



CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

MAY 2022

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SERVICES AT ST. GILES

1 st May	3 rd Sunday after Easter	11am Village Service (+coffee)
8 th May	4 th Sunday after Easter	11am Holy Communion
15 th May	5 th Sunday after Easter	11am Chideock Praise
22 nd May	6 th Sunday after Easter	11am Holy Communion
29 th May	7 th Sunday after Easter	11am Morning Prayer
5 th June	8 th Sunday after Easter	11am Village Service (+coffee)

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

Sunday 1st. May	8.30am Mass
Friday 6th.	10am Mass
Sunday 8th.	8.30am Mass
Friday 13th.	NO MASS
Sunday 15th.	8.30am Mass
Friday 20th.	10am Mass
Sunday 22nd.	8.30am Mass
Friday 27th.	10am Mass
Sunday 29th.	8.30am Mass

The Church and museum are now open every day 10am - 4pm

DEADLINE DATE :

Items for inclusion in the June 2022 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 Friday 20th May 2022.

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

Chairman: Richard Benjamin (489298); Secretary: Paul Ramsden (480941)
Treasurer & Table Tennis contact: Roger Carey (489782)

For bookings contact Paul Ramsden **07749 715091**

or email chideockvh@gmail.com or via our Facebook page @ChideockVH

If you wish to cancel a booking please notify us as soon as possible

For general information about the hall:

<https://www.chideockandseatown.co.uk/groups/chideock-village-hall/>

For the current availability either contact Paul Ramsden or go to:

<https://www.chideockandseatown.co.uk/groups/chideock-village-hall/>
and click on 'Check availability'

**COFFEE MORNING
AND CAKE SALE**



**In St. Giles Church
May 14th**

(second Saturday)



10:30 TO 12:00

£3:00 for coffee and cake

Or just buy a cake

(Come early, they sell like....hot cakes)

ST GILES PLANT SALE Saturday 14th May. Please bring your donated plants and seedlings to the churchyard at the back of St Giles from 9.30am or come at 10.30am to buy some plants. You could also pop into the church to have a cake and a cuppa and buy a cake.

Do you need some reliable help?

call Saskia on 07598077766 or email

sasditestyling@hotmail.com

references available help at home,
cleaning and gardening

THERE IS A SEASON ...

As the seasons turn, and we look forward to Spring and Summer, we might take a little time to remember those, no longer with us, who have tended the Chideock St Giles Wildlife Churchyard over the past two decades and more.

Deidre Coburn was the founder and first Project Team Leader until she moved away from Chideock in 2003. She contributed the handsome Copper Beech at the west end of the churchyard along with a bronze plaque commemorating the Queen's 50th Jubilee in 2002. Deidre led the team that cleared the churchyard and laid out the present scheme with its margins dedicated to encouraging wild flowers and wildlife. It is most fitting that her ashes were buried in the churchyard on 2nd April 2022, just by her Copper Beech. She had put up a very brave fight during her prolonged period of illness, but will always be fondly remembered for the magnificent cream teas she served in Stoke Cottage to her Project Team after some hard work in the Wildlife Churchyard, which were always very much appreciated.

Deidre passed on the Project Team leadership to Jeanette Smith, who carried on the good work for a further 17 years, right up to her very sudden and unexpected death on 30th April 2021, after altogether too brief an illness of less than two weeks. Deidre had won the Project's Best Newcomer award on the first year of the Project and Jeanette carried on from there, winning several gold and silver awards, including the coveted and much valued Bishop's Gold Award.

Jeanette's first project was the restoration in 2004 of the Gravediggers' Hut to its still current use as a dry and secure store. Her compost area, lovingly maintained, provided a safe haven for Slow Worms, in conjunction with the wild margins under the Yew trees.

