

CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

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SERVICES AT ST. GILES

3rd Nov All Saints Day 11am Holy Communion (CW)
10th Nov **Remembrance Sunday** 10.55am Village Service of Remembrance
17th Nov 2nd before Advent 11am Holy Communion (CW)
24th Nov Christ The King 11am Holy Communion (CW)

CHURCH OF OUR LADY, QUEEN OF MARTYRS & ST. IGNATIUS

CHURCH AND VILLAGE HISTORY EXHIBITION OPEN DAILY 10-4pm

Parish Priest: Fr. Richard Meyer -

Friday 1st 10 am Mass followed by Adoration

Friday 8th 10 am Mass

Saturday 9th 6 pm Vigil Mass

Friday 15th 10 am Mass

Friday 22nd 10 am Mass

Saturday 23rd 6 pm Vigil Mass

Friday 29th 10 am Mass

See Church Noticeboard or www.chideockmartyrschurch.org.uk for more info.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

There is a **YEAR PLANNER** in the porch of St. Giles. Please indicate any future events as early as possible by filling in the date on the Planner. This helps to avoid having more than one event on the same day.

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

Chairman: Nick Zaiger (489580) Treasurer: Barbara Arnold (489423) Secretary: Nick Baker (489555). Table Tennis Group Liaison Sue MacDougal 489408

Chideock Village Hall is available as a venue for regular events and special occasions.

BOOKINGS/ENQUIRIES 01297 489580 or 07716 201440

BINGO/WHIST DATES all sessions start at 7.30pm

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Thursday 7th BINGO

14th WHIST

21st BINGO

28th NO WHIST- CHIDEOCK PLAYERS PRODUCTION

DEADLINE DATE :

Items for inclusion in the joint DECEMBER 2013/JANUARY 2014 magazine to : Ms. Ruth Wrixton, Sweet Briar, West Road, Bridport, DT6 6AE. Tel: 01308 422649 or mobile 07811672058 or e-mail me : ruthwrixton@hotmail.com (I will always acknowledge I have received them – so that you know I have!) LATEST acceptance date will be Wed 13th November 2013.

COMMUNITY POLICING ...

Be aware that thieves are targeting valuable garden ornaments or items that are left insecure/unprotected in gardens. With the correct methods used these items can be easily protected.

Sheds and outbuilding that are unprotected or insecure are very vulnerable and we insist that you take necessary steps to protect your property. If you would like any advice on the above then please contact Beaminster SNT on 101.

Please report any suspicious activity/incidents on the non-emergency number 101.

PCSO Paul MINERS, Beaminster Safer Neighbourhood Team.



The Bells at St. Giles

Dave Symonds, Captain of the bell tower, would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to join the Ringing Team. Perhaps you would like to learn how to ring bells or if you have some experience but have not rung for a while perhaps you would like to join us and brush up your skill on our fine set of 6 bells? Please ring Dave on 01297 489644.

A date for your diary...

A Tale of Two Bell Towers

Come and see this documentary that has been filmed about the bellringers and communities of Chideock and Whitchurch.

Friday 13th December at 7pm in the village hall. Refreshments will be available. You will have a chance to speak to the people involved and see what it is all about. Admission free.

CHIDEOCK PLAYERS presents ...

DISH OF THE DAY

A Comedy by Christine Woodhead and directed by Val Cowell.
Thursday 28th, Friday 29th and Saturday 30th November
Tickets priced at £5.00 will be available from the 4th November
From Hilary on 01297 489555

Please come and support your local Am Dram group

More Miracles

The first time I was invited to preach was in a small country church in Surrey. I chose John 14 v11 as my text: ‘... at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.’ I spoke about the miracles of Jesus, interspersed with my own experiences of witnessing people being healed, set free or blessed in exceptional ways. As people left the church I shook hands with each one; one lady commented, “You really believe this stuff don’t you!”

