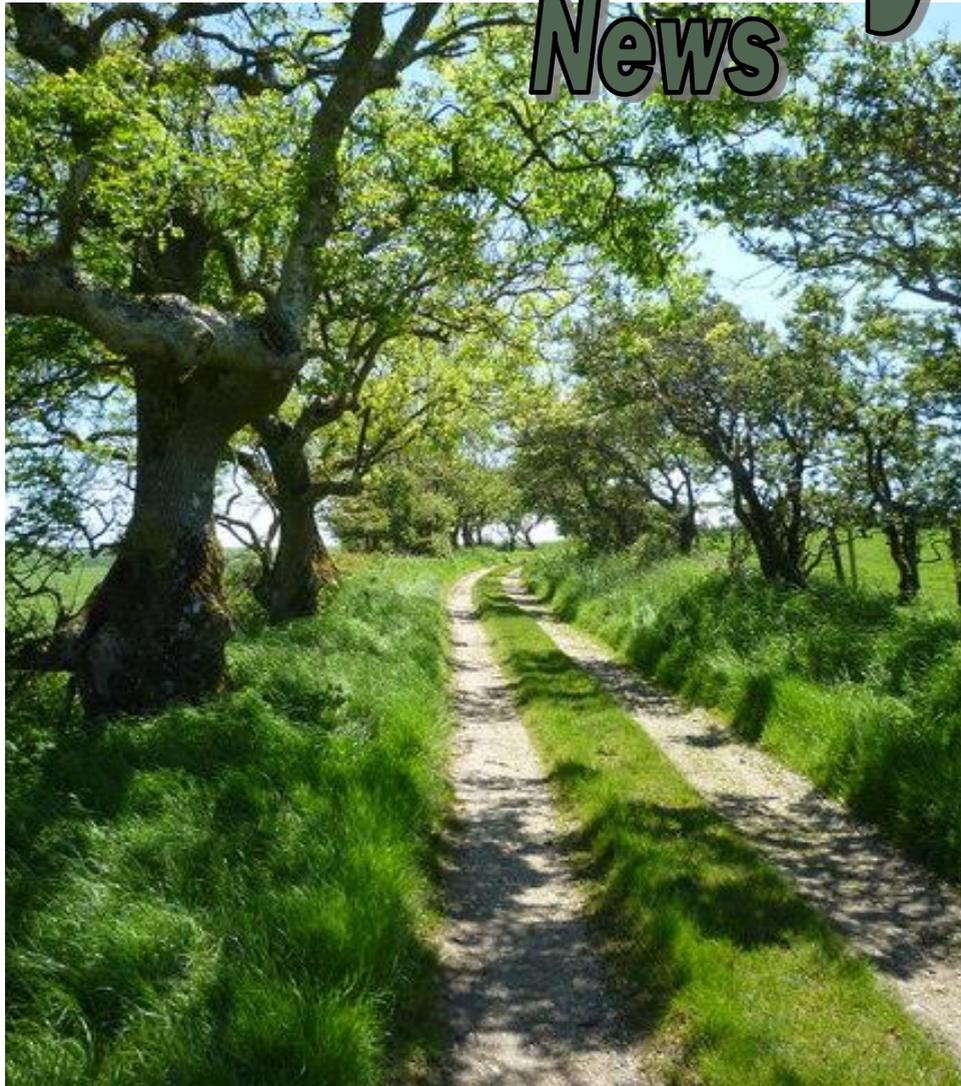


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VILLAGE WEBSITES

giving details of events, news, history, photographs etc

www.burtonbradstock.org.uk

www.littoncheney.org.uk

www.shiptongorge.org.uk

www.puncknowle.net

www.swyre.org.uk

www.westbexington.org.uk

www.littlebredy.com

www.longbredy.org.uk



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, SEPTEMBER 2015

Tuesday	1	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	3	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	7	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	7	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	8	9.00	Swyre
Tuesday	8	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	10	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	10	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	10	19.00	Puncknowle Reflect and Study
Monday	14	9.00	Long Bredy
Thursday	17	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	17	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Monday	21	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	22	9.00	Swyre
Tuesday	22	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	24	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	24	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	24	19.00	Puncknowle Reflect and Study
Monday	28	9.00	Long Bredy

Last month I had the privilege of meeting Doug Marshall at the home of Ryder and Heather Rogers in Burton Bradstock. Ryder and Heather's home overlooks Hive Beach, and, as we talked with Doug, the sea was visible behind him. Over the horizon, on the north French coast, thousands of migrants face an uncertain future as they gather in the hope of making a crossing to our shores. Doug's work focusses him on a similar orientation: a south facing coast, a wide stretch of water, and, over the horizon, an unfolding crisis involving thousands of migrants.

For Doug's ministry has taken him and his wife Jacqui (and their young children Ethan and Chloe) to the island of Malta which is one of the routes migrants take on leaving North Africa. Based near Malta's 'open centres', Doug and Jacqui are involved in the support of refugees through the auspices of the Church Missionary Society. The island receives something in the region of 1,500 asylum seekers every year – 98% of them come across the Mediterranean by boat, already having made arduous journeys on foot, across numerous African borders, sometimes through empty desert wastes. The preference for most of these displaced people would be to make a landing in Italy – landfalls on Malta are usually unplanned and detention periods can last twelve months or more.



The CMS website reports that:

'Once refugees or those under protection have been released, Doug and Jacqui are continuing the relationship and providing support services, as well as a platform for them to organise themselves. They plan to open a welcome centre where refugees can meet, worship, learn and generally congregate. There is no such centre at present.'

For the time being visits are made to 'open centres' where Somalis and Sudanese and Eritrean people are housed and Doug collaborates with a Franciscan 'Peace Laboratory' based near these centres. Jacqui has a role in meeting with refugee families, especially those with children, assisting them in adjusting to the new culture.

Doug and Jacqui are mission link partners with St. Mary's, Burton Bradstock but I would commend them to the prayers of all in the United

Benefice of the Bride Valley where, from time to time, catch a glimpse of the sea but without that dread which must fill the lives of those anticipating the kind of crossings Doug was telling Ryder and Heather and I about. Thank you to Heather and Ryder for their hospitality during what proved to be a fascinating and informative meeting with Doug Marshall.

Stephen Batty

FROM THE REGISTERS

On 21st June, Swyre Church at a special Morning Worship service had the delight of sharing in the baptism of **Joseph Thomas Keatley Warwick**.



Joseph, who is nearly 11 years of age, was surrounded by his parents, godparents, family and church members, and gave testimony to his own faith by answering the questions usually put to the godparents for himself. After this affirmation and the singing of the creed song Joseph put his head over the font to have three lots of water poured over him 'in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit'. His own choice was to sing *O Jesus I have promised to serve thee to the end*. We pray that this will be a reality in his life as he is supported by his parents, godparents, and the Swyre Church.



— On 1st August a truly international congregation gathered in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock to support and share in the joy of **Simon Browne** and **Sarah Jenkins** as they made their wedding vows. The bride entered to Handel's *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba*, and during the signing of the registers the organist, played *Panis Angelicus* by Cesar Franck, and *Canon in D* by J Pachelbel. The two readings chosen by the couple gave different insights into the way in which love is manifested in a relationship, and the hymns reflected important aspects of the couple's lives. As Simon and Sarah left the church, the sun shone and the church bells announced the news of their marriage. We pray God's blessing on their marriage wishing them a long and happy life together.

On June 23rd the ashes of **Geoffrey Charles Seward** (who died on 26th March and whose Thanksgiving Service was held in the Burton Church on 16th April) were scattered from the Lyme Regis Lifeboat. A short service of committal was led by Ryder on The Cobb with Geoffrey's daughter and her husband together with Heather and reps of the RNLI as the crew set off a flare and scattered Geoffrey's ashes just outside the harbour.



