

# CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

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## SERVICES AT ST. GILES

2nd February Candlemas	11am Village Service
9 <sup>th</sup> February 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent	11am Holy Communion (CW)
16 <sup>th</sup> February 3 <sup>rd</sup> before Lent	11am Holy Communion (CW)
23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Lent	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 -

Fri 7th	10 am Mass
Sat 8th	6 pm Vigil Mass
Fri 14th	10 am Mass
Fri 21st	10 am Mass
Sat 22nd	6 pm Vigil Mass
Fri 28th	10 am Mass

See Church Noticeboard or [www.chideockmartyrschurch.org.uk](http://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.

## DEADLINE DATE :

Items for inclusion in the MARCH 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](mailto:ruthwrixton@hotmail.com) (I will always acknowledge I have received them – so that you know I have!) LATEST acceptance date will be Wed 12<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

## CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

Chairman: Richard Benjamin (489298) 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** Sue Walliker **01297489545** **New hire charges apply from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 please phone for details**

For more information please contact the bookings secretary (see above for telephone numbers) or refer to <http://www.chideockandseatown.co.uk/> and go to Village Hall page.

BINGO/WHIST DATES all sessions start at 7.30pm

Thursdays: 6<sup>th</sup> BINGO; 13<sup>th</sup> WHIST; 20<sup>th</sup> BINGO; 27<sup>th</sup> WHIST

## **LENT COURSE**

As is our custom we shall be following a course every Thursday during Lent beginning on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March at ‘Humbers’ at 2.30pm to 4pm by kind invitation of Mrs. Clemency Allen. We shall be following the York Course “BUILD ON THE ROCK”. (Subtitled “Faith, Doubt and Jesus”. Specific Sessions:

- 1: “Believing and doubting” (faith when times are hard).
- 2: “Jesus our teacher” (the centrality to Jesus of the Kingdom of God).
- 3: “Jesus our Saviour” (why Jesus died on the Cross for us and the world)
- 4: “Jesus – conqueror of death” (what happens after we die, and what is ‘resurrection’)
- 5: “Jesus – our Lord and Brother” (what kind of relationship can we have with Jesus)

The Course Sessions will include listening to input on CD from various well known Christian leaders such as the Bishop of London and a previous Archbishop of York. We will read together the material presented in the Course Booklet. We will have plenty of time for discussion on the questions suggested by the Course writers. There will be tea and refreshments to conclude the afternoon! Everyone is most welcome to attend – even if it’s for the first time this year, or despite the fact that you cannot attend every Session. Each Session is ‘free standing’. There is no charge, but if you wish to purchase the excellent Course Booklet then these cost £4 each, through the Course Leader.

For more information please ring 01297489260

## **THE CHIDEOCK LUNCHEON CLUB**

The February lunch will be held at The Clock on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February at 12.15 for 12.30. Please ring Judy Campbell (489121) 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 plus club will take place at this event.

## **SPRING PLANT SALE**

As many are aware, both of the Village churches and the Village Hall are in need of funds for routine and extraordinary maintenance items. With this in mind I intend to hold a Plant Sale in the Spring (dated TBD) here at Tamarisk, where all sales will be divided equally between the three worthy causes. With this in mind if any one is "thinning" their garden plants, I would be grateful for any off-cuts, divisions etc. Also any young plants etc. (Plant-pots, most sizes, are available should any be needed - phone me.) Please support these worthy causes. More details to follow. Steve Warburton, Tamarisk (489926)

## **100+ CLUB**

Winners – November 26<sup>th</sup> 2013

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	Iris Jones	No. 33	£30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alison Brooke	No. 125	£20
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lyn Crisp	No. 91	£10
4 <sup>th</sup>	Audrey Skinner	No. 22	Q£10

Winners – December 17<sup>th</sup> 2013

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	Marilyn Tuck	No. 135	£30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dave Kimpton	No. 45	£20
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Annie Warman	No. 6	£10
4 <sup>th</sup>	Dave Symonds	No. 27	£10
1 <sup>st</sup> Xmas Bonus	Sarah Newton	No. 137	£15
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dr. Sorenson	No. 80	£15

Total payout for December £100

Thank you for all your support

Tony Fuller

## **CHIDEOCK ART GROUP**

The Art Group programme for the Spring Term - a mixture of our own painting and interesting tutors:

13th January - no tutor

20th January - Lynda White

27th January - no tutor

3rd February - Jo Hamilton

10th February - Jo Hamilton

24th February - no tutor

3rd March- Michael Chappell

10th March - no tutor

17th March - Michael Chappell

24th March - no tutor

Friendly group - water colour - acrylics – pastels ... what you like to do.

