

CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

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SERVICES AT ST. GILES

5 th October	Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity	11am Village Service HARVEST FESTIVAL
12 th October	Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity	11am Holy Communion
19 th October	Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity	11am Holy Communion
26 th October	Bible Sunday	11am Holy Communion
2 nd November	All Saints Day	11am Holy Communion

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

CHURCH AND VILLAGE HISTORY EXHIBITION OPEN DAILY 10-4pm

Parish Priest: Fr. Richard Meyer -

Friday 3rd Oct 10 am Mass

Friday 10th 10 am Mass

Saturday 11th 6 pm Vigil Mass

Friday 24th 10 am Mass

Saturday 25th 6 pm Vigil Mass

Friday 31st 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: Richard Benjamin (489298) Treasurer: Roger Carey (489782)

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 07534 091350**

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: Bingo 2nd & 16th Whist 23rd & 30th NB no whist on 9th

DEADLINE DATE :

Items for inclusion in the NOVEMBER 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 15th October 2014.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Come and help us to celebrate the Harvest at St Giles Church at 11am on Sunday 5th October.

Enjoy singing some well known Harvest Hymns and perhaps a short dramatic presentation or possibly a poem or two, as we give thanks for a bountiful harvest on land and sea, and remember, in our good fortune, those who are not so lucky.

The giving and distribution of produce will take the form of a BRING AND BUY sale.

Please bring an item of food, perhaps a jar of homemade jam or a cake, or a special packet of biscuits or produce from your garden. At the end of the service we will take a bag and choose the items we would like, in exchange for an appropriate donation. All money raised will be given to Cupboard Love.

QUIZ NIGHT IN CHIDEOCK

Come and enjoy a friendly, relaxed evening among friends

Easy questions (If you know the answers!)

On Friday October 31st

Starts at 7.30

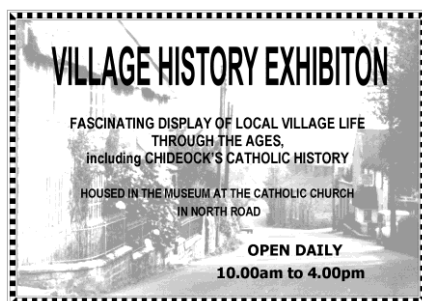
Prizes for top 5 tables

Superb supper

BYO drinks

THE CHIDEOCK LUNCHEON CLUB

The lunch in October will be held at The Clock on Tuesday, 28th October at 12:15 for 12:30. Please ring Judy Campbell (489121) if you would like to come. This is a chance to enjoy some friendly company over lunch. Anyone is welcome to come. The draw for the 100 Plus Club will take place.





For that special Christmas gift why not come to
the

CHIDEOCK XMAS FAYRE

Saturday 8th November

between 2-15pm and 5-15pm

To be held in the Village Hall

Painted Glassware, Crafts, Pet Prezzies,
Candles, Cards, Silver Jewellery, Unique Gifts,
Bird Boxes - plus Raffles, Tombola, books, etc.,
refreshments

For a great Christmas Surprise!



WANTED: BUTTONS AND BEADS. The WI craft group is making necklaces from buttons and beads. If you have any buttons, beads or old necklaces we can recycle for our work, we would be most grateful for them. Please contact a WI member or ring Val 489549. The craft group will have a stall at the Eype Makers' Market this year - look out for us!



Weldmar Hospicecare Trust
Caring for Dorset

Please support your local Hospice

Coffee Morning

Thursday, 30 October 2014

10.00am—12 noon in Chideock's Village Hall



WELDMAR CHRISTMAS CARDS & GIFTS

BRING AND BUY

RAFFLE

£2 entry to include Coffee and Halloween Goodies!

