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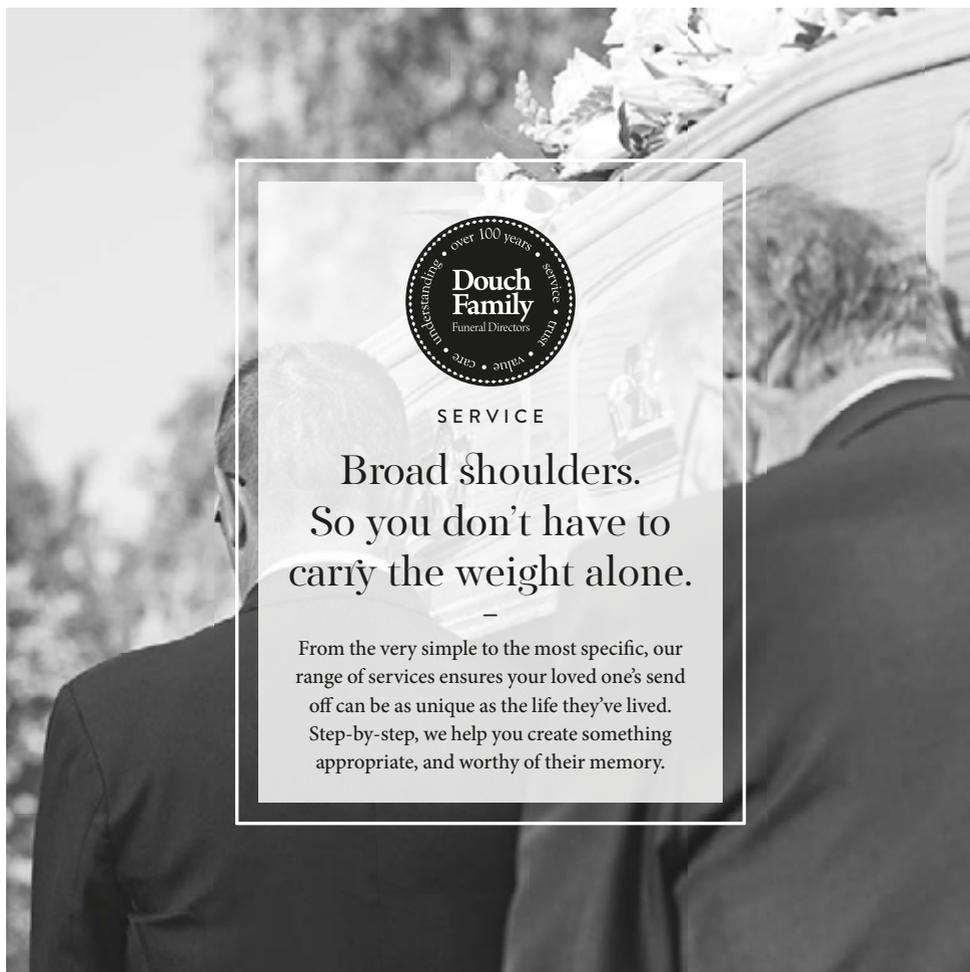
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## Editorial

There is quite a lot in this addition of the CVN about refugees from Ukraine and events, which are planned, to raise money for their help. Some refugees are already living with generous families in the village. However, we must not forget that there are many other people from war torn countries such as Afghanistan, Syria, and Iraq who are also fleeing from evil regimes and desperately seeking help and safety. There is more about helping in the Parish Council report in this edition of the CVN.

We are circulating the annual contribution envelopes with this edition of the Corfe Valley News. The magazine costs a little over £1 an issue (or £12 per year) to print. We raise this money by advertising, by donations from organizations and societies, and by contributions from you the readers. Please return what you can in the envelope to one of the addresses on the front. This year, because John has retired the places to return the envelopes to have changed. They are now the Village Stores, the CVN box in the passageway at 55 East Street, or 129 East Street. Your generous donations help us to continue to produce the magazine. No one involved with CVN is paid and our only costs are for the printing and a small amount of miscellaneous expenses. Thank you very much for your support and contributions.

Stephen

### Some useful Telephone Numbers

(there are more in the middle of the magazine)

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The cover picture is of Tyneham House as it used to be before it was taken over by the army in 1942, and is from the book Tyneham by L M G Bond

## JUNE AT CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

Keep your brain active with this monthly Brain Workout puzzle. The answers are in the article somewhere!

“SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY SATURDAY. What day comes three days after the day which comes two days after the day which comes immediately after the day which comes two days after Monday?”

**Gods Acre Rules and Regulations: PUBLIC CONSULTATION:** Over the coming few months the Parish Council will be updating the rules and regulations for Gods Acre Cemetery, but before we change anything we would appreciate your feedback on the following topic, “Should we allow Non-Fresh Flowers?” Currently only fresh flowers are allowed. If say, linen or plastic flowers are allowed, they would be removed when they fade or get damaged.

**Playground:** It has been drawn to our attention that the slide which forms part of the new play equipment has recently been affected by bird droppings. New playground legislation meant we had to install the slide on a North facing side of the playground, as sunlight hitting a metal object could heat up to the point where it may cause injury. Whilst we appreciate with the close proximity of the trees this is not ideal, this was the best location for a slide. The Parish Council have recently applied for a Treeworks Order to enable us to prune the Ash Tree, along with asking our Caretaker to clean the slide weekly. Whilst we appreciate neither of these actions will solve the issue entirely given the playground equipment is in an outdoor rural setting, we are hopeful this will go some way to help.

**End of Year Accounts:** The Parish Council and Internal Auditor have approved the 2021/22 accounts for inspection by the External Auditor in line with regulations. Full details of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return can be found on the website or for a small fee to cover cost of postage and packaging a copy can be sent to you. Please contact the Clerk to request a copy.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** The Parish Council is legally obliged to ensure an Annual Parish Meeting is held. However, in the current format unless a resident has a particular issue they wish to hear or speak about they may choose not to attend. Moving forward we would like your feedback on what you would like to hear and see happen at the Annual Parish Meeting. For example its main focus could be on showcasing Parish groups and /or including choirs, music and drama. This is a meeting for the residents about the community not the Council. Please let me know what you think.

**Refugees:** Over the last several years the UK has welcomed refugees from all over the world, with the South of England housing 6.5% of refugees entering the UK. Corfe Castle Parish Council wish to offer networking and communication support where possible to local families opening their doors to a refugee, no matter where they are from. If you are hosting a refugee family please let the Clerk know if you would welcome help.

**Planning Application & Treework Application update:** The following application has been received by Corfe Castle Parish Council:

- **P/LBC/2022/01833** – 30 East Street, Corfe Castle BH20 5EQ

**Recommend:** No objection

Full details can be found on the Dorset Council website,

**Brain Teaser Answer:** Tuesday! Work backwards from Monday: Two days after Monday is Wednesday. The day immediately after Wednesday is Thursday. Two days after Thursday is Saturday. Three days after Saturday is Tuesday.

### **Dorset Council update**

**Affordable Homes:** In the last 12 months ending March ‘22 there has been a 75% increase in affordable homes built in Dorset mainly by Housing Associations after securing grants from Homes England, with 529 families, couples and single people have been able to move into much needed new homes.

**Household Support Funding:** Now open for applications. Available through Citizens Advice, applications are taking on average 10 working days to process. Further Information can be found on the Dorset Council website.

**Information Shop in Weymouth:** Is now open and offers advice on health care, social care, wellness, community groups, volunteering & tourism.

**Dorset Strategic Alliance Conference:** The Conference is being held on the 5th July at Lytchett Minster School. The conference is for representative from across Dorset to come together and share ideas, opportunities and work together to progress activities and actions for young people with families. Further information and to book a space at the conference visit the Dorset Council website.

**Innovation Park (Wool):** A new facility was formally opened a couple of weeks ago by the Minister of Defence Procurement. Bringing together military personnel, academic institutions & private sector companies to trial and experiment cutting edge technologies.

**Fibre Broadband:** Dorset Council won part of a £5 billion bid for the national gigabit which will enable the roll out of full fibre broadband across key public sector services, such as schools, libraries and visitor attractions. Another 35 sites across Dorset are also set to benefit where there are no commercial plans already to roll out full fibre broadband.

#### **National Trust Corfe Castle updates**

**Quinquennial works:** The first round of essential maintenance (category A) has been completed to the castle and the NT have identified and planned in the next round of works (category B) to commence after the summer holidays.

**Weddings in the castle:** The NT had the very first licensed wedding in the castle on Saturday 28 May '22. The NT is looking at the commercial viability of hosting more weddings but have no current plans, to have any more until a business case has been completed and signed off by the General Manager

**Half Term:** There were over 16,000 visitors during the 9 days of half term and the Jubilee weekend. The castle opened its gates to the local community to watch the Beacon lighting and counting stopped at 1519 visitors to the castle that evening.

**Summer activities:** As per last year there will not be any large-scale re-enactors within the castle grounds for the duration of the summer holiday instead focusing on more small scale enjoyable medieval type games and activities.

**May Day 'For the Village, by the Village':** The National Trust is happy to say that they will be opening the castle on May Day next year to the local community for the May Day Bank Holiday. More information on this will be sent out in 2023.

**Next Council Meeting:** Monday 11th July 2022 (meetings are held on the second Monday of each month), at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter Room. The meeting starts with a public half hour, so please join us and have your say.

