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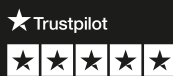
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Editorial

For roughly the last six weeks we have had an area of high pressure sitting over most of the UK. This has resulted in warm and settled weather, which most of us have enjoyed. However, gardeners and farmers were beginning to be worried by a shortage of rain. Happily, the high pressure has drifted away and rain has started, although not yet in a large amount.

The magazine raises the cost of printing by three separate methods. Firstly of course there is advertising, and secondly village organisations and events make contributions to the magazine. Thirdly we invite individuals to contribute via the envelopes which are going out with this edition. We are of course very grateful for these contributions, which help enormously in defraying the costs of printing; this amounts to around £14 per year to provide a monthly magazine. A donation of around that amount would be very welcome. Please hand your contribution in to one of the addresses on the front of the envelopes. Many thanks from all at the CVN.

Please also see the plea in the magazine for helpers; someone is urgently required to manage the distribution of the magazine, as well as do other work. Please get in touch if you want to help.

Stephen

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(There are more in the middle of the magazine)

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“The cover picture is a sketch of Gaulter Gap at Kimmeridge by Joan Bracchi.”

MAY FOR CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

As the sun continues to warm the Purbeck hills and we step into June, it's time to take a look back at the key moments from the May meeting of the Corfe Castle Parish Council.

A New Civic Year Begins: Cllr Dru Drury has been unanimously re-elected as Chairman for the 2025–26 civic year. Joining him once again as Vice-Chairman is Cllr Clarke, who was also re-elected with full support from the Council. Their continued leadership brings experience and stability to the year ahead.

Welcome to Our New Councillor: The Parish Council is pleased to welcome Andy Kirkwood as a newly co-opted councillor. Andy brings a fresh perspective on local issues, and we look forward to his valuable contributions to the team.

Parking Issues: Parking problems around the parish can be addressed with your help. Depending on the situation, either Dorset Council or Dorset Police may get involved.

When to contact Dorset Police: If you're out and about and find that a car is parked on the pavement, making it unsafe for you to continue along your route because you have to walk into the road to pass, please call 101. You should also contact Dorset Police by dialling 101 if a parked vehicle is: Obstructing traffic flow or pedestrians on the road or pavement or Blocking someone in their home. The police will assess the severity of the obstruction and take action if it's deemed a priority.

When to contact Dorset Council: Dorset Council can issue penalty charge notices for vehicles parked in the following restricted areas: Double and single yellow lines; "School Keep Clear" zig-zag markings; Pedestrian crossings; and Bus stops. For parking issues related to local restrictions, contact Parking Services at 01305 228110 or email customerservices@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk. If you've witness an issue but were unable to call at the time, please email Dorset Council to report it. If possible, upload any photographic evidence you may have, but please do not put yourself in danger by taking photos in unsafe conditions.

Your involvement and feedback are essential in helping us improve parking and ensure a safe and accessible environment for everyone.

Dorset Council Updates: progress is ongoing on the footpath linking Purbeck Park to Corfe Castle. We know it's been a slow journey, but we're hopeful the end result will be well worth the wait, creating a safer, more accessible route for everyone to enjoy.

National Trust News: Tower 2 restoration is now complete, and the scaffolding will be coming down shortly. Keep an eye out for television programme Hidden Treasures of the National Trust, airing 6th June, featuring Corfe Castle!

Community Transport Grant: We're pleased to announce that the Parish Council has been successful in securing a grant from Dorset Council to support the introduction of a community shuttle service. Although we had originally hoped to launch the service by Easter 2025, the grant was awarded later than expected, meaning the new target start date is Easter 2026. Work will now begin on a feasibility study, with the aim of developing a community-led service that supports local transport needs and improves access for residents and visitors alike.

Playground & Safety: We'd like to extend our thanks to everyone who reached out to inform the Parish Council about the broken roundabout. Unfortunately, it appears that this won't be a quick fix, and the roundabout will remain closed until further notice. A discussion on the repairs will be on the June agenda. The Parish Council is currently looking into the costs of repairing the existing roundabout, but it may prove more cost-effective to replace it with a new one. We'll keep you updated as we explore the best options.

Housing Standards Motion: The Council approved a motion expressing concern over the loss of rented housing due to many factors but primarily the proposed energy and condition standards. This will be circulated to neighbouring councils for support before submission to Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils.

Planning application update: Full details for all planning applications can be found on the Dorset Council website, <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning>. The following applications have been received by Corfe Castle Parish Council:

Application No: P/LBC/2025/02254, **Location:** 48 East Street Corfe Castle Wareham BH20 5EQ, **Proposal:** Repair and reinstate existing stone slate roof coverings from the street facing roof and replacement of composite tiles at the back of the building, **Comment** No objection, this appears to result in a safety risk reduction at the front.

Application No: P/VOC/2025/02394, **Location:** 168 East Street Corfe Castle BH20 5EH, **Proposal:** Erect ground floor rear extension, side extension and loft conversion to dwellinghouse. Demolish existing garage and construct a garage / workshop with office (with variation to condition 2 of planning permission P/HOU/2023/07255 to extend the garage wall to create a square configuration and add a window on the north side elevation), **Comment:** No objection - This appears to be a modest increase to the footprint of the garage and the window is not overlooking anyone else's property.

Application No: P/HOU/2025/02383, **Location:** 11 Mead Road Corfe Castle BH20 5EW, **Proposal:** Erect extensions to the front and rear elevations including a raised decked area and enlarge dormer on south elevation. **Recommend:** No objection - This property, is tucked away at the end of Mead Road with very little frontage to the street. The finishes proposed on the walls are in keeping with the existing (render and stone cladding). The only concern relates to the proposed balcony at first floor level, which would change from a Juliet balcony to one allowing actual access. It is requested that the neighbouring property be properly consulted regarding this aspect of the proposal.

Application No: P/HOU/2024/07629 Appeal Reference: PP/D1265/D/25/3364471 **Location:** 58 West Street Corfe Castle BH20 5HE, **Proposal:** Erect single storey side & rear extension. Erect front entrance porch (demolish existing porch), **Comment:** To support previous comment submitted.

Finally, our thanks go to the organisers, contributors, beacon lighters, fish preparers and singers of the very successful Victory in Europe 80 celebrations which took place in the Castle. Thanks also to the NT for letting us use the Castle.

Next Council Meeting: Monday 9th June 2025, at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter Room. To start the meeting is a public session, so please come and join us and have your say.

Parish Council contact details: Clerk: Michelle Harrington,
Telephone: 01202 670105, **Email:** clerk@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk,
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CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES AND CRAZY 4 CORFE
ARE GREATLY INDEBTED TO EVERYONE WHO
CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR 80TH
ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIONS ON 8TH MAY



Firstly we would not have had a venue without the National Trust's offer for us to use the Castle grounds, and their much needed help on the night.

As for the fish and chip suppers... we give a massive shout out to **The Fish Plaice** in Swanage. They delivered 300 portions of piping hot meals, their largest order ever.



IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, THANKS ARE ALSO DUE TO:

Aquarius ladies for refreshments
Bell ringers
CCCFC for event organization and the beacon
Choir led by David Kemp
Corfe Castle School for singers at the morning ceremony
Crazy 4 Corfe for event organization and financial support
Double Act entertainment
Dragon's Bakery cake judges
Octopress printers song sheets
Paul Jobling sound system
St Edward's church prayer space and backup location
The Bankes Arms for condiments
The Oakes family general help and first aid coverage
Town Crier for the proclamation

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Lastly, thanks to all marshals, helpers and bakers... too many to name individually
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Environmental Group Update

Since we last wrote in CVN, we have held two Environment Group events.

The first was a talk in April by Richard Caldwor of the Swanage and Purbeck Swifts Group. Richard spoke about how our swifts live their lives, each year migrating from Africa to Corfe Castle to meet up with their mate in the same nest each spring to breed and raise a family, before migrating south again towards the end of the summer. Did you know that swifts don't ever land on the ground, spending the majority of their lives in the air, flying day and night? He also described the work our local Swifts Group has been doing, both to raise awareness about swifts and the loss of traditional nest sites as older properties are refurbished, and to provide additional suitable nesting sites across Purbeck. Thanks go to Richard.