CHIDEOCK ART GROUP

MONDAY AFTERNOONS 2PM CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

Our programme for the Autumn Term

- 29th September - no tutor
- 6th October - Eileen Deardon
- 13th October - Eileen Deardon
- 20th October - half term
- 27th October - no tutor
- 3rd November - Jo Hamilton
- 10th November - Jo Hamilton
- 17th November - No tutor
- 24th November - No tutor

For more information 'phone

Ann 01297 489363 Liz 01297 480855 Ros 01297 489080

100+ club

Draw 26 AUGUST 2014 at the Clock House Inn

1st prize £30 No. 139 Ros Hipkiss

2nd prize £20 No. 16 Pat Kimpton

3rd prize £10 No. 6 Annie Warman

4th prize £10 No. 47 Helen Long

Thank you for all your support.

The 12 months of 2015 are now due £12 per number.

Tony Fuller, tel: 489477.

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - IMPORTANT NOTICE

The 1949 Trust Deed, which forms the basis of the operating and governing rules under which the Village Hall is managed, names 10 Chideock based, non-commercial organisations, all with aims broadly similar to those of the Village Hall itself [see below]. Of the original 10 groups, 4 are still in existence and continue to be represented on the Management Committee [St. Giles PCC, W.I., Catholic Church and Parish Council]; 3 are known to no longer exist [Mixed Youth Club, Mothers' Union and Bridport Rural District Council]. The remaining 3 groups are: Children of Mary, Committee of British Legion and the Committee of the Farmers' Club. Unless proof of the continued existence of any of these groups is furnished by 30 September 2014, it will be assumed that they are defunct and a resolution to remove them, together with the 3 groups known no longer to exist, from Schedule 2 of the Trust Deed, will be proposed at the next Annual General Meeting on 27 October.

WE HAVE NOW BECOME AWARE THAT THE CHILDREN OF MARY NO LONGER EXISTS AS AN ACTIVE GROUP IN CHIDEOCK

Object of Chideock Village Hall

The Trust premises shall be held in trust for the purposes of physical and mental training and recreation, and social, moral and intellectual development through the medium of reading and recreation rooms, library, lectures, classes, recreations and entertainments, or otherwise as may be found expedient, for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Chideock in the County of Dorset and its immediate vicinity, without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions.

Invitation

Any other Chideock based non-commercial organisation not mentioned above, with broadly similar aims to those outlined in the Object Statement [e.g. Chideock Players, Chideock Society, Art Group, Friends of St. Giles], and others which may exist, are invited to apply for approval by the Charity Commissioners to appoint a member to the Management Committee.

Please apply in the first instance to: Nick Baker, Hon. Secretary, Annables, North Road, DT6 6LE lackaday@btinternet.com 01297 489555



Chideock Players are proud to present their production of

'A Fantasy Play of The Wizard of Oz'

by James Barry, based on the book 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz' by L Frank Baum

On Thursday 27th, Friday 28th and Saturday 29th November
Chideock Village hall at 7.30pm

Ticket will be on sale from Saturday 1st November from Hilary on 01297 489555

adults £7 children under 16 years £3.00

Please book this date!

The 'Friends of St Giles'

will be holding their famous steak and kidney Autumn lunch on Sunday November 16th.

Book your ticket with Debby on 489231

OPEN LETTER TO CHIDEOCK VILLAGERS

Dear Friends,

The '100 Plus' membership fees are due, early September.

As you know I have, in the past, collected the twelve pounds per person by visiting each of you at your homes.

I will be eighty two shortly and since my heart by-pass I have found walking has left me short of breath and in some distress. I am therefore asking if you will each be kind enough to either post the money to me or bring it to my house. It would be greatly appreciate and save me any discomfort.

If anyone would like to become a new member or to add to their existing membership with an additional number we will be delighted to oblige.

Membership at the moment is 153. Although it helps to keep the 'Chideock News' alive it by no means covers all the cost.

The accounts for '100 plus' club are available for anyone to see.

