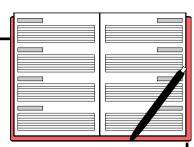
## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**



**April** 

5th Step Back in Time exhibition, Drax Hall 10.00 am - 4.00 pm 14th 10.30 p.m. Autumn Leaves - Spring Trip 24th Annual Church Outing to Arundel Castle 8.00 a.m.

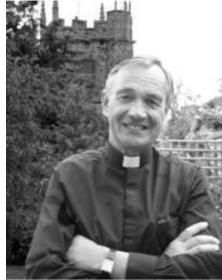
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9th Autumn Leaves - Summer Outing to Sidmouth 10.00 a.m.

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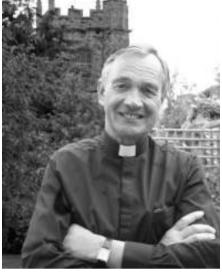
11th Pop in Place - Open Gardens, Bere Regis



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I like this time of year - the leaf colours have been wonderful and walking in some lovely days in our very late Indian summer has been a real pleasure. Autumn is of course about moving through the seasons and we are all familiar with the evident truth that is epitomised in the variety of colours we see, that we are always in the midst of change.

It is sometimes said that embracing change is a sign of our maturity.

Yet this time of year is full of traditional remembering. Is this because we don't want to change? Are remembering and change incompatible? Do we yearn for all things to the way they always were? The season begins with All Souls Day on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November when we remember those we have loved but see no more( and I hope you will join me for a short service on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November in Bere Regis Church at 7pm)

Then, on Remembrance Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> November and also on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>, we give thanks for and remember all those who through their serving preserved our freedoms and way of life. And over the years of my ministry marking Remembrance Sunday has become more popular, especially amongst our younger people, which is very encouraging.

The politically correct in times past and even some today would eschew singing Cecil Spring-Rice's hymn (usually sung to Gustav Holst's tune from his *Planets Suite*) - I vow to thee my country because of the phrase the love that

asks no question or in other words 'my country right or wrong'.

At the recent thanksgiving service in St Paul's Cathedral last month to mark the end of military operations in Iraq, Archbishop Rowan Williams incurred some media criticism for saying that ... "it would be a very rash person who would feel able to say without hesitation, 'This was absolutely the right or wrong thing to do, the right or wrong place to be'. The Modern serviceman or woman will not be someone who has accepted without question a set of easy answers."

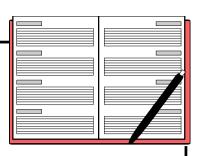
We all have 100% hindsight and now know that there were no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, but the crunch question remains and hopefully what the forthcoming inquiry will illuminate is 'should we have sent our young men and women to fight and be injured and die in Iraq?'

These are not new dilemmas for any of us, be we politicians, Chiefs of Staff, Church leaders, parents or spouses or indeed servicemen and women and whoever we may be. The difference today is that theoretically we are all better informed and more able to assess and make moral, political and tactical judgements about the deployment of our Forces.

A follow up question might be 'what have we learnt and what would we change?



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



#### November

3rd	Gardening Club - World of Garden Colour	7.30 p.m.
11th	Autumn Leaves - Beautiful Slides from Tony Bate	es 2.30 p.m.
14th	Affpuddle Churchyard Autumn Clear-up	10.00 am - 12 noon
20th	PiP Children in Need	10.00 am - 12 noon
28th	Church Christmas Fayre, Drax Hall	10.00 a.m.

#### December

1st	Gardening Club - 100 Years of Dorset Weather	7.30 p.m.
4th	PiP Fun day - Christmas Prize Bingo	
9th	Autumn Leaves - Christmas Afternoon with Carols	2.30 p.m.
12th	PiP Christmas Show	6.00 p.m.
16th	Affpuddle Church Carol Service	6.30 p.m.
18th	PiP Fun day - Mince Pies and Carols	
19th	New Scorpion Band, The Holly and the Ivy BVH	7.30 p.m.

#### 2010

#### **January**

5th	Gardening Club - New Year Party	7.30 p.m.
13th	Autumn Leaves - New Year Party	2.30 p.m.
30th	Tom Langham's "Hot Fingers", BVH	7.30 p.m.

#### **February**

#### March

Association	Contact	Tel	Address	E-mail	Meetings/Info
Drax Hall (hire)	Sally Cheeseman	471022	4 Elder Road BH20 7LY		
Dorset Latvia Link	Jenny Silavs	471577			Fundraisiing for youth of link village of Ikskile in Latvia
Kingsbere Consort	Tim Colquhoun	471360	Heatherdown, Brock Hill	choir@tacmusi c.com	Set rehearsal dates for each performance
Kingsbere Quilters	Miss G Miller	471745	3 Boswell's Close BH20 7JE		Monthly Drax Hall 1st Wednesday @ 9.45 am
Kingsbere Music Trust	Tim Colquhoun	471360	Heatherdown, Brock Hill	kmt@tacmusic. com	Charitable trust supporting devotees of real music
Lenny's - Bere Regis Youth club	Terry Vine	471693	The Bungalow, Lane End, Bere Heath, BH20 7NP	terry.vine@tisca li.co.uk	Weekly. RBL Club 1st Wednesday and following Tuesday evenings Juniors (8-11) 7.15-9.00 Seniors (12-17) 7.15-10.00
Mothers' Union	Nancy Gibson	472105	15 White Lovington BH20 7NF	NancyEGibson @msn.com	Monthly. Turberville Court 1st Wednesday. 7.30 p.m.
Mobile Library	Dorset County Council	01305 224440		dorchestermob ilelibrary@dorse tcc.gov.uk	Alternate fortnights Car park Mondays 9.20- 9.50 Fridays 10.50 - 12.15
Pop in Place	Alison Bennett	472023	3 Rye Hill Close BH20 7LU	paul@bennett3 518.freeserve.c o.uk	Weekly. Drax Hall Monday and Friday mornings 10.00 - 12.00
Purbeck District Councillor	Peter Wharf	472246	The Old Vicarage West Street	peterwharf@ho tmail.com	Monthly surgery. Turberville Court, Communal Lounge 1st Saturday @ 9.30—10.00
Ragamuffins Playgroup	Manager - Mrs Tracy George	472125 405440	c/o Bere Regis Community First School, Rye Hill BH20 7LP		
Royal British Legion Club	Mrs Glo Curtis	472620	32 Old Barn Road	Glo.curtis@dors et.probation.gs x.gov.uk	Monthly at the club 3rd Monday @ 7.30 p.m.
RBL Gardening Club	Mrs Megan Stone	471627	2 Manor House		Monthly. RBL 1st Tuesday. 8.00 p.m.
RBL Women's Section	Mrs Eileen Maidment	471616	9 Elder Road		Monthly. RBL 3rd Wednesday. 2.00 p.m.
Twinning Association	Sue Stone	471993		SJStone97@aol. com	Meetings and events arranged as and when.
Briantspuddle village scrap book	Jenny Silavs	471577			Scrap book for Affpuddle, Briantspuddle, Throop and Turnerspuddle
W.I. (Bere Regis)	Mrs Arlene Duncanson	472141		duncanson@m adasafish.com	Monthly Drax Hall 3rd Tuesday @ 7.30 pm
Wildlife Events	Mrs Tasie Russell	471414			Talks in winter. Briantspuddle Village Hall. Also field meetings in Parish in summer
Woodbury Hill Singers	Mrs Kath Jeeves	471175	"Larkspur" Snow Hill		Weekly "Larkspur" Snow Hill Mondays @ 2.00 p.m.

At the heart of any military expedition must be our moral and Christian obligation to be our brothers' keeper as Jesus Christ commands us to be, and what does not change is the commitment and dedication of our Armed Forces and our responsibility to them.

Thoughtful and I hope happy remembering.

With love and prayers

#### **AFFPUDDLE CHURCH ROTAS**

#### Sidesmen, Readers, Readings, Intercessors and Chalice

Date 1 Nov All Saints Day	Time 8am 11am	<b>Sidesmen</b> R Killer S Sanderson S Wood	Readers R Killer S Sanderson S Wood	Readings BCP as set Rev 21: 1-6a John 11: 32-44
8 Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup> before Advent	9.15am	M Cropper J Cropper	E Arkell M Cropper	Heb 9: 24-end Mark 1:14-20
15 Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent	8am 11am	P Badcock H Menzies	P Badcock t.b.a	BCP as set t.b.a
22 Nov Next before Advent		S Gibbs P Badcock	D Buck P <b>B</b> adcock	Rev 1: 4b-8 John 18: 33-37
29 Nov Advent Sunday	10am	S Sanderson t.b.a Benefice Con	S Sanderson t.b.a nmunion at Affpudo	1 Thess 3: 9-end Luke 21: 25-36 dle

#### BERE REGIS CHURCH ROTAS



## Evensong Readers

22nd Miss Frampton

29th Advent Carol Service



#### Sidesmen

1st 9.15 am Mr Bates/Mr House Chalice Mr House/Mr Smith

Intercessions Mr Smith

8th 11.00am TBA

15th 9.15am Mr Wharf/Mr Smith

Chalice Mr Croom/Mr House

Intercessions Mrs Pitfield

22nd 11.00 am Miss Miller

6.00 pm Miss Frampton

29th 6.00 pm Mrs Jutting



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Phillips

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1st Mrs N Gibson Mrs B Griffin 8th/15th Mrs P House Remembrance

22nd Mrs J Clarke Mrs M Stone

#### **First Sunday Coffee**

1st November Pat and Karen

#### **CHURCH AND VILLAGE**

**ACTIVITIES, SOCIETIES, CLUBS, ASSOCIATIONS and CONTACTS** 

Association	Contact	Tel	Address	E-mail	Meetings/Info
Ancient Order of Foresters Court Prospect 6575	Andrew Jones		19 Louise Road, Dorchester, DT1 2LT	andrew@jon eser.freeserv e.co.uk	Monthly Turberville Court 1st Monday - 7.30 pm
Autumn Leaves	Margaret Dann Kath Jeeves	472734 471175	4 Bitchams Mead "Larkspur" Snow Hill		Monthly Drax Hall 2nd Wednesday @ 2.30 pm
Bere Regis Church Choir	Tim Colquhoun	471360	Heatherdown, Brock Hill	choir@tacmu sic.com	Rehearsals weekly. 7.00 p.m. every Friday in BR church
Bere Regis Sports Club Cricket Football	Roger Duncanson Herbie Swann Luke White	472141 472812 472487	April Cottage, Southbrook	duncanson@ madasafish.c om	Village football and cricket teams for all ages
Bere Regis Parish Council	lan Ventham Chairman	471480	Shitterton Farmhouse BH20 7HU		Monthly, Drax Hall 2nd Thursday
Bere Regis Swimming club	Bob Holman	01305 848262	Camelot, Affpuddle DT2 7HH	bob.holman @tiscali.co.uk	5.30 p.m.—7.00 p.m. at the Purbeck Leisure Centre, Wareham
Bere Regis Health Walks	Lynda Crisford	471180	11 Bitchams Mead BH20 7ND	Michael.crisf ord@btintern et.com	Every Tuesday 10.30 a.m. Bere Regis Car Park
Bere Regis Bell Ringers	John England Adrian Standfield Jenny Kinahan	471469 471774 472161	10, South Mead		Normal practice night - Wednesdays 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.
Bere Regis First School	Steven Battishill - Headteacher	471334	Rye Hill BH20 7LP	office@berer egis.dorset.sc h.uk	First School for pupils aged 4+ to 9 years
Bere Regis Scout Group (Beavers) Scout Hut hire	Paula Miller Susy Hamilton Tony King	472539 472793 472054			Wednesdays 6 - 7 pm 5% - 8 years Scout Hut, Elder Road
Bere Regis Scout Group (Cubs)	Greta Richardson Carl Grigg	01258 489131 472670			Thursdays 6.30 - 8 pm 8–10½ or 11 years Scout Hut, Elder Road
Bere Regis Scout Group (Scouts)	Mike Whitfield Scout Leader	472159			Mondays 7.30 - 9 pm 10½ or 11 to 14 years
General or group enquiries	Chris Gall Christine Whitfield	01305 772634 472159			Scout Hut, Elder Road
Bere Regis Toddler Music group	Liz Teather	471216	The Old Mill, Doddings BH20 7NJ		Fridays 10:00 a.m., including school holidays, Age 0 - 4, Scout Hut,
Book Swap Club	Jenny Beedle Angie Talbot	471002 472483	6 Bladen Valley, 19 Bladen Valley	angie@ptalb ot.plus.com	2nd Saturday 10 - 11 am Briantspuddle Village Hall
Bere Regis Wildlife Watch, Nature Conservation group	Tony Bates Pat Chesney Sarah Welton	471563 471519 471562	The Beeches, Barrow Hill	tonybates@t hebeeches.f 9.co.uk	Meetings arranged as and when

