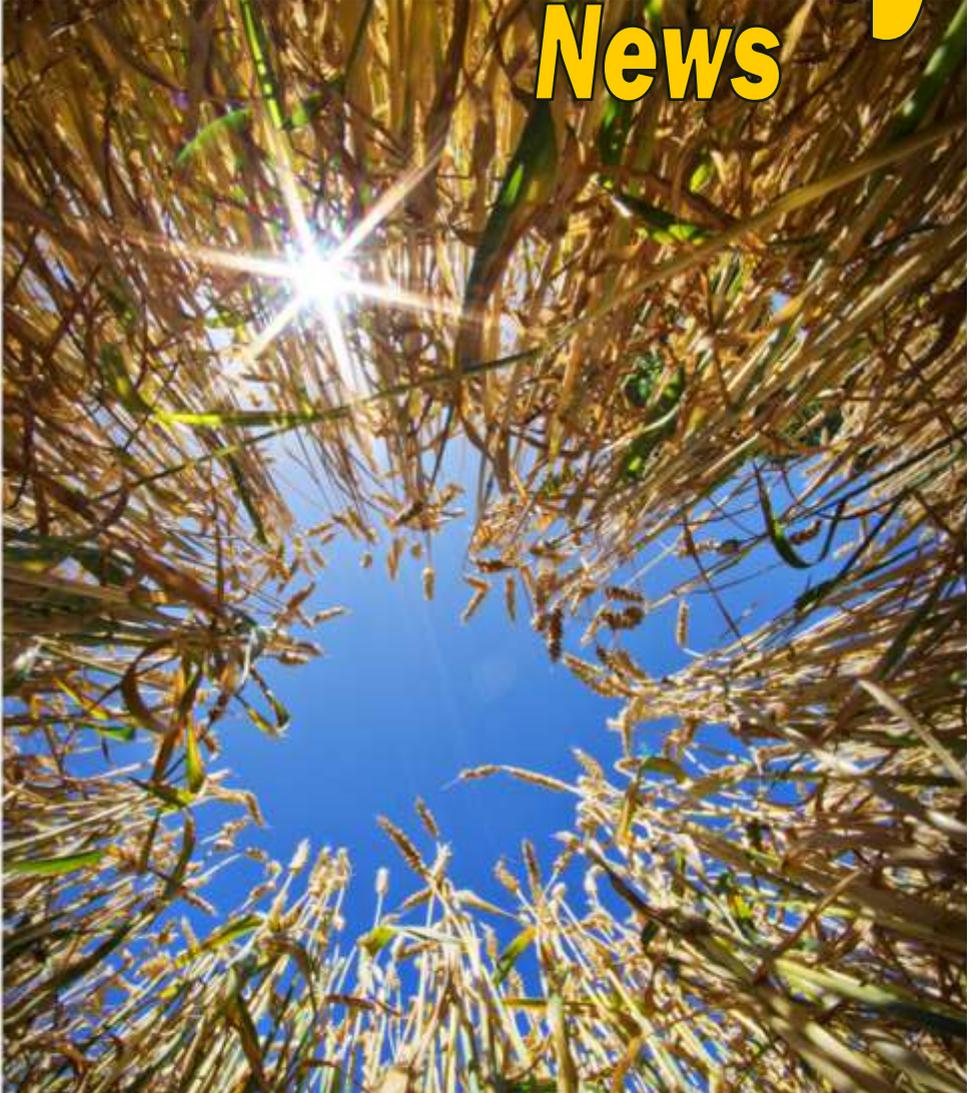


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News



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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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*To enquire about Baptism, Marriage and Funeral arrangements,
 please telephone the Administrator on 01308 897695*

WEEKDAY SERVICES, SEPTEMBER 2016

Thursday	1	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	1	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Friday	2	8.30	Swyre
Monday	5	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	6	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	8	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	8	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	8	19.00	Puncknowle Reflect & Study
Monday	12	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	13	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	15	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	15	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Friday	16	8.30	Swyre
Monday	19	9.00	Long Bredy
Thursday	22	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	22	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	22	19.00	Puncknowle Reflect & Study
Monday	26	9.00	Long Bredy
Tuesday	27	9.00	Puncknowle
Thursday	29	9.30	Burton Bradstock
Thursday	29	10.00	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion

It was very good to welcome the Marshall family to Burton Bradstock in early August – Doug and Jacqui are our link partners with the Church Mission Society, and they are based in Malta where (to quote them) they help *'asylum seekers recover their lives, serving those who have fallen through the cracks of society.'* After a presentation to congregation members at St. Mary's and a lunch in the village hall, Doug and Jacqui and their children Chloe (3) and Ethan (5) came to the Rectory and we enjoyed a bubble-blowing session in the garden.

Here's young Ethan – in command of a chain of bubbles. It might be truer to say that the *breeze* was in command that fine afternoon. Ethan tried to blow his bubbles into existence, but it was the sea wind that took them, enlarged them and dispensed them. And those beautiful, ephemeral, wobbling globes of soapy fluid connected the five of us and delighted us – in a form of communication which needed no words or at least no carefully connected sentences. Of their work in Malta, the Marshalls say that *'language and cultural differences in communication cause unnecessary problems'*; their basic approach to the asylum seekers they meet – many of



them displaced from Libya and Tunisia - is *'relational'* – by which they mean an open and friendly approach which might lead to conversation, if that is possible. What was noticeable during their visit is how *easy* the Marshalls were to be with – we fell pretty much straight into bubble-blowing without any introduction to what we were going to do or ponderous explanation. Like all the best games it was spontaneous and joyous – and involved a communication which transcended language. One of the many possible fates befalling asylum seekers is *statelessness* – a position of non-belonging, of lack of identification with any particular home soil. It seems to me that a gift that the Marshalls bring to the asylum seekers they help on

Malta is a way of relating that need not require words – an openness and a willingness to share that relies on friendliness, love and body language more than it relies on verbal communication.

May God continue to bless them in their work (and play!)

BENEFICE NEWS

LICENSING SERVICE FOR REVEREND SUE LINFORD

Reverend Sue Linford has completed her two years as Curate in the Bride Valley Benefice and is now to be Licensed as Associate Priest. The Licensing Service will take the form of a Eucharist led by the Archdeacon of Sherborne, Paul Taylor, on **Sunday 18 September** at 6.00pm in **St Martin's Church, Shipton Gorge**. All are welcome to attend this special service to support Sue in her ministry among us here in the Bride Valley. There will be refreshments afterwards in Shipton village hall.

SHARED VALLEY LUNCH

May I through the pages of the B.V.N. welcome you to a pleasant interlude that takes place in Burton Bradstock Village Hall on some Sundays. It is called the Shared Valley Lunch.



On entry you are welcomed by tables prettily decorated with flowers and serviettes.

Take something simple to share for the lunch table- no competition for best dish! Then we find a seat and sit and chat til all have arrived.

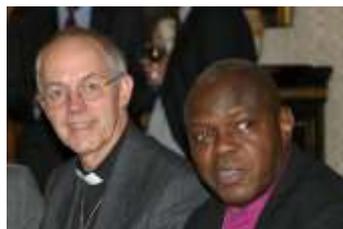
A lovely time is had by all; single folk have company and the marrieds meet somebody new. We do not discuss politics or religion - well try not to!

The next occasion we meet is **Sunday September 4th**. and anyone from the Valley and their visitors are welcome.

Please come and give us a try - no cost involved!

THE REFERENDUM – FINDING A GOOD WAY FORWARD

Archbishop Justin Welby and Archbishop John Sentamu issued a joint statement after the UK voted to leave the European Union. In it they said:



“As citizens of the United Kingdom, whatever our views during the referendum campaign, we

must now unite in a common task to build a generous and forward looking country, contributing to human flourishing around the world.

