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## Editorial

Thank you to everyone who has responded to our request for help with our finances. As a result of our plea for help in the June edition both people and organisations have come forward and I can now report that our finances are looking much healthier. Of course, we still need our regular income so if you have not done so, please consider returning the envelope, which was in the June edition, with a contribution in it. Alternatively, if you do internet banking you can use BACS to Corfe Valley News, sort code 30-99-12 account 00864273.

It is with huge regret I have to report the death of John Courtney who was our treasurer for many years. John died at his home in Yeovil on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of June. He had moved to Yeovil a year ago but still visited Corfe regularly. There is an obituary by his daughter in the notices and thanks section of this edition. There is a thanksgiving service on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 2.30pm in St Edwards. All are welcome.

Stephen

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(There are more in the middle of the magazine)

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## JUNE 2023 FOR CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

**Annual Parish Meeting:** Another year and another Annual Parish Meeting has taken place. Turnout this year was a little disappointing, but maybe we can take this as a positive sign and that you think the Parish Council is working as you would wish? However, the Parish Council see the Annual Parish Meeting as a way for you the residents, to talk Face to Face with your local Councillors, not only to voice what you think the Parish Council has done wrong or where it could make improvements, but to have your say on what area or facilities you would like to see the Parish Council develop next year. Next year's format will be very similar to previous years, in that there will be a couple of local groups / organisations giving a quick 5-minute talk, however next year you can sit and listen whilst enjoying a nice refreshment or two!

**Correspondence with the Parish Council:** There was once a time when the Parish Council had a notice on their website stating, if you contacted the Parish Council, you had to assume your correspondence and any personal details contained would be forwarded to relevant parties, I can hear the screams now! Times have changed and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) now states that your personal details must not be shared with anyone or stored unless you give specific permission to share or store your data. Personal Data is not just your name, email address, phone number etc, it can be anything within the correspondence which identifies you. For example "my neighbour Mr XYZ", when Mr XZY only has one neighbour; or "my dog Fido" when Fido is not a common dog name! Although the Parish Council firmly follow the GDPR rules, please rest assured when you send correspondence to the Parish Council where permission is granted your message will be forwarded to the relevant people. Where permission has not been granted but is required to ensure the correspondence makes sense, permission will be sought, Finally the most common method practised is that where personal data can be redacted (blocked out) before forwarding, it will be removed.

**Illegal Rave:** The Parish Council is aware that the illegal rave held on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2023 caused upset to some residents for various reasons. In response to this the Parish Council contacted Dorset Police and asked someone attend the June meeting to explain what happened, and what measures are being put in place to stop this from happening again. Sergeant Simon Colvin from the Purbeck Neighbourhood Policing Team attended and explained the events as they unfolded and the Dorset Police procedures for dealing with such an event. Sgt Colvin has reassured us that although the illegal Rave has long since gone, the work behind the scene by the Criminal Investigations Department continues on the potentially criminal aspects.

The Council will be writing to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Dorset David Sidwick asking for a strategy to prevent future occurrences.

**Campaign:** Corfe Castle Parish Council will shortly be writing to Dorset Council to request, that Dorset Council underwrite the cost of an accessible and chargeable minibus which would act as a shuttle between Purbeck Park, the National Trust Car Park and the Village Centre. This is because the Council believes the proposed cycle and new pedestrian access is still years away. There would then be a reasonable alternative to parking at West Street and it might reduce the number of cars entering Corfe Castle trying to find parking when visiting Corfe Castle.

**Goat Path:** Over the last few months the National Trust has been keeping the Parish Council up to date with the deterioration of the "Goat Path" which runs along the Mound. The National Trust appreciate this is a public footpath and is working with Dorset Council to ensure the path remains in place, and safe to use. Due to the location of the path, it is not a simple fix, so both the National Trust and Dorset Council are looking into ways this path can be made safe to continue to use, whilst not disturbing any archaeology which may lay beneath.

**Planning application & Treework application update:** The following applications have been received by Corfe Castle Parish Council, for full details including proposed works please see the Dorset Council website:

**Application No:** P/LBC/2023/02107 & P/HOU/2023/02104, **Location:** 18 West Street, Kingston BH20 5LH. **Proposal:** Internal changes, with new iron downpipe on the exterior. **Recommend:** No objection, due to the drainpipe not being particularly visible

**Application No:** P/ADV/2023/02753, **Location:** The Castle Inn BH20 5EE **Proposal:** Replacement external signage and lighting, **Recommendation:** CCPC object as although the proposed signs seem sympathetic to the listed building and largely match what is already in place, the proposed change of colour from white to blue to the building is not sympathetic to the surrounding buildings or the street scene.

**Application No:** P/HOU/2023/01990, **Location:** 10 Halves Cottages, BH20 5EY, **Proposal:** Garage, Car Port & loft conversion. **Recommend** No objection. The project for the garage and car port fits neatly into the available space which is currently waste land or driveway. There are no overlooking windows from the neighbours. This could be considered overdevelopment however on site it looks OK. It will be the only house with third story dormer windows in the street; however, they are not obtrusive and do not overlook neighbours.

**Application No:** P/LBC/2023/03088; **Location:** Rempstone Hall; **Proposal:** Replacement windows. **Recommendation:** No objection. This application is to replace old, dilapidated metal windows with modern double glazed aluminium windows. It seems a very sensible solution which will improve the energy efficiency of Rempstone Hall.

**Application No:** P/TRC/2023/02878; **Location:** 108 West Street, BH20 5HE  
**Proposal:** G1 Hazel and purple leaf hazel - Coppice., T1 Beech - Reduce height by 3-4 metres. Reduce side by 2-3 metres retaining a natural flowing branch line. T2 Lime - Reduce lime to match the adjacent lime tree. T3 Cherry - Fell to ground level. Grind out resulting stump to a minimum of 200mm below ground level.  
**Recommendation:** No objection as a replacement tree will be planted to replace the felled Cherry Tree.

Full details for all planning applications can be found on the Dorset Council website, <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning>

**Next Council Meeting** – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023, at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter Room. To start the meeting is a public half hour, so please come and join us and have your say.

**Parish Council contact details:** *(Please remember to give permission for your details to be shared with Councillors)*

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### **To report a pothole**

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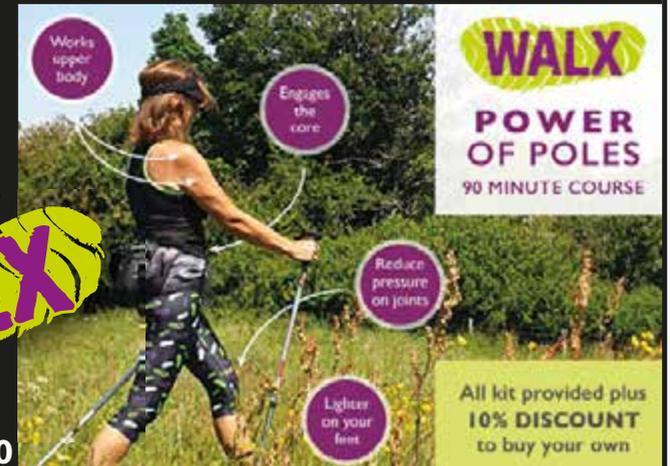
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# Environmental Group Update



## Recent Get-Together

In June we had an insightful session with Amanda, a Recycling Officer from Dorset Council. Amanda was very generous with her time, answering dozens of questions.