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### **CHURCH SERVICES - NOVEMBER**

Sunday 1st November All Saints' Day: Fourth Sunday

before Advent

(Red) Holy Communion Affpuddle Parish Communion Bere Reais Mattins & Communion Affpuddle

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November All Souls' Day

8am

9.15am

11am

Prayers for the faithful departed -7pm

All Souls' Day Bere Regis



#### Sunday 8th November **Remembrance Sunday**

(Red)

8am Holy Communion Bere Regis 9am

Service of Remembrance at Bladen Valley Memorial

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#### Sunday 15th November Second Sunday before Advent

(Red)

8am Holy Communion Affpuddle 9.15am Parish Communion Bere Reais 11am Family Service Affpuddle

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November Christ the King

8am Holy Communion 9.15am Parish Communion 11am

**Mattins** 6pm Evensona

(Red) Bere Regis Affpuddle Bere Reais

Bere Regis



#### Sunday 29th November Advent Sunday

(Purple)

Holy Communion 8am Bere Regis 10am **Benefice Communion** Affouddle 6pm **Advent Carol Service** Bere Regis

#### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December **Second Sunday of Advent**

(Purple) Holy Communion 8am Affouddle 9.15am Parish Communion Bere Regis 11am Matins and Communion Affpuddle

#### FROM THE REGISTERS

#### **Holy Baptism**

At St John the Baptist, Bere Regis, on 27<sup>th</sup> September

**Brooke Eloise Connor** 





#### **Holy Matrimony**

At St John the Baptist, Bere Regis, on 26<sup>th</sup> September Richard Jon McMahon and Caroline Rachel Spong



At St John the Baptist, Bere Regis, on 23<sup>rd</sup> September Mary Cheeseman followed by cremation at Weymouth



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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### **Mary Cheeseman**

Mary was born on the 18th May 1912, daughter to Matthew and Rose Stickley, at Woodbury Hill, a place that throughout her life she loved very much.

She was one of a family of seven children: Alice, Elsie, Arthur, Daisy, Dick, and Ella with Mary being the last of this generation. For Mary and all he family, life at Woodbury Hill was hard, especially by today's standards, but she enjoyed every second of it. Her father Matthew provided for the family by farming a small holding. Family times were important and for many years as the children grew up Sundays became the day that the family congregated at Woodbury Hill, and this practice continued until the family moved into the Village.

Mary attended school at Shitterton (now a private House where Pat Mills lives) and left school at 14 whereupon she started her first employment going into service in a house in Boscombe. Mary was not at all happy about this – for in those days it was not just 25 minutes or so down the A35, but half a day's journey and Mary felt dreadfully homesick, missing her family and the intimacy of family life and her beloved Bere Regis.

She soon returned to the village and worked at the then Bedfords water cress company, bunching water cress.

It was during this time that she met and courted Giles Cheeseman who worked as a Roadman for the Dorset County Council, and on the 29th April 1933 they were married (here) in St John the Baptist Parish Church which was to feature continuously in the Cheeseman family. Mary and Giles lived initially at Woodbury Hill, subsequently moving to Philliols at Hyde, where Mary was working as a house maid at Hyde House.

As Peter says these were happy times and they made many friends, in particular Stan and Maud Wickens (Giles met Stan at work) and for many years they enjoyed going to motor cycle meetings and many evenings of card playing at Stan and Maud's home at Limberlost, near

Corfe Mullen.

Mary and Giles returned from Hyde to live at 58 West Street and then subsequently just down the road to no 45 West Street which was to become the family home.

Their own family soon came into being with Maureen the first born – but sadly Maureen passed away three years ago. Second born was Jean, then Sylvia, Valerie,



#### **OBITUARIES**

and Peter and all were born here in Bere Regis. Subsequently all the children were baptised and married here in our Parish Church, much to Mary's delight.

But, these were hard times with Mary making camouflage nets at home for the war effort and hand making from clothes for the family; and she had many jobs around the village to help balance the family books. In particular she enjoyed her time working at the Royal Oak in the Village as a waitress and she very often enjoyed recounting the time when she pulled a pint for Harold Wilson, then Prime Minister, who was attending the Tolpuddle Martyrs annual rally just up the road towards Dorchester.

One of the funniest stories during these times was whilst Jean was home from school very poorly Mary had a visit from the schools attendance inspector, he proved to be rather a rude man and after exhausting Mary's patience he was chased from the house with Mary brandishing a broom – he never came back! It was a sign of how strong willed Mary was. Over time life improved for the family and their first car was purchased and they enjoyed many trips and holidays often going to the West Country with family and friends.

Sadly Giles passed away on 1st October 1974, and this huge loss was such a blow to Mary that she never really got over it.

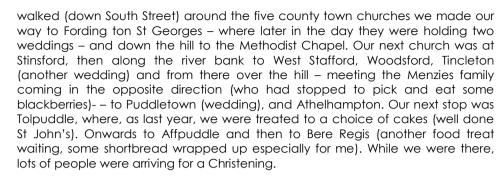
Being determined to try and live life to the full, she enjoyed bingo and had numerous coach holidays accompanied by her sisters Daisy and Elsie, by now also both widows.

She immersed herself in Village activities and she became a member of the Womens' Institute, Autumn Leaves, and she worked hard fund raising for the Drax Hall. She was also a member of the Mothers' Union and she is remembered with much affection by today's members.

With the loss of Giles, Mary decided to leave the family home and moved to Manor farm Road, where she made many friends and greatly enjoyed her time there. She spent much time with her family and was overjoyed as the

grandchildren started arriving – (10 Grandchildren) and four great grandchildren – to date. And she was always available for a spot of baby sitting or as a shoulder to cry on always putting her family before herself.

As Mary's health deteriorated she eventually moved into a care home initially at Amberwood Lodge at Parkstone and latterly Lilliput House care homes at Sandbanks.



After a short break for a sandwich we made our way to finish in Milborne where we arrived just as the bells started to ring as the bride was leaving the church.

The event lets you start where you want, go where you like, either on your bike, walk, on horseback or even in a wheelchair.

You meet all sorts of people on the day, we met a lady who was going round the Dorchester churches in a wheelchair, and another lady in St Peter's who told us that she was related to the Vincent family whose name is on the War Memorial at Bladen Valley.

Between us we managed to collect £322.50 from sponsorship, half going to our church of St Laurence and the other half to the organisers, Dorset Historic Church Trust.

Many thanks to Penny Haigh those not only took us to Dorchester but also along with nine others did an hour in church during the day welcoming 25 visiting cyclist and those people who sponsored us.

Let's hope we can attract more cyclists next year.

David Payne, Affpuddle organiser.

## PROGRAMME OF TALKS FOR AUTUMN AND WINTER

Our next illustrated talk "Dorset at War" by local historian Colin Pomeroy will be on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm at Briantspuddle Village Hall.

Colin visits military sites around Dorset today and offers us a wide-ranging look at many of the sites left in the county from WWII. Illustrated with modern day photographs, Colin tells the military history of each site. A trip down memory lane for those who remember the war years and an eye opener for those of more tender years!

## AFFPUDDLE AND TURNERSPUDDLE PARISH COUNCIL

At the October meeting of the Parish Council, Councillor Robert Beedle announced his resignation after many years of hard work and faithful service as a Parish Councillor.

Robert's contribution to the Parish Council will be sorely missed and Members wished him well. This does, of course, mean that there will be a need for the election of a new parish councillor. Any resident over the age of 18 who may be interested should contact Anthony, the Parish Clerk on his home number of 01202 888410 or on anthony@abraine.wanadoo.co.uk.

The meeting was also attended by PCSO Stuart Hann of the Wareham Police Safer Neighbourhood Team. Both he and a colleague will be attending the November meeting of the Parish Council to give more information about the activities of the Team in the area.

One item that was discussed was the recent increase in opportunistic car crime. The police asked that everyone should be vigilant and not leave anything of value on display in an unattended car, including sat-navs. Covering items with a coat is not enough, nor is leaving items in the glove box, as that is quite often where car thieves look first.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 11 November, 2009 at 7pm.

For more information, look at www.briantspuddle.info

#### **DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST**

This year's cycle ride took place on Saturday 12th September (as always the 2nd Saturday in September - early reminder for next year).

There were eight cyclists from Affpuddle taking part this year. The Menzies family, the Rev'd Canon Ian Woodward, Jonathan Haigh, David Hall and myself.

The Menzies family, visited 14 churches, started from Affpuddle, visiting Tolpuddle, Athlehampton, Puddletown, Tincleton, Stinsford, five churches in Dorchester, West Stafford, Woodsford, and Moreton and then had to cycle back to Troop. (Well done Emma and Andrew).

The weather was just right as I cycled to Briantspuddle to meet up with first, David Hall and then Jonathan Haigh. We and our bicycles were then taken to Dorchester by Penny so we could start at St. Mary's Church. Having ridden and



#### **OBITUARIES**

Mary was always receiving visitors and someone from her rapidly extending family visited every day.

It was at Lilliput House that Mary was to spend her final days and the family would like to thank Louise, Mark, Katie and their team for the affectionate tender love and care that they gave to both Mary and her family during this difficult time.

Mary: may you rest in peace and rise in glory.



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COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW FOR THE PARISHES OF AFFPUDDLE AND TURNERSPUDDLE

The District Council has completed a Community Governance Review under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act, 2007 for the Grouped Parishes of Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle.

Following public consultation on its draft proposals, the Council on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2009 approved final proposals for consultation. These final proposals are to:-

- revoke the County of Dorset (Parishes of Affpiddle and Tonerspiddle) Grouping Order, 1954 (sic);
- create a single administrative Parish of Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle by removing the existing boundary between these Parishes;
- create a single Parish Council of Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle with 9 members to be elected initially on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2010 and thereafter every four years;

The District Council now invites electors for the Parishes of Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle, and bodies with an interest in the governance of these parishes, to comment upon the draft proposals. Any such comments should be submitted in writing to the General Manager (Central Services) at the address below by 18<sup>th</sup> December 2009. Any comments received will be taken into account before the Council makes the necessary Order.