Our next event a Swift Walk (!) around the village:

Friday 6th June meet at Corfe Castle Village Square at 7pm

As a follow up to this talk, Richard will be joined by Julie Hatcher of the Swifts Group to lead a swift spotting walk around Corfe Castle village. We will hopefully hear them screaming as they head to their nests around the square. As part of our walk we will also see if we can identify any suitable sites for some additional swift nest boxes. If we do find any sites, we will try to get funding for these boxes.

Our other event was a bat walk with NT's Tom Clarke and Mark Singleton. We started at West St car park before heading to the Copper Bridge*. We then headed up the hill over the common before turning right just past the West St turning circle – no bats yet. Along the road to the common on the other side of the road, looking out for bats as we walked and chatted. But still no bats! On our return to the turning circle, we suddenly spotted a bat overhead, with the aid of a bat detector. We then saw and heard about 7-8 different bats as we headed back to the car park, better late than never! There was also the offer of an after party to the railway bridge popular with bats led by a local schoolgirl and her parents, who had brought their own bat detector along – thank you, and thanks to Tom and Mark.

*Does anyone know why it is called this? Our local history expert Louise hasn't found a source of this name – it is first referred to with this name 1683 but is shown on a 1585 map, and Louise thinks a route across the river has existed here since Roman times (but this isn't proven)!

Get in touch: Parish Clerk (Michelle) -

environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk

Facebook: "Corfe Castle Environmental Group".

Core Members: Helen, Tom, David, Luke & Richard



Nature updates from the National Trust

Not just pretty faces...

The cattle that graze across the Purbeck Heaths and Corfe Commons do an amazing job in maintaining our wildlife habitats:

- They use their long tongues to pull up coarse vegetation, this allows a wider variety of plants to grow.
- They create areas of bare soil which are important basking sites for insects and reptiles.
- Their dung provides food for beetles and flies, which in turn feed many birds and bats.
- They push through thick scrub and keep it open.



Photo: Zoe Hunter

If you see the cattle, please give them plenty of space, especially when there are calves. Keep dogs on leads where they're grazing (the exception is if the cattle approach you, then let your dog off the lead so you can both move to safety.)

Arty dogs lead the way

Colourful canines are appearing across the Purbeck Heaths to remind people to keep their dogs on leads during the ground-nesting bird season.



Photo: Jill Bailey

The six 'arty dogs' are the creation of local schoolchildren, under the guidance of teenage Environment Leaders from the Purbeck School. As well as messages about ground-nesting birds, the artworks also encourage people to pick up after their dogs.

The heaths are internationally important for ground nesting birds such as nightjars, skylarks and woodlarks. Any disturbance can cause the adult birds to fly from the nest, leaving the eggs and chicks vulnerable to predation.



Photo: Chris Cowell

Have you heard them yet?

The 'air dancers' are back, filling the evening air with their evocative cries. Did you know:

- Swifts eat, drink, sleep and mate while flying.
- They only land when they nest. They struggle to take off again if they fall to the ground.
- They eat flying insects like mosquitoes, midges, flies and moths.

Sadly, swifts are in decline, partly due to the loss of old buildings where they can nest. Can you help by installing a nesting box on your home? Find out more at <https://swift-conservation.org/>

If you have any queries about wildlife or how we are looking after the Corfe Commons and Purbeck Heaths, email us on purbeck@nationaltrust.org.uk

Cathy Lewis, the National Trust

COULD YOU HELP WITH THE CORFE VALLEY NEWS?

We urgently need volunteers to help with the Production and distribution of the CVN.

No previous experience required. A few hours a month needed.

We particularly need someone to manage the deliveries.

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Holding the fort – news from the castle.

June 1643

National Trust According to our records, June 1643 is a key month in the castle's history. The first attempt to take the castle by parliamentarians took place between May and August 1643 but on June 23, Sir Walter Erle and others 'with a body between five and six hundred' arrived with some ordnance, took the town and began a more determined siege, including using siege engines, 'the sow' and 'the boar' and two thirty-six pounder cannon'.

The Royalists in the castle, including Lady Bankes and a Captain Lawrence, are described acting heroically. The account by Mercurius Rusticus hand (quoted by Bankes in The Story of Corfe Castle, 1853, 190) states that the besiegers split into two parties, one assaulting the middle ward, the other the upper ward 'Which the Lady Bankes (to her eternal honour be it spoken), with her daughters, women and five soldiers, undertook to make good against the rebels, and did bravely perform what she undertook; for by heaving over stones and hot embers they repelled the rebels and kept them from climbing the ladders, thence to throw in that wildfire which every rebel had already in his'. The Parliamentarians are represented as inept, savage, cowardly and corrupt.

The castle is said in this account to have held out until news of a Royalist force en route caused them to run away on 4 August, leaving behind horses, ammunition and a supper laid out for them in the church.

Hidden Treasures



Image credit: National Trust. Sophie Bolesworth

Corfe Castle features on the third series of Hidden Treasures (episode 4, transmission date 6 June at 9pm. Available on iPlayer from 16 May) and the episode looks at women's roles 'holding the fort' while the men were away fighting during the English Civil War. It also follows the excavation by

archaeologists working to find the sallyport in the external wall which was opened by traitors to let the Parliamentary forces enter. The episode also documents the current conservation work and our efforts to preserve the castle for future generations.

National Trust Magazine

'Holding the fort' is the title of the Summer edition of the National Trust Magazine which features the castle. Distribution is over 2 million copies across the UK and covers the history, conservation works and the Kings' View.



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Church Knowle Parish Council - May Meeting

The Annual General and May meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council took place in the Church Knowle Village Hall on Tuesday 13th May 2025 at 6:30pm. It was attended by six members of the Council (Cllr Burt in the chair), four members of the public and the Dorset ward councillor Ben Wilson.

At the Annual General Meeting the positions on the Council and any directions are established for the next year. The main items of interest in the meeting were:

Election of Chair, Vice Chair and councillors with special areas of expertise:

Cllr Derek Burt : Chairman and Trees

Cllr Jayne Wilson : Vice Chairman and DAPTC

Cllr Judi Newns : Planning and Environment

Cllr Ian Gilbert : Highways

Cllr Will Slack : DAPTC

Cllr Hazel Parker : Cemetery Management

Cllr Howard Fry : Playing Field Management

Cllr Carl Grice : Perenco and Imerys Liaison

The Council has agreed to put in place an updated complaints policy and a new vexatious complaints and correspondence policy.

The Neighbourhood Plan

The parish wide housing needs survey is being processed by Dorset Council and a report will be forthcoming.

Report from Dorset Councillor

The 30mph speed limit will be implemented but there is no firm timeline yet.

The inadequate barriers on the Furzebrook road over rail bridge have been referred to the Bridges Team

The results of the deer drone survey made by Dorset Natural Landscape are available.

There are two current public consultations:

- The Swanage Shorefront scheme.
- The Dorset Nature Recovery Strategy

30mph Speed Limit

The plan showing the extent of this through the village can be viewed and downloaded from the Notices page of the website: www.churchknowle-pc.gov.uk.

Playing Field

The Playing Field will have its annual professional inspection this month.

Vacancies on the Parish Council

There is still one vacancy on the council which has a full strength of nine and any interested parishioners can apply to clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk.

The meeting finished at 7:27 pm. The next meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council will be at the Furzebrook Village Hall at 6:30 on 10th June 2025.

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Corfe Castle CE Primary School & Pre-School



In a blink, June has arrived! The house martins have returned and nature is in full swing as temperatures remain relatively high!

May is always a busy time of the year at school, particularly as it marks the time of National Testing for our year 6s. We are incredibly proud of every year group here at the school but we must commend our oldest cohort for their resilience, efforts and courage through the SATs Week.

