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Editorial

Many would say that 2016 has been a funny sort of year, and we probably won't know the full effect of some of the events for many years. This applies both on the world, national, and local scenes. Within the County local government is being re-organised and the Localism Bill is starting to be felt with more powers drifting downwards to Parish and Town Councils. This should be a good thing as decisions could be taken closer to the people who are affected. Nevertheless we will have to wait to see how it actually works out over the next few years.

The village is once again decorated with festive lights and the Castle will be lit up by the National Trust during most of December. Many thanks are due to the wonderful Festivities Committee who spend so much time and effort putting up the lights and organising the Christmas events – find out the dates of all the events elsewhere in the magazine. We also look forward to the switching on of the lights by two village celebrities – Barbara Cannings and Jill Beavis. See the Village Pump article for more detail.

We wish all our readers, contributors, advertisers and everyone else a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Stephen

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CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

NOVEMBER AT THE PARISH COUNCIL

Mr John Hole, a farmer in the Parish, is against the proposal to create National Park status for Purbeck and addressed the Council on that basis. In his opinion, any comparison with the recently created South Downs National Park was unhelpful as this area already receives many visitors with little opportunity to improve the infrastructure. He suggested many perceived benefits that were being put forward such as helping local communities were not actually high on Park priorities compared to other targets such as Tourism. Also, that National Park status provided no greater protection against imposed housing targets than Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) status which the area already enjoys. Further, he thought Park funding post 'Brexit' would not be maintained at current levels. As for other benefits such as agricultural schemes, these were already in place in Purbeck. He has visited National Parks such as the Brecon Beacons and the Yorkshire Dales and was dismayed at the damage to footpaths and road verges there.

This Council has taken no position on the proposal for a National Park and will continue to monitor the situation.

Mr Ian Welsh from Kimmeridge addressed the Council on the benefits of a defibrillator otherwise known as an AED (automatic external defibrillator). He provided a practical demonstration of the use of such a device for the benefit of all present and emphasised how no training was required in order to use one. He was keen for the Council to organise the availability of at least one AED to be made available 24 hours per day, seven days a week basis in a heated cabinet for public use. The Parish Council was impressed by the presentation and will be investigating the possibility of funding more than one AED and cabinet so that both Corfe Castle and Kingston can be adequately provisioned.

The Parish Council made financial contributions to the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, the Corfe Valley News, the Dubber, the Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau, Litter-Free Purbeck and the Purbeck Youth & Community Foundation.

The Parish Council considers all planning applications and submits comments to the District Council. The Parish Council had no objection to the following proposals: The installation of a new staircase to the second floor involving removal of an existing ladder access at Woolgarston Cottage, 1 Sandy Hill Lane, Woolgarston, Corfe Castle. The non-material amendment to planning permission 6/2015/0568 (The erection of a replacement pitched-roofed side extension with roof lights and habitable accommodation in the roof) to provide an additional window, to change a

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window to a door and change the style of the entrance canopy at Chapel Cottage, Kingston. The creation of an en-suite bathroom to a bedroom on the first floor and the installation of an extractor fan to the front at 2 East Street, Corfe Castle. The formation of a new vehicular access and hard standing for use as car parking at 4 Mead Road, Corfe Castle.

Jeff Dunn, Parish Clerk

(phone 5552664)(e-mail CorfeCastlePC@aol.com) - 8 Old Kiln Road, Ridge, Wareham BH20 5BY. The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Town Hall, West Street. Have your say at the start of the meeting, speak to any parish councillor, or write to me. Full minutes of the meetings are available in Corfe Castle library or on the Website (www.corfecastlepc.org.uk). [*Sometimes elsewhere.]

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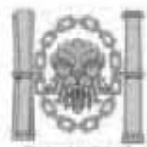
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NEWS FROM CHURCH KNOWLE PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr Page was in the Chair for the November meeting at the Church Knowle Reading Room. 18 parishioners, public and Parish Councillors squeezed into the room and heard, amongst other things, from the Purbeck Rally organisation who would like to donate funds to the Parish so that a cardiac defibrillator unit could be made available to Church Knowle. The Purbeck Rally was celebrating its 44th anniversary and the meeting heard that it had started behind the New Inn at Church Knowle. The cost would be approximately £1,500 and the annual cost of electricity to run it would be about £1.00p. By dialling 999, South West Ambulance would provide a code to open the unit and would at the same time send out an emergency care practitioner. Members agreed, unanimously, that such an offer was magnificent and would attend the presentation of the unit on 25th November at Furzebrook Village Hall. There was then discussion as to where to put the box, the old 'phone box and the New Inn being suggested. Members would sit down and think hard on this matter.

Next in the public discussion period was the subject of the proposed national park. One of the Parishioners, a farmer, informed the meeting that there was a "big report" about the subject on the internet and it would appear some of the features and benefits cited originally were, in his view, apparently not necessarily of benefit to this area. He went on to question some of the reasons for designation. Throughout the report there appeared to be mention of protection of habitat and it does recognise some other elements. He felt, however, there is duplication of some of them which would appear already in place and he opined there very little to be gained? The Parishioner voiced his concerns and disinclination to see this introduced. The acting Chairman said no decision could be made at the meeting as it would have to be "looked into". It would appear presentations have been made to other parties i.e. Arne Parish Council and business in Weymouth. In general terms, the meeting did not appear to wholly embrace the concept and clearly were not in a position to make concrete decisions at this stage. The meeting was reminded that at a previous the Parish Council had voted to support PDC's decision to investigate the national park proposition and when PDC's report came out, they would decide their policy then. The report referred to by the Parishioner could be found at the East Dorset and Devon national park web site.

A Parishioner from East Creech was concerned that there was a proposal by PDC to reduce the size of the East Creech conservation area. He had received a copy of a leaflet advertising a consultation period regarding it.

It would appear the street plan has not altered since 18th Century and now the suggestion is to reduce the area. The meeting was told that there is an extensive report on the internet. One of the Parish Councillors indicated this includes Creech Barrow and gave an overview of historical changes in the landscape. The document advises what can and cannot be done and paragraphs were read out directly from the document. Concerns were addressed about the current 3000+ homes proposals for the district and potential to cause further angst in the Purbeck parishes. It was suggested that clarification should be sought on how it might affect villages/hamlets that had their conservation areas reduced. The acting Chairman suggested this be aired at the next meeting to give opportunity for a full debate and this was agreed.

There was a "follow-up" regarding car parking at the CK Church which had been raised at the October meeting and put back to this November full meeting. An update was given on the Chairman and the clerk having spoken to the Rector who will speak to the bride and groom prior to the wedding and to their ushers regarding the parking. The view was that there being only 2 or 3 weddings per year wedding guests would be "advised on parking" (in the nicest possible way) but only the constabulary could demand vehicles be removed, neither the Parish Council nor the clergy have the authority to order the removal of vehicles causing an obstruction. The other alternative is to seek the support of the Police with potentially some form of "bollards" to control temporary parking. The parishioner who brought the matter up sought clarification and there was still question mark hanging over the matter as it was felt a resolution had not been secured but only time will tell. One of the Councillors commented the wedding party ushers should be charged with directing the guests appropriately.

The business meeting then began with the usual stuff regarding declarations of interest – of which there were none –, approval of the last meeting's minutes, matters arising and postponements of items until a later meeting.

A planning application from the animal sanctuary to demolish some buildings and build new ones (6/2016/0619) was presented and after examination and discussion it was felt that although the proposed building is slightly higher than existing and there were some questions about drainage through the centre of the building, the proposal brings everything together (8 stables, isolation unit and a workshop) in effectively one unit. The Council had no objections to the proposal.

During "Reports on Highways overgrowths in parish from Councillors", concern was raised about the condition of the grassed "triangle" at East Creech by the sign; a parishioner had also raised concerns about the state of the near-by ditch. Cllrs will have a look at both.