More information about progress with the review and related matters can be obtained from Peter Aston, Principal Democratic Services Officer by telephone on (01929) 557221 or by e-mail to: peteraston@purbeck-dc.gov.uk

Affpuddle & Turnerspuddle website: www.briantspuddle.info



We hired a jeep to take us to Kathmandu as we had two large trunks of our unaccompanied luggage with us. We had a really good driver who organised our trunks on the roof and covered them carefully against the rain. The trip was really good until we got to within about 25 kilometre of Kathmandu, then the road was blocked by a small

landslide. The resultant problems with bad driving and broken down vehicles on a narrow, winding road added about 5 hours to our journey time. This was a final reminder of the difficulties of travelling in Nepal but because we are used to it, had our own vehicle and a very good driver it was not too much of a problem. The journey only took 13 hours instead of 8.

We spent a few days in Kathmandu, Allan had a last trip to the dentist, we bought two Tibetan rugs and Atlas Packers dealt very efficiently with our unaccompanied luggage.

We flew back home via Hong Kong where we stayed on the beautiful Lantau island at a very peaceful hotel right beside the sea. which was also a good rest and an interesting place to visit. Lantau Island has the main Hong Kong airport on the north shore, but a range of mountains means that the south coast, where we stayed, is very quiet. We were grateful for a few days rest before continuing to the UK as the last few months in Butwal had been very hectic. Surprisingly the air fare via Hong Kong to London was cheaper than the more direct route through the Gulf.

We have heard from our son and daughter in New Zealand too and Simon tells us he is getting married next April so that will be a very good excuse to visit New Zealand and Sarah will still be there too. Future plans remain uncertain, we will spend the next three months up to Christmas catching up and resettling into our life here in Dorset, then we will start to see where our future path lies. We do not expect to rusticate in rural Dorset, nice as it is!!

We are very grateful to the Methodist Church for their very generous support during our almost seven years in Nepal. We certainly enjoyed and benefited enormously from the experience, and have come back with refreshed minds and opinions.

Allan and Andrea

### **BERE REGIS CHURCH NEWS**

#### **BERE REGIS BELLRINGERS**

Bellringing practices continue on Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm. New ringers always welcome so please meet in the porch for a key holder.

There will be half muffled ringing before the Remembrance Service on Sunday 8th November at 10.30am.



#### **BERE REGIS CHURCH GUIDED TOURS**

Thanks are due to all those who gave their time in giving tours throughout the months of May to September. From the log book and the visitor's book the tours were much appreciated. We must also thank all those who looked after privately organised visiting groups and gave them tea, coffee, biscuits or full cream teas.

Would anyone like to join in and help next year? Please let John know on 471469.

#### **DORSET HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST**



Very many thanks to lan and to all who took part in any way.

Special thanks to Bandit from Shitterton who nobly walked to Bere Regis and Turnerspuddle Churches, escorted by Heather and Jacke.

Half of all the sponsor money comes back to Bere Regis church, sot £41.50 will swell our funds.

Sybil Frampton

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#### **OUR CHURCH**

Some friends from Cornwall visited recently and read our Parish Magazine with interest - comparing notes. Lauess. We were commiserating about the cost of running a church. They went home, not only bowled over by our beautiful Church, here in Bere Reais, but also with some 'borrowed' ideas for fund-raisina. In return they promised to send me some of their Parish Magazines, which they duly did and I am hoping to 'borrow' some of their ideas, too. After all, there is no reason why what works in Illogan won't work in Bere Regis!

It occurred to me that when we all visit Churches elsewhere in Britain, if we picked up Church magazines or newsletters, they might provide some ideas that our 'Events Committee' hasn't thought of - there's a challenge! You know what they say about 're-inventing wheels'.... We would love to hear your ideas, too. You can phone or e-mail me:

Tel. 471562 e-mail: sarahwelton@oceans.f9.co.uk or drop in magazines and newsletters to 38, West Street, Bere Regis.

Don't forget to look for this month's 'mystery object' in the Church. Last month we had 'A Man with Toothache'. He is carved into the pillar, facing you and to the right as you come through the door. This month can you find our Memorial Book. The page is turned every week to show the names of those, whose funerals were held at the Church and whose anniversary of death falls that week. Have you got family members recorded there?



Sarah Welton, Church Warden

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Reflecting on Sarah's comments above, I'm also very keen to see copies of other Church Magazines as this can help provide ideas for structure, layout and design as well as prompting any articles which might be of interest. No doubt Sarah will pass on her thoughts and suggestions.



With an outstanding performance by Terrance Stamp the film won an Oscar for Costume Desian.

This wonderfully inventive, visually stunning and incomparably funny film is about three drag performers braving the vast, rugged Australian outback.

With a contract to perform a drag show way out in the desert each artist has a personal reason for wanting to leave the safety of Sydney. Christenina their battle tour

bus "Priscilla" these wickedly funny drama queens head for the outback.... where their spectacular adventures are more than matched by their spectacular outfits.

There are some great ABBA numbers that will also keep you amused.

The film is a 15 certificate

As usual there will be a bar available and we will also be selling ice creams.

Tickets costing £4 will be available in advance from Philippa Thorniley from 1st November on 01929 471497, and on the door on the night.

#### **NEWS FROM NEPAL**

We are now back in our house in Briantspuddle, after almost seven years working in Nepal. It seems no time at all since we were packing ready to travel to Nepal, the time has passed very quickly. Our last few days in Nepal and Butwal seem distant now, but were very



enjoyable. Allan gave the address at Jaitun Church at the main service on the Saturday before we left, followed by snack boxes for lunch which gave us a chance to chat to everyone and say goodbye.

During the last week in Butwal almost all the outstanding work for the new church buildings was finished, leaving just garden landscaping and path making to complete. We cleared our house a couple of days before we left and spent the last 2 nights in the local guest house which was very convenient. As most of our furniture went either to the Children's Home or to Nepali friends it was easy to sort everything out. We had evening "dal bhats" with families of our friends, along with lovely send off programmes from the Technical Institute, local engineering industries and Serve Nepal. It was sad to say goodbye but we feel fairly confident that they can all continue on their own now which was the object of our work here.

the Scottish bit including bag piping and calling for the Scottish Dancing and the Hall Committee will provide the supper. So why not dust off your kilts (not necessarily obligatory) polish up your dancing shoes and buy tickets (£10 to include the supper, bar available) from Philippa Thorniley 01929 471497 for what promises to be a really good evening. More details in December and January magazines.

#### **Another Treat for January**

Our last Artsreach event will be held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2010. Hot Fingers - a jazz group will be performing. More details later.

## BRIANTSPUDDLE FILM NIGHTS

Over the last few years Briantspuddle Village Hall Committee has built on the success of our participation in the Purbeck Film Festival by continuing to show films on a regular basis. This has been made much easier over the last couple of years with the installation of our own projector and screen.



We now plan to show a film each month with screenings taking on more of a "Film Club" feel rather than a series of individually selected films.

We are making an appeal for volunteers to come forward to help run this ongoing event; we need the help of enthusiastic people who will approach things with a fresh eye! The main responsibility will be selecting a programme of films and helping to show them on the night. Rest assured there will be full support from the Committee who will provide publicity material, run the bar, set up and clear away.

If you are interested in developing this approach then we would very much welcome your ideas. To discuss further please contact Jenny Beedle on 01929 471002 or email her your thoughts Briantspuddle@dorsethalls.org.uk

Coming soon on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm is "The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert" at Briantspuddle Village Hall.

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#### A VIEW FROM THE LOFT

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#### "PANTOMIME"

The Christian liturgical year begins at the end of November with Advent (from the Latin 'adventus', "the coming to"). Advent is the four week period immediately preceding Christmas. The season begins on St. Andrew's Day, 30th November, or more practically the Sunday nearest to it (Sunday 29th November this year). This month also sees the advent of the pantomime season, which is the musical topic for this article.

The word "pantomime" is from the Greek and means "all-imitating". The Greeks and after them the Romans, had a species of entertainment in which an actor performed in dumb show whilst a 'chorus' described the rationale of his action and outlined and commented on the plot. With the Romans the 'chorus' was at one time a singer declaiming recitative to the accompaniment of a pipe. The actor was masked and so his means of expression were by bodily movements and



especially the hands. The mask was changed from time to time according to the character of the play represented at the moment. The subjects were mythological and were well known to the audience. The word 'Pantomime' as used by the Romans had the same significance as it has in its primary use in French today, i.e. it signified the actor, not the play. In English the word now generally signifies the play.

Any action without speech can be legitimately called pantomime, as, for instance, The Dumb Show' in Shakespeare's Hamlet (ACT III, Sc.ii). Pantomime closely approaches the French "Ballet d'action", the difference being that in the latter the motions are made rhythmic and conventionalized into dance. The true pantomime has been subjected to a good deal of musical development. A notable instance is The Prodigal Son ("L'Enfant Prodigue") of the French composer Wormser (1851-1926), produced in Paris in 1890 and which then toured in England and elsewhere. Bartok wrote a pantomime, The Miraculous Mandarin ("Der Wunderbare Mandarin", 1926). Richard Strauss calls his Legend of Joseph (1914) a pantomime and his Whipped Cream ("Schlagobers", 1924) a 'Ballet-Pantomime'. Gluck often uses the word 'Pantomime' in the scores of his operas, and Berlioz uses it in that of his opera The Taking of Troy (1856), where Andromache

### AFFPUDDLE/BRIANTSPUDDLE NEWS

#### **VILLAGE HALL NEWS**

#### **Best Kept Village Award**

Braintspuddle has won the First Prize in the Small Village Section of the Dorset Best Kept Village competition. I collected the prize on behalf of the Hall Committee which had entered the Village in the Competition. We won a prize of £250 plus another prize from Purbeck District Council of £100.



Arrangements are in hand to display the plaques in the Village Hall.

This was a tremendous achievement which would not have been possible without the work put in by so many people in tidying up the village. Thank you for your help.

Philippa Thorniley

#### **Entertainments in the Village Hall**

At the time of writing all the October events have not yet taken place. There will be reports in the December magazine.

#### **New Scorpion Band**

Tickets are selling for The Holly and The Ivy at a cost of £10 to include supper so in order to avoid disappointment get yours early from Philippa Thorniley 01929 471497.

As usual the price includes supper and as usual we are combining with bladen social Club to make this a really cheery Christmas Event.

#### A Treat for January

On 23<sup>rd</sup> January Briantspuddle is holding its first very own Burn's Night complete with bashed neeps and tatties not to mention haggis. Rainbarrow will be doing

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The club had another successful campaign in 1921 winning the league cup for a second time. On this occasion Bere Regis won 12 matches out of 16.

During the 1928-29 season the football team won both the league cup and the Edmonds and Jesty cup. This double success had only once before been completed by a team in the league. It seems the Captain of this team was Ted (Tatchell) Hewitt. The trophies were proudly displayed in the front bedroom window of 1 Church Cottages for all to see. Today the cup medals are still owned by Ted's son Jim."

Details of more recent success are available on the Sports Club website www.bereregis.com

#### **Sports Club Bar Opening on Saturdays**

The Sports Club bar is now open every Saturday night.

