

Useful Information

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[Updated February 2013]

The News Letter, March 2013

What do you associate with the beginning of Spring? Birds singing? Lighter, longer days? The sight of a few wild primroses appearing in the hedgebanks? Yes, it's all coming soon to a place near you and with it a host of, not only golden daffodils, but all the usual spring-time events and more....

Spring is in the air

It's flowers all the way in March, beginning with the distribution of posies on Mothering Sunday, put together by the Church ladies and distributed to practically every female who ventures within half a mile of St Mary's on that particular Sunday (see page 8).

If you miss that opportunity then you need only wait less than a fortnight to be overpowered by floral fragrance at the forthcoming Spring Show in the village Hall (*details on pages 13 and 17*). This is where the seemingly gentle practice of showing flowers turns into something akin to a martial art as daffodils are scrutinized to make sure their heads bow at precisely the correct angle and the placement of a red first prize-card rests on whether its trumpet is of the correct ratio in length to its petals.

And if you are inspired by all this botanical blossoming to do something with the flowers and foliage blooming in your own garden (or local florist's), then why not consider taking up the therapeutic craft of flower-arranging? See page 8 for how you could discover a hidden talent with friendly local classes.

And continuing on the Spring theme, don't forget, among all the usual Church services, to make time, if you can, to go along to the primary school's Easter Service in the church, followed by their Spring Fayre in the school afterwards (see page 13 for details).

Don't forget the quiz!....

There is again this month details of the much-awaited Music Day at the beginning of March (*pages 6 and 8*). But don't forget to keep back some energy reserves for the Wine & Wisdom in the evening of the same day. A chance to relax with friends and a bottle of wine, while trawling your brain for all those bits of information you know you do know really! (*More info on page 19*).

However, if the quiz leaves you feeling slightly inadequate, there is always a chance to acquire that encyclopaedic mind you have always wanted by rushing round the very next week to the Book Sale. Or should I say The Book Sale? (See page 19). Now one of the most long-established village institutions, and this year under new management. Will it qualify as a 'flag raising' event? *Find out on page 20*.

Found....

Did your last fund-raising event in the Village Hall raise a little less money than expected? If so you might find the answer to this conundrum on page 8.

....Caught!

They have avoided some of the most cunningly laid traps for months. But now with patience and ingenuity we can report that the bane of many a proud gardener and a number of late-rising light-sleepers are now back in captivity and removed to pastures new. To find out more read our fuller-than-normal letters page (*on page 24*).

Talking of catching things

We are very much indebted to an anonymous "disgruntled bus user" who has taken the time to find the latest bus timetables for everyone's convenience. No doubt this will be much appreciated by anyone who has stood in a draughty bus shelter waiting to catch a bus that has already gone. Now catching the bus should again be possible! (*See pages 14 and 15*).

With best wishes for March from Jenny and the team.

DON'T FORGET THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE!: Friday 22nd March at 6PM.
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Regular Meeting dates

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Playgroup Contact: Christine Grist 281205	<i>Mon, Tue, Wed, 9.00 – 11.30, Thurs 9 – 3.20 “Lunch Club” until 12.50 pm on Wednesdays. All during term time only</i>
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Horticultural Society Contact: Persis Bower 24303	<i>usually the third Monday evening in the month during the Autumn and Winter</i>
West Country Embroiderers Contact: Janet Grist 281637	<i>every first Tuesday afternoon in the month</i>
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Cubs Contact: Keith Chard 01392 811287	<i>every Thursday evening during term time</i>
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***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

Crockernwell: Fortnightly, on Tuesdays

Stanbury's Orchard	Arrives 15.05	Departs:	15.25
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Cheriton Bishop: Fortnightly, on Tuesdays

Glebelands	Arrives: 15.35	Departs:	16.05
Hescane Park	16.10		16.40

Diary Dates for March

Saturday 2 nd	Music Day	Parish Church	From 9.30 am
	Music Day Performance	(Tea at 4 pm) Performance	4.30 pm
Saturday 2 nd	YFC Wine & Wisdom evening	Village Hall	8 pm
Saturday 9 th	Book Sale	Village Hall	10 – 12 noon
Sunday 10 th	Mother's Day Service	Parish Church	11 am
Sunday 10 th	Kitchen Desperados at the Old Thatch Inn		8.30pm start
Monday 11 th	Parish Council Meeting	Spalding Hall	7.30 pm
Wednesday 13 th	Carers' Support Group	Woodleigh CH	10.30 – 12
Saturday 16 th	Village Spring Clean		From 9.30 am
Monday 18 th	A Cuppa and a Chat	Spalding Hall	2 – 4 pm
Monday 18 th	Hort Soc: Spring planting – shrubs & perennials	Spalding Hall	8 pm
Wednesday 20 th	Acorn Lunch	Woodleigh CH	12.30 pm
Saturday 23 rd	Spring Show	Village Hall	2.30 pm
Saturday 23 rd	Music Evening	Village Hall	7 – 10 pm
Sunday 24 th	United Service for Palm Sunday	Village Hall	3 pm
Thursday 28 th	School Easter Service & Fayre	Church/School	1.30 pm
Sunday 31 st	Open Mic Night	Old Thatch Inn	7.30pm