The Rowan tree by the east end of the church was planted and nursed by Jeanette from the tiniest sapling to a sturdy young tree. The Willow Bower at the northwest corner of the churchyard adjoining the Weld Mausoleum was Jeanette's final contribution and stands vigorously as her last memorial. Her dedication to the St. Giles Wildlife Churchyard was second to none and in recent years she laboured there most days, on her own, to maintain a varied wildlife/wildflower habitat as well as the Primroses and the Ox-Eye Daisies.

Sue McDougal was one of the original team who cleared the area. She was expert in identifying the huge variety of lichens, mosses, wildflowers and butterflies. The Rowan tree in the centre of the churchyard stands as her permanent memorial.

John McDougal contributed much in the original clearance of brambles and the like, and continued his stalwart support as long as he was able, keeping the thorny roses trimmed. As the seasons turn, their work is something continuing to provide much pleasure.

100plus Club Chideock

The winners for April 2022

1st. Prize Geraldine Frazer; 2nd Prize Elizabeth Grant

3rd. Prize. Audry Skinner

Sadly for those who have not renewed their numbers they will now be withdrawn. For those who have already renewed a big thank you.

The cost is still £12.00 per number

The subs can be paid by cheque payable to - 100 plus club (Chideock News) or by Cash. Both of these payments can be dropped through my letterbox at Chideock House, Main Street, Chideock DT6 6JN

Cheques could be put in the post

Or via the bank TSB, Sort code 77-50-35, Account. [19265860](https://www.tsb.com)

Please put your name as reference for identification purposes

The more numbers taken the larger donation to the Chideock News

Many Thanks for your continued support

Anna Dunn

Chideock House Bed and Breakfast, Chideock House,
Main Street, Chideock, Dorset, DT6 6JN. Tel: 01297 489242

Interested in the Arts?

Come and join us for our Summer lectures

Visitors welcome £7.50. 2.30pm Bridport Town Hall.

19th May **British Travellers in Mexico:** Lost Cities and Surreal Worlds

16th June **Lawrence of Arabia:** Excavating a Legend

More info on our website: taswestdorset.org.uk



CHIDEOCK PRAYER NET

Even though lockdown is being relaxed and we can enjoy more of the things we used to take for granted, these are still stressful times. We can still pray, as members of St Giles have always prayed for our village and neighbours. If you would like prayer for a concern you have, or to share your thanks for something please send an email to chideockprayernet@gmail.com. Your request will then be sent on to individual members of St Giles. Your request will be kept confidential, and can be anonymous if you wish; even those receiving the request won't know who else is getting it.

Peter Stapleton, St Giles PCC

THE QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Saturday and Sunday 4 & 5TH JUNE

Clapps Mead Playing Field, Mill Lane, Chideock.

Looking ahead to the planned celebrations of the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth we now wish to report that the Marquee/tables/chairs/disco, bunting etc., has all been arranged. Plans thus far include a Children's Party and activities on the Saturday afternoon from 2.00 to 4.00 followed in the evening by a Party in the Park with Disco. A BBQ selling hot dogs and burgers will start at 6.00 with the Disco starting about 7.30 to 11.00pm. Please bring your own drinks and snacks and Party the Night Away.

On the Sunday The St.Giles Church will hold a service in the Marquee followed by Coffee & Cake. Other groups and individuals will then have the opportunity to show or demonstrate different works or hobbies they do. If you wish to come along and have a picnic lunch there will be plenty of tables and chairs. This weekend event is for the whole community of Chideock and will be a free event having had many donations from village Groups to support this momentous occasion.

If you wish to help over the weekend or wish to have a 'table' on the Sunday afternoon please contact Anna Dunn email: annachideockhouse@yahoo.co.uk or Lyn Crisp email: lyncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk or phone 01297 489098.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN CHIDEOCK HISTORY?

We are in the process of setting up a new website in connection with the history of Chideock. The Chideock Society holds a huge archive of old photographs and other memorabilia and we hope over the next months to 'scan' all this material in to the new website so it is held safely and for everyone to see. The hard copies can then be placed with the Dorset Archive. If you can help in any way please contact Lyn Crisp on 01297 489098 or email me at lyncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk. We will also provide a link from the Community website to this new 'history website'.

