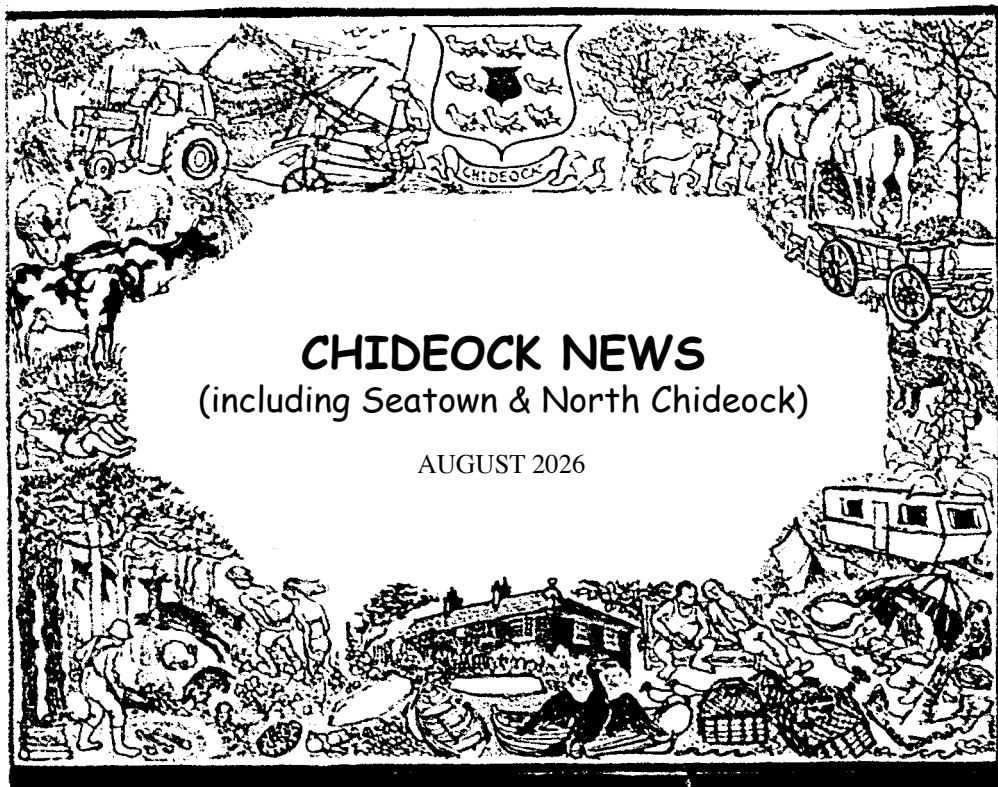




CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

AUGUST 2026

PARISH COUNCIL CLERK Tom Faulkner (clerk@chideockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN Vanesse McAra, 6 Winniford Close, Chideock (07772 298422)

CHIDEOCK W.I. PRESIDENT Mary Rogers (01297 489452)

VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS Paul Ramsden (07749 715091)

CHIDEOCK SOCIETY Lyn Crisp, The Farmers Arms, Mill Lane, DT6 6JS
and Sal Robinson, 60 North Allington, Bridport (01308 426327)

CHIDEOCK FETE COMMITTEE Keith Baylis, Seatown Cottage, DT6 6JT (01297 521430)

CHIDEOCK CIDER MAKERS Colin Hopkins, Colrairie, Main Street, DT6 6JG (01297 489899)

ST. GILES GOLDEN CAP TEAM RECTOR Rev. Fi Budden

ST. GILES CHURCHWARDENS Mrs. Valerie Hunt, Longwood, Chideock Hill (01297 489417)

ST. GILES BELL CAPTAIN Mr. Dave Symonds, Dormer Cottage (07768193030)

ST. GILES PCC Mrs Lynn Stapleton, Greenways, Appletree Lane, Chideock (07852332938)

FRIENDS OF ST. GILES Sally Coade, Chideock (07891115386)

CHIDEOCK ART GROUP Joan Emerson (01297 489416) and Ruth Christensen (07538860534)

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST. IGNATIUS Bridport Parish Office (01308 422594)

FRIENDS OF OUR LADY Gaby Martelli (01308 488348)

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE TRUST chideockvillagetrust@gmail.com..

SYMONDSBURY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER Mrs. Emma Roberts (01308 423502)

FRIENDS OF CLAPPS MEAD COMMITTEE MEMBER Lyn Crisp (489098)

WINNIFORD RIVER ACTION GROUP contact via winnifordrag@gmail.com

SERVICES AT ST. GILES

2nd August	Trinity 9	Village Service	11am
9th August	Trinity 10	Holy Communion	11am
16th August	Trinity 11	Chideock Praise	11am
23rd August	Trinity 12	Holy Communion	11am

30th August There will be a special outdoor service on the decking at the back of the Clock Inn at 11 o'clock. Everybody is welcome.