“We must remain hospitable and compassionate, builders of bridges and not barriers. Many of those living among us... come from overseas and some will feel a deep sense of insecurity. We must respond by offering reassurance, by cherishing our wonderfully diverse society, and by affirming the unique contribution of each and every one.

“... Unity, hope and generosity will enable us to overcome the period of transition that will now happen, and to emerge confident and successful. The opportunities and challenges that face us as a nation and as global citizens are too significant for us to settle for less.

“As those who hope and trust in the living God ..., Let us pray especially that we may go forward to build a good United Kingdom that, though relating to the rest of Europe in a new way, will play its part amongst the nations in the pursuit of the common good throughout the world.”

VALLEY NOTES



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 to be held on **Friday 9th September**.

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

FIRST STEPS TODDLER GROUP

We 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 **Samantha Mulligan** for more info: email **stl_1975@hotmail.co.uk** 'phone **01308 897470**.



BRIDE VALLEY YOUTH CLUB

DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM:

6 September	LATCH 7-8.30pm
20 September	LATCH 7-8.30pm
4 October	LATCH 7-8.30pm
18 October	LATCH 7-8.30pm
8 November	trip to be arranged
22 November	LATCH 7-8.30pm
6 December	LATCH 7-8.30pm



We need more permanent helpers to commit to every session and help Jaz. (About 6 a term) if you feel you could give up some time on a regular basis please contact Jill on jill.neill@live.co.uk

BRIDE VALLEY WI

After a summer break, we are now back in business from September with a visit to Ashley Chase Cheese Farm in the valley. This will be on **Thursday, 15 September** at 7.30pm prompt, and promises to be a really interesting evening which we are really looking forward to. In October we will be having a history themed evening and in November, Half Moon Bead Shop in Poundbury will be visiting us for a festive craft evening. Unless we are out on a visit, meetings take place at the village hall in Puncknowle on the third Thursday of each month. New members are very welcome and the first meeting is free!



Please contact Nic Arundel on nicarundel@gmail.com for more information.



DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2016

“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 well in excess of £100,000, the major part of which comes from the annual Ride + Stride Event – a record £89k in 2015.

Ride + Stride 2016 will take place on Saturday 10th September. Please do support riders and striders, be they on bicycles, horseback, even four

wheels... Please do sponsor them and please do welcome them warmly in all our churches on the day.

Over the past four years the Trust has made awards totalling some £85,000 to seventeen local churches in the Lyme Bay Deanery.

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. Katharine Jones	898553
Sipton Gorge:	Mrs. Janet Lane	897241
Swyre:	Mr. Tony Taylor	898523

*Andrew Boggis, 01308 861176 aboggis@googlemail.com
DHCT Trustee & Lyme Bay Deanery Representative*

HOME-START WEST DORSET ANNOUNCE SNOWFLAKE BALL AT ATHELHAMPTON HOUSE

Local children's charity Home-Start West Dorset is busy organising its third charity ball to be held on **November 12th 2016** – the Snowflake Ball.

Helen Horsley, Senior Organiser at HSWD, explained:

“Our Snowflake Ball is part of the annual national Snowflake campaign championed by Home-Start ambassador and TV presenter Kirsty Allsop. It is so called because snowflakes are as unique and fragile as the children Home-Start supports. It's a fabulous opportunity to dress up and put on your dancing shoes after a delicious four course dinner. Athelhampton has come up with a really superb menu.”

“Please join me (Kirsty Allsopp) raising money for The Snowflake Appeal, so Home-Start can keep supporting unique and fragile children. Home-Start is in there, making a difference each and every day. It is changing all our communities for the future. It prevents parents' difficulties from becoming their children's problems.”



Kirsty Allsop, tv presenter,
mum, stepmum,
Home-Start ambassador

Tickets for the Snowflake Ball are now on sale at £49.50 per person and are available from Home-Start West Dorset, Paceycombe House (Suite B), Paceycombe Way, Poundbury, Dorchester DT1 3WB, 01305 265072 or office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk, or contact co-organisers Camilla Thornton on 07713 823212 or Nicola Stickland on 07785 247430.

INVITATION TO BRIDE VALLEY YOUNGSTERS

Finding things to do can be a challenge for some youngsters, especially in Villages and to that end, without taking anything away from what is currently on offer in the local villages, the members of **PORT BREDY ALLSTAR** Majorettes would like to extend a welcome to their peers from the outlying villages to join them.

Formed in 2013 in Bridport and taking its name from Thomas Hardy's fictional identity for Bridport, the Troupe has been going from strength to strength. Taking part in Carnivals and events in both Dorset and Devon, Port Bredy Allstars were 'Highly Commended' at Verwood Carnival in 2014 and won Blandford Carnival in 2015. This year they have had the honour of being invited to be part of the historical and iconic Jersey Battle of Flowers Events for 11th & 12th August 2016.

What 2017 will bring or indeed the rest of 2016 is not known but if Bride Valley youngsters would like to be part of it then here is their chance. www.portbredyalldstars.co.uk will tell you more about the Troupe

GOOD BOOKS

Books in store NOW:

New in is **The Servant Queen and the King she serves** which is a beautiful illustrated tribute to the Queen on her 90th birthday. It focuses on the Queen's own words to draw out the central role of her trust in Jesus Christ in shaping her life and work, offering an inspiring, multi-faceted insight into a life lived for others. £1.40.

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A Sunday Times bestseller is **The Shed That Fed A Million Children!** It tells how Magnus Macfarlane was inspired to found Mary's Meals, an organisation that now feeds more than one million chronically hungry children every school day, all from a shed in the Scottish Highlands. It is an amazing testament to the impact one person can make, and a great resource to inspire young people in a church or school setting. £8.99.

The Mustard Seed Counselling by Ibrahim Youssef Ph.D. is a systemic appraisal of biblical counselling; the author's easy style of writing is encouraging to those who feel a calling to counsel. Many people within the church are hurting and are trying to make sense of what is happening to them. He suggests an answer is biblical counselling, working with the Holy Spirit to bring wholeness. £7.99.

In **Falling Upward** Franciscan Fr Richard Rohr offers a new model for understanding one of the most profound of life's mysteries: how our failing can be the foundation for our ongoing spiritual growth. Drawing on the wisdom from time-honoured mystics, heroic poems, great thinkers, and sacred religious texts the author explores the two halves of life (in the first half of life preoccupied with establishing our identities, and then as we grow older encountering challenges and changes where we see ourselves in a different and more life living way) to show that those who have failed or fallen are the only ones who understand 'up.' We grow spiritually more by doing it wrong then by doing it right. Special price of £9.50.

GARDENER'S QUESTION TIME

Featuring CYRIL WHITLOCK from Groves Nurseries

THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2016

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL 7.30PM

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BURTON BRADSTOCK RESIDENT **JASMINE
PARSONS'** COMMUNITY AND EDUCATIONAL
TRIP TO ECUADOR IN JULY 2017.

TICKETS £4



BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB

We were grateful to **Harriet Boileau** who stepped in at the last minute to speak at our July meeting. As she had been the previous Dorset County Organiser for the National Gardens Scheme she was well placed to explain its history, development and how gardens are chosen to open under the scheme.



On **September 19th Philip Gamble** will be highlighting the Gardens of SW England. Hopefully this will inspire us to visit and take inspiration from gardens in our part of the country. Visitors are always welcome, entrance £2

JOBS TO DO IN SEPTEMBER

Choose and plant bulbs now but wait until November to plant tulips. Continue deadheading tender perennials to extend the flower display but be prepared to lift them before the first frosts. Clear any diseased material to prevent fungal spores overwintering in the soil. Sow hardy annuals for flowering next year. Divide herbaceous perennials. Plant out spring-flowering biennials. Plant out spring cabbages, garlic and autumn (Japanese) onion sets. Protect carrots with insect mesh as carrot flies are most damaging in late summer to autumn. Cut down fruited summer raspberry canes to ground level. Net ponds in preparation for leaf fall.

Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473



OXFAM

Mapperton Gardens AUTUMN GARDEN FAIR

Sunday 18th
September 2016

10.00am – 4.00pm
£3 for adults, children free

Shared proceeds to Oxfam

A must for keen gardeners. More than 25 specialist nurseries and garden-related stands from throughout the south-west will offer an unusual and wide choice of herbaceous plants, shrubs and gifts.



BRIDGE OF SPIES

Wednesday 5th October
7.30 for 8.00pm LATCH
See Litton Cheney Section
page 33 for further details



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH NEXT SOCIAL EVENINGS



Held at The Anchor, Burton Bradstock. 7pm for 7.30pm

Monday 26th **September**

Monday 31st **October** (and AGM)

Monday 28th **November**

Please book your place for the above by calling Malcolm Lawrence 01308 898616 or Basil Dent 01308 897125

OTHER EVENTS

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|------------------------------------|--|
| Friday 21 st October | BAND CONCERT - St. Swithun's Band -
Burton Bradstock Village Hall 7pm for 7.30pm
Tickets from Burton Bradstock Post Office |
| Thursday 3 rd November | COFFEE MORNING - 10am
Burton Bradstock Village Hall |
| Saturday 12 th November | Laying of Wreaths in the Bride Valley |
| Sunday 13 th November | 10.45am Remembrance Service at
St. Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock |

Please book your place for the above by calling Malcolm Lawrence 01308 898616 or Basil Dent 01308 897125

Membership of the Legion is not restricted to ex-Service Men and Women and is open to all. You are welcome to become a Member of the RBL by calling either of the telephone numbers above.

ABBOTSBURY & PORTESHAM BRANCH

Members of the Armed Forces, either past or present, or close relatives, should be aware that the Legion can always be contacted for **assistance**: call **0808 802 8080** which is the National Call Centre helpline (situated in South Wales). By calling that number the message can be assessed and sent to the relevant office or Branch to be actioned. If in doubt, make your problems known and you will be given advice as to the next course of action that can be taken.



We are already planning for the November **Poppy Appeal collections**. We need volunteer collectors in one or two sectors of our area to collect door-to-door. If you can assist our local efforts, please contact **Mrs. Crockett** on 01305 871465.

We meet on **Thursday 15 September*** for an illustrated presentation on **"Castleton Pumping Station – a History"** by **Geoffrey Ward** CEng FIMechE Chairman. The subject and the speaker are from Sherborne area.

Our 13 October meeting* is a talk and demonstration of **“Paper Making”** by **Rob Clarke** from Blandford, when there will be an opportunity to try your skills at producing your very own paper!

The Branch will be hosting a **Coffee Morning** in aid of the **Poppy Appeal** in Portesham Village Hall on 12 November.

Advance Notices:

The **Annual General Meetings** of both the **Branch** and **“The Social Fund”** will take place on 17 November.

[*Above events, marked with an asterisk, are held in the Ron Doble Room, Portesham starting at 7.30 pm]

Tickets are now on sale for the **“RAF Band in Concert”** at the **Lighthouse Theatre, Poole**, on Sunday evening 11 December. Reserve your seats with the writer please – allocated on first-come-first served basis, group price £20 each.

Des Baker Chairman “The Social Fund” (01305 267617)

TEA & CAKE SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER (2.30-4.30 PM)

An afternoon **“Tea & Cake”** event, with raffle, plants etc. will take place at **“Redmays”** (opposite the garage)

Winterborne Abbas, by kind permission of Angela Hallett.



We are raising funds for the ‘Fortuneswell Trust’ whose aim is to provide more facilities for cancer patients at Dorchester’s County Hospital. Please come and support this important fund-raising cause. We look forward to seeing you there!

Jean Baker (01305 267617)

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

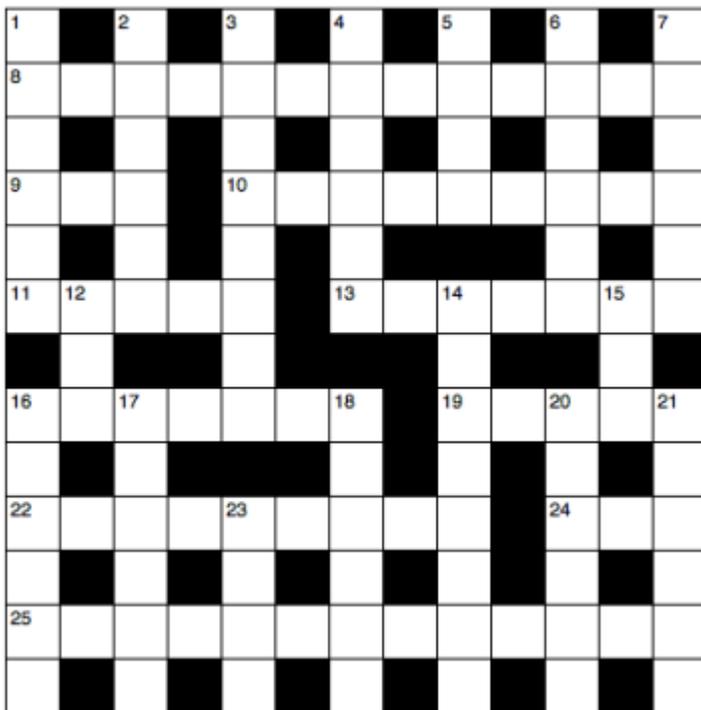
Cruse Bereavement Care runs an informal monthly meeting at Bridport Hospital for any who have been bereaved.

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

Contact Diana Wright 01308 456 967



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- 8 Where the ark of the covenant was kept for 20 years (1 Samuel 7:1) (7,6)
- 9 One of the parts of the body on which blood and oil were put in the ritual cleansing from infectious skin diseases (Leviticus 14:14-17) (3) Uncomfortable (3,2,4)
- 10 Uncomfortable (3,2,4)
- 11 'Yet I have loved Jacob, but Esau I have —' (Malachi 1:3) (5)
- 13 Where Paul said farewell to the elders of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:17) (7)
- 16 'Jesus bent down and — to write on the ground with his finger' (John 8:6) (7)
- 19 Prophet from Moresheth (Jeremiah 26:18) (5)
- 22 Comes between Exodus and Numbers (9)
- 24 & 2 Down 'Then Elkanah went home to Ramah, but the boy ministered before the Lord under — the —' (1 Samuel 2:11) (3,6)
- 25 There was no room for them in the inn (Luke 2:7) (4,3,6)

DOWN

- 1 Rough drawing (2 Kings 16:10) (6)
- 2 See 24 Across
- 3 Underground literature (including Christian books) circulated in the Soviet Union (8)

- 4 Lo, mash (anag.) (6)
- 5 The Bible's shortest verse: 'Jesus —' (John 11:35) (4)
- 6 'Can a mother forget the baby at her — and have no compassion on the child she has borne?' (Isaiah 49:15) (6)
- 7 Can be seen in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (6)
- 12 'Send me, therefore, a man... experienced in the — of engraving, to work in Judah and Jerusalem' (2 Chronicles 2:7) (3)
- 14 Second city of Cyprus (8)
- 15 United Nations Association (1,1,1)
- 16 One of the women who first heard that Jesus had risen from the dead (Mark 16:1) (6)
- 17 Braved (anag.) (6)
- 18 — of Evangelism, outreach initiative in the 1990s (6)
- 20 'Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and — in their own sight' (Isaiah 5:21) (6)
- 21 'Neither — nor depth... will be able to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (6)
- 23 What Jesus shed in 5 Down (4)

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BRIDPORT CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU NEEDS VOLUNTEERS



- Advisers
- Telephone Assessors
- Receptionists

Bridport, Lyme Regis, Beaminster



**THE NEXT TRAINING COURSE STARTS
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10.00am and 3.00 pm OR RING 01308 456594

OR EMAIL: advice@bridport-cab.org.uk

**Completed application forms to be returned by
Monday 5th September**

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- Works with Government and other bodies both locally and nationally.
- Works with local people - parishioners to organised groups.