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Michelle Harrington, Clerk

#### **Beyond our wildest expectations**

When the Parish Council asked Crazy for Corfe to set up a Diamond Jubilee Committee in February this year we thought it might be possible to have a big picnic and the lighting of the Beacon but time was short.

The Council voted its thanks to the Jubilee Committee at our June meeting for a magnificent commemoration, which went far beyond our initial hopes. There were ten major events involving lots of Parish organisations and great support from sponsors and local businesses. The village was well decorated and we must have had one of the best celebrations anywhere.

Seeing so many people in the Castle on the glorious *beacon lighting night* was superb. The *picnic event* was really enjoyable with free tea and cake, ice cream, the choir and the ukulele band and two world first games: the Queen's Breakfast relay and the human dog agility trials!

The Jubilee Committee, so well led by Rupert Spicer Short, put in huge amounts of time. We had a well organised celebration, which was safely delivered and has generated money for the Parish legacy projects.

THANKS VERY MUCH to everyone who helped and took part

Steve Clarke

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## Environmental Group Update



### Our Next Get-Together

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at Mortons Manor. 7.15pm in the bar - 7.30pm start**

Simply turn up **OR** email: [environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk) to let us know you're coming or to raise any topics you'd like to discuss.

Our normal meeting date of Thursday 14th clashes with an online meeting arranged by Planet Purbeck / Dorset CAN - Energy Security & Net Zero in Dorset.

### Our Recent Get-Together

A massive thank you to Ben Cooke, National Trust Ranger, for his interesting talk about the Slow the Flow Project, which has seen the building of leaky dams by volunteers on the East Common which help hold water in two small watercourses.

Ben explained how similar, larger scale, projects are being completed in the north of England following severe flooding, to help prevent similar floods in the future, and that Slow the Flow is part of a number of projects to care for and improve watercourses and the environment on National Trust land in Purbeck.

We hope to have another speaker in July – TBC at the time of going to print

### Top Tips

We've recently come across a list of "20 Simple Things We Can All Do To Help Reduce Global Warming", which includes obvious ideas such as turning off lights and turning down the central heating thermostat, but also some less well publicised ideas such as travelling light by reducing luggage and so reducing your car's fuel consumption, or a plane's, and hiring DIY or gardening tools, or sharing with friends or neighbours.

The full list is available on the internet <https://planetearthneedsourhelp.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/F-FOE-WhatyoucandoOctober2016-3.pdf>, or by phoning or emailing us for a copy.

### Our Core Team

Josey Parish and Helen Sumbler, the Parish Councillors co-leading our group, would like to welcome new members to our Core Team. There's plenty of opportunities to do great things. **Join us** and contribute in a way that suits you best

**Get in touch:** Parish Clerk (Michelle) - [environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**Facebook:** "Corfe Castle Environmental Group"

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

## Environment Group Queen's Platinum Jubilee Tree Planting Project



Initial surveys of sites have now been completed, and details of the proposals were displayed at the Annual Parish Meeting and presented Council at the June meeting. We would now like to invite further feedback on our proposals.

Details, including maps and photos of the proposed 70 Trees for 70 Years sites, are available from the Clerk, in Corfe Castle library and on the Environment Group pages on the website, [www.corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk).

### Corfe Castle Play Area Working Group

Following correspondence from a parishioner regarding mowing of the playing field, the Play Area Working Group, the Clerk and members for the Environment Group met there recently to discuss possible biodiversity improvements. Following this, the Play Area Working Group have developed a proposal, and at the Council meeting on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June, Council determined to consult with parishioners about these proposals. Below is an indicative plan of the proposals.



Further details are available from the Clerk, in Corfe Castle library and on the on the EG pages on the website.

Please contact the Clerk, or email [environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk) with any comments on either the Jubilee Tree Planting Project or the Play Area Biodiversity Improvements.

## Church Knowle Parish Council.

June's meeting was at Furzebrook Village Hall on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>. Early in the meeting we co-opted and welcomed our newest member to the Council, Nicola Pitcher. She brings a wealth of professional accounting experience, is an active outdoor person and has offered to assess the state of the Parish footpaths.

### The Neighbourhood Plan.

The full grant has been applied for and should the application be successful, which with a fair wind it should, then we will re-engage the same consultant and aim to take it to completion. A "made" plan has statutory status and requires community input culminating in a referendum.

### Fingerposts

The Barnston fingerpost now with its roundel has been completed and very smart it is too. We will be looking at bringing the East Creech fingerpost up to the same standard while we still have access to the specialists to do it.

### Planning

There was only one planning application at Bucknowle Cottage to which the Council had no objection. Cllr Brooks offered to set up instruction on the Planning process by a Dorset planning officer before the September meeting. The instruction will start at 5:00pm before the usual monthly Parish Council meeting. Despite engaging professional consultants, familiarising ourselves with the National, Local policies and the Act, the process and decisions made by the Dorset department are still impenetrable to the Parish Council and this instruction on the Dorset process is badly needed.

### Church Knowle Phone Box

This is still maintained by BT as the mobile signal in the area is often bad. It is also a listed building and so has to be maintained as part of the village cultural streetscape. It has a broken handset and a report will be made to BT to repair it.

### Holiday Lets and Second Homes

Dorset Council has told the Council that there are 157 properties in the Church Knowle Parish and that 29 of these are classed as second homes used for domestic purposes. There was a discussion on the resources used by

Holiday lets with regard to rubbish disposal and Cllr Brooks said that Dorset Council rubbish collection resources were stretched generally. Should the Neighbourhood Plan continue then the effect of second homes and holiday lets on the community can be considered and surveyed.

### Correspondence and Other

Correspondence in response to queries and requests from the Parish Council has been received from Swanage Railway, Cumulus Outdoors and the Blue Pool. All have agreed to make their operations as sympathetic to the Church Knowle residents as possible and the Council is engaged in dialog with them in response to concerns raised by residents.

There are still two vacancies on the Parish Council and anyone is welcome at meetings to observe proceedings and any parishioner can apply (write to [clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk)) to join. The meeting closed at 8:45pm

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## Corfe Castle Platinum Jubilee Committee

### *Thank You Corfe Castle*



What a great weekend - what a village!! A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Jubilee events. With over 1500 people in the Castle grounds for the beacon lighting and about 500 at the Jubilee picnic we have really celebrated with style. Too many highlights to list individually but a fantastic village occasion.

We will continue with the legacy projects. I hope these will be completed by the end of the year.

Our photographers have produced some amazing photographs of the events. Paul Barton and Angela Sturch covered all the events and having seen the work they have produced we are now planning a new project to install some enlargements of these pictures around various buildings in the parish.

In addition, Aquarius are planning a photo project to reflect 70 years of the village. They will be putting more details on their own page of this exciting idea.

If you have any photos you would like to share with us, please send them to: [corfecastlejubileepics@gmail.com](mailto:corfecastlejubileepics@gmail.com) We will then collate the photos and share some of them on our website and with Aquarius.

A few belated thank you's: Paul Barton for his amazing photography, donations from Why Jewellers and The Corfe Castle Club and thanks to Barry Stocks for his magnificent Town Crier role over the weekend. Many thanks to Litter-Free Purbeck for clearing up behind us.

Rupert Spicer-Short

### Competition Winners

As part of our Platinum Jubilee celebrations in Corfe Castle we held several competitions.

There were fantastic entries, and it was extremely difficult to choose the winners. After much deliberation, however, the judges came to the following conclusions:

#### **Children's Art Competition.**

Sponsored by The Gallery at 41. The theme was My Hopes for the Future of our Planet reflecting a national theme favoured by Her Majesty the Queen.

A fantastic array of work was received and it was very difficult for the judges, Chris and Steve Clarke from the Gallery at 41, to decide the winners. A great deal of thought had gone into the work, the children had written their hopes and ideas on their pictures and some of it was highly original. Thanks to Corfe Castle Primary School and Corfe Castle Community Pre-School for their help in this project.

Winner 11 – 16 category. Eve Walker

Winner 5 – 11 category. It was impossible to choose between these three Winners: Lucy Trim aged 7, Hettie Poole aged 10, Alice de Wit aged 10.

Highly commended: Wren Forsyth aged 7, Evie Woolford aged 9, Charlie Sturch aged 9.

Winner under 5. Mia aged 4 and Caley aged 2.

They were all awarded prizes of art materials.

#### **Best Frontage**

Again, the judges Joy Bryer and Chris Clarke from the Gardening Club found it very difficult to judge this with so many different approaches to the decorations. They judged on impact, originality and effort. The village looked wonderful with so much colour from the bunting, flags, photographs, memorabilia and flowers. Their decision was as follows:

#### **Best Dressed House:**

Joint winners: The Forsyths, Cromwell Cottage, The Rollasons, 47 – 49 West Street.

Highly commended: The Sellens, 140 East Street, The Marlows, 40 West Street, The Coles, 2 Webbers Close.

Best Dressed Business: The Pink Goat, West Street

Highly commended: Corfe Village Stores and Corfe Castle Primary School.

**The Bake-Off** organized by Liz Spicer Short from Crazy 4 Corfe

As we have said before A Jubilee wouldn't be a Jubilee without a lot of cake and we certainly did her Majesty proud.