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

Sunday 2 nd .	8.30am Mass
Friday 7 th .	10.00am Mass
Sunday 9 th .	8.30am Mass
Friday 14 th .	10.00am Mass
Sunday 16 th .	8.30am Mass
Friday 21 st .	10.00am Mass
Sunday 23 rd .	8.30am Mass
Friday 28 th .	10.00am Mass
Sunday 30 th .	8.30am Mass

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

DEADLINE DATE :

Items for inclusion in the SEPT 2026 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 21st August 2026.

(Opinions expressed in the magazine are not necessarily those of the Editor. The Editor reserves the right to edit material submitted for publication and all published letters and articles must be attributed unless agreed with the Editor)

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

Chair: Richard Benjamin (01297 489298), Secretary: Paul Ramsden, Treasurer and Table Tennis contact: Roger Carey (01297 489782)

Bookings: Contact Paul Ramsden (07749 715091), email: Chideockvh@gmail.com or message via our Facebook page

For news and availability: Search for Chideock Village Hall and choose the website or our Facebook page, follow us on Instagram or just give us a call.

CHIDEOCK SOCIETY NEWS

The Chideock History website is up and running!

www.Chideockhistory.org.uk Whilst we still have lots more material from The Chideock Society archive to add to the website, more photographs, memories, etc., we have at last made a good start. We are also grateful to Antony Broad and Neil Mattingly for allowing us to share the link to their website which shows beautiful photographs and maps of Chideock and Seatown. Please look at the website and if anyone has any photographs or memorabilia they would like added then please contact Lyn Crisp tel: 01297 489098 or lyncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk.

Chideock Defibrillators – Dial 999 first

These can be found near the Spar Shop in Main Street, Golden Cap Holiday Park – Alberlon, Golden Cap Holiday Park - Shop and The Anchor at Seatown.

BYCC
Bridport Youth and Community Centre

We are launching something exciting for our community

The Not So Youth Club*
fun for the over 50s

Starting at 11am to 2pm on Wednesday 20th May £3 per session
and on the 3rd Wednesday of the month thereafter:
17th June, 15th July, 19th August, 16th September,
21st October, 18th November, December 16th

A brand-new social group designed for people who want to connect, create, laugh, move, learn, share skills... and most importantly shape something special together.

This club will grow with your ideas, your experiences, and your imagination.

Activities in the sports hall
Table tennis, badminton, netball, or have you a sport you would like to introduce?

Community Room
Gentle exercise and health and wellbeing information from Jurassic Social Prescribers PCN, Live Well Dorset.

Newspapers, Books, Puzzles etc.
Bridport Library Team will run a short story reading group, catch up on the newspapers talk over the current affairs of the day, share a crossword clue.

Cafe and shared cooking sessions
Live alone? need a bit of motivation and confidence in the kitchen? The Friendly Food Club and Bridport Food Matters will be providing short cooking courses or pay £5 for a shared lunch.

Art and Textiles in the studio
Creative projects art with Sarah Jane Ross and textiles with Bridport School of Regenerative Fashion or come with your own ideas.

Bridport Youth and Community Centre,
Gundry Lane, DT6 3RL,
bridportycc.org
email community@bridportycc.org

Funded by UK Government

Dorset Community Foundation

Chideock Parish Council



Chideock Parish Council

Parish Council Clerk -Tom Faulkner

(clerk@chideockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Parish Council Chair -Vanesse McAra, 6

Winniford Close, Chideock

Email - chideockparishcouncil@gmail.com

Website www.chideockparishcouncil.com

Facebook Group: Chideock Parish Council

The Clerk will seek to acknowledge receipt of an email within five working days. The Council continues to lobby various individuals, organisations, and bodies regarding the A35 issues experienced by the village. Parish Council Meetings are in-person at the Village Hall at 7pm on the last Tuesday of the month.

Reporting Issues to the Relevant Authority

Sewage / Water Leakages in Public Areas - Ring Wessex Water Operations on 0345 600 4600 with as much information on the location as possible e.g.

Post code

Environmental Issues - Environment Agency 0800 80 70 60 with Post Code if possible

Rights of Way Issues -

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

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> - excluding street lighting

Emergency phone 01305 221000 (24 hours)

Highway Issues A35 - including street lighting -

<https://report.nationalhighways.co.uk>

Street Light Issues (apart from on the A35) -

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

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

CHIDEOCK PRAYER NET

Lockdown seems a thing of the past, even though Covid hasn't gone away, and we now have other problems to take its place. Members of St Giles have always prayed for our village and neighbours, so if you would like prayer for a concern you have, or to share thanks for something (because good things still happen!), please send an email to chideockprayer.net@gmail.com. Your request will be sent on to individual members of St Giles; it will be kept confidential, and can be anonymous if you wish - even those receiving the request won't know who else is getting it. Thank you.