SHIPTON GORGE

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

The PCC would like to thank all those who brought and bought cakes at their stall at the Combined Village Event last month. Thanks, too, to all those involved in the Feast of flowers and the tower opening. It was a very enjoyable and successful afternoon. There are some tins and vases that are yet to be collected.

Our next event is the Harvest Thanksgiving Service and Harvest Supper. The Thanksgiving service will be held at 5pm on **September 20th**, followed by cider and apple cake in the church. A simple Harvest Supper will be on **Monday September 21st** in the Village Hall. Tickets are limited and are available from any PCC member (closing on 17th September).

There will be a short **Pets Service** at **3pm on October 18th**, please bring your pets to church to join in our thanksgiving for the animal kingdom. There will be treats for pets and their well-behaved owners after the service! At **11am on November 1st** we will be holding a special service for All Saints and All Souls. Come and light a candle as we remember those special to us from whom we are parted.

Our customary Service of Remembrance will be held at **9.30 on November 8th**. We hope that the remedial work on the chancel walls will be complete and that we will be able to replace and re-dedicate the memorial triptych at this service.

ST MARTIN'S FLOODLIGHT SPONSORS

St Martin's floodlights were sponsored for September by:

Jen Hewitt for her parents Wedding Anniversary

Anne & Terry Hunt for their Golden Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations!

If you would like to light up St Martins for a special occasion or a fond memory, sponsorship is just £5. For your occasion to be mentioned in the BVN for the appropriate month, please contact me in good time to reach the BVN submission date. Our sponsor's names are also posted in the church porch. Our grateful thanks to all our supporters including those who wish to remain anonymous.

Phyl Webster

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council were very pleased to be invited by the Village Society to join in the Village Fete on 8th August. Our thanks go to **Richard Cunningham** who, as chair of our Planning Committee, took the opportunity to talk to a number of residents about the importance of our producing a Neighbourhood Plan for the village and what this would entail. We hope that with the involvement of those who expressed an interest it will be possible for the village to find someone to drive this forward. If we can do this it will have enormous benefits for everyone in the village who will through a Neighbourhood Plan ensure that their views on the future of our village are taken into account.

The fete provided a welcome opportunity to talk to many residents and fortunately was a lovely sunny afternoon as well. Well done to everyone who helped in the organisation.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 16th September at 7.30pm** in the village hall, this is one **week later than usual**, and everyone is as usual welcome to attend.

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY SUMMER SHOW/FETE ON SAT 8TH AUGUST

As previously advised, the **SHOW** which took place in the morning saw **Cyril Whitlock** of **Groves Nurseries (Bridport)** take on the role of Head Judge. As a consequence, **Steve Larcombe** was again presented with the **SIMON HARDIE (Memorial Trophy) ROSE BOWL** as the Show's Winner with the highest total of points. Although the win was thoroughly deserved, it could be said that it was assisted by **Pat Cox's** unfortunate absence (last year's Joint Winner) which was due to a family wedding commitment involving travel.

The **FETE** was in the afternoon where the weather was brilliant, with every SG Organisation represented and being of service to the magnificent array of Villagers, their Guests and other Visitors.

Once again, a big vote of thanks to **Sally Parker** and her organisation team as well as all the local Judges on the day ; **Roger** and **Rose Sorrell** (Manor Farm) as well as to **Denis** and **Ann Jones** (The old School House) for permission of the use of their land.

Due to the outstanding success of the joint SG Organisations Event perhaps we can build on our experiences of this year by **ALL** participating together again next year ? Read your monthly BVN in anticipation.....

SGVS DONATIONS 2015

In response to an appeal from the SG Parish Council to raise the sum of £500.00 to update the SG website, the Committee had decided to donate £101.55. This odd figure represents all the profit from our Quiz Night & Fish/Chips Event held on 27th June last. Also, in continuing with the communication theme, we also decided to donate £50 to this excellent publication – the BVN (and most gratefully received—Ed!)

DCA BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMP 2015

With the judging finished having now finished on 31st July, the Results and Prize giving Night will be on Thursday 17th September at Puddletown Village Hall.

JAZZ ON A SEPTEMBER SUNDAY AFTERNOON

This was scheduled to be our next Event but due to circumstances beyond our control has had to be cancelled. We are currently looking at other possibilities along the same lines i.e... Music on a Sunday afternoon ‘al fresco’.....Please check notice boards at the start of September for further info.

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

£20	No 52	Joyce Rosamond
£10	No 57	Nesta Symes
£5	No 63	Mary Bartlett

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ST MARY'S CHURCH

There will be a Celebratory Service of Harvest with traditional hymns

and readings in St. Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock on Sunday

October 11th at **11am** (the Communion Service that day will be at 6.30pm).

It will be followed at **12.30** by a 2 course lunch in the Village Hall.

Tickets for this will be on sale in the Post Office and at church services from September 20th. The cost is £5 and includes the first drink.



THE SUN COMES OUT FOR BURTON BRADSTOCK CHURCH FETE

For yet another year, we were blessed with excellent weather for the church fete. After an overcast morning, the clouds parted and the sun shone for St. Mary's Church Fete. As visitors queued at both entrances outside the rectory gardens, **Canon Stephen Batty** welcomed them into the fete.

We are so grateful to the many residents who came together on the day to ensure that everything was ready for the event by mid-morning. As well as the usual stalls, games and auction, there was a Punch and Judy show, always popular with young and old. **St. Swithun's Band** provided the musical backdrop to this traditional fun event. The "**Celebration of Flowers**" and guided tours up the church tower were particularly popular this year.

The fun dog show returned for a second year attracting a wide range of family pets. Competition was keen in the various classes. The cream teas, barbeque and ice cream stand served delicious refreshments throughout the afternoon. The wealth of games and stalls, including two new games this year, helped to make this a most pleasant afternoon for all.

Many thanks to the many residents who produced cakes, preserves and craft, nurtured plants, donated books and other treasures, and helped run games and stalls, to present an enticing range of attractions to entertain our visitors. Also thank you to the many local businesses and individuals who made generous donations to support our auction.

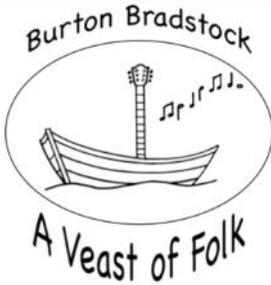
We had over 1000 paying visitors, accompanied by lots of children, who appeared to have really enjoyed their day, so rewarding for all concerned. On the Friday evening, we held a concert in the church. Three local groups, **Mor or Less**, **Moveable Feast** and **The Jurassic Drifters Ukulele Band** entertained a crowded church with an eclectic range of music, ending with audience participation. We are very grateful to all of the musicians for this delightful evening's performance .

As a result, the fete and concert raised a record amount in excess of £7,000.

St Mary's Church Fete Team

BURTON BRADSTOCK MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission Committee is supporting two charities this year, **Farm Africa** and **The Sailor's Society**, and upcoming events include :
a **Mission Afternoon Tea** organized by **Pat** and **Peter Broomhead** at Casterbridge, Annings Lane, **6th September** between 3 and 5.00 pm and a **Farmers and Sailors Event - An evening of games, shanties and supper** on **24th October** Burton Bradstock Village Hall. 6.30pm.



A VEAAT OF FOLK 10TH -12TH SEPTEMBER 2015



WELCOME TO THE VEAAT! Burton Bradstock's own folk festival of music, dance and song.

