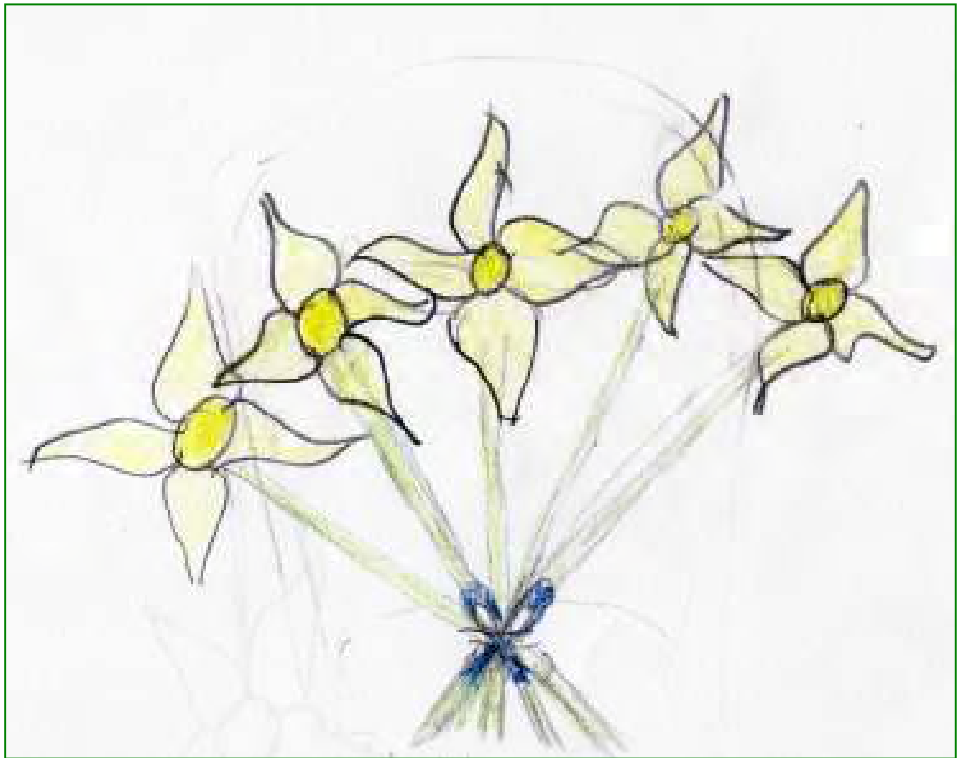


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## **March 2010**



*Mothers' Day Daffodils  
- Tilly Christmas*

**The Magazine of The Bride Valley Churches**

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# 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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## WEEKDAY SERVICES, MARCH 2010

*For Sunday Services, see back cover*

|                  |      |         |                                 |
|------------------|------|---------|---------------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Mon  | 9.00am  | Little Bredy                    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Wed  | 9.30am  | Burton Bradstock                |
|                  |      | 10.00am | Burton Bradstock Holy Communion |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Thur | 9.00am  | Puncknowle                      |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Fri  | 9.00am  | Litton Cheney                   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Mon  | 9.00am  | Long Bredy                      |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> | Wed  | 9.30am  | Burton Bradstock                |
|                  |      | 10.00am | Burton Bradstock Holy Communion |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | Thur | 9.00am  | Swyre                           |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | Fri  | 9.00am  | Shipton Gorge                   |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> | Mon  | 9.00am  | Little Bredy                    |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> | Wed  | 9.30am  | Burton Bradstock                |
|                  |      | 10.00am | Burton Bradstock Holy Communion |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> | Thur | 9.00am  | Puncknowle                      |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> | Fri  | 9.00am  | Litton Cheney                   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Mon  | 9.00am  | Long Bredy                      |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> | Wed  | 9.30am  | Burton Bradstock                |
|                  |      | 10.00am | Burton Bradstock Holy Communion |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> | Thur | 9.00am  | Swyre                           |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> | Fri  | 9.00am  | Shipton Gorge                   |

**In January** I suffered an electricity bill of £11,622 and 94 pence. It was an estimated bill, calculated, I suppose, on the basis that the one for the same quarter the year before was £89 odd. I was surprised, but not alarmed in that my first thought was one of being thankful that it was not on direct debit. It would have been interesting, and perhaps even educational, to try to go overdrawn at the bank by over eleven thousand pounds, and then to try to get the charges paid by the electricity company. In fact I am now so curious I think I will probably try it sometime just to see what happens.



With any luck, if I go deeply enough into debt all of a sudden, and if I whine long enough about how you have to pay talented people top whack to mismanage things so badly, the government will take me into public ownership and allow me to pay myself a very large and private bonus, funded by your involuntary generosity.

I apologise for the lapse from perfect tolerance, brought on by the sins of greed, anger and envy, as well as of sheer astonishment, if that counts as a sin. What this letter was supposed to be about when I started it was debt, beginning with the amount we all now carry as a nation, and going on about private debt and what it does to the soul. I was then going to turn the angle slightly to talk about moral debt, and the good we owe one another in a debt that is not always paid in terms of neighbourly generosity – neighbours including strangers, foreigners and indeed enemies in the Christian Creed.

The full turn is made in talking about the debt we would owe to God, which is our life and everything, if the charge had not been taken away by Christ on the cross. Which is all good straightforward stuff, but I cannot say it now owing to (notice the word owing) the aforementioned lapse in consideration.

So now, having told you about my interesting bill, which in humility I was very glad to receive as it reminded me of my complete indebtedness to God in Christ, I am bound to add how very happy I am for all those who lately have enjoyed a vast reward, however undeserved. I have to say this, and then I have to mean it. Try it. It's not as easy as it sounds. But if we can manage it, you and I, Lent may be a little shorter this year, even if it feels longer.

*Bob Thorn*

## FROM THE REGISTERS



### BAPTISM

On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January, **Jack William George Mayo** was Baptised in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock. From the start he introduced an air of radiant calm to the ceremony, exuding confidence from the arms of his Mother Laura. He carried as his due, the approval and applause of family and friends, making only a short, formal complaint at the onset of the water before returning to his accustomed assurance.

It was a fine performance given by a talented young man at the top of his form, in whose witness God was praised in the light of Christ given to him, and the promise of Christ made for him.

### FUNERALS

On 4<sup>th</sup> February, in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock the funeral was held of the late **Joan Mary Ellington**, who with her daughter Liz had moved into the Parish some couple of years ago. They both quickly made friends in the village and among the worshipping community of the Church. For all that, Joan's spiritual heart, and lifetime friendships were made at St Alban's and in the Abbey Church there, where her ashes will be laid to rest in due time.



A large gathering of friends from her early days in London, from St Albans, and ones more recently made in the village, came to join the family in giving thanks for her long and happy life. The Revd Bob Thorn led the service, and the Revd Ryder Rogers the prayers. Among those present was Carmina, Joan's great grand daughter.

On Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> February, the ashes of the late **Gerald John Cuzens** were interred in the churchyard of St Mary's Church, Litton Cheney, at rest beside those of his late wife. Gerald's funeral service was held on the 18<sup>th</sup> November of last year.

The funeral of the late **Katharina Jones**, formerly of Litton Cheney, was held at Yeovil crematorium on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> January. It was a small but lovely service of thanksgiving and remembrance, before her soul was commended to God's keeping. Her son Arthur remembered Katharina singing in a group with her brothers, and how the joy of her singing, reflected in her life, inspired her children and grandchildren and was a constant joy to her friends.

*May they rest in peace, and rise in glory. Amen.*

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### ST PETER'S CHURCH

#### LONG BREDY FRUGAL LUNCH

This year's frugal lunch will be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 12.45pm at Langbridge, Long Bredy. Juniper Greener is very kindly hosting this annual occasion, so come and sample the delicious soups, made by the ladies of the village. This year the donations will be given to HomeStart South West. Helen Horseley who works for the charity will be present to explain more about it.



#### P.C.C.

The P.C.C. A.G.M is to be held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. This will be an open meeting.

#### NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME



Langebride garden in Long Bredy (home of Mrs Greener and Mr and Mrs Busby) will be open on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 12noon to 4.00pm as Spring approaches.

Come and have a light lunch or afternoon tea at the Village Hall to warm up before or after! Also open from 12.00noon to 4.00pm.

#### LONG BREDY THREE GARDEN SAFARI

The gardens of Bellamont House, Whatcombe House and Pitcombe Farm will be open from 12noon to 7.00pm on Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 12noon to 5.00pm on Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Lunches and teas (hog roast for Sunday lunch).

More details to follow.

*Any news, views or events?*

*Please remember you are welcome to forward any items to share with the community.*

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A grandfather was walking through his yard when he heard his granddaughter repeating the alphabet in a tone of voice that sounded like a prayer. He asked her what she was doing. The little girl explained: "I'm praying, but I can't think of exactly the right words, so I'm just saying all the letters, and God will put them together for me, because He knows what I'm thinking."

*Charles B. Vaughan*

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# SHIPTON GORGE

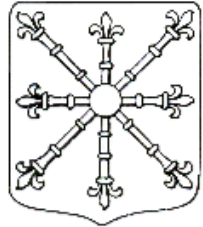
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## St MARTIN'S CHURCH

### ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This will take place at 7.30pm on 24<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall. Voting will take place for positions of Church Wardens, Church Secretary and Members of the PCC. Details will be given as to what has happened during 2009 and what the PCC propose to do during 2010. All parishioners are welcome to air their views, but we must point out that only people who are on the Electoral Roll of St. Martin's church are entitled to vote.