Overgrowth clearances in Church Knowle had apparently still not been effectively cleared by Raglan Housing Assn and their hedge at Long Ground was sticking out at "head height" to horse riders. It was thought some machinery has been in the locality but it was not clear if this has been rectified. There is also the issue of debris left by the cutters which will doubtless end up with further discussion later in the year when drains are blocked! The Dorset County Councillor present suggested if anyone rings up Dorset Highways, they should tell him so he could be made aware and potentially "influence the matter". He said that he has never been made aware of the problems but this was "countered" by Cllrs present who commented that he had been present at previous meetings when discussions regarding the matter had taken place.

East Creech won an award this year which attracted a certificate and £50. One of the Councillors had consulted the community for ideas on how to spend the award. One thing which is apparent, wild flowers are popular with the public and he wondered if it was worth taking this up at Creech. As a result, he received pledges and support from parishioners approaching £500. Some of the area has been seeded.

The monthly accounts were examined and found to be in good order. The Parish Council's bank accounts were healthy and invoices were paid. The meeting also heard that DAPTC has processed the application for money to assist in CKPC's funding of its magnificent website which allows the big wide world and beyond to be aware of our existence and what we do.

Members decided that the certificate for a prize won by Church Knowle in the Dorset Best Kept Villages competition should be displayed in the Reading Room, that for East Creech already having been put up in East Creech.

Later, part of the meeting had to be held "in camera" as there were to be discussions which could affect a possible case involving a local business which has to be kept secret at present. (A bit like Mrs May's "Brexit" discussions!). Unfortunately, we can't report the outcome yet but it could result in a lot of environmental benefit to the Parish and some of its neighbouring ones. Watch this space.

DCC has brought out a "Consultative Document" entitled "Working together – Highways". This was given initial discussion and it was decided to look into this further.

The acting-Chairman outlined the issue of long meetings which had previously been agreed as planning and finance only. It was agreed apologies,

declarations of interest, previous minutes, planning and finance would suffice for such "mini meetings" and other items carried over to the following month.

During the end of meeting discussion period, Cllr Barnes of PDC gave a report about the proposals to build a large quantity of houses in Purbeck. Apparently, surprise, surprise, 98% of those questioned were not happy with proposals for building the houses in such numbers. There had been requests to review and reduce the numbers. Also during the discussion period there was concern about light pollution emanating from a barn at East Creech. Members decided to discuss this at the next meeting and take action as necessary.

Following all that, the acting-Chairman closed the meeting and that was that until we all meet again at the Church Knowle Reading Room on 13th December. Mince pies all round, eh?

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The gates themselves are in place and all that remained at the time of writing was to fit a new wooden bridge giving access to the controls.

Oak from the National Trust's Kingston Lacy estate was used for the gates, which were assembled in our workshop at Middle Beach in Studland before being put into place.

Much of the original 19th century ironwork was retained in the new construction. Boar Mill is one of two historic water mills which once stood in the shadow of Corfe Castle, the other being the ruined West Mill.

Today it is let out as a holiday cottage, supporting the tourism economy of Purbeck and generating income for our conservation and access work.



Picture: National Trust/Jon Bish

Most Studland residents will be aware that a motion opposing our proposals for Middle Beach was discussed at the National Trust Annual General Meeting in October.

Though the motion was not carried, the Trust has made a commitment to spend six months engaging further with the local community.

We won't carry out any major work to the café, toilets or gabions during this period, unless we need to act quickly in response to storm damage.

We recognise that some members of the local community are concerned about our proposal to remove the gabion sea defences as they reach the end of their lives.

However, we believe doing so is the best way to protect Middle Beach because it will allow the beach to recharge naturally in a way it can't while they are there. Our long standing commitment to maintaining a café, toilets and showers at Middle Beach is unchanged.

Ian Wilson, Assistant Director of Operations for the National Trust in Dorset said: 'The Trust is on the frontline of coastal change that affects people and the natural and historic environment. We can only meet these challenges by working with others – with coastal communities, partner organisations and people who care as much as we do about the coast, including the local community, the Local Authority, Natural England and the Environment Agency.'

'The National Trust and the Studland Parish Council have agreed that the most important thing is for there to be a natural and sustainable beach with good public access and facilities. We have set up a Joint Working Group with the Studland Parish Council and this group will spend the next six months working with the local community and our partners such as Natural England and the Local Authority to explore the issues further with a view to agreeing a plan in late Spring of 2017.'

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In 1901 Charles van Raalte arrived, a wealthy man for whom Brownsea was an idyllic alternative to his London life. A place where his family could enjoy a privileged life of pheasant shooting and golf, feasting on the produce from lavish kitchen gardens and orchards. After Mr van Raalte's death his wife developed a very successful daffodil farm.

In 1927 Mrs Mary Bonham-Christie became Brownsea's last private owner, bringing a very different vision for the island. She wished for a private retreat for herself and the wild creatures, and thus she evicted all the villagers. Brownsea enjoyed years of benign neglect, becoming overgrown with nettles and brambles. When Mrs Bonham-Christie died, aged 96 in 1962 her heir gave Brownsea to the Treasury in lieu of death duties and it, in turn, transferred the island to the National Trust. Huge funds were needed for restoration and management: Dorset Wildlife Trust and John Lewis stepped into the breach.

So now we can all travel by ferry to the castle quay to enjoy Brownsea's delights and we are grateful to John Eastwood for helping us to appreciate 'our' delightful spot.

Stella's Stall: The Joy of Christmas Shopping! Perhaps you can donate a special little festive something? Any and all contributions are more than welcome.

Dates for your diary:

Dec 6th Christmas Fun and Festivities

Jan 3rd Fair Trade in India – Judith Holmes

Jan 20th Magical Evening: £20 each: on sale at November meeting.

Visitors are always welcome to attend any two meetings in the year. £3.00

Susie Bond 480133 News Editor



Pre-School is busy in the run up to Christmas, rehearsing our Christmas Play and preparing for our Christmas Party. The children are getting excited, and are enjoying all our usual activities such as morning run, outdoor play, storytime, cooking and role play fun!

We had a great time at the Baby Sale and Coffee Morning at Harman's Cross Village Hall on 5th November. We raised £250 for the Pre-School which was great news, thanks to all who supported us.

We are a local charity, and if any local companies would be willing to sponsor us or donate any unwanted IT equipment or soft furnishings, or have a charity fund we could apply to, we would be really pleased to hear from you, please contact Claire on 01929 481631 or corfecastlepreschl@uwclub.net

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Our 100 Club lucky winner for October was Number 69. We have a few spaces in our 100 Club and it only costs £4 a month to be a member and each month you have a chance of winning £100. For details of joining please pop into the Pre-School and speak to Claire or phone her on 481631.

We run taster sessions on Wednesday mornings from 9:30am for up to two hours where you and your child can get to know us. Children are welcome at the taster sessions up to a term before their second birthday. If you need any more details please ring 481631.



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E-mail: office@corfecastlepreschool.org.uk
Website: www.corfecastlepreschool.org.uk

NEWS FROM THE KIDS CLUB

It's nearly the Christmas Holidays! Christmas Kids Club will run from Monday 19th December to Friday 23rd December, there will be lots of activities including making calendars, cookies, cake pops and the infamous Christmas Party! Booking forms are available, please call or email to book on 01929 481631 or corfecastlepreschl@uwclub.net

Kids Club also runs an After School Club during term time, from 3pm-5.30pm every weekday at a cost of £5 for an hour, £8 for 2 hours and £9.50 for 2 ½ hours. We also run an Early Birds Session from 8:00am each weekday morning at a cost of £4 for ¾ hour, £3 for ½ hour and £2 for ¼ hour. Please call 01929 481631 to book.

We wish you all the best over the Christmas Holidays and hope you enjoy time with family and friends, and we wish you a Happy New Year!



Busy Bees has been great fun, making firework paintings and pumpkin prints, come and join the fun on Friday mornings in the Corfe Castle CE VC Primary School Hall from 10am - 11.30am in term time. These are supervised parent and child activity sessions, every week there is a fun activity organised by an experienced childcare practitioner. There are refreshments available for grown-ups and a healthy snack is provided for the children. We are really excited about seeing you there. Please note there is no session on 2nd December, and the last session this year is on 16th December. For more information call 01929 48631.

