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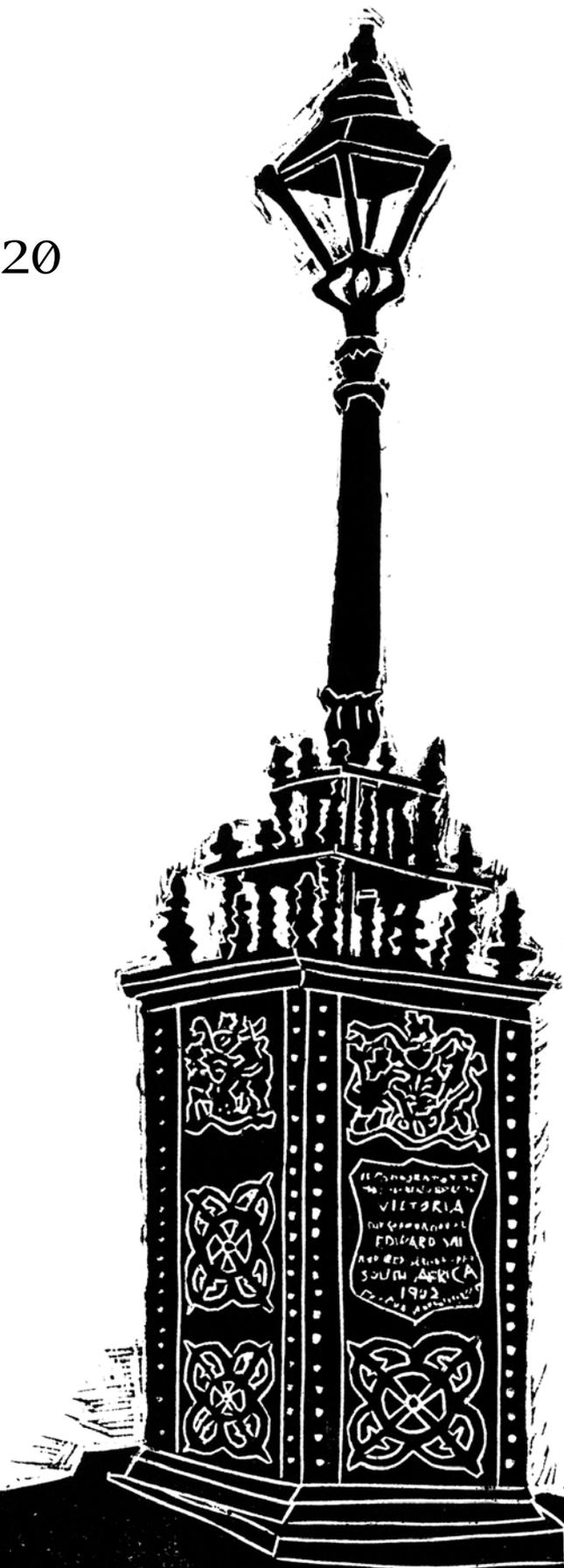
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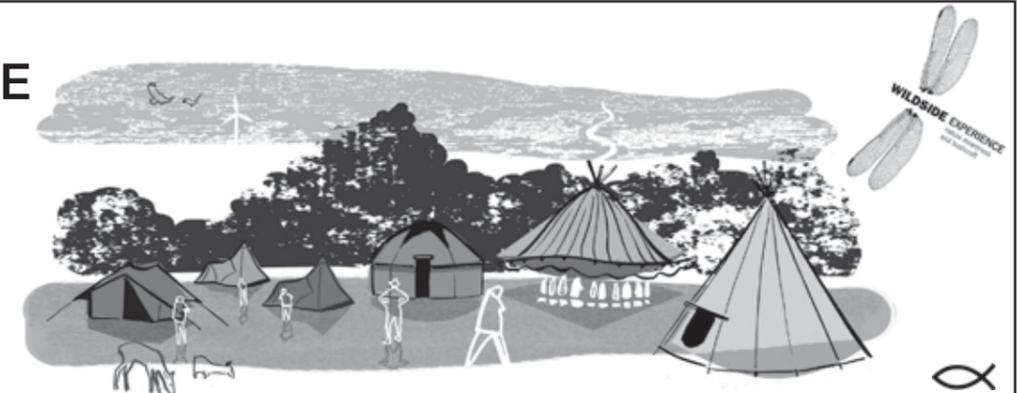
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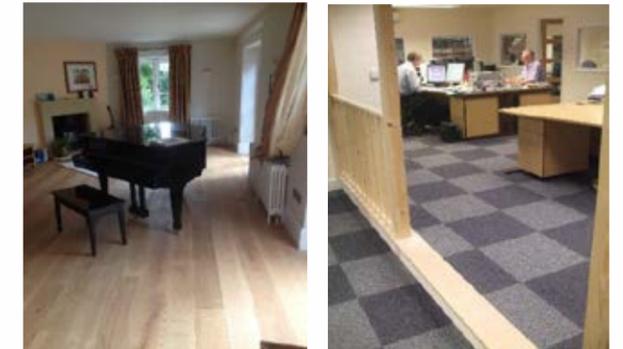
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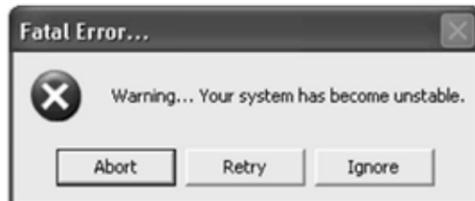
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December 2019 and January 2020**

