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<u>Editorial</u>

The Post Box saga rumbles on and the Parish Council are now approaching the Royal Mail ombudsman and our MP to continue to try to get some sense in this matter. Several people have suggested that a second box in the Square would be a good answer and the PC are also pursuing this idea.

Many people will have heard the news that DCC is withdrawing funding from local youth clubs at the end of August. There is an article from Donna, who does such a great job running our local youth club, on page 53. The Parish Council is determined that this important facility should not be lost to the village and is looking at ways to continue it. Under the Localism Bill the PC will be able to raise funding locally for important resources and we will consider holding a referendum to see if there is public support for an increase to the precept to continue the Youth Club.

The CVN depends on our willing band of helpers who deliver the magazine direct to households. In the notices and thanks pages there is a plea for a helper to replace someone who is retiring from the Sandy Hill delivery round. We also need someone in Harmans Cross. Please consider becoming a deliverer in these or any other areas the magazine goes to; we need you. If you are minded to help please contact Penny Hopkins on 480551.

Stephen

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MARCH AT THE PARISH COUNCIL

Several residents from Harmans Cross spoke in the Public Half Hour about their concerns over the use of Purbeck Valley Farm for various social functions such as weddings, dances and music events but in particular the current licence application for another Folk Festival. Relations between the owners of the farm and neighbouring residents appear to have rapidly deteriorated over issues such as noise and loss of amenity due to the various events taking place on the farm. They have already gone to their own Parish Council, Worth Matravers, over what they perceived as an escalating problem as more events are being planned. This Council is sympathetic to the grievances of the residents and will be represented at the licence hearing on the 1st April at Purbeck District Council in order to object to the granting of the licence. The organiser, Mr Burke, informed the Council at the meeting that the application will be changed. Worth Matravers Parish Council has objected to the application and may also be present at the hearing.

Members were pleased to be addressed by the solicitor to the District Council, Mr David Fairburn, who refreshed the minds of those present as to the Code of Conduct that Councillors are expected to adhere to. He has provided similar training for many other Parish Councils.

The Council understands the reserved permit parking spaces in Station Road and the West Street car park are currently available for use by residents if they contact Purbeck District Council or use the Dorset for You web site. Unfortunately, they cost £390 per annum so are quite an expensive option.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at the Village Hall at 6pm so as to allow time for some of the normal business before the Annual Parish Meeting commences. There will not be a public half hour at the start as this will be more than made up for with the opportunity for all to speak at the :-

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting takes place on Monday 11th April in the Village Hall, starting at 7pm. This is your chance to hear about the work of the Parish Council over the past year and, through your questions and comments, to help set the agenda for the Parish Council for the coming year. There will be a review of the events of the year (April to March) by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman followed by an invitation to all residents to ask questions or have their say on any matter to do with village life. One

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aspect of village life that is currently under threat is the provision of a youth club for the youngsters of the village. Whilst it is already something the Members have discussed, we would welcome any help or ideas about dealing with this potential loss.

The Council considers all planning applications and submits comments to the District Council. The Parish Council had no objection to proposals for the following: The erection of two single storey rear extensions, the conversion of a sloped roof to gable end and the addition of a side window, door and chimney at Orchard Cottage, East Street, Corfe Castle. A change of signage for the Corfe Castle Model Village, The Square, Corfe Castle. A change of use from shop to a mixed use as a dwelling and office, with alterations and additions to doors, windows, two dormer roof windows and a rooflight at 27 West Street, Corfe Castle.

The Council did have an objection to the following application for a Certificate of Lawfulness (Existing) in respect of the use of land, lakes, car park, buildings and caravan for outdoor sports and recreation known as Arfleet Pond, Studland Road, Corfe Castle. *This Council confirms the use for fishing only and totally refutes past use for anything else on the land.* Arfleet Pond is an area of well known good fishing lakes adjacent Castle View and the Norden Park and Ride that has now been taken over by a business who have apparently started draining them in preparation for covering them in some sort of assault course for outdoor recreation.

Jeff Dunn, Parish Clerk

(phone 555266)(e-mail <u>CorfeCastlePC@aol.com</u>) - 8 Old Kiln Road, Ridge, Wareham BH20 5BY. The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Town Hall, West Street*. Have your say at the start of the meeting, speak to any parish councillor, or write to me. Full minutes of the meetings are available in Corfe Castle library or on the Website (<u>www.corfecastlepc.org.uk</u>). [*Sometimes elsewhere.]

The next Parish Council Meeting is on the 11th April in the Village Hall.

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NEWS FROM CHURCH KNOWLE PARISH COUNCIL

March's meeting was held at Church Knowle's Reading Room with Cllr Tony Higgens in the Chair, seven Councillors were present as well as both the County and District councillors, but no parishioners, were in attendance.

Before going into what happened at the March meeting our reader will probably like to know that an "extraordinary" meeting was held on the 18th February, and because that was after "copy date" for CVN its report couldn't be put into the last edition. Anyway, the meeting was called so that the Parish Council could discuss the future of the village car park in Church Knowle and appoint a solicitor, if necessary, to act for it in securing its continued use in the future. Members decided at that meeting to appoint a local Swanage solicitor if needs be and, as a result, the Chairman and other members visited the practice and got free advice from him a few days later.

Now on to the main March meeting.

During the public discussion one of the Councillors informed the meeting she had put up a large shed at the entrance to a barn, but this had not needed any planning permission. Councillors noted the information.

DCC Cllr Lovell reported on the reduction of 'bus subsidies and its likely effect on services. The county council is proposing a meeting regarding the "Dial a Bus" service and would like as many people as possible to attend. He was also concerned that the proposed taxi service for areas devoid of a 'bus service might not accept 'bus passes, but he would look into the matter further.

Members considered amended plans for a development at East Creech Farm. Whilst they had no objection in principle to converting 3 redundant farm buildings into holiday homes, they were not convinced about the ability of the current water supply and sewerage system to cope with 3 extra residential units and would let PDC be aware of those concerns.

Councillors were concerned about heavy trailer lorries using the bridge over the railway at Furzebrook. The bridge was narrow, humped and lorries were reported to be driven at some speed in the centre of the road when approaching it. Several Councillors didn't think the bridge would be able to cope with heavy continental lorries such as those often using it. New white lines and "narrow bridge" notices on the approaches were suggested and the Clerk would take the matter up with DCC.

On the subject of "Highways", the matter of the recent road closure at Church Knowle was discussed. Signage had initially been poor and gave the impression that the entire valley road was closed and not just a couple of hundred metres beyond the animal sanctuary. The diversion signs initially sent vehicles up and over Cocknowle Hill down towards the Church Knowle crossroads where the road was closed. So, some problems there, but they were eventually fixed and one of the Councillors said that the contractors had been letting vehicles use the closed part of the road. The meeting felt that better planning, on site and pre-work, would have been useful but, at the same time, were pleased that the work was finished early and the road reopened a few days before intended.

The Church Knowle car park was discussed and the Chairman reported on the meeting he had with the solicitor. It was ascertained that the land belonged to DCC and was part of the highway and Cllrs would be having a meeting with Dorset County Council to guarantee future use of the car-park. CKPC had decided to apply to have the land parcel declared an asset of community value, thereby giving it some protection, and the Chairman would sign the application on behalf of the Council

Following financial matters, when the monthly accounts were accepted and bills paid, the meeting heard the sad news of the recent severe fire at Cotness Cottages which had resulted in their gutting and the displacement of two elderly residents. Members were shocked at the news and saddened at the residents' plight. They voted to support the unfortunate Parishioners as far as they possibly could, and our reader will be pleased to know that one of the Councillors offered a temporary roof over their heads until things get sorted out. The Chairman would write a letter of support. Let's hope it's not too long until Cotness Cottages rise as a pair of phoenix from the ashes and our two unlucky residents can return to their home.

Members heard that Parenco were looking at providing a microwave broadband link which could be used by Parishioners in the Church Knowle village as well as residents of Kimmeridge, etc. It is possible that Parenco will be giving a presentation of their idea at the next meeting.

Apart from a few bits and pieces, that was that for the March meeting. Next meeting will be at Furzebrook Village Hall on Tuesday, 12th April at 7.30pm.

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We're looking for anyone who enjoys gardening to join our green-fingered team of volunteers. The Purbeck volunteer gardeners supply our café at Studland Beach and the tea-rooms in Corfe Castle with fantastic fresh vegetables grown right here in Purbeck. Sometimes they are also asked to help out with other gardening projects. Most of the work takes places from early Spring to early Autumn.

Corfe Castle volunteers help bring 1,000 years of history to life for our visitors. There's plenty of variety from organising fun activities for children to giving introductory talks and answering queries. Volunteers also help with school groups and our popular costume tent. Most of all, it's about making sure everyone has a warm welcome and the opportunity to make the most of their visit.

Friendly faces are also wanted in Studland where visitor welcome volunteers share their enthusiasm for the beautiful beaches and fascinating national nature reserve. Learning volunteers are based in the Discovery Centre at Knoll Beach: this is a role that would suit someone with teaching experience.

Carpenters and painter/decorators are meanwhile wanted to join our group of handy people who turn their hands to anything from minor repairs to complete refits. There's a great sense of camaraderie in the group, made up of experienced tradesmen and DIY enthusiasts. Hours are flexible and there's plenty of tea!

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It's all change for the Committee: our constitution stipulates that committee members may serve a maximum of five years and, since both Margery and Deborah have each been on the committee for their allotted time, they have now stepped down. Ruth, whose family commitments need all her energy, has also retired.

We were welcomed in Margery's familiar gentle style and led into the business of the <u>AGM</u>. Once last year's minutes and accounts had been accepted, reports were presented, from Deborah as treasurer, in her absence, and from the chair. Margery referred briefly to the previous year's successful programme of events, commenting particularly on the joyous nostalgia of the Age of Aquarius party. She thanked each member of the committee one by one for their hard work and commitment and explained that three members were now leaving, to be replaced by four: Dawn Lindsay, Alison Palmer, Anne Swaine and Jan Sayers. She also explained that the role of chair was now to be shared by Patti and Patricia, who then spoke to thank the outgoing members, Margery, Deborah and Ruth, and offered a gift to each of a fragrant rose bush.