The three day event kicks off with two free events at **The Anchor Pub** firstly on **THURSDAY 10th SEPTEMBER** with a **VEAST ANCHOR SESSION** 7PM till late. An evening of great music and as always donations to the **Dorset Air Ambulance**. On **FRIDAY AFTERNOON 1-3PM** there will be an informal singaround at the Anchor. All welcome to come along and take part or just listen over a pint and a sandwich in The Stable Bar. Thanks to **Andrea** and **Paul** for hosting these two events.



On **FRIDAY EVENING 7-10PM** put on your dancing shoes and come along to the family **Ceilidh** led by the **Bride Valley Dance Band** at **Burton Bradstock Village Hall**. Bar and supper. Booking essential. **Tickets on sale NOW** - Adults £5 Children £2.50 from Burton Bradstock Post Office or email burtonfolktickets@gmail.com or phone 897421.

The main event takes place On **SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 1-7PM** at The **Three Horseshoes Pub and Kitchen**. **FREE** entry –donations, raffle, charity stall, all proceeds to the **RNLI**. Thanks to **Hannah** and **Jaap** for hosting this charity event. Music from **The Bride Valley Band, Delta 88, Mor or Less, Acoustic Rooster, Moveable Feast Last Gasp Orchestra** and more. **Wylf Morris** will be dancing outside the pub during the afternoon.

To donate raffle prizes or to give offers of help please phone or email as above. Last year we raised over **£600** for the **RNLI**. We hope you will come along and support this charity event and a have a great day out!

VILLAGE HALL TRUST.

For bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré (01308 897648)

“200 CLUB” AUGUST 2015 DRAW

WDDC LICENCE NO: SLO080

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS:

1st	£42.40	No 59:	Andrea Wilkinson
2nd	£21.20	No 116:	Mrs Jill Harper
3rd	£10.60	No 38:	Mr John Grantham



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.

COFFEE STOP MORNINGS

The Coffee Stop mornings in the hall where a hot drink and a biscuit are available for 50p are very popular—not to mention the home made cakes that are also available for a small charge. Dates of the next 3 are listed below.



Date	Organiser
Wed 28th Sept	Friends of Burton Bradstock Library
Wed 21st Oct	Burton WI
Wed 18th Nov	Bowls Club

Please come along and meet some friends, they run from 10:00 to 12:00 and all are welcome. Currently any proceeds resulting are going into a fund to purchase a defibrillator for outside the Village Hall for general use.

BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS

Burton Bradstock starts its third winter of films this year at the earlier date of **Friday 25 September**. The format and price remain the same ie doors open 7pm for 7.30pm – tickets are £5 each which includes a glass of wine or a soft drink.

2015 has been a bumper year for some very good films and having closed last season with the Alan Turing film *The Imitation Game* we are starting again with another blockbuster movie, the Oscar winning Stephen Hawking film ***The Theory of Everything***.



Starring **Eddie Redmayne**, who won best actor Oscar for his role in this film, it tells the extraordinary story of one of the world's greatest living minds, the renowned astrophysicist Stephen Hawking who falls deeply in love with fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde. From an healthy, active life as a young man Hawking was shattered to find out that at the age of 21 he had motor neurone disease. With the support of Jane he sets out to discover what he now thinks he has very little of – time. Together they break new ground in medicine and science defying all the odds. The story is based on *My Life with Stephen* by Jane Hawking. The film carries a rating of 12A.

Tickets will be on sale at Burton Bradstock Post Office from **1st September**.

Again this year we shall be sharing films with Bride Valley Films at Litton Cheney and they will show **The Theory of Everything** on **Wednesday 30 September**.

Date for the Diary - The October film will be another top hit **The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel** at Burton Bradstock Friday 30 October and Litton Cheney Wednesday 4 November

THE PLEASURES OF PUDDINGS AND PIMMS



Many thanks to all who helped make this event such a success, to the ladies who made the puddings, especially the members of the W.I. to all who decorated the Hall and to those who worked so hard on the night. We raised



£636 for the Defibrillator Fund.

Maureen and Chris

HALLOWEEN NIGHT SPECIAL

The Village Hall Trust is currently working on plans for a Halloween Evening special on **Saturday 31st October**. It will include live music, hot food, optional fancy dress and some fun. Put the date in your diary and look in next month's BVN for details.

BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman for the forthcoming meetings:-

MEETINGS AND CHAIRMEN ARE LISTED BELOW:

Aug & Sept	Dave Dixon	Oct & Nov	Mike Evans
Dec & Jan	Dave Venn	Mar & April	Darren Batten

BB PARISH COUNCIL 2015 LEAD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The lead roles and responsibilities for the Parish Council, including the various Parish Plan Projects details, have been decided and are available with contact details on the Council's Notice Boards and on its web site - www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org.

If you would like to get involved with any of the Projects or have any concerns or issues please contact the Lead Councillor below:

Leisure/Recreation	Mike Evans/Irene Troup
Community Bus/Transport	Darren Batten
Community Safety	Graham Moody
Community Orchard	Graham Moody
Environment	Dave Dixon
Traditional Walling	Gill Mayo
Housing	Graham Moody

The **Leisure/Recreation** working group will be forming in September this year to consider the future use of the play area, how it can be improved and maintained, if you would like to volunteer please contact the lead Cllrs or the Clerk.

SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on **Wednesday 2nd September** 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.



IRON DISTANCE TRIATHLON TO RAISE FUNDS FOR WELDMAR HOSPICECARE

The **Challenge Weymouth Event** is on 13th September 2015 and is the European Championship long distance Triathlon event. It is 10 weeks before my

60th birthday so I have been training hard for the last year to try and complete the event. I will have to **swim 2 miles** in the sea and then **cycle 112 miles** (Weymouth to Wareham and back twice) and then run a full **26 mile marathon** – all without stopping. I expect it will take me about **15 hours!** Many of you will have seen me running and riding in the Bride Valley over the summer in an effort to get fit enough to complete this Challenge.

I am raising money for **Weldmar Hospicecare**. You can donate online here <https://www.justgiving.com/Barbara-Hackworthy/>



Weldmar Hospicecare Trust
Caring for Dorset

Alternatively you can write a cheque to Weldmar Hospicecare and pop it through my letterbox at 7 Beach Road Burton Bradstock. DT6 4RF.

Many thanks,
Barbara Hackworthy

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

Our first talk of the new season of speakers for the Village Society will be on **Friday September 18th** at 7.30 pm. **Mr Cambell Hughes** will be giving a talk on **“My life with Auntie; 30 years in the BBC”**

After leaving college Campbell went to the BBC as a Trainee Studio Manager, ending up as a Senior Music Studio Manager (also working as a Music Record Producer in the BBC Transcription Service, and also as a Radio and Record Producer for Open University Productions). During this

time he continued to do some work as a Conductor, Organist and Composer.

We have a many and varied programme for the year ahead so we hope there is something for everyone. Look out each month in the BVN. for our Speaker of the month.

On a different subject we hope you all enjoyed the **Flower and Produce Show** in July, so far we have had no response to the request for somebody or group of people to take over the running of the Show. It would be very sad to see it discontinue after so many years. If there is anybody out there who would like to give it a go please contact **Peter Broomhead** or **Colin Clark**.



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

FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE ENDS 11TH SEPTEMBER

As the village gets back to a semblance of normality there is still time for the children to complete this year's Summer Reading Challenge which ends 11th September. Collecting stickers for each book, young readers will receive a medal and a certificate for reading six library books of their choice.

During the first two weeks of September there will be a display in the library of children's work from Burton Bradstock CE VC Primary School entitled, "*Present a world record in a form of your choice*".

STORY TIME (*for pre-school Children*)
Monday 14th September, 2.30pm at the Library. Children's books are available for all ages.