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HC = Holy Communion; MP = Morning Prayer; EP = Evening Prayer; FS = Family Service;
FC = Family Communion; BCP = Book of Common Prayer; CW = Common Worship

| Services | Hemyock, St Mary | Culm Davy, St Mary’s Chapel | Clayhidon, St Andrew | Culmstock, All Saints’ |
|--|---|--------------------------------|--|---|
| 1 st December <i>Advent 1</i> | St Andrews Day Benefice Eucharist at St Andrews Clayhidon at 10.30am | | | |
| | 4.00pm Christingle <i>With Hemyock Primary School</i> | No Service | No Service | No Service |
| Saturday 7 th December | No Service | No Service | 4.00pm Christingle and Craft | No Service |
| 8 th December <i>Advent 2</i> | 11.15am MP (CW) | No Service | 8.30am Clayhidon HC (BCP) | 6.30pm EP (BCP) |
| Friday 13 th December | No Service | No Service | No Service | 10.00am Christingle <i>with Culmstock Primary School</i> |
| 15 th December <i>Advent 3</i> | 11.15am HC (CW) | No Service | 6.30pm <i>Carol Service</i> | 9.30am HC (CW) |
| Tuesday 17 th December | 7.00pm <i>Carol Service</i> | No Service | No Service | No Service |
| Wednesday 18 th December | 11.00am <i>Hemyock Primary School Carol Service</i> | No Service | No Service | No Service |
| 22 nd December <i>Advent 4</i> | 11.15 HC (CW) | 3.30pm <i>Carol Service</i> | 4.00pm <i>Crib Service</i> | 6.30pm <i>Carol Service</i> |
| Tue 24 th December <i>Christmas Eve</i> | 5.00pm <i>Crib Service</i> 11.15pm HC (CW) | No Service | 11.15pm HC (CW) | 10.00pm HC (CW) |
| Wed 25 th December <i>Christmas Day</i> | 10.00am <i>Family Communion</i> (CW) | 9.00am HC (CW) | 10.00am <i>Family Communion</i> (CW) | 10.00am <i>Family Communion</i> (CW) |
| Sunday 29 th December <i>Christmas 1</i> | Benefice Eucharist Culm Davy Chapel at 10.30am | | | |
| 5 th January <i>Epiphany</i> | 10.30am FS (CW) <i>With Chalking the Door</i> | No Service | 8.30am HC (BCP) <i>With Chalking the Door</i> | 10.00am HC (CW) <i>With Chalking the Door</i> |
| 12 th January <i>Baptism of Christ</i> | 11.15am MP (CW) | 9.00am HC (BCP) | 10.00am FS <i>Plough Sunday</i> | 6.30pm EP (BCP) |
| 19 th January <i>Epiphany 2</i> | 11.15am HC (CW) | No Service | 6.30pm EP (BCP) <i>Rosemary Lane Chapel</i> | 9.30am HC (CW) |
| 26 th January <i>Epiphany 3</i> | 11.15am HC (CW) | 3.30pm EP (BCP) | 10.00am HC (CW) | 8.00am HC (BCP) |

Regular Mid-week Services: Tuesdays - Morning Prayer, 10 am at All Saints’, Culmstock

The rector is normally available on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays.
Office hours for the parish Administrator is between 9 and 12 every Thursday
or you can leave a message at any other time e:ucvmission@gmail.com t:07495 639 826.

