming pool, this is always great fun and a fantastic resource that Thorners kindly allow us to use.

For more information about Fledglings call 01308 482410 during school hours and ask for **Emma**. www.bridevalleyfledglings.btck.co.uk/

FIRST STEPS TODDLER GROUP

We would like to invite any parents, grandparents or carers of children from babies until 4 years old along to our lovely toddler group. We have a good selection of toys and soft play equipment. We provide snacks and tea or coffee for the bargain price of £2! Please come along and support the group as we only have a small number at the moment. We meet **every Wednesday (term time) from 9.45 am to 11.15 am in LATCH** (Litton Cheney Hall) Contact **Claire Gauden** for more info (01308 898728 or email claire.gauden@yahoo.co.uk)



TOTS AND PRAM SERVICE

An informal friendly service for all tots, babies and bumps and their parents/carers is held at **St Mary's Church Burton Bradstock** on the second Friday of each month (except August) at 2.15 pm. It **includes singing, activities, story time, refreshments and playtime.** You're welcome to the services held on **Friday 12th June and Friday 10th July.** For more information please contact either **Audrey** on 897227 or **Heather** on 897780.



NEW CUB SCOUT PACK!

BRIDE VALLEY SCOUTS has now got a new Cub Scout pack up and running on a Monday night after Beavers 7:00 to 8:30pm.



It has taken a while to get the cubs back to the Valley, and this has now **been achieved** The first meeting (at the 'set time') will be the new term starting **1st June at 7:00.** We are looking forward to exciting times ahead and are sure the Cubs will enjoy the forthcoming programme

The Cubs is open to all children, and welcomes both new and old members. For more details contact scouts@bridevalleyscouts.org.uk or see www.bridevalleyscouts.org.uk

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK UPDATE

The coffee morning at LATCH during Christian Aid week raised £200. A huge thank you to all those **who baked delicious goodies, donated children's clothes and toys and helped with the event.** News of the amount raised during the house to house collection in the Bride Valley will be announced in **next month's BVN.**



You may wonder where all the money raised gets spent. Here is how each

£1 received in 2013-14 was allocated:

- 48p long term development work (to eradicate root causes of poverty)
- 26p emergency relief
- 14p fundraising (every £1 raised generated a further £7 to fund more work)
- 11p campaigning (eg climate change)
- 1p governance (running the organization)

Christian Aid works to eradicate poverty by funding long term development work to address its root causes. **Working with people of all faiths – and none** – it works in partnership with local organisations and never gives money to governments.

If you are interested in finding out more about the work of Christian Aid, please contact **Gill Newell** on 482136. She is a volunteer speaker for Christian Aid and is happy to give talks to church and non-church groups

NEWS FROM GOOD BOOKS:

New books in the shop include '**Insight into Dementia**' which gives hope, understanding and practical advice for those with dementia, their families, friends and carers, at **£7.99**; '**Filthy Rich- The Property Tycoon Who Struck Real Gold**', a newly released autobiography of **Manoj Raithatha** recounting how he went from being a schoolboy in Kenya to a multi-millionaire, but after suddenly losing everything in the 2008 credit crunch his life changed altogether, at **£8.99**.

Our next fundraising **Coffee Morning** is **Tuesday 2nd June** 10am-12.30 when we look forward to welcoming **Marcia Machin** demonstrating the making of **Dorset Buttons** and **Di Castle**, Dorset author of "**Grandma's Poetry Book**" Do join us for cakes, bring and buy, raffle. Thank you to all who continue to support us.

THE LIVING TREE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Fridays 2-4.30pm at Bridport Quaker Meeting House, South Street.

May Events

Friday 5th - 12.45pm Rising Voices singing group, 2pm Sue

Howse mindfulness practitioner/counsellor

Friday 12th - 2.00-4.30pm creative writing workshop with Rosie Jackson.