Diary Dates for April

Thursday 4 th	Easter Course	(Pathfinder Church)	
Monday 9 th	Annual Church Meeting	Spalding Hall	7.30 pm
Wednesday 10 th	Easter Course	(Longdown Hall)	
Sat/Sun 13 th /14 th	Embroiderers Event	Village Hall	10.30 – 4 pm
Tuesday 16 th	Easter Course	(TSM Meth Hall)	
Friday 19 th	Church 'Special Meeting'	Spalding Hall	
Saturday 20 th	Spring-clean of the Church	Parish Church	
Thursday 25 th	Easter Course	(Pathfinder Church)	
Monday 29 th	Annual Parish Meeting		

Forthcoming Events for 2013

Saturday 11 th May	Spring Plant Sale	Village Hall
Saturday 22 nd June	Mid Summer Show	Village Hall
Saturday 10 th August	Village Show	Village Hall

If your organisation has a one-off event planned for later this year 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
Contact for Website: Tony Bott email: anthonydbott@aol.com

CHERITON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL

The latest meeting of the Council took place on Monday 11th February 2013 in the Spalding Hall at 7.30 pm.

Present were: Councillors Tim Vooght Chairman, Gill Westcott, Paul Mitchell, Phil Dicker, Peter Endacott, Leigh Rix; District Councillor Peter Heal, and County Councillor Nick Way; the Clerk Derek Madge, and 3 members of the public. Apologies were received from Councillor Jenny Grist, and District Councillor Derek Coren.

Public Open Session:

Mr B Bryon-Edmond who has taken on the task of looking after the flagpole and flags read out a suggested article about the flagpole to go in the newsletter, which was approved with the addition of an acknowledgement of the contribution received from Dartmoor National Park. He requested the purchase of a St George's flag. He also spoke about the problem of the wrong timetables on display for Western Greyhound services, and he had raised the matter with their Business Development Manager. It was agreed to write and ask them to keep the Parish Council informed of changes.

A member of the public who lives on Venbridge Hill explained the problems with flooding having affected her property caused by a blocked culvert under the road. Highways had inspected the area and then sent a jetting lorry, which had found a partial collapse in the culvert. Councillor Way said he was meeting the local highways engineer on Thursday and would follow up to see what action was being taken.

A member of the public stated that he owned the land identified in the Medland Lane application but he was not in fact making the application and the site plan was wrong.

Historic Photograph: Councillor Mitchell had spoken to Maria at the shop and reported that she would be happy to display the historic photo. Paul said he would approach the History Society about some additional information to go with the photo.

Bus shelters: The Chairman reported the possibility of obtaining some more modern redundant bus shelters and it was agreed to give this matter some thought.

Car parking: It was reported that cars parking opposite the Yeoford Road are causing a problem, the Chairman would pass this on to the PCSO. Reports of cars being parked on the A30 overbridge at Venbridge were being investigated.

Planning applications:

0029/13 Lower Eggbeer Farm, Cheriton Bishop: Erection of agricultural building: Supported.

13/00091/FULL The Linhay, Cheriton Bishop: Installation of external flue: Supported.

13/00147/FULL Land at Medland Lane, Cheriton Bishop: Erection of a farm manager's building: objections to the application were that the need for a farm manager's building has not been proven.

13/00151/FULL Land at Medland Lane, Cheriton Bishop: Erection of an agricultural building: objections to the application were that the need for an agricultural building has not been proven.

0064/13 Old Thatch Inn, Cheriton Bishop: renewal and raising of chimney stack with concrete liner and alterations to fireplace. Listed building consent: Supported.

Village Spring Clean on 16th March: Some of the regular helpers are not available to take part this year, Councillors were asked to encourage more people to come and help!

The next meeting will be held on Monday 11th March in the Spalding Hall at 7.30 pm.

