

## **The Parish Newsletter, September 2016**

The year is turning again towards a new season and the blustery, squally weather as I write this column is a reminder that summer won't last forever. However, in theory we still have until the Equinox on 23<sup>rd</sup> September before we move into proper autumn, so let's make the most of the rest of the summer and hope it lasts a little longer!

### **The "Huge" Fun Day**

We've had mention of this big community event since the first newsletter of the year and at last it is nearly upon us. It sounds as if this is going to be an event for everyone to be involved in. Whether you are making cakes or eating them, setting up competitions and games or taking part in them, there is sure to be lots going on all day, so make note of the date and details on page 5 and please take heed of the request for helpers on page 6, but most of all enjoy a lovely day!

### **Welcome to our new innkeepers**

Thanks are due to our 'roving reporter' for an introduction to our new Landlord and Landlady on page 15. No doubt they will soon settle into village life and feel very welcome in our friendly village. If you want to meet them in person just follow the scent of roast pork at the late summer bank holiday and find what's cooking in the garden.

### **Harvest Supper**

The call is out again for puddings as we look ahead to the Harvest Supper in October. A lot of the harvest has already been safely gathered in and hopefully by the first weekend in October it will be finished in time for the Harvest Festival, and well before the Harvest Supper, which is this year a week later on the second Saturday. Don't forget if you want to be sure of your seat at the table to get in touch with Tim as soon as possible! Please see page 7 for details.

### **Feeling Blue?**

The local embroidery group are not in fact referring to a low mood but rather the ancient art of dyeing cloth. It is bound to be a fascinating story concerning the history of the indigo plant and an industry that has endured through millennia. See page 13 for more details.

### **How about an autumnal spring clean?**

Weighed down by too much *stuff* in your house? Why not decide to have a big end-of-summer, start-of-autumn de-cluttering campaign and begin by going

through all those books you'll never read again and all those old greetings cards you have hung on to for no good reason other than not wanting to throw them away. The books will find a home on page 4 and the greetings cards are eagerly awaited on page 19. Not only will you feel extremely satisfied with your tidy home, you will also have done a lot of good for charities too.

### **Explore an ancient monument**

How is it that when we go on holiday we find out all sorts of interesting places on our travels but often don't know what we have on our own doorstep? This month we have news of an intriguing piece of history that is being literally unearthed in the local landscape. Turn to page 20 to find out more and go and see this ancient earthwork for yourself – if you can find it!

### **A good time to get involved**

September is of course the beginning of the academic year and traditionally also a time for starting new pursuits. It is also the time when many groups and clubs have their AGMs. If you have time on your hands or want to get involved in something worthwhile there are loads of opportunities locally that might be just the thing. Whether it's joining the Young Farmers, helping out with the Village Show, or getting into local politics with the parish council, all the contacts are here!

*With best wishes for September from Jenny and the Newsletter team.*

**DON'T FORGET THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE!: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 6PM.**  
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# Regular Meeting dates

## Parish Council

Contact: Derek Madge 01392 833969

*every second Monday evening in the month*

## Coffee Mornings at Crockernwell

Contact: Mrs A MacDonald 24446

*every second Saturday in the month*

## Preschool

Contact: Christine Grist 281205

*Mon, Tue, 9.00 – 11.30, Wed, Thurs 9 – 3.15  
"Lunch Club" until 12.45 pm on Mon/Tues.  
All during term time only*

## Scouts

Contact: Ollie Milverton 07706 695928

*every Monday evening during term time*

## Cubs

Contact: Karen Morris 01647 252375

*every Thursday during term time*

## Pilates

Contact Adele 07976 427941

*every Friday morning, 8.55 am and 10.00 am,  
during term time*

## West Down Bible Study & Prayer

Contact: Derek Coren 24264

*every Monday evening from Oct – May*

## Horticultural Society

Contact: Jenny Grist 281110

*usually the third Monday evening in the month  
during the Autumn and Winter*

## West Country Embroiderers

Contact: Janet Grist 281637

*every first Tuesday afternoon in the month*

## Short Mat Bowling

Contact Nos: Pat Hill 24201 or David Tripp 24582

*every Wednesday, Sept – May  
(Membership full at present)*

## Baby Clinic

The Surgery 24272

*every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month 2 – 3 pm  
(Clinics held in CB Surgery)*

## Cheriton Bishop Baby and Toddler Group

Contact: Find us on Facebook

*In the School Hall every Friday 9-10.30 am  
Term time only*

## Young Farmers

Contact: David Rowell 07792 518439

*every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday evenings*

## Art at Caribarn Studio, Pitton Barton

Contact: Sue Bloomfield 24840

*usually every last Friday of month 9.30–12.30*

## Spiritual Discussion Group

Contact: Penny Gare 24639

*Monthly*

## Walking Group

Contact: Jane Hancock 24092

*usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in month 1.30 pm  
(see posters and CB Website for details)*

***Has your organisation been left out? Please let us know so that it can be included on this regular page.***

***Has someone just moved in next door? Why not pop round with this newsletter and let them know what goes on in Cheriton Bishop and Crockernwell?***