Join today ... make a difference for tomorrow!find out more

DLAF website: <https://www.dorsetforyou.com/dorset-local-access-forum>

Recruitment pack: <https://www.dorsetforyou.com/dorset-local-access-forum/apply>

Email: t.s.hansford@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Deadline for applications - Friday 23 September 2016

ADVERTISE IN THE BRIDE VALLEY NEWS

The BRIDE VALLEY NEWS Parish Magazine is delivered monthly free of charge to all homes in the Bride Valley – in excess of 1500.

For details please email the advertising manager at bvctc@outlook.com

DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER ISSUE IS 5TH SEPTEMBER

MESSY CHURCH 10.30am



Puncknowle Village Hall
 Sunday 10th September
 coffee, play, chat
ALL AGES WELCOME



SUDOKU SOLUTIONS

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SHIPTON GORGE

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH CHURCH TOWER

A thank you to all those who put flowers in the church for the village fete and opening of the church tower. Many visitors commented on the lovely variety of flowers in our beautiful church, also the refreshments provided by **Linda Buck** and amazing cupcakes from **Jane King**. The stunning views from the tower were enjoyed by many.

LICENSING SERVICE

On **September 18th** at **6 pm** St Martin's welcomes you to a **licensing service** for **Reverend Sue Linford** as Associate Priest, led by Archdeacon Paul Taylor. This is a joint Valley service and it is hoped as many as possible can be present to show support for Sue. Please join us for refreshments afterwards.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

September 25th at 5pm: our Harvest thanksgiving service will be followed by a light buffet supper and refreshments in the Village Hall. We hope many will join us and give thanks for all the good things we have in this country. Once again, we invite all villagers to contribute, if they wish, to the collection of non-perishable goods for donation to Cupboard Love. This is the food bank at St Mary's in Bridport. **Boxes for the collection will be inside St Martin's for the week leading up to the 25th.**

FLOODLIGHTS

Our sponsors for September are:

Doris in loving memory of Gerald and for her mother,
Jane and Martin Larnar,
Nova and Pete in memory of Uncle Ted,
David and Rosemary Greasby,
Antony

A big thank you to all those generous sponsors who sought me out at the Village Fete and will be lighting up the church throughout the year.

If you would like to light up St Martin's for a special occasion or a fond memory, sponsorship is just £5. You can contact me on Tel. No. 01308

898657.. Should you want your occasion mentioned in the BVN for the appropriate month, please let me know in good time for the BVN **submission date**. **Our sponsor's names are also posted in the church porch** unless of course, they wish to remain anonymous.

Phyl Webster

PARISH COUNCIL

Our stall at the Village Fete in August was expertly managed by **Richard Cunningham** and concentrated on the following three areas of importance to the village and gave out information and leaflets. We are looking for people to join our **Village Working Party** which will carry out some general tidying and maintenance on a monthly basis throughout the year. If you feel you could offer an hour or two to help with this please contact **Gerry Pyke** on 897110 who will be pleased to hear from you. We also gave out leaflets telling parishioners how they can help by reporting potholes, fly tipping and other incidents online through the www.dorsetforyou website. Finally we are still in need of two more councillors to join us so if you feel you could contribute in this way please contact either the **Parish Clerk** on 8908189 or the chairman, **Mary Boughton**, on 897958 who will be pleased to tell you what is involved.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 14th September** at 7.30pm in the village hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE

Many thanks to all of the people who visited our display at the Fete and an especial thank you to everyone who sponsored a bird, bat or dormouse nest box. If anyone else is interested in sponsoring a box, please contact me (897928) as there are only a few boxes remaining. We received a lot of applications for membership of Shipton Gorge Heritage and we invite any resident of Shipton Gorge to join us. If you are interested in joining please contact me or any of the trustees.

A reminder of our big event - APPLE DAY which is being held on **Sunday 23 October**. There will be more details to follow.

Hilary Cunningham

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB AUGUST DRAW

£5	No 44	Jo Fulford
£10	No 73	Bob Cornish
£20	No 12	Linda Buck

Congratulations to all winners.

SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE SOCIETY

SATURDAY 6th AUGUST - ANNUAL SUMMER SHOW/FETE

The sun 'shone bright' on a magnificent summer's day and thanks to all who supported our Summer Show. As per usual we had a huge array of exhibits on display. Following the judging, **Steve Larcombe** was announced as the Winner of the Annual Rosebowl having accumulated the most points. Here come the **'thanks very much'** to all our 'Non - Committee' members who did so much.....Gary Parsons, Jill Parsons, Brian Puttock (sen), Janet Wythe, John Porter, Mags Griffiths-Hardman, Lesley Garner and Jean Thorn....to our Morning Registration Team of Eileen Heaver and Sheena Hall...to Roger and Rose Sorrell for the use of their land and to Denis Jones for the use of his Car Parking area and a very special thanks to 'Village Newcomers' David and Tracy of Rockhaven in Port Lane. If anybody has been missed out - apologies but your participation was very much appreciated !

The FETE which followed in the afternoon saw all SG Organisations represented 'doing their own thing' as part of the 'United Village Theme' for the day.

Again, as per usual, the Committee wishes to place on record our gratitude to **Sally Parker** for all her hard work in ensuring that an enjoyable and successful day was had by ALL !

THE SHIPTON HEADS: DID THE DUROTRIGES COME TO SHIPTON GORGE ?

Wednesday 21st September at 7.30 pm, Shipton Gorge Village Hall
- all welcome

The Durotriges were one of the Celtic tribes living in Dorset and south Somerset in the Iron Age and put up strong resistance to the Romans. They constructed Eggardon Hill , Abbotsbury Castle and Maiden Castle, and their tribal name put the Dor into Dorset and Dorchester. Their regional capital was either Dorchester or Ilchester; but did they come to Shipton Gorge?

There's evidence that they did ... and left without their heads !

An illustrated talk by Richard Cunningham on late Iron Age and Romano British West Dorset with a degree of speculation and perhaps a touch of humour.

To attend please contact **Doris Benselin** (01308 897562) or **Tony Mallett** (01308 898701). Tickets cost £4, and with proceeds going towards the village hall maintenance fund.

Please bring your own drinks and nibbles.

DCA - BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2016

As reported in last month's BVN, the judging period has now ended and the next stage will be the Awards Night. These presentations will take place on **Tuesday 27th September** at Cerne Abbas Village Hall where we will be represented by **Simon Cleveland** and a Committee member. The results will be forwarded to the Village *asap* after this date.

BURTON BRADSTOCK

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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI DAY

On **Sunday October 2nd** we will be celebrating **St. Francis Day** in the Church with a presentation of the life of the saint by our Open The Book team with children

from the school. Born in the 12th century, Francis felt a call from God to turn his life around and look after the underprivileged and to care for the earth. He is

regarded as the first 'eco saint' and the Revd

Jonathan Herbert (local C.E. chaplain to Gypsies and Travellers) from **Hilfield Friary** will be telling us more about this. Everyone is

welcome to this special service, led by the **Revd Sue Linford**, which starts at **10.30 am** and will be followed by refreshments.