This particular year, our Years 5s and 6s were delighted to be asked to join in the VE Day celebrations at the church for the raising of the flag, the proclamation and the singing of the National Anthem and I Vow to Thee My Country. It is always a joy to support community events where possible. They also took a moment in the church to reflect on the service men and women of the past and of today.



In the afternoon, the children engaged in a 'street party' style lunch in the playground followed by some delicious home-made scones, cream and jam – a huge thanks to our PTFA for the baking!

Other news:

A few children also sang at the opening of the AGM in the Village Hall on Monday 19th May and others supported, with more singing, at the opening of the Purbeck Arts Week events on Friday 23rd May.

Upcoming date for your diary:

Saturday 14th June – Summer Fair

Thank you for all your continuing support, Miss Amy Howe (Headteacher) and Mr Robert Stoner (Acting Headteacher) and the whole team at Corfe Castle CE Primary School and Pre-School.



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News from The Castle

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We have one date for your diary, which is:

Fathers Day - Sunday 15th June

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May has been a busy month!

Peter's re-invented extract from 'This Secret Isle' featuring 'Potato Pete' got the VE80 commemoration in the Castle off to a great start. Then there was the Parish Meeting, and then the May Fair with our mini-panto of Cinderella. Hopefully when you read this we will have cast 'Alice in Cuckoo Land', for performance November 27th to 29th.

But in the meantime, there are our fabled Murder Mystery Walks in the summer holiday. See the separate advertisement for dates and details.

Murder Mystery Walk by the Castle

Set in 1834 Hanoverian Britain at a time of great political, economic and social reform, but not every body is happy with the changes.

The rural workforce is in open revolt and parliamentary constituencies have been reformed to eliminate all the Rotten Boroughs of Corfe Castle and Wareham.

Slavery has almost been abolished & the Anatomy Act might have ended grave robbing.

But a prominent local doctor and politician has been found shot whilst staying at a local coaching Inn! So a senior member of the newly formed 'Peelers' has been sent from London to add his deductive reasoning skills to the investigation.

What will he discover in this seething hotbed of radical thinkers?

Walks are July 16th, 21st, 23rd, 28th & 30th plus Aug. 4th, & 6th 2025; 7pm.

If you would be interested in joining our friendly safe group or for more details, please contact the chairman, David Kemp 01929 480007, or secretary David Watson 01929 481265 - or email doubleactdramagroup@gmail.com
New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome!



News from the Library

A big thank you to all of you who attended the library's charity quiz night and made it such an enjoyable evening on April 12th. Barry Stocks had done all the preparation of the questions etc but then, sadly, was too ill to be quiz master on the night. Colin Fuller stepped into the breach at short notice and did an admirable job as the quiz master, while Linda still ran the bar. A big thank you too to all the library volunteers who helped out on the night. We'll all be back to do it again next year!

There are no library talks scheduled over the summer but they will resume in the autumn.

Come in for a free Cuppa and a Biscuit!

We will be offering a hot drink and biscuits for anyone who would like to come into the library and have a chat (or even browse through the bookshelves!)

Normal Library Opening Hours

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Future Programme of Speakers

- 4th June – ‘Ooh Matron’ a History of Carry On by Steve Dimmer
- 1st July – ‘The Murder of Sydney Spicer’ by Paul Stickler
- 5th August - BBQ
- 2nd September – Belly Dancing Extravaganza
- 7th October – The Amazing Life and Achievement of Marie Curie by Alan Neal OPEN MEETING
- 4th November – Singing for Everyone – Tim Dowland
- 2nd December – The Fantastic Bow Tie Balloon Man – Rob Driscoll

We are a friendly group so please come along and join us on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 2pm for an interesting talk followed by a cuppa and a chat. We have regular groups who meet each month.

Walkers Group: Meet 3rd Monday at various locations.

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Corfe Castle Surgery

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Following on from my article in April where I explained that we would be making more appointments and texting the details through, we have found that this system has worked well and saved the reception team a considerable amount of time so we will be continuing this for routine appointments. If you get a text and the time or day is not convenient, please contact reception on 01929 480441.

A note from the dispensary team about repeat medication requests - please could you order all prescriptions via the NHS App if you are able to do so, and please order all repeat items at once rather than placing multiple orders throughout the month.

The dispensary team require 3 WORKING days to safely dispense your items, this will be 4 days if we have had a bank holiday when the order is placed. If you choose to order in the afternoon, which is their dispensing time, your request may not be actioned until the next working day, we also do not open on weekends, so please bear this in mind when ordering your prescriptions. In the last few weeks, we have had a lot of patients coming to collect after 24-48 hours which just isn't enough time and it puts more pressure on the team.

We appreciate your support of the whole practice team.

Please contact us with any queries.

Kerry Norman
Practice Manager

What's on at Sandy Hill Arts in June (find us next to the steam railway station in Corfe Castle village)

Exhibitions :

1-8 June Elizabeth Brown 'Everything is colour' exhibition ; Room 14 , 10-4pm free

1-8 June Sandy Hill Arts resident studio artists group exhibition; cottage, 10-4pm, free

Music

1 June: Over the Hill gig: marquee 12.30-2pm, free

7 June; Rob Mills and the Trackside Co-optimists 12-2pm, marquee, free

17 June; Geoff Ribb 'The Music of Trees' as part of the Purbeck Guitar Festival 7.30-9.30pm £15

21 June: Sounds by the Castle- summer music, food, bar, 4.30-9.30pm £15, student or U18 £10

28 June: SAHRA - fabulous mellow music from a rising star in the jazz world 7.30-9.30pm £12

Event

16 June: Bloomsday- a celebration of James Joyces' 'Ulysses' , readings , music, discussion, bar 7-10.30pm £10

Art Workshops

14 June; Charlotte Mann's Drawing Lab workshop 10-5pm £60

22 June: Jenny Green Birds and Flowers Glass Fusion workshop 10-12.30pm £65

28 June: Raku ceramic workshop 10-4pm £130 as part of a two day make and glaze workshop

Until now Sandy Hill Arts has been operating on temporary licences on an event-by event basis, but we are pleased to say that we are now applying to Dorset Council for a permanent licence to put on events and to sell alcohol, **at events only**. Alcohol will **not be sold outside event times**. Please see the notice below.

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Notice is given that Sandy Hill Arts has applied to Dorset Council for a new premises licence in respect of Sandy Hill Arts, Sandy Hill Lane, Corfe Castle, Dorset, BH20 5JF for regulated entertainment and the provision of alcohol

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Any interested party or responsible authority may make representations by e-mailing: licensing@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk or writing to: Licensing, Dorset Council, County Hall, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1XJ, by June 26th.

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Corfe Castle Village Hall

general news:

The VH Coffee Morning in May raised £217.66 for VH funds. Thanks to all those who attended, especially our loyal team of helpers. **Would you consider helping once a month?**

The May 100 club draw was made at the Coffee Morning. The first prize of £20 was won by member 12, with member 40 getting second prize £10 and member 20 winning the third prize £5. **If you would like to join the many villagers who support their local village hall in this way please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.**

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Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday mornings	Yoga
Tuesday evenings	Martial Arts
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Corfe Crafters
Wednesday mornings	Pilates
Wednesday afternoons	U3A Pickleball
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
Thursday mornings	Silver Swans adult ballet
Thursday evenings	Cubs
Thursday evenings	Alcoholics Anonymous
Friday mornings	Pilates

regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning	VH Coffee Morning
1st Saturday lunchtime	Soup 'n Pud
1st Sunday all day	Cameo Antiques Fair
1st Tuesday afternoon	Aquarius
1st Thursday evening	Gardening Club
2nd Monday evening	Parish Council
3rd Wednesday morning	Carers' Support (P Jones)

Fund-raising news

Work on our own fund-raising for the kitchen refurbishment continues. We have received a further generous donation from Suttles. Our bid for support from the National Lottery has been submitted and we are awaiting their reply.