### EASTER

Morning Prayer will be held on Maundy Thursday (1<sup>st</sup> April) at 11.00am and the Litany will be read at 11.00am on Good Friday (2<sup>nd</sup> April). Everyone is most welcome to join us in these two short services.

On Easter Sunday, the Easter Communion will be held at 11.00am.

### CHURCH HILL

Notices have been erected on Church Hill warning of uneven ground. Please be aware that the ground becomes very soft and easily churnable after rain. Please take care when walking or parking on Church Hill.

### FLAG FLYING AT ST. MARTIN'S

We have a team of volunteers who are willing to fly the flag on St. Martin's church on the appropriate days. More volunteers are needed. If you are interested please contact Gillian on 897 346.

### ADVANCE NOTICES

#### OPEN GARDEN & CREAM TEAS

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Langren are opening their garden and serving cream teas, at Church View, on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> June. Everyone is welcome.

#### ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH FETE

This will take place on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00pm in and around the Village Hall. As usual we are asking for helpers and donations. If anyone wishes to help, please contact Gillian 897346, Vicky 898648, Kate 897574, Linda 898278, Elizabeth 897207, or James 898657.

## ELECTORAL ROLL

I will be up-dating the church electoral roll in March prior to the Annual Meeting. If you are not on the roll and would like to be, (or even on the roll and do not wish to be!) I would be grateful if you would let me know. Thank you - Bob White. 898203.

## SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

The SGVS AGM was held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February.

The committee elected is John Kent (chair), Liz Gates (secretary), Ed Buck (treasurer), Sally Parker (events secretary), Linda Stockwell, Phyll Webster, David Curtis and Simon Cleveland.

The proposed events diary was published in the January BVN, but watch out for updates in the New Inn, BVN and around the village. Friends from neighbouring villages in the Valley are always welcome to join us.

The ploughman's supper with quiz proved a challenge last month, but was great fun, and the supper excellent. Our thanks as always to Liz Gates and Sally Parker (and especial thanks to Jill Parsons for wonderful salads).

This month we hold our "HOME GUARD BASH" with a celebration of "Shipton-Gorge-on-sea home guard" and food to match! This will be in the Village Hall on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March – Tickets from Sally (897968) or John (897574).

### ADVANCE NOTICE:

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Bingo in the Village Hall

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May – Stomping Dave Allen

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May – coach trip to Kingston Lacey

Watch for further details nearer the time!

## ARTSREACH

### MY DARLING CLEMMIE

Shipton Gorge Village Hall ~ Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm.

"My most brilliant achievement was my ability to persuade my wife to marry me." (Winston Churchill)

This is the remarkable, moving and highly entertaining story of the woman who married one of the truly great figures of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Rohan McCullough is a highly experienced actress both on stage and screen. Her most notable success has been with her one-woman shows, which she has performed worldwide. *'My Darling Clemmie'* is written by Hugh Whitmore, who has written extensively





for stage and screen, and won various Awards for his work. He received great acclaim for his two Churchill TV films, 'The Gathering Storm' and the recent 'Into the Storm'. Whitmore revisits this subject for 'My Darling Clemmie', which is directed by Gareth Armstrong and performed by Rohan McCullough.

This performance will have traditional theatre style seating ~ please book and pay for tickets in advance with Doris on 897562

## SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL

### 100 CLUB FEBRUARY DRAW

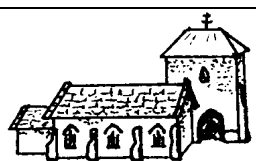
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| £20 | No 77 | Dawn Symes  |

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## ST MARY'S CHURCH

### CHURCH DECORATION FOR EASTER

. Please come and help decorate the church for Easter on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April from 10.00am. Contributions of flowers and greenery would be welcome. Also many bunches of primroses for the chancel arch.



### LENT FRUGAL LUNCH WEDNESDAY

Come and join us in the Village Hall on 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 12.30pm for home-made soup, bread and cheese. The collection will be for 'Send a Cow' who by giving livestock, seeds and expert training, have helped thousands of people across seven countries in Africa to work their way out of poverty and into a life of self-respect and fulfilment.

### CAROL SINGING ROUND THE VILLAGE IN DECEMBER

A late thank you to everyone who contributed, we raised £208. Half went to Alarbé's Charis House in Weymouth which provides supported living for homeless men, the first step to towards independence. The other half went to Lucie Trollope who writes:

*I would like to say a big thank you to all the citizens of Puncknowle who gave donations to the carol singers who braved the cold for two nights in December. I received £104 from the money raised to help me fund a forthcoming trip to India with GirlGuiding UK to work with children in poor communities. I will be in Pune for three weeks over the summer, visiting*

*schools and the children of migrant workers, as well as experiencing some of India's diverse cultures and traditions. On my return I will be speaking to a number of groups about the experience. There is still some way to go to reach the target required, so if anyone would like to suggest ideas for fundraising please get in contact on the following number 01308897025. A special thank you to all my fellow carol singers. Many thanks once again, Lucie Trollop, Hoopers Lane, Puncknowle.*

*Ann Roberts*



## **DORSET & SOMERSET AIR AMBULANCE**

Well done and thank you to all who donated and signed the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance Christmas Cards in The Crown and The White Horse. The total amount was £112.

*Brenda Oliver*

## **RECYCLING TO SAVE LIVES**

By now, in all probability, you will all have noticed the rather large yellow box (how can you possibly have missed it?) that has been installed in the yard outside the Village Hall. This has been placed at the request of the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance to collect clothes, shoes and other textiles to be recycled with funds raised going to the Air Ambulance service.



It's all in a good cause, so please bag up any contributions and place the bags in the box



## **HOME WATCH**

Our half yearly meeting will be held in Puncknowle village hall on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. This is an opportunity for you to meet the village co-ordinators and discuss local security. We look forward to seeing you all, especially new residents.

*Rob Reeks*

## **ART CLUB**

The AGM was well attended despite the cold weather. Doreen was thanked for all her hard work as chairman over the past few years. We do appreciate everything that she has done. Wendy and Rosie agreed to share the chair for 2010. Many ideas were proposed for the new programme including workshops to inspire and take us forward.



Our following meeting was a continuation of the glass painting that we have been attempting to master. Jennifer has been preparing a talk on Frances Hatch which she will give on 5<sup>th</sup> March followed by a workshop on 19<sup>th</sup> March.



## BOOK CLUB

The Book Club has a few vacancies - if you would like to join us, the next meeting is Wed 17th March, and after that once a month in Puncknowle Hall. Discussions are lively! Books we have chosen to read this year are a mixed selection by authors such as Margaret Drabble, Alexander McCall-Smith, Amy Tan, Rupa Bajwa, Douglas Kennedy, Anita Shreve, Margaret Atwood and Simon Kernick. Contact me on 897771 Carol Bennett.

## PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE VILLAGE HALL

For bookings, telephone 01308 897724



### “100 CLUB”

Congratulations to the winners of the Christmas Special (December) and January draws:

#### Christmas

- 1 £75 Sandy Marshall
- 2 £25 Gwen Pym
- 3 £25 Carol Bennett
- 4 £15 Elizabeth Slater
- 5 £10 Sue Taylor

#### January

- 1 £10 David Buckland
- 2 £ 5 Mary Fitzgerald

The draw takes place at the Lunch Club on the third Tuesday of every month. Anybody wishing to join the club for the remainder of the year should pick up a form from the hall (it is open every Wednesday afternoon - see Broadband access times below), or contact Rob Reeks (897633).

## BROADBAND ACCESS



Free Broadband Access continues but as from February timing will revert to 3.00 - 6.00pm every Wednesday (except the fifth Wednesday of any month). Are you fed up with TV adverts etc telling you to go to the internet for more information? Come along and we'll have a look for you.

## PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & W. BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB

The next lunch will be on 16th March. Any member who was not at the February lunch, and anyone wishing to join the club, should ring 897622 to join up and/or order their March lunch.





## ONLINE SHOPPING - [buy.at/PuncknowleSwyreVillageHall](http://buy.at/PuncknowleSwyreVillageHall)

Support Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall when you shop online . Popular retailers available on the site include , ebay, Sky, Play.com, Ethical Superstore, Amazon, Waterstones, Ryman and many more.

## PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE PARISH COUNCIL

### MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be in the Village Hall on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30pm.

## WEST BEXINGTON NEWS



Congratulations to Mr. Allan Hopkins of Dezley, Swyre Road, West Bexington who is 90 this month - Allan can still often be seen on the roof of his bungalow, or in the very large, beautiful garden he and Joan tend. He does not respect age!

Well done Allan, we wish you an ongoing and healthy life here on the coast!

Also congratulations to Mr. Patrick Millard, of Blegberry, West Bexington who was awarded an MBE in the New Years Honours list. I understand that he, his wife Norma and their two children, Ben and Rebecca, will be going to Windsor Castle at the end of February to receive this. Patrick started from his home here in 2000, the charity *Tax help for Older People* which helps older people on low incomes.



From this very small beginning, Patrick recruited tax professionals all over the country to give some of their time for free, to help older people with their tax problems. He now operates from Pineapple Business Park, after the Lottery gave him a grant in 2005, and now has 8 staff in the Call centre there. He has over 700 Volunteers all over the country helping more than 18,000 people a year.

Well done Patrick, from your friends in the area.

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Boyhood, like measles, is one of those complaints which a man should catch young and have done with, for when it comes in middle life, it is apt to be serious.

