

The News Letter, October 2014

It's that time of year again when everything settles down into the traditional round of local events and meetings that take place or begin afresh with the new season, and also when new ideas begin to get off the ground or we decide to take up a new interest or join a club...

YFC New Members Evening

There is often a bemoaning of the fact that there is little for teenagers and those in their early 20s to do in country villages. However, for sheer enthusiasm, variety and friendliness there is nothing really to compare with the Cheriton & Tedburn Young Farmers, who will have been going strong for 70 energetic years in 2015 (quite a few changes in the membership since they began!). For those who are under 26 there may not be a more fun way to make new friends and do extraordinary things – see page 16 for how you can get to know the local club.

Best kept Village Competition

A tradition at this time of year is to do a bit of grumbling over the report of the Council for the Protection of Rural England that comes with the results of the Best Kept Village Competition. See page 4 and see if the judges' view of our village compares with your own!

Singing Group

A new little group on page 5 sounds as though it might be just the thing for those who "have always wanted to sing but..." If you have been meaning to join a choir for years but don't fancy going out on a dark evening or felt that you were somehow not 'good enough', this might be just the friendly get together you need to get you going.

Your Hort Soc needs You!

It's always nice to be wanted and on page 7 it looks as though there is no doubt that you are! Another of those village 'Situations Vacant' exists and you might be just the person to fill it – much to the relief of the existing officer who has kept going 'beyond the call of duty' for an extra year.

Craft Fairs

Cheriton Bishop is likely to get right into the swing of Craft Fairs this autumn, with three in just two months. However, each of these events has its own unique slant. The craft fair this month is the Save The Children one, which has its origins right back in the 1980s when Eileen Gould had her Christmas Coffee Mornings. Please see details of this and the two that follow on pages 6, 11 and 13.

Small Paid Ads

From time to time we have some adverts inserted in the editorial pages of the newsletter. You might wonder what the difference is between those that appear here and those in the yellow pages at the back? The deciding factor is whether the advert is an on-going one, offering the same product or service month on month, or whether it is a one off, either selling something as a 'small ad' or providing something that is happening now rather than in a few month's time. We have three this time on pages 5, 7 and 17.

And finally

If you felt sorry last month at the impending demise of a considerable number of clay pigeons being blown to powder in a forthcoming clay pigeon shoot, you are not the first to be concerned about cruelty to clay pigeons – see page 17 where a local resident has been amused by an old newspaper cutting with local connections ...

With best wishes for October from Jenny and the News-letter team.

DON'T FORGET THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE! Friday 17th October at 6PM.
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Regular Meeting dates

Parish Council Contact: Derek Madge 01392 833969	<i>every second Monday evening in the month</i>
Coffee Mornings at Crockernwell Contact: Mrs A MacDonald 24446	<i>every second Saturday in the month</i>
Pre-school Contact: Christine Grist 281205	<i>Mon, Tue, 9.00 – 11.30, Wed, Thurs 9 – 3.20 “Lunch Club” until 12.50 pm on Mon/Tues. All during term time only</i>
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Pilates Contact Adele 07976 427941	<i>every Friday morning, 9.00 am and 10.00 am, during term time</i>
West Down Bible Study & Prayer Contact: Derek Coren 24264	<i>every Monday evening from Oct – May</i>
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>
Short Mat Bowling Contact Nos: Pat Hill 24201 or David Tripp 24582	<i>every Wednesday, Sept – May</i>
Baby Clinic The Surgery 24272	<i>every Thursday 2 – 3 pm (Clinics held in Tedburn Methodist Chapel)</i>
Young Farmers Contact: Dan Grist 07792 518439	<i>every 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings</i>
Art at Caribarn Studio, Pitton Barton Contact: Sue Bloomfield 24840	<i>usually every last Friday of month 9.30–12.30</i>
Spiritual Discussion Group Contact: Penny Gare 24639	<i>Monthly</i>
Walking Group Contact: Jane Hancock 24092	<i>usually 3rd Sunday in month 1.45 pm (see posters and CB Website for details)</i>