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Well done those that turned up to our May Lunch wearing something appropriate for a VE Day feel. A fair amount of red, white and blue were in evidence to fit with the 'make do and mend' and 'dig for Britain' era of very much home grown and simple fare. It was a dress rehearsal for the main event in the Castle the following Thursday evening! The soups and puds were reminiscent of that age created out of what was available at the time. The leek and potato and pease pudding soups followed by bread and butter pudding and rhubarb crumble were much appreciated, especially with the tasty addition of custard!

Once again it was well supported and thanks are due to our willing volunteers and Dragon's Bakery for their bread rolls.

We will have supported the Annual Parish Council Meeting on Mon. May 19th in the Village Hall by providing the light refreshments, by the time you read this. I hope you came along to join us and others experiencing a lot of the activities provided by groups within the immediate local environment.

Please remember if you have any spare produce we would be only too happy to use it for you in our soups and puds, to add delicious local flavour.

Of course we value any other donations towards our Saturday lunches both in money and kind but most of all we look forward to welcoming lots of you at our simple but hearty meal. It is great to see the local camaraderie engendered over a good Soup and Pud!

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CORFE VALLEY NEWS

CALENDAR for JUNE 2025

Please check timings and other details with the information available elsewhere in this magazine or with the organisers.

24 May – 8 June

3	June	Tuesday	2 pm
6	June	Friday	7 pm
6	June	Friday	6.30 pm
7	June	Saturday	10.15 am
7	June	Saturday	12.30 – 1.45 pm
9	June	Monday	7 pm
10	June	Tuesday	6.30 pm
13	June	Friday	7.30
14	June	Saturday	3 – 8 pm
22	June	Sunday	3 pm
25/26	June	Wed/Thur	12 – 5 pm
26	June	Thursday	5.30 – 7 pm
28	June	Saturday	2.30pm – 5 pm
30	June	Monday	7 pm

Purbeck Art Weeks

Aquarius talk – “Ooh Matron” a history of Carry on Films – Corfe Castle VH
CC Environment Group Swift spotting walk around the village – Meet in the Square
Bring and Share supper with Music Quiz – Worth Matravers Village Hall
Village Coffee Morning Corfe Castle Village Hall
Soup and Pud Community Lunch Corfe Castle Village Hall
Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Church Knowle Parish Council meeting – Furzebrook Village Hall
Kimmeridge Barn Dance - Kimmeridge Village Hall
CC School Summer Fair – School Playing Field and Corfe Castle Village Hall
Concert by Canzonetta – St James Church Kingston.
Open Garden – Knitson Old Farm House
Purbeck Youth Music – United Reform Church Swanage
Steeple Manor Gardens open
Purbeck Youth Music Concert – Swanage Methodist Church

All details are correct as at publishing date, but please check with the organization involved before attending any events.

1	July	Tuesday	2 pm
8	July	Tuesday	6.30 pm
14	July	Monday	7 pm
16	July	Wednesday	2 pm
17/18	July	Thur/Fri	12 – 5 pm
1	August	Friday	6 pm
2	August	Saturday	2 pm

Aquarius talk – The Murder of Sydney Spicer by Paul Stickler – Corfe Castle VH
Church Knowle Parish Council meeting – Church Knowle Village Hall
Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
Harmony Rocks Summer Concert – Emmanuel Baptist Church Swanage
Open Garden – Knitson Old Farm House
Twelfth Night – Play at the Bay Kimmeridge
Three Parishes Fete Church Knowle Old Rectory Field

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Revd Richard writes

I like everything I know about Barnabas. His real name was Joseph, but he was given the nickname Barnabas, which means “son of encouragement”, because he was constantly encouraging those around him. It stuck, and Barnabas is the name he is mostly referred to in the New Testament and the name he is remembered by in the worldwide church calendar on the 11th June.

Barnabas wasn't famous for grand speeches or dramatic miracles like St Paul. But it was Barnabas who saw potential in Paul, who had been an enemy and a persecutor. Barnabas took Paul in, and later accompanied Paul on long, dangerous journeys. And when Mark, one of their young apprentices failed them, it was Barnabas who insisted that he should be given another chance. Barnabas helped to restore Mark, who later became the author of the Gospel of Mark.

Barnabas shows the power of faithful friendship and encouragement. A willingness to believe the best in others, to walk alongside them in difficult times, and to offer second chances. I'm so grateful for those who have believed in me and encouraged when courage was in short supply. It's so easy to criticise, but I want to be the sort of friend who is a Barnabas. Such an encourager that it becomes my nickname.

I'm planning to say more about Barnabas, and the transforming power of the gift of friendship on Sunday 22nd June, when the 10.30am morning service at St Edwards will be a relaunch of the 'Friends of St Edwards' marking 20 years of the Friends. Please consider yourself invited!

Services in June 2025

Sunday 1st June

Corfe Castle – 10.30 am

Holy Communion

Sunday 8th June

Steeple – 9.30 am

Holy Communion

Corfe Castle - 10.30 am

Morning Worship

Sunday 15th June

Corfe Castle – 10.30 am

Holy communion

Harmans Cross – 6 pm

Evening Worship

Sunday 22nd June

Corfe Castle – 10.30 am

Service to celebrate 20 years
of the Friends of St Edwards

Kingston – 11.30 am

Holy Communion

Sunday 29th June

Church Knowle – 1030

Benefice service

There are also services every week in Langton Matravers and Worth Matravers. Information at www.staldhelm-purbeck.org

Bible Readings – June 2025

Sunday 1st June

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34

Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

John 17:20-26

Sunday 8th June

Whitsunday

Romans 8:14-17

Acts 2:1-21

John 14:8-17, (25-27)

Sunday 15th June

First Sunday after Pentecost

Acts 11:1-18

Revelation 21:1-6

John 13:31-35

Sunday 22nd June

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

Sunday 29th June

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Galatians 5:1,13-25

Luke 9:51-62

A relaunch of the Friends of St Edward's



We will be holding a special event on Sunday June 22nd as part of the 10:30 service to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Friends of St Edward's. There will be a small reception afterwards for the Congregation, Friends who may or may not have attended the service, and

anyone interested in knowing more about the scheme.

We are looking to relaunch this scheme to encourage more people to join. It is open to everyone, and you do not have to be a member of the church. Just pick up a leaflet beside the Friends' Book in the church or telephone Joy Carter on 01929 480925 to find out how to donate.

Some people like to mark a special occasion when becoming a Friend, such as a Wedding or Christening but of course you don't have to do this, your donation is just as welcome! The funds collected in this scheme will be used entirely for the upkeep of the church building.

Brownsea Island Summer Events

Poo-tastic activity trail on Brownsea Island

Join us on a unique and quirky trail dedicated to animal droppings. Families can take part in fun games like cow pat frisbee, wombat Jenga and do the sloth poo dance. The trail is free and runs from Sat 24 May to Sun 1 June from 10am – 5pm. Normal admission prices apply.

Way of the wild – Bushcraft taster sessions

Local bushcraft expert, Joe Peartree will be running three hour-long bushcraft taster sessions at Brownsea Island on Friday 30 May. Learn essential survival skills, including fire lighting, shelter construction and identifying plants and trees. These sessions are suitable for children aged 7+ and cost just £6.50 per person. Normal admission prices apply.

Handlebards Open Air Theatre on Brownsea – Much Ado About Nothing - 12 & 13 June, 6pm – 9.30pm.