Before Gill and Linda presented the promised craft activity Juliet expressed the warmest thanks to Margery and to the committee, acknowledging the huge effort and commitment required to sustain a large group like Aquarius successfully from year to year.

The remainder of the meeting was spent in comfortable chat and grown up colouring! We were shown a streamer of bunting and given piles of intricately patterned paper triangles and colouring pens. The multi-coloured pieces were gathered up at the end and will be laminated by Patti and turned into bright strings of bunting to adorn future events – hopefully you will have seen the fruits of your labour at our Coffee Morning.

<u>The Friends of Wareham Hospital</u> is our chosen charity for the coming year, selected by a ballot of members at the February meeting. We are off to a flying start with more than £300 already in the kitty.

Dates for your diary:

April 5thThe Story of the Rex Cinema – Neill ChildMay 3tdUndercover Agent: My Life as a Corsetiere – Hazel WilsonJune 7thPara-dressage Rider - Zoe SquirrelJune 28thSummer Outing - tba

Visitors are always welcome to attend any two meetings in the year: £3.00 Susie Bond 480133 News Editor



News from the Pre-School

Summer term at the Pre-School is always a busy time. We have lots of exciting things to look forward to such as Sports Day and our annual Teddy Bears' Picnic. The next phase of developing our outside space is underway. Roger and his team have built and installed a wibbly-wobbly path which the children adore.



Once again we send a very big thank you to Peter & Belinda Bell who ran a wonderful Easter Egg Hunt at Scoles Manor on Good Friday for local families.

Our 100 Club lucky winner for February was Number 21. We have a few spaces in our 100 Club and it only costs £4 a month to be a member and each month you have a chance of winning £100. For details of joining please pop into the Pre-School or telephone Karen Spooner on 481631. We run taster sessions on Wednesday mornings from 9:30am for up to two hours where you and your child can get to know us. Children are welcome at the taster sessions up to a term before their second birthday. If you need any more details please ring 481631. Karen Spooner Setting Manager

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News from the Kids Club

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Busy Bees - Please note that Busy Bees in now held on Friday mornings from 10am until 11.30am in <u>Corfe Castle Primary School</u>'s School Hall.

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Primary News

Happy Easter everyone from all at Corfe Castle Primary. We are all currently on our Easter break hopefully enjoying some beautiful weather, but thought we'd fill you in on what we have been up to throughout March.

We started a toast club every morning for children that may not have the time for breakfast or woken up late. Although we had a slow start, things are now getting better and the children are enjoying their toast in the hall before school at just 15p a slice!



World Book Day was on Thursday 3rd March and once again all the children came to school dressed as book characters. We started the day with an assembly which parents were also invited to and afterwards the children were split into their House groups to take part in a number of different activities including Art, Drama, Poetry and story writing. We also had our own children's author (our supply

teacher) Catherine Starmer-Howes come into school. She has recently written her own children's book, Barrington of Bon-Accord. Catherine also brought her illustrator with her to do a workshop with some of the children, creating their own story boards.

We were once again invited to take part in BBC Radio Solent's Cool school on Monday 7th March. I had Mikey & Layla take part with me where we discussed the weather and some of the things happening in school.

Please remember we are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers, so if you do your shopping in Sainsbury's we welcome any of your vouchers, which will help us to get free sports equipment for the children. Our collection box is on the reception desk just inside the school office.

We have a new facebook page and we would love you to follow us. Please find us at www.facebook.com/corfecastleprimaryschool

Kind Regards Emma Morgan Head of School



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Corfe Castle Village Hall

We look forward to welcoming all aged 65 and over (plus partners, what every their age!) to our annual gathering. Invitations are being sent out, but if you have not received one by 16 April and would like to come, please let us know by 23 April, contacting:

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On Sunday 24th April we will be hosting a beach clean at Worbarrow Bay from 2pm to 3.30pm as part of the Great Dorset Beach clean weekend. So why not come and join us in our annual spring clean of the bay and help to remove the litter that the winter storms have deposited on the shore. The beach clean is open to everyone and is a great way to spend an afternoon; on the beach, in the fresh air making a positive difference to the health of our marine environment.

During the beach clean last April, a massive 161 kilogrammes of litter was removed from Worbarrow Bay and the adjacent Pondfield Cove, which wouldn't have been possible without the assistance of all the volunteers who turned up to lend a hand.

If you are interested in helping we will be meeting at Worbarrow Bay (map ref: SY 871797). Car parking is available at Tyneham, then follow the signs to the beach. All equipment is provided, but please wear sturdy footwear and bring refreshments. If you have any queries please call or email the marine centre.

The Fine Foundation Marine Centre is open every day (except Mondays)from 10.30am until 5pm and also on bank holidays. For more informationpleasecall:01929481044oremail:kimmeridge@dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk

Sarah Hodgson Volunteer Marine Warden

DWT Isle of Purbeck Group walk April 2016

Thursday 28th April 2.30pm: an afternoon walk at Stonehill Down Nature reserve led by Harold Gillen (01929 550850). Meet at the access point opposite Creech Barrow (SY 921821). All welcome.

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This month...

Thank you Eileen, for last month's CVN article, which introduced many of you to our lovely **Sarah Blackwell**.

We have over a dozen local artists and craftspeople making for our shop, many of whom you will meet in future editions! This month: **Gina Marshall** (Swanage).

We met Gina before Seasons Green existed – and just after she started painting – on the lawn at St Edward's church fete. Her style was very distinct, with local landscapes (then in red, black and cream, although she now uses all sorts of colours). Gina uses inks and fine-liners, and her work is inspired by linocuts, doodleart, patchwork and pointillism.



We commissioned an exclusiveto-us set of four images of Corfe Castle throughout the season, which we released during our first year. The originals are all now sold, but the prints and cards are perennially popular -with locals and tourists alike. I love to think of those beautiful images of Corfe in homes all over the world!

Look out for a follow-up series, launched for Purbeck Art Weeks (end of May), and available exclusively from Seasons Green. (Other Gina originals for sale from us, and commissions undertaken).

Browsers welcome! Open 7 days a week! 10:30-5pm Please check our facebook page for Easter opening times

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Double Act regret that we have to cancel the "Talent Contest" due to lack of acts.

PAW Festival inspires Midsummer Dreams

<u>The Purbeck</u> Art Weeks (PAW) Festival is round the corner! It will run from Saturday May 28th to Sunday June 12th. The theme is 'Midsummer Dreams' and once again there will be something for everyone in this celebration of creativity in Purbeck.

Across Purbeck participating sculptors, painters, jewellers, furniture makers, printmakers and photographers are enthusiastically opening their studios – with several exciting new artists exhibiting this year. Many of our local Galleries are also involved. A selection of the work of all 100 PAW artists can be seen at our collective exhibition at Rollington Barn near Corfe Castle. Here you will find an inspiring mix of art in a wide variety of media - wood and stone, oils and watercolour, pastels and prints, photography, glass and more. Parking arrangements are easy and there is a cafe for light lunches and wicked cakes. This is a good place to sit and plan your art trail and to decide which events you would like to go to in the evening.

For a chance to win a £250 voucher towards a piece/s of art look out for our competition postcards and just collect five signatures from artists or events you visit during PAW.

PAW also supports some 500 young people to enjoy art through working with a talented team of professional artist-educators in 15 workshops in Purbeck schools; we are delighted that this year there are several new schools who are getting involved for the first time. This year's theme 'Midsummer Dreams' has provided plenty of scope for the imagination. You can see the resulting artwork as well as a general exhibition of art made by Purbeck schools at Rollington Barn, at the DOMVS shop in Wareham and at other locations in Swanage

Marking the start of the Festival, on Friday May 27th, local schools will unveil their outdoor 'Swirls of Fish' art installation on Swanage sea front for the community to enjoy. These vibrant ceramic fish complement our ceramic leaved Community Tree of Life and brightly coloured ceramic Dinosaur. BBC South and Radio Solent will be there to broadcast the event live at 6.30 - 7.00 pm as part of PAW's opening celebrations. So – come and join in the festivities and fun with music, flags and processions – put the date in your diaries so you don't miss it.

NEW this year is our Midsummer Dreams shop and businesss window display competition in Wareham, Corfe and Swanage. Come and see what sort of creative inventions they come up! During the Festival you will be able to show your appreciation and vote on-line for your favourite display at <u>www.purbeckartweeks.co.uk</u> The Festival proudly presents a full events programme of over 15 performances, concerts and talks. Listed below is a selection of events included in this years's festival – see the PAW brochure for more events and the programme for more information:

Saturday 28th May 7.30pm, **The Flowers of Peace with Cuatro Puntos** (starting a European tour) Helen & Charlotte Ostafew and friends

Monday 30th May 7.30, **The Fieri Consort: Summer Breezes**, a baroque celebration.

Tuesday 31st May 7.10pm, **A Midsummer Night's Dream**; the 1935 film at the Rex.

Wednesday 1st June 7.30pm, **Rena Gardner: A Dorset Artist & Engraver**, an illustrated talk.

Friday 3rd June 7.30pm, **Dunshay Manor**, an illustrated talk by Ilay Cooper

Saturday 4th June 7.00pm. **Stile Antico: The Touches of Sweet Harmony** celebrating Shakespeare's 400th anniversary.

Sunday 5th June 6.45pm for 7.00pm, **Dorset Words take Wing** - Historic Dorset folk songs and words followed by a Dorset buffet supper

Tuesday 7th June 6.00pm, A Colourful Partnership

Thursday 9th June **7.30pm, The Slade School of Painters in Purbeck**, an illustrated talk.

Saturday 11th June **7.30pm, From Brahms to Chicago,** concert with Inner City Brass

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The local Club is in Corfe Castle, at 70 East Street (opposite the school) Telephone 01929 480591

The Club is affiliated to The Royal British Legion, whose main aim is to support our troops and to provide welfare help for ex servicemen and women and their families.

New members and their families are very welcome and there is now no requirement to have a service background. If you would like to join just call in during opening hours and speak to one of our friendly staff.