***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 October

Thursday 2 nd	Acorn Lunch	Woodleigh CH	12.30 pm
Saturday 4 th	Harvest Supper	Village Hall	7 pm
Saturday 4 th	Scouts Quiz Night	TstM VH	7 pm
Sunday 5 th	Harvest Songs of Praise	Parish Church	6 pm
Tuesday 7 th	YFC New Member's Evening	Village Hall	7.30 pm
Wednesday 8 th	Acorn Trip to Sainsbury's		
Saturday 18 th	Singing Day	Parish Church	9.30 am
	Singing Day Concert		4.30 pm
Sunday 19 th	Walking Group	Mulberry CPark	1.45 pm
Monday 20 th	Cuppa and Chat	Spalding Hall	2 – 4 pm
Monday 20 th	Hort Soc "Woodlands & Hedgerows"	Spalding Hall	8 pm
Wednesday 22 nd	Acorn Trip to Sainsbury's		
Saturday 25 th	Save The Children Craft Fair	Village Hall	10 – 3pm
Sunday 26 th	Open Mic Night	Old Thatch Inn	tbc
Wednesday 29 th	West Down Anniversary Evening	Village Hall	7.30 pm

Diary Dates for November

Saturday 1 st	Winter Craft market	Village Hall	10 – 4 pm
Wednesday 5 th	Acorn Trip to Sainsbury's		
Saturday 8 th	Churchyard clear up party	Parish Churchyard	
Saturday 15 th	Annual Hort Soc Dinner	Village Hall	
Saturday 29 th	Christmas Farmer's Market & Craft Fair	Village Hall	12 – 4 pm

Forthcoming Events

Friday 26th June 2015 YFC 70th Anniversary Celebrations

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 Notice

If members of the public would like to receive electronic copies of the meeting agendas please get in touch with the Clerk: Derek Madge cheritonbishop.pc@btinternet.com 01392 833969



CPRE & MVF BEST KEPT VILLAGE IN DEVON COMPETITION

Diana Moyse, Edenderry Cottage, Rock Road,
Chudleigh, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 0JJ
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Cheriton Bishop

The first impression is of a charming rural village with a lovely atmosphere, clean, tidy and well loved. The private dwellings and gardens are well kept, creating an attractive environment for residents and visitors. Verges, hedges and fences are also well cared for and maintained.

The two halls looked neat and tidy. Some planters would enhance here. The notice boards were up to date and in good condition. There is recycling at the Village Hall. There are a number of seats around the village which were in satisfactory condition. The telephone kiosk looks a bit tired externally, but is clean inside. The public toilets which are located at the café were dirty and the bus shelters need some attention. A village tidy-up had been organised earlier in the spring. The village was mainly free of litter so this effort had paid off. Some old litter still remained in some areas. There are a commendable number of litter and dog bins in the village. There are no useable footpaths but the village is relatively traffic free so as to enable easy walking within the local area.

The village green could do with a sign and the grass was considered to be rather long for very small children playing here. The play area is well equipped and the area was litter free. The school yard is impressive with good outdoor space and a garden area with beds planted with fruit and vegetables. There is also a wildlife pond.

The churchyard is well kept with some grass left a bit longer for wild life. The seats here were in good condition and well placed for peaceful contemplation, although the grass on the path here was rather long. The war memorial is well maintained and the seating area attractive.

The pub, which looks very well kept and welcoming and the shop, appear to be very popular, well used and must contribute greatly to village life. The pub car park was tidy but the plastic showing through in the gravel beds looked messy. Hopefully a new function, which will benefit the village, can be found for the empty pub which is looking very overgrown.

There is a good website and a very informative newsletter advertising the local news and a wealth of activities covering all ages, varied tastes and interests. The BKV poster was not seen during the judging so it's not clear how aware residents were of the competition entry. The map was quite functional but does not show the location of all seats, notice boards or the telephone kiosk.

Cheriton Bishop is an active community and showed itself well in the competition.

HARVEST SUPPER

Tickets sold out in record time this year!

Just a reminder for those coming to bring puddings to share, alcohol (if you wish to drink it: local apple juice will be provided) and vegetables or other items for the auction would be much appreciated!

Tim Gorringe

Gerald Guscott

Jane Guscott and family would like to thank everyone who came to Gerald's funeral and for all the lovely cards, support and kindness from friends in Cheriton Bishop and neighbouring parishes. Half of the donations in Gerald's memory will go to our surgery, so that will benefit us all. The remainder will go to Hittisleigh Church. Thank you.

New Singing Group

I have recently been having singing lessons and would like to sing with other people. I would like to hear from anyone (men or women) interested in forming a group in Cheriton Bishop. I would be happy to meet at my house to start with, preferably during the day and fortnightly. The group would be for beginners or those with experience, and could include folk songs, Taize songs, part songs etc. and would be suitable for people who can't read music.