Thanks to Anne-Marie Battle and Kirsten Allen (or was it Pru and Mary?) for judging the array of beautifully crafted and decorated, delicious cakes.

The overall winner was Steph Cole and Anuka Fooks was highly commended.

The cakes were enjoyed at the Big Jubilee Picnic the next day.

### **Best Decorated Hat.**

We asked you to be as original and outrageous as you liked and there were some stunning results.

The winners were:

Adult Chris Kemp for her wonderful castle complete with queen and guards and Pauline Flockton for a hat with so many aspects of the queen's life.

Children: Anuka Fooks for a hat that was so carefully painted and had so much information about the queen and Isabella Fuller with her great corgi in his royal kennel.

### **Dog Scenting Competition** – organised by Crazy 4 Corfe

Tapping into our dog's natural ability for sniffing out a treat, this challenge organised by Gary Cole of Muttley Solutions attracted dogs (and their owners) of all shapes and sizes! Fun to watch and to take part in, the first and second places won a small cash prize donated by Gary Cole.

### **Treasure Hunt** organised by Crazy 4 Corfe.

Of the 21 question packs given out to the teams, 8 correct packs were returned. No mean feat as this was a challenging quiz covering several miles of the village environs.

The winning teams, who shared the cash prize kindly donated by Peter and Belinda Bell, were The Robinson/Speed team, the Baker family, The Smith family, the Fullbrook/Sellen team, the Jenkins family, team Andre and Sue, the Jessop/Allwright team and the Fooks team. Congratulations to all the winners.

### **The Poetry competition**

This was sponsored by the Corfe Castle Library and is covered in their entry.

Thank you to all the organisers and entrants. We hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Chris Clarke



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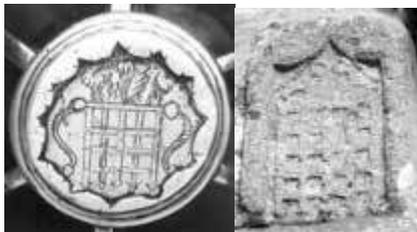
There are not many constructions in the village which can be said to have been built for one of the Constables of the Castle, but the church tower of St Edwards is one. It was built for John Beaufort who was a Constable from May 1391 until his death in 1410 aged 37yrs. There is no definite date as to when it was built but a much less elaborate tower at St George's, Langton Matravers, is said to have been built in 1398.



*John Beaufort's image on his tomb at Canterbury.*

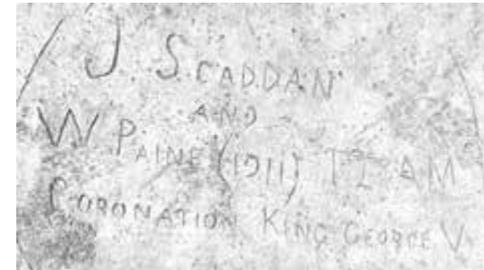
John was an illegitimate son of John of Gaunt (the 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Edward III) and Cathryn Swynford, a commoner. His parents weren't married until 1396 and an Act of Parliament was passed in 1397 to enable John and his brothers to bear Arms. John was created the Earl of Somerset the following day. He and his wife, Margaret, have a very impressive tomb in Canterbury Cathedral.

His heraldic badge was a portcullis believed to show the portcullis defending the gate of Castle Beaufort in Champagne – John's birthplace. The symbol is shown on the end of the town's mace and the eagle-eyed amongst you will have spotted his badge (presumably purloined from the castle) on a property just off The Square. It will look familiar, as it is now used as the emblem for both Houses of Parliament.



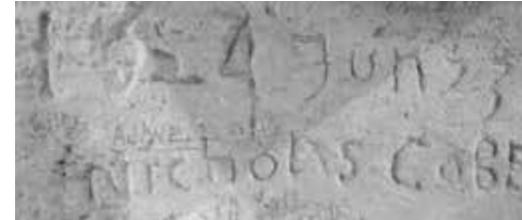
*Beaufort badges shown on the mace and 'Bartholomews'.*

It is thought that John built the tower as a memorial to his family. The entrance to the tower is via steps from the churchyard which leads to a spiral staircase. The original entrance lay inside the church which was blocked off before the church underwent renovation. The tower is 65ft (19.8 meters) high and the view from the top is breath-taking. Graffiti can be seen carved into the original lead roof before it was raised to accommodate the new bell frame.



*1911 at 12am Coronation of King George V:  
J Scadden & W Paine*

The tower also contains the oldest piece of graffiti in the village carved by the village blacksmith into the left-hand door lintel of the ringing chamber:



*1624 Jun 23 - Nicholas Cobb*

On the West Street side, a pair of double doors stand under a perpendicular arch which shows two shields which are thought to have been painted. The shield on the left is lying on its side and so far, no satisfactory answer has been found to explain why this was

done. Maybe because of John's illegitimacy? It has been suggested that the two heads facing outwards on the right of the doors are John and his wife, Margaret, but they are very weathered.



Inside the church, looking up the rising columns towards the top of the arches four carved faces can be seen. The heads represent John of Gaunt and his wife, Cathryn, looking westwards whilst Edward III and Queen Philippa, the grandparents of John Beaufort, look down the nave.

The most spectacular gargoyles and grotesques (4 of each) run around the string course at the top of the tower. The gargoyles were originally used to carry water the off the roof and scare the evil spirits away (successful so far!).



*A gargoyle showing a hairy devil gripping the SW corner of the tower and holding the head of a Dorset horned sheep.*

Right at the top of the tower stands the weathervane – another monster - a dragon dated 1855.



The tower is open to the public during the Church Fete in August.

Louise Haywood

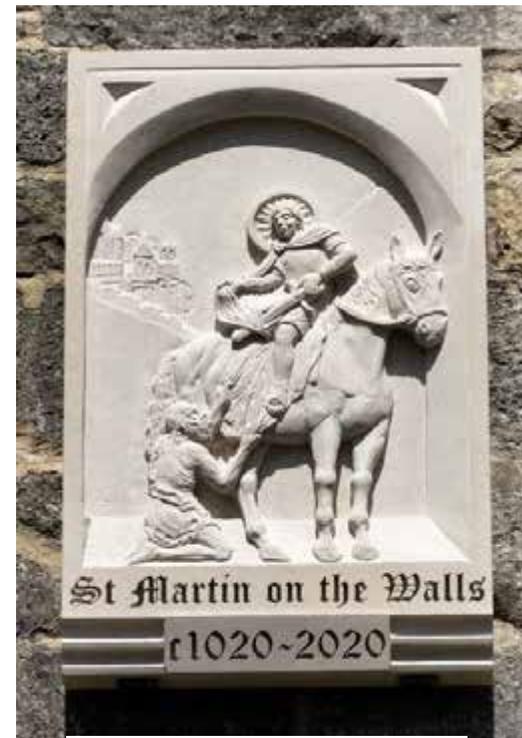
### Unveiling of the Millennium Plaque at St Martin's Church on the Walls, North St, Wareham on 1st June 2022

There was a report in the June edition of the CVN about local sculptor Johnathan Sells producing a plaque to celebrate the millennium of the Church of St Martin on the Walls in Wareham.

The plaque, which was unveiled on 1<sup>st</sup> June, has been designed and carved by local Sculptor, Jonathan Sells and depicts the famous story of St Martin cutting his cloak to share with a



*Johnathan, holding the rail, with the Mayor of Wareham, the Town Crier, the Rector and members of the public at the unveiling*



*The Plaque*

beggar. The plaque is carved in Purbeck Stone supplied from W.J Haysom stone quarry, Worth Matravers. St Martin's Church has stood on the walls witnessing 1000 year's of the history of Britain from the time of King Canute. He is reported to have rebuilt the church in 1020 after an earlier place of worship at the site, believed to have been built by St Aldhelm in 7<sup>th</sup> century was destroyed by Vikings.

The millennium anniversary of St Martins is therefore an important occasion for the community of Wareham. The idea for the plaque came about when local resident, Malcolm Lewis, who helps run the not-for-profit initiative Art4Action, noticed the little sign on the

tower while out on a walk with his family during the first lockdown in 2020. The sign gives the Church's probable construction date as 1020.

## **Corfe Castle Surgery**

It is with sadness that I have to share the news that Dr Zara Mufti leaves the practice at the end of July. It has been a very challenging 15 months since she started with us and we know that patients and staff will miss her very much. We wish her the very best of luck and success for her future.

### **This months cancer update**

Bowel cancer is also called colorectal cancer. It affects the large bowel, which is made up of the colon and rectum.

Risk factors for bowel cancer include age, family history of bowel cancer, low fibre and high processed food in your diet, smoker and alcohol and obesity. Lifestyle is an important risk factor for bowel cancer.

Possible symptoms of bowel cancer

The symptoms of bowel (colorectal) cancer can include:

- \*bleeding from the back passage (rectum) or blood in your poo
- \*a change in your normal bowel habit, such as looser poo, pooing more often or constipation
- \*a lump that your doctor can feel in your back passage or tummy (abdomen), more commonly on the right side
- \*a feeling of needing to strain in your back passage (as if you need to poo), even after opening your bowels
- \*losing weight
- \*pain in your abdomen or back passage
- \*tiredness and breathlessness caused by a lower than normal level of red blood cells (anaemia)

NHS bowel cancer screening checks if you could have bowel cancer. It's available to everyone aged 60 to 74 years. Over the next 4 years it will be expanded to include everyone over the age of 50 years.