I have continued to witness the healing power of Jesus Christ wherever God has called us to live. I know he still heals today. Sadly, reports of miracles don’t make it into the media. There is no sickness that God cannot heal, no problem that is too difficult for Him.

I have already shared with you the testimony of my conversion from being a churchgoer who hadn’t understood repentance (yet claiming to be a believer) to becoming a true Christian. On a prayer trip to Shetland a Christian lady invited us to go and speak with her and her husband about their 15 year marriage which had been a disaster from day one. Her husband had his own ideas about faith in other gods and, despite his churchgoing, he didn’t want to really know about Christianity. Led by the Holy Spirit, I asked him to tell me about his faith – he was all at sea, and eventually admitted that he had tried all sorts of ways through life, but nothing had worked. I shared with him Jesus’ way to true salvation – he believed and repented in tears. No only was he saved, so was the marriage.

Some years ago a carpenter was working in our church flat and, as he knelt down, he shrieked out in pain. Immediately, without stopping to think, I surprised even myself by proclaiming, ‘Knee, be healed in Jesus’ name!’ He looked embarrassed and simply said, ‘oh ... er... thank you.’ The following week he didn’t seem quite himself, but on his next visit he said that as soon as I said, ‘knee, be healed in Jesus’ name,’ he was instantly healed. He had been apprehensive about telling me just in case the pain returned. But it never did. God healed a knee that had troubled him for years.

Elizabeth and I are in no doubt whatsoever that God still heals today – because we have seen it with our own eyes – from people getting out of their wheelchairs to people being healed of life-threatening conditions. We are able to say that we ‘believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves,’ Jn. 14 v11. Humphrey Barker. November 2013.

Chideock WI are holding a

Cabaret Cheese & Wine evening

on **1st November 2013** in the Village hall – SEE POSTERS for more info

Chideock W.I. –

Shirley welcomed our speaker Tasmin Loudon, consultant from The House of Colour, Burton Bradstock. (see photo 2)

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Introducing herself as a gentle ‘Trinny and Suzanna’, Tasmin challenged us to imagine looking into our wardrobes and honestly assessing how many of the clothes hanging there we actually wear and how many are *no nos*; those impulse and generally unworn buys. The first step is to discover if your colour palette is ‘cool’ or ‘warm’.

Linda volunteered to be our guinea pig and underwent the trial of the coloured scarves. The ideal and most useable wardrobe is one that mixes and matches colours from your compatible palette and compliments the clothes with accessories, belts scarves and jewelry for impact and versatility.

With suitable colours sorted out, Tasmin moved on to discuss style. This may be an expression of your personality and at times may be a statement of your authority and status. Thank goodness Shirley has a wardrobe full of smart jackets! This was a fun session, with lots of useful ideas for those of us who look with despair into our wardrobes for something to wear that’s suitable for the occasion and makes us feel good.

Shirley presented a cheque for £2,580.00 to the Village Hall committee at their recent open meeting. This would be used to purchase 100 new upright upholstered chairs, safety connectors and a ‘chair’ trolley to help with moving these into and out of storage. As we have already met our target for the chairs the fundraising evening scheduled for the 1st November will not now go ahead.

An application is being made to the United Reformed Church in Bridport for a charity Christmas tree. The theme will be the Boppa Bus with the proceeds going to this local cause.

The craft group continues to meet regularly. We are currently knitting teddy bears in response to the Bridport Minor Injuries Unit appeal. This line up is on its way to the Unit! (See photo 1 below)



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Chideock WI (continued)

Competition Winners were:

Flower of the month: 1st Barbara Watts, 2nd place Diane Benjamin.

Compact: 1st Elizabeth Brunden, 2nd place Pat Kent.

Dates for the Diary –

9th November 2013, trip to see ‘Quartet’ at the Tivoli Theatre, Wimborne.

December 11th 2013 WI Carol concert at Wells Cathedral.