The Club has a comfortable bar area, an upstairs function room which is available for hire, pool table, large car park, garden and double boules pitch. The Club is open weekday lunchtimes and evenings and all day Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon.

We stock both cask and keg beers and lager, currently Ringwood at \pounds 2.70 and Guinness at \pounds 3.00 per pint. Filled rolls are available from the bar at \pounds 1.20 and soft drinks dispensed at reasonable prices.

On a weekly basis we hold a number of activities which are posted on the club notice board.

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general news:

Thank you for the coffee morning support in March. £159.14 was raised.

Our 100 club draw is made at the coffee morning; first prize of £16 was won by member 2, with member 20 getting second prize £8 and member 18 winning the third prize £4.

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

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Corfe Castle Village Hall CIO 100 Club:

The 100 club has now grown to 76 members. Prize money increases this month to £17.50 for the winner, with second and third prizes of £8.50 and £4. Last year the 100 club raised over £450 - many thanks to all those who are members. A recent trend is to buy a 100 club membership for a grandchild.

bookings and rates:

also in April:

contact Carole Speed on 01929 480810 or www.corfecastlevillagehall.co.uk special rates for locals and regular events

Don't forget the Double Act Barn Dance on Saturday April 2nd.

featured regular user:

Purbeck

Purbeck U3A Gardening Club meets in the Village Hall on the 3rd Monday of the month, from 11am until 1pm. The club covers all abilities and interests, from flowers and shrubs to fruit and vegetables. It offers gardening tips including pest control and propagation, and also arranges garden visits. For details on the 40+ other activites of Purbeck U3A and how to join call 07564 937871 or go to www.purbecku3a.org.uk.

Contact Chris on 07760 490889 or chrisbonanni@hotmail.co.uk



From THE VILLAGE DUMD! **Corfe Castle**

Did vou know?

yes, April's here!.. And 2016 marks a special April to celebrate nationally, and here at home in Corfe Castle. Thursday, 7th April we go back in time, 1966 and all that, England conquered and won the World Cup but that was supposedly 'about time'! However a little earlier that year, there was a great happening here, in the Village, as some readers will remember the opening of a now wellestablished local focal point. 50 years ago, on that Thursday 7th April, just prior to the Easter weekend, the doors of Corfe Castle Model Village opened for the first time. This was the brainchild of the late Eddie Holland.(b.1913-d.1992) Now, half a century later, Eddie, our Ed and Emily Paris ,turn back the clock. "We feel very proud and privileged to be the owners of this very special property, since June 2002, when we purchased it from Eddie and Edna's daughter, Liz We appreciate all the Agnew. welcome. support and encouragement we have received from you all in our 14 years and still counting! We share with you the red letter dav. This month, on *Thursday*, 7th April and in this case just after Easter, 1966 entry prices



The creator of the Model Village, EDDIE HOLLAND and his wife EDNA inspect the construction in the winter of 1965.

will be the rule of the day. Roll up, Roll up: children 1/- and adults 2/-. In new money, read that as 5p and 10p. There will be 1960's games in the garden, musical hits from the era, classic dishes and the staff will be in 1960's apparel! It is only recently, as a result of this fast moving age of digital technology, that a challenge has been presented to the ever reliable 20^{th} century equipment! This is to do with the wire from the original speaker, in playing the wedding organ music, and the connecting plug of the new CD system. The church roof may

off...Shock, have come to Horror...even in the miniature world"!! Striding over all, in the real world, Ed and Emily move with



ED and EMILY PARIS, owners of Corfe Castle Model Village, prepare to welcome everyone, for "a bob or two", to the April 2016 50th Anniversary Celebrations.

the times! Emily has a twinkle in her eve as we chat - a 1d for her thoughts! - then the penny dropped. 1966 was also the year she was born but more of that in July. Was the Model Village, even then, to be her destiny!? Whatever, we are the lucky ones. She and Ed are the very model of energetic enthusiastic, enterprising entrepreneurs and offer a wonderful asset and also to the community.

Notes from a small Potting Shed spell out many interesting facts and

idea was first conceived by Eddie Holland in 1950, to create a model of Corfe Castle to be situated near the ruined Castle itself. Eddie was the son of a farmer, Owen Holland, born in 1913 at French's Farm, Lytchett Minster. His father died when he was only 2 years old and his mother, Mary Anne (nee Gover), returned with her small son, to her father's home in East Street. Having grown up in the village, Eddie opened his first shop, the newsagent in The Square, at the age of 18. In 1936, he married Edna Mary Jackman, of Swanage. They had one daughter, Elizabeth. Late 1950, they acquired a property, part of which is now the National Trust Shop, from where Edna ran an antiques business. They converted a derelict stable behind the shop, into Garth Cottage. This building flanks the Model Village Courtyard. In early 1960, with the idea of the Model Village. They purchased Drury's House, the former residence of Dr. Dru Drury (1880-1956 & the *Village doctor for 50 years*). Plans were drawn up and soon the intricate details were put into operation. Each house was made individually, by their friend, Jack Phillips, who overcame many obstacles in painstakingly recreating the minutest of details of each house. The castle, itself, is built on an artificial mound, with the maximum use of the natural contours. This is

figures, from the beginning. The



See the "House(s) that Jack Built" 50 years ago, at the Model Village. The Late Jack Phillips, builder, who plotted all in the Potting Shed!

in contrast to the real Castle built on a natural mound. The model castle and village are constructed to $1/20^{\text{th}}$ scale, the top of the King's Tower being some 20ft above the level of the moat. Eddie Holland also dedicated much of his time to public service, including being as a member of the Parish Council from the 1940's and Chairman from 1983. He was also one of the founders of the Swanage and Purbeck Club and founded Corfe Castle Probus Club. Holland Close, off West Street, is named in his honour and his legacies surrounds us.

<u>21st</u> April we say HAPPY **BIRTHDAY to Her Majesty the Queen** on her **90th** Birthday. It is amazing to think that some people, born on or after 6th February 1952, have only known one Monarch and at least two more generations born since then. Some of our senior residents will have lived through four reigns, including the year which has become known as 'the year of three Kings, 1936'. The Queen's official birthday is always celebrated in June, with Trooping the Colour, the Birthday Parade. This year, that weekend will be recognized, nationwide, with additional events with a Royal theme. In the few weeks & months ahead, the Corfe Valley News will, no doubt, be bringing to your attention, fund raising events with a Royal theme. Time to be bringing out the bunting and flags again!

<u>23rd April is</u> St. George's Day and again the Flags will fly. Also on the 23rd we witness National celebrations commemorating **400 years** since the death of **Shakespeare**. Historians believe that Shakespeare was also born on this date in 1564 but apparently this remains a mystery.

<u>A little light hearted!</u> An April quote from Charles Lamb, English writer and essayist 1775-1834,

"Here cometh April again and as far as I can see, the world hath more fools in it than ever". Of interest, talking about the Bard, Charles & his sister Mary were the co-authors of 'Tales from Shakespeare' 1807, a Book designed for children to help them to appreciate the works of Shakespeare and using Shakespeare's words wherever possible.

Rounding up on a Good Note:

THE BELLS of St. Edward's Church will ring out across the meadow this month, on Thursday, **21st April** at 11.00am. This will be a quarter peal of 45 minutes in recognition of The Queen's actual 90th birthday. On Saturday, **23rd April**, at 11.00am, the local band

will ring on St. George's Day. ...and not forgetting..... the 1st April ...don't be fooled! EvL and Juliet



Saturday 6th August 2016, 2pm

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St Edwards Church – Corfe Castle

Forthcoming events

Coffee morning in the Village Hall Sat April 9th 10.00 – 12 noon All proceeds to the upkeep of the fabric of St Edwards Church Please support the stalls with offers of cakes, plants, books, bric a brac, nearly new, crafts, cards, refreshments or anything else we can sell! Saturday June 11th - 'From 10 till 4 for Coffee and More' including Novelty Dog Show (pm). Held on the Church Lawns

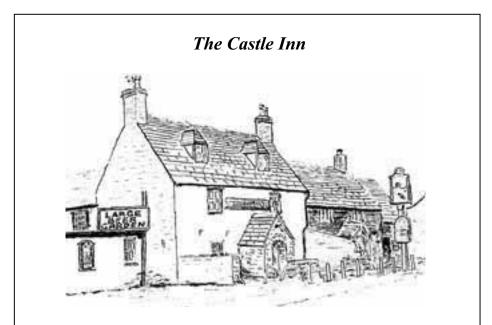
July 14th – 17th (Thurs to Sunday inclusive) -Summer Festival of Arts and Crafts in Church

Thursday August 11th - Traditional Church Fete on the Church Lawns

Friday September 9th - Jazz Concert in Church

Saturday September 10th - Coffee Morning on the Church Lawns

December . Date TBA - Christmas Concert in Church



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News from the Castle

Usually this is when we tell you, what is going on throughout Easter, obviously that will not be happening (it was so early this year). We hope everyone had a fantastic Easter.

The days are getting lighter, weather getting warmer. Summer is on it way. We are getting the garden ready. So why not come and have a glass of wine or beer and enjoy the lighter evenings.

Remember Friday's are still fish night at the castle. From a lovely hot steaming bowl of mussels, to the local catch of the day. If you love fish, come and enjoy.

Congratulations to England, for their superb victory in the six nations. Thanks in part, I am sure, to the enthusiastic support of the village fans.

Whatever you are doing in April make sure you have fun.

CORFE CASTLE SPORTS TRUST

IAN TARBOTTON RECEIVES AWARD. Corfe Castle Football Club celebrated with their founder member, Ian, who recently was recognised by Dorset County F.A. for his services to local football and Corfe Castle F.C. in particular. Ian came to the village in the mid nineteen eighties and being a keen sportsman he was determined to see the village soccer team, which had not played at the West Street site since the 50's, reinstated. He soon had the Sports Field in a playable condition and installed basic facilities. So, league football returned to Corfe. Over the following years, Ian served as player, manager, trainer, administrator and much more. Mainly at the same time! Ian, in more recent times, was also the inspiration behind the development of the Sports Field and led the team as part of the Millennium Association and later as Chairman of the Sports Trust, which raised the funds to build the Millennium Pavilion. The Football Club continues to enjoy happy times, which is the legacy of Ian's leadership and example spanning many years. This is a well-deserved award, Ian. Congratulations.