We're inspired to do more - it was clear that none of us were fully confident what can/can't be recycled in our roadside collections! It also became clear that there's a mine-field of information out there about what else can be recycled within the community and how. *Can you help Corfe lead the way in community recycling?*

## Next Get-Together

**Thurs 20th July; Mortons Manor. 7.15pm in the bar - 7.30pm start.**

No speaker confirmed at the time of print. Hoping it'll be a chance to find out more about the '20 is plenty' road traffic campaign and a Seed Circle update.

## Recycling Myth Busting / Top Tips

- Recycling is great but reducing the amount of waste you produce in the first place is even better! Try Dorset Council's Zero Waste Map to help
- Various community collections exist for dozens of hard-to-recycle items e.g.
  - Pens & pencils at Wareham Library (We've asked Corfe about starting!)
  - Take soft plastics (crisp/pasta packets, fruit punnet lids etc) to the Co-p
- A quick rinse of plastic food tubs is fine, no need to wash them thoroughly
- Try to bundle items under 5cm together - e.g. in an envelope. This stops small items literally falling through the system!
- Tetra Pak style cartons (Juice etc) = General waste collection, NOT recycling
- Tin foil / trays = General waste collection, NOT recycling
- Most shop receipts = General waste collection, NOT recycling
- Push beer bottle tops back on the bottle
- If still disposing of trigger spray bottles (rather than refilling), the trigger section is general waste (wrong plastic!), the bottle can be recycled
- There's a Litter Lotto app. You can win a cash prize for simply taking a picture of you putting your recycling in the bin

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

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## Church Knowle Parish Council - June Meeting

The June meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council took place in the Furzebrook Village Hall on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 6:30pm. It was attended by four members of the Council (Cllr Parker in the chair), the Dorset Councillor, Cherry Brookes and six members of the public.

The main items of interest in the meeting were:

### Planning

The applicant for P/FUL/2023/03016, Mr John Hole, presented his plans to create a new house from two cottages at Bradle Farm. He explained that this would enable him and his wife to move into this new house allowing him to pass over the main farmhouse to his son and his family to ensure continuity in the running of the farm. The construction will be of Purbeck stone and slate with as much of the existing material. The Council resolved to have No Objection to the application.

### Neighbourhood Plan

A meeting of the Steering Group will be called to replace the Chairman who has resigned and to take the Plan forward. The Parish Council remains committed to the Plan and will apply for more grant funding should this become available.

### Highways

#### **Speed Limit**

The application for a 20 mph speed limit was submitted some months ago and is being processed by Dorset Highways. Cllr Brookes said that the parked cars in Church Knowle meant that the road would likely be regarded as “self-regulated” which mean that a speed limit may be deemed unnecessary. However this still leaves the speed limit through Church Knowle Village and indeed throughout the parish as the National Speed Limit of 60 mph.

#### **Footpath 30**

There was discussion about the route of FP30 near Charmswell. It seems that the commonly used path is a “permissive path” which does not accord it the same protection as a statutory footpath. The landowner can withdraw the permission. The Council would therefore not support extinguishing the

statutory footpath at Charmswell as this would make a break in the public’s right to walk the route. This will be examined further at the next meeting.

### Tenders for Painting the Archive Container in the Church Knowle Village Hall Car Park.

Tenders are sought for spray painting the blue archive container in the Village Hall car park. The document can be downloaded from the website under Tenders or requested from the Clerk at [clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk).

### Presentation on Health and Wildlife Aspects of 5G Masts.

There will be a short presentation on the health effects and dangers to wildlife of the 5G masts being installed in the region. The inadequateness of these regulations is the subject of a judicial review.

### Vacancies on the Parish Council

Derek Burt was co-opted onto the Parish Council with a vote of three to one. As he was not present to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office a dispensation was agreed by the Council as per s83(4)(c) Local Government Act 1972 that he could sign this at a later date. This leaves three vacancies on the Parish Council and anyone wishing to join can email the Clerk at [clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk) or by post to Harry Warren House, Studland BH19 3AN

The June meeting finished at 8:18pm. The next meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council will be at the Church Knowle Village Hall at 6:30 on 11<sup>th</sup> July.



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## Springing into the National Trust!

By Cathy Lewis, Senior Marketing & Communications Officer

Starting any new job can be daunting, but when I began my role with the National Trust, I was straight in at the deep end! My job is to promote all the nature conservation work the Trust, our partners and local residents are doing in Purbeck. Here are some highlights from my first three weeks:

### **Springwatch shines a spotlight on Purbeck**

My first week began on 29 May – which coincided with the BBC’s filming of Springwatch in Purbeck! Presenter, Megan McCubbin, travelled across the area, meeting some of the organisations who are working together to protect and enhance the incredible wildlife here.



*Filming of Megan McCubbin talking to National Trust ecologist, David Brown.*

They visited Corfe Castle to present a story about the peregrine falcons that are nesting on the Keep (I won’t mention the ‘smashing’ time Megan had!). Another item about bats was filmed at Winspit – Purbeck is home to 15 of the 18 species of bat in the UK. They feed on insects, and roost in crevices in caves and old buildings, such as Corfe Castle (watch for them at dusk).

Two other sections

were filmed at the beach at Studland. One was about the sand dunes, where all six of the UK’s native reptiles can be found, including smooth snakes and sand lizards. The other was about the seagrass meadows, a precious habitat which is home to both the short-snouted and spiny seahorse.

So, what was my role in all this? I had to take photos, write posts for our social media channels, and even join other staff on ‘security’ duty –making sure people



*Brown long-eared bat  
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*Short-snouted seahorse*

didn’t walk into view when filming was raking place! And of course, I had to watch every show! If you missed any of the Springwatch episodes, you can catch up on iPlayer.

### **A countryside escape at Weston Farm**

In my second week, I was tasked with promoting the campsite at Weston Farm, Worth Matravers.

The site is re-opening under the Trust’s management at the end of July. This was a happy coincidence for me because I lived in Worth for many years – and was there when the campsite was first opened and run by the farm!

The new campsite will be on a much smaller scale, with only 60 pitches (10 of them being bell tents for hire). So there will be plenty of space for people to spread out and enjoy the tranquillity of the site, with panoramic views across fields and hedgerows to the sea.

The landscape around the campsite is rich in wildlife – which I remember well from when I used to walk my dog there every day. Skylarks sing from high above, swallows dart in and out of old buildings, and brown hares dance in the fields. As dusk falls on summer evenings, the track



*Campsite amidst unspoilt countryside*



*Brown hare ©National Trust Images/Rob Coleman*

down to Winspit is lit by twinkling glow-worms, and you often see ghostly barn owls swooping low over the grassland.

The site is part of a National Trust project to enhance these habitats, and work with our partners to build a bigger, better and more joined-up landscape across Purbeck where wildlife can spread and thrive.