Join the troupe on Brownsea Island for a bicycle-powered production of Shakespeare's 'Much Ado About Nothing' like you've never seen before. Expect lots of energy, a fair old whack of chaos, and a great deal of laughter. To book ring 0344 249 1895 or visit [HandleBards Open Air Theatre - Much Ado About Nothing | National Trust](#)

Summer Solstice Yoga on Brownsea Island – Sat 21 June, 5pm - 10pm

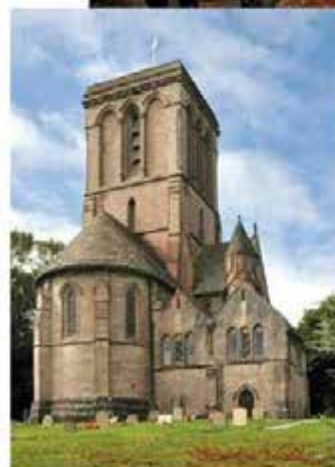
Celebrate the longest day of the year with a summer solstice yoga experience on Brownsea Island. Join local meditation and yoga teacher Sonja Lockyer for a session designed for all levels. After your yoga practice, enjoy a delicious picnic dinner followed by a calming meditation session. End the evening with a special nightjar walk. To book ring **0344 249 1895** or visit [Summer Solstice Yoga on Brownsea Island. | National Trust](#)

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Music for a summer afternoon

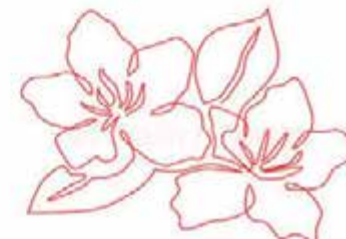
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The Rambling Gardener.

June should be a lovely month; on hot days going to the sea, or sitting under a tree with a book. Do make time to enjoy the outdoors in good weather. The vegetables will need a bit of light work: hoeing and planting onions and shallots, and sowing radish, peas and beans. Also plant outdoors any squash or courgettes that have been started inside with heat and then gradually hardened off.

Hopefully the flower garden will have been staked and weeded well enough to need nothing but dead-heading, and only mow lawns where you need to so the rest can be left for wildlife. Keats wrote 'a thing of beauty is a joy for ever, it's loveliness increases, it will never pass into nothingness' - remember all the beautiful things you see, don't use any sprays, and enjoy whatever nature sends.

I decided to write about the different fruits that I grow so that I can have fresh fruit all year. I hope that it can give you some ideas too. There are a lot of different apple trees and the earliest fruit in August, after that there can be apples for eating each month until March. The apricot on a sheltered West wall is looking good. There are also currants; pink, white and black which all ripen at different times. Main crop raspberries have to be covered as birds like them as much as us, but then autumn raspberries are not bothered by birds and crop for a very long time. Red and green gooseberries have different flavour and ripen at different speeds, and there are 2 types of Pears, an Easter and a keeper. Knitson Old Farmhouse has various plums for mixed cropping and flavour, a small peach tree in a pot, and a lemon tree in the sheltered herb garden which produces 70 or 80 lemons every year. I have a small male kiwi (for pollination), and the female kiwi which climbs all over the Nissan hut. This year it produced about 1300 big kiwis that have been eaten from January to now. Rhubarb is a versatile fruit that can be frozen in small pieces easily and used in crumbles, especially with apple, and chutneys. The loganberries and asparagus were planted 60 years ago, have very good flavour, and are still cropping well - they don't seem to mind the changing climate as much as the newer plants do.

I hope you have watched the David Attenborough life story and are doing all you can to help clean up the mess we humans have made. Cleaning up the beach at low tide is something I hope to do as it is sad that we put so much plastic in the water and everyone should pick up even the smallest bit when enjoying the seaside.

June is the month most likely to be bitten by ticks. If you get a tick don't wait but go straight to a doctor to get it removed. I did not get one removed quickly enough and am still suffering from Lyme Tick Disease after 30 years, so please be careful.

Sue Whitton's sudden death has affected many of us as she was an inspiration and helped many people, including me. She used to run my NGS open days, and it will be sad to do it without her. I would be grateful for help on any of the days we are open which are the 25 and 26 of June and, the last for this year, the 17 and 18th of July.

Have a good month and enjoy June. Rachel

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Jim's fundraiser for Alzheimer's Society



Please support me in my personal quest to raise money for the **Alzheimer's Society**. Both myself and my partner have both known the pain of losing our Dads to this terrible disease last year, so we are keen to help Alzheimer's Society raise funds to continue researching to find a cure and to support other families going through this tough time.

I will be walking along the Southwest Coastal path from Broadsands Beach, Paignton (Devon) to Swanage (Dorset) in July, supported by my partner and a team of family and friends.

I wanted to do something in recognition of what Dad meant to me and to so many others, and so I have decided to walk 10 miles for each year he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's. My Dad suffered for 14 years so I will be walking 140 miles in just 7 days in his honour.

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Shedders seek Home for Rocking Horse

The Wareham Men's Shed is seeking a home and a name for a stunning rocking horse it has created from two sheets of plywood.

The Shedders are asking any Purbeck charity or children's group who would like the horse – free of charge – to apply for it via email.

And as a bit of fun, they are inviting the whole community to come up with a suitable name ... other than Dobbin!

Project leader Phil Stephens said: "I suppose we could sell the horse to raise funds for our Shed but we would much rather give it away to a worthy cause – an organization that can use it for a child or children to ride, which after all is its purpose."

Phil, an 82-year-old retired engineer, assembled a small team of Shedders to help him fashion the rocking horse at the group's base at the Purbeck Connect day centre in Sandford Lane, Wareham.



Phil Stephens with the rocking horse

Shapes of horse parts in various sizes were cut from the plywood sheets and bonded together to form a three-dimensional body before countless hours of sanding smoothed off the rough edges.



The Shed's team with their rocking horse

The horse was given dapple-effect paintwork before being mounted with metal swivels on a heavy stand fabricated from planed and shaped lengths of ash wood.

A child's saddle was made from an old full-size one bought at a car boot sale. And finishing touches included a leather bridle and reins with fastenings; donated stirrups and real horse hair for the mane and tail.

Phil said: "I knew it would be a challenge involving several different skills but I was given lots of help by the team and I think we are all a little proud of the result."

If your charity, school or children's group would like the rocking horse, or if you just want to suggest a name, email warehamshed@gmail.com.

Notices and Thanks

Corfe Castle Gardening Club

It is always difficult writing about an upcoming event that is weather dependent as you are never sure it will have happened. Hopefully we will have enjoyed exploring several of our gardens on 31st May. There is such a variety of gardens to see, some small courtyard gardens, some large, and plenty in between. Some have the added attraction of bee hives and ducks, some with unique challenges, but whichever we visit there is one thing that unites us all and that is our love of gardening. Thanks also to Lucy for hosting the get together in her beautiful garden at the end of the day. Lots to chat about and compare.

On 1st May, we had a very interesting talk by Phil Broomfield, ‘The Garden History Detective’.

Phil has always had a passion for horticulture and in 2010 set up his own business ‘The Garden Doctor’. Garden history has been an interest and a passion for years and Phil does a series of lectures on a variety of fabulous gardens.

His talk for us focused on the ‘**Merton’s Dream Garden at the Russell-Cotes Museum and Gallery**’ and was fascinating. The meeting was very well attended and the feedback was excellent.

There are no meetings in the village hall during June and July but more information about the club’s events and visits during June will be sent to members by e-mail.

We wish you lots of Happy Gardening. Enjoy your Summer.

If you are interested in Gardens and Gardening and would like to join a friendly local group, please get in touch with Chris on 01929 480095 or 07815 058880, cclarkecorfe@gmail.com. We love to welcome new members. Meetings, with interesting talks and speakers, plant sales, seed swaps and social events usually take place in the Village Hall, Corfe Castle, at 7.45 pm for coffee and starting the programme at 8pm. Non-members are welcome to join us for £3 if they are interested in a particular talk.

Chris Clarke
For the Committee.

PurbeckParkys,

PurbeckParkys, the support group for people living with Parkinson’s on the Isle of Purbeck, meets at the Swanage Cricket Club at 2.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month.

June 18th - July 16th. For further information contact David Gynes, the Co-ordinator, david.gynes@parkinsons-uk.goassemble.com



Corfe Crafters

Wednesday 9.00am to 12 midday

Contact Cheryl - 07745242511



Wareham Croquet Club

If someone was to mention a game of croquet what would be your first thoughts, for many it would be British upper class families playing the game on their country house lawn whilst enjoying a picnic of tea with salmon and cucumber sandwiches, that is not the considered way it is viewed nowadays, The people that play the game these days are ordinary folk who enjoy a friendly social activity which does not involve strenuous ball play. It is a game of skill and tactics which can aid wellbeing for the mind as well as the body.