Anyone interested contact Penny Gare, on 01647 24639.

Open Mic at The Old Thatch Inn

Open Mic at The Old Thatch Inn, Sunday 26th Oct, time tbc

Paid Ad:

For Sale - Ideal first laptop

Hardly used: Asus 10inch Netbook laptop. Pink. 1GB _Windows7_Webcam.
External DVD/RW Drive.

£75.00 for the 2
Phone Jean 01647 24586

CHERITON BISHOP & TEIGN VALLEY DOCTORS' PRACTICE
FLU VACCINATION SEASON 2014

We will be starting our Flu Vaccination Programme from **Monday 7 October 2014** so please telephone the surgery, on 01647 24272, and book your appointment if you fall into the list of following eligible groups:

All Patients aged 65 years and over

Chronic Respiratory Disease

Chronic Heart Disease

Chronic Kidney Disease

Chronic Neurological Disease

Immunosuppressant

Diabetes

Asthma

Pregnant Ladies

Carers who are in receipt of a carer's allowance, or those who are a main individual carer.

Cheriton Bishop Village Hall
Save The Children Craft Fair

Saturday 25th October

10 am – 3 pm

Refreshments, Free Admission, Cakes & Raffle
Christmas Goods

Some New Crafts – so come and join us
Proceeds to: Save The Children, Reg. Charity No. 213890

Contact Paddy Dornom 01363 84385

Walking Group news

By the time the newsletter is published the walking group will have had its 9th outing. The September 21st walk, led by Dennis Milton, was to Belstone. Hopefully the weather will have been good for it and we will have had a good turn out. It really is a very pleasant way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

We will hope for reasonable weather for the subsequent walk to be taken on **19th October**. This will be organised by Jan Mitchell, destination as yet undecided. Watch out for posters and information on the village website closer to the time. If you haven't tried a walk yet, come along to this one.

We meet in the Mulberry car park at 1.45 on the 3rd Sunday of the month. We share cars to our starting point and try to go to places which allow people to walk at their chosen level. We also end with a cuppa and an opportunity for a chat with everyone.

For more information on the walking group please call Jane on 24092.

Could it be YOU?

If everybody wishes the Horticultural Society to continue to offer the community its evening talks, shows, and expertise, then 'new blood' must come forward and involve itself in running the Society.

The secretary has served for longer than suggested by the constitution. It is not necessary for the replacement to have served on the present committee, just someone with an interest in growing plants and a wish to be an instigator of activities within the community. Please step forward.

Contact Sally 24724 or Persis 24303, to be welcomed with open arms!

Churchwarden's Notes

The first Sunday in October we celebrate Harvest Festival. If you would like to help decorate the church please either collect a tray with oasis from the back of church during the week before or join us in church either during Friday or Saturday morning. On Sunday we welcome you to join us at a Songs of Praise Service at 6pm. As usual the collection will be given to charity and any donations of fruit, vegetables or groceries taken to the Age Concern lunch club in St. Thomas.

Sat. 18th October is the Singing Day. Registration is from 9.30am in church and singing starts at 10am. The conductor is Christopher Fletcher (Musical Director at Plymouth Roman Catholic Cathedral), assisted by a pianist and a percussionist. The music to be studied is 'The Armed Man' by Karl Jenkins, a very appropriate work for the year when we think about the start of World War I. If you would like more details please contact Bill Jeffery on 24414 or billjeffery@talktalk.net

At the end of the Singing Day, at 4.30pm, there is a 'rehearsed run-through' to which all are invited. This concert is free and will not last longer than an hour. Karl Jenkins, a Welshman, is the living composer whose works are the most performed throughout the world, and this work is a powerful evocation of the horror of war and the celebration of the peace that follows.

Janet Jeffery 24414 Alan Greenslade 24002

Paid Advert

LOGS FOR SALE

Seasoned Hardwood logs for sale. Any quantity available for delivery within Cheriton Bishop / Dunsford areas.