*P. G. Wodehouse (1881 - 1975), Uneasy Money*

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## LITTON CHENEY

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### ST MARY'S CHURCH

The PCC's plans for the new access and the addition of a WC and small kitchen facility on the ground floor of the tower with a new meeting room/store and location for the clock on a new mezzanine floor above, are all set to go. If you have not already seen it, there is a very new look to the Church with the recent disappearance of the old hall; the demolition work was carried out efficiently and skilfully by John Kingston and his two hard working assistants.

To complete the work we are still in need of some funds – please do help if you can, we want to do the additions to the highest standard, worthy of our magnificent Grade 1 listed Church. Donations will be gratefully received by Brian Prentice, Treasurer, at Steddings, Chalk Pit Lane (please telephone him on 482535 if you are able to giftaid).

### ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual Church Meeting, at which the Churchwardens and PCC members are elected, will take place on Wednesday 7th April at 7.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Church.

To vote at this meeting or to be eligible to join the PCC you need to be included on the Church Electoral Roll by 24<sup>th</sup> March. You are entitled to go on the Electoral Roll if you are baptised, over 16, a member of the Church of England (or some other Churches) and resident in the parish. If you are not already on the Electoral Roll and would like to join, please contact me for an application form.

### FRUGAL LUNCH

Freddie and Diana Spicer will be hosting a Frugal Lunch on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 12.30pm at 1 Litton Hill, in aid of "Hope and Homes for Children". Please do come along if you can.

Wendy Taylor, PCC Secretary, Tel: 482532 [taylor@bridevalley.com](mailto:taylor@bridevalley.com)



### LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

#### LITTER PICK

This will take place is on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, meeting at the Bus Shelter. Do come along and give a little spring clean to the village before the verges get too long.





## DUCK RACE

We will know that spring has really sprung when the ducks make their way down Main Street to the White Horse in the annual Duck Race on Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 12.00noon, opposite Fry's Yard. We look forward to seeing you there, and the pub will be open this year!!

Ron Davidson 482661 LCSC

## LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Litton Cheney Parish Council on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm, at Litton and Thorner's Community Hall. All welcome.

## EVENTS AT LITTON AND THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL

For a full update on what is happening at the community hall please go to [www.littoncheney.org.uk](http://www.littoncheney.org.uk) and click on "Events at the Hall".



If you are interested in attending classes on yoga, pilates, tai chi, calligraphy, and a whole host of other activities then check out the contact details of the organizer on the Litton web site. Yoga classes please note, there will be no yoga class on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

**Beginners Ballroom Classes** with Glenn Bayliss – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. Start of a 6-week course to learn the Foxtrot.

**Antiques Valuation Afternoon** with Michael Vaughan - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March – 2.00 to 4.00pm in the Meeting Room.

**Village Café** – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March (10.30am until 12.30pm) and this month hosted by Bride Valley Fledglings. Your regular monthly appointment for refreshments, a little light shopping and the occasional chat.

Members of Litton Cheney Web Group will be on hand at the March Village Café with laptop computers available, for anyone interested in learning some basic user skills, such as:

- Security, Firewalls, Viruses, Scams etc
- How to get connected to the Internet
- Internet Shopping
- Emails
- Finding information on Web
- Producing and editing documents
- Storing photographs and other information
- Backing up saved data

**Easter Bingo** – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Doors open 6.30pm with eyes down at 7.00pm. Fun for all the family and a chance to win oval shaped melty things. Proceeds from this event will be used to purchase some comfortable chairs for the hall.

**Bride Valley Film Club Nights** – see Valley Notes

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## ST MARY'S CHURCH

### LENT LUNCHES

These will take place every Friday in March, at the following venues:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Linda Bongers, Hazelbrow, Shipton Lane, 898029.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Mary Ibbotson, 21 Norburton, 898484.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Liz Orza, 2 Bindbarrow, 897451.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Christine Lawrence, Bramley House, Shipton Lane, 898616.



Please advise the hostesses of your intention to partake, if possible. All lunches will be from 12.30pm until 2.00pm; your

donations will be divided between this year's chosen charities, the Church Urban Fund and Farm Africa.



## GARDEN PARTY

A date for your diary! We will be holding a Garden Party in aid of The Alzheimer's Society on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> June at Linden Cottage. Watch this space!

*John and Veda Bull*



## EASTER COFFEE MORNING

There will be a Coffee Morning in aid of the Julia's House Pyjama Appeal, in Burton Bradstock Village Hall from 10.20am to 12.30pm on Easter Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> April.

Entrance will be £1 per person, to include Coffee and Biscuits.

There will be a Bric a Brac stall, a Cake Stall and a Raffle. Please deliver any items for the stalls to Noreen Short, Greenwich Cottage, Burton Bradstock, before the date.

*Noreen Short*



**BURTON BRADSTOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA**

PROUDLY ANNOUNCE THE

## **ANNUAL EASTER DUCK RACE**

ON THE RIVER BRIDE ON EASTER SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
RECREATION GROUND NEXT TO THE PARK,  
BURTON BRADSTOCK



**STALLS** INCLUDING TOMBOLA, CAKES , LUCKY JAM JARS, GAMES,  
NAIL BOUTIQUE, DECORATING BISCUITS (& EATING THEM!)

**WILL BE OPEN FROM 1PM**

**DUCKS AWAY FROM THE BRIDGE AT 2PM**

### **EASTER BONNET COMPETITION**

DUCK TICKETS GO ON SALE FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH AT £1 EACH FROM  
BURTON BRADSTOCK SCHOOL, THE POST OFFICE, THE ANCHOR  
INN, THE THREE HORSESHOES PUB , THE GARAGE & THE HIVE BEACH  
CAFE



**JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF EASTER FUN FOR THE FAMILY**

**PRIZES FOR THE FIRST THREE DUCKS & THE BEST EASTER BONNET**  
**BUY YOUR DUCKS EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT**

## **BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY**

The Village Society are looking for someone to take over the running of the Flower and Produce Show from 2011. This could also be a job share and split between two people. If you are interested it would be helpful to shadow this years show in July to find out how it works. Any enquiries to Sandy Adderley on 898358.

There is also a vacancy for someone to cater for the refreshments at our monthly meetings starting in September. If you can help please contact either Valerie Mcrobert on 897905 or Carol Lumley on 897365.

## **FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY**

Come and place your bets for another Race Night on Friday March 26<sup>th</sup>. A supper of bangers, mash and beans will again be on the menu.



Doors open at 6.30 pm with the first race at 7.00pm. Tickets are on sale at Burton Bradstock Post Office price £6 each. A licensed bar will be available.

We hope to see you there.

*Sandy Adderley*

## **BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL**

For Bookings – Telephone 01308 898222  
Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust (BBVHT)  
200 Club WDDC Licence no: SL0080



### **FEBRUARY 2010 DRAW**

Congratulations to the winners:

|                 |        |         |                 |
|-----------------|--------|---------|-----------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | £44.80 | No 79:  | Mrs Jeanne Hill |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | £22.40 | No 222: | Ms Jenny Malyon |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | £11.20 | No 48:  | Mr Eric Stubbs  |

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the March-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £10 – one pound for each of the remaining 10 draws in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

### **QUIZ NIGHT WITH HAM AND CHEESE PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPER**

There will be a Quiz Night in Burton Bradstock Village Hall on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Either bring along a team of 8, or join a team on the night and enjoy not only a fun quiz, but also a Ham and Cheese Ploughman's Supper. Tickets will cost £5.00 each and will include the supper. Tickets will be available from Burton Bradstock Post Office from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March. Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to change the Supper from Fish and Chips to a Ploughman's. There will be a cash bar and doors will open at 7.15pm for prompt 7.45pm start.

### **VILLAGE FAYRE**

The Burton Bradstock Village Fayre will this year be held on Bank Holiday Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May in the Rectory Gardens. If you are able to offer help running a stall or a game please contact Susan Moores on 01308 897673. More details will appear in the April and May editions of the BVN.

Susan Moores – Chair BB Village Hall Committee – 01308 897673

### **THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION (BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH)**

Just a reminder that the next Social evening will be held at The Three Horseshoes, Burton Bradstock at 7.30pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Supper will be included at £5 per head. Please telephone Jim Reeves 01308 897091 by the 17<sup>th</sup> March if you intend going,. Anyone interested in joining the Legion will be most welcomed to attend but please telephone Jim.



## WORRIED ABOUT SECURITY ON YOUR COMPUTER?

Burton Bradstock Online invites you to an open evening on “Internet Security” in Burton Bradstock Village Hall at 7:30pm on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2010, with wine & nibbles



You will be given an informative talk on basic “Internet Security”, with advice on how to keep your computer safe from virus attacks and other unwanted and potentially dangerous infections that you can so easily pick up on the internet. These tips are invaluable in keeping both your computer and your private information safe (see poster!). In addition, there will be a discussion forum, where a panel of experts will answer your queries and allay your more serious concerns. The talk, and the discussion sessions will also help those of us who pay out for, or download, protection systems, but have little idea as to how they work, or how to ensure they give you full protection.

Depending on demand, we plan to provide new local computer training courses for villagers this year. Training experts will be on hand to talk about what courses are available & to answer your questions.

You will see we have included a (loose) QUESTIONNAIRE in this BVN (*Burton Bradstock only*) to identify what training you need/or what you would like to know more about. The completed forms can be brought to the Open Evening itself, or you can just drop them off at Burton Bradstock Post Office.

Come along for an introduction to Internet Security and to tell us what you would like to learn more about, e.g. Basic Computing, Internet Security, using the Internet, E-mails, Internet Shopping, Digital Photography, Tracing Family History, and more.