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The Gate of the Year

Writing something for a magazine which covers both December and January is a bit of a problem. Do you concentrate on Christmas or do you look forward to the New Year?

Well, I’m going to use an extract from a poem, written by Minnie Haskins, which now has the popular name ‘The Gate of the Year’ but when it was first published in 1912 was known as ‘God Knows’ and it is a poem which very definitely embraces both the now and also the immediate and more distant future.

“The poem says that amongst all the many uncertainties of life God is trustworthy and we can reach out to him and grasp his hand and trust his promises.”

Thanks to the power of Radio this poem suddenly became widely known and popular because King George VI included part of it in his Christmas broadcast to the British Empire in December 1939. Apparently his 13 year old daughter Elizabeth, our Queen, had given her Father a copy of it.

Here is the part of that poem which the King used then:

And I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year: “Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.” And he replied: “Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way.”

No doubt King George asked himself what should he say to a nation which still bore the scars of the First World War and then also what should he say knowing that once

again his listeners would face suffering and loss on a grievous scale. This poem stirred and strengthened the hearts of millions at that time.

December 1939 was a very uncertain time in this country and abroad. In many ways December 2019 is also a very uncertain for us now. By the time you get to read this a General Election will be almost upon us and what that

may bring who knows! However, the poem says that amongst all the many uncertainties of life God is trustworthy and we can reach out to him and grasp his hand and trust his promises.

The words of this poem have remained a source of comfort and inspiration to the Queen and so much so that its words are engraved on the gates of the chapel in Windsor Castle where George VI is buried and were also used in the funeral service for her mother.

Despite all the uncertainties I look forward to 2020 and to all the good things and all the blessings which God will give us.

Wishing you every happiness for Christmas and the New Year.

Chris Hudson

St Mary's Hemyock

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New Rector

In June 1927 the Wellington Weekly News reported that "A most interesting service took place in Hemyock Parish Church when a large congregation was present at the institution and induction of Rev LG Ketchley as Rector of the parish". The Bishop in his address mentioned that this was the first time in the history of Hemyock that its Rector had been instituted in the Parish Church.

Moving on to October 2019 the parish church of St Mary's Hemyock has held the service to welcome their newest Rector Rev Canon Rebecca (Becky) Totterdell to the Upper Culm Valley Mission Community. Rev Totterdell had previously ministered at Exeter Cathedral.

The service taken by the Bishop of Crediton, The Rt Rev Jackie Searle saw a full church with over 130 attending. These included the Archdeacon of Exeter, the Rural Dean, Benefice and visiting clergy, Benefice and visiting Readers, Patrons and Churchwardens along with local congregations and representatives from various organisations from the three villages of Hemyock with Culm Davy, Clayhidon and Culmstock.

The service saw the Rector led to various places in the church when prayers were said followed by members of the congregation presenting gifts with symbols of ministry- bible, water, oil, bread, wine and chalice. Churchwardens welcomed Becky on behalf of the parishes with other clergy and representatives also issuing their welcome. The choir, under the direction of Rev Ron White, sang the anthem 'Be Thou My Vision' to a 1955 setting by Bob Chilcott and the sermon given by the Bishop.

Following the service refreshments were enjoyed at the Parish Hall where thanks were expressed to the local retired clergy, readers, lay teams, Churchwardens and Benefice administrator for all the work done during the vacancy. Rev Totterdell and her husband Michael will be living at the recently refurbished Hemyock Rectory.

Janice Bawler



Above Bishop of Crediton Rt Rev Jackie Searle with Rev Cannon Becky Totterdell (2nd left) being welcomed at St Mary's Church, Hemyock.



Remembrance Sunday

With nearly 250 in attendance it was standing room only at St Mary's Parish Church, Hemyock for the service on Remembrance Sunday led by the Rector Rev Canon Becky Totterdell. The lesson was read by David Bawler Hon Poppy Appeal Organiser.