Find out more about the campsite on [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/holidays/dorset/weston-farm-campsite](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/holidays/dorset/weston-farm-campsite).

I'm looking forward to learning more about the exciting nature conservation work that's happening here in Purbeck - I'll keep you informed!

Cathy

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### Corfe Castle Surgery

We have unfortunately said a goodbye to Sally, one of our Practice Nurses who has relocated to Italy. We had hoped that Sally would still be able to work with us remotely on a weekly basis, but this has not been possible, however she will come and help out as often as she can whilst being back in the UK.

Therefore, we are looking to recruit a phlebotomist/HCA, so if you know any one with the relevant experience that is looking for work in a wonderful team, please ask them to get in touch.

Emma and Jo are doing a fantastic job of keeping up with the demand but this means that their clinics are being booked into at least 2 weeks in advance This is a plea that if you cannot make an appointment time, please let us know as soon as possible because someone else may need an urgent appointment. Also please get here and be ready for your allotted time as at the time of writing this we have had 5 late arrivals out of 8 patients in one morning!

Due to donations made to the practice in the past we have just purchased a device called a Buzzy4shots this is to help the nurses to give pain free vaccinations to children, so thank you to all of those who have donated and hopefully the youngsters enjoy our new addition.

Kerry Norman  
Practice Manager

### Patient Participation Group

Many may not know that Corfe Surgery is one of 6 surgeries within the *Purbeck Primary Care Network*. The GP Surgeries meet on a regular basis working together to provide to us with the best services possible in our local area under the guidance of a PCN Clinical Director and a PCN Business manager.

The PCN has reported that the Purbeck Practices have had excellent results in a recent patient access survey (more details at a later stage )but they have warned that the National picture for Primary care is not good with over 3500 GPs leaving the profession in the last twelve months with a 20% increase in GP workload, therefore making recruitment very difficult in all areas. We are

indeed very lucky to be cared for by Dr Lepper and his excellent team in Corfe but it is important that we make best use of the whole surgery team not always expecting to see a doctor.

The PCN uses Facebook and its website as its main communication channels but is asking how best it can communicate with patients in our area - any ideas would be welcomed please. ([corfecastlesurgeryppg@gmail.com](mailto:corfecastlesurgeryppg@gmail.com))

Within the PPG we are delighted to restart our Health talks, thanks to Professor Howard Thomas, a PPG member, who has arranged for Mr James Kersey to visit the Village Hall in June to talk about common eye problems and on **July 13th at 7pm in the Village Hall** we will be welcoming Professor Jonathan Brown, a Consultant Gastroenterologist who will be talking about screening for conditions that affect our digestive tract, gallbladder, liver, bile ducts and pancreas. This should be an interesting talk and all are welcome to attend.

The PPG will be meeting with the Surgery team in early July so please let us know if there is anything you would like us to raise.

Please enjoy this wonderful sunshine we are having, keeping safe with plenty of fluids and sunscreen.

Maggie Hardy, PPG Chair

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As mentioned in last month's issue, 'Agatha Crusty and the Health Spa Murders' is now beginning to take shape. We will soon break for the summer holiday, and re-start rehearsals on Sunday and Monday evenings from September 4th.

We have met the redoubtable Agatha Crusty before: she solved the case of the Village Hall Murders (with not much help from the police!) in our production of 2017. This time the crime novelist and amateur detective has signed up for a relaxing spell at Seventh Heaven Health Spa to recharge her batteries and perhaps give inspiration for her latest book. Needless to say, things turn out rather differently, as the body count begins to rise! The health spa setting gives opportunities for plenty of humour and surprises, and the audience can also expect to see several new faces among the cast when the play is presented on November 23rd to 25th.

You will see more about our famed Murder Mystery Walks elsewhere in this edition of the CVN, so get your tickets soon for one of the Wednesday evening performances July 19th to August 16th.

Another date to note is the Barn Dance we are holding in Corfe Castle Village Hall on Friday October 27th. The excellent Arish Mel English Ceilidh Band will provide music and caller. Come and join us for a relaxed and entertaining evening!

**STOP PRESS:** Double Act now has a card reader, so our treasurer Emma Lacey can now accept payment for tickets or subscriptions by card, as well as on-line, cheques and cash.

If you would be interested in joining our friendly safe group or for more details, please contact the chairman, David Kemp 01929 480007, or secretary David Watson 01929 481265 - or email [doubleactdramagroup@gmail.com](mailto:doubleactdramagroup@gmail.com)

***New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome!***  
*All our meetings conform to relevant Covid restrictions.*





## Corfe Castle Primary School



As we enter the month of July, we suddenly find ourselves extremely busy preparing for the end of term production, sports day and leavers' assembly. You will have gauged that one of my main aims this year has been to re-engage with our community and re-build the links that this school once had. I am extremely grateful to you all out there who have supported these efforts, mentioning particularly our school PTFA and the Pre-School Committee who have worked tirelessly to design events in partnership with each other to fundraise for both of our settings - thank you!

With this in mind, I want to thank both the PTFA and Pre-School Committee for bringing the Summer Fair together on Saturday 10th June. We had bouncy castles, games, a tombola, raffle draws, a licensed bar, live music, wonderful food providers, different stall holders and some fluffy visitors from Longthorns Farm.



### Engagement with our community:

Our lower key stage 2 class were extremely lucky to work with Darrell Wakelam, an extraordinary artist who used just cardboard and simple materials to create some amazing bird sculptures. These were then displayed at Rollington Barn for Purbeck Arts Week. They have now returned to school and are displayed in our library.

We are very excited to announce that our Sports Day this year will be held in the grounds of Corfe Castle - I particularly want to thank Sophie Trenchard from the National Trust for supporting us in developing further links with both the castle and the Trust. We look forward to working more closely with the Trust as we move through the year.

The school vision: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

**Thank you for all your continuing support, Mr Robert Stoner (Acting Headteacher) and the whole team at Corfe Castle Primary School.**

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**6<sup>th</sup> June** Roger Hiron - The Plant Doctor. Roger gave an interesting and informative talk based on his vast knowledge and experience in the world of plants and horticulture. He talked about colour throughout the year in the garden and how to achieve a great colour scheme, plus some interesting facts on water butts, nature in the garden and hedgerow. With plenty of photos and a slide show, our members were certainly enthralled with the information given. A very interesting afternoon plus a lovely cup of tea and biscuit.

**4<sup>th</sup> July** Alan Neal ex head of Winfrith Nuclear Site. Radiation-Uses and Abuses. This will be a general interest-non-technical talk that looks at the earlier pioneers who discovered x rays and radioactivity. It will cover some of the early, often quirky uses (abuses?) of radiation. Also, modern uses and the paradox that radiation causes cancer but is also used to detect and treat/cure cancer, plus the myths associated with radiation.

**1<sup>st</sup> August** Summer BBQ at the village hall will be £5 per head. Members and families are invited. Please can you pay by bacs into Aquarius bank account or by cash to Denise at the July meeting. We need to know numbers please. Toby Woods will be bringing all the food for the event apart from desserts, which the committee will buy from Cooks. Their desserts are delicious. More information in the newsletter.