*Ken Pett - 01308 897550*

## VILLAGE SOCIETY

The Village Society Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> January turned out to be rather special, despite Bob Ayres’s rival attraction in Shipton Gorge. We sat in excitement, awaiting the start of the talk by Peter Lawrie on Roman Roads in West Dorset. And we sat. And we sat. His picture show had decided not to talk (as they say these days) to the projector. But Valerie McRadio – the true professional as always – extemporised seamlessly, for what seemed an age.

Then we had some trailers, just like the olden days at the pictures, with Pearl and Dean, only it was Howes and Seymour, who gave us some previews of what else is on in this wonderful county. Philip Howes, with a run-down of speakers at the University of the Third Age (U3A) and Mark Culme-Seymour, giving one of his best talks yet (clearly he is better when extemporising!), chatted topically about the many disasters with which he had been involved over the years: none, mind you, of his making! Mark also told us about the Eype Centre for the Arts. *But all this was not what we came for!!*

Well, we got going, thanks to some very nimble footwork from Alistair and David in producing a spare cable and whispering threats in the ear of the computer (rather like the story of the Elephant That Shook Its Head...), and Peter Lawrie, who calls himself the Tony Robinson of Abbotsbury, set off on his marathon lecture about unearthing traces of Roman Roads in and around this part of the world; it was all a bit like “Life of Brian”:

“What have the Romans ever done for us?” Peter’s proposition that Vespasian may have inadvertently precipitated 9/11, was not a theory that caught on, the writer is bound to observe, but a novel way of beginning a talk. It was difficult to tell on whose side he was, as he mocked both the Ancient Brits, who “painted themselves blue, got drunk and made a fuss” and the “guys who came along in tin skirts and knocked their heads together”.

It was an absorbing, if rather complicated story. There were many wordy overheads, which kept us all focussed as we followed them, and Peter! The Romans built brilliant roads; dug through hills to reduce gradients; they stopped for no-one, and made straight for their target. Nevertheless, “Six million trees in Marshwood Vale behind each of which was a blue madman, was a good match for Julius Caesar, the giant lawnmower”: the roads reached little further than Exeter. We enjoyed working out how many tons of corn a Legion consumed in a day (26) and the logistics of this revealed why Roman Roads usually run parallel to sea ports – cheaper provisioning.

The next talk to look out for, on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March, at the Village Hall, will be, “Thirty Years of Wildlife Photography” by Colin Vardell.

And don’t forget the Village Outing, on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June, to Bishops Lydeard, Dunster Castle *and* a ride on the West Somerset Steam Railway!

The Village Society wishes to take this opportunity to thank Peggy Thompson for her kindness, once again, in providing the electricity for the Christmas Tree lights on the Village Green. Peggy has been a source of light for us all ever since 2003 when she moved in; such generosity is more than just electricity; it is a true manifestation of Christmas Spirit!



# SWYRE

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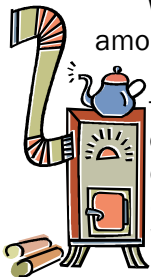
## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

### SERVICES FOR MARCH 2010

Sunday March 7th 3.30pm: Evening Prayer.  
Sunday March 14th 11.00am: Holy Communion.  
Sunday March 21st 11.00am: Morning Worship.  
Sunday March 28th 11.00am: Holy Communion



### IMPROVED HEATING



We are still pursuing the electricity board in order to increase the amount of power available in the church, and ultimately to provide a more effective heating system. This will involve the digging of a trench for new cables as well as the new equipment in the church. None of this comes without a considerable cost, and we do need all the help you can give in order for us to make your church more comfortable, particularly in the winter months. Warm hearts come free, but warm buildings cost money!!

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning in February, which gave us an opportunity to meet as a community and catch up with the latest news, as well as raise a goodly sum towards this project. Friends and neighbours who attended realised first hand how important it is for us to improve the heating: it was very cold. Between us all, we raised the sum of £204.00 and we received a donation of £50.00 - a total of £254.00 . Again, very many thanks.

### PRAYER.

One of the duties the Church is pleased to fulfil is that of offering prayer on behalf of those who are sick or in any other kind of need. As members of the church we pray privately for many people, but we are also pleased to pray publicly in our Church for any who request this. If you would like such prayer made for you please contact me as your Pastoral assistant, or David or Madeline your Church wardens.

Our Church also offers prayers for healing for anyone who wishes this, usually at the end of the 11.00am Service of Holy Communion on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Please ask Madeline, David or myself if you want to know more about this, or anything else about our worship.

*"...pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16.*

*God bless, Yvonne*

## LITTLEBREDY

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Tel: 482232



**Last month's** deadline for copy was just too early to record the passing of **Peter Murton**, of 1, Riverside Cottage, whose long battle with illness finally came to an end. He and Eileen moved here two years ago from Sturminster Newton, having lived in Winterborne Steepleton and France before that, and in his healthier times he became a regular helper at the Social Club, whether spinning the discs at a 60's evening or barbecuing burgers at Rounders Evenings on the cricket ground. Characteristically, he was out of doors and doing odd jobs to within a few days of his death, which was followed by a simple "woodland burial" at Corscombe, accompanied by the reminiscences of his friends. To Eileen, and Billie the dog, we send all condolences at Peter's loss. May he rest in peace.



We do not know if he saw the fine photograph of the Riverside Cottages among various other village scenes which featured in an article about Littlebredy in January's edition of the "Dorset Life" magazine, but it would be good to think so.

**The Burns Night** Supper in the Village Hall was enjoyed by a good crowd, who marvelled at Christine McFadden's culinary skills with the haggis. A visitor for the occasion was Bishop John Simalenga of South West Tanganyika Diocese, who had facilitated Dr. Pouncey's sabbatical there last year. He left with a raffle prize of one of Christine's cookery books, thanks to Fred Prideaux, who had bought the winning ticket for him. Many thanks to the team who prepared the Hall and the meal, for making it a memorable occasion.

**Longlands Barn,** Littlebredy will be the venue for a Barn Dance, complete with a great band and a Spit Roast, on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Make a note in your diary!

## BEYOND THE VALLEY

### WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year, the service is planned by the women of Cameroon in West Africa. The theme is "*Let everything that has breath praise God*", so all you people of the Bride Valley, if you have breath, we hope that you will be with us on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am at Bridport United Church, for a service of joy in true African Style.

All, (men and women) are welcome at this special service from West Africa, on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Let's take this opportunity to be part of the 24 hours of prayer throughout the world on this day, in support of the many millions of people who, despite adverse conditions, continue in hope and faith.



## **FOLLOW THE WOMEN PEDALLING FOR PEACE**

A talk by Detta Regan to mark the start of International Women's Week at St Mary's Church, Bridport on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm

Detta organised the first 'Follow the Women' cycle tour of the Middle East from her home in Berkshire in 2004 and was the 2001 European Woman of the Year and Nobel Peace Prize Nominee. Last year marked the charity's 5th tour. Women from Iran, Iraq, Gaza and Israel joined teams of women of all ages (18-70!) from across Europe, America, Australia and both the Far and Middle East.

The 'Follow the Women' bike ride has three main objectives;

1. To raise awareness of the situation of women and children caught up in the Middle East conflict.
2. To facilitate dialogue between women from the Middle East and from the rest of the world.
3. To raise money for charitable projects specifically targeted at improving the lives of women and children in Middle East.

FTW has now grown into an international movement of over 1200 women committed to promoting peace and cross-cultural understanding. This event is supported by JustUs, the Justice & Peace Network of Churches Together in Bridport & District.

### **GOOD BOOKS**

St Mary's Old School, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3RL

Tel: 01308 420483 E-mail: [orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk](mailto:orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk)

**YOUR** local Christian bookshop and resource centre with a wide range of greetings cards. Call in and see us when you're in Bridport for a cuppa and a browse. We also welcome new volunteers and are looking for book agents in local churches and villages - could this be you?

**Opening hours:** Monday-Friday 9am-1.00pm, Saturday 10.00am-12.00noon, and for tea and chat on most Monday and Wednesday afternoons

We may be able to open for groups at other times by special arrangement.

**Good Books now has a wide range of Christmas cards and Advent calendars in stock, as well as the popular Lion Christmas Promotion of children's books at very reasonable prices for presents.**

Have you filled in one of our questionnaires yet? Call in and pick one up and help us to bring you a better service in 2010 and beyond.

Come and join us to celebrate St Patrick's Day, Wednesday 17 March 2009, for coffee & chat, soda bread & (maybe) shamrock and view our range of material on Celtic spirituality, as well as Easter cards & gifts for family,

friends and those who need to hear from us. We hope to see you, we'll be open through till 2.00pm.



Within a matter of weeks since its launch, Bridport & District U3A has increased its membership by 50 per cent and formed no less than 15 study groups. These groups cover Architecture and art history, book club, bird watching, bridge, English literature and theatre visits, fossil hunting, French conversation, advanced French conversation, guitar, homeopathy for beginners, the world of Jane Austen, landscape archaeology, meditation, musical appreciation and nutrition for optimum health.

Groups' co-ordinator Lesley Archibald said, "We're delighted at the excellent take-up, and confident of lots more groups forming as we grow. There is an impressive range of learning and experience offered for members to share, and we're grateful to group leaders for their work and commitment."

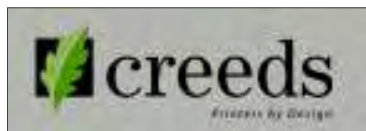
The area served by the new group, which was launched in mid January, includes Beaminster, Burton Bradstock and surrounding villages.

U3A, which stands for the University of the Third Age, is a self-help organisation for people no longer in full time employment, providing educational, creative and leisure opportunities for its members. With no qualifications needed and no exams to be passed, the U3A approach is 'learning for pleasure'.