Summer Fete Saturday 20 August

Clapps Mead Committee are holding another Fete in the Park this year it will be on Saturday 20th of August. The arrangements are still being thrashed out but once again please put the date in your diary. As with last year the number of stalls will be limited. Should you require a stall please contact Anna on 01297 489242 or on email. annachideockhouse@yahoo.co.uk



RE-SCHEDULED CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY



SAT 14 MAY 2-30-
5.00pm
CHIDEOCK VILLAGE
HALL

Join us with PROFESSOR BUMBLE for a 50 minute show of clowning, magic, juggling, slapstick comedy with lots of audience participation followed by balloon animals for all the children. A delicious Christmas Tea will then be served and Santa left his presents with us and you will have them given to you after The Tea with his love.

By ticket only at £5 per child. Tickets can be purchased either via Anna Dunn or Lizzie Blott annachideockhouse@yahoo.co.uk or Lizzie Blott on mummyblott@gmail.com or at The Chideock Stores. (any parent still holding original ticket will be honoured).

Chideock Community Café

Held in Chideock Village Hall



FRIDAY 20th MAY 2022

2.30pm - 4.30pm

**Come along with friends or
to meet some new ones**

Everyone is welcome

Tea/Coffee & Cakes/biscuits available

We look forward to seeing you!!



This is not a fund raising event

Chideock WI Report April

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 3rd May in the Village Hall** when we will be celebrating our 103rd Birthday. We are marking this with a talk by Denys Brunsden on 'The Pioneer Women of the Jurassic Coast'. We will be meeting at 2.00pm for WI business but at 2.30pm non-members and guests can join us. The cost to guests will be £5.00 including tea and cake. To help with the

catering, please book your tickets in advance from Janet Carey 01297 489782. Email janet.carey747@btinternet.com.

The Book Group's monthly meeting focused on the genre of Crime Fiction which covered a wide range of authors from Wilkie Collins', 'The Moonstone', described as the first detective novel, through to more modern authors. Members were delighted to be introduced to new writers. Our next meeting is 9th May 12.00 noon in The George when we will be discussing the former Director General of MI5, Stella Riminton's novel, 'At Risk'. I suspect this will prove to be a fascinating read.

The Lunch and Natter will have met on 25th April at the Haddon House in West Bay 12.30pm for 1.00pm.

The 26th April sees the Walking Group visit Lambert Castle.

Some members of the Gardening Group attended the Plant Fair at Mapperton Gardens and apart from purchasing some more unusual plants also had a delightful walk round the gardens. 29th and 30th April sees Toby Buckland's Garden Festival at Powderham Castle. There is a full programme of visits planned in May. 7th May Morecombelake Garden Club Plant Sale and on 10th May at 2.00pm the Garden Group will visit Julia's garden in Morecombelake.

At the Craft Group's monthly meeting on 26th April they will be decorating hats for Ascot which, of course, can then be used for Bridport's Hat Fair in the summer.

By the time this goes out we will have held our Easter Cream Tea and Cake sale which I am sure will have been a great success.

We cannot forget the wonderful Flamenco Evening which was enjoyed by a great many of us. The accompanying tapas and sangria was a welcome accompaniment for the fantastic dancing by Salud. Each of her dances was accompanied by a change of outfit. I am not sure how she managed to maintain such stamina throughout her very energetic performance.



As always new members are very welcome. We have a full programme of social events and interesting talks lined up for 2022/23 (see our page on the Chideock and Seatown website for the draft programme). If any ladies are looking for something new in 2022 then we believe we have something for everyone. At only £30 for 12 months membership, we think this is excellent value! Why not explore what we do through our website www.chideockwi.org.uk.

Ann Walker and Ros Hipkiss

Two Chideock Painters are supporting
Dorset Arts Weeks, 14th - 29th May
Open studio at Venue 217, West House, The
Warren, Chideock, (off North Road)
01297489080



10am to 5pm, closed on Mondays.
Join us for a browse, chat and a coffee.
Look out for the free directories for all venues or
go to www.dorsetartsweeks.co.uk

Calling all book lovers!