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## *News from The Castle*

Summer is in full flow now, the flowers are out, and alfresco dining is in!

Friday Nights are still fish nights, but during the children's holidays it is too busy to continue steak nights on Thursdays, we have therefore to suspend them until the autumn.

We are, however, hoping to 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.

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

## What was the village up to in Tudor Times?

Purbeck was still an agricultural economy in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. There was a strict limit on how many sheep you could have on the Downs. There was also a limit on how much peat could be dug for fuel and where the turves could be cut. The villagers of Corfe were allowed to cut the furze on The Common but no one else. Terms like housebote (wood allowed to a tenant to repair his house and for fuel), and hedgebote (allowance to a tenant of wood to repair his hedges or fences), were still used (remnants of Anglo-Saxon rule). There were still two Rangers policing the hunting throughout Purbeck. Any deer, hares or other game belonged to the castle and if you got caught with traps or dogs, you were fined.



This was the last century that a Constable was appointed to look after the castle as it was sold by Queen Elizabeth I in 1572 to Sir Christopher Hatton (pictured here). A bailiff still existed as a steward of the estate.

The mayor and his 8 ‘barons’ (Councillors) oversaw the two markets on Thursday & Saturday and the two fairs (May & October) and ran the borough. This still came with certain privileges (the mayor could stable his horse on castle property for instance).

The Rector of St Edward’s was still appointed by the ‘lord of the castle’ i.e. the Crown. He would have lived at ‘The Glebe’ along the Church Knowle Road and either walked or rode to Corfe via Copper Bridge as the Church Knowle Road had not been constructed.

In 1539, East Holme Priory was surrendered at the dissolution of the monasteries and their 5 fields at the southern end of the village were granted to Richard Hamper for 21 years. Property ownership had started to change during this time and actual deeds came into existence for the first time.

Thomas Dackombe had married and moved into the village, taking over the lands that had belonged to his deceased father-in-law, Richard Clavell, and had ‘Dackombes’ (now called ‘Moreton Manor’) built in the early 1500s. He held considerable land in the parish and a 1525 taxation record, names Thomas ‘Dackeham’ as the only person taxed on land in the village (another influential village family, the Uvedales, were taxed at Moor Crichel); Thomas paid 1s. 3d. The next largest taxpayers were taxed on goods: John Browne £3, Christian Bugler 1s. 6d and William Benvile 1s. 3d. Robert Gillott/Gyllett at Kingston paid £3 7s. – he was taxed the most out of the whole of the Hasler and Rowbarrow Hundreds.

There were still 3 working grist mills in the parish – West Mill, Boar Mill and Arfleet. ‘New Mills’ still stood but is not mentioned as a working mill [this should guarantee I’ll find a document that will prove me wrong!].

At the beginning of the 16<sup>th</sup> century, Henry Uvedale caused a bit of a stir. He had already been appointed constable to the castle and bailiff of both Hasler and Rowbarrow Hundreds. He had used his position to run an extortion racket in Purbeck which resulted in him being brought before the King’s Council in about 1500 by John Clavell of Tyneham to answer for his actions. John had a list of accusations against Henry not least that he kept looking for gulls’ eggs on his land. Henry apparently came into Purbeck with little substance but became rich from his various illicit schemes. He was pardoned by the King in 1503 and became sheriff of Dorset in 1504. His son, William, purchased the manor of Kimmeridge in 1539 after the dissolution of the Cerne Monastery. On William’s death in 1542, he held 13 houses, Boar Mill, a cottage, 10 gardens and 143 acres of land in and around Corfe Castle which were inherited by his son, Henry 2. Whether these were all purchased with illicit gains is not known.

Henry 2 and William’s grandson, John, built Uvedale House in 1575, using bits of castle stone. Henry also purchased Rollington in 1545 from Sir Edward Willoughby. The new major landholders were starting to increase their estate – gone were the names of Clavell, Phillips and Jay with Uvedale and Dackombe filling their gaps.

Louise Haywood

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# Corfe Castle Village Hall

## general news:

Thanks to all those who attended the June Coffee Morning. £172.16 was raised for Village Hall funds. Our July meeting is on Saturday 1st.

The 100 club draw is made at the Coffee Morning. In June the first prize of £21 was won by member 4, with member 13 getting second prize £10 and member 72 winning the third prize £5.

If you would like to become one of the many villagers who support their local village hall like this please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.

## VH storage units

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## regular weekly events:

Monday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio
Monday evenings	Double Act
Monday evenings	Purbeck Chess
Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday mornings	Yoga
Tuesday evenings	Martial Arts
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Purbeck Crafts
Wednesday mornings	Pilates
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
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)
final Thursday morning	CC Carers Time (restarts Sep)



## News from the Library June 2023

This month we are inviting children to join the Reading Agency's 2023 Summer Reading Challenge. The Challenge is called 'Ready, Set, Read!' and is all about games and sports.

Developed in collaboration with the Youth Sports Trust, 'Ready, Set, Read!' will celebrate play and participation and will encourage children to engage in games and sports in any way that best suits them. The Challenge will provide opportunities to showcase how reading can be active and engaged, and can itself involve teamwork and community.

'Ready, Set, Read!' will follow a team of six child characters as they weave their way through an obstacle course. There will be something for everyone: each character will have skills which help the team navigate the course, as well as their own motivation for being involved. The children will also be accompanied by animal 'lucky mascots'.

'Ready, Set, Read!' is brought to life by the brilliant children's illustrator, Loretta Schauer.

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## CORFE COMMUNITY KITCHEN

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It was anyone's guess as to how many might attend Soup and Pud in June following the massive attendance for the Coronation event! However, we were pleasantly surprised when 35 sat down to this month's community lunch. The weather was beautiful, with a breeze making the hall a cool refuge from the very hot day. Chicken and sweetcorn soup and carrot with coriander were the choices and not forgetting the desserts of either fruit crumble or fruit salad as always with lots of custard! Thanks to Nigel and Joan for their generous donation of bread rolls, rhubarb donors Hilary and Nicky, dessert makers Sue and Linda. As always, our friendly team of volunteers kept the event running smoothly and there was a gentle buzz of friendly conversation amongst the diners.

Please do come along and enjoy a meal with us, come with a friend and make new friends too. New volunteers are always welcome. Please contact Gill Sellen on [gillsellen@gmail.com](mailto:gillsellen@gmail.com)

**Come and join us on 1<sup>st</sup> July. We will be taking a break in August** and so the next Soup and Pud will take place on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.**

Remember this is a free lunch but donations are always welcome. We are a not-for-profit organisation.

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## CORFE VALLEY NEWS

## CALENDAR for JULY 2023

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.

1	July	Saturday	12.30 pm	Corfe Community Kitchen Soup'n Pud – Corfe Castle Village Hall
2	July	Sunday	10 am – 5 pm	Antique and Collectors Fair - Corfe Castle Village Hall
4	July	Tuesday	2 pm	Aquarius – Alan Neal ex Head of Winfrith Nuclear Site - Corfe Castle Village Hall
6	July	Thursday	Daytime	Gardening Club Visit to East Lambrook Manor Gardens
10	July	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
11	July	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council meeting in Church Knowle Village Hall
13	July	Thursday	7 pm	Patients Participation Group talk on Bowel Cancer – Corfe Castle Village Hall
15	July	Saturday	All day	Mini Beer Festival at Corfe Castle Club
19 & 26	July	Wednesday	Evening	Double Act Murder Mystery Walk
20	July	Thursday	7.15 pm	CCPC 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.