If you feel this is something you would like to try then why not come along to the Wareham Croquet Club, we play every Tuesday and Thursday (weather permitting) from April to October, play starting around 10am, The club was founded in 2010 with a grant from a local organisation, Rod Curtis the Town Clerk managed to find sufficient money to purchase a croquet set from Jacques for the club to use. A launch party was held in September 2010 with representatives from the town council and the newly formed Swanage Croquet Club.

Coaching was given by the late Dr. William Ormerod (Dorset and England International player) to members for the 2011 season. The club has also received a further grant from the Co-op.

We are a small, friendly and varied group of people who are always happy to chat over a cup of tea, so why not come along you might surprise yourself at how easy and enjoyable it can be, you will find us on the Wareham playing fields just off the Worgret Road opposite the Police Station.

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We are considering setting up a free **STRUMMING GROUP** in the upstairs room at the Corfe Castle Club, probably weekly on a weekday evening. All levels of ability would be welcome to come along and join in with playing and singing pop / folk songs from all generations. Banjos, mandolins, etc. also welcome.

This is all subject to interest from people in the village and the surrounding area so please contact me and I can tell you more about the idea and how it might work.

Michael Brett – 07970 426292 / mjb.goat@btinternet.com

Harmony Rocks Choir

Summer is on it's way and so is our annual 'Songs and Scones' summer concert at Emmanuel Baptist Church Swanage on Wednesday 16 July at 2pm. Tickets are £12.00 each which includes one cream tea. For tickets please contact either Sue Smith 01929 477148 or by email emailthequilter@yahoo.co.uk or Anne Elford 01929 288325 or by email anne.elford10@icloud.com or choir members.

Our concert charity this year is Julia's House Children's Hospice Charity in Dorset and Wiltshire who are dedicated to bringing comfort and care to families across the two counties. Following our concert there will be a collection for Julia's House who, like all hospices, are reliant on charitable donations for the majority of their funding.

Music and a delicious tea are the perfect recipe for a happy summer's afternoon entertainment so do come along and join in.

Worth Matravers Village Hall Restoration Fundraiser..

Bring & Share Supper, with Music Quiz

Come along for one of our 2025 Annual Bring & Share Suppers in the village hall on **Friday 6th June, 6.30 for 7pm.**

Tickets are £10, bookable on the website.

We're expecting a full house, with the usual enthusiastic competition from our rival teams from Harman's Cross, so please book early.

Bring a small dish to share (main / starter or dessert) and join in the fun, which will be a light-hearted skip through multiple genres - presented by Tim Arnold (of Purbeck Youth Music and other less reputable ensembles) .. testing your eyes, ears and collective recollections through musical genres, styles and eras.

Assemble your team of six, or book as a couple and join one of the table teams on the night: www.worthmatraversvillagehall.org

Well Done and Thank You, VE80 Singers!

We made a great sound! Although the music wasn't quite as we had expected and prepared for, the singing of 'I Vow To Thee My Country' was still a really strong conclusion to the wonderful (if a bit chilly!) evening in Corfe Castle, as the beacon was lit on East Hill. So thank you to the singers from Corfe Castle, Wareham, and Langton Matravers, who helped make the event so successful and appropriate, and of course a special thank you to Steff Robinson who spearheaded the planning of the evening.

David Kemp

Garden Openings

For many years Rachel Helfer has opened her gardens at Knitson Old Farmhouse to raise money for National Garden Scheme which in turn supports nursing and health charities.

In 2024 alone they supported Marie Curie £450,000, Macmillan £450,000, Hospice UK £450,000, Carers Trust £350,000, The Queen's Nursing Institute £500,000 and Parkinson's UK £350,000 amongst others, totalling donations of **£3,501,227.**

As my garden is very different from my mother's, I have been asked to open mine at the same time to add to the visitors' experience. There will hopefully be homemade cakes and cream teas, dogs welcome on a lead.

We will be open Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th June and Thursday 17th and Friday 18th July from 12 until 5.0pm with a joint garden admission price per adult of £8. We both look forward to welcoming you. Becca Charron and Rachel Helfer (Contact 07553877947)

Purbeck Youth Music

Purbeck Youth Music will stage two end of year concerts; the first, an informal concert providing an opportunity for soloists of all ages to perform in the United Reformed Church Swanage on June 26th from 5.30 to 7pm and the second, in Swanage Methodist Church on June 30th at 7pm. This will showcase advanced soloists including the winner of the Swanage and Purbeck Rotary Young Musician competition as well as string, wind, brass and choral groups.

Families and friends can come and hear how our young musicians are progressing thanks to the hard work of their teachers, the all important encouragement of their parents, and the support of Purbeck Youth Music and our generous community.

Dilys Thomas (PYM Trustee)

Dorset Button Morris

Dorset Button Morris will be dancing out during this coming summer. During our dancing we will collection for a local charity. This year we are collection for Dorset Search and Rescue.

We are aways short of dancers so if your interested in joining us please contact any dancer or e mail buttonrapper@gmail.com or mctyrer@gmail.com

Please check our website for any updates on dates and timings. <http://www.brmm.org.uk/DorsetButtonsMorris/>

Date	Time	Location
4/6/2025	7.30pm	Square and Compass Worth Matravers
11/6/2025	8pm	Worlds End Almer
17/6/2025	8pm	Bakers Arms Lytchett Minster
25/6/2025	8pm	Cove Inn Lulworth
2/7/2025	8pm	The Oak Dewlish
9/7/2025	8pm	Greyhound Winterborne Kingston
16/7/2025	8pm	Countryman Winfrith
23/7/2025	8pm	The Ship Wool
30/7/2025	8pm	The Antelope Hazelbury Bryant
6/8/2025	8pm	Square and Compass Worth Matravers
13/8/2025	7.30pm	Swanage Sea Front
20/8/2025	7.30pm	Durley Chine
27/8/2025	7.30pm	Bakers Arms Studland



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CHAPEL on the GREEN

We are in a World filled with uncertainty and worries about the future. Uncertainty is all around us, never more so than today. We want to be certain, confident and in control, but what happens if we aren't? What happens when we are faced with uncertainty? The reality of our everyday existence is that things change every day, even when we wish they would stay the same - nothing is certain. We search for peace, meaning and connection. And often, without realising it, we are actually searching for God. What happens if we aren't sure God exists? That's where prayer comes in.

Prayer is talking to God. It's a way of expressing thoughts, emotions, hopes or concerns. It's not just a religious ritual or a spiritual to-do list. It's more like a conversation which begins with openness and honesty. We don't need perfect words nor do we have to have our life together. We don't even need to be convinced that God is there. People might say, why pray if we are not sure we believe? People pray for many reasons: in desperation or with thanks.

I know there are people who started praying when they didn't believe and found strength, peace and answers which they couldn't explain. God actually met them where they were. We don't have to believe in anything supernatural to understand why people pray. Whether we call it prayer or not, it can be powerful.

We read in Genesis 1:27 'So God created man in his own image; in the image of God, he created him; male and female he created them' Because he's made in God's image, he has an affinity with God and is able to communicate with him in worship and prayer...

And that is why we are so discontent in this life. Man was made for God, although he may not know it or believe it.

Jesus didn't come to start a religion. He came so we could know God personally. Prayer is how that relationship begins – and how it grows.

Jesus said 'Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you' Matthew 7:7.

This isn't just for the religious. It's an invitation to everyone.

If you've ever felt a pull toward something greater, if you've ever whispered a silent hope into the darkness- may be, just maybe, that's God reaching out to you too.

And Prayer? That's your first step toward reaching back.

We now have Chris Humphries working for our Church who will introduce himself below....

Hi, my name is Chris Humphries, and I am going to be working alongside the fantastic team here at the Congregational Church in Corfe Castle. Called the "Chapel on the Green", the church building is a place where on a Sunday we gather together and worship God, and at our mid-week coffee morning we welcome people to enjoy the friendly cafe and its beautiful garden.