#### **BRIANTSPUDDLE SINGERS**

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As we know, the common use of the word pantomime in England is as the description of a Christmas theatrical entertainment bearing the title of some traditional children's fairy tale - 'Mother Goose', 'Snow White', 'Cinderella' or the like, but constituting in effect nothing much beyond an extravagant variety entertainment with music largely consisting of humorous and sentimental songs. Until well into the 19th century it made a good deal of certain characters borrowed from the Italian 'Commedia dell'Arte' (or play with written plot and extemporized dialogue); amongst these were Harlequin, Columbine, and Pantaloon. The clown's importance in such 'Pantomime' is said to have been established by the great Grimaldi (1779-1837). This type of pantomime is of very slight musical importance, except that it floats (or used to float) into popularity the songs to be popular in the streets of cities for the next twelve months or so. The "pop" songs of the day!

The English pantomime at one time had more coherence and enjoyed the musical services of some of the best home-grown composers - Arne, Dibdin, Shield and others. It is based on the entertainments, first of John Weaver at Drury Lane in 1702, and then of Rich, of the Lincoln's Inn Fields Theatre and later of Covent Garden, who developed it about 1716 and was himself (under the name of 'Lun') a very famous Harlequin.

#### "SAINT ANDREW"

As a Scotsman I can't possibly allow the passing of the feast day of the above mentioned St.Andrew without comment! Do bear with me!

St. Andrew was the first Apostle to be called by our Lord. He came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and was the brother of Simon Peter. St. John tells us that he was one of the two disciples of St. John the Baptist who heard him say of Christ, "Behold, the Lamb of God", and at once followed Jesus. His first act was to seek out his brother Simon and bring him to Jesus. It is possible that he was instrumental in bringing St. Philip, who was of the same city.



At the feeding of the five thousand it was he who told our Lord of the lad with the barley loaves and the fishes. When, as recorded in St. John xii, the Greeks desired to see Jesus, they went to St. Philip, and St. Philip told St. Andrew, and the two went to Jesus. It is noteworthy that all the above incidents are recorded by St. John (the Evangelist).

One tradition related that he afterwards preached to the Scythians. Another that he preached in Achaia, and "replenished all the country with churches, and converted the people," including the wife of the Roman proconsul, who was not pleased and ordered St. Andrew to be scourged and then bound to a cross, not nailed, that his death might be more lingering. The story relates that St. Andrew preached from the cross to twenty thousand men, and lingered for two days before he died. It is recorded that his hearers said, "This holy and debonair man ought not to suffer this", and many were converted. The martyrdom took place at Patrae, in AD 70, and his body was translated to Constantinople by the emperor Constantine.

His connection with Scotland is accounted for as follows: St. Rule, or Regulus, was in charge of the relics of St. Andrew, and was warned by an angel in a dream to take some of them to a place which the angel would name. Eventually he found his way to Scotland, and deposited the relics at a spot afterwards known as St. Andrews. He is said to have received assistance from a certain King Hung, who has been identified with King Angus MacFergus, an historical character, and the traditional founder of St. Andrews.

In Christian art St. Andrew is depicted as an old man with long white hair and beard, holding the Gospel in his right hand, and leaning on a "St.Andrew's" cross – but see if you can find him portrayed in the roof carvings in Bere Regis church.

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Further character was shown by the team, when Jonny Cleall was removed from the field of play by an ambulance after a collision with one of his own defenders, deep in the oppositions half. What both players were doing in that location remains a mystery and there was only going to be one outcome, an injury to either player! Having used all their subs due to a number of previous non life threatening injuries, Bere were down to 10 men for the last 25 minutes, but man of the match Adam Moss marshalled the defence well and Bere hung on, sending their fans away happy and looking forward to another away day as Bere face Wyke Regis away in the next round.

Footnote.; J Cleall was released from hospital that night and was able to undertake his duties of page boy the following day.

#### 125 Years of Football in Bere Regis

Bere Regis Football Club is celebrating this season 125 years of belonging to the Football Association. We are very grateful for our sponsors this year which included Jurassic Coast Developments (Shane Mooney), D Cox Carpentry, Ian Michie Tree Care, R4 Creative Interiors and Huntely Plastering. The generosity of the sponsors has enabled the football club to purchase new footballs, kits for both Sunday and Saturday teams as well as training tops commemorating our history.



In 1984 the Football Association recognised the clubs 100 years of service to football. We have a longer history then some premiership clubs.

The following are notes extracted from the Parish Magazines 1887-1935 and published in The Book of Bere Regis by F. P. Pitfield.

"In 1887 the Bere Regis Football Club was known as 'The Arabs'. Football in villages was at the time something quite new, and when, on Easter Monday the football club played the church choir, it 'created much amusement among the spectators, many of whom had never seen the game played before'.

During the winter season of 1920 Bere Regis won the Mid-Dorset Village Football League Cup. They had won 10 out of 12 league games.

from the resultant penalty, to make the score 1-1. What followed was a flurry of yellow cards for both teams, including one for the Bere Regis linesman, Kelvin Cox. With 10 minutes to go, Bere were reduced to 9 men when Shamus Cope who had worked tirelessly all game was sent off for what appeared to be another innocuous challenge. Bere's defence still held strong, and the whole side played with effort and commitment not seen for a number of seasons. Bere even managed to create chances to win the game, but alas it was not to be, and the score remained 1-1, but Bere still remain unbeaten in the league.



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Balti House 1 Bere Regis F.C 0

Bere Regis slipped to their first and hopefully only defeat of the season on a windy day at Weymouth. Bere appeared to have lost their concentration on the mile long hike to the pitch, as they found themselves a goal down after only a minute when no one, other than Balti players, attacked the ball from a corner. From that point on Bere totally dominated the game and in the windy conditions, kept the ball on the deck and played by far the better football.

A more attacking formation in the second half, allowed Ian Michie, Shane Hewitt and man of the match Stewy Merritt to dominate down the left hand side of the pitch, but they were unable to deliver the killer punch. Balti's defence kept Bere to a few clear chances, the most notable of which fell to, Adam (I'm too tired to get back) Moss, whose goal bound drive from six yards was superbly deflected for a corner. Unfortunately that was the way it stayed, with Bere having 95% of the possession but unable to score. Final score: Balti House 1 BRFC 0

### 10<sup>th</sup> October - Dorchester Sports 1 Bere Regis F.C 2 (Intermediate cup 1st Round)

Scorers; S. Hewitt, A. Curtis

Bere travelled to Dorchester for the first round of the cup with their ever growing entourage, AKA the Bere-my army. Those that turned up late were lucky as they missed a first half performance by BRFC of absolute dross (even Peggy left before the end of the first half). A Russ rocket at half time, (this season he thankfully appears to undertake this ritual behind closed doors) and the inspirational move of putting young Nat Scott in midfield with veteran Kev Cox paid dividends in the end.

#### **AFFPUDDLE CHURCH NEWS**

#### **ROTAS**

#### Flowers and Cleaning

	Flowers	Cleaning
1 November	Jenny Silavs	Erica Moriarty
8 November	Liz Arkell	Liz Arkell
15 November	Elizabeth Whatley	Elizabeth Whatley
22 November	Erica Moriarty	Erica Moriarty
29 November	ADVENT	Sue Gibbs



#### Coffee

8 November	9.20 am (Parish Communion for	Remembrance) Steve & Doreen Sanderson
15 November	11.00 am (Family Communion)	Penny Haigh & Pat Wharf
22 November	9.15 am (Parish Communion)	Elizabeth Whatley & Sue Gibbs
29 November	10.00 am (Benefice Communion	n) Mel Parks & Alison Peck

#### **AFFPUDDLE ADVENT COURSE**

Starting on 9th November (a bit earlier than Advent) we will follow this year's York Course, entitled "Faith, Hope and Love", using a CD and notes in the popular format many of us have enjoyed in the Lent courses of previous years. The speakers this time are Dr David Hope, Bishop Tom Wright, Anne Atkins, Abbot Christopher of Worth and Professor Frances Young. There will be six sessions, including Holy Communion on one evening, finishing on 14th December. They will all take place at Starmoor, Throop, the home of Mike and Hillie Menzies, starting at 7.45 for 8.00 pm and finishing at 9.30. The only charge for the whole course is £3.00 each for the notes. All are welcome, from both parishes, even if you cannot come to all the sessions.

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## HARVEST FESTIVAL / BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY - SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER

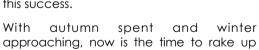
Thanks go to all those people who decorated the Church so beautifully and it was wonderful to see so many people at the service. The Cheshire Homes were very grateful for all the produce. The Harvest Lunch was a great success thanks to many willing helpers. There were 51 seated for lunch which made the whole event very worthwhile.

## CHURCH SPECIAL CLEAN – WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER

Although only three turned up on the morning, those present worked especially hard and managed all the cleaning. Thank you to those who are so committed to helping.

#### **AUTUMN CHURCHYARD CLEAR-UP**

Once again all the volunteers on the mowing rota are to be thanked for their commitment over the grass cutting season. Affpuddle was Winner of the 2008 Dorset Best Kept Village Competition in the 'Hamlet' category for the third successive year and there is no doubt the fine state of the Churchyard was a major contributor to this success.





leaves, burn fallen branches, weed and edge paths, clear drains and gutters, and generally make the Churchyard tidy for the winter. Three unstable headstones also need attention. With all this work in mind there will be a clear-up on Saturday 14th November between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon when help would be much appreciated. Appropriate tools to take along would be rakes, spades, path edging tools, pruners, stiff brush and receptacles for collecting fallen branches, leaves and other rubbish. Hot drinks will be provided as usual and I hope there will be many helpers on the day.

#### Senior Football Saturday Team

## 19<sup>th</sup> September - Lytchett Red Triangle 1 Bere Regis F.C 5 Scorers; A.Curtis 4, M. Elford

With a number of absentees from the previous weekend, Guardioli Hewitt adjusted his personnel and formation and was justly rewarded with Beres first away win of the season. When Bere want to play football, they can play, and for the first twenty minutes of this game, they played football. In his first start to the season, Andy Curtis notched twice before half time, with wing play assists going to Matty 'i'm growing into my shirt'Bennett. Johnny 'I thinketh he doeth protest too much' Cleal then hit the woodwork with a header, before Matty Elford, struck a sweet shot into the bottom corner following a superb move he started in his own half, to make it 0-3 to Bere at half time.

Unfortunately the goal appeared to go to his head, and following the start of the second half some slack defending gave LRT a number of chances, one of which they took to make the score 1-3. He was soon replaced by returnee Shamus Cope, who was the instigator of a number of chances, one of which resulted in a penalty kick to Bere. Officer 'krupke' Hewitt marked his return to the side by missing the resultant spot kick, whilst at the other end, Al 'my knee'Moorse denied Lytchett with an incredible double save from the penalty spot. Man of the match, Andy 'fox in the box' Curtis then bagged himself another brace to take his tally to four for the game, and having made the game safe, he was replaced to a standing ovation from the large number of travelling supporters by A.D 'Bayor' Moore. Final result LRT 1 BRFC 5

## 26th September - Bere Regis F.C 1 Piddletrenthide 1 Scorer: M. Bennett

A local derby match that had the potential to be a classic encounter was spoiled by a number of sending offs that saw Bere Regis reduced to 9 men by the end of the game but still managing a commendable draw.

Piddletrenthide took the lead after 20 minutes and worse was to follow as the Regis were reduced to 10 men when skipper Jonny 'no spatial awareness' Sanders was dismissed for what appeared to be an accidental collision with an opposition player. With great resolve and commitment, Bere managed a rear guard action until half time.