Friday 19th - 12.45pm Rising Voices singing, 2pm Simone Thomas cancer survivor and hair loss expert www.simonethomas.com

Friday 26th - 2pm art with Libby Jukes

www.thelivingtree.org.uk



THE LIVING TREE - A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

The Living Tree is a self support group based in Bridport for people (and family/ carers) who are living with or beyond a diagnosis of cancer. Even though I was fortunate to have wonderful support from my family and friends throughout my cancer treatment, there were times when I felt quite alone, a feeling that perhaps nobody really understood the inner turmoil I was suffering. When I joined The Living Tree those negative emotions soon receded, as here I found people of all ages and backgrounds getting on **with their lives despite the daily difficulties they faced. I met friendly people** who did understand, who were ready to listen and empathise and share their experiences, who could offer practical and emotional support because **they too knew first hand the impact cancer can have.**

The Friday afternoon "drop-ins" offer a varied mix of speakers, activities and therapists as well as tea and chat, laughter and sometimes tears, in a comfortable, friendly and supportive environment. I have been helped to learn to live with what has happened to me, to focus on new experiences and take a more positive approach to life. I have also made a lot of new friends!

You can find out more about The Living Tree by visiting www.thelivingtree.org.uk or contacting **Jo O'Farrell** on 01308 427851 or myself, **Rita Bechervaise** on 01308 482366

BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

In April, at our AGM, we confirmed our committee, giving thanks to **Penny Pither**, who has stepped down as Puncknowle Village Representative, and welcomed **Marion Hurley** who has taken up the post. We still have one vacancy that of Vice-Chair. Our thanks were expressed to all those who serve on the committee and who support the club in so many ways. This meeting was followed by **Christine Stones** who gave us a fascinating talk on the importance of gardening during World War 1; the changes brought about by the men going to fight, the need for fresh food and also the role of gardens in boosting morale both at home and in the trenches. We concluded our evening with wine, cheese and conversation. On **June 15th** we welcome back **Neil Lovesey**, from **Picket Lane Nursery** who will talk on **'The History of the Cottage Garden'**



Jobs to do in June

Once they have been hardened off, plant out pot-grown dahlias and cannas; tender summer bedding; half-hardy annuals and tender perennials. Sow delphiniums, lupins and hollyhocks outside. Support young sweet pea

plants; train clematis and climbing roses. Prune spring-flowering shrubs. Sow biennial Sweet Williams, wallflowers and foxgloves in a nursery bed in preparation for flowering next year. Keep sowing salad vegetables. Plant out runner beans against supports, courgettes, pumpkins, squashes and sweetcorn. Plant out brassicas and protect them from birds and caterpillars. Sow annual herbs e.g. basil, parsley and coriander. If possible leave a few nettle patches as these provide essential food for the caterpillars of some of our best known butterflies

Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473

DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2015

Cycle, Ride 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:	Mrs. Katharine Jones	898553
Shipton Gorge:	Mrs. Janet Lane	897241
Swyre:	Mr. Tony Taylor	898523

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH

POPPY APPEAL COLLECTORS - URGENT!!

I know that it is early but we are looking for Collectors in Puncknowle for next year's Poppy appeal. If you are feel able to help please contact Mr Richard Cunningham (01308 898928)



SOCIAL EVENINGS

Social evenings are usually held on the last Monday evening in the month commencing at 7.00 for 7.30 pm. The next meeting will be held in the Stable Bar of THE ANCHOR on Monday June 29th.

Please let **Basil Dent** (897125) or **Malcolm Lawrence** know if you are attending.

OTHER EVENTS

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|-------------------|--|
| Friday Oct. 23rd | Annual Band Concert in Burton Village Hall 7.30pm |
| Thursday Nov. 5th | Coffee morning in Burton Village Hall from 10.00am |
| Saturday Nov. 7th | Wreath laying in the Bride Valley |
| Sunday Nov. 8th | Remembrance Service at St Mary's Burton 10.45 |
| 2016 | |
| Monday 15th Feb | Annual Dinner at the Golf Club 6.30 for 7.00pm |

There are a number of historical events occurring during the course of the year. On **August 15th** we remember the 70th anniversary of victory in Japan (**VJ Day**). And then we remember the 75th anniversary of the **Battle of Britain** on **September 15th**.

70TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY

On 9th May a very enjoyable tea afternoon was held in the Village Hall in Burton Bradstock. Thank you to everyone provided the food and the helpers who made the afternoon such a success. Special thanks are due to **David Edwards** and **Sue Moores** for coordinating the event and for the splendid exhibition and entertainment provided by the Choir.

There were many Veterans who attended and recounted their experiences on VE day and during the 2nd World War.

Due to the generosity of those who attended we raised over **£700** with donations and a raffle. Thank you so much to all those who attended

Membership of The Legion is not restricted to ex-Servicemen and women; it is open to all and you are welcome to join us. Please contact myself or Basil Dent on the above telephone number for more details.

Malcolm Lawrence Secretary (898616)

ABBOTSBURY & PORTESHAM BRANCH

1914-1915

“Urgently needed. The Superintendent, R.N. Cordite Factory Holton Heath, near Wareham, is prepared to pay at the rate of one shilling and three pence per bushel for **good Acorns** in lots of 50 bushels and over, delivered at nearest railway station in the County of Dorset. A limited number of sacks are available and can be lent on application being made to the superintendent, who must be informed directly the collection is completed in order that forwarding instructions may be given. (1 bushel is a volume of 8 gallons or about 36 litres)”.



The gathering was often undertaken by schoolchildren. The Holton Heath

facility produced 20,000 tons of acetone during WW1, used in the production of cordite, a smokeless explosive used in ammunition manufacture.

Anaerobic Digester visit. There are two guided tours of the site, 2.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. on Wednesday **17 June**. We will make our own way there and assemble at the site – access being from near the rear of McDonalds, Monkey's Jump, off the Martinstown road. You should indicate to the writer your wish to partake and also which time you prefer.

Another enjoyable event awaits members as we enjoy an evening of **Fish & Chips** and a variety of Games. Gather at 6 for 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday **15 July** in Portesham Village Hall, bring your own bottle and invite someone else to come along and maybe join the Branch as a result!

JOIN THE LEGION FAMILY

Join a network of people – of all ages and backgrounds – who care about the Armed Forces Family.

Support our campaigning work -
get involved nationally, locally or overseas
Access exclusive member deals and discounts
Join your local Branch (one of 2,500!).

Serving men and women are welcome, as are people with no Armed Forces background, and we offer a youth membership for under-16s.

Des Baker Chairman 'The Social Fund' 01035 267617 or email aveswood@sky.com

HOME SUPPORT

Do you need a little bit of support to stay independent in your own home? **Age UK Dorchester** recognises that a little bit of help with day to day tasks can go a long way towards helping older people remain in their own homes for longer.



Some of the help our Home Support service can offer:

Domestic support: Kitchen & bathroom cleaning, dusting, vacuuming, clothes washing, ironing, changing bed clothes.

Gardening: Moderate pruning of trees, hedges and shrubs, planting and weeding, sweeping up leaves, mowing lawns, boarder edging.

Other Support: Shopping, dog walking, de cluttering, assisting you with paperwork, filing, paying bills



We do not provide: Personal care

The service is currently available in Dorchester, Weymouth and surrounding

areas and we are trying to expand to include the Bridport area. All staff are fully DBS (formerly CBS) checked.

The cost per hour for the service is **£12.75** regardless of the tasks undertaken. Mileage for errands like shopping will be charged at 40p per mile. The minimum length of time we can provide is one hour.

For more information or a chat about what sort of support you would like please contact Lucy or Carol on 01305 269444.

A30/A35 EXETER TO BERE REGIS TRUNK ROAD MAINTENANCE

South West Highways have announced the following temporary road closures for the A35:

“As part of the maintenance strategy for the A30/A35, it is necessary to carry out some carriageway repairs and surface treatment on the A35 between Honiton and Dorchester.