December 6th 2013 Christmas Lunch at the George Inn, Chideock.

Next meeting: November 5th at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

**Bruce Upton from Bridport Museum returns to talk this time about
‘Lewd Wenches and Loose Living Fellows’**

The competition is a surprise item of clothing

If you would like to join us please come along, you would be very welcome.

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL AGM

All residents of Chideock and users of the village hall are invited to attend the AGM on Tuesday 19th November at 7.30pm, to hear a review of the past year, receive the accounts, and elect the management committee for the coming year. Nominations for the committee, which should have the prior consent of the nominee and be proposed and seconded should be received by the secretary by Sunday 17th November.

Nick Baker, Honorary Secretary

"Annables" North Road, DT6 6LE

e-mail : lackaday@btinternet.com

Wednesday 13 November

A coffee morning in aid of the Church of Our Lady Dome Appeal is being given by Diana and Ian at Willow House, North Road, from 10 am to 1 pm.

Do join us for delicious coffee and cakes, raffle, bring and buy and cake stalls! Tel. 01297 489657.

The Friends of St Giles Church, Chideock

**Warmly invite you to join them for their
Christmas Coffee and Mince Pies Morning on
Tuesday 17th December. This will be held in St
Giles Church, refreshments being served from
10.30am to noon.**

**The church is always beautifully decorated for
Christmas and there will be seasonal music to
enjoy with your refreshments**



**The entry fee is £2.00 which includes a ticket for the
refreshments**

We look forward to seeing you

CHIDEOCK ART GROUP - AUTUMN TERM

Friendly group - we meet at 2pm on Monday afternoons in Chideock Village Hall. A mixture of our own painting afternoons and a variety of tutors and subjects -NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.

Contact BEVERLEY YOUNG 489 565 OR ANN WALKER 489 363

4th November Barbara Green

11th November No tutor

15th November Barbara Green

25th November Christmas lunch

Chideock Parish Council News.

CHANGE OF DATES: October and November Parish Council meetings.

As 2 Parish Councillors are unable to attend the Parish Council meeting on 29 October it has been moved to the following Tuesday, **5 November at 10:00 am.**

There are only 4 councillors (out of a maximum of 7) on the Parish Council and at least 3 must be present at a meeting for it to take place.

So please please volunteer to be a councillor if you have a few hours available a month. If you would like more information then contact any councillor or the Clerk.

The meeting scheduled for 26 November will take place in early December.

Clearing vegetation near a road, ditch, brook or river.

Please could local residents and landowners ensure, when strimming banks or pruning hedges / trees close to a public highway, ditch, brook or river, that all detritus is removed and not allowed to block up the drains, gullies and culverts or fall into the ditch, brook or river.

THE FRIENDS OF ST. GILES CHURCH
INVITE YOU TO THEIR FAMOUS

STEAK AND KIDNEY

AUTUMN LUNCH

IN

THE VILLAGE HALL

ON

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 17th

AT

12:30 FOR 1:00

PRICE £10:00 Including A GLASS OF WINE

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM

JUDY CAMPBELL, WALLBRIDGE HOUSE,
MILL LANE. (PHONE 489121)



(Please note change of ticket seller)

Remembrance Day 10th November

In view of the scaffolding around the War Memorial we shall gather in the church at 10.55am where the 2 minutes silence will be observed and the names of the fallen will be read out. A Village Service of Remembrance will follow this. Everyone is welcome to attend.

CHIDEOCK SOCIETY UPDATE.

Our A.G.M. was doubly successful as our appeal for help to replace two committee members resulted in three volunteers and two more who have offered to help prepare for evening events in the Village Hall. We now have a committee of eight to keep the Society going for an important year ahead.

Huge thanks to Val Cowell, Tony and Pam Fuller, Tony Peacock and Humphrey Barker for filling the gaps and offering support. We can co-opt up to four more committee members if you would also like to join the team!!