### The Mobile Library: Monthly on Tuesdays 2016: Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>, Dec 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### Crockernwell:

Stanbury's Orchard

Arrives 14.35

Departs:

14.55

#### Cheriton Bishop:

Glebelands

Arrives: 15.05

Departs:

15.35

Hescane Park

15.40

16.10

**Don't Forget Spalding Hall Games Evening on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August! (see page 6 for details)**

## ***Diary Dates for September***

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Acorn Lunch	Woodleigh CH	12.30 pm
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Community Coach Outing to Weymouth		
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	West Country Embroiderers	Village Hall	1.30 – 4 pm
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Acorn Trip to Sainsbury's		
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	Spalding Hall	7.30 pm
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Hort Soc visit to Drewsteignton (Church Rooms, Drew.)		7.30 pm
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Local Produce Market	Village Hall	10 – 12 noon
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Walking Group	YFC centre	1.30 pm
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Cuppa and a Chat	Spalding Hall	2 – 4 pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Acorn Trip to Sainsbury's		
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Community Fun Day	Village Hall Car park & Field	10-4 pm

## ***Diary Dates for October***

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest Festival	Parish Church	6 pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Acorn Trip to Sainsbury's		
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Acorn Lunch	Woodleigh CH	12.30 pm
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Supper	Village Hall	7.00 pm
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Walking Group	YFC centre	1.30 pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Horticultural Society	Spalding Hall	7.30 pm

### **Forthcoming Events**

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Churchyard clean up	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> /Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Book Sale	Village Hall
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Hort Soc Annual Dinner	Village Hall

***If your organisation has a one-off event planned for later this year or even in 2017, why not let other organisations know in advance so that dates don't clash?***

For much more information about Cheriton Bishop, Crockernwell and the surrounding area please visit the Cheriton Bishop Web Site:

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

For any queries or alterations that are needed on the website please contact Jan Mitchell on 01647 24405 in the first instance.

# **The Next Local Produce Market in Cheriton Bishop Village Hall**

**10am - 12pm**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

This month: Autumn Fayre

**This is YOUR local Market!**

**Meats, Game, Cheeses, Bread, Ready Meals, Vegetables, Flowers, English & French Cuisine,  
Soft Fruits, Crafts, Garden ware: Bird boxes & Wooden items  
Veggie boxes etc.**

*Anyone interested in a place or for more information telephone:*

*Rachel on 01647 24566*

## **Please note!**

For Village Hall and Harvest Supper bookings:  
From Sept 5th to 20th please ring 24456. Thereafter please go back to 24789.

*Thanks, Tim Gorringe*

## **Community Coach Outing to WEYMOUTH**

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016      COST £10 PER SEAT**

**TO BOOK PHONE EVELYN COREN on 01647 24264**

***Pick up points:    YEOFORD (Train Bridge).....9:00am***

**CHERITON BISHOP (Village Hall).....9:20am**

**TEDBURN ST MARY (Bus stop).....9.30 am**

## **Book Sale**

I cannot believe another year has passed since I asked for books for the 2015 Sale, the first for a few years. **The 2016 Book Sale will be held in the Village Hall on the evening of Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November and morning of Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November.**

Books may be left at South Orchard anytime after 5<sup>th</sup> September when the schools go back. I have nearly finished the stack of books I acquired last November!

*Persis Bower 0164724303.*

**CHERITON BISHOP & TEIGN VALLEY  
PRACTICE  
HUGE COMMUNITY FUN DAY  
SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER  
10AM-4PM**

**Cheriton Bishop Village Hall Car Park and  
Adjoining Field**

**Free entry**

**Something for everyone**

**Raffle with Fabulous Prizes**

**Children's Art Competition and prizes awarded on  
the day**

**Coffee, Tea and Wonderful Home Made Cakes**

**Local Live Music Entertainment**

**Variety of Local Stalls**

**Fun and Games in the Field**

**BBQ and Bar**

**And Much .....Much....More**

**Flu clinic running all day held by our nursing Team**

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**In Aid of MacMillan Cancer Support and  
The Surgery Medical Equipment Fund**

# **Help is needed for the Fun Day On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September!**

Help Needed in the Village Hall PLEASE  
2 hour shifts of 6 people

9am-11am  
11am-1pm  
1pm-3pm  
3pm-5pm

We shall be making and serving Tea, Coffee and Cakes  
Your help will be greatly appreciated  
Please Contact: Jean on 01647 24586  
With the Time you can help  
Many Thanks

**Come and have a Fun Evening at  
Spalding Hall.  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August from 6p.m. onwards**

**FREE ENTRY + FREE WII**  
Variety of games

Don't bother with supper  
**We will have a BBQ available**  
in aid of  
**Spalding Hall Funds.**

## **Churchwardens' News**

As we move into the autumn the first event is the Harvest Festival on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, which we celebrate with a Songs of Praise service at 6pm. The flower arrangers will be at work either popping in during Friday or from 10am – 3pm on Saturday. This year we have to be finished by 3pm as there is a special celebration in the church later of a Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

As usual the Harvest collection will be sent to a charity helping to deal with the hunger of others; and any vegetables, grocery, etc will be taken to Age Concern in Cowick Street.