After a tactical substitution at half time, Adam 'stopper' Moss joined the solid defensive unit of Michie, Cleal and Scott, allowing young Matty Elford to push forward. This was rewarded when he was judged to have been fouled in the box and Matty Bennett calmly stroked the ball over the line off the keepers shoulder

## BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

Junior Football - Under 11s

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September - Bere Regis 1 Corfe Mullen 5



#### 11 October 2009 - Milborne Sports 3 Bere Regis 2

After a great effort by all the players and the best performance this season by far, we were on the wrong side of an undeserving 3-2 lose against local rivals Milborne in glorious settings at Milton Abbey. A great first half with a number of chances for Brad Moss and Jacob Kennard plus a couple of great saves by our goalkeeper Jacob "goalkeeping must be in the family" White meant it was 0-0 at half time. A shocking referring decision (the Milborne player might as well have caught the ball) a few minutes into the second half lead to the first goal which in turn lead to a further two more goal as the boys heads went down after feeling very aggrieved by the decision. However a super come back and great commitment and attitude earns us goals from Brad Moss and a magnificent long rang effort from keeper Jacob White meant the score was 3-2 with about 5 minutes to go. We had a number of chances to equalise but just failed to score that vital goal.

All the boys where very happy with the result, it was almost like we had won the game!!

Man of the Match: Joshua Hamilton – little midfielder had a great game playing the holding role in midfield.

#### **Senior Football Sunday Team**

11/10/09 Springers Bar 3 – 2 Bere Regis

04/10/09 Bere Regis 2 - 1 Morden

27/09/09 Waterloo 0 - 4 Bere Regis

20/09/09 Bere Regis 2 - 7 Red Lion Hamworthy

13/09/09 Upton FC 5 - 1 Bere Regis

#### **BERE REGIS NEWS**

#### **BERE REGIS PARISH COUNCIL**

**Chairman:** Ian Ventham 471480 ianrventham@gmail.com

Vice Chairman: Laurie Fairhurst 471507 lwfairhurst.bereregis@btopenworld.com

Parish Clerk: Jim Ruddock 556263 bereregispc1@btconnect.com

Your Parish Council met for its monthly meeting on Thursday 8th October

#### **Parish Responsibilities**

In order to provide better oversight, and a higher quality of review, the Parish Council has allocated responsibility for particular topics to smaller groups of councillors. The topics are grouped together under the following headings:

- Village Environment
- Planning and Housing
- Community Liaison
- Security and Policing
- Children and Youth

In addition, there is collective responsibility for matters such as budget oversight. Communication of Parish Council matters via the Parish Magazine, the Village Website and other local media rests with the Chairman. Use



and development of the village email list is with Peter Wharf. These are the agreed allocations of membership and responsibilities:

#### **Village Environment**

• Chairman: Martin Howard, with Laurie Fairhurst, Malcolm Munro, Tim Maunder

Bere Regis website: www.bereregis.org

• Responsibilities: Traffic, road signage, cycle routes, pedestrian safety. Rights of way, conservation, wildlife trails, reserves/SSSIs/SNSIs. Car park, cemetery, allotments, grass cutting and weeding, village tidiness, maintenance, 'lengthsman' scheme. Liaison with District and County Councils and other bodies such as Highways Authority and neighbouring Parish Councils.

#### Planning and Housing

- Chairman: Laurie Fairhurst, with Malcolm Munro, Martin Howard, Ian Ventham
- Responsibilities: Overview of planning applications (including recommendations to full Parish Council), encouragement of affordable housing development, encouragement of modest housing development in line with Parish Plan, liaison with Housing Trusts and other potential developers, occasional



housing needs surveys. Liaison with the Planning Department at Purbeck DC, with Purbeck and other Housing Associations; and with DCC about minerals planning.

#### **Community Liaison**

- Chairman: Christopher Maunder with Ian Ventham
- Responsibilities: To be the lead person in fostering a sense of community in the village. Liaison with the Drax Hall management committee and with the management of other organisations with meeting facilities. Liaison with village voluntary organisations, businesses, churches, the surgery and dental surgery to facilitate Parish Council support and help when appropriate and requested. To develop volunteer assistance, if needed, for the elderly and vulnerable. To investigate a possible annual 'village forum' gathering. To look into establishing a 'village office'.

#### **Security and Policing**

- Chairman: Keith Nurrish with Peter Wharf
- Responsibilities: Membership of local PACT panel, and attendance at its meetings, Police liaison, Neighbourhood Watch liaison and communication, 'eyes and ears' for the Parish Council for graffiti and vandalism in the parish. Contact with Dorset Fire and Rescue Service over location of station.

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Contact Pastor Jim on the phone number above.

Sunday Worship every week at 10am - (Junior Church each week for youngsters)

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Monday Chapel Toddlers Group\* 1.30-3.00pm \*during term time only

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Fridays a from 6.30-8.00pm - Sonseekers Club\* for 7-12 yr olds

#### The Catholic Churches of Lulworth, Wareham & Wool

St. Edward's, Shatters Hill, Wareham St. Mary's, Lulworth Castle Chapel, East Lulworth St. Joseph's, The Square, Wool

Father Geoffrey Watts, The Priest's House, The Square, Wool, BH20 6DW - 01929 463334.

Miss Karen Cheeseman, Head Teacher, St. Mary's School, The Square, Wool - 01929 462565.

Sister Rita (Parish Sister), Loreto, Shatters Hill, Wareham - 01929 552820.

#### **Normal Mass Times**

Saturday	FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY	6.30 pm	LULWORTH	There is a children's liturgy group at the 11.00am service at Wareham.
Sunday	MASS	9.00 am	WOOL	
Sunday	MASS	11.00 am	WAREHAM	For mass times on Weekdays or Holy Days of Obligation please contact Father Geoffrey or Sister Rita.

#### Children and Youth

- Chairman: Robin Pitcher with Jayne George
- Responsibilities: Liaison with Bere Regis First School governors and head teacher and with the schools fed by Bere Regis. Liaison with village young peoples' organisations about the provision of appropriate clubs and facilities for young people in the village. Investigate establishing a village Young Peoples' Forum. Investigate the provision of recreational facilities for teenagers.



Each individual Chair is now working up a list of priorities for their area of responsibility.

#### Planning Purbeck's Future (Core Strategy)

We were joined at the meeting by our Vicar, Canon Ian Woodward who came to the meeting to lend his support to the development proposals described below by Laurie Fairhurst who is the Leader of the Planning Working Party.

The Core Strategy attempts to establish strategic policies that will enable Purbeck District Council to conform to national policy. Once adopted it will replace the

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Purbeck District Local Plan published in 2004. The Core Strategy is now open for public consultation and Bere Regis Parish Council have studied the 122 page document and responded on those issues that mostly impinge on Bere Regis.

The Parish Council supports the preferred option for housing which means the building of eighty new houses between now and 2026 in the village. This would be made up of infilling and a new green field site for fifty homes including twenty five affordable dwellings. The Parish Council also supports the concept of

potentially relocating the village school nearer to the centre of the village.

The Parish Council opposes a new supermarket in Wareham as a large superstore could have an adverse impact on village amenities in Bere Regis.

The Parish Council was unanimous in believing that these policies meet the requirements of the Bere Regis Village Plan in providing affordable homes, a steady measured growth in housing and support for local businesses and the school in order to maintain a vibrant community in the next two decades. We believe this represents a sensible and balanced way forward, which will be to the real benefit of the village.

#### **Parish Council Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for one Parish Councillor, if anyone wants information on what is involved please contact any of the Councillors.

#### **Village Tidy**

The printing deadline for the Parish Magazine prevents us from reporting on it this month but a hearty thank you to everyone who contributed to the exercise, we are all very grateful. A full report will appear next month.

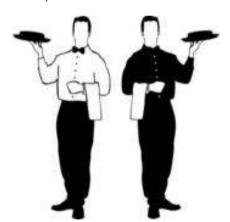
#### **Monthly Joint Surgery**

A Parish Councillor will be joining Peter Wharf our District Councillor at the regular surgery he holds. This is held at Turberville Court on the first Saturday of each month from 09.30 to 10.00 am. We have decided to combine and hold a joint surgery as many of the issues raised cut across Parish, District and County responsibilities and it makes sense for us to work together to address any issues that arise.

Peter Wharf, Parish Councillor

'waiting on the Lord' keeping an eye on Him in case He beckons us over and bids us listen to His divine orders. For many today, prayer—real prayer—what used to be known as intercessory prayer is almost a thing of the past. If we're honest, we often expect God to wait upon us. Personally I am appalled by some of the antics of so-called preachers of the Gospel on prime time God Channel TV as they exalt their excited congregations to command God in prayer and claim answers to prayers as if God is some kind of 'fairy godmother' figure with a magic wand. I read some wise words recently from a learned Bible scholar who said, "we must remember that the purpose of prayer is not to persuade a reluctant God to do our bidding. The purpose of prayer is to align our will with His and, in partnership with Him, to ask Him to accomplish His will on this earth."

When He was on the earth Jesus taught us this simple lesson of servanthood. In His birth He chose a humble beginning, on the night before He died He humbled Himself and washed the disciples feet before facing a criminals death; He was laid to rest in a borrowed tomb and in His resurrection He found time to cook breakfast for the disciples! That's the manner we should come to God in prayer. The psalmist reminds us that "a humble and contrite heart He will not turn away".



God has great things in store for each one of us—but first we need to make sure that we are keeping our spiritual eyes on Him and our spiritual ears open to hear what He has to say. Let's make sure we're not like an ill-trained waiter who is so concerned about his own little world that he ignores the customer he is there to serve.

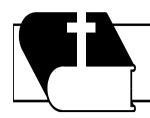
Waiting on God means exactly that—taking time out of our busy schedules to patiently and unselfishly focus on Him listening for His word and being ready to do His bidding. I wish I could say that is always true of me. I struggle with the issue of prayer—but by

God's grace He helps me and guides me through.

One day the Bible says the waiting for all of us will come to an end and we will all stand before Our Maker. How does that appointment grab you? With fear and trepidation or with an inner peace knowing that you have trusted God to forgive your sin through His Son, Jesus? My advice is don't wait for that moment to come, but start waiting on Him now.

May the Lord bless you at this time of year,

Pastor Jim Morris The Manse Flat, Butt Lane, Tel: 01929471270

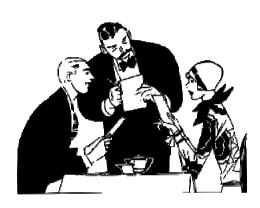


## THE CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

#### **Waiting on God**

Occasionally Janet and I get the opportunity to dine out with friends and I don't know about you but there are certain things that can make or break a good evening out at a favourite restaurant. What would be your requirements for the perfect 'eating out' experience?