"Local U3As draw upon the skills and experience of their own members to organise study groups," says Lesley Archibald. "They are a chance to meet people with similar interests, develop new skills and make new friends."

For further information on study groups, contact Lesley Archibald on 01308 456079. For information on how to join U3A, call Diana Coleridge on 01308 424431. Another good way to find out more is to attend the monthly meetings which take place on fourth Tuesday of every month at the Christian Fellowship Hall, Bridport. There will be a talk on Dorset country houses at the March meeting.

*Rob Wells, Press Officer, Tel: 01308 863347*



It's said that everyone has a book inside him or her, yet most of us never get it out! For those who have toyed with the idea it's now a lot easier. Digital printing techniques mean that you don't have to print thousands of copies and the internet means you can tell the world about it if you do.

Creeds, the family printers in Broadoak, who print the Bride Valley News, tell us that more and more Dorset people are bringing them books to

print: anything from autobiography to poetry and, of course, stories. Some want to self-publish, others simply want to produce an attractive record of their life to give to friends and families. Using their own computers novice authors can produce the words and supply pictures and Creeds help them put everything into an attractive format and apply for an ISBN if required. They can even help budding writers with the marketing, distribution and publicity.

This buzz of creativity isn't taking place in Bloomsbury but here on our doorsteps. Creeds are situated in Broadoak, overlooking cows and surrounded by fields. The company boasts state of the art equipment, eco-friendly techniques and employs fourteen staff. It was started by farmer's son John Creed, who began printing at after-school printing classes with art teacher Francis Tighe at Bridport Grammar School. Mr Creed is now in his seventies and the company is run by his daughter Marilyn and son-in-law Harry Harrison, but "the gov" still helps with deliveries and keeps an eye on new developments. Catherine and Laura, Harry & Marilyn's twin daughters, also work in the business with them.

Kind and patient people, Creeds understand first time writers and are well used to helping novices through the hoops of editing, typesetting, scanning, corrections, design, pre-press, production, despatch and marketing. They're "people people" as well as technical professionals. Like the *Bride Valley News* Creeds believe in trying to employ local businesses and suppliers who can be relied upon and care about our communities. *Creed* by name, *creed* by practice!

So, if you have a book inside you, even if you're not Thomas Hardy, have a chat with Marilyn or Harry on 01308 423411 or visit their website [www.creedsuk.com](http://www.creedsuk.com).

## EYPE CENTRE FOR THE ARTS SMUGGLERS START THE SHOW

Eype dope smugglers start the arts season at The Eype Centre for the Arts in the melodramatic film *Dope Under Thorncombe* on Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup>. Made by local Bridport and West Bay people in 1939, the film about dope smuggling on the coast around West Bay and Eype has all the classic ingredients of the theme, including the glamorous heroine and handsome hero, rough matelots, evil gang boss from London, caddish behaviour, pursuit, kidnap, fisticuffs and escape. There is a gunfight and the hero is thrown from a cliff, but right triumphs in the end.

The Trevett family were amongst the main people behind the film and the story was specially created by a local writer. Trillith Films who are bringing the showing to St. Peter's has arranged for an entirely new score to accompany the action. It is the first time the film has had music and this will be the second public showing in the film's new guise. There will be a full





accompanying programme, including the second showing of the 1930's Symondsby film. The showing is at 7.30pm on Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup> and tickets, available from the Bridport Tourist Information Centre, are £7.50 for adults, £6.00 for Friends of the Eype Centre for the Arts and £5.00 for children under 14.

The Eype spring programme continues in April with the Eype Spring 2010 'Book 'n Author' Week – a Literary Festival. The dates are from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. So far confirmed authors are Sir Ghillean Prance, Christopher Booker, Jennifer Kavanagh, Candida Lycett Green, Sarah Bakewell, Posy Simmonds and Mario Petrucci. Mario Petrucci won the 1999 Bridport Prize for Poetry and is currently the Poet in Residence at BBC Radio 3, and formerly the Poet in Residence at the Imperial War Museum. We will also be showing the award winning film *Heavy Water; a Film for Chernobyl*, which is accompanied by his poetry.

The week ends with a Spring Concert of classical and modern compositions on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> featuring Viennese musicians Florian Kitt and Rita Medjimorec.

During this period local Arts and Architecture historian Patric Morrissey will give his series of Spring 2010 Lectures starting on Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup> and running for a further seven weeks each Wednesday at his home in Higher Eype. This year he concentrates on Greece and its art from the pre-history of Mycene to Sinan and Ottoman architecture. The series intends to make visits to Greece, the British Museum and the new Ashmolean Museum in Oxford more enjoyable. Tickets for these lectures are available on the door at £5.00 each and include refreshments.

In visual arts local painter Stephen Bishop returns to St. Peter's during Dorset Arts Week between Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup> and an added attraction during that week is a spectacular Flamenco evening on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June with Mi Tierra flamenca, a genuine group very much grounded in Jerez de la Frontera in Andalucia, the home of flamenco.

The spring programme ends on the weekend of July 3<sup>rd</sup> with an Arts Fair organised by the avant-garde photographer Sally Davies.



## VILLAGE WEBSITES

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

[www.burtonbradstock.org.uk](http://www.burtonbradstock.org.uk)  
[www.littoncheney.org.uk](http://www.littoncheney.org.uk)  
[www.shiptongorge.org.uk](http://www.shiptongorge.org.uk)  
[www.puncknowle.net](http://www.puncknowle.net)  
[www.swyre.org.uk](http://www.swyre.org.uk)  
[www.westbexington.org.uk](http://www.westbexington.org.uk)

**See BRIDE VALLEY NEWS IN COLOUR,**  
on the Burton Bradstock website

## VALLEY NOTES

### BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

#### BRING & SHARE LUNCHES FOR 2010

The dates for this year's Bring & Share Lunches are:

Mothering Sunday - 14<sup>th</sup> March

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November

These informal and very friendly and enjoyable lunches are held in Burton Bradstock Village Hall at 12.30pm on the dates above. The hall is prepared beforehand with the laying of the tables with cloths, napkins, cutlery, glasses and water jugs as well as lovely floral decorations. So all that is required from those who attend is a contribution of savoury or sweet food, and the buffet table never disappoints.

It is a time to enjoy some good food in the company of others, followed by a cup of tea or coffee. There is also the chance to look at the goods on offer on the Traidcraft Stall with the opportunity to buy, but only if you wish.

These lunches are open to everyone in the Bride Valley, at no charge, and yet over the years we have seen very few people from villages throughout the valley. So why not note the dates in your diary and come along to join us, you can be sure of a warm welcome.

For any further information please call Lesley on 897695.

### BRIDE VALLEY YOUTH CLUB

We have our new Quiz on sale called 'The Detectives'. It can be bought from the following: Bridport and Dorchester tourist information Centres, The White Horse, Litton Cheney, The Crown Inn, Puncknowle, Burton Bradstock Post Office and Fordington Stores, Dorchester or by sending an SAE to The Quiz Master, Dairy Cottage, Ashley Chase, Abbotsbury, Weymouth DT3 4JZ enclosing £1.

The cost is £, the first prize is £20, and the closing date is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.

All profits will be spent on resources and equipment for the children of The Bride Valley Youth Club. Our last quiz raised money to buy a new pool table, football table and a darts board.

Club dates are 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March, 20<sup>th</sup> April, 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> May at Litton and Thorners Community Hall.

*Sue Talbot, 01308 48220*

## AXE VALLEY & WEST DORSET RING & RIDE

Do you have difficulty using or accessing local bus services? If so you may wish to try out the new Ring & Ride service being introduced to Burton Bradstock, Chilcombe, Litton Cheney, Puncknowle, Swyre and Shipton Gorge

The service will operate as follows:

### MARCH

Monday 1st Bridport

Monday 8th Bridport

Monday 15th Bridport

Monday 22nd Dorchester

Monday 29th Bridport

### FEBRUARY

Monday 1st Bridport

Monday 8th Bridport

Monday 15th Bridport

Monday 22nd Dorchester

### APRIL

Monday 12th Weymouth

Monday 19th Bridport

Monday 26th Dorchester

### MAY

Monday 10th Bridport

Monday 17th Weymouth

Monday 24th Bridport

### JUNE

Monday 7th Dorchester

Monday 14th Bridport

Monday 21st Weymouth

Monday 28th Bridport

The fare is £4, single or return: first pick up 9.00am, return 12.00pm (Times are approximate)

**To book your journey** or to enquire about the service please ring 01404 46520. The bus mobile number, for out of office hours use *only*, is 07984 399914.

### Shopping trips

The company will also be offering a number of special shopping trips as follows:

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Yeovil £5

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, Ilminster £5

Ilminster boasts a range of traditional shops and also Tesco!

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, Broadwindsor Craft & Design Centre £5

Dorset's best kept secret. Buy that special gift and have the speciality cream tea!

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March Mystery drive ending in a town for tea £5

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March Shopping in Sherborne £5

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April Fleet Air Arm Museum, Yeovilton £5 + £9

Enjoy a huge range of exhibits covering the Fleet Air Arm's activities and history, then relax in the licensed Swordfish Restaurant.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April Monkton Elm Garden Centre, Taunton £5

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April Forde Abbey & Gardens £5 + entrance

Magnificent 12<sup>th</sup> century house with 30 acres of award-winning gardens.