In November there will be the annual churchyard clear-up on Sat 5<sup>th</sup>, details in next month's newsletter. As ever the workers will be provided with lunch.

We are also arranging a concert in church in early November featuring organ music by Andrew Millington (who recently retired as Musical Director at Exeter Cathedral) as part of the entertainment. Again more details next newsletter.

*Janet Jeffery 24414 and Alan Greenslade 24002*

THIS YEAR'S  
HARVEST SUPPER  
WILL BE ON  
SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRICE UNCHANGED AT £5  
FOR THE SIXTH YEAR!  
(CHILDREN UNDER 10 YEARS £2.50)

LOCALLY PRODUCED OR  
HOME-COOKED FOOD

EQUALLY HOME-COOKED AND  
RUSTIC ENTERTAINMENT!

APPLE JUICE PROVIDED BUT FEEL  
FREE TO BRING YOUR OWN  
ALCOHOLIC REFRESHMENTS.

PLEASE BRING PUDDINGS!

*JUST 80 TICKETS AVAILABLE  
SO PLEASE BOOK EARLY:*

*TIM GORRINGE 24789  
(OR IF PHONING BETWEEN  
5<sup>TH</sup> – 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
PLEASE RING 24456)*

ALL WELCOME!  
COME AND ENJOY THE  
REWARDS OF THE HARVEST

# SERVICES AT ST MARY'S CHERITON BISHOP AND OTHER CHURCHES IN THE NORTH KENN MISSION COMMUNITY

## SEPTEMBER 2016

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

9am	Whitestone	<i>Trinity 15</i>	
9.30	Holcombe Burnell	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11am	Tedburn St Mary	Holy Communion	Canon John Tutton
3pm	Pathfinder	Informal Worship	Revd Martin Wood
6pm	<b>Cheriton Bishop</b>	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
		<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>Revd Martin Wood</b>

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

9.30	Holcombe Burnell	<i>Trinity 16</i>	
9.30	Whitestone	Said Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11am	<b>Cheriton Bishop</b>	Parish Communion	Revd Martin Wood
3pm	Pathfinder	<b>Family Service</b>	<b>Revd Martin Wood</b>
6pm	Tedburn St Mary	Prayer and Fellowship	
		Tent Service	Revd Martin Wood

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>

9am	Tedburn St Mary	<i>Trinity 17</i>	
9.30	<b>Cheriton Bishop</b>	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11am	Whitestone	<b>Parish Communion</b>	<b>Revd Martin Wood</b>
3pm	Pathfinder	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
6pm	Holcombe Burnell	Evensong	Revd Martin Wood
		Evensong	Lay Led

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

8am	<b>Cheriton Bishop</b>	<i>Trinity 18</i>	
9.30	Tedburn St Mary	Holy Communion	<b>Revd Prof Tim Gorringe</b>
11am	Holcombe Burnell	Parish Communion	Revd Martin Wood
3pm	Pathfinder	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
6pm	Whitestone	United Service	
		Harvest Praise	Revd Martin Wood

### EACH THURSDAY

10.30	Pathfinder	Holy Communion.	Revd Martin Wood/ Canon John Tutton
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***A warm welcome to all who attend our services.  
Please note that the Spalding Hall is open for the use of the toilets  
during service times.***

## **From the Rector**

### **Are all infections bad?**

We said goodbye to Canon Geoffrey Moore and his wife Ann in the summer as they moved to the Lake District. Geoff was a great help to me taking services, when I was away on holiday or at a meeting.

More importantly, he was greatly loved by the congregation he served. He always had a smile on his face and enjoyed a laugh. He thought this poem would be a suitable addition to my article. I think he is quite right. The author is unknown, but it was passed on to Geoff by a member of St Thomas's church.

*Smiling is infectious, you catch it like the flu.  
When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too.  
I passed around the corner and someone saw my grin.  
When he smiled I realized I'd passed it on to him.  
I thought about that smile, then I realized its worth.  
A single smile, just like mine could travel round the earth.  
So, if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected.  
Let's start an epidemic quick, and get the world infected.*

Infections normally have negative connotations, especially when as recently we have been worried about the possibilities of epidemics and pandemics of flu, Ebola, Zika and infectious diseases. The threat that they pose to so many people means that they are taken very seriously. The counter argument is made well by the poem and when we say that laughter is infectious. I must admit that laughter has often taken me out of stressful and difficult situations. It sometimes has the ability to press the reset button and put things in a better more realistic perspective, especially if you have the weight of the world on your shoulders.

There is a parallel process that runs with our relationship with God. It is easy to get a sombre and serious picture of God. A lot of people think of God as someone who judges our wrong doing. But just as importantly there is the counter balance that God delights in our successes and triumphs. He encourages us to have a go and trust in him. We are told that if we want to know more about God we need to look to Jesus. There is a sense that Jesus was much loved and cared about people and their troubles. This concern was infectious and brought more people in contact with Jesus. They were often transformed by that encounter with Jesus for good.