Please call 07980 975002

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

OCTOBER 2014

THURSDAY 2nd

10.30 Pathfinder	Communion with Prayer for Healing	Revd Martin Wood
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SUNDAY 5th

9am Whitestone	<i>Trinity 16</i> Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
9.30 Holcombe Burnell	Harvest Communion	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer
11am Tedburn St Mary	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3pm Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
6pm Cheriton Bishop	Harvest Praise	Revd Martin Wood

SUNDAY 12th

9.30 Holcombe Burnell	<i>Trinity 17</i> Holy Communion	Canon John Tutton
9.30 Whitestone	Parish Communion	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer
11am Cheriton Bishop	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3pm Pathfinder	Prayer and Fellowship	
6pm Tedburn St Mary	Harvest Praise	Revd Martin Wood

SUNDAY 19th

9am Tedburn St Mary	<i>Trinity 18</i> Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
9.30 Cheriton Bishop	Parish Communion	Canon John Tutton
11am Whitestone	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3pm Oldridge	Harvest	Revd Martin Wood
6pm Holcombe Burnell	Evensong	Revd Martin Wood

WEDNESDAY 22nd

8pm Cheriton Bishop	Taize Prayers
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SUNDAY 26th

8am Cheriton Bishop	<i>Last Sunday of Trinity</i> Holy Communion	Revd Prof Tim Gorringer
9.30 Tedburn St Mary	Parish Communion	Canon John Tutton
11am Holcombe Burnell	Family Service	Lay Led
3pm Pathfinder	United Service	
6pm Whitestone	Evensong	Lay Led

EACH THURSDAY

10.30 Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood or Canon Geoffrey Moore
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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

Seeds and weeds

Bible readings in church on Sundays have recently included two parables, that of the sower (Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43) and the one about the wheat and the weeds (Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52).

What makes these parables unusual is that Jesus' disciples ask him to explain the meaning of the stories. Jesus gives an explanation of them, so there is no doubt as to what they refer and what they mean.

In the first parable of the sower, where the seed lands determines how well it survives. Jesus tells us that the seed represents the word of God. The seed fails when it lands on the path, the rocky ground or among weeds. We are told that the path represents those who have hardened their hearts, the rocky ground is where people have shallow roots and wither away. Lastly the weedy ground represents the temptations of the world that stifle God's word and the plants die. It is only in the good ground that the seed survives and multiplies amazingly. It has been interesting to see the crops grow impressively to give a good harvest this year. We should never take for granted the hard work of our farmers and God's generous provision.

The second parable of the weeds and wheat is more sinister in plot. The enemy sabotages the crop by planting weeds amongst the wheat in the middle of the night. Jesus tells us that the enemy is the devil. The servants are quick to volunteer to pull up the offending weeds. As we look at our world today it is clear that evil is still sown and people get caught up in misguided religious zeal. This year the dark spectre of ethnic cleansing and religious genocide has come back into sharp focus. It is hard to comprehend the total disregard for the human rights of another person and that there are people who believe in a god that wants to remove other belief systems through murder. When we return to parable of the weeds and wheat the owner has faith in his good seed and realises that pulling the weeds will ultimately damage the good seed. He is happy to let things be sorted out at the harvest time when the weeds and the wheat can be easily sorted. Jesus brings into our world a message of God's love and patience. The God that Jesus reveals is not vengeful and easily angered into rash actions. There is a message of forgiveness and reconciliation that brings hope and healing into the world.

Sadly our world still has all the marks of hasty judgements and selfish actions that are discordant with Jesus' parables. Jesus' example to reach out a hand to help the marginalised and the outcast is in stark contrast to where people are driven from their homes and chased into the mountains to be murdered or die of starvation. The presence of evil cannot be denied and the need for good to prevail is the prayer of our hearts. A good first step is to be receptive to God's word and to follow Jesus' example. That brings back light and hope for our world.

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 October 2014

Sunday 5th October

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service with
Mr John Hawkins

Sunday 12th October

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service with
Mr Bryan Glover -

*Shoebox Appeal and the continuing
work in Burzitza.*

Sunday 19th October

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service with
Mr Phil Symonds

Sunday 26th October

11.am Morning Worship

3.pm Family Service
Rev David Cole

Bible Study and Prayer Meeting on Monday evenings at 7.30pm

*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

As I write today it is early autumn and the schools have returned. In Yeoford we have started our Café Company again after the summer break.

The first Messy Church is on 20th September and the “Open the Book” team have started visiting Yeoford School again, telling stories from the New Testament.

We are looking forward to various harvest suppers around the benefice.