Both of my parents are from Purbeck, my sister lives in Swanage, and I have lived in Dorset since 1998. For the last ten years, Corfe Castle has been my home, and I think that it is one of the best places to live in the world!

To the people of the chapel and the village, I can bring my twenty-five years as a Christian, seven years of study at Bible college, and a few years spent as minister of a Baptist church in Bournemouth. Whether you want to worship on a Sunday or chat on a Wednesday, we would love to see you!

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Food & Drink Festival - Corfe Castle

Back for the second year running on 12th & 13th July
and this time serving up a selection of Smash
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Swanage Carnival

Making our inaugural appearance at the brilliant Swanage
Carnival and serving up a range of exciting flatbreads.



Harman's Cross Village Fete

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Kimmeridge News

Play At The Bay - 1st August – Kimmeridge Bay

Miracle Theatre is back on the road this summer with a new open-air production of Shakespeare's dazzling comedy Twelfth Night, a joyous, chaotic tale where love knows no boundaries!

It is the story of twins Sebastian and Viola who are separated from one another by sea and storm. Shipwrecked and without her brother for the first time, Viola finds herself washed up in Illyria, a playground for the hedonistic and lovesick elite. What unravels next sends the story spinning into a tangle of unrequited love, mistaken identities, hilarious awkwardness, cruelty, and mischief.

Blending Miracle's playful spirit with the Bard's wit, expect plenty of belly laughs, heartache, gloriously outrageous characters, and a contemporary twist proving once and for all that it's hearts, not parts, that truly matter! Touring Dorset with Artsreach, the county's rural arts charity.

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Kimmeridge Keildh

Our next barn dance in the Village Hall is on Friday 13th June - 7:30 to 10:00 - Live music from Arish Mel with Malcolm Churchill calling. Come & join us for a fun evening! No Bar, so bring your own drinks & nibbles! Tickets on the door £7.50 for adults, £2.50 for children. All profits go to support Kimmeridge Village Hall & The Etches Collection.

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Worth Matravers Village Hall Restoring Fund Raising

Dive into a Hidden World Beneath the Waves!

As part of our fund raising events for the restoration of the Worth Matravers village hall, we will be hosting a special event on Thursday 19 June. Join award-winning underwater photographers Alison & Paul Pettitt for an unforgettable visual journey into the vibrant, mysterious world beneath the UK's coastal waters. With accolades from prestigious competitions like the British Wildlife Photography Awards, Underwater Photographer of the Year, and The German Society for Nature, their stunning images have also appeared in national newspapers and on the BBC.

Discover the beauty of the underwater world just off the Dorset coast—and beyond—as Alison and Paul share their most captivating photographs and the stories behind them. From curious marine creatures to dazzling seascapes, experience the magic of life below the surface through their lens.

Wine will be served from 19:00 and the event will begin at 19:30. To avoid disappointment at the door, book early online:

www.worthmatraversvillagehall.org

Tickets are £8.

Our next screening on Thursday 26 of June will be Claude Lelouch's seminal 1966 classic

Worth Matravers Village Hall Film Club

‘A Man and a Woman’. Winner of the Palme d'Or at the Cannes film festival and armfuls of awards at international festivals, it tells the story of two widowed individuals, Anne (a script supervisor) and Jean-Louis (a racing car driver), who meet at their children's boarding school. As they navigate grief and loneliness, a tender and tentative love begins to grow between them despite the heavy weight of past tragedies.

The film beautifully explores themes of loss, healing, and the complexities of starting over. It's a story of romance first and foremost, the ultimate romance film, but it's also a love letter to the medium from a very talented director.

Wine will be served from 19:00 and the film will begin at 19:30.

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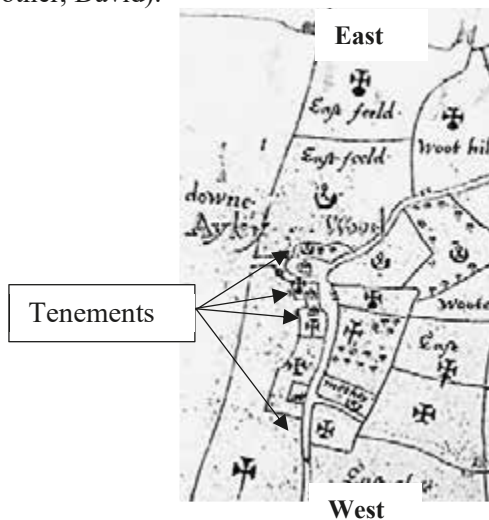
Ailwood Farm

According to the Norman survey, '*Aleoude*', or '*Ailwood*' as its now called, had been held by one of the King's Thanes but by 1086, the land had been granted to Hawise, the wife, later widow, of Hugh Fitz Grip, the Dorsetshire Sheriff. Either she, or her daughter, married Alured de Lincoln and the land then passes down to his grandson. He dies childless and leaves this estate to his youngest sister, Albreda. She sells the manor of Langton to Ingelram le Waleys for £100 in 1276 and the manor is renamed '*Langton Wallis*'. When Ingelram dies in 1304, the inquisition at his death mentions that his widow holds various tenements here as part of her dowery. Moving on a few centuries, in November 1585, '*Langton Wallis*' was purchased by Sir Christopher Hatton. It would have stayed in the Bankes family, had not Ralph Bankes decided to build Kingston Lacy in the mid 1660s, so the Ailwood Tenements were sold off to help fund that mansion house.

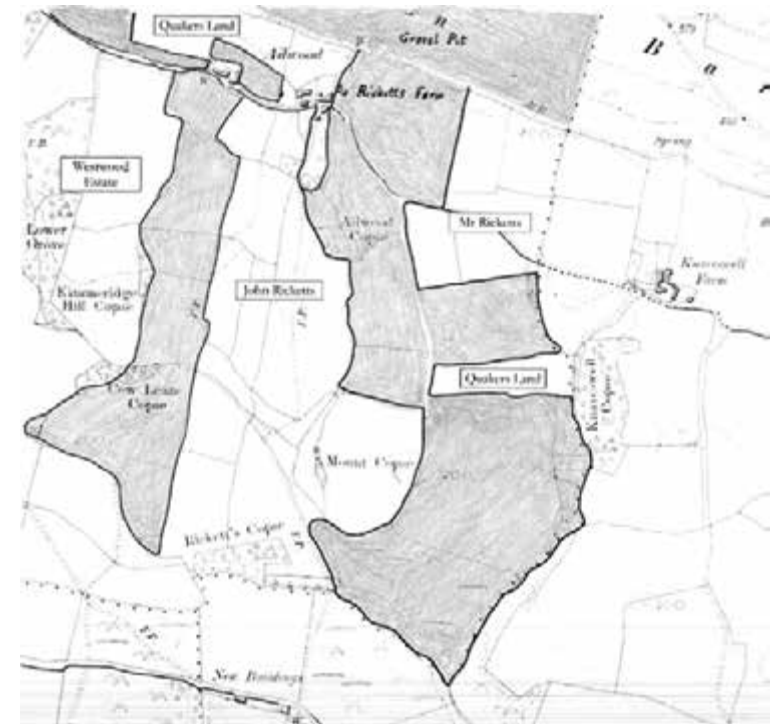
The Revd. Hutchins described the area as a small hamlet, and it has been suggested that it may be a lost settlement. By the 16th century, the fields had been divided up amongst four parish tenants (indicated on the map by different signs). Agnes Redhed and her sons rented two of them and the 4th one was held by Robert Gentle who also held the 'Methey' (the field put aside to pay for the rangers of the warren of Purbeck). Together they grazed 250 sheep upon Ailwood Down, although that was reduced to 210 by 1775.



In October 1571, the lord of the manor of Langton **Wallis** granted the tenancy of 'Aylewood' to William Grove, junior, Margaret Grove (daughter of his brother, William) and Anne Grove (daughter of another brother, David).



When Ralph Bankes sold off the four tenements, two eventually went to John Calcraft (Agnes Redhed's), one to George Tito (Ailwood Farm) and the other to John Bond who sold it on to John Ricketts. By 1772, the Calcraft estate, owned the grey area on the west, tenanted by William Eyres, John Ricketts held the middle strip and John Eyres held the eastern side.