I suspect that like laughter, the good qualities of relating to others and bringing out the best in those around us, are what is required to banish the gloominess and the hopelessness that often pervades how we look at life. I am sure that is what God wants us to do and I can guarantee it will bring many smiles to faces. It is good to know that good things can be caught and passed on to one another just like a smile!

Rev. Martin Wood. The Rectory, Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop EX6 6HY 01647 24119 (Tuesday to Sunday)  
revwood163@gmail.com

# WEST DOWN EVANGELICAL CHAPEL

Yeoford Road, Cheriton Bishop. Telephone 01647 24660/24264

## Services for September 2016

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept

11.am Morning Worship  
3.pm Family Service with  
**Rev Ray Murden**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept

11.am Morning Worship  
3.pm Family Service with  
**Mr Keith Moast**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept

11.am Morning Worship  
3.pm Family Service with  
**Rev David Cole**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept

11.am Morning Worship  
3.pm Family Service with  
**Mr Steve Aplin**

Friends and Neighbours - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2 - 4pm

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## Holy Trinity Yeoford

Our Harvest celebrations are on the 24<sup>th</sup> September. The Harvest Festival Service will be at 9-30 taken by Preb Nigel Guthrie followed by a Harvest Lunch at 1pm. Tickets will be available from church members.

**Messy Church** is on 17<sup>th</sup> September at 3-30 in the Village Hall.

**Café Company** Reopens on 12<sup>th</sup> September at 9-30.

## September Services

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>** Holy Communion 9-30

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>** Holy Communion 9-30

Carol Price  
01647 24468



# What's on in

# September?

**Cheriton Bishop Lunch Club** – Lunches are held on the first Thursday of each month, this month it will be 1st September and 6<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to come along and meet new people please phone; Jean Martin 01647 24586 or ring the Acorn Office on the number below for more details.

**Minibus trips to Sainsbury's from Cheriton** – Dates are Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> September and 5<sup>th</sup> October. Help is provided in store and a wheelchair service is also available. We will also help carry your shopping too! The fare is just £4 return.

**Teign Valley Memory Café** - This month it will be 8<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> September and 13<sup>th</sup> October. Meetings are held 10.30 – 12.30 at Strawberry Hill, Dunsford on the B3212 – look out for the sign.

**Coffee Morning at Teign Valley Community Hall** – The Bowden Room, Teign Valley Community Hall 10.30 - 12. Please drop in for a coffee and a slice of homemade cake and meet up with friends, everyone welcome. This month it will be Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> September and 4<sup>th</sup> October. Please ring the number below if you would like a lift.

**What else do we do?** – We have a fantastic group of volunteers who help to provide transport to medical social and wellbeing appointments, we can deliver prescriptions, we also loan wheelchairs and equipment to assist you in the home.

**Who should you contact?** - Should you need transport to an appointment or a prescription delivered please phone Sylvia Tripp on 01647 24267. Please leave a message on her answering machine if she is not at home and she will call you back. If you have not heard back within 24hours please call Jean Martin on 01647 24586 or Jackie in the Acorn office 01647 252701 – answering machine available 24 hours.

Acorn Office Telephone number 01647 252701 for further information.

Visit our website at [www.acorncommunitysupport.co.uk](http://www.acorncommunitysupport.co.uk)

## **ACORN LUNCH THURSDAY 1<sup>st</sup> September 12.30p.m**

THE COACH HOUSE  
Fish and Chips & Dessert,  
Tea or Coffee  
£7.00

PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDER BY 27th August  
With Jean 01647 24586  
Tell her if you need a lift

## **NO NEWS IS.....!!**

Our article in the March edition concerning “scamming” and the reality check reported in July’s Newsletter has been reiterated by the National Media ever since! Did you see the Barclays Bank advertisement on TV – not encouraging people to switch accounts but to warn their existing customers not to give out personal detail, including passwords, on-line or on the ‘phone? Scamming is now BIG business for criminals and suddenly the Banks, Police and others are looking at protecting the public, seriously!

There is NO NEWS on the Police investigation into our Villagers’ plight (reported last month) but the investigation is on-going and at least the victims are being kept “in the loop” with frequent up-dates. And, they have been inundated with recent press-cuttings of similar scams from friends wanting them to feel not alone in their dilemma.

### **POLICE EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

The 101 number has come under much criticism of late for the delays in calls being answered. So the Police have issued a new contact – here is a summary of their numbers:

**999** is top emergency. Call this number only if you see a crime in progress or you see someone suspected of a crime nearby or there is a danger to life or violence is being used or threatened.

**101** use for example if your car is stolen; your property is damaged; you suspect drug use in the neighbourhood; you want to give the Police information about crime in this area or you have a general Police enquiry.

**101@dc.police.uk** is the new on-line method of calling the 101 number .

### **SPEEDING IN THE VILLAGE**

The face of our Community Policing is changing! Lisa Cocker is moving into Crediton and PCSO David Waring is taking over our area.. He is aware of our failed attempt to get a Neighbourhood Speed Watch up and running in Cheriton Bishop **so far**, but is asking Villagers to contact him direct to report their experiences of dangerous speeding through the Village.