Drewsteignton Parish Council news from Crockernwell

We were grateful to parishioners contacting us regarding the reduction in Western Greyhound's bus service, we are writing again as all we received was a "holding reply". The matter will be discussed at the next West Devon Council's Eastern Links Committee and if anyone else has had problems and not done so, please tell us.

The blocked drain in Crockernwell has still not been dealt with (TEN WEEKS after being reported) and it appears the salt bags in the Parford & Drogo areas have been sliced open by highways engineers working there, we have also been told of salt bags going missing at Venton and other locations, these are the ones supplied by DCC. If you need road salt, please contact the Clerk as we do have a limited supply of bags for use in the parish.

After much discussion it was resolved to make a modest increase in the Parish Precept (our part of the Council Tax) equating to an annual increase of £1.36 (less than half a pint of beer) on a band D property, to enable us to progress projects in the Parish. Full details will appear in the coming months.

We are writing to Enterprise Inns and the DNP to notify our objection **should** there be any thoughts of change of use to the Drewe Arms at Drewsteignton.

Postscript: On Wednesday 30th January 2013, the blocked drain in Crockernwell was sucked out by contractors and water is no longer flowing down through the village – just over ten weeks from when it was reported!

Cheriton Bishop Spring Village Clean up

on Saturday 16th March
Meet at the stone cross at 9.30 am

This is the day when the village turns out to spruce everything up, pick up litter, clean signs and put to rights anything that has suffered over the winter. Your help and support is needed! Please come and help us make a really good effort this year and make our village spic and span for the enjoyment of everyone. Litter-pickers and reflective clothing will be provided as well as some tools such as brushes etc, but it would also be useful if you could bring your own.

Most of the work gets done in the morning and "elevenses" are provided. So if you have an hour or two to spare, please come along and join us!

Contacts: Peter Endacott 24580 and Tim Vooght 24593.

**CHERITON BISHOP PRE-SCHOOL WOULD LIKE YOUR
SAINSBURY'S 'ACTIVE KIDS' VOUCHERS!**

Cheriton Bishop Pre-School is collecting Sainsbury's 'Active Kids' vouchers and would be grateful to receive your contributions. Having recently moved to the School Hall we are keen to enhance our exciting new space with fun filled activities and equipment. As a charitable organisation we have a great opportunity to do so courtesy of Sainsbury's. Your vouchers will be gratefully received at the School Hall, Church Lane during Pre-School hours, Mon 9am - 11.30am, Tue 9am - 11.30am, Wed 9am - 12.50pm, Thur 9am - 3.20pm. Alternatively, Sam Shorey will be happy to collect them (Tel No. 01647 24676) or receive vouchers through the letter box at Rambler Cottage, Crockernwell.

Thank you.

Sam Shorey

St Mary's, Cheriton Bishop: Music Workshop and Concert

A reminder that St Mary's, Cheriton Bishop, will be holding its Singing Day on Saturday 2nd March from 9.30. (This is the workshop we originally planned for last October). We shall spend the day practising Haydn's Nelson Mass with Christopher Fletcher (director of music at Plymouth RC Cathedral) and Jason Smart (organ). This is a fairly well known work, but also not too difficult, so we can learn it well enough in one day to give an acceptable performance. Refreshments will be on offer during the day with a chance to buy a legendary CB lunch!

ALL ARE WELCOME to join us, details from Bill Jeffery (billjeffery@talktalk.net) or 01647 24414.

We will welcome an audience at 4:30pm (for about 45mins) to hear what we've prepared! Please spread the word widely to prospective singers and audience, ensuring they have marked their diaries showing Sat 2nd March as a RED LETTER day!!

You are warmly invited to a
**Tea-time Performance of
Haydn's Nelson Mass
on Saturday 2nd March
at St Mary's Church, Cheriton Bishop**

This performance is the culmination of this year's Music Day in the parish church. The choir will have come together for 'one day only' and will have been learning and practising all day. In past years those who have come along to hear the results have been astounded at the quality of singing achieved in such a short space of time, and so this year we would like to share the final performance with a wider audience!

***Please come along at 4 pm for tea and biscuits in the Spalding Hall, followed by the performance
at 4.30 pm in the Parish Church.***

Everyone welcome
No admission charge but donations much appreciated!



BY POPULAR REQUEST
WE ARE DOING IT AGAIN.
**MARINERS AWAY and
GITTISHAM HALL
JAZZ BAND**



SINGING and PLAYING
ON
23rd MARCH 7–10 p.m.
at Cheriton Bishop Village Hall
**Buffet Supper Included
£10 per person**



In aid of Church Funds
Ring Jan on 01647 24659 to book
(We sold out last year)



Christians Together
invite you to a
PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

March 24th 2013 at 3.00pm
at
Cheriton Bishop Village Hall

*Tea and Biscuits at close.
Everyone welcome.*

Organised by St Mary's Church in association with West Down.