Services for October

Sunday 12th 9-30 Holy Communion

Sunday 26th 9-30 Holy Communion

Carol Price

01647 24468

Cheriton Bishop Pre-school Taking children (unaccompanied) from ages 2 - 5 years

Please phone to book your place now.



We provide **pre-school education** with fun and exciting activities linked to the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. All in a spacious setting with a wide variety of equipment and secure outside play area. Free for over 3 years olds using Early Years Funding or just £3.62 per hour. We accept 2together funding for free places for 2 year olds, call in for more details.

Please call Play leader Christine Grist: (01647) 281205 or 07977 777318

www.cbplaygroup.co.uk

Extended hours; We are pleased to be able to confirm the extension of our session times – Mon. & Tues. 9 – 11.30pm with optional new lunch club -12.50pm, Wed. & Thurs. 9 – 3.20pm. Come and meet some new friends, we'd love to see you!

The Theme for this half term is 'Ourselves.' Over this half term's seven weeks the children will be exploring their senses, learning how we are all unique and special, and as always, encouraging confidence and independence.

Cheriton Bishop Pre-school staff and committee would like to thank everyone for their continued support as we look forward to another great pre-school year!



WINTER CRAFT MARKET

Cheriton Bishop Branch of West Country Embroiderers are holding a Winter Craft Market from 10.00 – 4.00

Saturday 1st November

Cheriton Bishop Village Hall

There will be a variety of individually handcrafted goods for sale as well as trade stands, raffle, produce stall and the usual yummy refreshments.

Do come for Christmas presents or even just to treat yourself!

WANTED 2 NEW MEMBERS FOR THE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

The committee of the Cheriton Bishop and Teign Valley Patient Participation Group has vacancies for 2 new members.

Being a member involves approximately 4 meeting a year. To discuss any patient/surgery enquiries. Local health issues for discussion, e.g. Moretonhampstead Hub. Bringing constructive ideas and comments to the committee.

It should be noted that this committee is a Patient Participation Group, not a local Organisation Group. We are there to liaise between patient and surgery, not organisation and surgery.

To apply you need to be a patient of the practice.

Please send your details and a little about yourself and what you think you can offer to the PPG, to the Chairperson Mrs Jean Martin on 01647 24586, jean74@inbox.com or, 1 Woodpecker Way, Cheriton Bishop, then she will put forward your application for the committee's consideration.



pop in for a chat and a drink



on Monday 20th October 2014

at The Spalding Hall

any time between 2pm and 4pm

If you are new to the village, or just plain curious, do come and join us for a while on the day, or if you'd like more information just phone one of the numbers below

There is no charge but we do put out a pot for any donations towards costs

Choice of hot and cold drinks, plus biscuits

Need a lift from your home? Ring Paul on 24405 or Jean on 24586 beforehand and we'll arrange to come and drive you whenever you are ready to come and go.

CHRISTMAS FARMERS MARKET AND CRAFT FAYRE

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2014

12 – 4PM

SELL YOUR CHRISTMAS GOODIES & CRAFTS BY
RENTING A TABLE FOR £5

TO BE HELD IN THE CHERITON BISHOP VILLAGE HALL

(Set up your stand from 10am)

Further information and booking please contact:

Amber Cuming

07738247092

Evenings: 01647 441381

Email: amberjayne3@btinternet.com

or Sue Bennett: 01647 24479

They may be Idiots but they're OUR Idiots

At 5.30 on Monday 15th September whilst peacefully tootling home along the C50 from Whiddon Down direction, I saw and heard two powerful motorbikes approaching from the direction of Crockernwell. Dressed in full leathers to complement their machines, one in red and white and one in black and red, they were racing neck and neck at easily over 100mph closely followed by a third rider in lime green and white.

Not only was this a busy time of day but it is also a stretch of road with various turn offs and sudden dips and rises that obscure other traffic, including the tractors that are frequent users. In the early Summer I twice came across deer in the area, lying dead in the middle of the road, being pecked over by crows, either would have caused a terrible accident to any biker going much slower than the pair I saw on that Monday.

Now we often assume that the thoughtless driving that we experience in the Summer months is down to visiting motorists/bikers/cyclists unused to traffic conditions in the country but, in this instance, sadly, the three idiots are all our own, come from the area, and have been plaguing peaceful villages for the last few months.

Given the cost of the bikes and the glamorous leathers, unless they have super indulgent parents they are not youngsters but old enough to know a bit of geography - enough to realise that the Isle of Man is not part of Devon.