Our aim was for our community to be able to check excessive speeds of traffic on the C50 (the main road) and Church Lane. The Police’s own checks, taken we think, fallaciously near the Shop (on road parking slows traffic down there) did not indicate “excessive speeding”. We were asking for checks near the Bus Stops on the fast stretch of road and where most people cross the road!

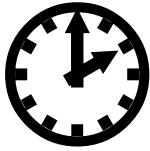
With eighteen new homes soon to come on stream at Moor Park, the risk to life and limb from fast moving traffic will increase.

So, if speeding traffic frightens you, get in touch with:

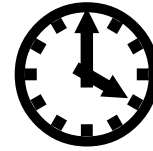
PCSO David Waring,  
c/o Exeter Police Enquiry Office,  
Devon & Cornwall Police,  
Heavitree Road,  
Exeter EX1 2LR  
or e-mail him on:  
[crediton@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:crediton@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk)

If enough people complain, we might just get our own Community Speed Watch up and running. We have the volunteers to man the cameras, all we need now is commitment from the Police!

*Brian W Bryon-Edmond, Deputy Co-ordinator, Neighbourhood Watch 01647 24696*



**Pop in for a chat and a drink**



**on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

**at The Spalding Hall**

**any time between 2pm and 4pm**

***Everyone is very welcome!***

***Choice of hot and cold drinks***

There is no charge but we do put out a pot for any donations towards the cost of hiring the hall

**Need a lift** from your home?  
Ring Jean on 24586 or Paul on 24405

## **West Country Embroiderers in September**

**September 6th - 13.30 - 16.00 Cheriton Bishop Village Hall**

Topic - Indigo Dyes

This month we welcome a renowned authority of Indigo dyes. This will be a fascinating lecture on the discovery and use of indigo dyes across the world. Indigo is an ancient dye and may have been used as far back as the 3rd millennium BC and is mentioned as the source of the blue stripes on mummy cloths in Egyptian tombs! It is mainly grown in India and covers an area a third the size of Wales. Please let Nicky know if you would like to join us.

Please contact Nicky Westcott 01835 82517 or [westcottnicky@gmail.com](mailto:westcottnicky@gmail.com) for the list of things you will need for this month's class.



## **Cheriton Bishop Pre-School**

### **Pre-School General Assistant Required**

We are a dedicated, friendly and successful pre-School looking for an enthusiastic pre-school assistant to come and join us.

Applications with relevant childcare qualifications will be desirable, but not essential. You will need to have a desire to work with pre-school children, enthusiasm and interest in early years education, be able to show initiative and work well as part of a team. You will need to be willing to attend any training that is necessary and have a willingness to learn. There is a 3 months probationary period for satisfactory performance levels and a DBS check is required for the successful candidate.

This role is initially for 7.5 hrs a week. This role will be a temporary fixed term contract which will be reviewed based on children numbers. Hours are likely to be extended after Christmas but dependent on children numbers.

Wages/pay is £7.20 per hour.

Hours of work: (Term time only and subject to sufficient child numbers)

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am -11.30am.

For more details & to download an application form please see our website:

[www.cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk](http://www.cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk)

Or email or phone:

Kim Drake (Chair) on 01647 281413 or email: [chairperson@cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk](mailto:chairperson@cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk)

Or

Christine Grist (Pre-school Leader) on 07977 777 318 or email:

[enquiries@cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk)

**Closing date: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September.**

Cheriton Bishop Pre-School, Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop, Exeter, EX6 6HY

[www.cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk](http://www.cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk)

## MEET THE NEW LANDLORD/LADY AT THE OLD THATCH INN

It's Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August and the writer is having a chat with the new "Mine Hosts" at the Old Thatch Inn for the Newsletter, exactly one month since they took over – enough time we think, for them to get their "feet under the table" before the inquisition!

So, meet Lance and Simone Marshall and their black cat Daisey. And to complete the "quartet", Mum Rhona, who has just moved in! Lance and Simone have moved from Ringwood in Hampshire but already have close ties to this area. Two daughters and the grandchildren live in Exeter, and Lance has spent a good bit of his life in Exeter/Exmouth. He does not have a Devon accent though, nor does Simone who hails from Rhodesia/South Africa – and that accent does show!

This is their first Inn – Lance's background is military from which he retired nine years ago and Simone is steeped in catering and computers, but they did meet in a "pub"! Needless to say, Simone will head up the catering side with Chef David de Castro. Her speciality is sweets/desserts, so forget your waistline when you book a table at the OTI. They tell me, it's important to do so (book a table!) because they are already getting very busy at the weekends and some days in the week. Simone stresses the menu will be "good quality home cooking using local ingredients wherever possible". Not "fine dining" at prices you cannot afford.

Meanwhile, Lance, who is not allowed in the kitchen (!), will be "managing the business" and looking after both the building maintenance and customer well-being. They are not planning major changes but they want to upgrade the two letting bedrooms, refurbish the public areas and improve customer comfort.

So at the end of month one, what do they think of their new environment? They are very impressed with the communal Village life – Simone thinks it's up there with the community spirit of African Villages she has known. But they want to get to know Villagers better.