Acorn Lunch at Woodleigh Coach House Café

Wednesday 20th March 12.30 p.m.

**Roast Beef with all the Trimmings,
Dessert and Tea or Coffee: £6.50**

Age 2 to 102 welcome

Please telephone Jean 01647 24586 before the 16th to

Book your place.

Tell her if you need transport.

Flower Arranging Workshops

If anyone is interested in flower arranging, whether as a beginner or to improve current skills, we are assessing interest for some informal and fun workshops to be held in the Spalding Hall this Spring.

We would love to hear what aspects you are keen to learn about so that demonstrations can be tailored.

Please contact
Sally Sellick 272794 or Juliet Dymoke-Marr 24644

We look forward to hearing from you.

Churchwarden's Notes

First of all, a very big “thank-you” to Neil and Sally Sellick, for generously hosting the Cheese & Wine party in January. This event made over £360 and was very well-attended as well as being a most enjoyable occasion. There are two social events in March – the first is the Singing Workshop studying Haydn’s Nelson Mass. It helps with the catering to have a rough idea of numbers but please just turn up at 9.30am on Sat. 2nd March even if you don’t have time to register in advance. The second event is the Music evening on 23rd March, with Mariners Away and the Gittisham Hall Jazz Band, for details see the entry elsewhere in the newsletter.

With Easter coming at the end of March we begin the build-up to the church’s busiest time. The service on 10th March is our Mothering Sunday service, when each child will be given a small posy to present to their mother. The Sunday before Easter is Palm Sunday, and this year we will be having a joint service at 3pm in the Village Hall with other churches from the area, with the distribution of palm crosses. The weekend after Easter there will be another informal ‘@4’ service on Saturday 4th April in the Village Hall.

April sees us in a more administrative frame of mind. The Annual Church Meeting is in the Spalding Hall at 7.30pm on 9th April. All parishioners are invited, and we aim to be very efficient so there is time for coffee and cake afterwards. Because of the financial problems the church faces we have a special meeting on 19th April, again in the Spalding Hall, and then on 20th April we roll our sleeves up and do some spring-cleaning in the church. More details of all these in the next newsletter.

Janet Jeffery 24414, and Alan Greenslade 24002.

VILLAGE HALL

During a clear out of the Hall Kitchen we came across a small cash float, clearly local. If you think this may belong to your organisation please contact Tim on 24789.

SERVICES AT ST MARY'S CHERITON BISHOP

AND OTHER CHURCHES IN THE NORTH KENN TEAM MINISTRY

MARCH 2013

SUNDAY 3rd

Lent 3

9am	Whitestone	Holy Communion	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer
9.30	Holcombe Burnell	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11am	Tedburn St Mary	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3pm	Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Canon Geoffrey Moore
6pm	Cheriton Bishop	Evening Prayer	Lay Led

SUNDAY 10th

Mothering Sunday

9.30	Holcombe Burnell	Holy Communion	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer
9.30	Whitestone	Parish Communion	Canon John Tutton
11am	Cheriton Bishop	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3pm	Pathfinder	Prayer and Fellowship	
3pm	Tedburn St Mary	Evening Prayer	Revd Martin Wood

SATURDAY 16th

6pm	Whitestone	Saturday Surprise	Revd Martin Wood
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SUNDAY 17th

Lent 5

8am	Tedburn St Mary	Holy Communion	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer
9.30	Cheriton Bishop	Parish Communion	Canon John Tutton
3pm	Pathfinder	Evensong	Revd Martin Wood
6pm	Holcombe Burnell	Evensong	Lay Led

WEDNESDAY 20th

8pm	Cheriton Bishop	Taize Prayers
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SUNDAY 24th

Palm Sunday

9.30	Tedburn St Mary	parish Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11am	Holcombe Burnell	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3pm	Pathfinder	United Service	
3pm	Whitestone	Evensong	Lay Led
3pm	Cheriton Bishop	Churches Together	Revd Martin Wood
	Village Hall		

MONDAY 25th

Holy Monday

8pm	Holcombe Burnell	Compline	Revd Martin Wood
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TUESDAY 26th

Holy Tuesday

8pm	Cheriton Bishop	Compline	Revd Martin Wood
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WEDNESDAY 27th