# BRIDE VALLEY SCOUT GROUP

## COFFEE MORNING – 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

The Group invites you to a coffee morning being held at Burton Bradstock Village Hall on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March from 10.00am to 12noon. We are raising money for 19 youngsters to attend a week long County camp near Wareham at which there will be over 3000 boys and girls present. We will have teas and coffees, stalls, cakes etc. Please come and support your local Scout Group.

Also our website is now online visit us at [www.bridevalleyscouts.org.uk](http://www.bridevalleyscouts.org.uk)



## BV FILM NIGHT

Why dream of Leicester Square or L A, Cannes or Venice when you can simply go along to the Litton and Thorner's Community Hall and watch the latest presentation by the Bride Valley Film Club?

At least that is what 60 astute film aficionados did for the debut film, "A Bunch of Amateurs", and what a wonderful evening was had by all. Evocative movie music, soft lighting, a warm hall (no home heating costs), a glass of wine and sociable conversation: what more could you want? Oh yes, the film. It was excellent; and the chuckles, cackles, and roars of laughter, told it all. Such phrases as "I didn't know they made films like that anymore," "I haven't laughed like that in a long time", "What an inspired choice", simply confirm that this is going to be an established feature of valley life. Very, very well done to the bunch of amateurs who had the determination and enthusiasm to pull all this together. Thank you!

If you haven't had the opportunity to come along to one of these special nights then grab (in the nicest possible way) your neighbour, friend or simply the family and come along to the next film very near you. "DEFIANCE" starring Daniel Craig will be on the Bride Valley's big screen on Thursday March 18<sup>th</sup>. Doors open 7.30pm for an 8.00pm start.

This is an all action film set in August 1941, based upon a true story, and starring Daniel Craig as one of three Jewish brothers who lead a group of Jewish escapees into the forests of Eastern Europe to escape from the advancing Germans. They form an uneasy alliance with a Russian partisan group but do fight off a German attacking force and eventually establish a school and hospital in the forest to serve the needs of over 1200 escapees. See some great performances from the cast on our big screen!



**Tickets from:** Sally Dyke 482752, Lois Edwards 482605, Bella Spurrier 482367, Elizabeth Kingston 482162 or on the door if available.

## MARCH EVENTS AT THE OTHONA COMMUNITY

### ONE WORLD WORSHIP

The first Sunday of every month, 7.00pm, at the Othona Community

The March date is Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm. Join us as we welcome many of our local friends for an informal, open-to-all service followed by a simple soup and bread supper. This month we welcome Interfaith Minister Trudi Farmer and her colleagues to lead our gathering.

Do come along. No need to book, just turn up!



### SUNPOWER AT OTHONA

The Othona Community invite you to the official launch of our Sunpower Project. On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March when we will introduce the system to friends and supporters, thanking our funders from Scottish Power and the Low Carbon Buildings Programme, sharing drinks and light refreshments.

Do join us if you're interested in electricity from sunlight (call the number below for start time etc). With the government introducing "feed-in tariffs" from April, this technology is really going to take off. The economics of generating your own power and doing your bit against climate change, even on a domestic scale, are coming good at last.

**How to find us:** We're on the B3157 between Burton Bradstock and Swyre. For more information, phone 01308 897130.

### BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYGROUP

This term's planning has been centred around the story "Goldilocks and the Three Bears". Planned activities have included designing the home-corner as the 'Bears Cottage', pretending to be Goldilocks and writing sorry letters to the bears, acting out the storyline as a play, sorting and ordering sizes, making porridge, creating a fantastic forest, making jam sandwiches cut into shapes, and a teddy bears picnic. Focusing the planning around a story has had a positive impact on the children's learning. Their concentration, imagination, motivation and learning has been impressive, and next term we wish to introduce the story of the Three Pigs. Let's see what ideas they come up with.



The Playgroup has three experienced and qualified members of staff. The Playgroup leader has her Early Years Professional Status which is equivalent to Qualified Teacher Status. They provide a rich and purposeful environment both indoors and outdoors where your children can thrive and learn many different attributes as set out in the Early Years Foundation

Stage Curriculum. This curriculum is used in Primary Schools and the playgroup use techniques and strategies that are regularly used in a school setting. This helps towards the children's listening, thinking and concentration skills, and prepares them for a smooth transition to Primary School.

The opening times for the playgroup are as follows:

Mondays 9.15am to 2.15pm

Wednesday 9.15am to 2.15pm

Friday 9.15am to 2.15pm

For new families wishing to visit or enquire about the Playgroup please contact Ann-Marie on 07853150467.

## FLEDGELINGS

Great news - the OFSTED Inspection has happened and we did very well. We are now awaiting the official report: more on this next time.

One of the new things to have been introduced recently in playgroup is the Kindness Tree, which is used when a child shows kindness or thinks of others – the name and good deed goes on the Tree. It has proved very popular with the children.

We also have a Care Bear which children take home for a week at a time to share his or her experiences with, then bring back to playgroup, and in Circle Time, we all get to read about what they have been up to. These things help children express their feelings, giving them confidence and self esteem.

Also, we have been celebrating Chinese New Year (Year of the Tiger), tasting different foods and dancing with drums. We also had a visit from a Fire Engine and its crew before half term.

Fund-raising events coming up in the near future are Fledglings Village Cafe on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March and on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May, Vintage Cars and Cream Teas plus Big Band, both at LATCH.



## BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

It is hard to believe that we are already half way through the Spring Term. The children returned to school following the Christmas holidays full of excitement - mainly at the prospect of snow! They have settled back into the routines of the school day and are working hard. Our youngest children in the Sails class have been finding out about dinosaurs and have created a life-size dinosaur footprint, made up dinosaur names and produced fossils using moulds. The children in the Boats class have been exploring the local environment and have enjoyed walks around the village. Class 3 have been working on a World War II project and the oldest children in Class 4 have

begun work on the topic of Rivers.

We continue to hold our Good Work Assemblies each Wednesday at 2.30pm. This is a wonderful celebration of the work and achievements of the children during the week. Our assemblies are well attended by our parents and carers and we welcome members of the community to our assembly. Please come along if you have the time!

Whilst reflecting on the last half term we also plan for the coming half term and all that that entails. Some of the extra-curricular activities include Class 3's residential trip to Leeson House, the Life Education Van visiting the school and the Cluster Dance Festival. We have our Easter Service at St Mary's Church on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 9.15am. All are welcome.

We are fortunate to have a very proactive PTA at the moment. They are working hard to not only raise much needed funds, but also to strengthen community links. We have some events already planned for the next few months -

a Pampered Chef evening on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 7.00pm at the school  
our renowned Duck Race on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2.00pm at the playing fields  
a Jumble Sale on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May at the school

As for me, standing at the gate on that first wintry morning in January in my new role as Head Teacher seems like a distant memory. I have been overwhelmed by the welcome I have received from the children, their parents and carers, the staff and the local community. As I settle into headship and become accustomed to its various roles I look forward to engaging with the local community and developing links further in the future. If you have any thoughts on how we can support the village or ways that you can link with us, please get in touch.

*Claire Staple. Headteacher*

## **THORNER'S CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Thorner's School Council decided to raise money for Haiti, so on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January, they decided to have a non-uniform day. See our photograph. The



school council had seen the news about the earthquake and wanted to help, so all the children donated money for the pleasure of wearing their own clothes, and raised £292.00 for Haiti. We hope it helps.

All of us in school are looking forward to the half-term break (which will be over by the time you read this), especially after our recent OFSTED visit. Parents will have received their reports before this edition of the BVN drops through the door. It is good to have it over and done with and be ourselves again.

This term seems to have flown past and we are looking forward to Easter. We are in the process of planning our Easter Concert which is due to take place on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March starting at 6.30pm, so do come along - everyone is invited.

*Alison Johnstone, Headteacher*

### **100 CLUB WINNERS:**

£15 Doreen Downton (outside member)

£10 Julia Baker (outside member)

### **BURTON BRADSTOCK PLAYERS**

Thanks to all who supported our Pantomime. I am very pleased to announce that I will be directing the play "Far from the Madding Crowd", an adaptation by Matthew White, next summer, to be performed on 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> September 2010. If you are interested in taking part or helping in any way, please come to the Village Hall for the reading at 7.45pm on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March and to the auditions at 7.45pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March.



Also, the Players will be holding a Voice and Movement Workshop to be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April from 10.00am to 4.00pm (please arrive by 9.45am). The Voice workshop in the morning will be led by Sue Andrews, a professional voice coach, and we hope to appoint someone to lead a movement and stage technique workshop in the afternoon. This should interest all who wish to improve their voice projection, stage presence, and general acting skills. Cost will be £5 for Players' members and £10 for non-members. Bring a packed lunch; drinks will be provided. Please telephone me as soon as possible if you are interested.

*Daphne Ekins, 01308 897415*

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

The quarterly Branch Committee Meeting will be held at Portesham Methodist Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> March. The principal item for discussion will be the questionnaires which members recently completed concerning the Branch's future conduct.

The next Branch Meeting (jointly with the Women's Section) to be held in Strangways Hall, Abbotsbury at 7.30pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, is a talk by Duncan Matthews on "Paris Cycle Help for Heroes".

Our Branch Annual Dinner takes place at 7.00pm for 7.30pm on



Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March, at Weymouth Golf Club. Coach pick-ups will be as follows: 6.40 p.m. Abbotsbury Square, 6.50 p.m. Kings Arms Bus Stop, Portesham, other points by arrangement. Full details of the menu can be obtained from Branch Chairman John Perry (01305 871346) and bookings should also be made through him, accompanied by choice of meal and £18.00 per person.