Peter Stapleton, St Giles PCC

**FRIENDS OF ST.GILES AT CHIDEOCK
VILLAGE HALL**

BINGO NIGHT 11th August

6.30PM. 12 GAMES @ 1.00 A GAME

REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED

**PRIZES INCLUDE: INGREDIENTS FOR A
BIG BREAKFAST, CHICKEN DINNER,
VEGETABLE BASKET, FRUIT BASKET,
CASH PRIZES**



AND MUCH MORE

RAFFLE

Humanist funeral celebrant - Dylan Edwards

I'd like to introduce myself - my name is Dylan Edwards. My wife Rosemary Bass and I have recently moved to Chideock and we live at Pelham, opposite the village hall. You will see us out most days walking with our black lab Monty, who loves to stop and say hello to everyone he meets.

Rosemary and I are both former biomedical scientists, and since my retirement 5 years ago I have become a humanist funeral celebrant, accredited by Humanists UK. Humanist funeral ceremonies are non-religious, focussing on the person and celebrating the life that they have lived. Often ceremonies are held for burials or cremations, but they can also be memorial celebrations of the person's life that are held sometime later after the person's death.

We look forward to meeting you all and joining in with village life.

Dylan Edwards

100 plus club

July Winners ...

1 st Prize 68 Paula Kelson

2 nd prize. 163 Moira Lucas

3 rd prize. 199 Duncan Salter

To all newcomers to Chideock welcome. If you would like to join the 100 club the cost is £12.00 per number and you can have as many numbers as you wish.

To pay via bank transfer details as follows

TSB. Sort code. 77-50-35 Account no 19265860

Cheques payable to 100 plus club (Chideock News)

As before cash or the cheques could be dropped into my letter box at any time

George Dunn - Chideock House, Main Street, Chideock, DT6 6JN. 01297

489242

Chideock WI July Meeting



At our July meeting Nadiya Wynn introduced us to the delights of seated yoga. With her soothing voice

Nadiya guided us through a variety of gentle exercises, helping us appreciate the many benefits of yoga including awareness of physical tension throughout the body and its release. Drawing on natural symbols such as flowers and trees we spent a mindful and relaxing forty minutes with a focus on inward and outward breath and seated holding the Prana Mudra, the Gesture of Life, the session ended with a brief meditation.

Nadiya can be found via her website and

email nadiya@restorativebeing.co.uk

We were delighted to welcome four visitors and possible new members along with our usual meeting items: raffle, tea with delicious cakes, competition for 'an item that soothes' with entries as diverse as tibetan bells and a bottle of vodka! Congratulations to member Sue who won the 'flower of the month' competition with her beautiful red rose as she celebrates her 50th Wedding Anniversary. Our President, Mary, gave details of donations made by the WI to other local charities and organisations and read out their letters of thanks.

theWI
INSPIRING WOMEN

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 1st September at Chideock Village Hall, 2pm, when Brian Bates will tell us all about Villains, Victims and Tragedies! Sounds Gothic! Please join us ladies!

For further details please see our website

or contact Mary, email: stonefarmcottage@btinternet.com

JDS

THE CHIDEOCK CHATTERS BOOK CLUB

**AT THE CLOCK ON THE 2nd WEDNESDAY OF
EACH MONTH ...7PM START**



For more information contact: Jane on 01297
489996/07759274905

Chideock Village Trust

Following the successful launch of our new initiative to help fund school and college transport we are open for new applications.

Have you just done your GCSE's and are starting 6th form, college or an apprenticeship? You need to live in Chideock, but otherwise we are happy to look at all applications for transport

We had several applications last year for local schools, and Kingston Maurward and Weymouth colleges from people doing a wide variety of courses.

Just email us at chideockvillagetrust@gmail.com

Chideock Community Café
Held in Chideock Village Hall



Friday 21st August
From 2.30pm until 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.

CHAIR YOGA

Accessible, supportive, and kind to the joints



A gentle, uplifting class using a chair for support and balance. Explore movement, improve posture, and release tension safely - with zero pressure and no need to get down on the floor. Perfect if you are managing stiff joints, recovering from injury, or simply want a more accessible practice.

- Tuesdays, 2.30pm - 3.30pm on the following dates:
- 8th and 22nd September, 13th and 27th October 2026
- Price: £40 for the 4 sessions
- Chideock Village Hall, Main Street, Chideock, DT6 6JW

To book your space, visit www.restorativebeing.co.uk. For alternative payment options or any questions, contact nadiya@restorativebeing.co.uk / 07800 712998

Nadiya Wynn

www.restorativebeing.co.uk



Following a very successful afternoon of chair yoga at our last WI meeting a number of members expressed interest in joining a class.