Number one for me would obviously be good food, cooked to perfection and presented in an attractive way. Number two would be value for

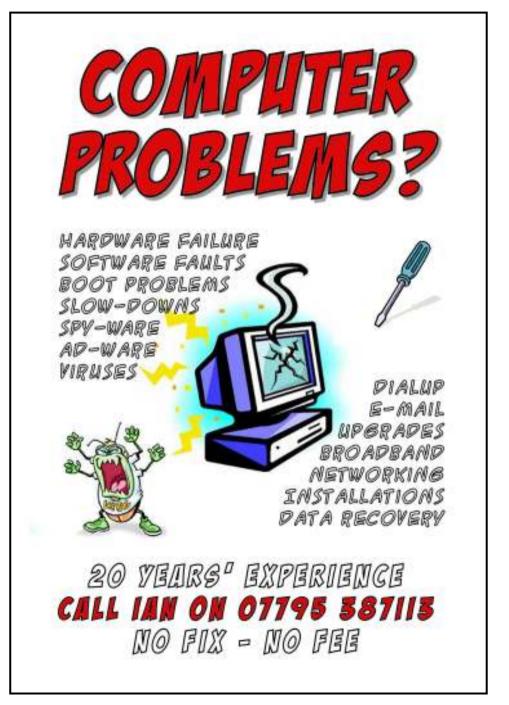


money. Am I paying over the odds for my piece of steak? Thirdly, speedy and efficient service. We once had to wait over an hour for a main course! Needless to say we didn't return to that restaurant! Number four might be the whole ambience of the restaurant . Pleasant surroundings with no loud background music drowning out the conversation. Trying to eat and shout over noisy music is not good for the digestion! Obviously eating in the company of good friends adds to the experience.

Impressions for good or bad can be made by the waiting staff. Do they make you feel welcome? Are they polite in showing you to your seats and taking orders? Throughout the time you are there are they attentive to your culinary requirements?! Their attitude can make the difference between the evening out being delightful or disastrous! In the build up to Christmas with lots of tinsel 'n turkey on the menu, how will we fare?

I usually like to sit and watch other people in restaurants. Janet says I'm just plain nosey! But observing the waiting staff on the perimeters of the serving areas can sometimes be very revealing, especially if you are trying to catch their eye for an order. Are they standing there, cloth over arm, with an eye on the customers? Or are they so pre-occupied with filing their nails or talking on their mobiles to notice!

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#### **RBL WOMEN'S SECTION**

With grateful thanks to Jan and Mike of the Royal Oak for the use of their premises for our meetings, we met there for the first time and everyone was very pleased with the venue.

As the secretary was away, Mrs G Curtis took the minutes etc.

The month is when we give our monies away so donations were :- £500 to our Benevolent Fund, £100 to the General Fund and £30 to the County.

There were discussions about the County Conference and the competitions and it was decided that 3 members will attend the conference.

The group AGM was held at Lytchett Matravers and 3 members attended.

Our Carol Service this year will be in the Drax Hall on November 30th at 7.00 p.m. Invitations will follow.

Our speaker for the day was Marianne More who did a table decoration with things mostly from the hedgerow. Several members followed her instructions and the results were judged by the landlady.

Marianne also regaled members with some funny stories. Always a happy time with Marianne. She was thanked by Mrs Curtis. It was agreed by all that the new venue was very satisfactory and the landlord and landlady were very helpful and make a good cup of tea.

Flowers for the Cenotaph in November - Mrs Presslee.

Please note that our Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning this year will be held at Briantspuddle Village Hall on Saturday 7th November at 10.00 a.m. I do hope that our loyal members and supporters can make it.

Eileen Maidment

#### **GARDENING CLUB**

Members were well filled at the Pear Harvest Supper at the October meeting. We were then made to think a bit about the slides of Dorset shown by Mr Whittaker and making us realise what we tend to take for granted or pass by.



#### **AUTUMN LEAVES OVER 50'S**

Those who had lived in the village for some time were able to recognise many of the Wells, pumps or boreholes which John England had recorded in the parish and realise that they were all vital before the

arrival of mains water in 1956. John had recorded wells from the Roman times at Bagwood, Woddbury

Hill in the 13th century to more modern ones from 1781 to 1828 Members mentioned even more wells known to them so his job is not finished by far. The competition was for a water picture.

The November meeting is to be shown slides by our local photographer

Tony Bates at 2.30pm on Wednesday 11th at the Drax Hall. The competition is for a flower picture or card.



### BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP



Feasting and Fantasy With Bob Harris from Long Hope Gloucestershire. Bob is a National Demonstrator and this will be a very good meeting to set you up for Christmas

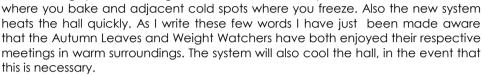
food and flowers,

do come along to our meeting at the Pamela Hambro Hall Winterborne Stickland, at 2pm. Tea and mince pies will be served after the meeting, further details from Pat House.

#### **DRAX HALL**

The performance by the Yetties last month was a great success. During the evening a presentation was made to Kath Jeeves in recognition of the tremendous work that she has put in over the years for the Village Hall.

Users of the hall will be pleased to see that we now have a new heating system. No longer should there be 'hot spots'





It is anticipated that a stair lift will be installed by the time that this report is published. When that is complete the Committee will have responded to the major criticisms of the hall. All of this work has been made possible by the receipt of a grant from 'Awards for All ' which is part of the National Lottery.

We have a Table Top Sale on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00 until 12.00. Lots of lovelies – especially cakes etc. If you would like a table to sell your own bits and pieces then please see or telephone Sally Cheeseman (471022).

On that same evening we have Tim Laycock giving a performance under the title of 'Ha. Ha..Hardy'. This is a monologue in which he explores the funny side of Thomas Hardy. He is accompanied by a Dorset Fidler – Colin Thompson. Tickets for

this event are £6.00 for Adults. I have already received orders for tickets for this popular show from a number of people outside the Village.

Looking further ahead to December there will be a Christmas Bingo evening on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December. 'Eyes down' at 7.30pm. Come and try your luck at winning one (or some) of the splendid prizes that are always offered.

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## BERE REGIS TODDLER MUSIC GROUP

November has crept up on us again, and we begin this month with songs and sounds of fireworks and bonfires. We use whistles and cymbals to make the sounds

of rockets soaring and exploding overhead, and we sing campfire songs around a pretend bonfire. This is also the month when we sing about the night sky, the moon, stars and space. We use the softer percussion instruments (e.g. triangles, finger cymbals) to help us learn some lullabies for snugly autumn evenings. The children are always surprised that when you hold two triangles together they make a star!

At the end of the month we will start to prepare for advent and Christmas. Each year we hold a mini nativity play, with the story told in familiar songs. We also have a party on the last Friday before Christmas, 18<sup>th</sup> December, when a special guest will give a musical gift to each child. We begin the new year on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

Some new families have joined us this autumn, and the children are quickly getting used to the format. We have a circle of coloured mats on the floor, and the children sit on them, with mum, dad, or carer behind. We kick off with a clapping song, greeting each child by name (this is also to make sure I get the names right!). We then usually have an active song or dance, followed by two or three songs sitting on our mats with instruments. The main challenge for the children is waiting until it's their turn to collect their instruments: the next big challenge is putting them back again! The session roughly alternates between



active songs and instruments (or feathers, conkers, leaves), depending on the theme. There are some songs and instruments we nearly always have, such as "Merrily we walk along" with the sticks; others we have each week during a particular theme; and a few we have had once and will never ever try again.... It can be mayhem, but it is surprising how quickly even very active children discover that by sitting on their mat they get to play with the instruments, and it's more fun that way.

#### **Governor News**

Our current Clerk to Governors is resigning with effect from the end of this term.

This is a remunerated position, so if you feel you can spare a few hours each month and would like to know more, or for a copy of the job description, again please contact the school office on the above number.

For any further information please contact our school office on 01929 471334

Debbie Tibbey, Deputy Head Teacher, 01929 471334

#### **BERE REGIS W.I.**

The September meeting was held on Tuesday 15th September in the Drax Hall.

Matters of the day included correspondence read out by the Secretary and included an invitation from the Ragamuffins to assist at the annual Dog Show.

Following the business section of the meeting, a local beekeeper, Allan Sillars, accompanied by his wife, Christina, gave a very informative and fascinating talk on the keeping of Bees. In particular the emphasis on the care and treatment of the Bee population to prevent disease was most interesting. This was followed by a period of questions from the floor and it

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is certain that the ladies of Bere Regis WI will never look at a Bee in the same light again. It was also noted that the worker bees were all female and that the poor male drones lived a very short but exciting life. Mr Sillars ended his talk with a demonstration of rolling beeswax into bee hive shaped candles and within a short time various hive shaped candles emerged much to the delight of those taking part. A selection of honey and beeswax produce was also available.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 17th. November at 7.30 pm in the Drax Hall and the guest speaker will be Mrs

Annette Williams on Ribbon Roses and Flowers

If you would like to come to one of our meetings please contact;

Sally - 01929 471022 or Lesley - 01929 471732

## AN ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION IN BERE REGIS

At a meeting in October, village allotment holders agreed to form an association to manage our allotments ourselves. Our first tasks will be to draw up Terms of Reference for the Association and negotiate a contract with the Drax Estate's Agents.

We would welcome input from allotment holders, who were not able to come to the meeting last month.



Our next meeting will be at 7pm in the Dining Room at The Royal Oak on Tuesday 17th November.

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### RECIPE OF THE MONTH

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#### Cranberry Relish

- 3oz long grain rice
- 1pint water
- auarter pint sweet white wine
- 12oz cranberries
- 1large orange
- 4oz mincemeat
- 3 canned pineapple rings finely chopped
- 6oz sugar
- 4oz walnuts finely chopped

Cook the rice in salted water until soft. Drain well and add to the wine while the rice is still warm, allow to cool.

Mince the cranberries. Peel the orange and remove all the flesh. Mince the orange and blend with the rice and cranberries.

Add the mincemeat, pineapple, sugar and nuts and leave for several hours. this relish can be served without cooking, but it can be put into a baking dish, covered tightly and cooked for about 30 to 40 minutes in a moderate oven, (which I prefer). Serve the relish with Turkey Chicken or any game birds.





**BERE REGIS FIRST SCHOOL NEWS** 

As we approach the end of the first half of the Autumn term it is good to see the new reception children in Lulworth class settling into the routine of school.

By the time you read this we will have celebrated Harvest and Bonfire Night and will have enjoyed winning a Barnardo's Bear after an assembly and a badge decorating competition. We have also been delighted to receive a large number of shoeboxes for the local Rotary appeal, donating gifts to under-



privileged children in Eastern Europe and Africa. All of these things help our children to remember that we are very fortunate and that not all children have the same opportunities in their lives.

Our popular Christmas Fayre, run by FOBRS, will take place on Saturday 5th December 2 – 5 p.m. in the school hall - all are welcome!

As you may know, we provide both a breakfast and after-school club, in conjunction with Ragamuffins pre-school. Our after school club runs from Monday to Thursday with a variety of session times, to try and cater for all needs! Please contact either the school office

(01929 471334) for the Supervisor, Mandy Kennard on 07774 5 74457 for further details.

As part of this service, we are going to run a Saturday session on 21st November which could be an opportunity for parents to go and tackle the Christmas shopping while their children have a fun day doing different workshops, activities and entertainment. The Saturday session will be 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and the children will need to bring a packed lunch, but drinks and a light tea will be provided.

The cost for the Saturday session will be:

£15 for the first child.

£14 for the second sibling

£13 for further siblings.

Please call to book your space!

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Bere Regis First School

## Christmas Jayre

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Saturday 5th December 2 - 4.30pm







### CHRISTMAS TREES

I will be confirming the numbers of Christmas Trees required during the third week of this month. So please if you wish to display a tree outside your house for the enjoyment of all at this joyous time, just telephone me on 471342. Deliveries will be during the last weekend of the month.



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Everyone is welcome come along and bring a friend.