My address is :

2 Clock Cottages, Main Street, Chideock, DT6 6JW.

Tel: 01297 489477 Tony Fuller

CHIDEOCK SOCIETY

An important date for your diary. **Tuesday 14th October** (Sorry, we put the wrong date in the Membership card !!) We are delighted to report that the Guest Speaker for The Chideock Society A.G.M. is **Colin Varndell**, who will be showing his latest work, entitled ***The Natural Beauty of Dorset*** based on the book he has written with his wife Susy. His photo/presentation covers the geology, history, landscape and natural history of the county. Colin Varndell's superb pictures have made him the four times winner of Wildlife Photographer of the Year, been reproduced in books, national and international magazines and used to promote conservation organisations including Dorset and many other Wildlife Trusts. It is likely to be a popular event so make sure you come early for a seat! The evening starts at **7.15** in **Chideock Village Hall**. All welcome. Entry £5.00 -- Members Free. -- Raffle -- Refreshments. For details call 01297 489422/489298.

REPORT

Since our 25th Anniversary Exhibition we have written a scripted commentary to go with the DVD's of the 1940's film. It has additional information gathered from older residents who watched the film at the Exhibition. If you would like one, let a committee member know (numbers on front of magazine). We have also sold many CD's of the other films we showed and the audio recordings. We shall have more ready by our A.G.M. on October 14th.

- More tree planting will take place in November. We hope we will have the same number of intrepid helpers as before and hopefully a few more.
- If you don't have one of our green cards which has very useful information on who to contact regarding environmental issues/problems found when out walking, they will be also be available at the AGM.
- Calling all New Residents! A free copy of our Millennium book 'A Wander Through Chideock' can be obtained by calling 01297 489477.

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL AGM

will be held in the village hall on Monday 27th October 2014 at 7.30pm to review activities of the past year, discuss constitutional changes, receive and approve the accounts and elect the management committee (trustees) for the year 2014/2015

Nominations for the posts of elected trustees may be made at the meeting.

The meeting is open to all residents of Chideock

CHIDEOCK PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

New play equipment at Clapps Mead Paying Field.

As you may have seen, a new basket swing has been installed in the Children's Play Area at Clapps Mead Playing Field. This has been purchased by the Parish Council with money from the Precept which has been put aside for this purpose over a number of years.

Clapps Mead is owned by the Parish Council on behalf of the village – it is **YOUR** playing field. The Playing Field Management Group and the Parish Council manage this area and all equipment is regularly checked for defects and repairs done. The Parish Council pays for the annual RoSPA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) inspection to be carried out and acts on any issues found during this inspection.

The Parish Council thanks Mr Maskell, Teresa Mudford and Lee Martin for cutting the grass and keeping the area neat and tidy; and the Management Committee and everyone else who has played any part in helping to look after the playing field area.

Pease contact the Clerk if you would like to be involved in any way in the management this village asset.

Superfast Broadband for Chideock.

The Superfast Dorset Team has informed the Clerk that Superfast Broadband for Chideock is unfortunately bogged down by red tape. The “green box” (which has to be upgraded in order for Superfast Broadband to be made available) is on the pavement adjoining the A35 and therefore the Highways Agency has to give their consent for the work and a safety audit has to be carried out before the consent can be given.

If you would like to be kept informed of progress then let the Clerk know via e-mail and she will add you to her Superfast mailing list and will forward any updates she receives from the Superfast Dorset Team.

CHIDEOCK WI



Our speaker was Bruce Upton from the Bridport Museum, on his second visit to the WI. This time he came to regale us with excerpts from papers exposing everyday life in Dorset in the early 1600's, as seen through the Justices of the peace, under the title of 'Lewd Wenches and Loose-living Fellows'.

His material was taken from original papers, records of the Justices quarter sessions held during the time of Charles 1st up to the outbreak of the Civil War. These had been recently discovered and bought by the museum as they related so closely to the area around Bridport.

The village of Upwey seemed to have been a centre for the common offence of drunkenness, with an unlicensed alehouse and unlawful gaming. Unmarried pregnant women, attempts to identify and make responsible the likely fathers of children took up many sessions. The alternative that mothers and children fell on the mercy of the local Poor Law was not a happy one.

Readers of our current tabloid papers may well feel, so not much has changed since then!

Residents of Chideock in 1625 were threatened with fines or worse if they did not repair the highway through the village. This was a local responsibility along with the obligation on parishes to billet soldiers on 'military business' in the area or when passing through.