Having discussed hall availability with Lee we have booked this. not just for WI members; it is open to anyone in Chideock.



Join St Giles' at the Pub!

We're meeting on the deck at the Clock Inn at 11.00-11.45am on Sunday 30th August

Come and sing your favourite hymns from schooldays – everybody's welcome

By kind permission of Alex & Matt Mawhood
Wat weather routine: in the little alley (via the back door)



St Giles' Church
Chideock



CLOCK
INN
CHIDEOCK

Would you like library books delivered to you?



If you [and /or a carer] find it difficult to get to our local libraries then we can deliver books or audio books to you every three weeks, chosen especially for you. Just contact Maria.

**Service Manager Dorset, BCP and Bristol Home Library Service
ROYAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE**

The Old School House, 49 High West Street, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1UT

Office: 01305 236666, Mobile: 07786 635154

Email: maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk

This is a free service organised by the RVS. Chideock already has a local volunteer delivering to people in the area, do give Maria a call and join us.



**Dorset
Council**



**ROYAL
VOLUNTARY
SERVICE**



The Silver Line Helpline

In today's fast-paced world, it can be easy to feel left behind, especially for people who may have fewer opportunities for regular social contact. Age UK's Silver Line service offers a simple yet practical solution of a friendly, understanding voice at the end of the phone, whenever it's needed most.

Dorset Council Trading Standards work with people locally to help reduce scams. We often recommend The Silver Line, run by Age UK for people aged 55 and over. It was founded in 2013 by Dame Esther Rantzen DBE to help tackle the feelings of loneliness and isolation that many older people experience. Many people choose to use The Silver Line because it provides immediate comfort. Whether it's a quiet evening that feels a little too silent, a difficult moment, or simply the desire to have a chat, the service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is a free, confidential telephone service.

The Silver Line is especially valuable for those who may not feel confident using digital technology or who cannot easily leave their home.

The kind of call offered depends very much on what you might want or need when you pick up the phone to talk to them. Some people call to say good morning or good night to a person, or to have a chat about how their day has been. Other people call to get help with accessing support, information about local services, advice, or reassurance. Anyone can call The Silver Line free on 0800 4 70 80 90, at any time of day or night.

Chideock Stores



**Proudly serving
our community**

Stocking local
produce and well-
recognised brands

Find our opening times
displayed outside the store
and on Google.

ANTIQUES WANTED



Vintage furniture, garden statues and urns, paintings and prints, clocks, linen and lace, chests of drawers, dressers and tables, jewellery and any other interesting antique and vintage items.

We are well-established and reliable buyers; discretion guaranteed; based locally on West Road, Bridport.

Telephone

Teresa / Michael

07542 881680 / 07592 383983

R & D TUCK THATCHING Ltd

Wheat Reed and Water Reed



Richard & Darren offer a
friendly and personal
service with over 50 years
combined experience



For all your thatching needs ring

(01308) 427989

(01297) 489543

Mobile: 07901 702104

Mobile: 07765 157389

or email: enquiries@tuckthatching.co.uk

www.tuckthatching.co.uk

SHALL WE DANCE?



Chideock Village Hall

Every Monday - 7:30pm

www.dynamic-dance.uk

Call Dee on 07740349393



Need help with the cost of travelling to school or college this September? The Chideock Village Trust can help

As part of a new scheme, the Trust has decided to provide a flat rate grant of £500 a year to all young people in years 12 and 13 who are resident in the village. These grants are designed to support students to get to school, college or work placements - particularly vital given that public funding for school transport stops after year 11. All you need to do to access a grant is to send an email to: chideockvillagetrust@gmail.com

We also consider applications from residents for grants to cover other educational or preservation activities, for example, financial help to attend a school trip, or to preserve a historically significant public building or space. Just drop us a line using the above email address.

The trustees meet quarterly to discuss applications so you won't have long to wait to learn if your request has been successful.



**The Trustees,
Chideock Village Trust
Charity Number 1084576**



**Whole day Coast and Land experience's
for the adventurous family and people alike**

The days will be based in and around Seatown, Chideock, Lyme Regis and beyond.

- The experience will be muddy, wet and lots of fun!
- You will get to safely hold sea creatures.
- Get up and close with large Lobsters, Crabs and Sharks in their natural environment.
- We will also be taking to the woods in search of Fabulous Fungi.
- Climbing, Rambling and Rooting Around.

Customise your Experience

****Dates of availability are on my website ****

**Contact the 'West Dorset Forager' on
Instagram, Facebook and YouTube**

[07875959120](tel:07875959120)

www.westdorsetforager.co.uk

Let's go Exploring

Fossil hunting ^ Fishing ^ Fungi