The parade from the Parish Hall was led by the church choir followed by youth uniformed groups, veterans and members of the public.

St Mary's Charity and Coffee Shop

Please note our

December openings

On **Saturday 7th** we will be at

St Mary's Christmas Fair

in the **Parish Hall** 2-4pm.

On **Tuesday 17th**

our last session of the year is at the **Church Rooms** from 10-12noon.

Wednesday 25th

We'll be wishing you all a

Peaceful and Blessed Christmas

and thanking you for all your support during the year.

The service ended at the War Memorial where the names of those inscribed were read out by the Rector. Mr Tim Barton gave the Commendation and Kohima Epitaph.

Wreaths were laid on behalf of the parish by Mr Barton (Council chairman), Hemyock Scout Group, Hemyock Brownies and the primary school.

The collection of £393.27 and in aid of the Royal British Legion was down on last year by £30.

Janice Bawler

PLEASE NOTE!

Regular supporters will know that the Charity and Coffee Shop's midweek openings are usually on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. In December the 4th Tuesday is Christmas Eve and we felt people might be otherwise occupied so we will not be open.

And we have our usual change at the first Saturday when we will not be open in the morning, but in the afternoon at the Church's Christmas Fair in the Parish Hall from 2- 4pm. Finally, to even the gaps up, we will not open on the 2nd Tuesday but the 3rd. So that's the Charity Shop in December on the 7th and 17th.

In closing can we wish everybody a Joyous and Blessed Christmastide, and thank you for all the support you have given us in the past year.

PS. See the article on our "giveaway" in February

Brian Samuels

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**Donations towards
Building Projects at St Mary's Church**

Christmas comes but once a year...

...and so do the end of year accounts. Here at the Charity Shop we quite look forward to that. For as regular readers and Charity Shop Supporters will know, when we've done all our sums, taken away the number we first thought of and divided by 4, then we will know how much money we will have to give away.

Give away that is to other small community minded groups, or groups like the Air Ambulance that help the village. It won't be thousands, but as many a small group knows, £100 or £200 can make a lot of difference.

So once again we are open to suggestions and enquiries. Any group interested should notify the PCC Secretary by letter (left in the church please) or email by December 16th please. Money will be given in February.

When the Charity Shop was set up in 2012, we said we would give away at least 25% of our proceeds each year. At the end of 2017 the overall donations for the 7 years were just over 30% of our income. So thank you to you all for enabling us to give away your money; and a Happy and Blessed Christmas to you all.

Brian Samuels



St Mary's Christmas Card

Each year St Mary's have a Christmas card for those in the congregation who would prefer to pass on their good wishes on one joint card in the church and to donate to a charity, rather than buying lots of cards. That joint card will be in place for people to sign at the back of the church at the beginning of December.

History Group Report

The meeting on January 16th will welcome back David Pugsley with a new talk that he has researched. His talks have always proved very popular with his detailed knowledge of law and how it was practised in previous centuries. He lectures on Roman Law around Europe and occasionally wider afield. His last overseas lecture was in Russia.

We have also secured a special talk on the Bowerman Family of Culm Davy with the latest information researched by the current Michael Bowerman on Lord Bowerman buried at Culm Davy chapel.

The 2 Bishops Research Project to be undertaken by Exeter Cathedral and the University has been delayed but if you would like to be involved please let us know and we will provide the necessary contacts.

We would still welcome some suggestions about research projects, life stories from members or interesting people you may recommend would talk to our group.

Mike Cooper

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

The generosity and kindness of people from Hemyock and beyond never fails to amaze and this year's collection for the Christian Response to Eastern Europe (cr2ee) for Moldova Christmas appeal was overwhelming.

Apart from almost 150 boxes of presents for all ages and families we were able to deliver to the Devon charity, thanks to kind knitters, over 100 jumpers, 50 pairs of gloves, 50 plus hats, 21 large blankets and 34 enormous bags of clothes and other humanitarian aid.

Not only did these gifts come from the upper Culm Valley but from as far apart as Dunkeswell to Morchard Bishop and Tiverton, Wellington to the other side of Taunton plus places inbetween.

Many will know we have a 7 seater car which was filled with the boxes whilst a trailer 8x4 feet and a roof box were also full. It took almost 20 minutes for everything to be unloaded with the help of the cr2ee volunteers at the Exmouth collection point.