When this article is published, their "Get to Know the Landlord/Lady Evening" will have gone, but if you missed it then the next big "get together" will be on Bank Holiday Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> August when they are hosting a Hog Roast and Paella event in the Thatch garden from midday onward. Marquees provided in case it rains!

We welcome them to Cheriton Bishop and wish them every success in their new venture.

*BWBE Roving Reporter PNL*

### **Cheriton & Tedburn Young Farmers**

Cheriton and Tedburn YFC has enjoyed a successful summer with our main event being the charity fun run & walk based at the new Young Farmers centre in Cheriton Bishop. We had over 90 participants on the day who helped us to raise an amazing £920 for Dravets Syndrome UK. From all of us at the club we would like to thank everyone who came and enjoyed the afternoon.

With the young farmers year coming to an end we are starting to think about the future year and the new club officers who will be taking over. With lots of members showing interest the next year is sure to be a great one.

*David Rowell, Secretary*



## **Snippets from the Classroom and Beyond**

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Well, lookee here, the school calendar for this edition remains the same as last month :

### **7th September - First Day of the Autumn Term**

Do I hear a little cheer go up from the parentage? I expect some will be cheering after the long summer holidays. What a mixed bag of weather we have had. I trust holidays were not spoilt but, in the British Isles, the vagaries of the summer weather have, nearly always, called for a certain amount of fortitude. Those who holidayed abroad had boring sunshine all day - but how exciting is that? Despite the above, I hope the children will be keen on getting the new term underway. A big welcome is given to all the new children joining the school for the first time. Also, we must not forget those who go to their new secondary level of schooling, be it at QE or Okehampton. Once again, here's wishing Good Fortune to them all! It's a big step up from primary to secondary schools.

And that's all I've got from the school.

Now, an admission. I don't have access to my main computer this time so Snippets is being written on my laptop computer for the second time this year! It means that there might well be some mistakes in my efforts. I am used to the Word program for writing Snippets and the like. I don't really like Apple Pages. I don't know too much about it, hence mistakes. Can you guess that I am not too computer-literate?

Last month I brought up my experiences of winter 1977/78 when I had difficulty getting out of Cherry B to get back to my ship in Devonport. There have been worse winters. My mother moved down to the village from our old home in Islip in Northamptonshire in the autumn of 1962. I had, in the meantime, joined the Royal Navy at Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, in September of that year. So it was that I left Islip in September to join the RN and came on my first weekend from BRNC in November to the village of Cheriton Bishop. I digress a little. Although there was a little snow around by Christmas, the heavy falls came after I had returned to Dartmouth. On the coast the weather was far more benign than that experienced on the northern flanks of Dartmoor. My mother's photographs taken at that time show quite deep snow where the path to the front door had been dug out. What is more, the snow hung around until April/May time. That winter must rank as one of the most severe in the area.

On, then, to another little anecdote about winter in Cheriton Bishop and the RN. I think it was the winter of 1982/83 when I was on a weekend's leave from my ship, *HMS Londonderry*, in Portsmouth. I went up to Checkers to pick up my newspaper on the Sunday morning. As I walked there was a feeling of some slight dusty snow in the air. Up at the shop people were talking about Sticklepath and South Zeal being snowed in already. As I walked back down the lane I sensed that the snow was beginning to get heavier and I got back home to telephone my nephew John, who lives in Exeter, to ask him if he would come out and take me into St. David's Station, I having no car at the time. By the time he got out to me the snow was beginning to lie on the ground and I was grateful to get on my way! Once in at the railway station, I sorted out the train times and caught the train for Salisbury which would connect with a Portsmouth train and get me back to the 'Derry in good time, I thought. But it was not to be. We got as far as Chard Junction before we pulled up in the passing loop there. It was announced that the telegraph wires had been blown down further up the track and we would have to await the arrival of another engine to haul us back to Exeter. I don't know if you are acquainted with the layout at Chard Junction but there was a pub just across the road from the old (ex) station. By this time it must have been

3 o'clock and, it being a Sunday, the landlord of the pub was just sitting down for his own Sunday lunch. Very graciously, he agreed to re-open the pub, once he had finished his lunch, so not all was lost. In due course, the engine from Exeter arrived and everybody climbed back onto the train and we set off back to the fair city. I, having a little bit of knowledge about the railways, decided that I would try going up to Westbury to catch a Bristol–Portsmouth train there. My sense of duty drove me on! The weather was not improving as we got into Westbury. The Portsmouth train duly arrived and the train crew were determined to make it to Pompey. So we set off to that great naval city. True to their word, the train crew got us to our destination through some fairly wicked conditions and I was able to rejoin my ship before the end of the day.

Monday saw me with one of my Leading Hands missing. He had phoned the ship to say he was unable to get back due to the bad weather. Later on that day he did manage to return and he told me what had happened. He lived in Exmouth and he had been on the Exeter–Salisbury train which had only got as far as Chard Junction.....!! On return to Exeter he had carried on back to Exmouth and spent an extra night with his family. He was quite taken aback when I told him that I was on that same train but I had still managed to get back OK. He got off without punishment because I had experienced the problem and had a certain sympathy with him. It was only my understanding of the railways that got me back on the Sunday. Life can be quite intriguing at times!