Corfe Castle Christmas Festivities



Saturday 3rd December at 5pm

Corfe's Christmas Lights

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Enjoy the magic of Corfe Castle's
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Many thanks to our hard working
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A limited number of places are available so if you would like to find out more come along to our introductory session at the Marine Centre in January, with a chance to meet the staff and volunteers who will be happy to answer your questions. There will also be an opportunity to apply for the volunteer positions. For details of this, please register your interest via email to kimmeridge@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk or telephone 01929 481044.

The Fine Foundation Marine Centre is open on Sundays only from 12pm to 4pm.

Sarah Hodgson

Marine Warden

Dorset Wildlife Trust Isle of Purbeck Group talks - December 2016

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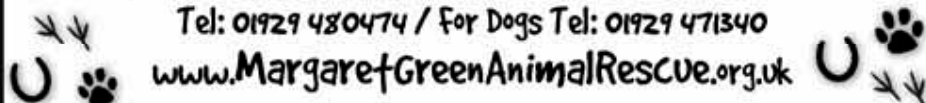
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Holidays are fast approaching and with this in mind, please remember to allow extra time between ordering and collecting your medication during the busy weeks before Christmas and whilst we are closed for the bank holidays.

The surgery will be closed for *Christmas* from 6.30pm on Friday the 23rd December until 8am on Wednesday 28th

We will also be closed for *New Year* from 6.30pm on Friday 30th December until 8am on Tuesday 3rd January

During these times (and whenever the surgery is closed), you can call 111 for any non-emergency requirements. For any life-threatening emergency requirements, call 999 and ask for the ambulance service.

Unfortunately we have had a couple of people getting a parking fine as they have left their car in the resident private parking area. Please remember that there is information on the reception desk to remind patients where they can park. Please be aware that the 2 parking spaces opposite the surgery door (on the gravel) nearest to the houses are **Residents Only** spaces **PLEASE** do not park there.

Seasons Greeting From All Your Surgery Team



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Corfe Castle Village Hall Development Fund

"Buy-a-Stone"



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Support the Corfe Castle Village Hall Development Fund.

The current hall has served the village well, but it needs to be brought into the 21st Century. We need an enlarged and altered building that can act as a vibrant community hub for the village, serving the needs of all ages and future generations.

Thank you for your interest in this fundraising project. We are working with many funding sources to help achieve our ultimate goal in excess of the £350,000 that is necessary for the first phase of extending and refurbishing this vitally important community building for the benefit of the whole village.

The aim of this "Buy-a-Stone" campaign is to raise £20,000 towards the grand total as a show of public support. You can help by buying a virtual stone for as little as £10, either in your own name or in that of a loved one. The stone will be uploaded onto our website for all to see. Ultimately all the named stones will be on display in the Hall.

Just fill out a form (allowing gift aid if possible). Forms are available from the Village Stores, and should be returned to David at 51 East Street or by e-mail to david@davidjarkin.plus.com

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Telephone 10929 480591

This Club is the heart of the village community where new members and their friends are warmly welcomed with applications for membership open to everyone over the age of 18

The Club has a large comfortable bar area, widely used by local groups for Bridge, Poker and various table games, with a darts facility and large screen television which is popular for major sporting events. Upstairs is our function room which is available for local organisations to use, FREE of CHARGE. The function room also contains the pool table. We have a large garden with a seating area, double Boules pitch and ample parking for cars.

The club is open at lunchtime and evenings throughout the week and all day from 12.00 on Saturday and Sunday. Come and meet our steward, Chubby Varney, and his team.



We stock both cask and keg beers and lager, currently Ringwood at £2.70, and Guinness at £3.00, a pint. Filled rolls are available at £1.20 and soft drinks, tea and coffee dispensed at very reasonable prices!

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Corfe Castle Village Hall

general news:

Thank you for the coffee morning support back on November 5th. £163.09 was raised.

Our 100 club draw is made at the coffee morning; first prize of £17.50 was won by member 37, with member 16 getting second prize £8.50 and member 25 winning the third prize £4.

To join the growing list of villagers who are supporting their local village hall in this way, please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.

regular weekly events:

Monday evenings	Double Act
Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday evenings	Rainbows
Tuesday evenings	Brownies
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Wool Workshop
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
Thursday mornings	Metafit

regular fortnightly events:

Thursday evenings	Bingo
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regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning	CCVH coffee morning
1st Sunday all day	Antiques Fair
1st Tuesday afternoon	Aquarius
3rd Monday morning	USA Gardening

update on our Village Library

Those with long memories will remember that several years ago our library was under threat of being closed by DCC. Your Trustees are now able to report that after many negotiations over these years the Friends of the Library, who have been running the library for over 3 years, will continue their excellent work under an agreement between the three parties, and our lease with DCC continues unaltered. At the successful conclusion of these deliberations I would like to publicly thank all those involved, particularly the Friends and our Trustees, for their patience.

George Preston Chairman of the Village Hall Trustees

new regular user:

**Purbeck U3A
Members On Their Own**

MOTO was formed in Spring 2016 by Purbeck U3A as it was felt there was a need for such a group in the region to cater for those of us who, for whatever reason, are not "half of a couple". The group organises trips, theatre outings, skittles, lunches, visits etc., and we have held several extremely successful events since inauguration. Starting in January 2017 we will be hosting a monthly afternoon social get-together for tea, cake and a quiz/games/a talk – or maybe just a chat. So, ladies and gentlemen, you are invited to come along for a "taster" between 2 and 4 p.m. on Friday 13th January. The cost per session is £1 for existing members and £2 for visitors. If you like us and wish to be part of the regular group, the only proviso is that you become a Purbeck U3A member (£16 per year).

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Saturday 10 December 2016



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From
THE VILLAGE PUMP!
Corfe Castle

Did you know?

Have you heard?

Wendy Page

SIXTY THREE YEARS AGO

There was great excitement when the Corfe Castle Village Lights were first switched on and still they continue to bring more and more visitors. It all began in June 1953 when a group of enthusiastic young men and very able supported by their young wives with young families, when the Village decided to illuminate the Square for the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth On the 2nd June. WOW! They said! If it looks like this in the Summer what must it look like at Christmas!and so was born the Corfe Castle Christmas Festivities Committee. This is certainly some record and many thanks to all involved. Still today, thanks to the stalwart men in high viz jackets and hard hats working from October to December, still supportively aided by the ladies also with the fund raising.

The BIG SWITCH ON has arrived again! Over the many years new Members, always welcomed, have come up with new ideas

For the past 18 years, we have introduced local celebrities to perform the Switch On and we were delighted when Jill Beavis (nee Stockley) and Barbara Cannings (nee Chaffey) accepted the overwhelming vote of the Committee. Both born and bred in

Corfe Castle, they need no introduction. As Jill said, her father, grandad and great grandad were also locally born. My father (Les Stockley) was born in no. 40, East Street and Barbara parents lived next door. He moved to Sturminster Newton and moved back to live with his granny about age 7. He took over his uncle's coal business in the 1930's. I recall he often talked about the days when his Grandfather remembered when the few cows used to be milked in the back dairy room at Barbara's house. With her parents living next door, as I said, we've been friends for a very long time. My daughter, Sarah, and Barb's daughter, Sue, are the same age and grew up together. I have lived in Church Terrace, as it has become known, for almost 60 years. My earliest memories of the lights was when my late husband, Alan Beavis, electrical engineer, used to help with the lights and, in fact, for sometime, they were connected through our kitchen window and we paid the bill! My goodness, how things have changed over the years, including the Health and Safety aspects, new bulbs and cabling, higher insurance. All the challenges have been successfully met. Barbara recalls that, at the time of the Coronation, Mr. Fred Keil was

resident owner of Mortons House and was involved with the Regent Street lighting in London "As a result of this, we were privileged to receive the 'spare' lights from London to start the Committee. "Over the years, the Christmas Festivities Committee have done, and still do, a wonderful job to make our Village outstanding at Christmas. Thank you for inviting us and here's to many more successful years with happy memories.