A popular home library service, run by Royal Voluntary Service, the national volunteering organisation, is looking to grow its service for housebound readers in the Chideock locality



We have two dedicated volunteers for Chideock, Morcombelake and Charmouth areas

The Home Library Service brings books to people who can no longer get to a library. It operates from Bridport and Charmouth libraries

Volunteers deliver books and share their love of reading with the people they visit. They are a friendly face and a regular visitor to those whose mobility and social interactions are limited, and they provide a useful check on the safety and well-being of their readers, too.

One of our readers commented: “It is an excellent service; it’s a real delight when it is hard to get to the library oneself. The volunteer is so friendly, they may be the only person I shall see all day.”

Maria Jacobson, service manager for Dorset Home Library Service, says, “For people who enjoy reading or listening to an audio recording but find getting out of the house challenging, this service offers a vital link to the local library. The service enables them to carry on doing something they’ve always enjoyed and helps alleviate feelings of isolation and loneliness.”

The Home Library Service is delivered free of charge; it is not only for older people, but for anybody who finds getting to the library difficult, including carers.

To find out more or to request the service please contact the Royal Voluntary Service office on 01305 236666, or e-mail Maria on maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk. Alternatively you can speak to staff at your local library.

Chideock Parish Council News.

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Website: chideockpc.org.uk

Address: 60 North Allington, Bridport, DT6 5DY

Phone: 01308426327

Facebook Group: Chideock Parish Council

Please note that the Clerk works 30 hours per month so may not respond immediately. The Council continues to lobby various individuals, organisations, and bodies regarding the A35 issues experienced by the village. Parish Council Meetings are now being held in-person at the Village Hall. The next 2 meetings are at 10 am on Tuesday 26 April and 7pm on Tuesday 21 May..

Annual Chideock Village Meeting – 6.45pm for 7pm on Tuesday 10 May.

This will be the first annual village meeting since 2019, due to Covid.

Mr Maskell will speak about what he and Deirdre Coates have achieved so far in getting an all-weather all-purpose safe route between Chideock towards Bridport.

The Parish Council will give a brief report on what has been happening over the past 3 years, and village groups are invited to do the same.

In addition, Cllr Simon Christopher, our Dorset County Councillor, and PCSO Alex Bishop, our local police officer, will be invited to attend and speak about their work.

There will be an "open session" for residents to raise matters which they think the Parish Council should take on board.

If any matter is called to a vote, then only people on the Chideock electoral role are eligible to vote.

Please note that the Annual Village Meeting is NOT a Parish Council meeting.

Annual Parish Council Meeting.

The Annual Parish Council meeting will be held at 7pm on 31 May.

At this meeting the Chair and Vice Chair for the coming year are elected, appointments are made to internal committees and representatives to external bodies are decided.

A Reminder - Parish Council Meeting Start Time.

The May, June, July, and September meetings will start at 7pm.

The meetings in April, October, November 2022, January, February, and March 2023 will start at 10am.

Results of the Clapp's Mead Playing Field "Dogs on Leads?" and Additional Direction Sign to Seatown at the Duck Street / Mill Lane Junction.

There was a very good "turnout" on this – the Parish Council thanks all those who responded.

Clapp's Mead Playing Field – a significant majority of responses were in favour of changing the "rules" so that dogs do not have to be on lead at all times.

New notices will be put up reminding people that dogs must be under control and requesting that they are on lead when there are children in the field.

Duck Street / Mill Lane signage to Seatown – almost everyone who responded was in favour. Dorset Highways has been instructed to carry out the necessary works.

Dorset Local Heritage List.

Dorset Council is asking for nominations of important local heritage items to be added to the Dorset Local Heritage List, which highlights assets that need consideration, celebration, and protection within the planning system.

This excludes Listed Buildings, Scheduled Monuments and items included in Conservation Areas Appraisals.