More information from

Jo Giles 489 050 / Ros Hipkiss 489 080 / Ann Walker 489 363

## **FINGERS CROSSED**

It's commonplace to hear people say, 'with any luck, fingers crossed' – hoping that the bus won't be late, that the car will start first time on a frosty morning, that we'll have good weather on holiday. In tricky situations we may actually cross our fingers (both hands when desperate!), as if to give greater emphasis for a favourable result. My mother was superstitious when it came to spilling salt, breaking mirrors putting new shoes on the table, etc., and she dealt with these situations with 'remedies' learnt in childhood to stop 'bad luck' following. Do we really believe that hope will triumph over circumstances by making this small gesture? Do we really believe in luck?

The Bible nowhere endorses luck as an acceptable practice, so I'm personally unable to give it any credence. In fact, the Bible warns us about the dangers of such reliance. In Isaiah 2 it is written: 'In the last days ... people ... are full of superstitions'. There was a time when I trusted in luck in a casual way, crossing my fingers and touching wood, but when I became a Christian I addressed this wrong belief in luck by repenting of it, because I recognised the folly of not trusting in God.

God invites us to put our trust and hope in Him alone, for He is able to give us favour, meaning, comfort, peace and love in abundance, through all our troubles. Nothing is too hard for Him, even miracles. As Cardinal Basil Hume said, 'nothing is more needed in the Church today than an enthusiasm for the things of God'.

Becoming a Christian is all about 'Making an Exchange' for a better life. In this new year of 2014, is this the year for you to put your trust in God?

Humphrey Barker, February 2014.

**CHIDEOCK SOCIETY**

**SKITTLES EVENING**

**TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2014**

**7.00PM**

**TICKETS :**

**£5 FOR PLAYERS INCL. BUFFET**

**£2.50 FOR NON-PLAYERS (FOOD ONLY)**

**THEME: 'ALLO! 'ALLO!**

**Prize for Top Man, Top Lady and best dressed**

**Tickets from Tony Fuller 01297 489477**

Chideock Parish Magazine 2013

IN	Advertisers	Donation	IN/OUT
	S.L. Pratt	40.00	
	Jenny Short	40.00	
	Keith Baylis	40.00	
	M.Scadding	80.00	
	West Dorset Leisure	160.00	
	Steve Cromack	40.00	
	Pete Randall	80.00	
	Redec (Neil Kennedy)	65.45	
	Martin & Co	80.00	
	Creeds	80.00	
	Correling	40.00	
	Jane Willitts	5.00	
	A.J. Wakely	80.00	
	Clay Shoot	40.00	
	Clockhouse	320.00	
	Wrixton Garden Care	40.00	
	Chideock Fete Committee	40.00	
	John Moseley	21.82	
	Symondsburly Estates paid	10.50	
	GA Hotel due	14.55	
	Symondsburly Estates (2014)	40.00	
	100+ club	457.00	
	100+ club	27.50	
	Total	524.50	<b>1,841.82</b>
	<b>Creeds 10x£216 1x£200</b>	<b>2,360.00</b>	
<b>RECEIPTS &amp; PAYMENTS 2013</b>			
	At bank 01.01.13	608.86	
	Receipts	1,841.82	
	Payments	2,360.00	
	As at bank 30.12.13	90.68	
	<b>2,450.68</b>	<b>2,450.68</b>	

## THANKS

To the many friends in Chideock who visited my wife, Pamela Fuller, after she fell in Morrisons and fractured her pelvis. I would like to give heartfelt thanks for all your good wishes and the cards, flowers, soups, cottage pie, casserole, lasagne, apple cake, sponge, chicken broth, mince pies and various other delights, all home made. It really is appreciated, even moreso is the friendship which can never be replaced. So thank you all once again,

Tony Fuller

Ps. In 'Dish of the Day' Pamela said she wanted to stay home and watch casualty ... but she never wanted to end up there!!!!

## Chideock W.I. –

The Women's Institute as a national organization has a long history of supporting key issues that have special relevance to women, families and local communities. This is the second year that our first meeting of the New Year has been given to discussion of the proposed national resolutions before we vote.

**The resolutions** are calls for:

- *Increasing Organ Donation* – we were surprised to learn that last year over 40% of families had refused to allow organ donation even when the individual had given consent when living. Refusal is allowed under current legislation.

In 1974 the WI had called for a national organ donation register, which was finally set up in 1994. This time the call was for better communication and understanding of the need for donors & for respecting the wishes of those willing to become donors.