The screening programmes send a bowel cancer testing kit every 2 years to people who can take part. You need to be registered with a GP to receive your screening invitations. The test is called FIT - Faecal Immunochemical Test. It looks for tiny traces of blood. You do the test at home. The kit contains instructions of what to do including a prepaid envelope to send the sample to the hospital.

If you have any of the above symptoms, even if you have had a normal FIT test in the community, it is important to see your doctor for further investigation.

For further information please see <https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/bowel-cancer>

Kerry Norman  
Practice Manager

### **Patient Participation Group**

The Jubilee Celebrations, from the Lighting the Beacon Event at the Castle to the Big Picnic, cheered us all, bringing us noisily and happily together after the years of Covid doldrums. Congratulations and thanks again from the PPG to all those involved.

Corfe Surgery and our PPG were well represented at a recent very successful Carers' Event led by the Purbeck Primary Care Network (the six GP practices in Purbeck). It was an informal drop-in event with many organisations having stalls where carers could get information, advice and guidance on what services are available to help them and how they might get extra support. We ourselves found it a friendly opportunity to talk to other PPGs, Hospital Friends' and more. We continued to discover how many organisations are out there available to any of us, not just carers, if we need support of some sort that doesn't require ongoing medical intervention. To give you three examples of groups you could contact; Help & Care provides free sessions to help you move forward with your wellbeing (e.g. mobility, anxiety, grief, isolation) - 0303 3030153; Steps2wellbeing is an NHS mental health support organisation – see its website; Help and Kindness is a local volunteer support group and includes Dorset's Food Projects- 01305 59 59 58.

I've also attended the three-monthly meeting of the local PPG Chairs. We were joined by the clinical director of our Primary Care Network. He painted a concerning picture of general practice nationally with GP resignations, early retirement and young doctors reluctant to go into general practice. There are several reasons for this. GPs have never worked as hard as they are now. There are fewer doctors. Patients see their doctor many more times a year than they used to. There's a limited number of hours in the day and, even though doctors are offering more appointment times and doing more paperwork than ever, it still isn't meeting the patient demand for access. This unfortunately

leads to patients getting frustrated with the doctors, nurses and receptionists. Many patients elsewhere have considerable problems with accessing care because of the shortage of doctors. Here in Corfe we know we are exceptionally lucky; if we have an urgent problem and phone before 10.30 we can be sure of being spoken to and then seen, if necessary; we can get through on the phone easily; we can choose to book routine appointments to see or speak to the doctor. The latter may be further ahead than you would wish but this is because time priority has to be given to urgent cases and the Surgery is at full stretch looking after us. We ourselves can all help our future care here by being understanding of the situation and making sure the staff feel respected, valued and encouraged by us so they can enjoy their work. They are amazing.

We are having a PPG meeting in early July so please get in touch if there are any issues you'd like raised.



## News from the Library

### Corfe Castle Platinum Jubilee Poetry Competition



The library was very pleased to sponsor the Corfe Castle Platinum Jubilee Poetry Competition. The quality of the entries was impressive so in addition to the main prizes we felt that all the children who took part should receive a small prize and a certificate to mark the occasion.

All the poems were on display in the village hall on the Saturday of the Jubilee and formed a wonderful backdrop for the prizegiving for all the events of the weekend.

We were very fortunate to have Sarah Barr as our judge. Sarah writes poetry and fiction, leads creative writing groups, works as a writing mentor and gives readings. Her work has been widely published. Among the prizes won for her poems are 1st in the Frogmore Prize and National Memory Day poetry competition. She has twice won the Dorset award in the international Bridport Prize.

In the children's section (age 5 – 11) the following were Highly Commended

- Hettie Poole
- Grace Woolford
- Evie Woolford

.... and the winner was Lucy Trim (age 7)

Here is what Sarah had to say about the children's entries

*I love reading poems written by children. Their fresh approach and willingness to have a go are admirable. I enjoyed all the poems and hope the entrants will continue with their writing. As with the adult entries, I looked for the ideas, use of language, the appearance of the poem on the page, and the title. I also considered the age of the poet as language learning and experience will vary hugely between the early and top primary school age groups. I ignored spelling and grammar slips as long as the meaning was clear. Some poems included nice illustrations. It was hard to choose but I had to! I decided on 'Beautiful Queen' by Lucy Trim. It fits the competition theme and uses the acrostic form (look at the first letter of each line!) form which works well. It is thoughtful and appreciative. I noted the missing 'a' in*

*'beautiful' but the poet could include this when she rewrites the poem. She is 7 years old and this is a good effort*

At Sarah's request we have left the spelling uncorrected.

Beautiful Queen By Lucy Trim

Brave is the word to describe our queen  
Every day she is happy and fun  
Unique  
Terrific  
Interesting  
Ful day of fun  
Usually joyful  
Loyal  
Queen Elizabeth is the best  
Understand, she brilliant  
Everyone should celebrate her 70 th year throne.  
Everyday should be our queens jubile day  
Never doubt our queen.

Here's what Sarah had to say about the adult entries to the competition. *I enjoyed reading all the poems with their different ways of celebrating the Queen's long reign. They helped get me in the mood for the jubilee weekend! When reading poetry I look especially for ideas that hold my attention, for use of language including imagery, rhythm, rhyme, sounds and interesting words. How the poem looks on the page, and the title are also important. I was entertained by the story-telling qualities of 'Just Five More Minutes in Bed!', liked the geographical sweep of 'Commonwealth Kingpin', and was intrigued by the title 'A Conversation'. Many individual lines in poems caught my attention: 'I love my children, their children but they can be hard to manage.' ... 'Red boxes, PMs and the occasional dorgi' ('dorgi' is a new word for me!) ... 'I wonder if she'll send herself a 100 th birthday card?' It was hard to choose a winner but finally I decided on: 'My Tribute to the Queen' by Anita Collins. I chose this poem because it closely fitted the competition theme: 'Celebrating Our Queen – what the queen means to you'. The poem is warm and celebratory, uses language well, and blends aspects of the poet's personal life and memories with a celebration of the Queen's reign and her place in our hearts.*

In the adult's section the winner was Anita Collins and Lynette McCallum was Commended. Anita's poem is below

*My Tribute to the Queen*  
by Anita Collins

A poem to celebrate Elizabeth our Queen,  
The longest reigning monarch there has ever been.  
She has always been there through all of my life,  
For seventy years through Britain's trouble and strife.  
For her Silver Jubilee, when I was eight,  
I dressed as a 10p coin for my primary school fete.  
A fancy-dress costume as a lion was made  
For wearing at street parties and a carnival parade.  
Twenty-five years later, for the golden Jubilee,  
A visit to London was the place to be  
With golden taxis and buses around  
And a concert on the roof of Buckingham Palace, not the ground.  
The London Olympics coincided with the Diamond Jubilee  
When the Queen's surprise antics gave us much glee.  
For with the help of James Bond himself  
She parachuted into the arena all by herself!  
Now after seventy years it's the Platinum Jubilee  
But it's not just the seventy years we are celebrating you see.  
It's that we have you our Queen, the mother of our nation.  
You have always been there, our rock and foundation.  
Your nation thanks you Queen Elizabeth  
For giving us your life, husband and family too.  
We thank you from our hearts.  
We all love you.

Finally, **A huge thank you to everyone who took part!**

**Library Opening Hours**

**Monday 3.00 -5.00 p.m.**  
**Wednesday 11.00 -12.00 . and 3.00 -5.00 p.m.**  
**Saturday 10.00 - 12.00**



Dates of forthcoming meetings

- 5th July – Summer Picnic Lunch at Scholes Manor
- 2<sup>nd</sup> August – Memories from the 70 year reign of Elizabeth 11
- 6<sup>th</sup> September – Volunteering at Marwell Zoo by Richard Cook

**AUGUST 2<sup>nd</sup>** : For the August meeting about memories from the 70 years of Queen Elizabeth 11's reign. Bring any stories and memorabilia, even dress patterns, if you still have them. Your favourite recipes; who remembers Eccles cakes; lardy cakes; angel cakes and huge meringues, cream horns and fairy cakes with butter icing? Bring your memories along and share with everyone. Find all your old photos of dresses; old recipes, cars, buses or anything of interest. Who remembers trolley buses? You can even dress up in any outfits from her 70 years. There will be a selection of old fashioned cakes served with your tea. If you have any photos etc you can put on a USB stick these can be projected onto the big screen, just like a film star.

**JUNE:** We had a very interesting talk from Dr Barbara Smith a world travelled entomologist. Who knew there were so many species of bees? Barbara and a team of people have been doing very useful work in India around pollination and pesticides which ultimately could be of use all over the world. Barbara was very please to have been presented with a little bee brooch as a memento of her visit which someone had donated to Stella's Stall.

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## 'Who Rules Britannia ... The Story So Far!'

Double act were privileged to present this excellent David Kemp authored tongue-in-cheek play. It was performed at our splendid village hall on the afternoon of June 4<sup>th</sup> as part of village Jubilee celebrations. We learned what some of Her Majesty's predecessors got up to – and often got away with! We also heard how many of our monarchs died of dysentery .....and what George 1<sup>st</sup> mistress's were known as! The Double Act cast pushed the boat out and gave a most enjoyable and swiftly moving account of our royal historic events and highlights from over the last 1,000 years. A selection of performance photographs appears below.....