ON THE FIELD the teams are returning to action having had numerous fixtures postponed due to the bad weather. Firstly, congratulations go to the girls' side which has won through to the final of the Dorset Girls' under 15 Cup. The girls play Broadstone Youth at Blandford. They go into the game full of confidence and hope to continue with their winning ways, a hallmark of their season so far. The men's first team were knocked out of the Dorset Intermediate Cup at the quarter-final stage by a strong Wareham Rangers side. Played in awful conditions, Corfe lost out in a high scoring encounter 5-4. With a number of games in hand over some teams above them in the league, the men hope to make up ground and establish a good position in the league. The reserves reached the semi-final of the Dorset Junior Cup but, sadly, lost 3-2 to Blandford Reserves. The seconds are also enjoying their season with some promising results and the likelihood of a high finish in their league. More can be found on the club website: www.corfecastlefc.co.uk.

HELP REQUIRED. With the forthcoming retirement of the present Secretary/Treasurer to the Sports Trust, the Trustees are seeking a replacement or replacements if the jobs are split. Should anyone be interested, please ring Jim Rosewarn on 480405 or contact Ian by email: ian.tarbotton@gmail.com.

CALLING ANY NETBALLERS OR SENIORS FOR WALKING FOOTBALL. Colin Fuller (477247) who is coordinating Phase 2 of the Sports Field Project would like to hear from anyone interested in playing or forming a club to play netball, or, indeed, any other sport played on a court. All ideas will be appreciated.

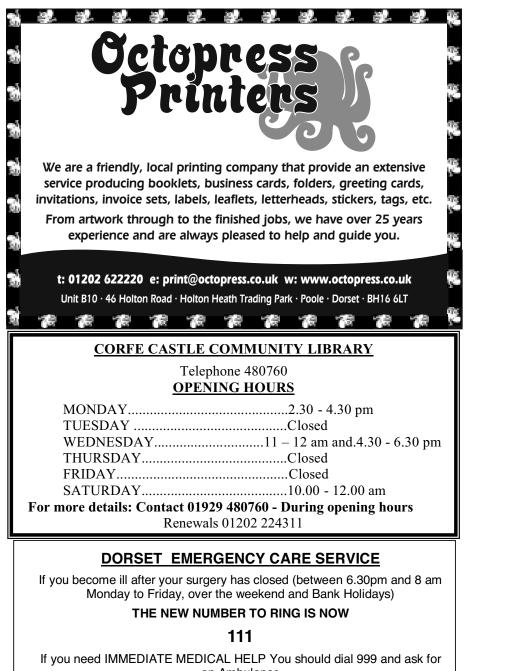
CORFE VALLEY NEWS

2	April	Saturday	7.30 pm	Spring Barn Dance	Corfe Castle Village Hall
2	April	Saturday	10.30 am	Coffee Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
3	April	Sunday	10 am - 5 pm	Antique and Collectors Fair	Corfe Castle Village Hall
6	April	Wednesday	7.30 pm	Langton Arthouse Cinema "Shaun the She	ep" Langton Mat Village Hall
7	April	Thursday	8 pm	Corfe Castle Gardening Club	Royal British Legion
8	April	Friday	2 pm	Easter Fun at the Library	Corfe Castle Community Library
9	April	Saturday	10 am – 12 noon	St Edwards Coffee Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
9	April	Saturday	7.30 pm	The Broadstone Choir Spring Serenade	Lady St Mary Church, Wareham
11	April	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council Meeting	Corfe Castle Village Hall
12	April	Tuesday	7.30pm	Church Knowle Parish Council Meeting	Furzebrook Village Hall
12	April	Tuesday	7.30 pm	Movie Night "Spectre"	Harmans Cross Village Hall
14	April	Thursday	7.30 pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
19	April	Tuesday	2 pm	Talk - Intercept and Deception on D-Day	Corfe Castle Community Library
22	April	Friday	7.30 pm	Charity Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
22	April	Friday	7.30 pm	Northern Harmony	St James Church, Kingston
23	April	Saturday	7 pm	Film Night "Our Country"	Church Knowle Village Hall
23	April	Saturday	7.30 pm	Dorset Guild of Singers "Petite Messe Sol	ennelle" Lighthouse, Poole
27	April	Wednesday	6 pm	Meeting re the future of the Youth Club	Corfe Castle Village Hall
28	April	Thursday	10 am – 12 noon	"Beautiful Bali – The Island of Gods"	Harmans Cross Village Hall
28	April	Thursday	7.30 pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Village Hall
30	April	Saturday	9 am – 9 pm	Art Show	Harmans Cross Village Hall
30	April	Saturday	7.30 pm	The Mayday Singers Spring Concert	St George's Church, Langton Mat
30	April	Saturday	7.30 pm	A Night at the Races	Holme Nurseries

CALENDAR for APRIL 2016

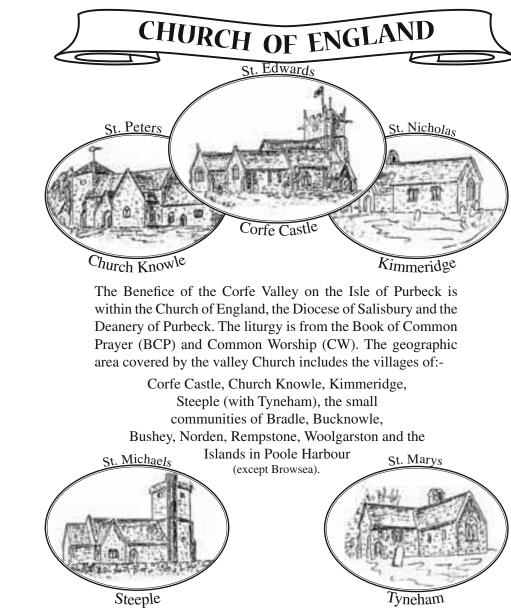
If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know. Similarly please tell us if any of the regular dates are wrong; or if there is a regular event which should be included

1	May	Sunday	9 am – 4.30 pm	Art Show	Harmans Cross Village Hall
4	May	Wednesday	7.30 pm	Langton Arthouse Cinema "Taxi Tehran"	e
7	May	Saturday	6.30 for 7 pm	Seniors' Spring Supper	Corfe Castle Village Hall
20	May	Friday	5.30 pm	Village Hall AGM	Church Knowle Village Hall
21	May	Saturday	10.30 – 12 noon	Coffee Morning in aid of Harlequin Care	Corfe Castle Village Hall
22	May	Sunday	12.30 pm – 4 pm	Strawberries & Cream	Margaret Green Animal Rescue
28 N	1ay – 12 June			Purbeck Art Week Festival	-
29	May	Sunday	10.30 am – 4 pm	Spring Fair	Corfe Castle Village Hall
11	June	Saturday	10 am – 4 pm	"Coffee and More"	St Edwards Church Lawns
14-1	7	July		Summer Festival of Arts and Crafts	St Edwards Church
6	August	Saturday	2 pm	Three Parishes Fete	Church Knowle
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The Reverend Anne Bond writes:

In my last letter (CVN Feb 2016) I asked if prayer worked, and replied (to myself) that we need to have some understanding of who we are praying *to*, to answer the question. Briefly, I touched on some of the characteristics of God, and concluded that he is the source of all life, 'being' itself, and therefore, by his very nature, cannot '*not be*'.

This may be a statement guaranteed to raise the hackles of those who are convinced that Science effectively disproves the existence of God. Speaking for myself, it seems to me that God created and Science tells us much of how; I don't see any conflict there. However, leaving that aside, who ... is ... God?

Archaeology tells us that the very earliest human graves, found by miners in South America and carbon-dated way back into pre-history, indicate that ancient humans buried their dead according to ritual, the bodies being arranged all in the same way. This is said to indicate that ever since mankind has existed we have been aware of an intelligence, a mind, a communicating 'other', greater than ourselves, to whom we reach out as a matter of instinct.

Across the thousands of years separating us from those pre-historic graves, science and technology may have blossomed and developed and human awareness may have dulled; but for many of us the instinctive reaching out to that 'other' is as live as it ever was. It seems to be embedded somewhere at the back of the human mind; and the Bible has a couple of significant things to tell us about that.

It is interesting that the Bible takes the existence of God for granted. Firstly, in the first chapter of the first book of the Bible we read: 'So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them'. (Genesis 1:27) Secondly, in Exodus we read in the story of God appearing to Moses in the Burning Bush in order to send him to rescue the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, that Moses asks God what his name is. "I Am Who I Am" says God. "Tell the Israelites 'I Am' has sent me to you." (Exodus 3:14)

We are made 'in God's own image'; and the name of God is 'I Am'.

In this 21st century no doubt there are many who might want to interpret those texts as indicating we have made God in *our own* image; but at the time they were recorded in writing (approximately 600 BC) their traditional interpretation had been history told around the camp fire for

centuries; and by the time they became part of Jewish Scripture the longaccepted understanding was that there exists a specific, unique link between God and mankind. Every human being is made with something of God at the heart of their inmost self; and the name of God is 'I Am' which is also how every human refers to him-or-her-self. Whether you choose to admit it or not, you have likeness to God in your family tree; and God's name is the same as how you refer to yourself.

It is this awareness of God born into our basic make-up that makes us reach out to him.

I think it unlikely there has ever been a culture that has never attempted to imagine and communicate their idea of God. However, before Christianity, Judaism was the only religion, in a world of many religions and multiple ideas about God, which insisted there exists *only one* true and living God, and *he is without bodily form*. Indeed, in ancient times a Jew who attempted to make any sort of statue or picture of God was in danger of punishment by death.

It is this God, the One and Only real, active, and effective God, existing as Spirit and therefore not bound by time and space, and alive in the consciousness of mankind, who is the God of Christianity.