- *Funding for Women's Centers to cater for the specific needs of Women Offenders and those at Risk of Offending* – the effect on children and families of women who are imprisoned is well known but the incidence is rising with the additional financial pressures and current changes in welfare provision. This resolution supports the wider WI 'Care not Custody' campaign, specifically aimed at women offenders.

- *Disclosure and publicity of the practice of Female Genital Mutilation in the UK and on UK citizens abroad* - It seems incredible but this practice still takes place on girls from infancy to age 15, justified on religious and cultural grounds. Although the legal penalties are in place they are not being enforced even in the UK.

- *Increase in the Number of Non-acute Hospital beds* - not everyone can return to their home early to free up an acute medical or surgical bed and this be a safe place for their recovery, even with community care help. It is a long time since 'convalescent' beds (the old term for non-acute) were available but there is growing recognition by the NHS that this type of care is needed. Some provision is provided but this is patchy across the country and vulnerable to cost cutting. The call should be not just for more beds but a consistent provision that is not post code dependent.

the WI  
INSPIRING WOMEN

There was lively discussion in small groups with a spokesperson sharing the main points from the group, followed by a very welcome cup of tea. All WI members vote individually for the resolution most relevant to them.

The Boppa Bus charity Christmas tree raised £47.00 from bucket donations in the Reform Church. A donation from the St Giles Church Carol Service where the Tree was displayed over Christmas and New Year added a further £75.00 to this fundraising initiative.

A decision was made not to join the Dorset WI Skittles League in 2014. Val Rivers was thanked for her sterling efforts to pull together a team over past years. Members who do enjoy playing have increasingly found making the dates and venues difficult but we resolved to continue with 'friendly' matches at the 'Clock' alley every 6 weeks over the winter. Doreen Moore volunteered to organize some dates.

Competition Winners were: For the best 'chicken leftovers' recipe – Shirley Lambert, with Linda Gould a close second.

For flower of the month: 1<sup>st</sup> Evalina Malyon (a very early daffodil), 2<sup>nd</sup> place Marion Warburton.

### **Future Events**

*The 'Cabaret' evening* will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014 with entertainer Trish Lewis joining us again, so it should be great fun. Proceeds will be shared by the WI and improvements to the Village Hall.

*Craft Group*: Eype Market on Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 2013 raised £167.75. Next meeting of the group is 14<sup>th</sup> January 2 – 4 pm at Noreen Vaughan's. The meetings are great fun as well as productive – new members are very welcome.

**Next Meeting: February 4th 2014 at 2.30pm in the Village Hall**

**A representative from the National Trust will talk about**

***'Looking after the Golden Cap Estate'***

**New Members and Visitors are welcome**



## **CHIDEOCK SURFACE WATER & FLOOD MANAGEMENT GROUP.**

I am sure many remember the surface water flood problems encountered in July and November of 2012. After these events it was decided to set up a Flood & Surface Water Management Group which has met regularly during 2013. Many outside agencies have attended our meetings including Connect, Highways, Dorset County Council and the Environment Agency. All have been extremely helpful in identifying solutions to our problems. Chideock Parish Council has supported the Group and have paid for hall hire and the Parish Clerk has attended meetings. Dr. Oliver Letwin, MP has become involved with regard to the Eastern end of the village. We cannot change the geography of our village that is surrounded by hills with the obvious water travelling down to the River Winniford but we can do what we can to ensure that drains and gullies are regularly maintained, brooks, ditches and the river is kept clear of debris and problems are reported to the correct Agency. Most importantly, we have set up a Community Sandbag Store with 100 Sandbags available at various properties in the village and a Sandbag Bin in the Car Park of the Clock House. (Many thanks to Mike and Helen). We were very fortunate to have Kate Taylor of the Environment Agency assigned to us to help us draw up our Management Plan and through Kate we now have an early warning of flooding in our area using the free Floodline Warnings Direct Service. All members of the Group have signed up for this service and so will be in a position to be prepared. Anyone from the public can also sign up by registering for Floodline Warnings Direct on 0845 988 1188 or by contacting any member of the Group. Liaison will continue with Landowners and regular inspections will take place by Group members. Group Members are: Roger Carey, Denys and Elizabeth Brunsdon, Callum Crawford, Annette and David Jones, Colin Bowditch, Mrs Christine Everidge, Rob Murray, Eddie Brown and Lyn Crisp. I am sure you would join me in thanking them for their time and commitment especially those wielding spades and brooms clearing drains, brooks and ditches!

## **CHIDEOCK SOCIETY UPDATE.**

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.