1	August	Tuesday		Aquarius Summer Barbecue at Corfe Castle Village Hall
2&9	August	Wednesday	Evening	Double Act Murder Mystery Walk
5	August	Saturday	2 – 5 pm	3 Parishes Fete - The Old Rectory – Church Knowle
10	August	Thursday		St Edwards fete on the church lawns
16	August	Wednesday	Evening	Double Act Murder Mystery Walk
2	September	Saturday	12.30 pm	Corfe Community Kitchen Soup'n Pud – Corfe Castle Village Hall
7	September	Thursday	8 pm	Gardening Club talk by David Boag on “Natures Garden” – CC Village Hall
7 – 10	September	Various	Daily	Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival around Purbeck
22	September	Friday	7.30 pm	Barn Dance – Kimmeridge Village Hall
13	October	Friday	2 pm	Talk on Medieval Wreck at entrance to Poole Harbour – CC Village Hall
27	October	Friday	Evening	Double Act Barn Dance in Corfe Castle Village Hall

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01305 221000 (10p per minute from a land line or 3p - 40p per minute from a mobile dependent upon the provider)

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0345 9881188 (calls are charged depending on the callers service provider and where there call is made).

**Dorset Council out of hours** Emergency Contact Number – 01929 556561

**Dorset Council Self Service Portal.** This portal can be used to report anything to do with Dorset Council and to request services and information from the council. The web address for the Dorset Council is also below.

<https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/en>

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/>

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<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/road-safety>

**Anti-Social Behaviour** 01305 762439 email [ASB@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:ASB@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk)

# Church of England

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Church Knowle, Kimmeridge, & Steeple      Contact Ian Jackson  
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### Bible Readings - July 2023

Sunday July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jeremiah 28: 5 – 9 Romans 6: 12 – end Matthew 10: 40 – end
Sunday July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Zechariah 9: 9 – 12 Romans 7: 15 – 25a Matthew 11: 16 – 19; 25 – end
Sunday July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 55: 10 – 13 Romans 8: 1 – 11 Matthew 13: 1 – 9; 18 – 23

Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> Isaiah 44: 6 – 8  
Romans 8: 12 25  
Matthew 13: 24 – 30; 36 – 43

Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> 1 Kings 3: 5 – 12  
Romans 8: 26 – end  
Matthew 13: 31 – 33; 44 – 52

Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> Isaiah 55: 1 – 5  
Romans 9: 1 – 5  
Matthew 14: 13 - 21

### The Rev Anne Bond writes:

As I apply fingers to laptop this morning, I find myself wondering why I write these letters. Who am I addressing? What am I trying to achieve? Why would anyone bother to write about something so insubstantial, so difficult to explain, so utterly crazy sounding as belief in an invisible God who is not of this or any other world (or perhaps is of this and *every* other world), is in human terms dead but nevertheless alive, and who is present in the comings and goings of *everyone* and *everything* *everywhere* ...

Blimey. Now there's a question.

Who am I addressing? Well – you. You who are reading this, particularly if you are someone who is Not Religious. Or if you are someone who suspects there might be something in it but it's not for you. Or if you think the idea of 'God' being real is like believing in fairies and leprechauns and selkies.

What am I trying to achieve? Well: to interest you enough to make you want to enquire further and eventually to have the courage to open your mind and allow the mighty winds of change to billow in.

Why?

Because I found that abandoning my resistance to the idea of an actual, real, effective, living God and acknowledging him to be true, made a such a huge difference to my life that it affected my mindset, and consequently my attitude and actions, very much for the better – so much so that I want to pass it on.

Looking at the bigger picture: ever since humanity came on the scene mankind has worshipped a god or gods (with a small g) as 'beings' of infinitely greater possibilities than themselves. Only Judaism understood god-ness as non-corporeal – in other words, pure spirit. You could therefore not make an image of this god. He has no edges. He is not confined within the limitations of space and time. He is God (with a capital G), ever present, all

powerful, all knowing, the One and Only true, living and effective god - and as such is: GOD. There is, and only ever has been, *one* of him. He is only referred to as 'him' for convenience of human communication. As the pure spirit behind Creation (all that is and was and ever shall be) he can have no gender. However, because he communicates with us, it doesn't feel right to call him 'it'. To us, he is personal. He is GOD, the One and Only.

The first academic task of my Ordination Training was to draw a chart, mapping where we could see the hand of God in our lives. I was astonished to find myself drawing a kind of broad, segmented snake *beginning with my very birth*: I was born at home on the southern edge of Dorchester in January 1944 eight weeks early and not expected to survive. I was baptised at two days old because in those days it was believed that if someone died before baptism they wouldn't go to heaven. My father was away fighting in Greece during the Second World War. After a 24-hour labour my young little mother had to think of a name for this three-pound monkey-like sprat, so she called me by her own name, Sybilla, and Anne, a good plain English name – and alone, waited for me to die. Nowadays a 3-pound 7-month baby is nothing remarkable; in 1944 during a brutal war of bombs and shortages of absolutely everything, the death of such a baby was almost inevitable. But thanks to her devoted and imaginative nursing I survived: painted all over with olive oil, wrapped in cotton wool, put to bed in a hot-water-bottle cover acting as a sleeping bag, and fed on expressed milk in a tiny curved-banana-shaped bottle with a teat at both ends, against all gloomy expectation, I survived.

My mother undoubtedly prayed for her baby to live. I am not offering this story as an '*Aren't I special?*' boast. I am offering it as an example of something remarkable and unexpected, something that could be regarded as an Act of God – and to it I owe my life.

Nobody can help the circumstances of their birth, the family they are born into, and the health or otherwise of their bodies. I don't know why some people are born as healthy babies, and others arrive to suffer life-long bodily malfunction and pain. It seems terribly unfair, and I'm not going to attempt any kind of explanation ... I haven't got one, I don't know.

But I do know that God is good; and I do know that in every life there is evidence of the loving hand of God to be found.

With love, Anne

### Sunday Services in July 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> July

10.30am - Corfe Castle- Holy Communion with hymns

9<sup>th</sup> July

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity



## CORFE CASTLE EVANGELICAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

An atheist was giving a lecture on the folly of believing in God and in the Bible being the Word of God. He said ‘there is no God!’ A Christian then answered, ‘I have been a Christian for many years believing that the Lord Jesus Christ died for my sins and the Bible is my constant joy. If, after death there proves to be no God and that the Bible is a myth, what have I lost in believing all of my life?’ A hush fell in the room... The atheist replied ‘You won’t have lost a thing’ The Christian then said ‘When it comes to die and you discover that the Bible is true, that God is who He said He is and that Jesus Christ is His Son and there is a Heaven and a Hell... What would you stand to lose?’ The atheist was speechless!