Therefore, before we have to see a grieving family telling us what a wonderful son, brother, father, friend they were, or, even worse, hearing of totally innocent people getting killed or seriously injured by these selfish prats... please, put a stop to it lads (lasses?). Just grow up a bit and save up for a trip to one of the race tracks where you can test your skills without putting other people at risk.

Crocky

ACORN LUNCH
THURSDAY 2nd October 12.30 P.M. at

THE COACH HOUSE

Lasagne, Dessert and tea or coffee
Come and join us for a very chatty lunch.
£7.00

PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDER BY 3^{1st} August.
with Jean 01647 24586.
Tell her if you need transport.

ACORN COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Cheriton Bishop Lunch Club – Are now having 1 lunch a month, which will be the first Thursday of each month. If you would like to come along please phone Jean Martin 01647 24586 for more details.

Minibus trips to Sainsbury's from Cheriton – Dates are Wednesday 8th, 22nd October and 5th November. 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 now £4 return.

Teign Valley Memory Café - This month it will be 9th, 30th October and 13th November. 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 Teign Valley Hall – The Bowden Room, Teign Valley Community Hall 10.30 - 12. This month it will be Tuesday 7th, 21st October and 4th November. Please do pop in for a coffee and meet up with friends, everyone welcome. 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 24 hours please call Jean Martin on 01647 24586.

New Community Care Manager

The Trustees of ACS are pleased to announce the appointment of Peta Cupper as Community Care Manager with effect from 08.09.14 when she will commence the regular home visits within the boundaries of our GP Practice area previously made by Hilary. Peta (pronounced Peter) has lived in Doddiscombsleigh for nine years and has four grown-up daughters and before her marriage was a qualified staff nurse. For the last four years, she has been employed by Doddiscombsleigh Primary School as a Special Needs Teaching Assistant. Peta can be contacted via the Acorn Office on 252701 or via email to peta.cupper@acorncommunitysupport.co.uk.

Reminder - Advance Notice of Acorn Annual General Meeting

This is to take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 22nd October at The Walled Garden, Dunsford. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Jackie on 252701.

Christow Show & Barn Dance

A huge thank you to everyone who supported Acorn's fundraising activities at Christow Show & Barn Dance. We were very lucky to have been nominated as the show's chosen charity this year, thank you to the show committee for this. We held two competitions during the day, the winner of the 'win a mini for a weekend' was Rachel Hone and the junior winner of the remote-controlled car was Elliot Danfer, congratulations to you both. The number of balloons in the car was 230.

In the evening we held a barn dance, which was very well supported, the band 'Hogwash' were excellent and kept us very well entertained. Thank you to Bridford Inn and the Blacktor Brewery for supporting us, also thank you to everyone who gave their time freely to help with all the events, we couldn't have done it without you, it's greatly appreciated. Early calculations look like we made over £600 profit, which is excellent, again thank you.

Please check out our website www.acorncommunitysupport.co.uk

HORTSOC AGM

To save time at the AGM, the President's remarks are printed in the Newsletter.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

As always my first duty, which I do very sincerely, is to Thank the Committee, and indeed many other people, for another excellent year for the Society. During the winter months they organised a series of excellent talks, which were very well attended.

The new winter programme also sounds very good. It began with an invitation from Drewsteignton Garden Club to a lecture and demonstration of pruning on the apple trees in Drewsteignton Car Park, followed by supervised pruning by all those present. I think the trees were better for it!

The shows were also well organised and well supported. The Village Show in August was excellent. There were a lot of entries in all classes. It took a lot of organising, but all ran smoothly. As ever there were some lovely refreshments.

The Annual Dinner was very popular - it is now a major event on the village Calendar. Everyone is invited to the next one on November 15th. There is a choice of four delicious main courses and the biggest choice of sweets on any menu (and the chance to come back for seconds).

As I complete my time as President may I say what a joy and privilege it has been to belong to the Society and play some part in its life. We are a friendly group and those, like me, who know little about gardening get lots of help. I will certainly be continuing as a member.

John Tutton, President.

The Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on Monday 21st October 2013 at 9.30pm in the Spalding Hall.

Present were 20 members of the Society. The President, John Tutton, took the chair. Apologies for absence were received from Maureen Barber, Janet Jeffery, Jennie Cornewall-Walker, Jenny Grist, Janet Grist, Sue Macpherson, Marie Bownes. The President's address and the Minutes of the last AGM (2012) were published in the October issue of the newsletter. Those minutes were agreed, proposed and seconded by Sally Burton and Pauline Scanes and signed as correct.