LITTLE DID I KNOW

In the August 2016 Village Pump, by chance I featured an impression of an interesting corner at Corfe Castle Village, near the Old Millstream. This was in connection with the story about Ford's Garage. Little did I know that I happened to be writing of a well-known, late Artist and Printmaker(1929-1999) who lived in Dorset, Rena Gardiner. Corfe Castle had become one of her favourite places and she frequently spent days sketching here. Thank you to Ann Gaudin, a Wareham Corfe Valley News Reader, who has kindly loaned me a book about Rena Gardiner, which is fascinating and most interesting to read. Ann is no stranger to Corfe Castle, as a Member of Double Act, the local amateur theatrical group and also very much involved, since 1990, with the Dorset Community Play Society, which is one of Ann's chief passions!

In the 'Double Act' recent performance of 'Kidnapped The Pantomime', in Corfe Castle, she

played the part of a Scottish witch in *Macbethian mode* - a real cronic of the CVN!

The August item I happened to write about turned out to be a journey of discovery and I appreciate the enlightenment given to it.

Thank you Ann.(The Book ref: *Rena Gardiner Artist and Printmaker published 2015 by Julian Francis and Martin Andrews*)

CONGRATULATIONS

Corfe Castle Community Library celebrated their 3rd Birthday on 30th September. During that time, a dedicated band of volunteers have kept the Library running and have also expanded the services.

The Icing on the Cake is that, finally, after all those 3 years, an agreement has been reached, regarding the Library sub-lease, with immediate effect. The signing of this sub-lease is so important that we are now allowed to make changes to the fabric of the building, including the replacing of the windows and improving the insulation. The signing of the sub-lease will also mean that we can press ahead with the work that is so badly needed to improve the value of the Library as an asset for the community. Thanks go to the Committee members and George Preston, for fighting our corner at many meetings. They will be celebrating this successful takeover at the Christmas Event on Saturday, 17th December, at the Library, between 10 and 12, to which everyone is invited.

2016 REVIEWED

Looking back over the year, noteworthy news was certainly the award to the Corfe Castle Village Stores, having won the category in the Best Village Shop in Dorset and also to Corfe Castle Village Hall Committee for their success in the Solar Power System Competition from Dorset Energy Solutions. Congratulations to all concerned.

Also, not forgetting the sporting news, Swanage and Wareham Advertiser, October 20th Purbeck Runners veteran, Nigel Haywood, continued his string of fine performances by recording a time of 3:16.45 at the Boumemouth Marathon. Haywood is ranked 18th in the UK for his age group!

NEXT MONTH

We welcome a New Year and no doubt lots of interesting developments for the Village. Watch this space.

IN THE MEANTIME

Time to brighten up the dark days with "The Big Switch On Saturday 3rd December", marking the beginning of Christmas 2016 Celebrations with lots to follow. All details, as usual, in your CVN.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL READERS

Thank you all, particularly, for your input into the Village Pump/CVN during 2016 and we look forward to more stories to share with readers. This page is apparently appreciated by many readers and let's keep it flowing. EvL and Juliet



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News from the Castle

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This New Year's Eve is set to be more spectacular than ever with a theme of 'Cocktails, Glitz and Glamour.' A superb meal with live music for only £24.95. Spaces available at time of writing.

Christmas Diary

Sat. 24th Dec. Christmas Eve suppers
Sun. 25th Dec. Closed for family celebrations
Mon. 26th Dec. Boxing Day fun between 12 Midday and 6pm.
Tues. 27th Dec. Bank Holiday celebrations
Sat. 31st Dec. Gala supper with live music
Sun. 1st Jan. New years roast dinners served all day.

Whatever you are up to this Festive Season, we would love to see you, be it for a celebratory meal or just a coffee and chat.

In the meantime; *Christmas Greetings from, Mark, Laurice, Mike, Livy and all the gang.*

CORFE VALLEY NEWS

CALENDAR for DECEMBER 2016

2	December	Friday	7.30 pm
2	December	Friday	3 – 5 pm
3	December	Saturday	10.30 am
3	December	Saturday	5 pm
3	December	Saturday	7 pm
3	December	Saturday	7.30 pm
3-11	December	Sat-Sun	11 am – 4.30 pm
4	December	Sunday	10 am – 5 pm
7	December	Wednesday	7.30 pm
8	December	Thursday	7.30 pm
8	December	Thursday	7 pm
8-10	December	Thu-Sat	
9	December	Friday	2 pm
10	December	Saturday	12 – 4 pm
10	December	Saturday	5 pm
10	December	Saturday	7.30 pm
13	December	Tuesday	7.30pm
12	December	Monday	7 pm
16	December	Friday	7.30 pm
17	December	Saturday	10 am – 12 noon
17	December	Saturday	6 pm
17	December	Saturday	7.30 pm
17	December	Saturday	7.30 pm
18	December	Sunday	2.30 pm
18	December	Sunday	3 – 4 pm
18	December	Sunday	7 pm
22	December	Thursday	7.30 pm

Ball and Socket	The Corn Exchange, Wareham
Christmas Fair	Corfe Castle Primary School
Coffee Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
Christmas Lights Switch On	The Square, Corfe Castle
Wareham Choral Society Christmas Concert	Lady St Mary Church, Wareham
The Fossil Lady of Lyme – The Story of Many Anning Kimm.	Village Hall
Purbeck Artists and Stallholders	Worth Matravers Village Hall
Antique and Collectors Fair	Corfe Castle Village Hall
Langton Arthouse Cinema "Men and Chicken"	Langton Mat Village Hall
Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
Carols For Everyone	St Edwards Church, Corfe Castle
Christmas Tree Festival	Emmanuel Baptist Church
Talk "Europe and the UK"	Corfe Castle Community Library
Children's Candle Holder Workshop	Arty Bazaar, Boilerhouse Gallery, CC
Candle Light Procession	Corfe Castle
Purbeck Arts Choir Christmas Concert	St Mary's Church, Swanage
Church Knowle Parish Council Meeting	Church Knowle Reading Room
Corfe Castle Parish Council Meeting	Corfe Castle Town Hall
Christmas Kimmeridge Keilidh	Kimmeridge Village Hall
Christmas Party	Corfe Castle Community Library
Father Christmas Arrives	The Square, Corfe Castle
Harmony Rocks Choir Christmas Concert	Harmans Cross Village Hall
Christmas Goes Classical	St Mary's Church, Swanage
Harmony Rocks Choir Christmas Concert	Harmans Cross Village Hall
Christmas with Canzonetta	St Martin-on-the-Walls, Wareham
Switching on the Christmas Tree Lights	Kimmeridge
Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall

If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know.
Similarly please tell us if any of the regular dates are wrong or if there is a regular event which should be included

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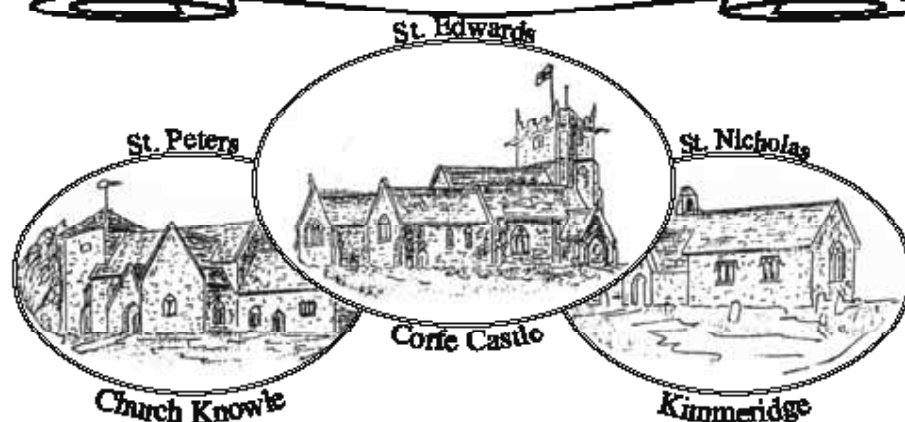
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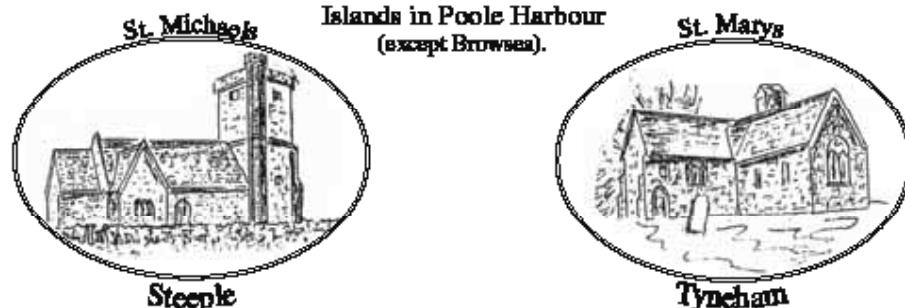