The Bible tells us that ‘the fool has said in his heart there is no God’ (Psalm 14:1)

Like the Pharisees in the time of Jesus, we also have a choice to make about Him. Jesus asked the question of His disciples ‘But who do you say that I Am’? (Matt 16:15) Each one of us has to answer that question for ourselves. Either we acknowledge that He is who He said He is - the Messiah - or we reject that and think of His words and works to something other than the true Ministry of the Messiah, Saviour and King. Jesus said ‘He who is not with Me is against Me’, but if we are for Him, then we must come to Him His Way, and not as we might prefer. The Pharisees were open to God’s invitation, but only on their own terms. As Creations of the Creator, we don’t get to make the rules, we simply have to decide whether we are for Him or against Him. You can’t be neutral towards Him. If the Pharisees were for Him, they would have had to change their minds on how they would gain entrance into the Kingdom. That would be by their spiritual righteousness Jesus ascribes and not by their external obedience to the law.

There is so much joy from reading the bible, so why not take the Challenge and learn how to transfer your Bible experience from a chore into an essential habit. God is waiting for you to know Him more. He’s laid out the great invitation. What happens next is up to you. Why not get into the habit of reading the bible each day. A good place to start reading the Bible is the Gospel of John. We see the life of Jesus through one of His closest friends.

There is such a treasure in the Word of God just waiting for those who are willing to go after it. The Bible is often referred to as the “Word of God” or “God’s Word” because it is communication from God to humanity revealing who He is and how we can have a relationship with Him. The Bible

is a collection of Books written over 1500 years by 38 Authors who God inspired to write it all down. It is a wonderful Book with one Central Theme – our relationship with God through Jesus Christ. It’s a complete revelation of God to man. It is the final Authority on Faith, Doctrine and daily living. God is speaking to us through the words of the Bible where He shows us things related to our lives. The Bible can be trusted and is accurate in all its teachings and the Lessons in the bible are as relevant today as they have ever been.

Jesus said “whoever hears my word and believes Him who sent me, has eternal life and will not be condemned he has crossed over from death to life”  
(John 5:24)

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WHAT SHALL I DO WITH JESUS WHO IS CALLED CHRIST?

Jesus is standing in Pilates Hall, friendless, forsaken, betrayed by all

Heaven! What meaneth the sudden call, what will you do with Jesus?

Will you evade Him as Pilate tried? Or will you choose Him, what ere betide?

Vainly you struggle from Him to hide. What will you do with Jesus?

What will you do with Jesus? Neutral you cannot be...

Someday your heart will be asking, WHAT WILL HE DO WITH ME?

*author unknown*

**Worship & Teaching Services**  
**Sunday's 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 3pm**  
**We are also thinking about meeting**  
**some Sunday mornings**  
**Bible Study Tuesday Weekly at 7.30**  
**All Welcome**  
**Coffee mornings each Saturday 10 –**  
**11.45**

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## Ofsted report - St George's C of E Primary School, Langton Matravers

St George's School was listed by Ofsted in April. The Inspection Team found the school to be 'good' in all areas:

Overall effectiveness	Good
The quality of education	Good
Behaviour and attitudes	Good
Personal development	Good
Leadership and management	Good
Early years provision	Good

The inspectors explored what it is like for a pupil to attend the school. They commented:

Pupils are proud to be a member of St George's. The strong Christian values of love, truth, forgiveness and respect are brought to life in the school's work. Parents speak highly of the school, describing it as a school with 'an excellent ethos'.

Leaders have high ambition for all pupils, including pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). They ensure everyone has the support they need. As a result, pupils are motivated to learn.



*SGPS story time*

Pupils uphold the school values in all they do. They are calm, respectful and considerate of others. They know the school rules and behave well in lessons. Older pupils enjoy being role models for younger pupils at playtime. Pupils feel safe at school because staff help them if they have any concerns.

Focusing on leadership, the inspection team noted:

Leaders, staff and governors have worked together to make rapid improvement since the previous inspection. The school community is complimentary about the drive of the headteacher. Staff say that recent changes are well thought through and have a positive impact on their workload. Pupils and parents say that the school is a welcoming place to be.

Leaders and governors have a shared vision. Governors provide relevant and constructive challenge for leaders and engage proactively with external challenge and support. This has helped to improve the quality of education. Leaders have selected the precise content they want pupils to know in most subjects. They have sequenced knowledge so it builds on to wider ideas about the subject. Pupils can recall their learning in depth. For example, in mathematics, pupils find review questions useful. They talk confidently about prior learning and explain how their fractions learning has developed over time. In Reception, children develop their understanding of number and can create number sentences independently.

Pupils know the importance of the school's values. They encourage each other to be responsible. As a result, the school is a calm place to be. Pupils know what is expected of them and they rise to these expectations. This begins in the early years. For example, leaders teach children routines, such as lining up, through song and rhyme. Pupils love initiatives such as 'secret student' during assembly to reward a child who has behaved well. Pupils have designed postcards that members of the school community can send one another for positive behaviour and effort.

Leaders ensure the personal development curriculum has high importance as soon as children start in Reception. Children learn about right and wrong. Pupils create recipes to explain how to be mentally and physically healthy. Staff teach pupils the importance of quiet moments for reflection. Pupils know it is important to treat everyone with respect despite any differences. They benefit from trips and a wide array of clubs, such as choir, football and gymnastics. Pupils take pride in leadership roles, for example, as eco and school councillors.

This was a very encouraging and well deserved endorsement of the school. Ofsted recognised and praised the drive and leadership of headteacher, Katy Astle, and the hard work and support of all staff who work in the school.

Well done to everyone at St George's.

The full report can be found on the school's website: [www.stgeorgeslangton.dorset.sch.uk](http://www.stgeorgeslangton.dorset.sch.uk) and on the Ofsted website;

James Mercer Vice Chair of Governors

## Notices and Thanks

### Corfe Castle Gardening Club.

What a challenging variety of weather we have all experienced in our gardens over the past few months. Hopefully we are now getting a chance to enjoy the fruits of our labours as well as relaxing in the long light evenings.

In June we visited the beautiful mature cottage garden at Knitson Old Farmhouse. It was such a delight to see the herbaceous borders, rockeries, climbers and shrubs, nestled beneath the downs, which were designed and evolved over half a century. Thank you to Rachel for sharing her wonderful garden with us.

On 6<sup>th</sup> July we will be visiting East Lambrook Manor Gardens in South Pemberton just North West of Yeovil. It was created by the renowned 20<sup>th</sup> Century planstwoman and gardening writer Margery Fish. 'It was here she developed her own style of gardening in a relaxed and informal manner to create a garden of immense beauty and charm.' Further details have been sent to club members by e-mail. It should be a wonderful visit.

The programme for the next two months will be:

August. There will be no meeting in August so enjoy your gardens. Thursday September 7<sup>th</sup>. Our 'new term' starts off with a fascinating talk by David Boag, wildlife photographer, author and lecturer entitled 'Nature's Garden.

Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup>. The Head Gardener at Minterne Gardens, Minterne House will be with us. More information to follow.

Meetings take place in the Village Hall, Corfe Castle at 8pm. Non-members are welcome to join us for a small fee if they are interested in a particular talk.