The presentation by our guest speaker, **Dr. Tom Brereton** was equally successful. He gave a fascinating account of his work monitoring, photographing and recording a variety of marine life in Lyme Bay. His beautiful photos included whales, dolphins, porpoises, creatures and plants on the seabed and some of the rare fish, birds and mammals which are now living in Lyme Bay due to climate change. He highly recommended our next speaker, David Sales who will be coming on **November 12th**. **David Sales** is a well-known and highly experienced fisherman, currently Chairman of Bridport and West Bay Commercial Boatowners and Fishermen's Association. He will be here to tell us about the Blue Marine Foundation, an alliance of fishermen and conservationists whose aim is to protect fish stocks in Lyme Bay.

December 10th will be an evening suitable for all ages and involving unusual competitive entertainment, followed by a 'social' based on the maritime theme. So Come on me hearties! Jim lad! etc. Hire your Johnny Depp outfits, Sailor suits, Mermaid Fishtails dive in and join the fun!

2014 will have some of our popular events, Skittles and Vittels, Local History, Tree Planting, Wildlife Features and two special dates to remember:

May 31st Beating the Bounds and

July 5th and 6th. A weekend exhibition to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Chideock Society. Our archive material is going 'digital' so all can see the films and hear tape recordings of past people and events.

Calling all new residents!

Your household is entitled to a free copy of our Millennium Book "A Wander Through Chideock". Please contact 01297 489477 for details of how to apply.

The Chideock Luncheon Club

The November lunch will be held at The Clock on Tuesday, 26th November at 12.15 for 12.30. Please ring Judy Campbell (489 121) if you would like to come. If you are new to the village and /or would like to enjoy some company over lunch why not come along? The draw for the 100 club will take place at this event.

TRADING STANDARDS

One of our main roles in Trading Standards is to protect the public so why do we scare the life out of them? We like to put out press releases to warn consumers about unscrupulous traders and think that this will prevent people being ripped off. What I hadn't realized was that sometimes this has the effect of scaring some people to the extent that they won't trust any tradesmen and worry that everyone is out to con them. This happened to my favourite Aunty who lives in the New Forest.

She lives alone in a fairly remote bungalow and one day had a problem with her telephone. She contacted BT who sent out an engineer who found that the phone line in to the property had been damaged by an overgrown tree. He repaired the line but told her that she would need to get the tree cut back to prevent it happening again. Shortly before this she had read a trading standards press release about itinerant traders who had ripped off a consumer for hundreds of pounds. Unfortunately these types of traders do prey on the elderly and vulnerable. Typically the householder knows that they need some work done, such as a loose tile replacing or a tree cut back and so they jump at the chance when someone knocks at the door offering to do it there and then for what sounds like a very reasonable price. Inevitably once the work is started the price increases dramatically and the work is often very shoddy. With this in mind my Aunty asked around to see if anyone could recommend a tree surgeon but had no luck.



A few weeks later she confided in my Dad that she was losing sleep over the tree because she had no idea how much it would cost to have cut back. In her mind she initially thought it should be no more than a few hundred pounds but over time her imagination had worked overtime and she was now expecting a bill into the thousands. My Dad mentioned this to me and

at the time I knew that Hampshire were one of the few authorities trialing a new scheme called Buy With Confidence. I contacted them and they were able to recommend 3 tree surgeons in her area. My Aunty called them in for a quote and was delighted with the prices. She chose one who came within the week and trimmed the tree back clear of the phone lines. A nice happy ending you would think but unfortunately not. My Aunty was so delighted with the quality of work and the price charged that she got a bit carried away and selected virtually every tree in her garden for a short back and sides. Her once slightly overgrown wildlife sanctuary of a garden now resembles a slightly greener version of the Somme. As they say, you can lead a New Forest pony to water but you can't make it drink.



Look out for the Buy With Confidence logo - trading standards check traders so you don't have to.

Visit the website

www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call

The Citizens Advice Consumer Service

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