Holy Wednesday

8pm	Whitestone	Compline	Revd Martin Wood
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THURSDAY 28th

Maunday Thursday

10.30	Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Canon Geoffrey Moore
7.30	Tedburn St Mary	Holy Communion	Canon John Tutton

FRIDAY 29th

Good Friday

2pm	Holcombe Burnell	An hour at the cross	Revd Martin Wood
2pm	Cheriton Bishop	An hour at the cross	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer

SATURDAY 30th

7pm Whitestone

Easter Vigil

Revd Martin Wood /
Revd Prof Tim Gorringe**SUNDAY 31st***Easter Sunday*

9.30 Whitestone

Holy Communion

Canon John Tutton

9.30 Holcombe Burnell

Holy Communion

Revd Martin Wood

9.30 Cheriton Bishop**Holy Communion****Revd Prof Tim Gorringe**

11am Tedburn St Mary

Holy Communion

Revd Martin Wood

3pm Oldridge

Holy Communion

Canon John Tutton

3pm Pathfinder

Holy Communion

Revd Martin Wood

EACH THURSDAY

10.30 Pathfinder

Holy Communion

Revd Martin Wood or
Canon Geoffrey Moore or
Canon John Tutton**From death to new life**

A six week course looking at the resurrection and the resurrected Christ. Jesus is never critical of the doubts but uses them to provide proof for the resurrection. Doubt in this case is not rooted in disbelief in the events themselves but in an understanding of what might be happening and its significance. Being able to freely admit that we do not know the answer is perhaps the first step to finding an understanding.

Theme	Date	Venue
Empty Tomb	Thursday 4 th April	Pathfinder Church
Raising Doubts-Mary	Wednesday 10 th April	Longdown Hall
Raising Doubts-Emmaus	Tuesday 16 th April	TSM Methodist Hall
The grand Reunion	Thursday 25th April	Pathfinder Church
Being left out – Thomas	Wednesday 1 st May	Whitestone Billiard Room
Restoring Peter, Ascension	Tuesday 7 th May	Cheriton Spalding Hall

From the Rector

March will be full of important dates

March 1st is the beginning of spring according to the Meteorological calendar. The equinox is on March 20th and this is the astronomical event that marks the turn of the seasons. When nature determines that spring has sprung is much more difficult. There were daffodils out before Christmas last year. I like the story of the farmer who sat bare-bottomed on the soil to work out when the earth had warmed up enough to start planting!

This month of March will prove to be a busy time in the church's year. March 10th is Mothering Sunday. This marks the mid-point of Lent. Traditionally, it was a time when apprentices and people in service were given the day off and allowed to return home to their mothers. For some of these people it was the only day off they were given. It is no wonder that Mothering Sunday is also called Refreshment Sunday!

Palm Sunday, March 24th marks the start of Holy Week. It remembers Jesus' popular acclamation by Jerusalem to be the saviour who would overturn the oppressive Roman occupation. Judas is drawn into handing Jesus over to be arrested. The climax of the plot comes on Maundy Thursday, March 28th, when Jesus celebrates the Passover with his disciples and announces that he is going to be betrayed and killed. Good Friday, March 29th, remembers Jesus' trial and conviction by Pilate. It is the same crowd who praised God on Palm Sunday, who now shout 'Crucify him'. Jesus is crucified and dies on the cross.

Easter Sunday is on March 31st. The day starts at first light with the disappearance of Jesus' body and the first appearance of the risen Jesus to Mary of Magdalene. Jesus appears to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. For me the gaps between these fixed points start to cause me to raise doubts. Doubt in this case is not rooted in disbelief in the events themselves but in my understanding of what might be happening and its significance. The resurrection presents many unanswered questions, which make more of a mystery than an open and shut case for understanding. I am happy to grapple with doubts even if there may not be a satisfactory explanation on this side of death. Perhaps the full understanding comes from our experience of resurrection.

Jesus is never critical of the doubts but uses them to provide proof for the resurrection. I am sure that the questioning and the doubting are part of growing our faith as long as we allow God the freedom to work within us. Being able to freely admit that we do not know the answer is perhaps the first step to finding an answer. To this end I commend you to come and join me in raising doubts on the Easter Course on Thursday 4th April at Pathfinder Church. It is a six-week course on different nights to enable people to join when they can.