#### **Dates for your diary for December**

Pop In Place Christmas Bingo Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December eyes down 10.30 am Lower Drax Hall

Christmas production "TONIGHT THERE IS A STAR" 12th December at the Darx Hall

Mince pies and Bells and Carols Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 10am until 12 noon Upper Drax Hall

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## Saturday 12th December

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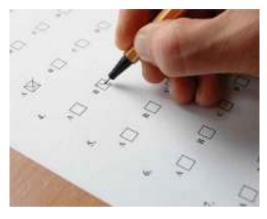
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#### **PURBECK DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT**

#### Planning Purbeck's Future (Core Strategy)

The Parish Council report outlines their discussions and agreement on the proposals which I will not repeat. Also my article in the September Parish Magazine described the options and proposals in some detail.

There has been a questionnaire delivered to 24,000 homes and businesses in the District. However there have been some reports of non-delivery, which is disappointing, and PDC will ensure that anyone who contacts them about this will



receive another copy. We have had reports of some non-delivery in the following areas:

- Northmoor Way, Northmoor (Wareham)
- Tarrant Drive, Northmoor (Wareham)
- Stoborough Meadow, Stoborough
- The Spinney, Lytchett Matravers
- Briantspuddle
- Southcliffe, Swanage
- Fairview Drive, Carey, Wareham
- Seven Barrows Road, Carey, Wareham
- Post Green Lane, Lytchett Minster

So hopefully the only place affected in our area is Briantspuddle.

I am delighted to report that there has been a good response with over a 1000 questionnaires returned so far. Because of the potential non deliveries PDC will not be applying the deadline of the 30th October and will continue accepting responses until the end of November. Please do send your response in whatever your views.

In the next few months PDC will prepare a report of the findings to bring before Councillors. When they do I will report back on these findings and tell you how we are going to take these suggestions forward.

#### Surgery

Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of every month. These are held at the communal Lounge in Turbeville Court in Bere Regis from 09.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and in the Bloxworth Village Club from 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. If you have any questions



or queries related to the business of Purbeck District Council please come along. If anyone wants to contact me and cannot get to the surgery my email address is peterwharf@hotmail.com.

Peter Wharf, District Councillor

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - BERE REGIS & DISTRICT BRANCH

#### Remembrance Parade, Winterborne Kingston, Sunday 8 November 2009.

We will be accompanied again this year by the Stour Valley Band. The programme is as follows:

Assemble at 10.30 a.m. at the Greyhound (please park at the village hall or in the road.)



March to the Cenotaph.

Wreath laying ceremony and two minutes silence at the Cenotaph.

March to the Church, Service in Church.

Re-assemble after the Service and march back to the Greyhound.

We would appreciate you joining the parade or meeting us at the Church.

at the Lower Drax Hall in North Street phone Trish White 01929 472418 for details all most welcome.

### The Pop In Sessions on a Monday and Friday morning 10 until 12 at the Lower Drax Hall

All new comers are very welcome, Pop In for a coffee and a chat. We also take donations of good quality clothing, bric a brac and books this is sold during the mornings to help to fund our rental cost. Donations would be most welcome and a great help to our running costs.

## Could you be a Volunteer ?..... Have you ever thought of helping out in your own community

New Volunteers are always welcome if you could spare a couple of hours on a Monday or a Friday to help to serve the teas once in while I would love to hear from you, please ring me for a chat.

### Pop In Place Performers Group Meets Thursday Evenings 6pm until 8pm except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays.

After the success of the Performer of the Year and the groups growing reputation, we have started the new term with full capacity and are unable to take in any further members at this time if you would like to get involved there is a waiting list now for after Christmas.

We are all looking forward to staging the Christmas Production On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm entitled "Tonight there is a Star"

This is a nativity during the first part of the show co written by Pastor Jim and Sarah Lye it brings the traditional story into present day and has some fantastic music. The second part of the show is a Christmas variety show with dancing singing and lots of comedy to get you into the festive spirit. Tickets are £5 each this includes a mince pie and a drink and are available on a first come first served basis from Alison Bennett 01929 472023 book early to avoid disappointment.



#### **Our Events for November**

BBC Children in Need Event will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 10am 12 noon. Pink for Pudsey

#### **POP IN PLACE NEWS**

#### **Thank You**

#### Jumble Sale and Auction in October

Thank you to all who supported the Jumble sale and huge thanks to all the team who worked so hard to raise funds for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance





## Mamillan Biggest Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who supported this event it was a lovely morning and a cheque for £378.87 was sent off to this very worthy charity.

#### **Nail Cutting Service Detail**

The Next nail cutting is Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November please phone Denise Smith 01929 471075 to book a place. This service has really taken off now over the last few visits, the lady is very friendly and we are happy to be able to offer this as part of our commitment to meet the needs of the local community.

#### Details of our regular groups are as follows

### Don't Pop Out Pop In Healthy Eating Support Group. Every Friday at 10am until 10.30 Drax Hall

For the small fee of £1 you will be weighed and offered a food diary there is also the opportunity to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables.

## Poppets Baby and Toddler Group meets Thursday's in term time 1.30 until 3pm at lower Drax Hall

New people always welcome, as the School term starts this group will meet again

All parishioners and village organisations are welcome and if you have a pennant or colours please feel free to carry them.

Light refreshments will be available at the village hall after the parade.

We look forward to welcoming old comrades, friends and villagers of all ages to remember and give thanks with us.

There will also be informal gatherings at the Cenotaph in Bere Regis and at Winterborne Kingston on Wednesday 11 November for two minutes silence at 11.00 a.m.

Glo Curtis, Secretary RBL

## BERE HEATH METHODIST CHAPEL

#### **Harvest Festival**

It has been a lovely celebration of the Harvest Festival at the Bere Heath Chapel this year, and a huge thank you must be given to all who donated produce, which included a



wonderful array of fresh produce from huge pumpkins, all kinds of vegetables and down to fresh eggs. The Harvest Service itself was well attended with 18 present.

The auction of the produce took place on the following Monday, an evening of fun and enjoyment which raised over £200 towards the upkeep of the Chapel. Again, thanks are due to all who attended and especially to Tony Shave for being the auctioneer on the evening.

#### **Future of the Chapel**

Following the article in the September parish magazine concerning the future of the Chapel, a consultation meeting has taken place, chaired by the Senior Circuit Steward for the Dorchester area and attended by 17 members and those interested in seeing the continued use of the Chapel for regular services.

Arising from the meeting, we are pleased to announce that three people have expressed a wish to share the role of Church Steward, and a further meeting will be held in early November. Local support will also be needed to maintain enough

members to keep the Chapel open but the future does look more promising. Watch this space for further news.

#### **Next service**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 3.00pm. Please join us then and give us your support towards the future of the chapel.

Joint stewards (in waiting!)

Caroline Harrison

Karen Smith

Margaret Whittingham

## BERE REGIS VILLAGE HALL PRESENTS 'STEP BACK IN TIME' PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION EASTER MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

Here is some information about the above event that will be held at the Drax Hall next Easter Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April 10am until 4pm. The Exhibition will consist of hundreds of exciting old views from around our village some never seen before, and to make it very special we are inviting you, the community, to take part in a photographic competition. This will be in two sections Under 16's and Adults and

you are asked to photograph your favorite view from inside the village this can be anything you want it to be but needs to capture the eye of the Judges, the photos will appear as part of the exhibition and will also be put onto the village website. There will be prizes for each section. Although next year seems a long way off the



### THE POP IN PLACE BERE REGIS

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Pop In Place Sessions Mondays and Fridays 10am until 12noon at the Lower Drax Hall An opportunity to meet others in your own community, have a coffee or a tea and a chat in an informal and friendly environment.

Pop In Place Performers Group

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Please phone Alison Bennett for more info

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Pop In Place Poppets Baby and Toddler Group Meets Thursday 1pm until 3pm at the Lower Drax Hall everyone is most welcome Phone Trish White for more info 01929 472418

The Pop In Place has been at the heart of this community for the last twelve years, during this time we have reached out to hundreds of local people with our various regular groups and our events programme.

Everyone is very welcome to come along and new volunteers are always needed!

Phone Alison Bennett on 01929 472023 to find out how you can become a part of this vital and Special Village Organisation.



### WRVS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE

## Pop in and help out – Wareham Home Library Service needs new volunteers!

There are a number of people in the Wareham area who would love to use their local library but are unable to get there due to disability, an illness, or because they are providing care for someone else. The Home Library Service is available free of charge for all ages for those in Dorset who cannot easily access a library, and we need volunteers to help us to provide a regular delivery of books and talking books directly to people's homes.

The partnership between the WRVS and Dorset County Council enables the Library Service to enhance the service they offer to their housebound users and helps to keep them at the heart of the community. Volunteers working alongside library staff make for a strong partnership, as most volunteers are looking to help other people and love the chance to give something back to their community.

Volunteers have so much to offer, and often say that helping out in the community enriches their lives. Their services are much appreciated by the WRVS and the Library Service, but most of all by the people they provide with library books and much-needed social contact.

If you think you can help, and have a couple of hours to spare every 3 weeks, please consider becoming a volunteer for the Home Library Service. You can speak to staff at Wareham Library, or phone Maria Jacobson, the WRVS coordinator for Dorset, on 07795 968761.

For further details about <u>receiving</u> the Home Library Service contact Wareham Library on 01929 556146 or Library Headquarters in Dorchester on 01305 225000.

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organizers of this exhibition need to be starting work on compiling the varied and interesting exhibits for you all to view and enjoy.

We need your help, Sue Stone is compiling interesting images and memories surrounding the World War II period of the village, we ask for any photos to be submitted to her and particularly we are interested in getting some of the memories of people in the village, if you were an evacuee or have a story to tell that you would like others be able to share please contact Sue she would love to hear from you her number is 01929 471933

Mark and Lisa Bennett are arranging a display of the Bere Regis Carnival over the years and ask for you to contact them with your photos or memories on 01929 471011.

We hope that the various village organizations will be involved with their own archives.

Christopher Maunder is compiling who lived in this house and if anyone has any info on his own property's history of inhabitants he would be pleased to hear from

#### A LITTLE BIT OF COMMUNITY SPIRI



D'Urberville Amateur Dramatic Society
Will be hosting a quiz night on
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009
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The cost will be £5.00 per person
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To reserve a table please call
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Or
Ellen on 01929 405878

you - 01929 471342

This event promises to be a wonderful look back at our village's history of many years with literally hundreds of old and amazing images. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Alison and Paul Bennett (01929 472023) John Pitfield (01929 472761) Event Organisers

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agua fit, supervised gym sessions and beginners' exercise classes.

Michelle Goodman Purbeck Sports Centre Operations Manager, said "This is a fabulous way to do a little gentle exercise and improve fitness and wellbeing. We have qualified coaches on hand to guide participants and offer advice."

Sessions last two hours on Wednesdays (term-time only) from 10.30 am until 12.30 pm and participants can choose a variety of sessions to fill the time. There's no need to book, just turn up and see what takes your fancy! Sessions cost £3 or £5 if agua fit is chosen as one of the activities.

For further details, contact the Sports Centre on 01929 500000 or visit www.purbeck.gov.uk



## RAGAMUFFINS PRE SCHOOL AT BERE REGIS FIRST SCHOOL

#### Dog Show and Fete 2009

Sam would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all who supported the Ragamuffins Dog Show and Fete this year, from those that supplied cakes, manned stalls and volunteered their time; to those that came and entered



their dogs into the show and made the most of the variety of stalls on offer. I would especially like to thank those organisations in the village who continually support Ragamuffins and make events such as this possible. The ladies from the WI and Mother's Union need special mention, as do FOBRS and the School for their continued assistance. We would also like to thank Pampered Pigs for the loan of their field. We cleared nearly £1,000 to be put back into the Pre-School to improve the setting and enhance our children's upbringing so all the hard work



was well worth it. The weather was wonderful. The only downer to the day was the theft of a camera from the 'Pat Dogs' stall. The charity would appreciate its return – if this is possible please contact Sam on 07753 818619.