Poppy and Ingrid have finished their voluntary work in the Library, I am sure we will all miss their lovely book reviews and would like to thank them for their time and dedication.

EXHIBITION

The Women's Institute was formed in 1915 to revitalise rural communities and encourage women to become more involved in producing food during the First World War. Since then the organisation's aims have broadened and the WI is now the largest voluntary women's organisation in the UK. To

celebrate its centenary the Library will host an exhibition from 14th September, supported by related books to borrow and enjoy.

COFFEE STOP

On **Wednesday 23rd September** the FBBL will be hosting a Coffee Stop in the village hall between 10am and 12noon. Drop in for a coffee and meet up with friends. All proceeds will go to support the village defibrillator fund.

Diary of Events

Tuesday 8 th September	11.00am	Police Surgery with PCSO Dave Ash. (See posters outside the Library for any changes).
Friday 12 th September		Last day of Summer Reading Challenge
On display until 12 th September		Exhibition of Children's work. Entitled "Present a world record in a form of your choice".
Monday 14 th September	2.30pm	STORY TIME for Children under 5
1 st October		Annual subscriptions due for the Friends of Burton Bradstock Library

R.Daniels Chair FBBL

LITTLEBREDY

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Looking back on two recent village events, the **celebrations of Ben & Charlie's recent wedding** lasted long and loud into the night on July 11th, and a large number of their local and London friends were at The Old Parsonage and in the cricket ground marquee to share the occasion. We naturally send them every best wish for their future. (And global warming will have to advance far on a worldwide scale, we suspect, before camels are next to be seen cropping the grass in the outfield.)

The following Friday the **"Laudemus" Choral Evensong** filled the Church, and was a wonderful occasion too, much enjoyed not only by the congregation, but also by many members of the choir, who have expressed their appreciation and pleasure in having come to sing here. We hope they will be back one day.

We share with our Long Bredy neighbours their sadness at the passing of **Wyn Reed** at the beginning of August. Wyn and her late husband David lived here for many years before she moved down the valley, and she continued to come to Church here when she could. Condolences to Pauline

and all other family, and may Wyn rest in peace.

Looking forward, we send our best wishes to **Katie Burton** and **Thomas Dunn** for their wedding here on September 5th. They had no connection with the village until Katie and her family became regular members of the Church congregation earlier in the year, which has qualified them to be married here. May their life together be long and happy, and we hope the connection with Church and village will remain.

Another reminder that the annual **Ride & Stride** in aid of the **Dorset Historic Churches Trust** is now close upon us, namely on **Saturday 12th September**. Half of all sponsorship proceeds are returned by the Trust to the rider's (or walker's) nominated Church. Could all those with an enquiry, or wanting to volunteer to take part, please contact **Sir Philip** (482232) or the **Luddingtons** (482402) in advance, to consider options for routes, etc.

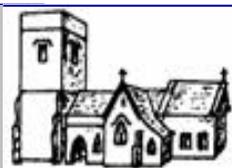


LONG BREDY

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VILLAGE WEBSITE

Long Bredy now has its own Website at www.longbredy.org.uk

The village website has been established to enhance and enrich the sense of community within the village. It is intended as a platform upon which village groups and individuals can share information, highlight matters of interest, promote community involvement and provide a means of communication to residents and visitors.

The website is being managed by a small committee and maintained by **Liz Hemsley**, from Bedford Terrace. Liz will be responsible for uploading content but the success and vibrancy of the site will rely on the provision of timely, quality, interesting material and information. The core constitution of the website is made up of the following local groups:

The Village Hall Committee

The Kingston Russell and Long Bredy Parish Council

St Peter's Church, including the Bell Ringers

Community Forum

Do visit and make use of the site and pass any feedback to Liz so that the site can grow and develop and become an integral part of the village.

NEW VILLAGE CORRESPONDENT

With effect from 1st July, **Susan Dyer** has now taken over as Village

Correspondent from **Caroline** who has been our representative since September 2008.

Future articles for insertion under the Long Bredy section should be sent by e-mail to Susan at bvn@longbredy.org.uk

Many thanks to Caroline for her support and contributions for the past seven years, and thank you to Susan for taking on the role for the future.

VILLAGE HALL

Work is now underway to refurbish and redecorate our Village Hall. The project is split into two stages, the hall and toilets to be followed by the passageway and kitchen. The hall refurbishment will include replacing the curtains and finally the small tables when funds are available. In the kitchen, the work includes replacing the window which is in a very bad state of repair. It is hoped that the work will be completed within the next three months and that the result will encourage greater use of the hall. More details will be posted on the website as things progress.

SUMMER EVENT

Over the weekend of July 25th -26th Long Bredy's past was on display throughout the village - in the church, on Friday Lane, along the road and in the village hall.

The archaeological event was a great success both for those participating and those visiting. Over the weekend we opened up nine test pits and found plenty of pottery and various other items of archaeological interest. A big surprise find was a flagstone floor of a cottage and with it an early window frame and oven door. We also found the original cobbles of Friday Lane when it was the main street through Long Bredy and in another test pit we found the street again with foundations of what is believed to be 'The Bottle' pub. The geophysical surveys have also come up with some excellent results including a possible area of Roman occupation.



Part of the flagstone floor uncovered in one of the test pits

As well as the test pits, we had an exhibition in the village hall both of archaeological finds from different places, and of the social history of the village. This included amongst other excellent artefacts and photographs, an original painting by Jo Jones, kindly loaned to us by the Dorchester Museum. The museum also allowed the 'Beaker Man' to come out on show

under the care of Barry Fitzgerald whose knowledge of the skeleton enthralled many. Many thanks to **Peter Northover** for his help with this event and for leading the two fascinating walks on the Sunday. Peter is now busy identifying all the finds made, collating all the results and doing more research to identify areas where future test pits could yield more knowledge of our past. He will be coming back to give a talk on the findings later in the year, and we hope this will also interest many of the visitors we had from other villages in the Bride Valley. Sincere and grateful thanks to the many people who helped with this weekend in so many varied ways; we could not have done it without you all.

Elsewhere in the village, Ancient Wessex Networks provided further insights into the lives of lost generations through their demonstrations of flint knapping, bronze smelting and pottery making, activities which would have taken place on the downs around us in the past. Their sophisticated results from very rudimentary tools intrigued and surprised many of us. Children also had opportunities to be 'archaeologists' in various ways through metal detecting, and treasure hunting in their own 'test pit'.



Pottery making by Ancient Wessex Network

The **flower arranging competition** in St Peter's church attracted a range of styles and we hope that this may become an annual event. The winners were:

First	Lisa Sims
Second	Lavinia Barbour
Third	Sue Taylor

Lisa (nee Elliott) made the entry in memory of her mother, Margaret Elliott, and shows that she has the same talent for flower arranging that her mother was well-known for in Long Bredy. Well done, Lisa.

Such events don't happen without a tremendous amount of thought, organisation and commitment. We are very grateful to the many local businesses which sponsored us and to everyone who lent and prepared ground for the event, gave their time and expertise, prepared refreshments, baked cakes, provided artefacts, ran a stall, grew plants and sold programmes. Without that help we would not have had such a financial and

archaeological success. A total of **£1855.56** was raised, which will be shared equally for the upkeep of the playing field, the village hall and the church.



A date for your diary: This year the **St Peter's Church bellringers** are arranging a **Harvest Lunch on Sunday, 25th October, 12 noon for 12.30pm** in aid of our bell fund. We have to do some remedial work within the bell ringing chamber and although we have been very diligent with our funds we do need to raise some more towards the cost. Further details of this bounteous occasion will follow but please do put the date in your diary to come and join us celebrate the harvest of the valley.