Although God is not a person as we understand the word, people can relate to him in almost the same way as we relate to each other, the only difference being that we can't see him. He puts ideas into our heads, he communicates with us in many different ways, he guides and protects us when we are in difficulties, he is alongside us when we suffer, and his essential nature is love. God is good, the sort of good that is idyllic perfection; he is kind, just, merciful and forgiving; he laughs with us when our sense of humour kicks in, he weeps with us in our sorrow; and his love for mankind is greater than we mere humans can comprehend. When we approach him in prayer he gives us the warmest of welcomes. When you get to know him, the fact you can't see him ceases to matter.

So who is Jesus? Watch this space.

With love, Anne.

The Corfe Valley Church	<u>es – Scripture Readings – April 2016</u>	10.30 Corfe Castle Parish
April 3 rd	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Communion (BCP)
	Acts 5: 27 – 32	
	John 20: 19 – end	Sunday 1 st May
		10.30Corfe CastleBenefice Communion
April 10 th	3 rd Sunday of Easter	
	*Zephaniah 3: 14 – end Acts 9: 1 – 6	BCP – Book of Common Prayer CW – Common Worship
	John 21: $1 - 19$	Please note now that the clocks have changed there will be Sunday evening
	John 21, 1 17	services again at Kimmeridge and Steeple, as well as at Church Knowle. The
April 17 th	4 th Sunday of Easter	service at Kimmeridge is at 4p.m. Steeple and Church Knowle are at 6.30pm
-	Acts 9: 36 -end	
	John 10: 22 – 30	Annual Meetings
April 24 th	5 th Sunday after Easter	The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) of St. Edward's Church,
	*Genesis 22: 1 – 18	Corfe Castle will be held on Sunday 10th April in church, commencing at
	Acts 11: 1 – 18	12:00. This will be followed by a sandwich lunch
	John 13: 31 – 35	This meeting is an opportunity to hear about the work of the church council
1 st May	6 th Sunday after Easter	during the past year and for comments, and questions to be asked.
i way	Acts 16: $9 - 15$	Churchwardens and PCC members are appointed.
	John 14: 23 – 29	Character Versender The Ot Deterior Amurel DOC Meeting will be an Three large
		Church Knowle. The St Peter's Annual PCC Meeting will be on Thursday 28 th April at 1930 in the Reading Room.
<u>Corfe Valley Ch</u>	<u>uurch Services – April 2016</u>	28 April at 1950 in the Reading Room.
Sunday 3 rd April		Steeple. The St Michaels Annual Meeting will be on Wednesday 13th April at
10.30 Corfe Castle	Benefice Communion	7pm in the Church.
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Sunday 10 th April		Kimmeridge. The date of the Kimmeridge meeting has not yet been fixed; watch out for an announcement.
8.00 Corfe Castle	Holy Communion (BCP)	waten out for an announcement.
10.30 Steeple 10.30 Corfe Castle	Family Communion (BCP) Matins APCM at Noon	Contact Details for the Corfe Valley Churches
4p.m. Kimmeridge	Evensong	Rev Ian Jackson 480257 Assistant Curate Rev Anne Bond 480249
		Church Wardens
Sunday 17 th April 8.00 Church Knowle	Holy Communion (BCP)	Corfe Castle: Jill Revans 480852 Penelope Smith 480109
10.30 Corfe Castle	Parish Communion (CW)	Church Knowle Hazel Parker 480315
6.30pm Steeple	Evensong	
r · · · · · · ·	-	Kimmeridge Contact Ian Jackson
Sunday 24 th April		Steeple Contact Ian Jackson
8.00 Corfe Castle	Holy Communion (BCP)	Visit St Edwards Website - <u>http://stedwardscorfecastle.co.uk/</u>
10.30 Kimmeridge	Parish Communion (BCP)	

Corfe Castle Youth Club



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We're very sad to announce that Dorset County Council has decided to close its Youth Service as part of its cutbacks to balance the books.

This means that it will not fund any of its purpose built youth centres in Dorset (i.e. Swanage or Wareham) and is making all its youth workers redundant (including Donna and Gabriella at Corfe).

The current Youth Service will close on August 31st 16 and a different much smaller one will take its place from 1st Sept '16. This new service will only offer 1-1 and project work with young people flagged up by social services or schools as needing extra support. Therefore Corfe Castle Youth Club will not have any D.C.C. Youth Workers to run it. Dorset County Council are making a pot of £200,000 available to charities and organizations across Dorset to make activities available to communities if they match fund, (put up the same amount as they're bidding for).

As things stand at the moment, our Youth Club will end at the end of the summer term (our contracts only cover term time), so our last meeting will be Wednesday 20th July 2016.

The Parish Council have expressed interest in helping to keep the club and have met with Anneliese Fay – our Area Youth Worker who's keeping them informed of the current situation. She will be at a meeting at the Village Hall on Wednesday 27th April at 6 pm to answer questions and provide guidance. If anyone in the community – parents or anyone interested – would like to get involved with running the club on a voluntary basis, please contact Anneliese Fay at Swanage Youth Centre on 423421 or by email at

A.Fay@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Everyone at Corfe Castle Youth Club is really saddened by this turn of events. Our members, staff and parents are devastated. Thank-you to everyone who, over the many years we've been here, has supported the Youth Club in any way, by being a member, volunteering, being on the management committee, donating, or by sticking up for us when the chips were down. Thank-you everyone

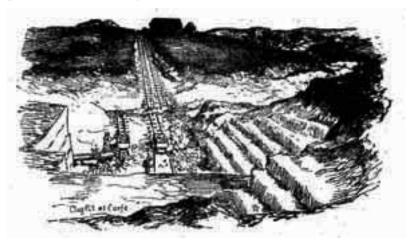
Donna Bickerstaff, Gabriella Prior, The Corfe Castle Youth Club Management Committee and on behalf of our Club Members past and present.

Follow Up from the Parish Council.

As can be seen from the report on the Parish Council Meeting on 14th March the Parish Council discussed the future of the Youth Club and the excellent work done by Donna and Gabriella. The PC intends to do everything possible to ensure that the youth club can continue. If necessary we would hold a referendum to see if people were willing to see an increase in the precept (local tax) to fund the future of the club. Stephen

Clay Mining in the Parish of Corfe Castle

Below is a picture of a clay pit at Corfe taken from Rambles in the Isle of Purbeck by C E Robinson and dated 1882. From the description below it probably refers to Norden and the tramway is the one through Rempstone. Has anyone got any other ideas?



In a few minutes more we emerge upon the red highroad to Corfe, at a point where a snug modern farm-house fronts it, concealing behind a show of intense respectability the most woebegone, tumble-down, and delightfully picturesque range of farm, buildings it can ever be one's fortune to behold. The gap in the downs, in the midst of which rises the conical hill that bears the grand fragment of Corfe Castle Keep, is now visible just ahead. But it is worthwhile to turn aside, and look at the open clay-pit in a field a little to the eastward.

Here is a wide uncovered excavation, the rubbish overlying the clay not being many yards in thickness. The steep sides are being cut away in steps by men with spades, and are charmingly tinted, light pink, bright yellow, gray, and white, according to the varieties of the clay. As they are cut, the square lumps of the plastic material are slid in a wet state along a smooth plank, towards a truck, into which they are lifted by a man with an iron prong. From the ground-level above an engine hauls the loaded trucks up an inclined tramway, and when it has leisure from this employment, is busily engaged in sawing out timber props and sleepers. The whole scene, on a fine day, is animated and pretty ; but in wet weather there must be pleasanter occupations than the constant handling and treading of slippery adhesive clay. The produce of this pit is conveyed to a pier at *Goathorn, on* the shores of Poole Harbour, by a tramway having a flange to retain the wheels of trucks, and probably one of the oldest in England.



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I have just been watching the local news and it seems that the main item is the decision taken by the Southampton Council, to fine those who are caught begging on the streets. As one who naturally finds himself giving his support to the "underdog", it certainly got my attention. Many years ago, I went "underneath the arches" in London, and gave out soup, at 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning, to some of those who were sleeping rough, and I will never forget meeting the old man who had lost all of his toes, because of his way of life. Recently, some celebrities were asked to sleep rough for a week, as part of Sports Relief, and I think it was an eye opener for some of them.

But what has begging and sleeping rough got to do with Corfe Castle. Absolutely nothing, as far as I know. But what is relevant, is the trap that I suggest that we all fall into, whether we live in a city or in a delightful village, and that is the temptation to take individuals, and put them all together until they become a group, and then treat everybody in the group, as if they are all the same.

Only yesterday I was involved in a discussion about charity shops would you believe. The temptation was to judge all charity shops as if they were the same, and suddenly, tonight, I am reminded of the same temptation. It is so easy to talk about "beggars" as if all beggars are all the same, or the "homeless", as if all the homeless are the same.

For more than 40 years, as part of my ministry, I was involved in helping "The mentally ill", and there is another group that we put together and then treat them, and think about them, as if they are all the same. **NO THEY ARE NOT**. Each one is an individual, with their own personalty, and their own particular type of mental illness.

Gentlemen, how many of you have not exclaimed, "Women Drivers"!! at some stage in your life? Ladies, how many of you have not at some stage exclaimed, with exasperation, "Men."!? Or has it been "Teenagers!", or "Pensioners"? We are all engaged in doing it, saying it, or thinking it. Putting individuals into a group, and then treating every member of that group as if they are all the same. **NO THEY ARE NOT.**

Tomorrow is Budget Day, so let's have a go at those "politicians". In just over a week's time, it will be Easter, so why not have a go at "Churchgoers"? Everybody knows that they are all hypocrites. And what about that group that we call the "Do-gooders"?

In a few days' time, I am going to a Meeting at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Swanage, that is about asylum seekers and refugees. There you are. If you are so inclined, I have just given you two other groups that you can talk about as if every member of that group was the same. My dad, bless him, because of his building trade background in Birmingham, used to talk about "The Irish", in a way that wasn't very friendly. And, if we are honest, we all do it, treating members of a group, as if they are all the same! We all give in to that same temptation, in thought, if not in word or action.