The Treasurer gave her report and asked for questions. The small balance of income over expenditure was noted despite the additional hire of the Spalding Hall for committee meetings. Marilyn was thanked for her work during the past three years, as she stood down from the office as Treasurer. The Treasurer's report was accepted, proposed by David Ganderton and seconded by Pat English.

Election of Officers. It was agreed by the meeting that Sally Burton should remain as chairman of the committee, Persis Bower as secretary, and the committee should remain the same. Retiring members were Sue Macpherson, Jane Jones, Marilyn Brook and Kathy Alder.

Marie Bownes was willing to be nominated as Treasurer, nominated by Marilyn Brook and seconded by Persis Bower, and duly elected.

The meeting agreed that people should be asked on an adhoc basis to act as a master of ceremonies for public occasions and to introduce and give votes of thanks at evening meetings. The success of the Gala Tent was noted; a worthwhile expenditure by the Society.

There was a proposal that the rules governing the awarding of the Challenge Cup at the August Village Show be changed. It was agreed by those present that the committee would review the points system so that only the points awarded for Vegetable, Flower and Fruit sections would count towards the Challenge Cup, i.e. those exhibits grown in the exhibitor's garden or allotment. The new system would be confirmed in the re-written rules in the schedule.

John Tutton, as President, gave notice that he wished to resign his post in 2014.

There being no other business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.45pm.

The Agenda for the AGM, to be held on Monday 20th October 2014 in the Spalding Hall, will be posted on the Village Noticeboard, or contact persis@rmbower.plus.com and she will provide a copy of the agenda.

Drewsteignton Gardening club invited us to come and learn about pruning apple trees. We joined everyone on a wonderful sunny late afternoon in the Church Car Park in Drewsteignton where several local apple trees had been planted when the car park was constructed. These trees proved to be good examples to prune and soon under instruction everyone was wielding secateurs and bow saws. And some even found a nice apple or two to pick and eat. 'Exhausted' by our efforts we retreated, chased by the midges, to the Church Rooms for a delicious tea.

Our first meeting is at 8pm in the Spalding Hall on Monday 20th October when Nick Champion will be discussing with us the regeneration of Fingle Woods and the importance of trees and hedgerows. Everyone is most welcome.

Crediton Area Community Action Project

Voluntary and community organisations in Crediton and the surrounding district now have a free support and funding advice service. Funded by a grant from the BIG Lottery's Awards for All scheme to Tiverton-based organisation Involve, the work will be carried out mainly by Crediton resident John Skrine.

"Involve supports voluntary groups throughout Mid Devon," explained Chief Officer Duncan Wood. "We are delighted that John will be offering help to people, for a year at least, face to face in the Crediton area."

Funding, setting up, registering, ensuring safety, recruiting and retaining volunteers are part of a long list of issues that all have their challenges. Involve has extensive experience with its partners in providing solutions and access to a wide range of professionals.

John Skrine is an active volunteer with Sustainable Crediton, the Community Bookshop and Plough and Share Credit Union in Crediton. He has worked in the voluntary sector for over twenty years, and came to Devon to work for the National Lottery Charities Board (now BIG Lottery Fund) in 1996.

"I'll be giving one-to-one advice and sign-posting on all aspects of developing and running voluntary projects," said John. "I will advise on grant applications, but there's much more to getting funded than filling in a form."

For free help, email development@involve-middevon.org.uk or call John on 07814 387090. He is also in Crediton Library, Belle Parade, Crediton, on Thursdays from 12.30 – 2.00 p.m.

FROM A LOCAL NEWSPAPER CIRCA 1977

The following newspaper cutting has been tucked away in a local resident's drawer for the last 37 years and is now seeing the light of day as an item that may be of interest to local Clay Pigeon Shooters (inspired by the YFC clay pigeon shoot in the last newsletter!). It is supposed that the previous letter referred to in this one was about cruelty to Clay Pigeons(!), and it provoked this response from Jenny Butterworth of Netherton House, Drewsteignton:

Pigeons are not alone

Sir,

Why all this fuss about Clay Pigeons? What about the plight of the wretched clothes-horse, forced to stand for weary hours on end in the scorching heat, covered with dripping washing? Or the patient fire dogs crouched without movement in a thousand hearths?