In the 1760s, the trustees of the Poole Society of Quakers purchased about 32 acres called '*Kenel's Living*'. This should probably read '*Keynell's Living*' as an Edward Keynell was a worsted comber (someone who disentangled the fibres on a sheep's fleece) in the late 17th century. This land had originally been tenanted by Agnes Redhed and her sons, Richard and William. William Eyres agreed to be the tenant of the 'Living' when the Quakers took over. The farmhouse needed repairing and the Quakers in Corfe agreed to 'keep it standing' until William Eyres took over as tenant. The Tithe Map of 1844 also got a name wrong and called Ailwood Farm, '*Knaveswell Farm*' [oops!] but at least it does show the land that the Quakers came to own.



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SPECIAL GUESTS AT HXVH WITH SWANAGE RAILWAY

HUGE, HUGE EXCITEMENT (hence the capital letters) here at Harmans Cross Village Hall as we welcome Swanage Railway and their specials guest in the coming weeks.

Firstly, over the weekend of **Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 June**, none other than **PADDINGTON BEAR** will be holding a meet and greet at HXVH. Please ensure you don't miss out by booking your tickets at Swanage Railway at <https://www.swanagerailway.co.uk/events/view/paddington-at-swanage-railway> and remember to bring your marmalade sandwiches.

And then two weeks later over the weekend of **Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 July**, it's the turn of **PEPPA PIG**. Again, please don't miss out and go as soon as possible please to the Swanage Railway website at <https://www.swanagerailway.co.uk/events/view/peppa-pig-at-swanage-railway> to get your tickets.

WHAT ELSE IN JUNE – HOW ABOUT A MOVIE?

Our monthly Movie Night in June is **Tuesday 10 June** and we are screening **The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel**, another recent classic and an opportunity to check in again for more love and laughter as new arrival Richard Gere joins the all-star ensemble cast – including Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Bill Nighy and Dev Patel – returning for this heartwarming sequel.

Now that his first venture has been proven successful, ever-confident Sonny (Patel) is busy juggling plans for a second resort ... as well as his own wedding. But his efforts are constantly hampered by hilarious complications, and in order to pull it all together, he'll need a little help and encouragement from his resident friends.

You can find the trailer on our Movie Nights page here <https://www.harmanscrosshall.co.uk/Movie-Nights/> Doors and bar open at 7.00pm and the film starts at 7.30pm. Admission just £6.

ANYTHING ELSE? – YES OF COURSE!

All our usual clubs and regular events (see website and calendar for details, and you will be welcomed). A special final mention as always to Coffee Junction on June 12 and 26 at 10.30am, and Church at HXVH on Sunday 15 June at 6pm.

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- Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00 bowlingbarbara2023@outlook.com
- Shotokan Karate – www.warehamskc.co.uk

Tuesday

- Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00 – bowlingbarbara2023@outlook.com
- Walking Netball 10 – 12 am
- Pilates – Alex Moore telephone 07536103364 almoore1@live.co.uk
- Sandford and Wareham WI contact susiedean42@gmail.com

Wednesday

- Model Railway Group Peter.c.hollis@gmail.com

Thursday

- Shotokan Karate www.warehamskc.co.uk

Friday

- Weekly Health Qigong Fitness 9.30 & 10.30 am – Penny Youssef
07969925502
- Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00 – bowlingbarbara2023@outlook.com

Church Knowle Parish Council meetings take place at Furzebrook Village Hall February, April, June, August, October and December 2024 (2nd Tuesday of the month @ 6.30).

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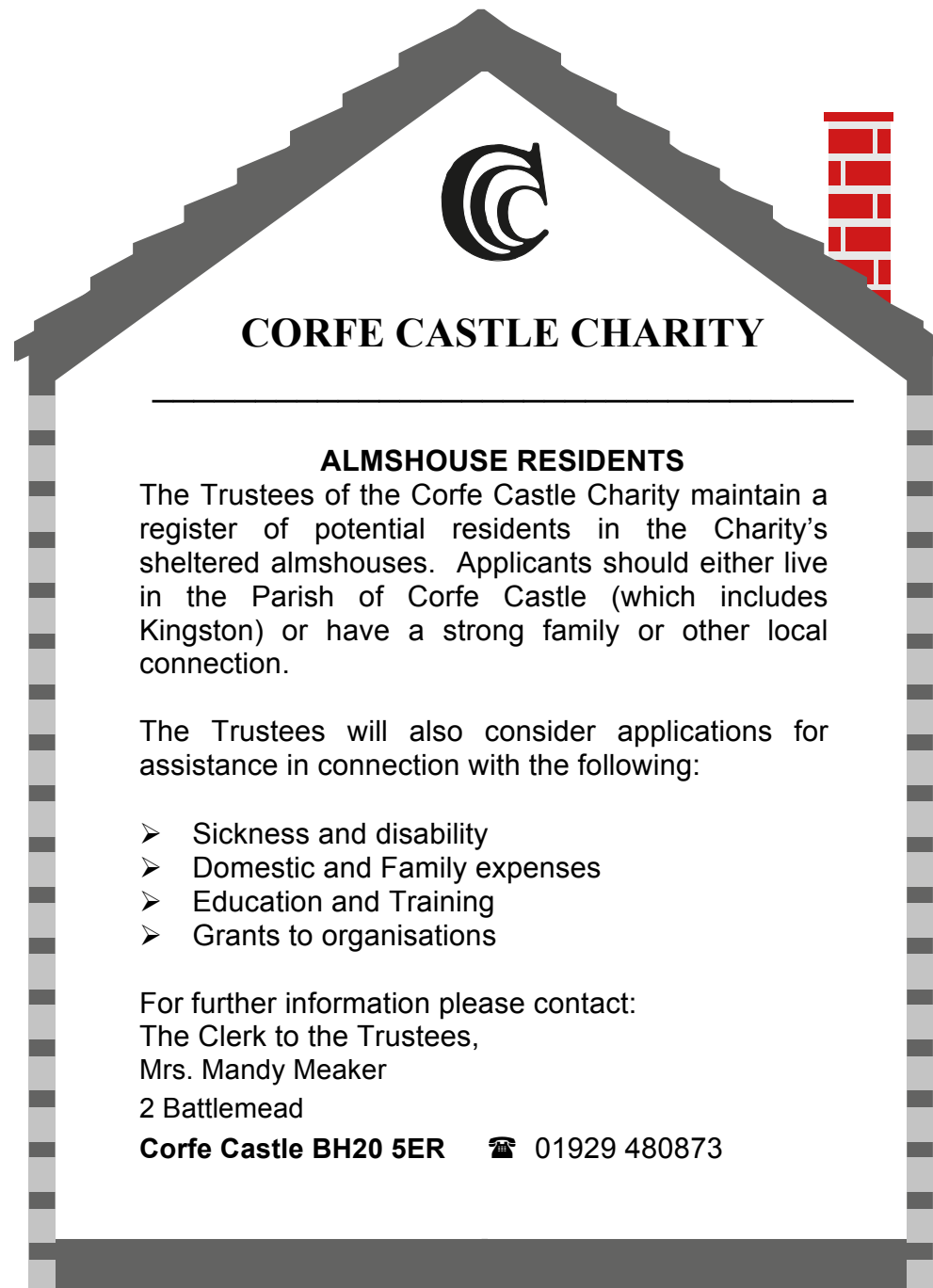
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	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
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Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	10.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Village Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.30 – 7.30pm	Adult	C C Village Hall
		Ballroom Dance	Donna 01202 243803
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
2nd	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furzebrook VH; even CK
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.00am-12.00	Corfe Crafters	C.C. Village Hall
Term time,	5.30- 6.45pm jnrs	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
	6.45-8.00pm snrs		
Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons Manor
3rd	7 pm	CC Environment Gp	Mortons Manor
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	www.purbeckyoga.com	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
FRIDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
SATURDAY			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee	C C Village Hall
SUNDAY			
Each	1.00pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club

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