If you will forgive me, I want to quote from the Bible. (Well, what can you expect from a member of the "clergy" group?) At the beginning of the book of Jeremiah, God says to the prophet, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born, I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." We don't take the trouble to treat people as individuals, worthy of our interest and care. We find it easier to put people into groups, and then judge the group as if they are all the same. But **THEY ARE NOT**. God has made us all different. Every set of finger prints is unique. God has made us different from everybody else, and God treats each and every one of us as a separate individual, loved and cared for individually by Him.

If you want something to do to help you to sleep tonight, don't count sheep; count how many groups others could put you into. I am a "man", a "husband", a "Rev", a "football supporter", a "Brummie", a "tee-totaller", a "pensioner", a "car driver", a (Have you got the idea?) Others will put you into a group, whether you like it or not, but, be assured of this. God will treat you as an individual. God doesn't just love the world, He loves you, and He knows your needs. I also believe that He has a plan and a purpose for each one of us, but we have to come to Him and trust Him, before we can find it. Being in Corfe Castle is part of His plan for me, but you need to find your place within His plan. I hope that you do, but it takes time and effort.

I hope that you had a great Easter, and are looking forward to all that the future holds.

Every blessing.

Barry

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

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

Every Monday at 10.30 am we have a Prayer Meeting which is open to all, whatever their denomination. On Wednesday afternoons we alternate between a Bible Study and a Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship at 2.30 pm. We would love to see you at either or both.

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

Our Weekly Coffee Morning restarted on Wednesday, 23rd. March at 10.30 am. Do please come along and join us.

Starting on Sunday, 10th.April, our Monthly Sunday Lunch. Please phone us to let us know that you are coming by the previous Friday, or come to the Coffee Morning and book your place. We would love to have you with us, whether you come to Church or not.



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Corfe Castle Gardening Club

The Club's meeting which was held on the 3rd March 2016 was as promised a really 'hands on event'. Our speaker for the evening was "**Dick Longstaffe**" the owner of "**Purbeck Pest & Wildlife Service**"

Far from being an inexperienced speaker as we were lead to believe, he was a natural and spoke about pest control as only experts in their field can.

He explained that in the past it was not necessary to be qualified but now the legislation laid down requires one to have a number of licences and permits to purchase the material and equipment to carry out the work properly, safely and humanely.

He then went on to demonstrate a wide variety of traps and how they were set and how they worked. The range of species that were covered animals as large as deer right down to fleas, moths and ants.

Dick emphasised that even with trapping the despatch and disposal of vermin was very strictly controlled.

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Our next meeting takes place on the 7th April 2016 at our usual venue which in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Royal British Legion at 8.00pm Our guest speaker for the evening is Neil Lovesey and he will be talking about "Wildlife and the Garden"

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Our meeting organised for the 5th May 2016 will be centred around a plant sale and discussing the programme for the Open Gardens Event which takes place in June. SRG

Purbeck U3A

Meeting Points Thursday 28 April 10:00 - 12:00 noon Harman's Cross Village Hall "Beautiful Bali - the Island of Gods" A look beyond the holiday beaches into the unique culture and mystique of this tropical island paradise. Non-members very welcome, just turn up!

Purbeck U3A is a registered charity.

In May we're screening "Taxi Tehran" on Wednesday 4th at 7.30pm in Langton Matravers' Village Hall. Jafar Panahi is an Iranian filmmaker who is forbidden by the Ministry of Islamic Guidance to direct films any more. So he became a taxi driver Or at least pretended to be and made a film anyway. He invites you to get into his cab to ride through the streets of Tehran and discover its people in the persons of his various passengers. It was made in just 15 days with special effects provided by two goldfish and a bunch of red roses. The filming was done by three tiny cameras fixed to the dashboard of the taxi supplemented by a few shots looking out from the car taken by Panahi's 10-year-old niece using her compact camera. Apart from a minor incident when Panahi brakes suddenly and nearly does for the goldfish, that's it. So why would you want to see this film? Just for pleasure. It is enchanting film-making, showing how little you really need if you love and understand cinema. In Tehran taxis are shared and Panahi makes the most of this. His fares include a man who wants to hang a couple of thieves to shake up the rest. A woman arguing Iran already executes more people than any country except China. A dealer in pirate DVDs. A man reeling from a head wound after a bike accident, and his howling wife. A pair of bad-tempered, highly talkative elderly sisters, and of course his niece. This film rightly took top prize at The Berlin Film Festival and boldly holds up two fingers to censorship. In Persian with English subtitles. Tickets are £5 on the door, which will open at 7.00pm. Glasses will be supplied should you wish to bring your own drink with you. If you want to be kept informed about future films you can add your name to the mailing list by emailing info@LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk or visit www.LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk. Chris Kwantes



Presents a talk by Phil Judkins Confusion's Masterpiece Intercept and Deception on D-Day Tuesday 19th April 2016, 2 pm



Childrens Easter Event

The children's Easter event planned for 5th April has had to be changed and will now be on Friday 8th April in the Library. All children and parents welcome

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Purbeck Citizens Advice – Important Notice

Please note the following temporary changes to the hours of service and permanent changes to the venue offered in Wareham:

TEMPORARY CLOSURE and no public access service from 4th to 8th April 2016 whilst Purbeck Citizens Advice is moved back to its Mill Lane premises.

The final appointments taking place at Not Just Sundaes in South Street, Wareham (opposite the library) will be on Thursday 31st March. Normal drop-in/appointments service resumes in the Mill Lane office: Mon 11th /Tues 12th/Thurs 14th April: 10.00 - 14.00

Throughout the period of closure, telephone advice will continue as usual: Dorset Advice Line 0344 245 1291 Monday to Friday 10.00 – 4.00 pm. Self-help and email advice: <u>www.purbeckadvice.org.uk</u>

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A date for your diaries....our next event

Sunday 29th May Spring Fair 10.30am - 4.00pm at the Village Hall

We will be holding a Fair to raise funds for the Village Hall redevelopment fund. Lots of stalls, kids zone, tea, coffee and cakes. More details next month. Anyone who is able to offer a couple of hours help or bake some cakes please

contact

Liz on 480447 or e-mail rupert.liz@gmail.com

Our January Quiz Night

A big thank you to everyone who came along and enjoyed our quiz at Four and Twenty Blackbirds. A good time was had by all and Toby provided us with a fantastic supper.

We raised £235 for the Town Trust and the winners donated their prize to the Trust.

A big thank you to Toby for hosting the event, to Steve and Chris at The Gallery at 41, Terry and Carole at the Village Stores and Frank and Jeanette Collinson for donating the prizes.

Maybe another quiz in the Autumn...

B&B Expert

'To B&B The Best' (provisional working title) is a new series for Channel 5 about homeowners who are hoping to make some cash from their spare rooms. In each episode, our award-winning B&B expert will visit a different homeowner who has either just started or is about to start opening up their own home to paying guests. We are looking for charismatic and experienced B&B owners who'd like to share their knowledge and experience with others.



To take part, call us now on 01273 224 829 or email: BandB@ricochet.co.uk

Harmans Cross Art Group

Spring may be a little chilly but you are assured of a warm welcome by Harmans Cross Art Group at their annual Art Show. This takes place on Saturday 30th April from 9am until 9pm and Sunday 1st May from 9pm until 4.30pm at Harmans Cross Village Hall.

The show offers an opportunity to buy original artwork ready framed from some of your favourite local artists and quality prints are available too. Cards will also be on sale with designs so unique they turn a greetings card into a gift, and at such reasonable prices you could buy a year's supply!

Come and try out your creativity at our Have a Go table. Our members will be on hand to show you how to use a variety of materials such as pencil, watercolour and acrylics with paper, pencils, paints and brushes supplied. You might discover a new hobby and join our weekly art group meetings.

You will be welcome to browse the work on display and enjoy some refreshment with lovely country views and the steam train passing by. Please note our late night opening on Saturday night, if the weather is kind you may be treated to a beautiful sunset.

Harlequin Care" coffee morning 21st May 10.30-12noon in the village hall

Harlequin Care is a charity which offers complementary therapies (massage, facial, counselling etc) at no cost, to unpaid carers in Dorset. We are trying to raise funds to enable us to offer more clinics as each one costs in the region of $\pounds1000.00$. There will be coffee and cake, bric-a brac,toys books, cakes and a raffle.

For those of you who donated to our "Rag Bag" collection a big thank you and we were able to raise £172.84 from the sale. Eileen Franklin

A Night at the Races

The final event is here we are holding A Night At The Races on the 30th April at Holme Nurseries doors open at 7.30pm tickets are £10.00 including soup or a ploughmans. Tickets available from Joy on 01305 853421 or John on 01929 552951. We would like to thank everyone who has supported my Dad in raising the money for this years challenge of Walking The Wall of China for Weldmar Hospice. Watch this space for his return and an update on how he got on.

Dorset Guild Of Singers

"Petite Messe Solennelle" Lighthouse Poole, 7.30pm Saturday 23rd April 2016 After a triumphant "Elijah" two years ago, the Dorset Guild of Singers are delighted that Simon Lole will once again wield the baton for Rossini's delightful Mass, described by Napoleon III as "neither little, nor solemn, nor particularly liturgical"! The Briantspuddle Singers are rehearsing alongside choir members from Purbeck and West Dorset and nearly 200 voices will be raising the roof on the Wessex Hall!

Music by Woods, Bairstow and Parry complete the evening's performance and Richard Hall (harmonium) and Chris Dowie (piano) will accompany the choir and professional soloists.

Advance tickets only £13 available from Liz Roberts 01929 481419

Kingston Concert

The 15-strong Northern Harmony, an acclaimed young American choir from Vermont, bring their unique vocal skills to St James Church on Friday, April 22nd, at 7.30pm.

The choir is exceptional in having won renown for its command of not one but various ethnic styles of singing ranging from Bulgarian to South African and from Georgian to their native American gospel. Last month they were in Georgia as guests of a famous Georgian ensemble "polishing up their Georgian repertoire", to borrow the words of their leader and founder Larry Gordon.

This is the choir's 16th European tour since their foundation in 1993 as part of the larger, Vermont-based Village Harmony world music organisation, which includes several community choirs and an extensive programme of international singing camps.