The carriageway repairs will be carried out overnight, and will involve road closures.

The closures will be used to facilitate all the required repair and surface treatment works and will also be used to carry out as many routine maintenance activities (sign cleaning, road sweeping etc.) as possible. This will mean that the requirement for further traffic management along the A35 will be minimised for the remainder of the year.

We have tried to minimise disruption to road users and residents by restricting our works to night time only. Where operations are carried out close to properties we will endeavour to undertake as much of any noisy activities before midnight.

For all the road closures a fully signed traffic diversion route will be implemented during the closure periods.

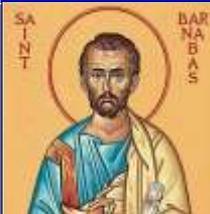
The locations and proposed dates and times of the closures are shown here (*1st revision update 06/05/2015*):

Location	Start date	End date
Axminster-Bridport	18/05/15 20:00	21/05/15 06:00
Honiton-Axminster	26/05/15 20:00	02/06/15 06:00
Bridport-Dorchester	01/06/15 20:00	24/06/15 06:00
Dorchester Bypass	24/06/15 20:00	27/06/15 06:00
Dorchester to Bridport		
West Bound Closure	06/07/15 20:00	10/07/15 06:00
Dorchester Bypass	08/07/15 20:00	11/07/15 06:00

(Excluding Saturday and Sunday nights)

DIARY, JUNE 2015

Mon	1	10.00	Julian Meeting	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Mon	1	19.00	Bride Valley Cubs Start	LATCH
Wed	3	19.30	Burton Parish Council meeting	Reading Room
Thu	4	9.30	Churchyard Working Party	St Mary's Litton Cheney
Thu	4	14.30	G of H Prayer/Meditation Group	Othona Community House
Fri	5	19.30	BB Festival of Music and Art Spring Concert	Burton Village Hall
Sat	6	18.00	Official Opening Night	White Horse, Litton Cheney
Mon	8	14.30	STORY TIME for Children under 5	Library, Burton
Tue	9	11.00	Police Surgery with PCSO Dave Ash.	Library, Burton
Tue	9	19.30	Burton WI - A Langstone-Wring,	Village Hall, Burton
Fri	12	10.00	Art Club	Abbotsbury
Fri	12	14.15	Tots & Pram Service	St Mary's Burton
Fri	12	20.00	Thorner's Retro Disco & Curry	LATCH
Sat	13	10.30	Bride Valley Coffee Morning - Cancer Research	Village Hall, Shipton
Sat	13	13.00	Swyre Village Trinity Fete	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Sat	13	18.45	Barn Dance and Bar-B-Q	Manor Farm, Burton
Mon	15	19.30	BV Garden Club - History of Cottage Gardens	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	16	12.30	PWSB Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	18	10.00	Photoshop Refresher Workshop	Library, Burton
Thu	18	14.30	G of H Prayer/Meditation Group	Othona Community House
Sat	20	10.30	Village Café - Cancer Research	LATCH
Sat	20		Artsreach Poetry Workshop	LATCH - Meeting Room
Sun	21		Artsreach Poetry Workshop	LATCH - Meeting Room
Wed	24	10.00	Coffee Stop hosted by the Village Society	Village Hall, Burton
Fri	26	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Sat	27	19.00	Quiz'n'fish'n'chips	Village Hall, Shipton
Mon	29	19.00	Bride Valley British Legion - Social	The Anchor, Burton



SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES JUNE 2015

	1 st Sunday 7 June Trinity 1	2 nd Sunday 14 June Trinity 2	3 rd Sunday 21 June Trinity 3	4 th Sunday 28 June Peter and Paul Apostles
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service	11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer
Chilcombe			6.30 Evening Prayer	
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	11.00 All Age Holy Communion	9.30 Family Service
Litton Cheney	9.30 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion		9.30 Morning Worship	
Littlebredy		11am Holy Communion By Ext		11.00 Holy Communion