The Benefice of the Corfe Valley on the Isle of Purbeck is within the Church of England, the Diocese of Salisbury and the Deanery of Purbeck. The liturgy is from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and Common Worship (CW). The geographic area covered by the valley Church includes the villages of:-

Corfe Castle, Church Knowle, Kimmeridge, Steeple (with Tynham), the small communities of Bradle, Bucknowle,

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Islands in Poole Harbour (except Browsea).



CHURCH OF ENGLAND

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From the Reverend Ian Jackson

As this magazine is being prepared we move on from Remembrance time to Christmas celebrations beginning in earnest.

Christmas too is about remembering. It is about the handing on (the meaning of the word 'tradition') of a great variety of traditions in families and larger communities, nations themselves. Some of these will seem relatively minor – for example, when are presents opened on Christmas Day (it depends on your age and outlook if this is minor); what is on the menu at particular times during the festivities – there can be considerable variation here, not every Christmas dinner has turkey on the menu. Such matters can even be a cause of debate and discussion, if not more serious conflict.

For Christian people and communities Christmas is about handing on our beliefs about God and his presence in the world; there can be considerable debate and tension here too. We do this best by telling again the story of the nativity, the birth of Jesus. There are differences here too – do you include the visit of the wise men? Where actually did the birth of Jesus take place? Look at the New Testament itself. Only Matthew and Luke of the four gospel writers tell us about Jesus' birth and their accounts vary. And then there's the question of how will be Mary and who will be Joseph this year.

So the celebration of Christmas, not surprisingly, is a reflection of life itself – tensions, debates, etc... At best it is a time when through all this – if you like, the raw material of human life – we remind ourselves that God is with us in all of this (the meaning of the word 'Emmanuel') and works to draw all people to himself and each other to enjoy the gift of life and creation.

Whatever your particular traditions at Christmas time may it be a time of blessing.

Ian

Corfe Valley Church Services - December 2016

Sunday 4th December

10.30 Corfe Castle Benefice Communion

Sunday 11th December

8.00 Corfe Castle Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30 Steeple Family Communion (BCP)

10.30 Corfe Castle Matins

Sunday 18th December

9.00 Church Knowle Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30 Corfe Castle A Service of Lessons and Carols

6.30pm Church Knowle A Service of Lessons and Carols

Saturday 24th December

4p.m. Corfe Castle Christmas Eve

6p.m. Kimmeridge The Christingle Service

11.30pm Church Knowle Family Service with Lessons and Carols

11.30pm Corfe Castle Midnight Communion

Sunday 25th December

9.00 Steeple Family Communion (BCP)

11.00 Corfe Castle Family Service

Sunday January 1st

10.30 Corfe Castle Benefice Communion

BCP - Book of Common Prayer CW - Common Worship

The Corfe Valley Churches - Scripture Readings December 2016

4th December

Second Sunday of Advent

Romans 15: 4 – 13

Matthew 3: 1 – 12

11th December

Third Sunday of Advent

James 5: 7 – 10

Matthew 11: 2 – 11

18th December

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Romans 1: 1 – 7

Matthew 1: 18 – 25

Christmas Day

Hebrews 1: 1 – 4

John 1: 1 – 14

January 1st

1st Sunday of Christmas

Hebrews 2: 10 – 18

Matthew 2: 13 – 23

DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST
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The DHCT exists to make grants or loans for the care of churches in Dorset. Last year it made grants of over £115,860 to churches badly needing help to repair their roofs and walls. Participating churches in the annual Ride and Stride event are considered more favourably when applying for a grant towards the upkeep of their church. 50% of the sum raised can go directly back to the church of your choice. Last year £83,978 was raised in Dorset by riders, walkers and other events. An amazing effort!

RIDE+STRIDE

Participating churches in Purbeck, by the end of October, had raised the grand total of £4,724

St Christopher's, Winfrith - £1,606
St Michael and All Angels, Steeple - £666
Holy Rood, Wool - £377
St Edward's, Corfe Castle - £300
St Nicholas', Worth Matravers - £300
St Laurence's, Affpuddle - £270
St Nicholas', Chaldon Herring - £217
Wancham Methodists - £200
St Marks, Herston - £190
St George's, Langton Matravers - £180
Holy Trinity, West Lulworth - £154

St Andrew, East Lulworth - £134

St Peter's, Church Knowle - £100

St Marys, Swanage - £20

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A fantastic result for Purbeck! Well done to everyone who took part particularly those with smaller congregations.

Louise Haywood, Deanery Representative for DHCT

St James' Church Kingston

Advent

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Sunday 4th December 6.0pm

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It doesn't matter which Newspaper you read, or which News Programme you watch, you can guarantee that his name will occur somewhere. I am referring to the now famous, or should it be infamous, Donald Trump.

For months we had been told that he could not possibly become the Republican Nomination for the Presidency of the United States of America, and when he did, we were then told that there was no chance that he could beat Hilary Clinton to become the President. Once again the impossible has happened and, in January, he will be inducted to that high office. The world is left scratching its head and asking how such a person, with all the things that he has said, and, apparently done, how such a person could be elected.

But some of you may also be scratching your head, and wondering why I, as the pastor of the Congregational Church, are following in the footsteps of everybody else, and writing about such a person. To be honest, I tried to resist, but have given in to the temptation, for reasons that will, hopefully, be revealed.

To state the obvious, December is the month in which we celebrate Christmas, which is meant to remind us of the birth of Jesus Christ, the time when God did that which was thought impossible, by becoming a human being. But every Christmas, I am faced by the realisation that, what took place, certainly isn't the way that Barry Walton would have organised it, if he had been God. The timing was wrong. It took place at the time of an election, which involved considerable travel. The organisation was chaotic; no preparation was made for the overnight stay. But, returning to the theme of this letter, I certainly wouldn't have chosen Mary and Joseph. She was just a teenager – what did she know about motherhood, and Joseph was going to die when Jesus was still growing up. What was God playing at, to choose two such unlikely candidates?

But wind the clocks on about thirty years, and the same conundrum reappears. Jesus is now choosing His disciples and we are faced with a similar situation. He wanted just twelve people, but would Matthew, a tax collector, have been your choice, and what about Thomas, who has gone down in history as "doubting Thomas"? And why choose Judas, for goodness sake? If Jesus wanted His disciples to spread the Good News after His death and Resurrection, why choose so many fishermen, who are not exactly renowned for public speaking? There is a verse in scripture where the Lord says, "My ways are not your ways,

and neither are your thoughts my thoughts." That I can certainly agree with, because the truth of those words are found in scripture and in my, nearly sixty years as a Christian. Time and time again He has proved that His ways of doing things are not my ways.

Fifty years ago, I was training to be an Accountant, and yet I had become convinced that the Lord wanted me to do something else. I had thought that it might involve becoming a Probation Officer, but that door had closed, much to my consternation. But now what? One Friday evening, I found my minister in his study and, with the arrogance of which I am now ashamed, I said to him, "You are supposed to be a man of God. Would you mind telling me what He wants me to do, because I am getting cheesed off, not knowing how He wants me to spend the rest of my life." Peter Egginton was a very laid back person and very calmly he said, "Has it ever occurred to you Barry, that He might want you to become a minister?" Me, a minister! You must be joking. When I went home and told Chris, her reaction also blew my mind. She simply said, "Then you had better push one or two doors and see what happens." Needless to say the doors flew open, and Barry Walton, a Brummie, originally from the back streets of Birmingham, the son of a person who began his working career as an apprentice bricklayer, became a Baptist Minister.