The fingerposts - no, they have not been stolen or vandalised! The four fingerposts in Long Bredy are being renovated and are in the process of being dismantled in order for this to happen. They will be re-erected and look new in due course.



100 CLUB WINNERS

The winners for July 2015 were:

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| £25 | No. 32 | David Peretz |
| £15 | No. 12 | Jo Milne |
| £5 | No. 88 | Sir Philip Williams |

WALKING IN THE BRIDE VALLEY SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

The Dorset Historic Churches Trust each year runs 'Ride and Stride', when anyone can walk or cycle to visit Dorset Churches and collect sponsorship from family, friends, colleagues etc.

This year, we are offering two walks in the East end of the valley:

a 1½ mile family friendly stroll between St Peter's Long Bredy and St Michael and All Angels Littlebredy enjoying the views down the valley to the sea (3 miles if you do the return journey)

OR

a circular 7 miles (approx) from Long Bredy to Litton Cheney, Puncknowle (and Swyre if wished) before returning to Long Bredy



The walks are not guided, but detailed maps will be available showing points of interest, picnicking opportunities (you will need to take your own picnic) and of course the route.

Please make a donation, or individual sponsorship forms are available if you would like to raise money that way. Funds raised are divided between the Trust and St Peters Long Bredy.

To express interest or to obtain sponsorship forms, please contact **Rachel** on 482246 or maltbys77@btinternet.com

LITTON CHENEY

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The churchyard working party will be on **Thursday 3rd September** following Thorner's School Service. Please come along from 10.00 a.m.

VISITING BELL-RINGERS:

Saturday 19 th September	10.00 - 10.40
Friday 2 nd October from	14.15 - 15.15 and
Saturday 31 st October	10.30 - 11.15

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This will be celebrated on **Sunday 4th October** at 11.00 a.m. followed by a Bring & Share Lunch in the church. Do come and join us to celebrate this time "of mellow fruitfulness" and a convivial lunch. Your gifts will be passed on to the Pilsdon Community.



BELL RESTORATION PROJECT

We are still waiting for Faculty approval from the Diocese and once this is received we can go ahead and place the contract for the work with our bell-hangers.



LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday 8th September**, 7.30 pm in the Meeting Room of the Community Hall. Local residents are encouraged to attend.

LITTON AND THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER



- Tuesday 8th Parish Council meeting 7.30 p.m.
Friday 11th Yoga classes resume at 10.00 a.m.
Monday 14th Beavers restart at 5.30 and Cubs at 7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 15th Youth Club evening
Thursday 17th Scouts restarts 7.15 p.m.
Thursday 24th 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. Portesham Surgery Flu Clinic in Meeting Room
- Wednesday 30th 8.00 p.m. Film Night - "The Theory of Everything" (Doors 7.30 p.m.) - See details below.
- Thursday 1st October Art classes resume in meeting room 1.30 - 4.00

ANNUAL WINE TASTING WITH STEVEN SPURRIER – SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER

Note the date and book your ticket. This is a must attend event if you have an interest in good wine which this year concentrates on six fine wines from Bordeaux that have been personally reviewed for Decanter magazine by Steven. Those who have attended this annual event in the past will need no second bidding, but numbers are limited hence the need to make your booking soon. You can do this by phoning **Freddie Spicer** (482617) or **Wendy Firrell** (482532). This is a fund-raising event for the hall which Steven kindly hosts every year. Tickets are **£30** each. There is a bring and share supper after the tasting. The event begins at 7 pm, doors open 6.30 pm.



BRIDE VALLEY FILMS



LITTON CHENEY VILLAGE HALL.

First film of our 7th Season...incorporating our loop system and secondary rear speakers.

Wed. 30 Sept. THE THEORY OF EVERYTHING
'Beautiful, powerful and one of the great acting performances of our time' Cert. 12 2 hrs.



The Theory of Everything is the extraordinary and uplifting story of one of the world's greatest living minds, the renowned astrophysicist **Stephen Hawking**. It traces the story of Hawking's marriage to Jane, through their courtship, the subsequent onset of motor neurone disease, and the

couple's determination to fight and have as normal a life as possible. **Eddie Redmayne's** portrayal of Hawking is remarkable, but **Felicity Jones'** portrayal of Jane Hawking is every bit as powerful. Winner of Academy Best Actor, 2 Globes and 3 Baftas. Trailer available here <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2980516/>

Doors Open: 7.30 p.m. Film starts 8.00 p.m. TICKETS: £5.00 (to include a glass of wine). Tickets in advance from: **Sally Dyke 482752, Elizabeth Kingston 482162, Bella Spurrier 482367** or on the door. (All nos. 01308) *We are sharing the licence for this film with Burton (who will show it the previous Friday).*

NEXT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY :

Wed. 4 November THE SECOND BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL

A triumphant return as the ever-confident Sonny is busy juggling plans for a second resort...as well as his own wedding. Cert. PG 2 hrs. Trailer available here <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2555736/>



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

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The **SUMMER BBQ** was a great success, aided by the wonderful summer's evening, the very full house, and not least **Weird and Gilly**. The committee, whose hard work made it all possible, are very pleased that so many enjoyed it and also to have had so many compliments for the evening. So thanks for those, and also to all who helped, ranging from putting out, and putting away, the chairs and tables, barbecuing, manning the bar, and especially clearing up afterwards. It really is essential that we do have that help otherwise it cannot happen.

We did reach the limit of numbers this year, and there were a surprising number of very late requests for tickets which we did our best to accommodate. It does place an additional strain on the committee to juggle these numbers so, next year, we will have a ticket sales closing date in advance of the BBQ date. Thanks to all who did buy their tickets in good time, much appreciated.

Whilst the numbers of completed survey forms were low we are going to explore a few options ,including suggestions put forward.

Ron Davidson LCSC 482661

BVN DISTRIBUTION

The magazines for the village are delivered by a rota of volunteers to Court House where Bella Spurrier kindly sorts them into bundles for delivery to each house by four regular village volunteers one of whom has moved away. A replacement is required please; the round concerned is from **Redway to Fry's yard**. The remaining volunteers have been doing a sterling job for some years and may welcome a break. Are you able please to lend a hand? If so, please contact **Freddie Spicer** (482617).

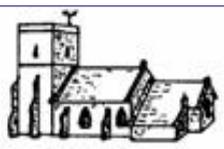


HAS LITTON GOT TALENT?

A number of people in the village are keen to have a village variety show/concert at LATCH. We are so lucky to have LATCH and its excellent facilities – it's a perfect venue for a show.



Are you hiding your light under a bushel? Perhaps you're a stand-up comedian, a mimic, an actor, a musician, a singer, a dancer, a performance poet, a magician...the list could go on and on. Anyway, if you'd be interested in taking part in a village variety show please could you contact **Chris** or **Caroline Franklin** on 482117, or **Gill Newell** on 482136?



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ST MARY'S CHURCH PUNCKNOWLE PUNCKNOWLE CHURCH FETE

"Roaring success for fete" Bridport News headline; lady overheard telling children "Now this is what a proper fete should be like".

We had a fabulous day thanks to all our volunteers (you know who you are), generous donations by BVN residents as well as local businesses, and all those who came to enjoy the afternoon - without you none of this would be possible. The icing on the cake was that **£5,165.57** was raised. Thank you

all for your generosity. **Canon Stephen Batty** officially opened the fete and was given sunflowers by **Casey-May Smallbridge** as a thank you. There is a strong core of local people who help every year but although none of us like to admit it we aren't getting any younger and the actual setting up and dismantling of tables chairs etc is beginning to take its toll - it would be great if we could get some 'fresh blood' in to help next year. Don't worry we are not asking for hours of your time just a few on the day; if you can help then please get in touch with either **Geoff Fry** 01308 898068 or **Sarah Turner** 01308 898035 we can then give you a call next year and see if you are still up for it!