If you are interested in joining us please contact Chris Clarke on 01929 480095 or 07815 058880.

Chris Clarke

### Talk about the Medieval Wreck at the entrance to Poole Harbour

There will be a talk by Tom Cousins, a marine archaeologist from Bournemouth University, about the Medieval wreck found near the entrance to Poole Harbour in 2022. It will be held on Friday 13 October 2023 at 2pm in the Bill Carter Room at the Corfe Castle Village Hall.



### Citizens Advice – Here for Local Residents

With the on-going cost of living crisis, many people are increasingly worried about how they are going to pay bills, heat their home and put food on the table.

Citizens Advice in East Dorset and Purbeck would like to remind residents to seek help early on and that we are here to offer free advice and support.

Experienced advisers are available to provide support about a wide range of issues including, debt, energy advice, employment, benefits and housing. There is a range of support available particularly to low income households which many residents may not know about.

Advice is provided through multiple channels including telephone, email, video conferencing and face to face from our offices in Wareham and Wimborne and from outreach services including Swanage and Herston. Home visits are also offered to those more vulnerable people who are unable to access these services.

#### **Drop-in Locations**

Local residents can call into one of the drop-in sessions at the following locations. Advice is free and no appointment is necessary:

- Swanage Library - Wednesday 10am-12pm (except first Wednesday of the month)
- Herston Village Hall, Swanage – Monday 10am-2pm
- Wareham Citizens Advice – Tuesday & Thursday, 10am-12pm
- Lytchett Matravers Library - Friday 10am-12noon
- Lytchett Minster & Upton Town Council – Tuesday 10am-12pm
- Upton Library – Wednesday 2pm-4pm
- Wimborne Citizens Advice - Monday & Wednesday, 10am-12pm
- Ferndown Library - Tuesday & Friday, 10am-2pm
- The Centre, Barns Road, Ferndown - Thursday, 10am-2pm

#### **And by appointment only at:**

Bovington Hive & Verwood Library.

For details of all of our outreach and drop-in locations visit

[www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk/get-advice/in-person](http://www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk/get-advice/in-person)

For general advice and support call the **Dorset Adviceline freephone 0800 144 8848 (Textphone: 0800 144 8884)**, 10am-4pm weekdays or visit [www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk)

## Morris Dancing in or near Purbeck this summer

Dorset Button Morris will be dancing out most Wednesdays this summer.

Our ladies side dance North West Morris which comes from the NW of England and came for Cotton Mills. Our men's side dance Rapper Sword Morris which come from NE coal pits. Rapper swords were used to clean pit ponies and the coal workers used these to dance during the evening.

Our summer program is:

5<sup>th</sup> July Square and Compass                      9<sup>th</sup> August Bankes Arms Studland

12<sup>th</sup> July Red Lion Winfrith                      16<sup>th</sup> August Swanage Sea front

26<sup>th</sup> July Castle Inn Lulworth                      23<sup>rd</sup> August Square and Compass

[www.brmm.org.uk/DorsetButtonsMorris/](http://www.brmm.org.uk/DorsetButtonsMorris/)

## PURBECK INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Dear Friends,

I am delighted to share with you the programme of the 2023 Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival taking place **7-10 September 2023**.

There is an abundance of richness in the theme of this year's festival, '*forgotten voices*'. There's so much undiscovered music, so many voices that were silenced for reasons political, religious, or simply because they were the wrong gender. I hope in some small way, the audience will discover new music to fall in love with.

Alongside that – as always – we will be playing some firm favourites from the repertoire, including this year, the Schubert C major Cello Quintet with the extraordinary Danel Quartet. Please see the whole program for the full list of deeply inspiring, world-class musicians joining us in Purbeck this year.

And most importantly, I look forward personally to seeing each of you in the audience. I've said it before, but you are the ones that make this festival come alive and keep us inspired each year.

We hope to see you at one of our concerts between 7 - 10 September. Go to our website [Picmf.org](http://Picmf.org) to find all the details and buy your tickets.

*Natalie and the PICMF team*

## John Courtney

Many of you will remember John.

Sadly, he passed away at his home in Yeovil, on Friday June 9th 2023.

He was our past treasurer of the Corfe Valley News.

John was born in 1938 and lived in Weymouth with his parents until 1939, when his bank manager father moved the family to Leicester. Although he was a bright child, he spent a lot of time out of school due to poor health, having both eczema and asthma. Despite missing so much school he still managed to pass his 11+ exams and consequently attended Leicester Wyggeston grammar school for boys.

After school, he became a trainee quantity surveyor at Leicester College of Art and Technology and graduated in 1961, as a Chartered quantity surveyor with the RICS.

He was then offered a junior partnership with John Boon, a Leicester and Market Harborough based quantity surveying business, eventually becoming the Senior partner. In 1987, after moving to Chipping Campden, he started John Courtney Associates - he built an office in the garden and because he was so computer savvy, was able to run his office single handed! One of the first people to WFH (work from home) - way ahead of his time!

John enjoyed DIY. Every house he lived in was structurally changed, walls knocked down, new kitchens built. John was one of the earliest surveyors to see the potential that computers could have in the building industry. In the mid-80s (when no-one had mobile phones, let alone computers!) he accounted for every door and window at Euro Disney using a "spreadsheet"!

He was a keen Rotarian for over 50 years. He founded Blaby Rotary club, as well as forming a Rotaract club for young people in the area, and he was awarded the Philip Harris award from Rotary - a prestigious award, only given to a few. When John and Julia moved to the Cotswolds, he joined the North Cotswold Rotary club and when moving to Corfe Castle, John joined Wareham Rotary before gently retiring into the Probus club in Corfe.

John was chairman of the DeMontfort housing association for many years. This was a voluntary position where he made significant impacts – Courtney Close in Northampton is named after him! Princess Anne was there to cut the ribbon and he was always proud to have spent a morning with her.

John married Julia in 1964. Sue arrived in 1965, Graham in 1968. The family lived in Leicester right up until 1987 before moving to Chipping Camden - a place that they visited often and loved very much. They made some lifelong friends here.

In 2006 another move - to Corfe Castle. John had family roots in Dorset, he felt it was a homecoming. It wasn't long before he became treasurer of the Corfe Valley news – he loved this position and made many friends through the magazine.

John and Julia loved to travel, they cruised and flew all over the world. Even after Julia passed away, he continued to fly solo to visit Graham in the USA.

Luckily, his love of technology came to his rescue during lockdown. Recently widowed and having to isolate due to his diabetes, he embraced Facetime, Messenger, and Zooms! The curry club was a lifeline zooming twice a week, together with Pilates online with Alex, and talking to family and friends on FaceTime.

In the last year of his life, John moved to Yeovil, where he continued to have good quality days out and weekends away with Sue and Craig. Torquay was a recent holiday with Graham.

John has six grandchildren – all of whom have inherited his humour, and of course, his good looks! The family take comfort in this. He was a loving grandpa, a wonderful dad, and an adoring husband. He was a kind, generous and warm soul, who was a real friend and who will be sorely missed.

### **Funeral arrangements**

Monday 3rd July - 10am Yeovil Crematorium  
2.30pm Thanksgiving service at St Edward's church, Corfe Castle.  
Refreshments after at Morton's Manor, Corfe Castle. All are welcome.  
Family flowers only please.