Clockwise: David Kemp, maestro & author accompanied by Judith; cast members Union Flag waving; William telling off Confessor Harold and near capacity captivated audience!

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 [info@double-act.org.uk](mailto:info@double-act.org.uk).

***New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome!***

*All our meetings conform to relevant Covid restrictions.*



July 12<sup>th</sup> is National Simplicity Day - a day to pause amidst our busy, tech-filled lives and try and remind ourselves to slow down.



Hugely popular local artist Sam Cannon creates beautiful images with phrases encouraging us to appreciate the small things in life. Her cards are always favourites, and we now stock a selection of her prints too.

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### News from The Castle

Summer is in full flow, fantastic time of year the flowers are out, and alfresco dining is in!

Friday Nights are still fish nights, with tasty seafood and fish dishes, mussels, crab as well as some wonderful fish.

We be hosting our magic Mondays throughout the school holiday period. So why not come along and be amazed ... fun for everyone.

Hopefully the weather will be kind to us, and we can take full advantage of our outside areas including Barbeques and live music in the garden. (Keep watching boards)

Thank you everyone for your continued support and as always, we look forward to seeing you.



Corfe Castle Primary School



The sun is shining over our beautiful school at the moment and the children are enjoying eating their lunch outside. We are so lucky to have such lovely grounds. I love watching the children play on the school field as the steam train glides past- it really is a special place to work!

The children had a wonderful time celebrating the Queen's jubilee. We played games on the school field and had a tea party in the glorious sunshine. The children also received commemorative mugs which were very kindly given out by the Jubilee committee. We thank everybody who was involved in the committee for making this a success. We thoroughly enjoyed creating our artwork for the front of the school collectively and really loved being part of the community celebrations. Some of the children had written poems and created art work as part of our celebrations.

**Date for your diary:**

The school Summer Fair is being held on **Friday 15th July at 3:15pm** to raise funds for the PTFA and the whole community is invited. Come on down for traditional games, stalls and of course the big raffle draw! Raffle tickets available through the school and PTFA. We look forward to seeing you there.



**Thank you for all your continuing support- Miss Amy Scott (Headteacher) and the whole team at Corfe Castle Primary School**

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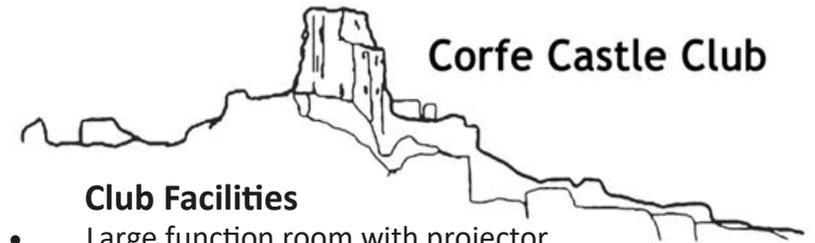
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Poker Night: Wed. 8.30pm  
One Card Bingo: Fri. 8.30pm  
Beer/Meat Draw: Sat. evening  
One Card Bingo: Sun 1.00pm

## Forthcoming Events

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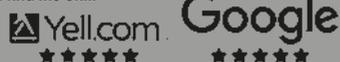
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## Corfe Castle Village Hall

### general news:

Thanks to all those who attended the Village Hall Coffee Morning in June. £282.75 was raised for Village Hall funds.

The Village Hall CIO was delighted to assist in the Jubilee celebrations, displaying the fantastic poetry and art and hosting the prize-giving.

The 100 club draw is made at the Coffee Morning. In May the first prize of £20 was won by member 24, with member 39 getting second prize £10 and member 4 winning the third prize £5. If you would like to become one of the villagers support the local village hall in this way, please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.

### regular weekly events:

Monday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio
Monday evenings	Double Act
Monday evenings	Purbeck Chess (from Sept)
Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday afternoons	Children's Gymnastics
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Purbeck Crafts
Wednesday mornings	Pilates
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
Wednesday evenings	Pilates
Thursday mornings	Silver Swans adult ballet
Thursday evenings	Cubs
Thursday evenings	Alcoholics Anonymous
Friday mornings	Pilates
Friday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio

### regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning	VH Coffee Morning
1st Sunday all day	Antiques Fair
1st Tuesday afternoon	Aquarius
1st Thursday evening	Gardening Club
2nd Monday evening	Parish Council
3rd Wednesday morning	Carers' Support (P Jones)
4th Thursday morning	CC Carers Time

### New adult ballet class

Natasha Tobin joins us every Thursday morning from 10am to teach the Royal Academy of Dance's "Silver Swans" ballet classes for people aged over-50. These classes are ideal for beginners and returners to dance. They're a creative, fun and an inspiring way of staying fit, while developing your expressive movement and performance skills. Classes start 7th July.

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## CORFE VALLEY NEWS

## CALENDAR for JULY 2022

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

If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know.

3	July	Sunday	5pm	Luckley House School fundraising concert at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Swanage
5	July	Tuesday		Aquarius Summer Picnic Lunch at Scoles Manor
9	July	Saturday	2.30 – 5pm	Steeple Manor open gardens
9	July	Saturday		Gardening Club - share our gardens and get together for members.
11	July	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting in the Corfe Castle Village Hall
12	July	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council meeting in Church Knowle village hall.
15	July	Friday	3.15 pm	School Summer Fair
16	July	Saturday	12noon – 6pm	Corfe Castle Pre-school Summer Fair on the West Street sports field
21	July	Thursday	2.30pm	Gardening Club outing to NGS garden The Hollow in Swanage
21	July	Thursday	7.30pm	Parish Council Environment Group meeting in Mortons Manor

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

2	August	Tuesday	2 pm	Aquarius Queen Elizabeth II memorabilia
6	August	Saturday	2pm	Three Parishes Fete – Church Knowle
7	August	Sunday	2 – 4pm	Christmas Festivities Garden party at Larkrise, 43 West Street Corfe Castle
8	August	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting in the Corfe Castle Village Hall
9	August	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council meeting in Furzebrook village hall.
11	August	Thursday	12 noon – 4pm	St Edwards village fete on the church lawns.
29	August	Monday	12 noon	Harmans Cross Field Day
1 – 4	September	Thursday – Sunday		Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival
6	September	Tuesday	2 pm	Aquarius Talk – Volunteering at Marwell Zoo by Richard Cook
17	September	Saturday		St Edwards Coffee Morning – Corfe Castle Village Hall
14	October	Friday	6pm	AGM Church Knowle Village Hall
26	November	Saturday		Purbeck Arts Choir Concert

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**Benefice Administrator: Katie Curtis St George's Church, Langton Matravers BH19 3HZ 01929 427822** *office@purbeckbenefice.plus.com*

**(NB Katie is currently working from home, but is contactable by email above during office hours)**

**Enquiries for Baptisms / Weddings / Funerals / Banns - contact Benefice Office and for the Corfe Valley parishes contact Ian Jackson**

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### **The Reverend Anne Bond writes**

Before the 1950s the idea that Britain could be regarded as a multi-cultural society was unthinkable, Romans, Saxons, Vikings, Picts and Celts having been consigned firmly to History. But the Windrush bringing British immigrants from the Commonwealth ushered new blood into this country, followed by more immigrants from the EU, many from Eastern Europe, Asia,

and most recently from Africa – so that now, well into this 21<sup>st</sup> century, we are about as multicultural as you can get. No wonder people suffering intolerable conditions under totalitarian governments, or the ravages of war, see this country as a place of safety. We should be proud of that fact.

Broadly speaking, this is a Christian country. Approximately 3,500 years ago Moses wrote ‘Do not oppress the alien in your midst’ (‘alien’ meaning foreign immigrant rather than a being from outer space), advice which threads itself persistently through both Old and New Testaments of the Bible. But for us there are two problems: firstly how to establish a safe, legal, inexpensive and well-publicised way for ‘aliens’ to get here avoiding the illegal, perilous route across the English Channel in an overcrowded dinghy, hopefully thus putting people smugglers out of business; and secondly, we are a relatively small island with limited space. This second may well eventually solve itself in the natural to-and-fro movements of emigration of a proportion of our population; but it may also depend to a certain extent on successfully eliminating the inhuman crime of people smuggling.

Before Brexit, we relied on ‘The alien in our midst’ for the smooth running of the NHS and most of the public services on which we rely. Now that many of them have gone back home, there are plenty of jobs – but not enough of our own indigenous population to fill them. Russia’s war on Ukraine has not helped, unavoidably bringing with it economic slump caused by consequent ludicrously high prices for some of the various essentials of life due to shortages of supplies and difficulties in delivery.

But how dare I grumble? My home has not been reduced to rubble, I have not had to flee for my life leaving behind husband and sons to fight, I don’t have to watch from afar as the President of my country stands heroically against the brutality of the insane bully next door. Nor am I in the position of Babushka Z, the Ukrainian grandmother living on the Ukrainian/Russia border who innocently believes (because she has no way of knowing better) Putin’s claim that Russia is freeing Ukraine from Nazi influence, and consequently now finds herself regarded in Ukraine as a traitor.