Special thanks to:

The Riverside Restaurant, The Manor Hotel, Humphries Kirk, Electric Bike Tours, Hugh FG, The Crown, Palmers, BAC, Groves, The Stable, The Egg Cup, Haddon House, Freshwater Park, Modbury Farm, the Laver family Home Farm Caravan & Campsite as well as Sarah and Jim Wild for the Manor grounds

MORNING PRAYER

Please note that Puncknowle Weekday Morning Prayer is now being held on the First, Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month.

PUNCKNOWLE ART CLUB

We must thank **Philippa** for hosting our Summer lunch party in her lovely conservatory. We munched and chatted happily for several hours. On **Sept. 11th** we return to the hall to judge our holiday painting for the Bembridge Trophy also an EGM. The following meeting is on the 25th. I would very much like to thank **Norma** for writing this column for the past eight months. It was at the drop of a hat and it was very kind of her to step in so quickly.



Christine Molony

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND WEST BEXINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Please come along to our AGM on **5th October** at 7.30 in the hall. This is an open meeting and all are welcome. The committee really would appreciate your support.

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB

Our next meal will be on **Tuesday 15th September**, we have August off. Anyone wishing to join us or those who have booked



a meal and cannot make it please telephone **David Buckland** on 898492.

New members are always welcome. If you would like to join this popular social event and are over 50 years of age please get in touch. I will be pleased to explain anything about the club you wish to know. We often have at least 30 members enjoying the meal and company.

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

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SWYRE



Morning Prayer will be said at Holy Trinity on **Tuesdays the 8th and 22nd September.**

Notes for Diary

Harvest Festival Service will be celebrated on **4th October** at 6.30 pm and **Harvest Supper** on **17th October** at 7.30, more details in October's edition of Bride Valley News.

PCC Holy Trinity

DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST - RIDE AND STRIDE



This is to remind you that the annual Ride and Stride event is taking place on **Saturday 12th September.** A small group of cyclists from Swyre and Puncknowle take part and invite anyone who cycles who would like to join in. Our course is to visit the seven churches in the Bride Valley. We start at around 10am and complete at around 1pm. The event raises funds once a year for churches throughout Dorset and is the primary source of income. Anyone can take part and if not cycling then a sponsored walk (stride) is a healthy alternative. Should anyone in Swyre wish to take part please let me know.

Tony Taylor 898 523

VALLEY NOTES

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S NEWS

The survey of BVN readers a few months ago showed that some of our readers would like to read more about the children and young people living in the Bride Valley. The Bride Valley may sometimes seem like a retirement

community but over 12% of the population is aged under 18, according to the 2011 Census, and their news is just as important as news that could appear to focus on older age groups.

With this in mind, the Editor is keen to extend the Children and Young People's section of the magazine. There are already excellent reports from our primary schools – Thorner's and Burton Bradstock - but what is missing is possible input from the younger readers themselves, and information about our secondary school students, and indeed our university students. For example:

- There are some amazingly talented students in our community whose achievements (eg in sport or the Arts) could be celebrated by everyone in the community
- the 2015 A level and GCSE results came out in August and it would be great to congratulate all the Bride Valley students on their achievements
- Some students will have started work after leaving school or college or may just have started at college and other people in the community might want to encourage them or help them
- Some students have worked hard to raise money for charity and it would be great to know what happened after all the fundraising

The easiest way to obtain this information is from the students themselves, so if you are a secondary school student living in the Bride Valley, would you be interested in providing the Editor with regular news of Bride Valley students in your school, or asking friends in the Bride Valley to submit items (eg photos, reports, poems) to be considered for inclusion in the magazine? The Editor will ensure that the secondary schools attended by Bride Valley students are aware of this, and that the necessary permissions are obtained just in case some people don't want to share their news.

Please contact either your local correspondent or the editor direct on bridevalleynews@gmail.com if you are interested.

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 service held on **Friday 11th September, Friday 9th October and Friday 13th November**.

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



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)



BRIDE VALLEY FLEDGLINGS PRE -SCHOOL



Well we said goodbye to a few children in the Summer Term (All moving on to school) with a lovely Bouncy castle party and a brilliant trip to Abbotsbury children's farm.

We still have some spaces for 2, 3 and 4 year olds in the Autumn term so ring us or drop in anytime and have a look

around or call us on 01308482410 and ask for Fledglings

We are open Monday – Thursday 9-3.30



Check out our web site at www.bridevalleyfledglings.btck.co.uk/ or visit our facebook page and like us

We are holding our **AGM on Wednesday 14th October** in LATCH at 7.15pm please do come along if you can - all are welcome.

BRIDE VALLEY YOUTH CLUB

Bride Valley youth club runs roughly every 2 weeks usually in LATCH from 7.00 – 8.30pm. It is open to all children of the valley from 8 years old

This terms dates are

15 September

29 September

13 October

3 November

17 November- hopefully swimming at JFC – to be confirmed

1 December- Christmas party at LATCH

For more information check out our facebook page.



THE THEORY OF EVERYTHING

Wednesday 30th September
7.30 for 8.00pm LATCH
See Litton Cheney Section
page 22 for further details





Climate Change.....2°C.... Paris 2015

It's a BIG issue and to tackle it we need BIG ideas
A challenge for youth aged 7-24 : Schools • Youth clubs • Uni-
formed clubs • Faith groups • D of E etc

Your task:

Come up with a plan for reducing carbon emissions in your community
We'll provide **support & resources** to make it happen

Why get involved?

Use your talents • Get your ideas heard • Feature in a film • Helps to-
wards badges & awards

PLUS - Win a fantastic outdoor adventure for your group or a £250 voucher

Interested? - Visit www.clsdorset.org.uk/BigIdeas.aspx Or

Come to Big Ideas Challenge Launch on 9th Sept 2015 6.00pm
at Potters Cafe, Durngate St, Dorchester

Run by Communities Living Sustainably in Dorset (BIG Lottery Funded)

Return visit of Jo Sercombe Gospel Choir Workshop Saturday 5th September

St John's Church, West Bay 10am-4.00pm

Under18's/students free. Donations £10.

BYO Lunch or buy Fish and Chips.

Drinks provided.

All Welcome. **Please book**

elfsavigear@btinternet.com or 01308 424031



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

THE LIVING TREE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Living Tree meets on Fridays between 2pm and 4.30pm at
the Friends' Meeting House in South Street, Bridport. It offers
friendship, mutual support, creative activities, holistic therapies,
diet and lifestyle information for anyone with any kind of cancer.

www.thelivingtree.org.uk or contact Jo O'Farrell on 01308 427851



REFLECT & STUDY

On **Thursdays 10th and 24th September** there will be a new evening service allowing a time of reflection and study of Bible texts at St Mary's. Stephen Batty and Sue Linford will lead the evenings, starting with a simple Holy Communion service at 7.00pm and this will lead into an opening up of the Bible readings which are set for the coming Sunday's worship - so there will be a chance for us to explore the set readings from the Old and New Testaments and the Gospel reading. Please bring a Bible with you - sharing different translations can be illuminating. The sessions will close at 8.15.

BRIDE VALLEY HOMEGROUP

Bride Valley homegroup resumes after the August break – our September meetings will be 7.30 pm on **Thursday 3rd** and **17 September**, and every **first** and third **Thursday** after these dates. We meet in each other's homes and take it in turns to host and/or facilitate the evenings.