And now that the summer season is approaching, let us spare a thought for the inoffensive 'ducks' who are yearly clouted up and down cricket pitches all over the country, and the pathetic 'donkeys' dropped time after time on amateur tennis courts.

I am sure resident's hearts will bleed for them, and many like them which will readily spring to mind.

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News from Elsewhere

MP hears from local community about developments at Moretonhampstead Hospital

At a planning meeting last week, Central Devon MP, Mel Stride heard all about how the local community in Moretonhampstead and surrounding parishes have been working hard to developing a health and social care hub. A health and social care hub is a physical space in which providers and organisers of health care, social care and voluntary services are co-located. The community and NHS have met regularly since early 2014 to discuss how the hospital could be of most benefit to Moretonhampstead and the surrounding areas in the future.

The planning group is made up of local members of the community including local councillors, representatives from the Hospital League of Friends, Patient Participation Groups (PPGs) from local GP practices, social care managers, and local GPs. It also includes clinical leads and managers from Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group (NEW Devon CCG), the organisation in charge of buying services at the hospital, and Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust, the provider of services at the hospital.

Public Meeting

- Moretonhampstead—Monday 3 November 2014 6.00pm-8.00pm
Moretonhampstead Sports Hall, North Bovey Road, Moretonhampstead TQ13 8NZ

Drop-In Sessions

- Cheriton Bishop — Wednesday 15 October 2014 2.00pm-4.00pm
Cheriton Bishop Village Hall, Yeoford Road, Cheriton Bishop EX6 6JA
- Chagford — Tuesday 28 October 2014 2.00pm-4.00pm
Jubilee Hall, Chagford TQ13 8DP

For more information about attending these events or booking a place, please contact Nicola Webber on 01392 356129 or email nicola.webber@nhs.net

Local people invited to tour and talk at Moretonhampstead Hospital

People from Moretonhampstead and the surrounding area are being invited to visit their local hospital to find out more about services that will be provided there in the future.

The hospital's clinical teams and healthcare managers from the Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group and Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust will be on hand on four days in September and October to show people around and answer any questions they may have.

Over the past six months the NHS has been working in partnership with members of the local community to develop a new model of care for the people of Moretonhampstead, including a health and social care hub at the hospital.

To allow for in-depth and productive conversations, Tour and Talk sessions will be provided by appointment only, for 4-6 people at any one time and will last approximately one and a half hours.

During the Tour and Talk, people can:

- Meet clinicians who are working at the hospital and the community
- Meet members of the senior clinical and management team overseeing the project
- Have a tour of the hospital
- Discuss opportunities for the hospital
- Discuss any comments you may have about healthcare in the Moretonhampstead area.

Tour and Talk sessions will run at various times on the following days:

Monday 29 September 2014
Thursday 2 October 2014
Tuesday 7 October 2014
Friday 10 October 2014

To arrange a suitable appointment time, please contact Nellie Guttman at the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust, on nellieguttman@nhs.net or 01271 313 971.



Fingle Woods

Want to find out more?

Please come along to our public lectures at the Fingle Bridge Inn

All meetings will be on a Thursday evening starting at 7pm (note excludes Friday 4th July event)

15th May 2014 – Restoration and ecology of Fingle Woods – David Rickwood / Adrian Colston

12th June 2014 – Public Access and Volunteering at Fingle – Tom Wood / David Rickwood

4th July 2014 – Celebration of the opening of Fingle Wood (3pm to 8pm in the riverside meadow at Fingle Bridge)

Horse Logging / Charcoal Burning / Live Music / Children Crafts and lots more

4th September 2014 - Deer of Fingle – Mick Jones National Trust / John Stowers Deer Initiative

2nd October 2014 – Rangers and Volunteers – Tom Wood/David Rickwood

6th November 2014 – History of Fingle Wood – Moretonhamstead History Society – Bill Hardiman

4th December 2014 – Car Trials – Exeter and Torbay Trials Tim Whellock and Keith Sanders

5th February 2015 - Archaeology – Wooston Castle Iron Age Hill Fort – NT Expert / Andy Crabb Head of Archaeology DNPA

5th March 2015 - Wildlife of Fingle (Jenny Plackett Butterfly Conservation / Andy Bakere Devon Wildlife Trust)

For more information and booking please contact davidrickwood@woodlandtrust.org.uk