Staying with railways, the Dartmoor railway had a special train to run on 1st August. Graham Isom, a very experienced railwayman had, that day, reached the 50th year of working on the railways. He is a well-respected man and he thought he was at Okehampton station to undertake instruction of a makee-learner driver. He got a great surprise when the train rolled in from Meldon with a special headboard "Graham Isom 50 years Man and Boy" on the front of the locomotive. Not only that but the train was carrying erstwhile colleagues, family and friends to celebrate with him. They had been rounded up from all over the country. How it was kept secret from him involved a lot of subterfuge and discreet planning.

A quick mention of Mariners Away to round up this month's Snippets. We had a great time at the King's Arms, our 'home port' in South Zeal, on the Saturday of the Dartmoor Folk Festival. It has become a bit of a tradition for us to perform there each year. We had a considerable number of unsolicited compliments paid. Is it time to create a fan club?

If you are going to the Macmillan Fun Day in CB on 24th September you will be able to catch up with us there.

PGR



## **Walking Group News** August '16

The next outing for the group will be Sunday September 18th. Watch out for posters nearer to the time. We'll meet at The YFC, as usual, at 1.30 pm.

Please note the dates for the rest of the year are: October 16<sup>th</sup>; November 20<sup>th</sup>; December 18<sup>th</sup> (this date is likely to be changed because of its proximity to Christmas)

If you would like more information, please contact Jane on 24092

## **Cheriton Bishop Horticultural Society**

The village Show went very well despite a smaller number of entries this year and, encouragingly there were a number of new entrants. The Banksian Medal, given to the winner of most points in the Flower and Vegetable sections (which is awarded annually by the Royal Horticultural Society to a competitor who hasn't won it in the last three years), went this year to first time exhibitor Peggy Reed. The Challenge Cup for most points in all classes went to Nick Vaughan with a staggering 116 points. Katharine Otley won the cup for most points won in the Cookery Section, while Kath Eley won the best exhibit in this section with her superb shortbread. Jennie Cornewall-Walker won the Floral Art cup and Emma Benjamin won the Handicraft Trophy. The much striven-for Joker's Cup, given for the most points won in a range of classes calling for a sense of humour, was won by Alan Greenslade! In the Children's Section the Senior cup was won by May Brittain, the Junior Cup by Hebe Easton, the Charlotte Lane Cup for 5-7 year olds was won jointly by William Otley and Izzy Macleod, and the Pre School Mug was won by Emily Jeffery. Perhaps the chief reason why entry numbers were a little lower this year was the fact that long-standing competitors Joyce and David Ganderton have retired from showing! However we were delighted to invite them to the show to give out the prizes – they are a hard act to follow, both on the committee and at our shows for over twenty years.

This leads us to the fact that the Hort Soc would very much like to recruit some new blood onto the committee to bring new ideas and energy to our programme of talks and shows. Our AGM will be in November, but if you would like to join us we would love to hear from you now!

### **This month our Autumn & Winter Programme of talks begins:**

In September we are invited to Drewsteignton's meeting for a talk by Dick Fulcher of Pine Cottage Plants on Seed Collection and Growing from Seed. A very timely topic at this time of year! This meeting is on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30 pm at the Church Rooms, Drewsteignton.

Our first meeting here in Cheriton is with Fiona Arnold (the St David Station Flower Lady), who has much useful knowledge about growing and buying cut flowers, with a preference for Local Grown. This meeting is on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30 pm at the Spalding Hall.

*New members are always welcome at our meetings! For more information please contact Jenny Grist on 01647 281110.*

### **Letter to the Editor**

#### **Thank you for the colour!**

Thank you to our local householders and council members who have made our roads and lanes so colourful this summer. In particular we thank Tim and Amanda Vooght and their boys, sweeping, planting and watering the pots by the seat on Church Lane. Well done!

*Brenda Tutton*

## **WANTED!**

### **Used postage stamps, old Birthday, Thank you and Celebration cards.**

If you have any used cards that may be accumulating in drawers or cupboards, we can up-cycle them for charity. For many years I have supported a children's orphanage in India and we now have three groups who create new cards! We particularly need children's birthday cards but would be very grateful for any celebration card except Christmas cards. The latter are often sold for charity and it does not feel right to resell them.

Thank you very much for all the envelopes of used postage stamps that have kindly been slipped through our letterbox over the past few months. If you have any cards or stamps that you would like to donate, please pop them through my letterbox at Sunnyvale, Church lane. We are the house with black and white railings before you start climbing up hill to the church.

Thank you

*Elaine Clark*

## **North East Dartmoor Care – Latest**

North East Dartmoor Care, our new community project that aims to tackle a local crisis in social care, is seeking to reach a target of £15,000 through its new Crowd-funding campaign. You can see Judi Spiers, the much loved Devonian broadcaster, alongside local people describing their experience of care by going to [www.crowdfunder.co.uk/nedcare](http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/nedcare) .

Please can you help us with your own pledge, however small? The campaign closes on 14 September.