## COMMEMORATION OF THE 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT WAR.

‘Chideock in the Wars’ is a project to commemorate the 100 Year Anniversary of the First World War and the brave men named on the Chideock War Memorial as well as how life was in Chideock at that difficult time. The project will also include World War Two. We intend to have a Power Point Presentation, a performance of the Play ‘The Chideock Egg Lady’ written by Frances Colville, Remembrance, Information Boards, Photographs, Books and other wartime memorabilia plus a ‘war themed’ tea. The project will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall from 2.p.m until 8pm with repeat presentations and performances. Further details will be advertised over the coming months. Many thanks to The Chideock Trust for their donation towards hall hire costs, etc., If you have any information or memorabilia please contact Lyn Crisp on 01297 489098 or Frances Colville on 01297 480833.

## COMMUNITY POLICING ...

Roughly this time last year we suffered from adverse weather conditions. Due to this people had to abandon vehicles and were leaving valuables in them. Please ensure that if you leave your vehicle unattended for any length of time that all valuables are removed from them. Hiding items is not a crime deterrent and you may still end up being targeted.

### **Flooding:**

Please remember to drive very slowly through deep water for the sake of your own vehicle and more especially for the sake of other road users, nearby properties and work people in the water. Your bow wave can create misery (and wet feet). Please think of others. Do not attempt to drive through standing water unless you know that you can get through. Do not take a chance.

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

PCSO Paul MINERS, Beaminster Safer Neighbourhood Team.



## **DORSET TRADING STANDARDS /CITIZENS ADVICE...**

With Valentine's day approaching, some of us might start thinking how wonderful it would be to find a perfect partner and dating websites have become a very popular..

Research carried out has revealed that over 200,000 people in Britain may have fallen victim to online romance scams. Criminals set up fake identities using stolen photographs (often of models or army officers) and pretend to develop a romantic relationship with their victim using online dating and social networking sites. Once a relationship has been established, they pretend to be in urgent need of money and ask for help. For example, they may say they've arranged to visit you but need the money to pay travel costs, or a family member of theirs is ill and they need money for medical treatment.

Investigations have seen financial losses suffered by victims of between £50 and £240,000. Victims also suffer what is effectively a bereavement, from the loss of a relationship they believed to be genuine.

Be aware of how to stay safe. Top tips include:

- Never send money to someone you've met online, don't know well and in person, no matter how persuasive. Be particularly suspicious if you are asked to send money via a money transfer agent, such as Western Union or MoneyGram or to buy Ukash vouchers.
- Don't keep things to yourself, even if asked to, speak to a family member or friend.
- Don't give out personal or financial details. Fraudsters may use these to steal your identity or commit other kinds of fraud.
- Don't let your own bank account be used by someone else to deposit or transfer money.
- Don't trust what appears to be a UK address or phone number, they can be diverted to anywhere in the world, typically West Africa.
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For more information, or to report a romance fraud visit [www.ActionFraud.org.uk](http://www.ActionFraud.org.uk) or call 0300 123 2040.

## **THE BOPPER BUS SPRING TERM**

The Bopper Bus Spring Term has now started and we are now in our 11<sup>th</sup> year! If anyone has a child of 8 years or older who would like to 'jump on the bus' on a Friday evening (term time only) for sports activities and swimming at Bridport Leisure Centre please contact either Sarah Silcox on 01297 489905 or Lyn Crisp on 01297 489098. Pick up points are at The Clock House and The George and parents are required to be at pick up points both on arrival of the bus and the return of the bus. All our volunteers are CRB checked and undergo First Aid and Child Protection training. This is a great way for children to meet others from surrounding villages as well as try out new sports and adopt a healthy lifestyle.

## Cupboard Love

Cupboard Love is the name of a local food bank operating in Bridport from St. Mary's church in South Street. We at St. Giles, Chideock, have decided to help this valuable work by donating food and other items. We have put a large basket inside St. Giles behind the font where goods may be left.

There are leaflets explaining which foods are particularly needed. It is mainly tins of vegetables, beans, meat and fish, pasta, rice, cereal, jars of baby food etc. Some items of clothing are also needed.

The food is distributed to homeless people, low-income families, vulnerable adults and youth who are nominated by various bodies. If you would like to leave your donations in the church they will be collected and taken to Bridport every week. Thank you for offering targeted support at the point of need.

People in Chideock are also eligible for support, given the right circumstances. If you or anyone you know needs help please contact, in confidence, Sue (489260) or Val(489417)

# DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Chideock W.I invites you to

## *'A Cabaret Evening'*

with Trisha Lewis

on

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014

6.30 for 7.00pm

IN CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

ALL ARE WELCOME

**In Aid of Chideock Village Hall Funds**

**MORE DETAILS NEXT MONTH**