I would like to add my thanks to Sam. Jan, their extended family and friends, and Elaine for their incredible effort in making this event the huge success it was. We are putting the money to good use straightaway on resources for the children, such as wet weather dungarees to enable children to enjoy the garden in all weathers.

#### Harvest

At Pre-School children have been looking at harvesting fruit and vegetables from our gardens and allotments, how farmers harvest their crops from the fields, exploring the texture and look of the different grains and using a pestle and mortar to grind the flour. Children made soup, bread and flapjacks to extend their understanding of where food comes from. The Rev'd Canon Ian Woodward visited the children one morning as they were finishing their porridge at snack time, having been busy all morning at the 'three bears house'. The children

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thoroughly enjoyed talking with Rev'd Ian about the variety of vegetables in our harvest basket.

#### Visit to Bere Regis Fire Station - stop press!

Many of our children have shown a sustained interest in investigating length by joining various pieces of construction together. This developed into fire fighting role-play which with adult support developed into map making. As result we organised a trip to the fire station in Bere Regis with the kind help of Mr Moss and Mr Pickering at the fire station. So one autumnal morning in October we set off very excitedly to walk to the fire station.

Unfortunately, when we arrived the station was empty, it transpired that the fire engine had been called out to a barn fire in the early hours. The children seemed to understand and coped well with their disappointment, enjoying running round the sports field instead, with the promise that we would return via the station in the optimistic hope that the engine had returned. Alas it had not, so we began our walk back to Pre-School when fortuitously the fire engine rounded the corner right on cue. The uncertainty about whether we would see

the fire engine that day seemed to heighten the children's pleasure when it did return. Despite having been on call for some hours, Mr Pickering very kindly showed the children round the engine, including all the tools and equipment on board. We look forward to observing how this first-hand experience will undoubtedly enhance and extend the children's role-play and, therefore, their learning and development.



#### **Pre-School Admissions**

Please do get in contact to obtain our brochure, or to reserve your child's place, as places fill quickly. Visits always welcome. Please contact Debbie on 01929 472125.

#### **Ragamuffins Christmas Raffle**

We have been working extremely hard to secure some fantastic prizes for our

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As a charity we rely heavily on fundraising activity and we would appreciate your support by purchasing a ticket or two...who knows, with so many great prizes you are bound to be a winner! Tickets are available from Ragamuffins at the cost of 20 p per ticket or £1.00 per book. You will also hopefully be lucky enough to receive a visit from one of our lovely mums, dads, grandmas or granddads who have kindly volunteered to call on village residents selling tickets! All proceeds will be put towards buying new equipment and resources for the Pre-School children.

Thank you so much to all companies who have kindly donated prizes. We cannot name you all, but include, Pampered Pigs, Marc Young and Lynda Essex. The draw will take place at 11 am on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2009 at Ragamuffins. Please feel free to join us. If you do require any further information, or a ticket, please contact Cathryne Packham on: 01929 471752.

#### Congratulations to the winners of the 200 club in October

1st Prize - Doreen Jones No 49

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Kevin Jav No 125

3rd Prize - Mary Elford No 120

4th Prize - C Ventham No 142

Debbie Greatorex, Manager, Ragamuffins

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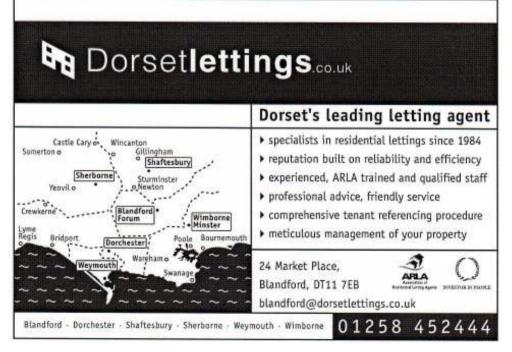
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cowboy hats on the 11<sup>th</sup> tee for ten euros apiece to 13 unsuspecting ROGS who were never going to turn her down, although "Sir" Geoffrey enquired whether she could give him one for free, after flatly turning him down he bought a hat anyway and narrowly missed a hole in one by the width of one of "Tiny" Merritt's bacon sandwiches, although duly sinking the 2 foot put for a birdie (not the one that flew over him at the card school earlier in the week!)

Again this proved a close affair with "Honest" Price blobbing the last hole, allowing "Bobber" White to steal in for the victory with 40 points, "Honest" 2<sup>nd</sup> on 39 points, and "Tiny" beating "Two Tones" into third spot on count back.

This then set up a thrilling climax to the tour, where the final round was at the famous Sir Henry Cotton championship course at Penina playing for "The Foto Island Pint", on arrival "The Arm" was eyeing up the board in the reception where the hole in ones appeared, desperately wishing to etch his name up there with a marker pen along side names such as Thomas Levet and Gordon Brand, sadly this was not to be the case, but he was willing to challenge them both to an arm wrestle for bragaing rites!! The final four ball saw "Bobber" White teeing off in the lead by two points over "Honest" who was a further two points ahead of "Tiny" and "The Bull" who almost had to be muzzled after snarling and baring his teeth in unprecedented intimidation tactics!! However Martin "I have found my sombrero again" Debenham could not be ruled out playing in the group in front. The day seemed to live up the hype surrounding it when the final four ball stood on the final green not knowing what was needed to win the overall tournament and lift "The Tourist Trophy", finally it was left to "Tiny" Merritt to sink a four foot put up the hill to seal victory for the day on count back over "The Sombrero", both with 31 points, with "Two Tones" coming good again on 30 points in third. This meant that "Tiny" won the overall week with 134 points over "Honest" by one on 133 points, with "The Sombrero" narrowly beating "The Bull" on count back to take 3rd spot with 131 points.

The presentation was held at the local curry house with speeches from yours truly, with the wine flowing generously supplied by the charity that is otherwise know as "Honest Pricey Bookmakers". Other winners from the week were "the Bull" and "Honest" who romped to victory in the pairs competition, and "Sir" Geoffrey in the putting competition. A special presentation



was made to "The Spy" who had yet again organised us all superbly, and quite simply without him, there would not be a tour!!

Shaun "Brumastiff" Brady

and 32 points, that was of course with the exception of Martin "My sombrero wouldn't fit in my hand luggage" Debenham who won the day with a fantastic 40 points, and was promptly slashed 3 shots for his efforts!! "Bobber" White finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 32 points beating "Tiny" Merritt on count back who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> having showed no fatigue after a long, arduous, hot, sweaty day driving his buggy around the course!!

After another early start, or a late night for me we travelled to Palmares to play for "The French Open" where the course was undergoing two years of major renovation work, however this didn't deter the ROGS even though some of the holes better resembled crazy golf where you had to hit your drive through a JCB's window and sink a put in the workman's coffee cup. However, it was left to yours truly still "super boked" from the night before, managing to hold my nerve and win with a massive 42 points, and was promptly slashed 4 shots for my hard work, closely followed by John "The Bull" Pitts on 39 points in 2<sup>nd</sup> with "Big Man" Standerwick finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> with 38 points finding his game after a day of shanking the day before.

We then had 2 days rest and recuperation before our next outing, therefore took the opportunity to get involved in an unforgettable amount of games of "spoof", which I think that the ladies never want to play again after Julie White lost a day of her holiday recovering from. Meanwhile, some of us watched 'Sir" Geoffrey Adams play two and a half hours of 7 card brag by the pool in "Tich" White's card school, and not win a single hand, only stopping for a brief rest to swap his tee shirt after being deposited on by one of the flying inhabitants of locality ..... thought that was meant to bring you good luck Geoffrey?? That evening I heard on the grapevine that there was a strange incident involving something called a "falcon" punch and a white horse, whose owner had the longest eyebrows in Portuguese history, the rest as they say was history!

The third course was Morgado, playing for "The Middleton Cup", equally as stunning as the first, cut into the hills where the mist and dew looked to thwart us, although made the greens moist and receptive, as we teed off nearly an hour late, only managing to guide our way around by following "The Nurrish" who was in his sky blue knee length Harare Golf Club socks and the aroma of freshly



smoked "Shag" from his pipe wafting into the Portuguese air. It was reported that after securing a par 4 for 4 points that he got so excited he followed this up with an air shot on the next tee!! The highlight of the day being a rather attractive lady selling

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#### VENUES 2009

DATE	TROPHY	VENUE	WINNER
27th February	Members' Challenge	Sherborne GC	Martin Debenham
27th March	GRS Trophy	Old Thorns GC	Jim Corbin
24th April	The Whitbread Pairs	Canford Magna (Parkland)	Brett Standerwick & Keith Nurrish
29th May	Captain's Cup	Meyrick Park	Geoff Adams
26th June	Landlord's Cup	Wareham GC	Jamie Lake
31st July	Jim Corbin Cup	Botley Park	John Ruskin
28th August	President's Cup	Woodbury Park Hotel	Darren Parker
25th September	Rob Hall Hacker's Trophy	Bramshaw GC	Shaun Brady
30th October	Zoom Trophy	Yeovil GC	

ROGS mini tour - De Vere Wokefield Park, Reading (12th - 14th June 2009).

Annual Cricket Match and BBQ - Sunday 16th August

ROGS annual tour - Lagos, Algarve, Portugal (3rd - 10th October 2009)

AGM - Bere Regis Sports Club. - Wednesday 11th November, 7.00 for 7.30 pm

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#### Annual Tour - Lagos, Portugal

This year's eagerly anticipated ROGS tour took us to Logos in Portugal, where a party of 20 ventured including 13 so called golfers. It all started so well, albeit early until a discovery was made after 5 minutes at the airport that "Honest" Pricey had left his precious white board in the back of the taxi who made a hasty

getaway before he could run down the road after it. All of the members breathed a huge sign of relief thinking that their hard earned euros would be spent on beer and food, instead of paying instalments off of the Dairy...... How wrong they would be, because anywhere the "honest" goes, there are ways and means, this would take the form of a tatty piece of papyrus kept in his sweaty pocket for 7 long days!!

The flight was smooth, and even I had a safe trip snuggled between the window seat and "Tiny" Merritt......could life get any better I asked myself?

"Didn't I tell you that we have to be up at 6:00 am every morning to tee off before sunrise" was what greeted us from tour organiser "The Spy" Storey with a smirk on his face and a four pack of red bull in his hand as we made our way to our 4 star accommodation!!

The first morning, we made our way to Boa Vista to play for "The Bantry Bay Tray", somewhat bleary eyed, however full of high spirits after hearing about the first instalment of "Tich" White and "Tiny" Merritt snore off, which was I am reliably informed was deemed a snore draw at 4 each!!

The starter looking more tanned than David Dickinson could hardly believe his eyes as the first four ball all hit their tee shots straight down the middle......of the neighbouring gardens, driveways and verandas!! Prompting him to turn to "The Arm" Corbin and "Big Man" Standerwick, enquiring again what exactly was

written on the handicap certificates. Ian "Two Tones" Jarred finishing off the groups taking 7 on the first, and that was just off of the tee, disturbing the neighbouring residents' early morning dip in their pool with a poorly aimed Titleist!! The course a challenging test of golf with the majority of golfers coming in between 25