I have been in Corfe Castle for three years now, and I am still not sure why He called me, a Baptist Minister, to care for a small Congregational Church in a village such as Corfe Castle. What do I know about village life? It is so true that God's ways are not our ways. You see, Donald Trump is not the first person to find himself in a position that everybody else thought impossible.

But enough of me, what about you? Most people have no grasp of the Christian message that God wants a personal relationship with each and every one of us. He wants to be both our Heavenly Father, guiding and encouraging us along life's way, but He also wants to be our Saviour, giving to us the gift of eternal life. I believe that I am a minister/pastor, because that is what He wants me to be, but, for a time, I was a Company Accountant, because that is what He wanted me to be then. You may think I am crazy, but I believe that He has a plan and a purpose for each one of us. We are like pieces of a jigsaw, and together we form life as He meant it to be, if we allow Him to lead us. But why should He bother with us? Because He loves us, not just loving the whole human race, but loving us each and every one of us. I can say that I love my daughters, but I can also say that I love Joanne, and Sally, and Kate.

As Christmas approaches, remember why Jesus came to this earth, and remember that you are special to Him, and that He has a plan and a purpose for

you. You might see yourself as the most unlikely person to fulfil the purposes of God, but He has a way of adapting square pegs so that they fit into round holes.

Wishing you and your loved ones every blessing at this very special time.

Yours

Barry

You will find the Chapel behind Y Jewellers in East Street, and our services are at 10.30am each Sunday. We are a small fellowship, but you will find a big welcome.

If you can't get to Church but would like to receive spiritual help, we have the Sermons and the Bible Studies on the Church Web site. Please make use of them if you wish.

Don't forget, I am available seven days a week. Just pick up the phone and I will seek to make myself available.

In Addition To the Above: - Coffee Morning every Wednesday at 10.30 to 12.00 noon.

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Everyone Welcome. It's free of charge but donations gratefully accepted.

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Next Meal - 11th. December

Sadly There Will Be No Christmas Day Service This Year.



Movie Nights

'Love & Friendship'

starring Kate Beckinsale, Chloë Sevigny, Xavier Samuel
Lady Susan Vernon takes up temporary residence at her in-laws' estate and, while there, is determined to be a matchmaker for her daughter Frederica – and herself too, naturally.
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Notices and Thanks

CORFE CASTLE GARDENING CLUB

At our meeting on 4th November we had a demonstration of making your own Festive Wreaths by Jo Needham and Jackie from the Creative Garden Room. They showed how this can be done using fresh plants from either the garden or the woods based around a copper ring. They also demonstrated how Wreaths can be made from Dog Wood cuttings. Members found this fascinating and we are sure that many will try their hand at copying this but it may not be quite as easy as Jo and Jackie made it look!

We are having our Christmas meal at the Castle Inn on Thursday 1 December and we then close down until our A G M on 2 February 2017.

Note – Meetings are always on the first Thursday of the month and restart on 2nd February.

Visitors are welcome to join us at our meetings for an entrance fee of £2.00

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Langton Arthouse Cinema

In January we're screening The Dressmaker on Wednesday 4th at 7.30pm in Langton Matravers' Village Hall. Kate Winslet stars in this film as the glamorous Tilly Dunnage, a 1950's fashionista who's decided to return home to dusty Dungatar, the rural Aussie town where she was born. Tilly was banished 20 years before, when she was just ten, for allegedly murdering her schoolmate. With her sewing machine and haute couture style, Tilly sets about doing fashion makeovers on the town's dowdiest women. But why has she returned? She wants to know what really happened. Tilly was so traumatized at the time she can't remember if she killed Stewart or not and plans to exact sweet revenge on those who did her wrong. Tickets £5 on the door, which will open at 7pm. Glasses will be supplied should you wish to bring your own drink with you. If you want to be kept informed about future films visit www.LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk. You can add your name to the mailing list by emailing info@LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk.



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	Tuesday	10.00 - 2.00
	Thursday	10.00 - 2.00
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Wareham Choral Society Christmas Concert 'My Soul doth Magnify the Lord'

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Tickets £10 from Joys Outfitters, North St, Wareham, or 01929 459319, or on the door. Details: www.freewebs.com/warehamcs

The Mummers are back!

Purbeck Mummers will be out and about around Purbeck during December. On December 9th we will be touring several Swanage pubs during the evening and our traditional Boxing Day tour will see us performing in Corfe Castle Square at mid day followed by performances in most Corfe Castle pubs and our final performance of 2016 at the Square and Compass about 2pm.



Again we will be collecting for a local charity so please come and cheer us on. All performances will be our traditional seasonal play which is over 200 years old.

http://www.wareham-tc.gov.uk/mummers/mummers_pages/links.htm

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Purbeck Arts Choir, Orchestra And Youth Choir Christmas Concert 10th December

This year's concert in St Mary's Church on Saturday 10th December at 7.30pm is in support of the Swanage Area Dementia Friendly Community and comes to Swanage via two English Cathedral Cities - The **Chichester** Psalms, written by Leonard Bernstein of West Side Story fame, and the **Manchester** Carols by Poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy and Sasha Johnson Manning. As well as these two very contrasting works, there will be the first ever public performance of a beautiful new work by Eric Gosney (words) and David Fawcett (music) and a clarinet duet (Stamitz Concerto) by Purbeck's very own and very talented Lydia and Lola. For more information and advance tickets for only £10 (£12 on the door), please call Liz Roberts 01929 481419.

Christmas with Canzonetta

Seasonal Music and readings

Soloists: William Bishop (treble), David Kemp

Sunday, 18th December, 3-4pm.

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Two Choirs in Harmony

The Belvedere Singers are joining forces with One Voice from Weymouth to present *Christmas Goes Classical*. The joint choirs will be putting Christmas lyrics to familiar classical tunes from Hall of the Mountain King to the 1812 Overture with a dash of Mozart for good measure. The programme also includes some traditional carols, with audience participation and some haunting melodies performed by the individual choirs. The beneficiaries of the concert will once again be the Friends of Swanage Hospital.

Christmas Goes Classical is at St Mary's Church, Swanage at 7.30pm on December 17th. Tickets can be bought from Oliver Miles Estate Agency, from Belvedere choir members or at the door. Adults £10, 12-18s £5 and under 12s free. More information from 01929 423729.

Purbeck Art Weeks Festival 2017 seeks Rollington Exhibition Manager

PAW urgently seeks someone to manage our exhibition at Rollington Barn (on the Studland Road).

The volunteers needed to 'make Rollington happen' are in place we just need someone to pull it all together. This person will have full support and back up from both the trustees and our long term experienced volunteers.

We need someone who: -

- * is a good organiser
- * is available part time for three weeks in May/June
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For more details and to have a chat about it email Charlotte Heath, PAW Chairman at heath.c@btopenworld.com or Judy Tate on judytate1@mac.com

Christmas Cakes

Each year I make and sell Christmas cakes and donate the profits to Margaret Green Animal Rescue. The cakes are a lighter recipe than the traditional cake and are packed with fruit, walnuts, cherries and apricots. The finished cake is approximately 5" square and the cake itself weighs 550g before marzipan and icing. It is presented on a quality silvered cake board and wrapped in decorative cellophane and costs £15. Please do get in touch if you would like one - local delivery can be arranged.

Liz Spicer-Short, 146 East Street - 480447 / rupert.liz@gmail.com

Litter-Free Purbeck

Huge thanks to all the lovely volunteers who came and helped us clean up Corfe Castle over the weekend of 5th and 6th November. We had great support from the National Trust, CPRE and Dorset Waste Partnership and were able to collect nine bin bags full of litter. We had only aimed to do the main roads and paths but with the level of support we were also able to do the Swanage Railway car park (we now know where the smokers park!) and the Village Hall car park (who left a carrier bag full of meat from Curtis butcher some time ago?). If you notice a particular 'hot-spot' which suffers from litter, such as the layby on the Church Knowle road, please do let us know. We are keen to improve the look of the village and hopefully encourage people to dispose of their litter properly rather than leave it for others to collect.