BEAMINSTER WEST GALLERY QUIRE

We are delighted to welcome back this popular group, led by **Ronald Emett**, who will be giving a concert in **St.**

Mary's Church on **Friday October 7th** as part of our Harvest celebrations. The Quire sing in their period costumes, accompanied by authentic instruments of the time, the sort of 18th Century music that

Hardy and his fictional characters would have been part of in the local parish church at Stinsford. Do come and join in the fun by dressing up in



Hardyesque rural clothes and listen to the readings and music including secular reels, jigs and glees as well as carols and psalm settings. The concert starts at 7.30 pm and drinks are available in the interval. Tickets are £7.50 on sale in the Post Office from Friday September 19th.

There will be a Celebratory Service of Harvest with traditional hymns and readings in **St. Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock** on **Sunday October 9th at 11am** (the Communion Service that day will be at 6.30pm). **The Revd Canon Stephen Batty** will be leading the service and accepting harvest offerings of food from the congregation. This will be followed at **12.30** by a 2 course Harvest Lunch in the Village Hall and tickets for this are £6 which will be on sale in the Post Office from September 19th until October 6th (no ticket sales on the door). We look forward to seeing you for our celebration.

BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

The Council would like to welcome Mr Andrew Bailey who was co-opted onto the Council at the July meeting

Vacancies on the Council

If you are interested in becoming a Councillor for Burton Bradstock there are now only 3 seats left. Come along to the next PC meeting on 7th September to see what goes on. Interested parties can be co-opted at the PC meeting, please contact the Clerk for further info.



Recreation ground and play area

The Recreation Ground group are now meeting regularly to discuss and plan the repairs, maintenance and new projects within the community play area and playing field.

If you would like to get involved please contact **Mike Evans** or the Clerk for more details.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 7th September 7.30 pm in the Reading Room.

All welcome!

The agenda will be available at least 3 clear days before the meeting on the village notice boards and the PC website

If you have any queries on any of the above information you can contact the Council via the Parish Clerk or the Councillor contact details can be found on the website.

Clerk: **Mrs Michele Harding**, email: burtonbradstockparishclerk@gmail.com
Tel: 07814 016971. **Website** www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org

VILLAGE HALL TRUST.

For bookings please contact Mrs Val Ferré (01308897648)

“200 CLUB” DRAW AUGUST 2016

WDDC Licence no: SL0080

Congratulations to the winners:



1 st	£42.80	No 107:	Mrs Christine Hynds
2 nd	£21.40	No 191:	Mrs Jean Bowles
3 rd	£10.70	No 42:	Mrs Linda Bongers

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the September-December draws should telephone **Keith Britton** on 01308 898008 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.

After 11 years of being the Village Hall Lottery Licensee, I am passing the baton to **Keith Britton**. From 1 September he will be the official licensee and with Sue will administer the 200 Club. It will be **Keith who will contact the lucky winners after each month's draw.**



Judy and I thank all those who have subscribed and have very much enjoyed raising funds. During our tenure, some **£25,000** has been raised, of which nearly **£16,000** contributed to the upkeep of the Hall.

Alan Clarke

COFFEE STOP MORNINGS.



The regular monthly Coffee Stop mornings in the hall where a hot drink and a biscuit are available for 50p were **started to provide a general “meet and chat” venue for Villagers and visitors alike.** They run from 10:00 to 12:00 and all are welcome. The next 2 meeting dates are listed

below.

Date

Wed 21st September

Wed 19th October

Organiser

Village Hall Trust.

Bowls Club

BURTON BRADSTOCK FILMS

Burton Bradstock Films returns from the summer break on Friday 30 September with “BRIDGE OF SPIES”, a film set in the Cold War era of the

U2 incident and shows the role played by a Brooklyn lawyer who was set the near impossible task of negotiating the release of the pilot, Gary Powers. Starring **Tom Hanks**, **Mark Rylance** and **Alan Alda**, Bridge of Spies is a magnificent, not to be missed, Cold War thriller voted second best film of 2015.



Bridge of Spies will be shown in Burton Bradstock Village Hall. Doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Tickets are £5 each and include a glass of wine or soft drink and can be bought beforehand from Burton Bradstock Post Office or, if available, at the door on the evening.



Note, Bridge of Spies will also be shown by Bride Valley Films on **Wednesday 5 October**



Future Dates for the Diary:

Eddie The Eagle - Friday 28 October- Surprise success of 2016 should leave you with a real feel good feeling. Bride Valley Films will show this film on **Wednesday 2 November**

Florence Foster Jenkins - Friday 25 November - An entertaining evening with a diva who thinks she can sing. Bride Valley Films will show this film on **Wednesday 30 November**.

BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

So here we are in September at the start of our new season. Hope you all had a lovely summer.

Congratulations to all the winners in this years Flower and Produce Show. Once again a very good turnout and some great entries from the school in the shape of animals made from vegetables.

Our new season of speakers starts this month on **Friday 16th September** at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. At the time of going to press I have no extra detail on the speaker except his name is **Kevin Gordon Seaford** and his subject **“The history of the Palace of Westminster “ (The Houses of Parliament).**

Friday 14th October is **“A Botanical Adventure trekking through the Eastern Himalayas of Myanmar (Burma)”.**

Friday 18th November is **“My Life on a Fairground”** and the last talk before Christmas on Friday 2nd December will be **“Astrophotography in Dorset’s dark skies”**. We hope there is something for everyone in this choice of talks.

If you are a member of the Village Society entrance is £1. To join the Village Society it will be £5 a year so if you come along you can join on the night or if you are a guest it will be £4 a person.

BURTON BRADSTOCK W.I.

Our regular **“Activities”** afternoons resume on 8th September in the Hall. Bring your knitting or tapestry, or come along for a game of cards; enjoy a cup of tea.



On Tuesday 13th September, at 7.30 in the Hall, Trisha Lewis will speak about the life and works of much loved comedienne Joyce Grenfell. We shall find out more about her and enjoy samples of her sketches..... (George! *Don’t* do that.....)

Definitely one not to miss.

Any woman living locally is welcome to come to a meeting before deciding whether to become a member (contact secretary, 897648).

FRIENDS OF BURTON BRADSTOCK LIBRARY (FBBL)

After a busy summer here are some dates for your autumn diary:

29 th August – 10 th September	Beatrix Potter Exhibition in conjunction with Tiggywinkles Wildlife Hospital
6 th September at 11am	PCSO Dave Ash’s Police Surgery
12 th – 17 th September	Results of FBBL summer competition “Use Your Imagination”
5 th November	Library Ploughman’s Lunch in the Village Hall
1st December	“A Treasury of Christmas” . A Flower Arranging Demonstration by Andrea Wilkinson in the Village Hall

There have been a number of activities over the summer months and I would like to thank the staff at Tiggywinkles Wildlife Hospital for their contribution to the Beatrix Potter exhibition. The exhibition was well received and due to a number of requests, will be re displayed in the Library this month. Our sympathy goes to Sue Stoker and her family after the sudden death of Les her husband and joint founder of Tiggywinkles.

Chris Wilkinson won the Subbuteo tournament in a close fought final with

Alan Pankhurst. Alan's goalkeeper was awarded man of the match, but **Chris's** centre forward scored a stunning winning goal deep into extra time. The result 1 -Nil to Chris. Thank you to Alan for organising the event, it gave us all a few fun evenings in the Library, and to Andrea for providing a fascinating insight into the events surrounding the 1966 World Cup. Players received £60 match fees and were requested to bring their own towels. How football has moved on!

Last but by no means least, **Sue Brown** and **Vicky Thomas** have organised a **children's story time** each month in the Library for over two years. However with little support they have decided not to continue. Their efforts are very much appreciated and I know it is a difficult decision for them to make.

“USE YOUR IMAGINATION FBBL SUMMER COMPETITION CLOSING DATE IS 31ST AUGUST.

The results will be on display in the Library from 12th September. Thank you to all those who have supported the competition and donated prizes.



THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE CONTINUES UNTIL 10TH SEPTEMBER.