Appalling and heart-breaking as is the plight of Ukrainians, and eager as we are to help them, we should not forget they are not the only people who are desperate to find safety in this country. It is easy for us to empathise with the people of Ukraine because their way of life is very similar to our own. However, there are many people from countries whose culture, climate, and terrain is very different to ours, who are equally desperate to escape mortal danger, terrible living conditions, the mental stress of never feeling safe and of living in constant fear from the wicked injustices of corrupt government. These are those who, when their endurance runs out, become the victims of people smugglers. It should surely be not beyond the wit of our Parliament to

formulate a system of safe conduct by sea from the European mainland to Britain. Or from certain international airports to Britain. Thousands of British pounds have been willingly given to aid Ukraine; we Brits have generous hearts, and would, I am sure, give equally generously to an organisation dedicated to stopping the tragic deaths of families often including children, and putting people smugglers out of business.

Until that comes to pass, we as individuals can do little but pray. Praying is both the least we can do, and the most.

With love, Anne

### **Bible Readings - July 2022**

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity Isaiah 66: 10-14 Galatians 6: 7-16 Luke 10: 1-11; 16-20
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Deuteronomy 30: 9-14 Colossians 1: 1-14 Luke 10: 25-37
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Genesis 18: 1-10a Colossians 1: 15-28 Luke 10: 38-end
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Genesis 18: 20-32 Colossians 2: 6-15 Luke 11: 1-13
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14, and 18-23 Colossians 3: 1-11 Luke 12: 13-21

### **Sunday Services in July**

**At Steeple:** 9.30 am Holy Communion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.

**At Corfe Castle:** Holy Communion service each Sunday at 10.30 am with hymns, apart from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month when the service is Morning Worship with hymns, prayers, readings and reflections.

**At Kimmeridge,** a Communion service will be held at 9 am on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of July, August, and September; the first will be on 24<sup>th</sup> July.

**On Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup> - as it is the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in the month – there will be one morning service in the Corfe Valley Parishes, and this will be at Church Knowle at 10.30am.** This will be a communion service; there will be no morning service at Corfe Castle on this day.

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- ❖ Hope to see you there!

## Pioneer view

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the July Pioneer view. In this month's article I will be reflecting on some of our experiences at the Corfe Mullen Carnival. We took this photo below of our stall.



It was a great day at the carnival. Been at the carnival gave us a significant space to meet people and in many cases lend a listening ear to hear their stories and experiences. Having a stall at the carnival really does open doors as well as providing an opportunity to offer help and support. There is something about been more visible and available to people. Some of the themes that emerged from our conversations included:

- Feeling lonely
- Recent loss of a loved one
- “Don’t feel I belong anywhere”
- Family members with a diagnosis of dementia looking for support
- Feeling isolated

A person can feel very lonely in a crowd and simply offering a listening ear and a form of radical hospitality is a step in the right direction.

A quote to ponder:

“There is no hospitality like understanding.” – Vanna Bonta

Go well

Peter

## THE SQUARE AT CORFE 150 YEARS AGO

Modern dwellers in Corfe may be interested in all account of the Square written in the 1870's by C.E Robinson in his rare book, "The Royal Warren". He was staying at the Bankes Arms.

“Cockcrow still calls people in Corfe Castle Town out of their comfortable beds to an early breakfast, with appetites whetted by a keen morning and not dulled by a pernicious late-night dinner. The dawning light comes less and less palely through the clean dimity curtains draped across our bedroom window. Now is heard the opening and shutting of cottage doors and the clink of hob-nailed boots as the labourers leave one by one for a day's work in the fields.

A noise of brooms, a ringing clatter of plates and tip stamps the stair rosy-cheeked Betty with a can of cold water. Then a timid knock and a quavering 'Seven o'clock. Sir, and breakfast is nearly ready'. The latter is confirmed by a frizzling noise as of the frying of big rashers of bacon. Up and back with the curtains. Let the light in and look from the window on the Market. Place. This a Market Place? And yet as confined a space has been the centre of a well-known state. Now, as in other small towns, the Market in Corfe has fallen into utter disuse. It is said that the Railways have put an end to all markets.

"Having exhausted nearly all the sights of Corfe, let us now leave the Moscow of Purbeck for the Petersburg of Swanage. Bright, seaside Swanage.

"A rumble, a clatter, flickering whips, clamouring voices and the sound of feet stamping along the stone-paved passage inform us that the Swanage coach has come in. And sure enough there it is at the door of the Inn with two sorry roans all trembling and the single dusty traveler treating the Coachman to a drop of beer at the bar. 'Three minutes are enough to unearth Her Majesty's Mail Bag, the contents of which would easily go into a tall hat, to pile our luggage in a very shaky pyramid on top of the bagman's and to take our seats on the high box. But we don't go away so sharply after all. One of the horses, poor thing, has a sore collar and having cooled in standing is determined to jib when called upon to go. Whips and prods with sticks are to no purpose. The populace, consisting of all the small boys not at school, gather round. Half a dozen of them to each wheel push the clumsy vehicle forward a quarter of a yard, but still the stubborn quadruped makes no move. At last a man goes to its head, the crowd pulls the wheels backward, the

driver lays on a shower of blows, and off we go ten miles an hour, up the hill amid shrieks front a pig, which is being hauled along by a rope to some hidden place of execution. Two such incidents as these make a very stirring day for the inhabitants of Corfe.”

Writing some 30 years later at the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, Sir Frederick Treves calls the village 'Ancient. and grey, a dim mumbling place of tales' and he quotes Hutchins as saying that the “inhabitants were of a supine disposition with it a propensity to idleness. The appearance of misery in the town is only too obvious.”

Perhaps the 'good old days' were not so good!

Please note that Hutchins' poor opinion of Corfe inhabitants is not mine!

Paul Randal

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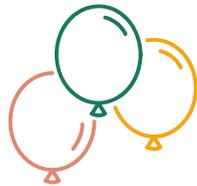
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The Garden Club took a break from its regular meeting in early June as Jubilee events in the Village were in full swing for all to enjoy. Some of our members have been doing some quiet work behind the scenes, keeping the gardens around the loos in the car park area neat and tidy. We also arranged a short outing to visit a commercial nursey in West Parley. We enjoyed a fabulous behind the scenes tour and learnt a lot about the logistics, economics and horticultural skills needed to provide all the year-round planters and hanging baskets for garden centres and other outlets. Let's put it this way we all went away with a much higher appreciation of the effort that goes into something that we all take for granted.

In July we are hoping to have a "sharing our gardens and get together event" for members on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> and then another outing on 21<sup>st</sup> July starting 2.30 pm to the NGS garden The Hollow, 25, Newton Road, Swanage. We will get a talk from the owner about her beautiful and intriguing sunken garden. The garden has an exceptional richness and arrangement of colour and textures and contains a wide variety of insect friendly plants. Admission £4.00 per person. This is a self-drive trip, but parking is available in the road.

Gerry Stoker

### Jubilee Thanks

Corfe Castle Club would like to thank the sponsors of our very successful Beer Festival held during the Jubilee weekend, they were:

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and LWC Drinks Ltd

A special thanks goes to Crocks Alive (Just) for a very entertaining afternoon and to everyone who worked to make it a success as well as all those who attended.

A vote of thanks from Corfe Castle residents to the untiring efforts of the Platinum Jubilee committee for all their hard work in giving us a wonderful celebration to remember. Robin Swaine would be proud of you all.

Best wishes,

Carole Lehman



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### Bonfires

Bonfire's, while in no way being illegal within this parish, can be a nuisance to neighbours. If having a bonfire do take account of the wind direction and the effect it may have on the neighbours with the smoke blowing their way. Also

avoid having bonfires later at night and in hot weather where sparks may cause fires and where people like to have their windows open to keep cool.

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### **Harmans Cross flower show**

Harmans Cross Flower & Produce Show is a big part of Harmans Cross Field Day on August Bank Holiday Monday every year. After a two year gap we're back! Anyone can enter any of the classes which include: Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Floral Display, Home Produce, Arts & Crafts and Children's sections. Schedules will soon be available – on Harmans Cross Village Hall website and printed copies. So get growing, sewing & making! For more info – Bob Hollister 480870, Jane Ellwood 481129, Helen Selby 481562, Gill Gould 424997, Judy Robson 781033.

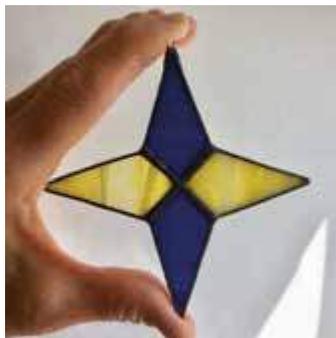
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### **STARS FOR UKRAINE Update**

#### **Good News**

At the time of writing this we have raised more than £3,000 which has been forwarded to the Disasters Emergency Committee.

My thanks to everyone who is helping.



#### **Incredible News**

One of the Stars has made its way to New York City and I have received an email requesting my permission for an image of the Star to be used “TO DECORATE THE COVER OF A GUIDE BOOK THAT WELCOMES UKRAINIAN WOMEN TO THE US AND DEMYSTIFIES SOME OF THE CULTURAL NORMS THAT MAY BE NEW TO THEM”

This guide book is being produced by a national, voluntary initiative “The Afghan Women Project” which is being expanded to include Ukrainian Women. I have, of course given my permission and have asked that the credit should be Tessa Somerville Corfe Castle UK.

Although there is no finance involved it should be possible to use this to generate publicity here.