Before reaching Kingston and besides their visit to Georgia,, the choir will have fitted in concerts in Scotland, many more all over England and two weeks of performances in Germany as well as a number of "singing camps", workshops exploring various singing styles which local residents are invited to join. One such workshop takes place at Milton Abbey, Milton Abbas, on Saturday, April 23rd, the day after their concert in St James Church.

Tickets for the Kingston concert, at which refreshments will be served, cost £9 for adults and £7 for under-18s. They can be obtained from Wareham Tourist Information Office, Langton Matravers Village Shop or from Robin Stringer on 07720 784269.

The RVS Penguin Big Knit in Dorset

The Royal Voluntary Service delivers practical support through the power of volunteering so every older person can live the life they want.

We need to raise £3000 this year to help support services for older people. Any money raised stays locally and supports local older people in their own homes to stay happy, healthy, warm and connected so please, have some fun and bring sunshine to an older person this year.



The knitted Penguin pattern (shown right) has

been designed by a member of The Martinsey Isle Trust in Sturminster Newton, specifically to help with RVS fundraising.

(*The Martinsey Isle Trust, a sacred heritage and education trust, can be contacted via their website: <u>http://www.artoflivinganddying.com</u> and on 01258 475125).*

If you are a knitter or know of anyone who does, please see the pattern attached. Or if you would prefer to knit something a bit simpler: we can provide a number of lovely basic hat patterns, free to use for charitable purposes. Just contact us and we will send them to you.

Please Contact The Royal Voluntary Service Hub Office On 01305 236666 To Arrange Collection Of Your Donations.

If you would like to know more, contact; - Maria Jacobson Royal Voluntary Service Manager Dorset Home Library Service 07786 635154 or 01305 236 666 E: maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk W: www.royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk

The organisers of "<u>The Kingston Country Fair</u>" are pressing ahead organising the event for 2016 with a fixed date of **Sunday July 3rd** In 2015 we raised fractionally over £5000 in aid of the **Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance** our soul beneficiary

Already support has been secured from many sources throughout the area. Some new attractions this year will include a display of working steam engines together with various stationary engines and agriculture tractors.

Since the steam engines will arrive on Saturday we are taking the opportunity to hold an evening music event on **Saturday 2^{nd}** to include food and a bar marquee.

Many of the artists are donating their time free of charge. This extra event should prove popular for all ages at this delightful hilltop location.

The dog show will be enhanced to include various displays of dog agility and obedience capabilities. The very successful flying displays of model aircraft will be returning again.

We are hoping to extend the classic car display with invitations being sent out to many car enthusiasts and clubs in the area a large area has been set aside for this attraction.

Many stallholders are returning and even more have shown an interest. The Swanage Town Band will be on hand to entertain everyone throughout the day

The Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance is a vital resource particularly for this area in the Purbecks due to its isolation. The service need all the funds that can be raised to ensure it's always available

The location of the event will be the same as 2015 the field next to Kingston Country Courtyard just outside the village offering magnificent views across the Purbecks from this elevated position. Directions will be posted.

If you can promote this event though your media channels and community sections our appreciation is guaranteed. We want to smash! last year's total Please contact our organisers Mr & Mrs Alan Fry by email <u>ann@fryfarm.net</u> or 01929 481663

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Keep Reading with the Home Library Service!

If you, or somebody you know or care for, are unable to get to your local library, the Home Library Service (HLS) can provide a regular supply of books for you to continue to enjoy at home.

Through a partnership between the Royal Voluntary Service (RVS) and the County Council, the HLS in the Isle of Purbeck is provided from Wareham and Swanage Libraries. New clients are visited in their homes by a Local Coordinator to find out what sort of books they would be interested to read, and if they require large print, or books recorded on tape cassettes or CDs (talking books). Every three weeks, volunteers select books according to the known preferences and any feedback received, and these are delivered to HLS Readers in their homes by other volunteers. All RVS volunteers carry identity cards and have provided references and been through a security check.

HLS Readers in the Corfe Valley receive books from Wareham Library; these are taken to the Corfe Castle Library through the Library Van Service and then delivered by local volunteers. HLS Readers in villages such as Kingston and Harman's Cross are served from Swanage Library. You don't have to worry about fines for overdue items either - no fines are levied for HLS users, although items out for a long time are followed up!

The HLS is open to anybody who needs it. If you are interested for yourself, or for somebody you know who loves books but can no longer access them, there are several ways of making contact with the service. You can telephone or email the Dorset HLS Service Manager, Maria Jacobson, 01305 236666, <u>maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk</u> or leave your address and phone number at Swanage or Wareham Libraries for the HLS Local Coordinator to contact you, or use the relevant email address below.

 Gail Gee (Wareham HLS Coordinator)

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Purbeck Art Week (PAW) Festival 2016 announces competition winners...

The Purbeck Art Weeks Festival competition for the best interpretation of this year's theme Midsummer Dreams brought a response from Purbeck's artists that is both stunning and thought provoking. The two winners are Gina Marshall 'Dreamers on Swanage Beach', and Judy Tate 'Midsummer Glory'. You will see these winning art works take pride of place on the front of this year's PAW Brochure and Events Programme. Please find a full press release with accompanying images attached to this email. **Event:** Purbeck Art Week Festival (PAW) **Date:** Sat 28 May – Sun 12 June 2016 **Website:** www.purbeckartweeks.co.uk

> The Broadstone Choir Spring Serenade Concert Lady St. Mary Church Wareham. Saturday 9th April 7.30pm

An evening of beautiful music is being performed by The Broadstone Choir in Lady St Mary Church in Wareham on Saturday 9 April. The concert will include Mendelssohn's famous 'O for the wings of a dove' as well as Elgar's stirring anthem 'Give unto the Lord'. The main work in the programme will be Dvorak's Mass in D. This little known work is full of wonderful melodies and harmonies that those familiar with his New World Symphony or Slavonic Dances would expect from this Czech composer. The choir, directed by David Everett, will be joined by four talented soloists and accompanied on the organ by John Radford. Tickets for the concert, which starts at 7.30pm, cost £9 in advance (£4.50 for under 19s) and are available from Purbeck Information Centre, Wareham, from the box office on 01202 848127 or via the choir's website <u>www.bcc.webs.com</u>. Tickets on the door are £10 (£5 for under 19s) subject to availability. **Charity Bingo**

Friday 22nd April

Eyes down 7.30pm

Corfe Castle Village Hall

All donations welcome Either Sheli Venning at 74 West Street Tanya Davis at Corfe Castle Bakery Or contact Lauren on 01929 439444 / 07528 734339 In Aid of Poole Cancer Unit

CVN Needs Help

One of our deliverers, Mrs Farrant who delivers CVN along Sandyhill Lane is planning to retire from the round at the end of this month. Thank you Mrs Farrant for all your help over the years; without our willing team of deliverers the CVN would not get delivered to your door.

The CVN is therefore looking for someone who lives in the Sandyhill Lane area to take on this task. It probably needs somebody fairly fit, who likes walking/biking etc as it covers the road from Corfe to Harmans Cross. If you are at all interested or would like to know more please contact Penny Hopkins on 480551

Meeting about the Youth Club – 6pm April 27th

The Youth Club Management Committee and Youth Workers have arranged for a meeting <u>at **6pm on April 27th**</u> at Corfe Castle Village Hall. An Area Youth worker will offer guidance and advice. By that date the new employee appointments will have been announced and the situation should be clear.

Accordingly, the committee would like to invite representatives from local organisations and the public to attend the meeting and would be extremely pleased to see you on the night. It would be very useful to have an idea of who is coming, so please RSVP to gillsellen@gmail.com

Kimmeridge News

Village comings and goings

We have worked out (belatedly I know, news takes a long time to get all the way down to the bay!) that Jamie Dando and Aimie are now living in Stable cottage. It is so good when our village young people can stay here, and is one thing that makes Kimmeridge very special compared with so many Dorset villages. We also have a message for you all from Rosie who lived in Stable Cottage until January for about 18 months. I am living back in London with a heavy heart as I miss enormously the big skies, the owls hooting and the 'snoring' bird in the ash tree outside the village hall! Yes, that was a strange incident over a period of about a week, though I think that it might have been an owlet. I could see how in olden times people would have been terrified of night time woods. I loved the village, and the very kind reception that I received from all the villagers. I have happy memories of living there - apart from the building work next door, but that improved by the end of my stay there. Those noises are now replaced by the gentle howl of police and ambulance sirens. I pretend the planes going overhead are the buzzards! Happy memories - but I'll be back - as someone else said once!

Kimmeridge Keilidhs

We went out with a bang, celebrating the last dance in the old hall in style with a party including well over 30 dancing, shared food, 6 different callers and a brilliant performance from Dorset Buttons rapper – who had actually asked if they could come to dance for us.

Many of those who have been regularly over the last 4 years said how sad they were that we wouldn't be able to use the old hall anymore because they love the atmosphere here – but equally we are all looking forward to more dances in the new hall from the autumn. Over the 4 years our generous punters have raised a grand total of just over £1500 towards the village playground, aided by callers who have travelled long distances and called for a pittance or nothing, and the band who have played for free every month.

Many thanks to everyone concerned – Kimmeridge Keilidhs will be back!

Kimmeridge Fossil Museum

Lots of work is being done now on the inside of the building with electrics, heating & plumbing going in. The slates are going on the roof and at long last, now we have some drier weather, the car park is being built! Parking has been a real problem both for the builders and for the village. The site has been simply too wet to drive onto. Once the car park area is cleared (and drained!) the contractors will be able to use this for parking their vans and this will free up much needed space in the village ready for the summer season! Steve Etches has been starring on television twice in March – on "Discovering Britain" with Emelia Fox and later on Meridian News.

Broadband

Work has been progressing well on the Broadband mast getting ready to start working in April. The firm providing this service, "VoIP Unlimited" will be contacting local residents to let them know what is available and how to get linked in to their high speed broadband & VoIP telephones.

The French are Coming!