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New Look RVS Coffee Shop at Poole Hospital

Have you visited the Royal Voluntary Coffee Shop at Poole Hospital recently? If not you might be in for a surprise!

Additional seating has been added, including smaller tables to make the place more welcoming. As well as the usual good quality sandwiches, cakes and confectionery, customers can now also enjoy fresh and low caloric fruit smoothies in a variety of flavours, freshly prepared paninis with a variety of fillings, and a range of delicious coffees and teas, all at very reasonable prices. As well as running the café, the RVS also provide an onward trolley.

The café is run by Royal Voluntary Service volunteers, and you are guaranteed a welcoming smile and friendly service when you visit. All money raised is used to support the charity's work: supporting older people in the community, to stay independent for as long as possible. This includes a Befriending/Good Neighbours Service, the Home Library Service, and some local lunch and social clubs.

We have really struggled with our takings recently, after a major coffee chain



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Purbeck Artists & Stallholders (PASH)

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Harmony Rocks Choir, Christmas Concerts

Our previous concerts have sold out so quickly that we had to disappoint some people who wanted tickets. The number of people we can seat at Hamans Cross Hall is limited so this year we have decided to perform our "Singing for Christmas" programme twice. There will be a Saturday evening and also a Sunday afternoon concert both at Hamans Cross Village Hall and both on the same weekend.

The evening concert, with licensed bar, takes place on Saturday 17th December, doors open at 7 for 7.30pm.

The afternoon concert takes place on Sunday 18th December, doors open at 2.00 for 2.30pm.

Ticket Only Entry for both concerts is £6.50 to include "Festive Treats". There will be a charity raffle for each concert.

Tickets for either concert are available from Sue - 01929 477148, or Anne - 01929 288325

New Book

Locally born and bred Chris Legg has produced a book "The Furzebrook Railway of Pike Brothers' Dorset Clay Works". Chris's lifelong interest in the industry and his intimate knowledge of it together with his friendship of miners and managers, make this a very detailed and close story. It is as much about people and personalities as about machinery and methods. It includes the River Frome activities and shipbuilding.

The book (along with its companion "Fayle's Tramways") will be available from www.twelveheads.com and from the bookshop in Station Road Swanage, and the bookshop on Swanage Station. Price is £16

It all started for Pikes way back in 1791 in the Market Square in Corfe. William Pike was living there with his clay workers when Josiah Wedgwood visited "Threshers" clay pit (Rollington Farm) and then signed a contract. Josiah Wedgwood then went on to stay overnight at Encombe.

John Rowley (A member of the Purbeck Mineral and Mining Museum at Norden)

The Home Library Service as delivered by RVS volunteers

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The Purbeck Artisan Yard

The Purbeck Artisan Yard is a shared retail space, and houses a mixture of artists – textile designers, ceramicists, hobbyists, crafters and up cyclers as well as a cacophony of vintage pieces. We opened our doors in May 2016 and are located in the back streets of Wareham on Church Street. The shop is quickly gaining a great reputation as a shopping destination in Wareham. It's particularly unique in that each of the residents share responsibility for the running of the shop.

In the run up to Christmas we are holding a number of events at the Purbeck Artisan Yard to include two Christmas Markets - Saturday 19th November & Saturday 10th November, as well as offering late night shopping events, named Winter Wednesdays - where the shop will stay open until 8pm on 16th, 23rd, 30th November and also 7th, 14th & 21st December. I've attached flyers for all of these events. We'll be offering mulled wine, mince pies and food for these events as well.

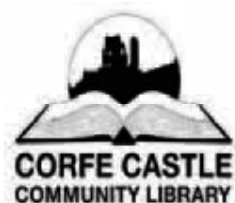
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MOVIE NIGHT

Dec 13th "Love & Friendship" (U) a 2016 period comedy film based on Jane Austen's novel 'Lady Susan'. Starring Kate Beckinsale, Chloe Sevigny, Xavier Samuel and Stephen Fry. The film follows the exploits of the wry and calculating Lady Susan as she pursues the wealthy and hapless Sir James for marriage originally intended for her daughter, though she eventually marries him as her own husband for purposes of wealth and profit.

January 10th – "Absolutely Fabulous" (15)

MUSIC NIGHTS

Diary dates for 2017 – March 11th, May 27th October 14th. Details of bands to follow – watch this space

"STALLS IN THE HALL" - (Saturday from 9.30am):

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Dec 10th, Jan 14th

POST OFFICE – Every Thursday from 9.30 – 11.30 a.m.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (7.30pm)

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS (Thu 10.30am to 12.00 noon) with COFFEE

JUNCTION fortnightly: Dec 1st, 15th, 29th, Jan 12th, 26th

CHURCH SERVICES (8.00 p.m.) - Dec 11th Jan 29th

PURBECK U3A MONTHLY "MEETING POINT" (9.00 a.m.) - Jan 26th

PURBECK U3A COMPUTER GROUP (9.00 a.m.) - Dec 2nd, Jan 6th, 20th

PURBECK U3A MAH JONGG GROUP (1.00 p.m.) - Dec 6th, 20th Jan 17th

PURBECK U3A WINE TASTING GROUP (from 8.00 p.m.) - Dec 19th Jan 16th

PURBECK U3A PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP (9.00 a.m.) - Jan 17th,

RESIDENTS' CLUB - Christmas party Dec 16th, Drop-in meeting Jan 20th

HARMANS CROSS COMMUNITY GROUP - Drop-in meeting December 15th

HARMONY ROCKS - Choir Christmas concerts on 17th and 18th December

SALE OF TOYS AND BABY CLOTHES - Sunday Dec 4th from 1.00 – 6.00

WEEKLY EVENTS:

U3A French groups – Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9.00 a.m. –

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The Etches Collection and Village Hall

On Friday 21st October at 10am our new museum quietly opened its doors to a small queue of people, amid much excitement in staff and volunteers and coverage from television cameras which were there from 6am to 6pm!! The news coverage was brilliant with a long piece on South Today, and items on Breakfast TV and the main Radio 4 6pm news bulletin. The tills pretty much never stopped during half term week, and our numbers for October exceeded the expected admissions for the final three months of 2016. It was all a bit of a shock to the system for novices like me who had never operated a card machine or a proper till before – definitely a steep learning curve!

Since then we have continued to have excellent visitor numbers, and meantime small armies of volunteers have worked hard at stone picking all round the museum, transformed the beds along the street frontage and also the slope below with village hall with 'Jurassic' planting including an amazing supply of rocks and boulders courtesy of Rob and his two excellent young lads. Many thanks to all who helped in planning, financing and digging, stone-picking etc etc. A further work-party levelled and seeded other beds with grass and planted hedging (carefully stored in Sir Michael's garden since the playground hedging was done) into ground that varied from concrete and hardcore just below the surface to sand, gravel and of course the usual clay. Let's hope the roots penetrate it all and survive.



Volunteers hard at work planting the "Jurassic Garden" outside the Etches Collection

The village hall is beautiful and we had a superb evening of barn dancing to Arish Mel in there the same day that the museum opened. The whole building has received much admiration from visitors including those really impressed by the architecture. On the Thursday of half term many villagers turned up for wine (thanks to Sir Michael), chat and a great opportunity to see the exhibition in all its glory. It was lovely to see ex-villagers there too, including Jack and Persephone, Rosie all the way from London, and Fiona and Andy.

Playground

Unfortunately there has been another delay to the playground! Purbeck District Council in their wisdom rejected the planning application on a technicality, so it has to go through the committee again!