We have had an interesting and lively programme during the past year. We've studied Pilgrim courses on the Beatitudes, the Lord's prayer, and Turning to Christ. We've also studied the Bible Society's Lyfe course on prayer, stillness and contemplation. This term we're going back to another Pilgrim course, looking at the Ten Commandments – are they all still relevant today or has Jesus' teaching superseded them?

The style of the meetings varies as different people have different ways of facilitating them. What happens at every meeting is refreshments (often home baked) plenty of fun and friendship. Nobody has all the answers – we're all learning all the time, so there's no pressure to "get it right", whatever "right" means. The one thing we've all learned over the last year is how much more there is to think about; no doubt we'll say the same thing next September.

If you're interested in joining us or finding out more, please contact **Heather** (482667) or **Gill** (482136).

RENOVARE DAY CONFERENCE

Renovare was founded by Richard Foster (author of Celebration of Discipline, Streams of Living Water) in 1988 with the aim of encouraging spiritual formation to encourage Christians to become more like Jesus Christ. So often our spiritual lives can seem dry and uninspiring but this is not what Jesus intended when he said that he had come so that we might have life in all its fullness. Renovare supports

renovare
Becoming more like Jesus



Christians to become lively, active disciples. One of the ways Renovare does this is by putting on training events and there's an opportunity to attend a Renovare day conference in Dorset on **September 26th**.

Please contact **Carrie** to book: admin@canfordparish.org or 01202 882270
www.renovarelife.org



RIDE + STRIDE 2015 – SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

“Conserving the past – enriching the future”

The Dorset Historic Churches Trust, a registered charity in partnership with the National Churches Trust, exists to help preserve, maintain and enhance Christian churches and chapels of all denominations. Each year recently it has raised and distributed in excess of £100,000, the major part of which comes from the annual Ride + Stride Event.

Last year's *Ride + Stride* was a real triumph. In 2014 the Lyme Bay Deanery churches – some 50 in all, which include the Bride Valley churches, the Beaminster Team, the Golden Cap Benefice, Bridport churches and the United Benefice of Askerswell, Powerstock, Lodders and Symondsburry – **raised over £11,000** towards the final total for the county of **£81,000**.

Ride + Stride 2015 will take place on Saturday 12th September. All parishes will have received information including sponsorship sheets by now and I know that several people will be participating in this sponsored event.

Please do support riders, be they on bicycles, horseback, even four wheels....and striders on two feet. Please do sponsor them and please do welcome them warmly in all our churches on the day.

Over the past three years the Trust has made awards totalling some £75,000 to sixteen local churches – Mosterton, Toller Porcorum, Broadwindsor, South Perrott, Chideock RC, Charmouth, Whitchurch Canonicorum, Wootton Fitzpaine, Symondsburry, Uploders Methodist, Bridport United, North Porton, Marshwood, Powerstock, Shipton Gorge and Long Bredy.

So the Trust spends what it raises; it doesn't squirrel its money away... Please don't hesitate to approach me, as your representative, about any appropriate projects which you may feel the Trust might support.

And please do be involved again this year – as rider, strider, sponsor or someone providing a warm welcome!

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. Katherine Jones	898553
Shipton Gorge:	Mrs. Janet Lane	897241

Andrew Boggis, Hooke 01308 861176 aboggis@googlemail.com

LITTON AND THORNERS VILLAGE HALL, THE LUNCH BOX, SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER, 7PM



★ FOOD FILM FESTIVAL ★

The Lunch Box was a huge success with the Screen Bites audience last year, the story of a lonely and disgruntled Indian government officer nearing retirement whose life is transformed when he starts receiving delicious lunches from the famous Dabbawallahs. So what if they were intended for someone else ... but who is sending them. This gentle romance is a joy.

Food producers include Denhay, Charmouth Dragon, Dorset Gourmet Hotdogs and Portesham Vineyard, among 20 food producers.



The doors open at 7pm for tastings.
Bookings open on Friday 11th September by telephone to 01963 32525 or email screenbites@thanksgiving.demon.co.uk
Visit the website, www.screenbites.co.uk, for more information

GOOD BOOKS

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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.

GOOD BOOKS

At our Coffee Morning on **Tuesday 8th September** Good Books will be welcoming **Jo O'Farrell** (ex-manager/trustee of Good Books), who will share '**Here is a beginning**', a book of her poems published in aid of The Living Tree cancer support group. Please join us if you can for cake, bring & buy, raffle and new books to view.

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

'**The Wisdom House**' by **Rob Parsons**, author of '**The Sixty Minute Grandparent**' and '**The Heart of Success**'. Rob, now a grandparent himself, shares some of the wisdom he's picked up down the years, from his own experiences and that of others he's met...'because you don't always have to learn the hard way'. **£8.99.**

'**The Spirit of Saint Francis**' by **Pope Francis**, a unique and inspiring sequence of meditations, drawn from the Pope's speeches and tweets. 'Some people wish to know why I wished to be called Francis. For me, Francis of Assisi is the man of poverty, the man of peace, the man who loves and protects creation' Pope Francis, March 16 2013. **£8.99.**

'**Roger Jones, Musical Man**', a biography by **Graham Allan** tells of the life and ministry of Roger Jones, and examines the growth and development of his organisation Christian Music Ministries. For anyone who has taken part in his musicals, produced locally or with Roger himself, this is a fascinating account with many photos, of a remarkable man. **£8.50.**

BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

We held our Flower and Garden Produce Show on July 18th. Twenty eight of our members entered flowers, garden produce and photographs which were judged by the visiting public. We were pleased to see many visitors, many of whom commented on how difficult it is to be a judge! It was a lovely day to enjoy the displays and the excellent refreshments.



We extend our grateful thanks to all who provided the cakes and scones, to those who helped out on the day and to everyone who exhibited the 'fruits of their labours'. Congratulations to all the winners.

Our speaker at our July meeting was Philip Gamble who gave us a lot of useful information on what ought to be pruned in the summer months and, with his subtle humour, gave us a practical demonstration on how to do it. On September 21st we have a speaker from the Gold Club talking to us about 'Soft Fruit'. If you've ever wanted to be able to harvest your own soft fruit instead of buying them in the supermarket now is your chance to find

out how to go about it. Visitors are always welcome, entrance £2

JOBS TO DO IN SEPTEMBER

Pests and diseases can still be a problem at this time of year so begin clearing any diseased material to prevent fungal spores and other harmful organisms having a chance to overwinter in the soil. Sow hardy annuals for flowering next year and plant spring-flowering bulbs. Divide herbaceous perennials. Plant out spring-flowering biennials. Lift tender perennials before the first frosts. Plant out spring cabbages, garlic and autumn (Japanese) onion sets. Lift maincrop potatoes towards the end of the month and store in paper or hessian sacks. Cut down fruited summer raspberry canes to ground level.

Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH

POPPY APPEAL COLLECTORS - URGENT!!

We are looking for **Collectors** in **Puncknowle** for next year's Poppy appeal. **PLEASE PLEASE** 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 Social Evenings for the rest of the year will be held in the **Stable Bar** of **The Anchor** on the following dates:

Monday 28th September

Monday 26th October and AGM

Monday 30th November

Please let Basil Dent (897125) or Malcolm Lawrence (89861) know if you are attending.

OTHER EVENTS

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

We remember the 75th anniversary of the **Battle of Britain** on **September 15th**.