Over the weekend of 16th/17th April we have some very special French visitors staying in Kimmeridge. "Vent de Noroise" are a French folk band who perform an exciting mix of sea shanties, French sea songs and Breton dance music at festivals across Europe. They are performing in Wareham Town Hall on Saturday 16th at 7.30pm and at Square & Compass, Worth Matravers on Sunday lunchtime. Well worth catching them while they are here!

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Swanage Railway Volunteer Publishes New

Book To Mark

50th Anniversary Of Somerset & Dorset

Line Closure

A dedicated Swanage Railway volunteer has written a fascinating new book detailing the last weeks, days and hours of the long-lamented Somerset and Dorset line between Bournemouth, Blandford, Templecombe, Evercreech and Bath – marking the 50th anniversary of the route's controversial closure.

Copies of the newly published 'Somerset and Dorset Swansong – The Last Days of a Steam Railway', by Bob Bunyar, have received acclaim from readers after a signing session on the platform outside the railway shop at Swanage station.



A life-long Somerset and Dorset fan, Bob has carried out similarly popular signing sessions at exhibitions at the Museum of Bath at Work and at a display in Evercreech, at the restored Midsomer Norton station, as well as at the Gartell Light Railway on the trackbed of the former main line.

Bob at the book signing at Swanage Station in March Photo Andrew P M Wright

After several years of being run down by the Western Region of British Railways, the Somerset and Dorset – dating from 1862 – was

recommended for closure in the Government's infamous 'The Reshaping of British Railways' report by Dr Richard Beeching in March, 1963.

After the last day of timetabled public trains on Saturday 5 March, 1966, Sunday 6 March saw two special trains for enthusiasts run along the 70-mile route before closure came on Monday, 7 March, 1966.

Bob recalled: "My last train ride on the Somerset and Dorset before it closed was on Saturday, March 5, 1966, from Bath to Bournemouth and return on a Great Western Society Special hauled by 8F steam locomotive No. 48706.

"My memories of this last train trip are of seeing large numbers of people out in fields and on station platforms watching the death-throws of the line with the last trains passing before closure and demolition," he added.

Now living in Swanage, the 62-year old retired Avon fire-fighter grew up in Bath's Pulteney Street – within sound of the old Somerset and Dorset line – and before that he and his family lived next to the line in the village of Wellow in Somerset.

A pupil at Oldfield boys' school in Bath, Bob remembers lying in bed as a 13year-old and listening to the sound of two British Railways Standard Tank steam locomotives hauling the last timetabled service train into the city's Bath Green Park station just before 11pm on Saturday, 5 March, 1966.

He remembered: "Hearing the final 'up' passenger working arrive back into Bath is a poignant and very sad sound that I will always remember – it was the end of an era. Both locos ran from the Devonshire Tunnel down into the City with their whistles fully open and the sound rebounded around the hills of the City.

"I lived by the Somerset and Dorset line at Wellow as a small child and have fond memories of sitting on the station platform or playing in nearby fields watching the trains pass which gave me my love for railways," he added.

With 67 photographs – many never published before – the new 97-page softback published by Wild Swan of Bath book covers, in detail, the death throes of what was, and probably still is, the most affectionately remembered and mourned railway line in the country.

Bob explained: "To my knowledge, the final sad hours of the Somerset and Dorset have not been recorded in detail before. The book is not just aimed at enthusiasts but also people with a casual interest in railways.

"It's important that we remember and record history and human experience for future generations and the Somerset and Dorset is one line that has gone down in railway folk law," he added.

A Swanage Railway volunteer since the mid-1980s, Bob said: "I started doing research into the subject which snowballed and my interest grew. I did an article for the Somerset and Dorset Railway Heritage Trust magazine and received more information – so much I thought I would try to get it into print.

"The book details the final days and workings of the Somerset and Dorset as well as the times leading up to closure. I have detailed all train workings and locomotive moves on Sunday 6 March and Monday 7 March, 1966, which was the closure day.

"There are lots of Somerset and Dorset books, but I don't think any have so much detail. I have also put in a few stories as well as locomotive and train workings of interest from 1962 onwards," he added.

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MARCH 8^{TH} – LOVE AND MERCY (PG 13) In the late 1960s, the Beach Boys' Brian Wilson stops touring, produces "Pet Sounds" and begins to lose his grip on reality. By the 1980s, Wilson (John Cusack), under the sway of a controlling therapist, finds a saviour in Melinda Ledbetter.....

MARCH 29TH – WEST SIDE STORY A musical in which a modern day Romeo and Juliet are involved in New York street gangs. On the harsh streets of the upper west side, two gangs battle for control of the turf. The situation becomes complicated when a gang members falls in love with a rival's sister. an American film from 1961 by Jerome Robbins and Robert Wisewith starstarring Natalie Wood, Richard Beymer, Russ Tamblyn, Rita Moreno and George Chakiris

APRIL 12^{th} – SPECTRE (PG 13) Is this the worst Bond movie for 30 years or the best? You decide. Come along and make your mind up!

MUSIC NIGHT

March 19th A Musical Extravaganza" with Hugh Budden & The Blue Chords Band & The stunning Blue Sirens. Featuring: a five piece band inc. keyboard player 3 superb female vocalists

Note future dates for 2016 in your diaries now! June 4th, November 12th, and one more TBA !

RESIDENTS' CLUB QUIZ NIGHT

Friday April 1st 7.30 pm. A challenge from Harmans Cross to Worth Matravers! Village honour is at stake!! Free admission. Licensed bar.

CHARITY FUNDRAISING FOLK CONCERT in aid of the Green Island Holiday Trust for disabled people. Saturday April 2nd

 $7.30 \ p.m.$ Bring your own refreshments Admission free – charity donations welcomed.

ART EXHIBITION

Our Annual Art exhibition on Saturday 30th April all day; special preview night Friday 29th from 7.00 p.m. onwards, bar will be open.

"STALLS IN THE HALL" - (Saturday from 9.30am): COFFEE AND CAKE, CARDS AND CRAFTS – AND BRIC-A-BRAC ! March 12th Book now to avoid disappointment!

April 9^{th} – it's Railway Spring Steam Gala weekend – so come to our 'Stalls' event as well!

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

GLEN AND BETTY'S DANCE NIGHT (old time and ballroom) - March 12th April 9th

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (7.30pm) - March 1st May 3rd

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS (Thu 10.30am to 12.00 noon) with COFFEE JUNCTION fortnightly - $25^{\rm th}$ March $10^{\rm th}$

CHURCH SERVICES (6.00 p.m.) - March 27th

PURBECK U3A MONTHLY 'MEETING POINT' (9.00 a.m.) -

PURBECK U3A COMPUTER GROUP (9.00 a.m.) - March 4th 18th

PURBECK U3A MAH JONGG GROUP (1.00 p.m.) - 25th March 8th, 24th

PURBECK U3A WINE TASTING GROUP (from 6.00 p.m.) - March 21st April 18th

PURBECK U3A PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP (9.00 a.m.) - March 15th April 19th

HARMANS CROSS COMMUNITY GROUP - Drop-in meetings March 17th and April 21st 2.00 p.m.

WEEKLY EVENTS:

U3A French groups – Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9.00 a.m. Table Tennis group (U3A) Monday mornings from 9.00 a.m Pins & Needles – Monday afternoons from 2.00 p.m Art with Judy – Tuesday afternoons from 2.00 p.m. Life Drawing with Sue – most Thursday afternoons from 2.00 p.m Yoga with Cathy Monday and Thursday evenings from 6.00 p.m. Morning Yoga with Cathy – Tuesday mornings from 9.00 a.m Table Tennis with Joe – Wednesday evenings from 6.00

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- Modern Tap & Ballet various sessions for ages 3 adult Modern & tap and Ballet -Miranda Hindson 07511 251026

TUESDAY

Whist Drive – Eileen Cake 01929 552392 (alternate Tuesdays @ 7.30pm)

WEDNESDAY

- <u>Say So Drama</u> 10.30 12.00 with Emma
- Yoga 2.15 3.45 contact Pam Steele -01929 556714
- <u>Taekwondo</u> 5.00 6.30 contact Lottie 07803 536491

THURSDAY

- U3A Softball Tennis 2.00 4.00 contact Patrick 01929 553178
- Qigong Chinese Exercise 7.00 8.00 contact Penny 07969 925502

SATURDAY

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SUPPORT FOR LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Committees of organisations in the Parish of Corfe Castle (which includes Kingston) are invited to apply for grants and loans to assist with their activities during the current year.

Whilst the Trustees will consider urgent applications for grants at any time, it will help them to allocate funds fairly if organisations could decide as soon as possible their likely needs.



The Trustees will also consider applications for assistance in connection with the following :

- Sickness and disability
- Domestic and Family expenses
- Education and Training

For further information please contact: The Clerk to the Trustees, Mrs. Jenny Wilson, The Spinney, Springbrook Close, Harmans Cross, BH20 5HS Tel: 01929 480873

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When submitting an advertisement please send it to the editor at

corfevalleynews@tiscali.co.uk

If you are not submitting by email please leave a copy in the Post Office (The Village Stores) or in the CVN box at 55 East Street.

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	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months
Full Page in advance	£27.50	£70.00	£135.00	£260.00
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Half Page in Advance	£16.50	£40.00	£75.00	£140.00
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	Regular events in Corfe Castle & environs		
	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
MONDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00-1 1.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	7 - 11pm	Chess Club (Sep - Apr)	Morton's House
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2^{nd}	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Town Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child Group	C C Village Hall
Each	5pm – 6pm	Rainbows (term time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
2nd	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furze
			brook VH; even
			months CK VH
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.45am-12.45	Wool Workshop	C.C. Village Hall
Each	6.30 - 9 pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons House
Each	6.00 - 8.00 pm	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	6.30 - 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	9.30 – 11.30 pm	Pottery Classes	Rachel 480455
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	R.B.L. Club
FRIDAY	8 50 am 2 50 -	Community Dr 1- 1	The Dro Cohe - 1
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm 9.30 - 11.30	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each		Pottery Class Swanage	Rachel 480455
Each SATURDAY	$2 - 5 \mathrm{pm}$	Pottery Class	Sports Pav Rachel 480455
	r 10.30am	Villaga Coffaa Marring	C C Villaga Hall
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