Donations to North Cotswold Rotary Club c/o Stuart Foster Funeral Services,  
27 Market Street, Yeovil. BA20 1HZ.  
Alternatively, there is a tribute page for John on [Stuartfosterfunerals.com](http://Stuartfosterfunerals.com)

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### **Are you an Armed Forces Veteran?**

If so, whichever service or branch you were in, there is advice and help from Dorset Council under the Armed Forces Covenant Programme. There is so much to say about this programme it may just be better for you to read the information directly from their website.

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/your-community/the-armed-forces-covenant>



  
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## The Rambling Gardener

July is the start of the children's holiday and we all hope for good weather here beside the sea for all the families. People drive for miles to enjoy time here, but I remember the end of July and early August sadly seems to rain. This is great for the garden, but no good for the holiday visitors.

It is a good time to sow some seeds such as black radish, cabbages and cauliflowers to grow through the winter, and also quick cropping Little Gem lettuce or oriental greens, especially if it rains. If you have room there are also green manure plants like rye, mustard, phacelia and clover that protect and enrich the ground, and may have beautiful flowers.

I think we should all eat more food that we have made fresh from things we have grown ourselves. Tonight's supper was greens from perennial kale, a little potato and some local organic bacon topped with some nasturtium flowers. It was followed by a whole apple and homegrown lemons grated with yogurt and raisins. Much of this can be grown on a balcony, or inside on a wall with the right lighting, it is time consuming but good health is worth working for and packaged food from the supermarket doesn't taste nearly the same!

Another good idea I would like to suggest is that you join up with neighbours to have joint meals sometimes, many households are smaller now. It is more fun to eat together and saves on energy and ingredients when several meals are cooked together. Our "supper club" is very relaxed, we cook together or each donate a bit of the meal and enjoy each other's different cooking styles and company each week.

One food that we all rely on is bread, but it has changed over the years. Many people cannot digest it and are intolerant to the gluten in bread. Traditionally wheat was grown for both the straw for thatching houses, feeding/bedding animals and the kernels of corn. With a population rise and processing of foods lead to high demand for wheat for bread making. The straw was not needed so wheat was crossed with rye and other grasses to halve the height of the wheat and increase its productivity. This changed the wheat DNA, and now I am unable to eat bread without falling asleep. Some people with wheat intolerance can eat bread made with old varieties of flour e.g., Einkorn, Emmer and Spelt.

Very dry weather at the end of May and in June has affected water levels, so do keep a mulch or cover around plants and be very careful with your water supply. This year putting sheep wool around many of my perennial plants and cutting excess foliage is doing a great job keeping the weeds down, keeping the ground moist, and stopping evaporation.

Have a good July and enjoy being outside. If you would like to visit, I am usually here so do come, visit the garden and have tea, but please call first.  
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Rachel

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You can find out more about us and our upcoming classes and events at [www.sandyhillarts.co.uk](http://www.sandyhillarts.co.uk) - or email [info@sandyhillarts.co.uk](mailto:info@sandyhillarts.co.uk)

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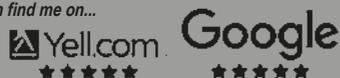


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## Kimmeridge News

### Wild Flowers

Steve and I have had a couple of free evenings recently and taken advantage of the amazing weather to do some short evening walks. One day we went down to the beach off Kimmeridge Hard and found a wonderful variety of flowers: thrift especially was striking in how far it was growing up the cliff slope. Others we noticed with our untutored eyes was an abundance of rock samphire, sea kale, sea carrot (or wild carrot), white campion, wild cabbage, of course, and probably others I've forgotten. It really is amazing that in this dry weather and on the shifting shale cliffs these plants all look so healthy!

It isn't exactly Kimmeridge related, but last night we walked up on the track from the back road in Corfe Castle to Rollington Hill, and spotted various things but most exciting for us, Pyramidal Orchids in abundance, one Bee Orchid and a patch of Yellow Mignonette. All lovely to see and the views were stunning of course as well!

### Kimmeridge Keilidhs

We take a break over the summer, but Kimmeridge Keilidhs will be back in the autumn on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 10<sup>th</sup> & December 8<sup>th</sup>. All held in the lovely Kimmeridge Village Hall at The Etches Collection.

Steve & Helen Earwicker

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This event has been organised by the hardworking Corfe Castle Primary School PTFA and Preschool Committee who will be splitting the funds raised for the benefit of all the children who attend our village schools. We will see you there on Saturday 10th June!

## Elvis is in the Building!

We are super excited to announce a new partnership with Whaley Entertainment of Wareham and can reveal that Elvis will be in the building on Saturday 14th October. Save the date and more information to come!

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Margaret Green Animal Rescue are excited to welcome you back to their Country Dog Show on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023. The event will be taking place at the Church Knowle Rehoming & Visitor Centre near Wareham, Dorset, BH20 5NQ and is set to be a fantastic day for all the family and your dogs.

Gates will open at 11am and entry will be £5 per adult and £2 for children up to 12 years, with the Dog Show classes priced at £2 each. All funds raised from this fabulous day will go towards the rescue animals in their care.

There will be a great range of Dog Show classes and plenty of activities for you and your furry friends to get involved with, such as Have-a-go-Agility and Doggy Lucky Dip, as well as a wonderful selection of stalls from local traders and a delicious range of hot food and refreshments.

To find out more about this ‘paw-some’ event, please visit the website at: [www.mgar.org.uk](http://www.mgar.org.uk) for further information.



### News from Harmans Cross Village Hall

We had a fabulous Barn Dance at the Hall recently, and it was wonderful to see all ages – from 6 to 76 (and older) – enjoying a lovely evening and dancing into the dark. We think that’s one to be repeated so let us know if you agree ...

In the meantime, our next Movie Night is:

#### Tuesday 11 July – Ticket to Paradise

Ticket to Paradise sends [Julia Roberts](#) and [George Clooney](#) to Bali as bickering divorcees on a mission to sabotage their daughter’s betrothal to a local seaweed farmer. But whilst lounging around the swimming pools and flower beds of a luxury hotel, guzzling cocktails and cavorting with dolphins, is a flame of love being rekindled between them?

It may not be a surprise that there were no Oscar nominations for the film, but there’s no denying the ‘pulling power’ of both Julia Roberts and George Clooney, and it makes for a lovely film with a fabulous backdrop.

Doors and bar open at 7.00pm, and the film starts at 7.30pm with admission still at the inflation-busting price of £5.

Our August Movie Night is on Tuesday 8 August and is “What’s Love Got To Do With It”

Another date for your diaries is **Bank Holiday Monday 28 August** for our annual and ever-amazing **Harmans Cross Annual Fete and Show**. We will have all the usual entertainment – live music, children’s entertainment and games, bar, BBQ, a huge host of stalls and our Big Raffle which this year will be partnering with the amazing Dorset charity Mosaic which provides bereavement counselling and support to youngsters.

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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
2 <sup>nd</sup>	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
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1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
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Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
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Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
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Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
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<b>SATURDAY</b>			
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