It is not too late to join in “The Big Friendly Read”. All books, even e-books, count towards the six required to complete the challenge and receive a medal, a certificate, and the opportunity of entering a prize draw to win a “bag of books”.

OPENING HOURS FOR BURTON BRADSTOCK COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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

Telephone: 01308 897563;

Rosemary Daniels (Chair of the FBBL Trustees)

PLATINUM WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

We would like to thank all our friends and neighbours for their best wishes, cards and presents when we recently celebrated our Platinum Wedding Anniversary.

We thank God that we have been together now for 80 years and married for 70 of them and are still well enough to have enjoyed all the celebrations that the family planned for us.



Ken and Gladys (Richardson)



A VEAST OF FOLK
8TH, 9TH & 10TH SEPTEMBER
BURTON BRADSTOCK



Coming Soon! Burton Bradstock's Veast of Folk 2016

The three day event kicks off with two free events at **The Anchor Pub**, firstly on **THURSDAY 8th SEPT.** with a **VEAST ANCHOR SESSION** 8PM till late. An evening of great music in support of The Dorset Air Ambulance. On **FRIDAY LUNCHTIME** 1-3PM there will be an informal singaround. All welcome to come along and take part or just listen over a pint and a sandwich in The Stable Bar. Thanks to the Anchor for hosting these events.

Still time to get your tickets for our Friday Night Family Ceilidh! **TIM LAYCOCK & FRIENDS** with caller **ANGELA LAYCOCK** will be our dance band for the **FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE** at Burton Bradstock Village Hall, with music & dance, storytelling, bar, supper and raffle, profits for the RNLI. Doors open 7pm. All welcome. Tickets: Adults £8, Children £4, Family ticket (2 Adults 2 Children £20) on sale at Burton Bradstock Post Office or phone 01308897421 or email at the address below.

MUSIC IN THE GARDEN is our final event on **SATURDAY 10th SEPT.** 12.30-6PM at **The Three Horseshoes Pub and Kitchen**. **FREE** entry –donations, raffle, proceeds to the RNLI. Live music from **Acoustic Rooster, Delta 88, Garry Smith, Hazel& Dave, Mor or Less, and Moveable Feast**. Thanks to Hannah & Jaap for hosting this event. Last year we raised a record breaking **£760** for the RNLI. We hope you will come along and support this charity event and have a great time!

To find out more please email us at burtonfolktickets@gmail.com or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/burtonbradstockfolkfestival

CALLING ALL LOCAL CREATIVE TALENT!

We're always on the look out for photographs or artwork to grace the cover of the BVN. Forward electronic copies of images for submission, along with any queries about format resolution etc to the editor at bridevalleynews@gmail.com. **A bounty of £10 will be paid for any cover image used**



LITTLEBREDY

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The Church was packed on two consecutive Sundays at the end of July. On the 24th we were joined by the Brockham Scouts from Surrey, who were camping on the cricket ground, and the visiting parson, the Rev. Edward Tildesley, made a superb job of involving them in the service.

This was the third visit over the past few years from the thriving Brockham Scout Group, and they plan to return before long. It will be interesting to see if they are still being transported by the venerable double-decker bus which ferried them around while they were here. One resident who followed it at walking pace up Portesham Hill one day has said she seriously wondered if it was ever going to reach the top!

A week later it was our turn to host the Benefice United Service on the fifth Sunday in the month, which took the form of a belated commemoration of **the Queen's 90th birthday, followed by a picnic in the Bridehead grounds** for those who wanted to stay on. A very convivial occasion, and the Bride Valley Benefice at its best.

The Social Club has been a bit in abeyance since the memorable Sports Afternoon in June to celebrate the Queen's birthday, but we understand a Quiz Evening may be in the offing before too long – further information will be circulated by fliers round the village in due course.

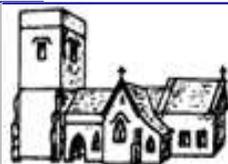
Saturday 10th September sees the annual Dorset Historic Churches Trust **"Ride and Stride"** to help raise money for Dorset's Parish Churches, and no doubt a few of us here will want to support the initiative in some way. If you **haven't already done so, please speak to Nic Armstrong** (482452) if you have any ideas for a village – or individual -activity.

LONG BREDY

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WALKING IN THE BRIDE VALLEY SATURDAY 10TH 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, detailed instructions have been written for two walks at the East end of the valley:

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

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

Refreshments will be available in the Church at Long Bredy up to 6.00pm on the 10th September, or at Manor Cottage (see below). The instructions will also be in the Church, from about 2 weeks before the day, or can be emailed if requested. The walks are not guided and when you do them is up to you. You are advised to take an OS map of the area with you.

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 Peter’s, Long Bredy.**

To receive the instructions via email or to obtain sponsorship forms, or for any other queries, please contact **Rachel** on 482246 or maltbys77@btinternet.com

CREAM TEAS

On **Saturday September 10th**, you will have the chance to enjoy a cream tea at **Manor Cottage, Long Bredy**, between **2.30 and 5.00pm**. Money raised will contribute towards the Dorset Historic Churches Ride and Stride Event.



Whether you are riding....striding....sponsoring.....visiting.....or just fancy a cream tea and a chat in very pretty surroundings, come along and help to support a good cause.

LONG BREDY 100 CLUB WINNERS

JUNE 2016

£25	No. 19	Lavinia Barbour
£15	No. 49	Andrew Bailey
£5	No. 27	Jo Milne

BINGO NIGHT

Hello everybody. My name is **Charlie Pitcher**. In July next year, 2017, I shall be travelling to Kenya with Explore Scouts to work on community projects with local people.

My great-grandfather was also Charlie Pitcher and was born at Lower Farm, Long Bredy. My Nannie and Gramps, Rosemarie and Albert Pitcher kindly arranged a **Bring and Buy sale** which raised over **£500.00**. This included many donations for which I am very grateful.

Nannie and Gramps are also having a **Bingo Night on October 21st**, for which there will be further details next month. I am getting near my target **and would like to say 'thank you' to everybody who has supported me so far.**

Charlie Pitcher

LITTON CHENEY

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The churchyard working party will be on **Thursday 1st September** and we would be delighted to see you for as much time as you can spare - there are plenty of gardening jobs.



MERCHANT NAVY DAY - 3RD SEPTEMBER 2016

On Saturday 3rd September we shall be flying the Red Ensign - the flag flown by British Registered Merchant ships - **from the flagstaff on St. Mary's Church, Litton Cheney.**

The Tower Hill Memorial in London commemorates some 40,000 men and women of the Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleets who died in both World Wars and who have no grave but the sea. Merchant Navy Day is an opportunity to remember their largely forgotten sacrifices and to salute the courage, contribution and losses faced by merchant seafarers and fishermen generally during two World Wars and the Falklands Conflict. Since January, the Weymouth, Portland & District branch of the Merchant Navy Association has been busy raising £15,000 in funds to cover the cost for a memorial to the memory of those of the Merchant Navy & Fishing Fleet who lost their lives during the



wars of the 20th Century. This memorial will be erected alongside the main war memorial and the Anzac memorial on Weymouth seafront hopefully in time for the Remembrance Day parade there this coming November.

Merchant Navy Day is also an opportunity to recognise the UK's on-going dependence on modern day merchant seafarers who are responsible for 95% of our imports, including half the food we eat. Far from home, sometimes frightened in heavy weather and often poorly paid, too often they are forgotten or invisible. This is despite the fact that no-one in the UK lives more than 70 miles from the sea.

If you look up and see the Red Ensign flying on Saturday 3rd September maybe you can spare merchant seamen a thought? That such a flag can flutter above a church tower firmly planted in a peaceful location is a reminder of the hope expressed in what might be called the 'seamen's psalm' (Psalm 107)- a hope of stilled waves and a glad calm and a safe haven at last.