The Stars are available at The Sweet Shop and the Box of Delights in The Square and at the Picture Framing Shop in South Street Wareham.

tessa@somervilemoll.co.uk

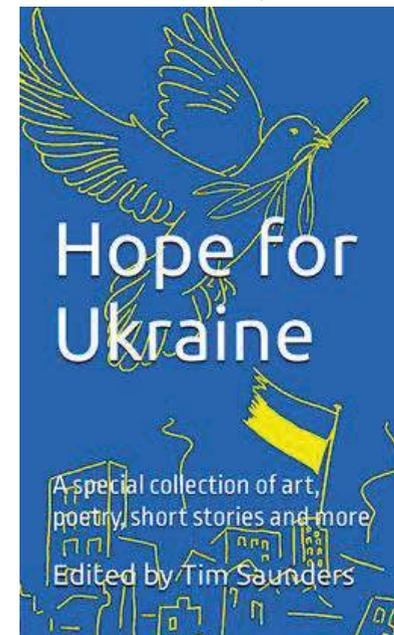
### **New Book on Ukraine**

The work of eight Dorset contributors has been published in a new charity book of poetry and short stories celebrating Ukraine.

All the proceeds from the sale of *Hope for Ukraine* published by Tim Saunders Publications are being donated to the Sunflower of Peace Foundation, a non-profit organization committed to helping Ukrainians affected by the horrific invasion. This organisation provides medical and humanitarian aid and helps paramedics and doctors in the areas affected by the violence in Ukraine.

“Publishing this book is the best way that I can help Ukraine,” says publisher Tim Saunders. “Words are extremely powerful. Positive words even more so. It took me a while to decide what I could do to help and did consider other fundraising initiatives but for me nothing was as powerful as art and literature. Then I thought about how many of us in the west are guilty of taking hope and freedom for granted. These two themes have become the focus of this book. I have been overwhelmed by the interest in this publication from the media as well as from poets, writers and artists.”

The work of over 40 contributors from across the United Kingdom, Ireland and Australia has been published in *Hope for Ukraine*, which is available as an ebook and paperback from Amazon.



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### **Young People Fundraising For Ukraine** **3rd July - Emmanuel Baptist Church**

On Sunday 3rd July you can enjoy the Chamber Choir and Wind Ensemble of Luckley House School from Berkshire, at 5pm in Emmanuel Baptist Church, 160 Victoria Avenue, Swanage. They are raising money to help Ukrainians, by performing pieces by Grieg, Bizet, and Tchaikovsky. The Chamber Choir will present choral music from Rutter to the Beatles.

Free entry with donations towards Ukrainian relief funds.

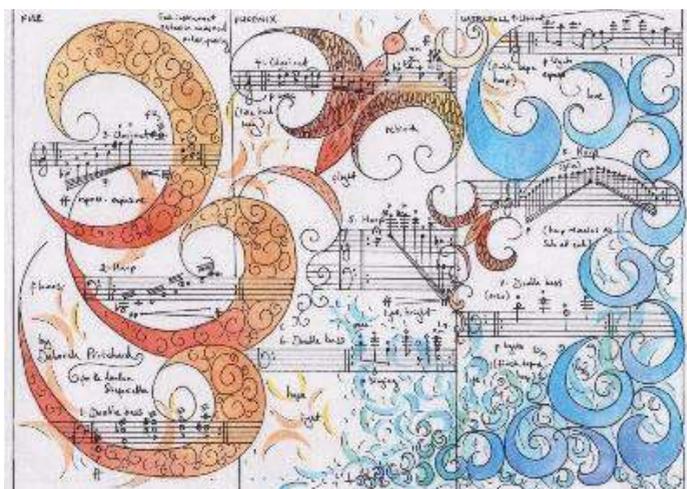
There are now a few Ukrainian families, staying with local host families. If you wish to volunteer in any way (eg transport,) or become involved, or even consider becoming a host family, please contact Purbeck Connect Ukraine by emailing [purbeckconnectukraine@gmail.com](mailto:purbeckconnectukraine@gmail.com) All support is welcome.



We are delighted to share with you the programme of the 2022 Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival and our newly refreshed website.

Head over to [Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival](#) to discover how artistic director Natalie Clein has pulled together a fantastic team of artists to enchant the many beautiful venues around the Isle of Purbeck and beyond.

From Lulworth to Dorchester, Studland to Worth Matravers, we are hoping to tempt you with beloved staples of chamber music by Schumann, Bach and Brahms.



This year's theme is **Freedom**. It will take you to discover Composer Deborah Pritchard's world of music and images and improvisations by Europe's leading performers. See the website for an example of Deborah's

remarkably colourful representation of music. In this case her graphic score for *Fire, Phoenix, Waterfall*.

Performing with pianist Cedric Pescia who will be playing in Purbeck in September, the concert features firm favourites Schubert's Arpeggione Sonata and Brahms Cello Sonata Op.99

We hope to see you at one of our concerts between 1 - 4 September. [Tickets and festival passes are on sale now.](#)

### Royal Voluntary Service 'Royal Knitting' Display in Dorset Libraries

Earlier this year we started our 'Royal Knitting' Project, inviting people to knit and craft items to celebrate HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, publicising it across Dorset and BCP. We have done similar projects before, but this one was special as HM The Queen is Royal Voluntary Service's patron. We have had some beautiful items coming in, made and donated by RVS volunteers and



clients, and people out in the community who have this special talent and wanted to be part of this celebration. We would like to thank everybody who has so kindly and generously contributed to our project. We are currently setting up our display at Dorchester Library & Learning Centre, and it will then 'tour' a number of Dorset Libraries before the items will be sold to raise money for Royal Voluntary Service

in Dorset and BCP. We are hoping to promote the Home Library Service at the

same time, which is provided by Dorset and BCP Library Services and delivered by RVS volunteers free of charge to anybody who cannot easily get to the library; books and talking books are chosen for each person individually according to their personal preferences and delivered every 3 weeks, combining the provision of new and interesting reading materials with a regular visit by a trusted volunteer.



For more information on 'Royal Knitting' or the Home Library Service, please contact Maria Jacobson, RVS Service Manager Dorset and BCP Home Library Service, on 01305 236666 or e-mail

[maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk](mailto:maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk).

## The Jubilee Songs

In spite of the best endeavours of the Corfe Castle Jubilee Choir, not everyone will have heard all the words of the two songs sung at the lighting of the beacon on Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, and some people were unable to be there. Here are the **words of both songs.**

### **A Life Lived With Grace** *(the official Commonwealth Platinum Jubilee Song)*

*Words by Lucy Kiely of Australia, set to music by Vincent Atueyi Chinemelu of Nigeria*

When the world has turned to darkness, and there's troubled seas ahead,  
There's a light that leads the ship back home to shore.  
A life lived with grace, a heart filled with love,  
Peace on earth, and harmony in the heavens above.

When the day is slowly breaking and the dawn can't find its way  
There's a sun that shines upon the world heralding a brand new day.  
A life lived with grace, a heart filled with love,  
Peace on earth, and harmony in the heavens above.

When the night has come a-calling and the daylight starts to fade,  
There's a reason why the world rejoices, singing all as one today.  
A life lived with grace, a heart filled with love,  
Peace on earth, and harmony in the heavens above.

### **Here's A Health Unto Her Majesty** *(Corfe Castle's extra contribution!)*

*Words (mostly) by David Kemp, music attributed to John Savile, 17<sup>th</sup> century*

Here's a health unto Her Majesty  
Fa la la la la la la la.  
As we toast her platinum jubilee.  
Fa la la la la la la la.  
She's put the Empire on the shelf;  
We're now within the Commonwealth,  
And for this we thank the Queen herself.  
Fa la la la la la la la la la, Fa la la la la la la la.

With the longest reign there's ever been,  
Fa la la la la la la la.  
We salute Elizabeth our Queen.  
Fa la la la la la la la.

And so we sing with all the host,  
Please raise a glass from coast to coast,  
And join us in this record toast!  
Fa la la la la la la la la la, Fa la la la la la la la.

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## **Swanage Linking Lives & Purbeck Good Neighbours working together to Support the Local Community**



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## Kimmeridge News

### **A Double Celebration for the Platinum Jubilee**

We had two days of very special events in Kimmeridge over the Platinum Jubilee. On the Thursday night we had a BBQ & lighting of a splendid Jubilee Bonfire down at the Bay attended by lots of locals & visitors. The next day, though, was our Double Celebration. As well as celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee we also had the Official Opening of our new Playground! The honour of cutting the red ribbon went to Dr Philip Mansel, but the honour of giving the swings & slide a true christening went to the children of Kimmeridge! We had a splendid tea party with excellent cakes & Pimms as well. There were prizes for the best cakes and the best Crowns. Many thanks to Rose Clarke and all the Village Committee and the many volunteers who made this such a splendid and memorable occasion.



Dr Philip Mansel declaring the Kimmeridge Playground open



Our Village Committee Chairman, Nick Ford, trying his skill on the very popular Bottle Stall

### **Kimmeridge Coastguard**

Our Kimmeridge Coastguard Volunteers have been busy this month with rescues along the coast. We also welcome another new recruit, Joel to join our team. In June the Team received their Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medals which recognise the contribution of our emergency services.

### **Kimmeridge Church**

As an experiment, we will be re-starting Services in Kimmeridge Church over the summer. The plan is to have a Communion Service at 9.00am on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month in July, August & September.