Road Closure over Creech Hill

In last month's CVN I mentioned rumours of a possible closure by the army of the road over Creech Hill. In fact the road was closed without any warning during the week of 18th October – the week that the Etches Collection opened! The signage on the roads leading to Creech Hill was totally inadequate and caused considerable problems for local residents for whom this is their main route to Wareham. Needless to say, letters have been written to our MP, but no response has been received yet – perhaps the army are keeping their heads down!

December Activities

The first big event in the new hall on Sat 3rd Dec is the Artsreach show 'The Fossil Lady of Lyme' – apparently brilliant and not to be missed – see separate advert.

On Monday 5th Dec at 7.30pm there will be the usual bingo evening – raffle and bingo prizes needed! Please deliver prizes to Nick, Rose or Pat. This event funds the parties for older and younger children, so please support it in whatever way you can.

On Friday 16th Dec we have our Christmas Kimmeridge Keilidh with Arish Mel & caller Dick Williams. We also hope to have a special visit from The Purbeck Mummers! 7.30pm in the new hall. No bar, so bring your own refreshments. Tickets £5 on the door. All profits go to the new Children's Playground equipment. The October dance raised over £200!

On Sunday Dec 18th at 7pm we will switch on the Christmas Tree lights. This will be followed by mulled wine and nibbles in the hall.

There will be a New Year's Eve party from around 8pm again in the new hall. Bring food to share and your own drinks.

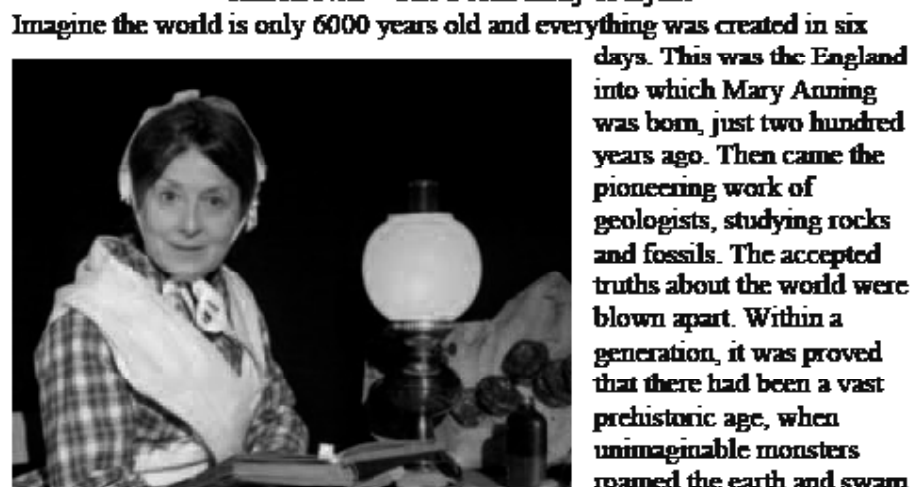
Christmas Eve Nativity

Despite a lack of primary school children in the village at the moment we will make sure this annual highlight happens, with support from a few older children and adults and a whole flock of sheep and shepherds! If you can help we'd be very grateful – email helen.earwicker@btinternet.com or phone us on 480737. Rehearsals will most likely be on the last two Thursdays before Christmas (15th and 22nd) at 4.30pm in church. The service is at 6pm on Christmas Eve – hope to see you all there.

Helen & Steve

Sat Dec 3rd 7.30pm in the new Kimmeridge Village Hall at The Etches Collection

Alison Neil – The Fossil Lady of Lyme



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- **Short Mat Bowls** John Holloway - Tel 01929 462828 or johnh@gotadsl.co.uk
- **Pilates** – Alex Moore - Tel 07536103364 or almoore1@live.co.uk

WEDNESDAY

- **Say So Drama** – 10.30 – 12.00 with Emma for adults with learning disabilities – 07725 942609
- **Yoga** – Pam Steele - Tel 01929 556714 or pamsteeleyoga@googlegmail.com
- **Taekwondo** for children from 4 years of age – Lottie Roberts - Tel 01202 894887 m 07803 536491 or lottie_roberts92@hotmail.co.uk
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- **Aikido Yoga** Mark - Tel 01929 405868 or enquiries@wellspringsoftheeast.co.uk

FRIDAY

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- **Zhineng Qigong** – Penny Youssef - Tel 07969 925502 or pennyyoussef1@gmail.com

SATURDAY

- **Sequence & Ballroom Dance** – 7.30 (please note change of day to 1st Saturday of each Month) – Contact Brian Hunt 01829 551332

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Mains

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Pork & Apple Pate with Toasted Brioche

Mains

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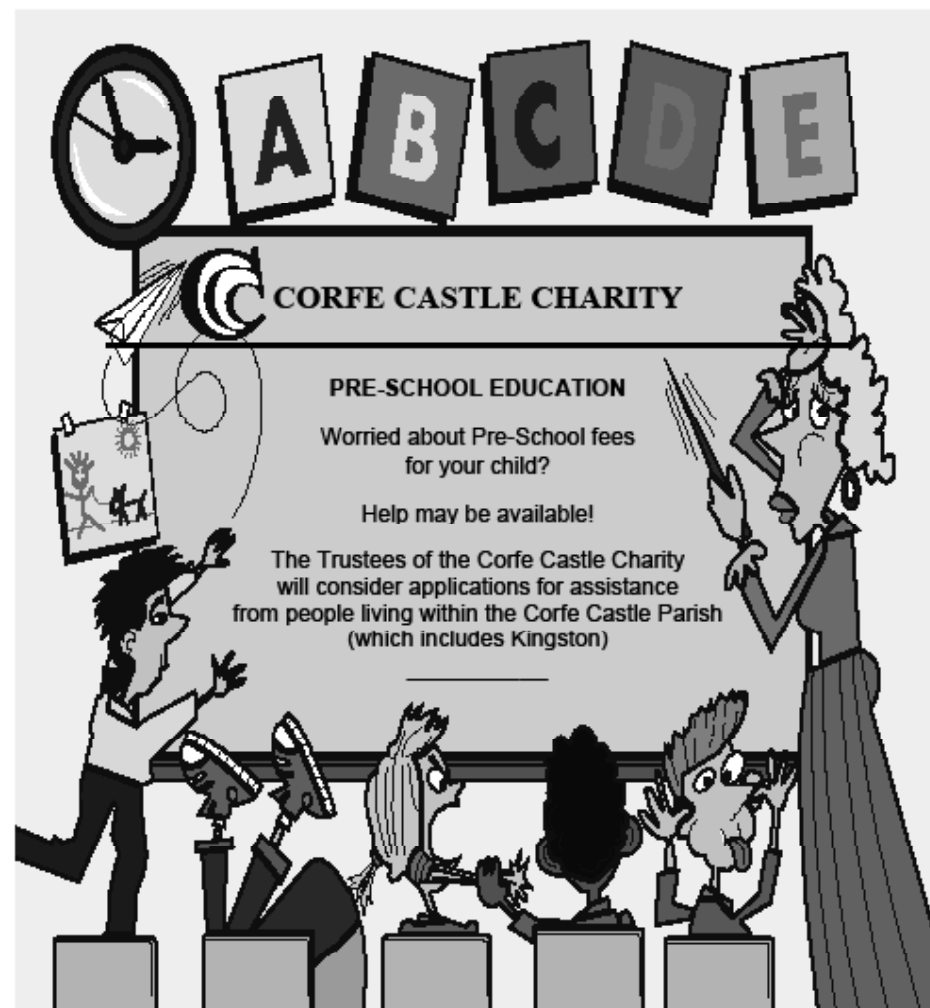
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Each	10.00-1 1.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	7 - 11pm	Chess Club (Sep - Apr)	Morton's House
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Town Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	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 Group	C C Village Hall
Each	5pm - 6pm	Rainbows (term time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
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 Furze brook VH; even months CK VH
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.45am-12.45	Wool Workshop	C.C. Village Hall
Each	6.30 - 9 pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons House
Each	6.00 - 8.00 pm	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	6.30 - 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	9.30 - 11.30 pm	Pottery Classes	Rachel 480455
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	R.B.L. Club
FRIDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Pottery Class Swanage	Rachel 480455
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