HARVEST FESTIVAL will be celebrated on **Sunday 2nd October** at 11.00 a.m. Do come and join us to **celebrate this time “of mellow fruitfulness” and bring your Harvest offerings.** The service will followed by a **“Bring and Share” lunch** - a great spread is always on offer!



BELL RESTORATION PROJECT

Work on the bells is due to start on **5th September**, with the removal of bells 6 and 8 from the tower sometime that week, to be taken to Loughborough for renovation at John Taylor & Co. There will be other work taking place on the remaining bells in the tower and also some electrical work and decorating, with completion due in time for Christmas.

LITTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.30 p.m. on **Tuesday 13th September** at Litton and Thorner's Community Hall.. Local residents are actively encouraged to attend, and most welcome. Catch up on what is happening in Litton Cheney by visiting www.littoncheney.org.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN MEETING

You will have received a leaflet through your door indicating there will be a meeting for those interested in the forming of a Neighbourhood Plan Project Team. If you do have an interest in this matter and would like to offer up **your undoubted talents and be part of “the team” then come along at 7 pm on Wednesday 31st August at the Community Hall.**

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

If you attended the Village Assembly or the AGM Fest in May you will have heard that a number of village organisations need your help. Perhaps you always intended to throw your hat into the ring but never got around to it, next year may be or something else always seemed to get in the way. If you wish to be part of village life, and we accept not everyone does, then now is the time to stand up and volunteer. If you or others don't, the various events that go on in the village every year will be no more because those who are currently organising these events will become fed up and jump ship, and who can blame them? Elsewhere in this section you will find a plea from Social Committee Chairman **Ron Davidson** asking for volunteers. Where better to start?



ANNUAL WINE TASTING WITH STEVEN SPURRIER – SATURDAY 22ND OCTOBER



This year we will be tasting the wines of Italy, particularly from the regions around Florence, Naples and Venice. Wine Guru Extraordinaire **Steven Spurrier MW** who has his own Bride Valley Vineyard in Litton Cheney, together with local wine merchant/connoisseur **Mark Banham**, will be

exposing us to the delights of this wonderful wine producing country as part of this annual fund-raising effort on behalf of the community hall. As always this is an event not to be missed by anyone who purports to buff about wine. Places are being booked as I type so if you want to book early and ensure yourself (and friends) of a place, call **Wendy Firrell** 482532 or **Freddie Spicer** 482617.

SUPERFAST BROADBAND – YOURS TO COMMAND

Superfast Broadband has arrived and is alive and well in Litton Cheney. It will not however be automatically and magically available to you. You will need to contact your provider/supplier and ask to switch to a fibre service. There is plenty of information available online at www.dorsetforyou.com/superfast and posters on the village noticeboards. Costs are said to be comparable to standard broadband but don't be afraid to shop around for the best deal.

POWER CUT? CALL 105

From **September 6th**, if you experience a power cut you can get updates on the situation by calling 105 no matter who your electricity supplier is, or

wherever you are in the UK. It does suppose that you have a corded phone or mobile coverage from which to call but you can glean more information by visiting www.littoncheney.org.uk and clicking on a link to a short presentation.

LITTON AND THORNER'S COMMUNITY HALL (LATCH) EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER



Mondays	Beavers and Cubs restart on 12 th
Tuesdays	Short Mat Bowls 4.00 p.m. (if enough people)
Wednesdays	First Steps Toddler Group 9.45 - 11.15
Wednesdays	Table Tennis 4.00 p.m. (if enough people)
Thursdays	Watercolour class 1.30 in Meeting Room from 15 th Sept
Thursdays	Scouts restart on 15 th Sept
Fridays	Mobile Shop in car park 8.30 - 11.30
Fridays	Yoga 10.00–11.30 restarts on 9 th Sept.
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Tuesday 6 th & 20 th	Youth Club
Tuesday 13 th	Parish Council in Meeting Room 7.30 p.m.
Saturday 17 th	Village Café 10.30 a.m. to 12.30p.m.



BRIDE VALLEY FILMS AT LATCH

Great films coming up for our autumn season.

Wed. 5 Oct. BRIDGE OF SPIES



'Spielberg and Hanks combine for one of the best films of 2015' Cert. 12 2 hrs. Directed by Steven Spielberg BRIDGE OF SPIES is the based on the true story of James Donovan (Tom Hanks), an insurance claims lawyer from Brooklyn who finds himself thrust into the centre of the Cold War when the CIA enlists his support to negotiate the exchange of sleeper and soviet master spy Rudolf Abel (superbly played by Mark Rylance) for a captured American pilot. Spielberg's beautifully photographed film masterfully evokes that particular atmosphere of tension-mistrust-misunderstanding that was commonplace during much of the Cold-War period.

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: Lois Edwards 482605, 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 Bradstock (who will show it the previous Friday).

NEXT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY :

Wed. 2 November EDDIE THE EAGLE

The story of Eddie The Eagle Edwards, the unlikely but courageous British ski-jumper who never stopped believing in himself even as an entire nation was counting him out.

Cert. PG-13 1.5 hrs.

Wed. 30 November FLORENCE FOSTER JENKINS

The film is based on the true story of Florence Foster Jenkins, an heiress who dreamed of being an opera singer. The fact that she had a dreadful voice did not stop her from trying to make a career out of it! Starring Meryl Streep with Hugh Grant.

Cert. TBA 1.75hrs.

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

LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Thankfully, the good weather held for the SUMMER BBQ with over 80 gathering to enjoy the good food, drinks and entertainment. That it is successful and goes so smoothly is testament to both the preparation, thanks to the committee, but also for the help of other volunteers who set up, man the BBQs', serve the drinks, and clear away at the end. Many thanks to those people.

THIS WAS THE LAST BBQ, TO BE ORGANISED BY THE PRESENT COMMITTEE. As explained earlier in the year at the AGM Fest in May, Annual Village Assembly, and in the BVN, the current committee members cannot **continue forever without an infusion of "new blood"!** Perhaps a first step would be a VILLAGE SUMMER BBQ Group to get together to take over and organise the 2017 BBQ with support and experience provided by the Social Committee?

We look forward to that infusion of new blood, and I look forward very much to your call.

Ron Davidson LCSC 482661

ST MARY'S CHURCH CHOIR CONCERT

On Saturday 13th July St Mary's Church Choir, Litton Cheney gave us a wonderful programme of choral music interspersed with organ and keyboard pieces by St Mary's organist and choirmaster **Paul Cheater** who directed the whole affair. Those of us privileged to be there, and there were many, were able to fully appreciate the work and dedication that had gone into this performance, representing the coming of age of a relatively new choir that did not exist two years ago. Thank you Paul and Choir - it was a pleasure!

LITTON PRUDENTIAL LONDON CYCLISTS 2016

Thank you to all who supported us in our fundraising efforts— sponsors, cooks, café visitors, stallholders , leafleters, general helps, and of course wives! At the time of writing the amount raised is an amazing **£2500+** shared between **Prostate UK** and **Dementia UK**.

It was a wonderful weekend with a family Freecycle though the car free streets of central London and the city, passing along the Strand, up the Mall and around Trafalgar Square, with street music and food stands along the way. The day was marred by the **theft of John and Tess’s locked bicycles outside the pub**, where we were having lunch which left us all shocked and stunned but Jan kindly lent her bike to John for the following day.



On the day itself we were up early, with the three riders all having different start times. Again it was an exhilarating experience to cycle from the start at the Olympic Stadium in East London along closed roads out of London into the Surrey Hills. Unfortunately there was a serious accident at Pyrford near Woking which meant that we were all held up by an hour or more as the emergency services and air ambulance attended. Nick managed to tap into local knowledge and find a way around and eventually caught up with **John who’d had an earlier start time but was caught for longer in the hold up**. They rode the last 20 miles or so back into London together, holding hands down the Mall to the finishing line . Your editor had the latest start time and due to the hold up sadly missed out Leith Hill due to a diversion, but a hugely enjoyable experience, and a real buzz cycling back into London with the finish down the Mall.