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)

PORTESHAM SURGERY NEWS

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

It's hard to believe, as I write this on a sunny morning in early August, but we are only six weeks away from the start of the **annual flu vaccination** programme. As usual, all patients aged 65 years or over on 31st March 2015 are entitled to have a flu jab, as well as those under 65 who are at risk because of a long-term health condition (such as diabetes, chronic heart, liver or kidney disease, chronic asthma or COPD). We will be writing to those who are at risk, but in the meantime if you are not sure as to whether you "qualify" for a free flu jab, do give us a call. In addition pregnant women, and children aged two, three or four on 31st August, are also encouraged to have the flu jab this year.

Our clinics start on **22nd September** at Portesham Surgery as follows:

Tuesday afternoons (2 – 5.30pm)

Wednesday afternoons (2 – 3.30pm)

Thursday mornings (8.40 – 11.30am)

We will run these sessions weekly until mid-October, but places go fast so please ring us to book your place.

This year we are also offering a Saturday morning flu clinic at the Surgery on **10th October** from 9am.

We may also do a pulse check or offer you a pneumococcal or shingles vaccination if you are eligible, so please be ready with your sleeve rolled up!

As usual our GPs will be coming to the village halls for flu clinics on the following afternoons, all from 2 – 3pm:

Puncknowle Village Hall: **Tuesday 22nd September**

Litton Cheney (LATCH meeting room): **Thursday 24th September**

Abbotsbury (Strangways Hall): **Friday 25th September**

Burton Bradstock Reading Room: **Thursday 1st October**

Remember if you have to attend the surgery for another appointment with either a GP or nurse from mid-September onwards, we can usually fit the flu vaccination in at the same time so you don't have to make a separate journey to attend a flu clinic. But do let us know when you book your GP or nurse

Cruise 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**



appointment so we can have the flu vaccine ready (or reserve one for you if our stocks are running low in October).

Shingles and Pneumococcal vaccinations

If you are over 65 or at risk because of a long-term condition, you will also be offered the Pneumococcal vaccination which is a once-only jab (because the virus does not vary from year to year in the same way as the influenza virus does).

Patients aged 70, 71, 72, 78 or 79 on 1st September 2015 are also encouraged to have the Shingles vaccination. This is a relatively new vaccination programme offered since 2013; the aim is to offer it to all patients aged between 70 and 80 in a gradual programme (hence the complicated age range above). We will be writing to everyone who is entitled to the vaccine in the next few weeks. You can have all three jabs in the same visit, if you are feeling brave!

Repeat Prescription collections in the villages

You can request to have your prescriptions delivered to a collection point near you, to save a monthly trip to Portesham. We have collection points in **Burton Bradstock** (the Post Office), **Puncknowle** (The Crown Inn), **Litton Cheney** (The White Horse Inn) and **Abbotsbury** (the Farm Shop). We have recently introduced a collection note which goes with the prescriptions each week and which we ask you (or whoever collects your prescription for you) to sign when you pick them up. This gives us a record of which prescriptions are delivered remotely each week so we have full traceability, which is so important when dealing with prescription medicines. We are very grateful to our publicans and shop keepers for their help, especially during the busy summer months.

Portesham Surgery: 01305 871468 or receptionist@gp-j81609.nhs.uk

HOME-START WEST DORSET RECEIVES £7,400 FUNDING BOOST FROM DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL FUND

Local independent family support charity, Home-Start West Dorset, has received a grant award of £7,408 from the Dorset County Council Fund to fund two home-visiting volunteer preparation training courses. The fund is managed by Dorset Community Foundation on behalf of Dorset County Council.

The Home-Start charity gives friendship, advice and practical support to families who live in the West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland areas through their home-visiting volunteers. The volunteers (who are parents themselves) are trained to help parents to discover, or rediscover the joy of parenting. Their unique free 40 hour accredited training course prepares volunteers for a family support role. The volunteer is then carefully matched to a family and will visit them in the family home for 2-4 hours per week.

Eight volunteers recently completed the course in June at Home-Start's Poundbury office, 5 completing at Level 2 accreditation (equivalent to working at GCSE A-C grade).

Having recently obtained funding from BBC Children in Need to cover the recruitment and employment of a fourth organiser (with mental health specialism) enabling the scheme to support a further 25 families, the funding from DCCF will enable the charity to train the further 20+ volunteers required to work with the new organiser and support the additional families who are in need of assistance within the region.

'We are absolutely delighted with obtaining the grant from the Dorset County Council Fund' says David Powell, Chair of Trustees for Home-Start West Dorset, 'this will enable us to train more home-visiting volunteers and thus expand the charity and support the continually growing demand for family support in the local community'.

The first training course is due to start on **Wednesday 23 September 2015**. Home-Start is interested in hearing from anyone who feels their experience of parenting may enable them to give emotional support and friendship to families across West Dorset.

☎ 01305 265072 or ✉ office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk or look at www.homestartwestdorset.co.uk for further information.

The scheme also welcomes enquiries for those interested in becoming a trustee for the charity.

Volunteering for Home-Start



Could you help make a difference for young families in West Dorset?

Many parents need help, friendship, advice or support during those early years when children are young.

Your experience as a parent can help other parents.

Interested?

Call **01305 265072**

www.homestartwestdorset.co.uk



**OUR NEXT FREE
VOLUNTEER PREPARATION TRAINING COURSES**

will be starting on

Wednesday 23 September 2015

and Friday 6 November 2015

please call for further details

DIARY, SEPTEMBER 2015

Wed	2	19.30	Burton Parish Council Meeting	Reading Room, Burton
Thu	3	10.00	Churchyard Working Party	St Mary's Litton Cheney
Thu	3	14.30	G of H Prayer/Meditation Group	Othona Community House
Sat	5	10.00	Gospel Choir/Jo Sercombe	St John's, West Bay
Sun	6	15.00	Mission Afternoon Tea	Broomheads, Burton
Tue	8	11.00	Police Surgery	Library, Burton
Tue	8	19.30	Litton Parish Council Meeting	LATCH
Thu	10	See text	Veast of Folk	Various venues in Burton
Fri	11	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	11	14.15	Tots & Pram Service	St Mary's Burton
Fri	11	See text	Veast of Folk	Various venues in Burton
Sat	12	10.00 ⇒	Dorset Churches - Ride+Stride	Across the Valley
Sat	12	See text	Veast of Folk	Various venues in Burton
Mon	14	14.30	Story Time for children under 5	Library, Burton
Tue	15	12.30	PWSB Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	15	19.00	Bride Valley Youth Club	LATCH
Wed	16	19.30	Shipton Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall, Shipton
Thu	17	14.30	G of H Prayer/Meditation Group	Othona Community House
Fri	18	19.30	Village Soc. 30 years @ BBC/Campbell Hughes	Village Hall, Burton
Mon	21	19.30	BV Gardening Club - "Soft Fruit"	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	22	14.00	Flu Jabs	Village Hall. Puncknowle
Wed	23	10.00	Coffee Stop hosted by F.B.B.L.	Village Hall, Burton
Thu	24	14.00	Flu Jabs	LATCH
Fri	25	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	25	19.30	BB Films "The Theory of Everything"	Village Hall, Burton
Mon	28	19.30	Bride Valley British Legion - social	The Anchor, Burton
Wed	30	20.00	Bride Valley Films "The Theory of Everything"	LATCH
Thu	1	14.00	Flu Jabs	Village Hall, Burton



SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES SEPTEMBER 2015

	1st Sunday 6 September Trinity 14	2nd Sunday 13 September Trinity 15	3rd Sunday 20 September Trinity 16	4th Sunday 27 September Trinity 17
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	5.00 Harvest Service	11.00 Morning Worship 5.30 Evensong
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion by Ext	11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	11.00 All Age Holy Communion	11.00 Harvest 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 by Ext		9.30 Morning Worship	
Littlebredy		11.00 Holy Communion		11.00 Holy Communion by Ext