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

WEST DOWN EVANGELICAL CHAPEL

Yeoford Road, Cheriton Bishop. Telephone 01647 24660/24264

Services for March 2013

Sunday 3rd March

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service with
London City Mission

Sunday 10th March

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service with
Mr Danny Chipps

Sunday 17th March

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service with
Pam Roberts & Ian Finch

Sunday 24th March

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm **Christians Together Service**
Cheriton Bishop Village Hall

Sunday 31st March **EASTER SUNDAY**

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm **Easter Sunday Celebration**

*Bible Study and Prayer Meeting on Monday evenings at 7.30pm
4th Home Prayer Fellowship, 11th, 18th Danny Chipps, 25th Mission Focus - Janet Davison*

If there are any families in the village who need more information regarding the meetings or transport, please contact one of the above telephone numbers.

Holy Trinity Yeoford

Messy Church met in Yeoford in January run by an ecumenical team from the village. Children and their parents met and enjoyed several different crafts and produced a drama related to the theme of the parable The Prodigal Son. During the time of worship the story was explained and songs were sung and the drama performed. The afternoon ended with a scrumptious tea and a good afternoon was had by children, parents and helpers alike. The next Messy Church is on 9th March in Yeoford village hall at 3-30 pm.

Services for March are:

Holy Communion for Mothering Sunday at 9-30 on 10th March.

Holy Communion for Easter Sunday at 9-30 on 31st March.

Carol Price

Cheriton Bishop CP School
Easter Service

Please come along and join us at our Easter Service, on
Thursday 28th March in St. Mary's Church, Cheriton Bishop.

The service will begin at 1.30pm, and after the service
everyone is invited to our *Spring Fayre* at the school.

There will be various stalls at the fayre and refreshments will be available.
We look forward to seeing you!

Seeds collected, the first crocus and snowdrops, daffodils appearing, it must be time!

The Spring Show

2.30pm Cheriton Bishop Village Hall Saturday 23rd March

Show schedules and entry forms from Checkers or Persis 0164724303
or the Village Website www.cheritonbishop.org.uk

Entry forms to Fallow End, Church Lane (by kind permission of Mrs P English)
not later than 7pm Friday 22nd March
staging of exhibits 9 to 10.30am Saturday morning

🕒 **pop in for a chat and a drink** 🕒

**After a very successful first couple of months we hope that maybe some of you who haven't
been yet will join us this month at
The Spalding Hall
between 2pm and 4pm
on Monday 18th March**

Good choice of hot and cold drinks, plus some nibbles

There will be **no charge**. It will be a pleasure to see who pops in.

Open to absolutely everyone!

Taking the dog for a walk? – call in on your way home

Need a lift from your home? – ring Jean 24586 beforehand and we'll arrange to come and fetch you

New to the village? – come and say hello

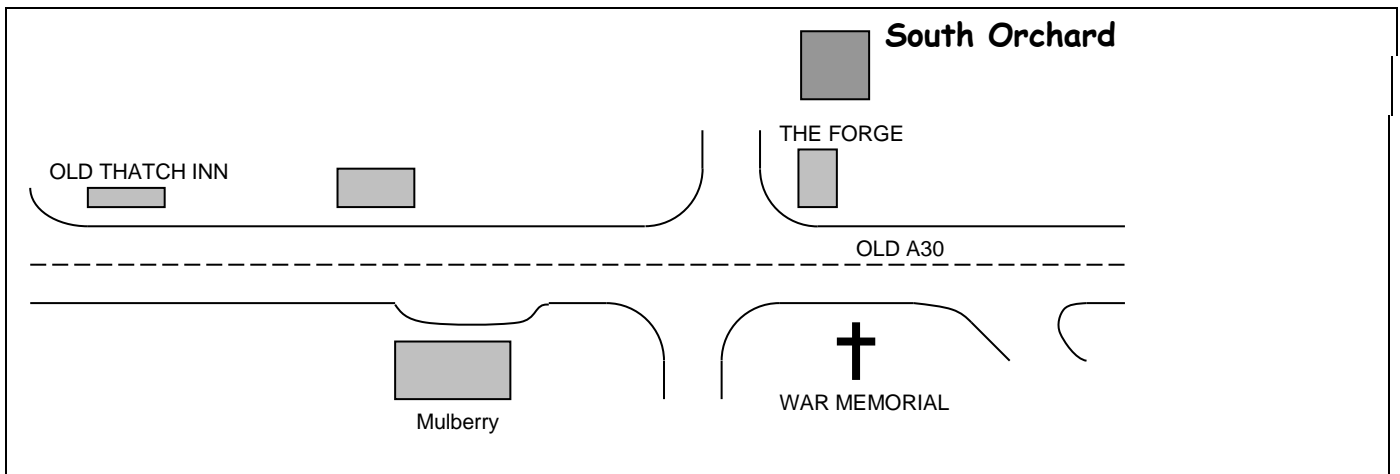
Out for a stroll? – call in on your way past

Picking the kids up from school? - come in for a few minutes while you wait

Just fancy a chat? – come on down Church Lane (the Spalding Hall is next door to the school)!