We desperately need start-up funding, to cover the cost of recruiting a specialist care manager to set up and run the new service. This will enable us to get the necessary registrations to employ professional carers, and draw down public funds for those who cannot pay for their care. If we can reach our fund-raising target, along with the funds already pledged by Moretonhampstead Hospital League of Friends, we plan to be up and running early next year. From then on, we should be self-financing.

Whilst fundraising continues, NEDCare also runs a Carer Introduction Service, helping people who need care to find local self-employed carers who can support them. To find out more or to join the Carers Register please leave a message for Julia on 01647 620722 or email [info@nedcare.org](mailto:info@nedcare.org). Website: [www.nedcare.org](http://www.nedcare.org).

## News from Elsewhere

### ***News from the Castle***

*Hello all*

The central scaffolding is down! The completed sections look amazing and we can see the gorgeous lion above the front door again. What a treat. There is still some work to be done, such as on the stairs down to the chapel, but it is clear that we are heading in the right direction. It's quite good fun to compare 'before and after'. There is a clear line on the granite walls so you can see what great work the builders are doing. Scaffolding will start going up on the north end of the building very soon. No time to rest!

It's all been go, go, go here. The evening theatre performance of 'Blithe Spirit' by the Hatherleigh Players was brilliant and raised £330 towards the building project. Thank you to all the brave souls who came along despite it being a bit damp. We had several school visits at the end of term too, with children from Chagford Primary walking up to us on a very lovely sunny day.

The summer trail is going down a storm with families taking part in all sorts of sports day activities such as a sack race and tug-of-war. Competition has been high! Before we know it know, the children will be back at school and we will be starting our September events including Heritage Open Day on Saturday 10 September, when EVERYONE can come and visit for free, and our Country Fair weekend on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 September. Then, our Festival of Crafts starts where we will be celebrating the highly skilled craftsmanship that is throughout this incredible place.

How exciting! Please do pop along if you get a chance.

*Best wishes everyone*

*Paula*

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## Wooston Castle

Wooston Castle is an Iron Age hill fort currently hidden amongst the trees within Fingle Wood. The deep ditches and high earth ramparts are all that remain of what would have been much more impressive structure, with its snaking entrance trackway through impressive lines of deep ditch and ramparts likely topped by wooden palisades enclosing an area likely holding roundhouses that would have been settled for at least some of the year. The earthworks now defining Wooston Castle in its dramatic position in the valley are now hidden by trees some 2000 years on. Over the years the native trees have naturally regenerated or conifers have been planted, making it difficult to see, but maps of these mounds indicate the large size of this hill fort, which is in close proximity of those found at a mile or so along the Teign Valley (Prestonbury Castle and Cranbrook Castle).

Wooston Castle is a Schedule Ancient Monument. The structure is extremely unusual because it has a complex array of outworks. It contains important archaeological and environmental evidence, which we hope to study over the next few years as part of the Heritage Lottery Funding. However it is at risk. The roots from the trees and bracken that grow here are slowly destroying the archaeology beneath the soil. Therefore we need to intervene to preserve the archaeology found here. Over the summer we have had the working horses out rolling the bracken to weaken this plant and in the autumn a large area of conifer trees in the Wooston Castle area will be felled. We will be carrying this work out as sympathetically as possible and we will be bringing back working horses to move the felled trees rather than heavy machinery.

To find out more about what is happening then come along to the **Revealing Wooston Castle** walk on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sept ([woodlandtrust.org.uk/events](http://woodlandtrust.org.uk/events)). See the working horses in action during Oct half term (22-29<sup>th</sup> October) and follow our work on our blog – [www.finglewoods.org.uk](http://www.finglewoods.org.uk)

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**Local talent on show at Stone Lane Gardens**

Stone Lane Gardens is delighted to welcome back the Stallcombe House Weavery to exhibit their beautiful textile and ceramic work in The Barn Gallery. From now until the end of September you can admire and buy pieces from this exciting new exhibition of work designed and made by residents and day placement guests in the Weavery.

Stallcombe House is a residential community for adults with learning disabilities, based in Woodbury near Exeter. Residents are provided with a home for life and a happy and safe work place, with a holistic and organic approach to personal health and the living environment. As part of this many of the residents and day placement guests choose to develop their creative talents in the Weavery.

Guided by Weavery Co-ordinator Sam Smith and her team, they produce a beautiful variety of pieces using the tactile mediums of felt and clay. Residents and day guests are involved in all aspects of the work; contributing to the design as well as the creation of finished items ready for sale.

Many of the felt items include wool from the Stallcombe alpacas and angora goats, so the residents who work mainly in the animal centre contribute to the work of the Weavery as well. The Barn Gallery exhibitions are a relatively new addition to the artistic side of Stone Lane Gardens, running alongside the annual 'Mythic Garden' sculpture exhibition of over 100 sculptures sited in the wonderful 5 acre woodland garden until the end of October. The exhibitions and gardens are open every day from 10am to 6pm and visitors can purchase and take home their own Stallcombe creation or sculpture.

I do hope you are able to visit.

*Paul Bartlett*  
*Garden Manager*