Following the very successful trip on the River Dart last year, we are going to the Isle of Wight; coach pick-ups on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, are as follows: 9.00am Abbotsbury Square, 9.10am Portesham Green, 9.30am London Road, Dorchester. We shall go by train from Brockenhurst to Lymington Pier, then by Wightlink ferry to Yarmouth, Isle of Wight. We have a reservation for lunch at The Bugle Coaching Inn and time to explore this fascinating little town before we depart on the return journey at 3.55pm, arriving back in Abbotsbury at about 6.30pm. The combined rail, ferry and coach fare is £27.50 (payable when booking) plus £2 for non-members who are most welcome to join us. Book with the writer, please.

The 5 - day tour of Snowdonia in May, previously advertised, is full.

#### **DIARY DATES:**

Weymouth Veteran's Parade takes place on 13<sup>th</sup> June,  
26<sup>th</sup> June, is Armed Forces Day.

*Des Baker (01305 267617), Entertainments Chairman*

## **BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB**

The Gardening Club kicks off our new season on Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> with what should prove to be an interesting and lively start with a talk from Joy and Michael Michaud on "How to Choose the Right Variety of Vegetables". We follow this in April with our short A.G.M. and then a talk on Green Cone Composting.



We have again organised a good and varied programme for the year together with some interesting local outings and hope that our members will enjoy participating as much as they did last year. The Club welcomes new members with any type of garden, small or large, and we feel that we provide a wonderful opportunity to meet with other people from the valley with similar interests, to exchange ideas, information, plants and seeds. All meetings take place at the Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall on the third Monday of the month usually at 7.30pm.

#### **JOBS TO DO:**

Plant early potatoes. Apply sulphate of potash and a balanced fertiliser to tree and bush fruit.

Lift, divide and replant herbaceous plants. Remember when planning on annuals that some are particularly good pollen and nectar producing

plants such as the Cornflower (*Centaurea cyanus*) and Borage (*Borago officinalis*).

*Sylvia Delves, Chair. E-mail: sylvia@delvesuk.plus.com*

*Valerie Cameron, Secretary. E-mail: secretary.bvgc@virgin.net: Tel: 01308 482240*



## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Last month, contrary to expectation we heard at our meeting from Jan Hankin from "Guide dogs for the Blind" bringing along with her Delta, a retired guide dog, who was superbly behaved! Thank you Jan for stepping into the breach so well.

Our Speaker for our meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> will be Roger Gould, on "The history of Gould's Dept. store". As it is such a local store, this sounds like an interesting talk.

Please note that we meet again at 7.30pm, back from the winter afternoon times. Not that winter will be over! But we can hope!

Last year we had a lunch together in the hall, with everyone bringing a plate of food. We are going to repeat this on Thursday March 18<sup>th</sup>, please make a note in your diaries.

Urgently, we are still looking for a Secretary and indeed the club will close if we do not have one. Please think about volunteering to do at least 1 meeting - so many people are willing to come along and say to us, "Committees are not for me". Please remember the club wouldn't function if we all said that, so please offer to help in any small way.

## Guide Dogs

Would you like to learn more about Guide Dogs?

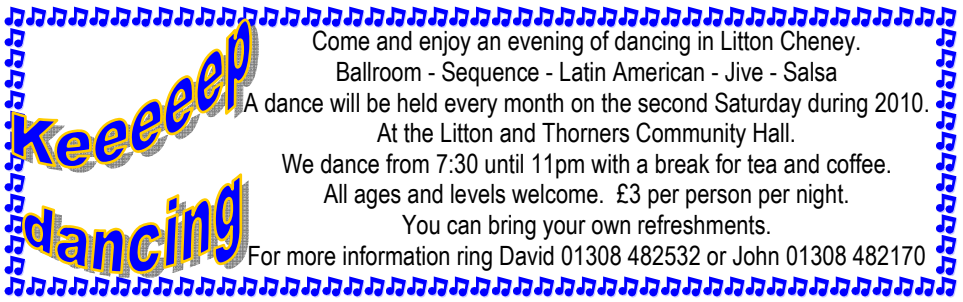
Would you like to support Guide Dogs?

Would you like to book a speaker to come and talk to your school, Club or business?

I have recently moved in to the area and as a School Liaison Officer and Speaker for Guide Dogs would like the opportunity to talk to groups about the services we offer, how we train the dogs and how they and you, can help us achieve our aim to provide mobility rehabilitation and independence for blind or partially-sighted people.

If you would like to arrange for Delta (a four year old retired Guide Dog) and me to come and talk to your group then please contact me on: 07763838395.

Thank you - Jan Hankin - on behalf of Guide Dogs



Come and enjoy an evening of dancing in Litton Cheney.

Ballroom - Sequence - Latin American - Jive - Salsa

A dance will be held every month on the second Saturday during 2010.

At the Litton and Thorners Community Hall.

We dance from 7:30 until 11pm with a break for tea and coffee.

All ages and levels welcome. £3 per person per night.

You can bring your own refreshments.

For more information ring David 01308 482532 or John 01308 482170

## St James the Least of All

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

### On the nonsense of a lavatory at church

The Rectory  
St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

*This year, the rigours of Lent have taken second place to a far more pressing matter: the installation of a lavatory at St. James the Least. Personally, I entirely disapprove of this additional sign of decadence in our moral fibre; we have survived perfectly happily for the last 800 years without one, so why is there such an urgent need now? And being surrounded by acres of fields, there seems to be a completely acceptable alternative.*

*It also spoils the pleasure I used to take, informing ushers at weddings, having liberally refreshed themselves at our local pub before the Service, that we have no facilities and that they would just have to wait. Their look of pained resignation, developing to clear signs of repentance as the Service progressed, was most cheering. It also meant that wedding parties did not linger after the Service but disappeared with commendable speed to safe havens.*

*I anticipate that now we have the thing, a sub-committee will inevitably form to devise a commissioning Service for the person who will be in charge of its maintenance. I can already foresee Lady Bartlett proposing an appropriate set of robes for the office holder - although it will need some tact to select suitable insignia on the sleeves.*

*In fact, the project has not been entirely successful; we still need to have a lock fitted and so at present, occupants have been advised to sing hymns loudly, preferably something rousing; "Onward Christian soldiers" would be ideal. A hymn*

book has been installed as an *aide memoire*.

The greater difficulty arises from our antiquated plumbing system. A member of the congregation can leave a Service perfectly discreetly; they can enter the lavatory unseen by anyone, but on flushing, water is drawn through pipes running the length of the inside of the building with a thunderous roar that obliges me to stop preaching until the cataract has subsided. By the time the customer returns quietly into church, all noise has ceased and they remain oblivious of the chaos they caused and the stoic politeness of the congregation.

I am sure that in your worship centre you will have lavish cloakrooms furnished with colour co-ordinated walls and towels, baby changing facilities and video monitors relaying everything going on, so that users will not be denied a single second of your hour-long sermons.

Our congregation should be grateful for what they now have. And to think that someone even suggested it should have heating!

Your loving uncle,  
Eustace

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### FOLLOW ME

We quite often look at saints on this page, people who have lived their lives for others, who followed Jesus Christ and did His work. But time and time again the people that Jesus chooses aren't the ones we would have thought of as natural leaders or preachers. Someone who knew him wrote that St Paul was 'a little man, a big red nose, bandy legs and not able to speak very well'! Moses tried to convince God that he wasn't the right person to persuade Pharaoh. In the end Moses had to take his brother Aaron to speak for him (Exodus, chapter 4).



We have to remember that we are all called to follow Jesus. We might think that it is too difficult and someone else would do the job better than we could. But by our baptism we are all called to serve and we all have different gifts and talents to bring to the job. How boring it would be if we were all the same and how great the excitement in finding out just what God wants us to do.

### JUMBLED JOBS

All the answers to this are jobs but the letters have been jumbled up. For example TVE unjumbled is VET. Can you work out what these people do?

1. Sarah is a TODROC.
2. Peter is a RORLY VERDIR.
3. Amelia is a THEERAC.
4. Jack is a EFCH.
5. Rose is a GEDUJ.
6. Sam is a NICEOMPLA.
7. Liz is a HOSP STAISTSAN
8. Calum is a TOPLI.
9. Emma is a READRENG.
10. Andy is a MAFRER.



**How many schoolteachers does it take to change a light bulb?**

None. Anything not completed during the lesson is added to the homework.

**How many firemen does it take to change a light bulb?**

Four - three to cut a hole in the roof and one to change the bulb.



Answers: 1.doctor 2.lorry driver 3.teacher  
4.chef 5.judge 6.policeman 7.shop assistant  
8.pilot 9.gardener 10. farmer

# Bible Sketchbook

## Reckless love

A top religious leader invited Jesus to dinner. Jesus sat down and a local prostitute amazed everyone by kneeling behind him. She was crying. She washed his feet with her tears. She kissed them. She dried them with her hair. She recklessly poured very expensive perfume on them. She had done many bad things in her life. Now she knew Jesus had forgiven her - lots. In return she loved him too - lots. Read more in Luke 36-50. Has Jesus forgiven you - lots? Do you love Jesus - lots?