So, **thinking caps on** – either e-mail the Clerk (e-mail address above) or fill in the form at the Chideock Stores.

Vegetation Overhanging Footways and Watercourses.

A reminder that it is the responsibility of the owner or occupier of land or property to ensure that

- a) vegetation growing on their land does not impede pedestrians using a footway of any kind
- b) vegetation growing on their land does not restrict visibility for pedestrians and drivers
- c) vegetation growing on their land does not overhand the carriageway where there is no footway
- d) vegetation or other material from their land does not in any way impede the flow of water, which includes anything overhanging the watercourse which could, in severe weather, trap material being carried downstream.

In addition, please ensure that vegetation trimmings are not left on a footway or carriageway of any kind nor allowed to fall into a watercourse.

Reporting Issues to the Relevant Body.

Environmental issues – ring the Environment Agency - 0800 80 70 60 – they will ask for a nearby postcode.

Reporting Rights of Way Issues –

<https://mapping.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/rightsofway/reportproblem>

Reporting Highway Issues – except for the A35 – **including blocked drains**

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/report-a-problem-on-the-road-or-pavement> - this

excludes street lighting. **In an emergency ring 01305 221020 (24 hours).**

Reporting Highway Issues - A35.

Report these to the Clerk or a councillor – this includes street lighting and **blocked drains**.

Reporting Street Light Issues, apart from on the A35 -

<http://www.lightsonindorset.co.uk/public/ReportFault.aspx>;

If you do not have internet access then contact the Clerk or a councillor with as much information as possible.

News from Trading Standards:

Consumers wanting to avoid financial fraud now have a secure and easy-to-remember phone number to contact their banks in order to avoid painful scams. It could prove to be the safest way for many to contact their provider if they have suspicions or concerns about any of their accounts.

Stop Scams UK and Global Cyber Alliance have launched a UK-wide 159 call service, which is designed to guarantee consumers a safe route to contacting their banks about any products they hold with them.

The scheme is urging people to "stop, hang up and call 159" to check calls are for real. The idea is to help those who believe they have been contacted by scammers claiming to be their bank, or by fraudsters who encourage them to transfer money.

According to Stop Scams UK, criminal gangs stole over £470 million from individuals and small businesses last year by pretending to be a bank or other service provider, encouraging consumers to falsely make a payment or transfer money.

Currently, banks that cover over 70% of UK current account customers are signed up to the scheme at launch, although more are expected to follow.

When to call 159

People are being urged to call 159 if they encounter the following:

- Someone contacts you claiming to be from your bank – even if they do not seem suspicious.
- You are contacted by someone claiming to be an authority figure (such as the police) and told to transfer money – even if the request seems genuine.
- You receive a call about a financial matter and it appears suspicious.

If you have fallen for a scam and you want advice on what to do then call the Citizens Advice consumer helpline freephone 0808 223 1133 or visit their website at [Citizens Advice Consumer Service](http://CitizensAdviceConsumerService)

Why not become a 'Friend Against Scams'? Over 3000 people in Dorset already have. Visit www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk

Card, Chalk & Clay

an Exhibition of Artwork by

Jenny Penney, Caroline Ireland & Naya Downes

Sat 30th April – Sun 8th May 2022

10 – 5pm daily except Sunday's 10 – 4.30pm



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The Chideock Village Trust has been in existence for over 20 years and its objects are:

- To preserve for the benefit of the Chideock community whatever is of artistic, architectural, historical or constructional beauty or interest.
- To promote the study and general knowledge of all artistic and scientific subjects with the object of advancing the education of the Chideock community.



The Trustees would welcome applications for grants from students planning to advance their education, especially by way of unfunded expeditions either in this country or overseas, and from groups seeking to enhance village amenities.

Applications, which should be from residents of Chideock Parish for a prospective (not retrospective) project, should be made in writing to the Secretary of the Trustees, Mrs Lisa Tuck, Broadlands, Chideock, DT6 6HX or by email to tuckfamily@btinternet.com.