**Steve & Helen Earwicker**



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## News from Harmans Cross Village Hall

### FETE AND SHOW – BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 29 AUGUST

Greetings again from Harmans Cross Village Hall. As we move into summer, the team in Harmans Cross are busy with planning and preparation for our big Bank Holiday Fete, and this year we will have the Flower and Produce Show back. Entries are now welcome for that – there are 155 categories in total so plenty for everyone. All the details of the Show and Entry Forms are available on the website at <https://www.harmancrosshall.co.uk/Annual-Field-Day-Fayre/> or will be available from Foleys Garage on Valley Road.

The Fete itself will have loads of fantastic attractions with plenty for everyone to enjoy. The amazing Tuba Libres will be back with their unique musical repertoire, together with the ever-popular Jamie Jigsaw. There will be a dog display, and our children's martial arts group will be demonstrating their skills.

There will be stalls aplenty with plants, local arts and crafts and all manner of everything available. We will also have our 'pre-loved' stalls of jewellery, handbags, scarves, book and bric-a-brac – donations of these are welcomed – please message Richard at [Richard.purchase@btinternet.com](mailto:Richard.purchase@btinternet.com) or call/leave a message on 01929 481652 to arrange drop off or pick up.

Refreshments will be available from the café, selling sandwiches, homemade cakes and cream teas as well as tea, coffee and soft drinks. The bar will be open selling craft beer, Pimms, prosecco and more, and the BBQ will be going with burgers and sausages. And the Purbeck ice cream van will be onsite again ...!!

All of the above for an entry price of just £2 per adult, with children under 16 coming in free, and free parking as well !!

The whole event cannot happen without our amazing helpers so please get involved – we offer free refreshments, a great atmosphere, our gratitude and a free helpers party as a big thank you. Please contact Richard if you can offer your time at all, or have 'pre-loved' treasures looking for a new forever home.

### MOVIE NIGHTS

Between now and the Fete, we are showing two fantastic films at the Hall .....

### BELFAST – TUESDAY 12 JULY

Writer-director Kenneth Branagh tells a semi-autobiographical story about growing up during the Troubles. It's 1969 and North Belfast urchin, Buddy

(Jude Hill), is obsessed with football, dragons, comics and his brainy, dainty classmate, Catherine.

Buddy's family live in a "mixed" neighbourhood and our hero is playing in the street outside his house, when suddenly Protestant gangsters march through and smash every Catholic household's windows, rip up the paving stones, and drive everyone, Catholic and Protestant alike to refuge. Soon the British Army is setting up occupation of the street, as the neighbours help each other, and Hill's immense extended family, presided over by grandfather Ciarán Hinds and grandmother Judi Dench seem to take everything in stride. A loyalist enforcer then demands that Buddy's father (Jamie Dornan) either "join the Catholic-bashing or face terrifying retribution".

While full of (cracking) jokes, Belfast is incredibly tense. What's taking place is ethnic cleansing and what makes it so confounding is that the lovely, Protestant families on Buddy's street are complicit in the process.

### JAMES BOND – NO TIME TO DIE – TUESDAY 9 AUGUST

Just my opinion, but I think this is one of the best Bond films ever, and a fitting end to the Daniel Craig era. Bond has left active service and is enjoying a tranquil life in Jamaica. His peace is short-lived when his old friend Felix Leiter from the CIA turns up asking for help. The mission to rescue a kidnapped scientist turns out to be far more treacherous than expected, leading Bond onto the trail of a mysterious villain armed with dangerous new technology. Our new sound and projection system will make this a real cinema experience.

That's all for now everyone – thank you for reading and look forward to seeing you at the Hall over the summer.

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Following the last 2 years of restrictions Dorset Wildlife Trust is pleased to launch its summer 2022 events programme, see <https://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/events> for details. In late July the National Marine Weeks event returns with a series of local activities starting from the Kimmeridge Wild Seas Centre, most of which are FREE. These are as follows.

**Sat 23rd and Sun 24th July, 11am - 3pm, Kimmeridge Bay LIVE!** Drop in its FREE. A state-of-the-art underwater video camera will be deployed in the bay sending live footage to a screen in the centre. Weather & sea conditions dependent.

**Mon 25th July, 11am - 3pm, NWDW Dolphin Watch,** Drop in its FREE. Cliff-top dolphin survey for National Whale and Dolphin Watch + displays in centre (bones etc.)

**Sun 31st July, 2pm - 3.30pm, Rockpool Ramble,** £5 adult, £3 child, Join us at the best rock pooling site in Dorset. Booking Essential 01929 481044. Weather dependent.

**Mon 1st August, 2.30pm - 4pm, Eco-crabbing,** £7 per child. Learn how to catch crabs without harming them. Booking Essential 01929 481044, includes crab kit, bait & equipment. See crabbing code below.

**Wed 3rd August, 11am - 4pm, Plankton Day,** Drop in its FREE Donation welcome. Use our microscopes to discover the bizarre micro-world of plankton.

**Sat 6<sup>th</sup>/Sun 7th Aug, 11am - 3pm, Kimmeridge Bay LIVE,** Drop in its FREE. A state-of-the-art underwater video camera will be deployed in the bay sending live footage to the centre. Weather & sea conditions dependent.

#### **Corkwing wrasse nesting**

Out in the bay male corkwing wrasse are busy collecting seaweed scraps with which they build a nest. Using courtship display they entice females (often more than 1) to lay eggs in this, & then fertilise the eggs before covering them with more seaweed. The females play no more part leaving the male to

vigorously guard the eggs from predators until the fry hatch. The normally shy males become quite bold at this time, and ward off any attempts to raid the nest.

#### **Crabbers Code – How to go Eco Crabbing**

Use a net bag not a hook, which can get caught in the mouths of fish & in people's fingers! If you only have a hook ask at the centre & we will swap it for a bag FREE of charge. Take your own bait, anything smelly such as bacon, cheese or a bit of your packed lunch. Do not use wildlife such as limpets as bait. Use a large bucket & fill with cool sea water. When lifting crabs out of water on crab line keep low so if they fall off they won't crack their shells.

Once you have caught your crab keep water shaded with seaweed, especially important on a hot day. Refresh water frequently, every 10 minutes or so to prevent animals suffocating from lack of oxygen. Do not put big crabs with little crabs as they will fight & you may need to remove one of them. Handle crabs very carefully, they can easily fall and crack shells or lose limbs. Do not keep out of water for more than 1 minute. Only put a maximum of 3 small crabs in 1 bucket. Do Have Fun.

We look forward to seeing you at Kimmeridge this summer.

**Dan Bartlett,**

**Wild Seas Centre Assistant**

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## The Bell Ringer

By Keith Fullbrook

Jean Paul rose from his desk walked across the room and peered out of the rain soaked window that overlooked the Seine. From his view point he could see the local populace scurrying for shelter from the torrential rain that was coming down like stair rods.

He sipped from his cup of coffee, took out a cigarette, lit it and inhaled deeply.

He was a reporter for a local Paris newspaper and had been pressured by his editor to get a story that had a good public interest. He had covered the usual births, deaths and marriages but was struggling to get a good story. It was then he heard the bells tolling from Notre Dame. It was unusual for the bells at that time of the day, so he decided to investigate.

He made his way to the cathedral through the pouring rain and on arrival spoke to the resident priest, who informed him that about a month ago a man who did not give his name had asked for sanctuary, and since that time had taken up residence in the belfry, where he would ring the bells for no apparent reason. He was asked to stop but refused and continued to do so. Having received permission from the priest Jean climbed to the top of the cathedral and, on entering the belfry, was surprised to see a small man with a hunchback, bulging eyes and a face that looked like he had been in several fights sitting astride one of the rafters.

“Who are you?” Jean asked, he did not reply but stared back with his bulging eyes and smiled. Once again Jean said “What is your name?”, still no reply but this time the man laughed hysterically and leapt from one rafter to another before jumping onto one of the bells, swinging back and forth and ringing the bell. He then leapt from that bell to another but this time hitting his face against it causing the bell to ring. Jean winced and decided to leave and made his way back down and returned to his office to write what little story he had.

Over the next few days Jean kept returning to the cathedral to interview the man but each time it was always the same result, no comment. He decided to make one last attempt and the next day he returned to the cathedral to try and interview this strange little man, but on his arrival the police were on scene and a large group of people had gathered outside. The police inspector in charge knew Jean and invited him inside where on the floor lay a body covered by a blanket. It appeared that whilst jumping from the rafters the man had slipped and fallen to his death.

The inspector asked Jean if he could identify the body and pulling back the cover said, “Do you recognise him?” Jean looked at the broken body and the mans twisted face and said

“His face rings a bell”.

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Gates will open at 11am and entry will be £4 for adults and £2.50 for children up to 12 years old. All money raised from the event will go towards the rescue animals in their care and make a big difference to a local charity.



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### Regular events in Corfe Castle & environs

	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
<b>MONDAY</b>			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	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
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
<b>TUESDAY</b>			
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	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
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			
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	7-9pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
<b>THURSDAY</b>			
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
2nd	7 pm	CC Environment Gp	By Zoom
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
<b>FRIDAY</b>			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
<b>SATURDAY</b>			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee Morning	C C Village Hall
<b>SUNDAY</b>			
Each	1.00pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club

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