We all felt that the course was very fast and flat and that the Surrey Hills are nothing compared to those in West Dorset! All in all a great **experience , and now signed up for the ballot for next year’s event!**

If you would like to sponsor us please contact **Nick Lunn, John Mulhall** or **Will Newell** or visit WWW.JUSTGIVING.COM/TEAMS/LITTON2016.

EDITOR’S BLOOMERS

August Collection



LITTON SECTION

Townend doesn’t have a ‘s’ (overzealous MS Word spellcheck “correction”)

PUNCKNOWLE SECTION

Apologies to those readers of the smallprint; it is of course The Knoll look-out and signal station that graced the cover last month, **not** a Folly!



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ST MARY'S CHURCH PUNCKNOWLE FETE

The sun shone yet again on the whole proceedings. Everyone patiently waited for the gates to open at 2:30pm and the next two hours proved that time flies when you are having fun. Stalls, activities, games, tea and cakes all in beautiful surroundings. The grand draw first prize winners were **Barry & Val Pye** and second prize went to **Ellie & Mike Pearson** - so congratulations to them.

As always a big thank you goes to all of you who supported, donated and/or volunteered your time. Also thank you must go to all those businesses who donated prizes (see below). There are a number of people who help out and never get to see the fete and therefore grateful thanks must go to them - in particular the **Laver** family for the use of the Home Farm Caravan & Campsite and this year ably assisted by **Geoff. Colin and Sheila** were on the gate and did a great job at welcoming all. The takings were **£4,800.00** so well done everyone.

As a final note a special thank you to **Linda and Keith Jeffrey** who have supported the fete for a number of years by providing incredible and very tasty refreshments - this year was their swan song having left the village.

Thanks to: **Humphries Kirk Solicitors, Tripp Suitcases** courtesy of **Aidan Creedon, The Manor House Hotel, The Crown Inn, The Stable Bridport, Electric Bike Tours, Palmers Brewery, Egg Cup Tearooms & Vurlands Animal Farm, Modbury Farm Shop, Freshwater Beach Holiday Park, Hair by David, Lord & Lady Gray** and finally of course to **Jim and Sarah Wild** for providing such beautiful surroundings at The Manor.



PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

Our last two meetings were very enjoyable. We went sketching in Abbotsbury followed by lunch. We then had a bring and share lunch party to round off the season. On Sept 9th we meet at the hall to vote for our favourite painting on the subject of hills. The following meeting on 23rd is also at the hall. <http://puncknowleartgroup.blogspot.co.uk>

Christine Molony

SADNESS

It is with sadness that we have to announce the death of **Dorothy Barlow**, late of this parish. She lived her final years at a nursing home in Devon to be near her daughter. Last October she celebrated her 100th Birthday surrounded by family and friends and was enormously proud of her card from the Queen.



She died on 27 July, peacefully in her sleep.

We last saw her in early July, and she make a point of asking us to pass on her good wishes to all the people she had known whilst living in Puncknowle.

Mike & Ellie Pearson

THANKS

Joyce Bailey would like to thank all those who sent cards and messages of sympathy to her and the family on the death of Jim. They were a very great comfort.

BOOK CLUB



This month's read was **Harvest** by **Jim Crace**. The book tells the story - almost a fable - of a week in the life of a pre-industrial and isolated community through the eyes of one inhabitant, Walter Thirsk. Crace is deliberately vague about time and place. The arrival of three strangers causes a sequence of events that lead to the destruction of the community. Members enjoyed Crace's lyrical writing style and his evocation of a rural past but some found the story raised more questions than it answered and were baffled.

Cathryn Johnson

PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE AND WEST BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB.

Our next meal will be on **20th September** at the start of our new year. 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 and I will be pleased to explain anything about the club you wish to know.



We are still in need of volunteers to assist especially with the cooking, It is only one Tuesday each month to serve between 25 and 30 members. Many thanks to those who help with the setting up of the hall and for the diners who help with the clearing up afterwards. The club provides a great social opportunity for many who do not always have opportunities to meet up. If you could spare the time to help with this worthwhile activity you would be most welcome. Please contact David Buckland 898492 and I would be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

David Buckland

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWYRE CHURCHYARD.



Dorset Wild Life Trust, Living Churchyard Project 2016
We are delighted to say that Holy Trinity has won the Wildlife Friendly Award, for 2016. The prize giving will take place in September. If you are interested in seeing the plans for the Churchyard they are on display in the rear of the Church. Thanks to our Churchwarden **Peter Yeates**, with help from **Ellen Simon** and **Karl Ives** who have made it all possible.

Holy Trinity Swyre PCC.

DIARY, SEPTEMBER 2016

Thu	1	9.30	Churchyard Working Party	St Mary's Litton Cheney
Sun	4		Shared Valley Lunch	Village Hall, Burton
Mon	5	10.00	Julian Meeting	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Tue	6	11.30	PCSO Dave Ash's Police Surgery	Library, Burton
Tue	6	19.00	Bride Valley Youth Club	LATCH
Wed	7	19.30	Burton Parish Council Meeting	Reading Room, Burton
Wed	7	19.30	Book Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Thu	8	20.00	A Veast of Folk -Anchor Session	The Anchor, Burton
Fri	9	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	9	14.15	Tots & Pram Service	St Mary's Burton
Fri	9	19.00	A Veast of Folk - Ceilidh	Village Hall, Burton
Sat	10	12.30	A Veast of Folk - Music in the Garden	Three Horseshoes, Burton
Sat	10	14.30	Cream Teas	Manor Cottage, Long Bredy
Sat	10	10.00⇒	Dorset Historic Churches Trust Ride'n'Stride	Across Valley
Sun	11	10.30	Messy Church	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	13	19.30	W.I. - Joyce Grenfell with Trisha Lewis	Village Hall, Burton
Tue	13	19.30	Litton Parish Council Meeting	LATCH
Wed	14	19.30	Shipton Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall, Shipton
Thu	15	19.30	Bride Valley WI Ashley Chase	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Fri	16	19.30	Village Society - " Palace of Westminster "/ K Seaford	Village Hall, Burton
Sat	17	10.30	Village Café	LATCH
Sun	18	10.00	Mapperton Autumn Garden Fair	Mapperton
Mon	19	19.30	BV Gdn Club "Gardens of SW England"/P Gamble	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	20	12.30	PWSB Lunch Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Tue	20	19.00	Bride Valley Youth Club	LATCH
Wed	21	10.00	Coffee Stop hosted by the Village Hall Trust	Village Hall, Burton
Wed	21	19.30	Did the Durotriges come to Shipton Gorge ?	Village Hall, Shipton
Thu	22	19.30	Gardener's Question Time - Cyril Whitlock	Village Hall, Burton
Fri	23	10.00	Art Club	Village Hall, Puncknowle
Mon	26	19.30	Bride Valley British Legion – Social	The Anchor, Burton
Fri	30	19.30	Burton Bradstock Films "The Bridge of Spies"	Village Hall, Burton
Wed	5 Oct	20.00	Bride Valley Films "The Bridge of Spies"	LATCH



SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES SEPTEMBER 2016

	1 st Sunday 4 September Trinity 15	2 nd Sunday 11 September Trinity 16	3 rd Sunday 18 September Trinity 17	4 th Sunday 25 September Trinity 18
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion by ext 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service	11.00 Holy Communion
Chilcombe				6.30 Evening Prayer
Sipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	6.00 Licensing Service for Reverend Sue Linford led by Archdeacon Paul Taylor	5.00 Harvest Service
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Messy Church in Puncknowle Village Hall		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 by ext.		11.00 Holy Communion