Book Sale 2013

Saturday 9th March 10am to 12 noon
in Cheriton Bishop Village Hall



Books, videos, CDs may be left at South Orchard
Persis 24303
Proceeds this year to Acorn

Cheriton Tedburn YFC Wine & Wisdom Evening

Saturday 2nd March
8 pm at Cheriton Bishop Village Hall

Teams of four £12
(To include a bottle of wine on the table)

Everyone Welcome!

Sharing Our Journeys. What experiences have shaped our values and beliefs? What stories, writings, poems inspire and enlighten us? **A discussion group** sharing these reflections, meeting fortnightly during the spring, from end of Feb. **More info from Gill Westcott 01647 24789.**

It's All Rubbish!

The week after Christmas and, not being like those keen types who manage to reduce all their waste to one bag a year, I took myself and a large sack of additional rubbish from the festive day to the Okehampton yard in order not to overburden our excellent refuse men. Mounting the steps to the general non-recyclable skip (a scene reminiscent of the French Aristos queueing on the steps to the Guillotine), I was surprised to see that one of the attendants was rummaging through each sack before allowing it to be disposed of.

When I asked what he was looking for he said that the delay in collections meant that some naughty people were trying to dispose of their mouldy turkey carcasses and other kitchen waste improperly and he had the distasteful job of stopping them. It is many years now since we simply had an old metal bin that we could dump everything into and have it carted away to the municipal tip. People are far more aware of the impact of waste on our environment and the need to conserve and re-cycle as much as possible, but not everybody realises that the things we throw away and our desire to live in a clean and pleasant environment has evolved into a very big business costing, and generating, millions of pounds a year and in the process, capable of generating huge distress and inconvenience when it goes wrong.

It was, therefore, with some concern that I heard that Devon County Council are considering saving up to £5 million by contracting with one single service for the whole of the County to cover waste and recycling. Saving money is, of course, good news for taxpayers but, given the disruption caused by the "one size fits all" models attempted in some areas, particularly in rural districts where people have had to take heavy bins to distant collection points or been forced to use large wheely-bins when they have no pavements or front gardens, this is something which everyone should take a close interest in. Our Councillors need to be very clear about exactly what the details of the contract are before our taxes are signed across to pay for them.

Rubbish Matters!

Crockett

CHERITON BISHOP and TEIGN VALLEY PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

A NEW PRACTICE SERVICE FOR YOU

Our recent survey brought to our, and the surgery's, notice that you would like an alternative form of communication with regards to dispensing of your medication.

To do this and enable the dispensary to do their job efficiently and safely, the surgery have introduced a new service.

If you have email facility, please email your query or request for repeat prescription to cheritonprescriptions@nhs.net. This will go directly to the dispensary and they will reply within the working day.

If you have no email facility and need to telephone, please dial the main number 01647 24272. And your details will be passed directly to the dispensary, who will contact you within the working day.

If you can use the email system, it would be much appreciated, as this helps with the efficient running of the dispensary.

Let's help the practice to help us!

Jean Martin. (Chairperson)

ACORN COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Cheriton Bishop Lunch Club – The lunch club will be meeting at Woodleigh Coach House, Cheriton Bishop at 12.30pm on the following dates: 20th March and 17th April. Roast beef, dessert, tea or coffee all for just £6.50. If you would like to join us please ring Jean Martin 01647 24586 a week in advance to book your place, also let her know if you will require transport.

Minibus trips to Sainsbury's from Cheriton – Our popular fortnightly minibus trip to Sainsbury's Alphington supermarket provides an opportunity for you to be collected and returned to your door with your shopping carried for you. We run a minibus service on alternate Wednesdays from Drewsteignton, Crockernwell, Cheriton Bishop, and Tedburn. This month it will be 13th, 27th March and 10th April. Please phone Sylvia on 01647 24267 or Jackie on 01647 252701. Help is provided in store and a wheelchair service is also available. The fare is £3 return.

Teign Valley Memory Café is now twice monthly - We are now running two morning cafés on the second and last Thursday of each month 10.30 to 12.30. This month it will be Thursday 14th, 28th March and 11th April. Please call Margaret on 01647 252622 for more details. Meetings are held at Strawberry Hill, Dunsford on the B3212 – look out for the sign.