You certainly wouldn't want to be elderly, mentally defective or idle at this time as *all* were required by law to work. Looking on the bright side, if you were destitute but could find yourself a vacant 4 acres in the local area you could gain permission to build your own home, perhaps a 'pent house' (17th century term for shed) for your family and set up a subsistence smallholding. Hey ho how the incontinent use of words in English language has also changed.

Thanks were given to Bruce for an entertaining and informative talk.

Next Meeting: October 7th 2014 in the Village Hall at 2.30pm

Gareth Morris from the Chocolatiers's Café in Bridport will give a
Talk and Demonstration.

Competition: How many words can you make from Chocolatier's Cafe

**Visitors and new members are always
welcome**

TRADING STANDARDS

Why is it that sales representatives always ring just as you sit down to eat or get in the bath? Is there anything you can do to try to stop it?

It's not illegal to cold call either in person or by phone in itself, unless you have already told the business that you do not wish to be contacted by them.

If they are contacting you by telephone then caller display on your phone can help; if you don't recognise the number, don't answer it. But what if friends and family have withheld numbers – you don't want to miss their calls.

We recommend registering your telephone number with the Telephone Preference Service (TPS). This is a free 'opt out' service which records your preference not to receive unsolicited sales or marketing calls from UK based companies. Once registered, report any persistent callers to the TPS – you'll need to know what company they have called from and when they called. UK companies that persist in calling TPS registered telephone numbers can face large fines. A local company was recently fined £37,992.00 following action taken by Trading Standards for ignoring residents' wishes not to call them.

The Telephone Preference Service can be contacted on 0845 070 0707 or www.tpsonline.org.uk.

To request a doorcard or report a business that persistently cold calls contact Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 03454 04 05 06

HOW GOOD IS YOUR CREDIT ?

Last month, when I was in the local builders' merchants buying paint and using my credit card for payment, the machine refused my card with the word 'declined', - not what I'd expected, and a bit embarrassing. I was requested to 'Try again Mr. Barker'. This time I entered my correct PIN and left the shop with the paint.

One day, when shopping, my wife Elizabeth discovered that her credit card was not in its usual place. We got together enough cash to settle the bill before serious panic took hold. Worst-case scenarios of what might have happened to our money flashed through our minds as fear gripped us. We prayed in the car park, asking God to keep the card and our finances safe. Elizabeth remembered that the previous use of the card had been in Bridport several days before – the supermarket had found the card and she collected it from customer services. What a relief! Our credit was still good!

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How good is your credit?

Years ago I remember being telephoned at midnight by a lady from our church. She'd just returned from a West End theatre visit, and to her horror realised that she'd left her handbag on the tube. It contained cash, credit cards, cheque book, car and house keys, passport, driving licence, glasses ... we said we'd pray and ask God to enable everything to be returned to her. A day or so later a young man rang her – he'd found the handbag and had posted it to her, first class. Returned – with all the contents. Praise God for answered prayer!

But how good is your credit with God?

I pose this question because there are some who consider that they are heaven worthy, although they haven't actually fulfilled the credit conditions.

Most of us know about the Billy Graham crusades of past years. Billy Graham brought an anointed message of salvation to which thousands responded. At the end of the meetings people were invited to do 2 things – firstly, to come forward into the arena and pray a prayer of commitment, and secondly to attend a local church for repentance discipleship. Although thousands made a sincere commitment to follow Jesus, it seems that few followed this up with repentance. As a result few followed this up with repentance. As a result few were born again – despite an initial enthusiasm they failed the credit conditions.

For many years my mother was adamant that her attendance at a Billy Graham Crusade made her a Christian. 'Attendance without the repentance' fails the salvation challenge ... and does nothing for one's creditworthiness with God. It wasn't until she was over 80, that with timely reflection was she able to remember that she had avoided the second invitation.

When presented with the words of King Solomon in the book of Ecclesiastes chapter 12 where it is written in verses 13-14:

Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter God will bring every deed into Judgment, including every hidden thing.

Whether it is good or evil'. ... my mother then recognised that now was the time to get right with God.

Humphrey Barker