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**INTERMEDIATE  
SUDOKU**  
SOLUTION ON P.36

**EASY  
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## DIARY OF EVENTS: MARCH 2010

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|     | 1 - 5 | "Keswick in Devon" Bible Week                 | Sidmouth Methodist Chapel      |
| Mon | 1     | 4.00pm Pilates                                | LATCH                          |
| Tue | 2     | 2.00pm Bride Valley Knitting Group            | Ourganics, Litton Cheney       |
|     |       | 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting                 | PSWB Village Hall              |
|     |       | Bride Valley Youth Club                       | LATCH                          |
| Wed | 3     | 12.30pm Frugal Lunch                          | PSWB Village Hall              |
|     |       | 2.00pm Tai Chi                                | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 3.00pm Public Computer/Broadband Access       | PSWB Village Hall              |
|     |       | 3.30pm Table Tennis                           | LATCH                          |
| Thu | 4     | 2.30pm BV Guild of Health Meditation          | Othona Community               |
|     |       | 3.45pm Short Mat Bowls                        | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 7.30pm Badminton                              | LATCH                          |
| Fri | 5     | 9.45am Yoga                                   | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 10.30am Women's World Day of Prayer Service   | Bridport United Church         |
|     |       | 12.30pm Lent Lunch                            | Hazelborw Shipton Lane, BB     |
|     |       | 7.30pm Beginners' Ballroom Classes start      | LATCH                          |
|     |       | Home Guard Bash                               | Shipton Gorge Village Hall     |
| Sat | 6     | 10.00am BV Scout Group Coffee Morning         | Burton Bradstock Village Hall  |
|     |       | 10.30am Puncknowle Art Club                   | The Bull, Swyre                |
|     |       | 2.00pm Thorner's School Fair                  | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 7.30pm Talk "Pedalling for Peace" Detta Regan | St Mary's, Britport            |
| Sun | 7     | 7.00pm One World Worship                      | Othona Community               |
| Mon | 8     | 4.00pm Pilates                                | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 7.30pm RBL (A&P) Branch Meeting               | Strangways Hall, Abbotsbury    |
| Tue | 9     | 2.30pm Women's Institute Meeting              | BB Village Hall                |
| Wed | 10    | 10.45am Community Partnership Vehicle         | Puncknowle, Church Street      |
|     |       | 12noon Community Partnership Vehicle          | Burton Bradstock, Annings Lane |
|     |       | 2.00pm Tai Chi                                | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 3.00pm Public Computer/Broadband Access       | PSWB Village Hall              |
|     |       | 3.15pm Community Partnership Vehicle          | West Bexington, Car Park       |
|     |       | 3.30pm Table Tennis                           | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 9.30am Community Partnership Vehicle          | Shipton Gorge, New Inn         |
| Thu | 11    | Sunpower at Othona                            | Othona Community               |
|     |       | 12.45pm Frugal Lunch                          | Langbridge, Long Bredy         |
|     |       | 2.00pm Antiques Valuation Afternoon           | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 3.45pm Short Mat Bowls                        | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 7.30pm Badminton                              | LATCH                          |
| Fri | 12    | 9.45am Yoga                                   | LATCH                          |
|     |       | 12.30pm Lent Lunch                            | 21 Norburton, BB               |
|     |       | Talk "30 Years of Wildlife Photography"       | Burton Bradstock Village Hall  |
|     |       | 7.30pm Ballroom Daning Class                  | LATCH                          |
| Sat | 13    | 10.30am Litter Pick                           | Bus Shelter, Litton Cheney     |
|     |       | 7.30pm Keeeeeep Dancing                       | LATCH                          |



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| Sun | 14 | 12noon Open Garden + Lunch/Tea in Village. Hall                   | Langebride, Long Bredy        |
|     |    | 12.30pm BV Churches Bring & Share Lunch                           | Burton Bradstock Village Hall |
| Mon | 15 | 4.00pm Pilates  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm BVGC AGM + 'How to choose the right variety of Vegetables' | PSWB Village Hall             |
| Tue | 16 | 2.00pm Bride Valley Knitting Group                                | Ourganics, Litton Cheney      |
|     |    | Bride Valley Youth Club   | LATCH                         |
| Wed | 17 | 2.00pm Tai Chi  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 3.00pm Public Computer/Broadband Access                           | PSWB Village Hall             |
|     |    | 3.30pm Table Tennis   | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm Book Club  | PSWB Village Hall             |
|     |    | 7.30pm Artsreach "My Darling Clemmie"                             | Shipton Gorge Village Hall    |
|     |    | 7.30pm Puncknowle Book Club                                       | PSWB Village Hall             |
| Thu | 18 | 2.30pm BV Guild of Health Meditation                              | Othona Community              |
|     |    | 3.45pm Short Mat Bowls  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm Film Night "Defiance"                                      | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.45pm BB Players Play Reading                                    | Burton Bradstock Village Hall |
| Fri | 19 | 10.30am Puncknowle Art Club                                       | The Bull, Swyre               |
|     |    | 12.30pm Frugal Lunch  | 1 Litton Hill, Litton Cheney  |
|     |    | 12.30pm Lent Lunch  | 2 Bindbarrow, BB              |
|     |    | 7.30pm Computer Security Meeting                                  | Burton Bradstock Village Hall |
|     |    | 7.30pm Ballroom Daning Class                                      | LATCH                         |
| Fri | 20 | 10.30am Village Cafe - BV Fledgelings                             | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm Quiz with Ploughman's Supper                               | Burton Bradstock Village Hall |
| Mon | 22 | 4.00pm Pilates  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm RBL (BV) Social Evening                                    | Three Horseshoes, BB          |
| Tue | 23 | 7.30pm Whist Drive  | The Bull, Swyre               |
| Wed | 24 | 2.00pm Tai Chi  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 3.00pm Public Computer/Broadband Access                           | PSWB Village Hall             |
|     |    | 3.30pm Table Tennis   | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm St Martin's APCM   | Shipton Gorge Village Hall    |
| Thu | 25 | 3.45pm Short Mat Bowls  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm RBL (A&P) Annual Dinner                                    | Weymouth Golf Club            |
|     |    | 7.30pm Badminton  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.45pm BB Players Auditions                                       | Burton Bradstock Village Hall |
| Fri | 26 | 9.45am Yoga   | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 12.30pm Lent Lunch  | Bramley Ho. Shipton Lane, BB  |
|     |    | 6.30pm Race Night + Bangers & Mash                                |                               |
| Sat | 27 | 6.30pm Easter Bingo   | LATCH                         |
| Mon | 29 | 4.00pm Pilates  | LATCH                         |
|     |    | 7.30pm St Peter's PCC AGM   | Long Bredy Village Hall       |
| Wed | 31 | 3.30pm Table Tennis   | LATCH                         |

# HOLY WEEK & EASTER DAY SERVICES

## MARCH

29<sup>th</sup> **MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK**  
 6.30pm Chilcombe Compline and Prayers

30<sup>th</sup> **TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**  
 6.30pm Swyre Compline and Prayers

31<sup>st</sup> **WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**  
 6.30pm Litton Cheney Compline and Prayers



## APRIL

1<sup>st</sup> **MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
 6.00pm Puncknowle Passover Meal & Watch

2<sup>nd</sup> **GOOD FRIDAY**  
 11.00am Littlebredy Litany  
 12.00noon Long Bredy Meditation & walk to Little Bredy  
 11.00am Shipton Gorge Litany  
 12.00noon Burton Bradstock 3 hour Meditation including walk to Bindbarrow Hill

3<sup>rd</sup> **EASTER EVE**  
 7.00pm Chilcombe Service of Lessons & Carols

4<sup>th</sup> **EASTER DAY**

|         |                    |                               |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 6.00am  | Chapel in the Wood | Holy Communion                |
| 8.00am  | Chilcombe          | Holy Communion                |
| 9.30am  | Burton Bradstock   | Family Communion              |
| 9.30am  | Shipton Gorge      | Holy Communion                |
| 9.30am  | Litton Cheney      | Holy Communion (by extension) |
| 9.30am  | Long Bredy         | Holy Communion                |
| 11.00am | Swyre              | Holy Communion                |
| 11.00am | Puncknowle         | Holy Communion                |
| 11.00am | Littlebredy        | Holy Communion                |
| 6.30pm  | Burton Bradstock   | Evening Prayer                |

# SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

March 2010

|                             | <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</b><br>7 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Lent 3                            | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b><br>14 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Mothering Sunday | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b><br>21 <sup>st</sup> March<br>Passion Sunday                                    | <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b><br>28 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Palm Sunday<br><i>CLOCKS CHANGE</i> |
|-----------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| <b>Burton<br/>Bradstock</b> | 8.00 Holy Communion<br>9.30 Family Service<br>11.00 Songs of Praise<br>6.30 Evening Prayer | 9.30 Family Service<br>11.00 Holy Communion<br>6.30 Evening Prayer         | 8.00 Holy Communion<br>9.30 Family Service<br>11.00 Holy Communion<br>(by extension)<br>6.30 Evening Prayer | 9.30 Family<br>Communion<br>11.00 Morning Prayer<br>6.30 Evening Prayer                       |
| <b>Shipton<br/>Gorge</b>    | 11.00 Holy Communion   | 9.30 Morning Prayer  | 9.30 Holy Communion<br>(by extension)   | 11.00 Family Service<br>3.30 Evening Prayer   |
| <b>Chilcombe</b>            |  |  |   |   |
| <b>Swyre</b>                | 3.30 Evening Prayer  | 11.00 Holy Communion   | 11.00 Morning Worship   | 11.00 Holy Communion  |
| <b>Puncknowle</b>           | 9.30 Holy Communion  | 5.00 Evening Prayer  | 8.00 Holy Communion   | 11.00 Family Service  |
| <b>Litton<br/>Cheney</b>    | 11.00 Family Service   | 9.30 Holy Communion<br>(by extension)                                      | 9.30 Morning Prayer   | 9.30 Holy Communion   |
| <b>Long Bredy</b>           | 11.00 Holy Communion   |  | 11.00 Morning Worship   |   |
| <b>Littlebredy</b>          |  | 11.00 Family Service   |   | 11.00 Holy Communion  |