Acorn Coffee Morning at Strawberry Hill – On alternate Tuesdays 10 – 12, we have a new drop-in coffee morning at Strawberry Hill, near Dunsford. It's in the old café and has a lovely atmosphere – attractive surroundings. It's run by a small team of friendly volunteers. It's a great place to bring a friend – and there's ample parking. This month it will be Tuesday 12th March. There won't be one on 26th March as it's Easter, the next will be 9th April. Volunteer drivers can collect you if transport is a problem. Please ring Jackie on 01647 252701 if you need a lift.

Acorn Services - Should you need transport to an appointment, a prescription delivered or any other Acorn service, 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.

Winter Salt - The Trustees have purchased small bags of rock salt and we will soon be distributing it to the elderly and vulnerable in our community. If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving some please contact: Sylvia 01647 24267 or Jackie 01647 252701.

Book Sale – Saturday 9th March 10.00 – 12.00 at Cheriton Bishop Village Hall. Teas, coffee and homemade cakes will be available. All proceeds to Acorn Community Support. For more information please ring Jackie 252701.

NEW ACORN WEBSITE - We're pleased to announce that we now have our new website up and running. You can find us on www.acorncommunitysupport.co.uk If you have access to a PC, please take a regular look at our site as we do update it every month. It has a 'Latest News' section which includes our current Newsletter and various recent activities. It details all of our services, shows how many people we help and who to contact. It also provides an opportunity for potential new volunteers to get in touch. If you have any suggestions about how we could improve the site, please let us know via email. When we are planning the introduction of new services, we will post the details on the website and invite everyone in our area to comment before we introduce it.

A MONTH CLOSER! West Country Embroiderers - Cheriton Bishop Branch ANNUAL EXHIBITION

The local branch of WCE meets monthly in the Village Hall (first Tuesday 2pm) and has an exhibition once a year. This year we are making a few changes - The event will be over 2 days, **Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th APRIL, 10.30 AM – 4.00 PM**. We will have a mixture of exhibits of work by members, demonstrations and a chance to try various techniques, a variety of stall holders selling goods associated with sewing/textiles, and light refreshments throughout each day. We are an extremely friendly group united by a shared passion, so if you would like to join us at one of our meetings please do come along, you are assured of a very warm welcome. *Di Ollis*

Letters to the Editor

A chance to meet the neighbours

We would like to thank all those who attended the Cheese and Wine Party (January).

We were pleased with its success as a fundraising event for St. Mary's Church but also as a way of getting to know your neighbours, thus keeping our community alive.

A very big thank you to all of those kind souls who helped to set up, top up, take the money, sell draw tickets, provide additional draw prizes, cook and bake!

Neil and Sally Sellick

Peacock-catcher Extraordinaire!

If anyone deserves a medal, it's Hazel Norton of 31 Glebelands, Cheriton Bishop. For weeks Hazel has been quietly determined to capture the three peacocks roaming all our gardens and she has just achieved her ambition. With quiet kindness she managed to get all three into her disused dog's kennel with a handful of peanuts etc. The birds obliged and Hazel closed the kennel door and, lo and behold, there they were! They will shortly be taken to a safe refuge and I am sure we will all say a big "Thank-you Hazel".

Alison Penaluna

On behalf of the Parish Council I would like to thank Hazel Norton for carefully catching the Peacocks!

They have successfully been re-homed so, hopefully, we have seen the last of them.

I am sure there are many other grateful residents and fellow gardeners!

Thanks Again Hazel.

Tim Vooght
Chairman - Cheriton Bishop Parish Council

Pathfinder Church Tedburn St Mary

For the past two and a half years I have been attending this church, which was founded thirty years ago. I love this little church. It is warm and has individual comfortable seats and the services are short. Above all it is a Holy place. Every Thursday morning there is a communion service at 10.30am and every other month is a Healing Service. The Sunday services start at 3pm and are varied, see news letter. So why not try it out sometime.

Take the Tedburn Rd towards Exeter, pass the left turn to the Pathfinder Village and just before the bus stop there is a turning off left to some mobile homes, the church is the first on the right with parking just past it.

Penny Gare

News from Elsewhere

A very Big THANK YOU to all those 'partygoers' who helped me to celebrate my birthday and to those who couldn't make the celebrations. Your very kind and generous donations, in my Mum's memory, towards our chosen charity have exceeded the family's expectations - £500 so far! We are totally overwhelmed and cannot thank you all enough.

A fab evening, with great company shared with my loving family.

Sally & Martin Hutchings