For a variety of reasons 2019 has seen a remarkable amount of clothing and bedding donated to this charity whose members visit Moldova throughout the year and we have felt privileged to take your gifts to them to distribute to one of the world's poorest countries.

It is hoped that although it is not yet possible to confirm a date we will be able to arrange early next year a speaker with video of this year's distribution of your gifts. Please look out for details in the local press, posters and social media. With most grateful thanks.

Janice and David Bawler

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, HEMYOCK FESTIVAL OF TREES



13-15 DECEMBER 2019

Friday 13 December 10.30 – 6.00
Saturday 14 December 10.30 – 5.00
Sunday 15 December 12.30 – 5.00
Holy Communion 11.15
Carol Concert by Stanchester Choir 3.00

Refreshments in church

Light lunches in Church Room 12-2 Fri & Sat

HEMYOCK MARKET

SAT 17th DECEMBER
10am – 12 noon
CHRISTMAS TREES ON SALE

Sound System Operator

St Mary's Church has an easy to operate sound system but are **urgently seeking volunteers** who would be willing to help out on a rota for Sunday services and occasional special events e.g. weddings.

No experience needed as training will be given.

If you feel this is something you would like to know more about, please contact David Bawler 07773579809 or bawler1952@hotmail.com

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER

10AM – 12 noon

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Upper Culm Community Land Trust

**Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal in
Hemyock and Clayhidon**

The total amount in this years collection for Hemyock is £1909.38. This was slightly down on last year but still a tremendous amount.



Clayhidon's collection of £318.60 was an increase of £105 on 2018. Warmest thanks to all those who helped and supported this years Poppy Appeal.

2020 will be the 75th anniversary of VE Day - the end of the Second World War in Europe (May) and VJ Day - the end of the fighting in the Far East (August). The Royal British Legion not only support the veterans and families from these wars but also more current conflicts such as the Falkland and Afghanistan wars.

If you can spare some time next year to help with the collection either in Hemyock or Clayhidon please contact me on bawler1952@hotmail.com or 07773579809

David Bawler. Honorary Poppy Appeal Co-ordinator.

Hemyock and Clayhidon Twinning

Association

Whatever your stance on Brexit, we will always be a geographical part of Europe and its time to start planning our trip to visit our friends in France next May; for more than 25 years our two communities have travelled back and forth. Lovely friendships have grown over those years.

The Marais de Gree is an area in Vair-sur-Loire, situated between Nantes and Angers on the banks of the River Loire, we are twinned with 4 small villages similar to ours.

The Twinning Association is made up of families, couples and individuals of all ages, each twinned with a similar French household with friendships that grow year by year. Our twinning weekends (we visit France one year, they come here the next) are full and happy genuine cultural exchanges where, through eating, drinking and spending time together we expand our knowledge of each other and our countries, finding out what makes us different and just how much we have in common. With Brexit on the horizon, it feels like twinning will become even more important – a way of keeping our connectedness to people in Europe even as we disengage economically and politically.

This year we are visiting St Hebron (the main village) over the VE Day weekend taking the overnight ferry on Thursday 7th May returning on Monday 11th. We have a ferry and coach booked, the cost will be approx. £150 per adult/£75 per child. We are reliably informed our French hosts are planning lots of good things to do so we are looking forward to a special and eventful weekend and we would be delighted to welcome new members.

To see a little of what we do, take a look at our Facebook page Hemyock and Upper Culm Twinning association. New members are very welcome.

If you would like to take part in this twinning trip or would like to find out more please contact Karen 01823681034 or kazapinder@hotmail.com.

And don't worry if you can't speak French as our French hosts are usually very keen to practice their English!

Thanks

Thank you to everyone who supported our Biggest Coffee Morning in the World for Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 27th September at the Bowling Club and for the wonderful total amount donated of £449.68.

Three draws were held with a mountain of prizes, all of which were donated, especially the fruit cake made by Mrs Johnson of Station Road, beautifully iced and decorated with, of course, daffodils for our Macmillan Coffee Morning. The coffee, tea, cakes and biscuits on offer for our supporters were delicious, all of which were donated as well. Thank you all for your support and money given to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Marie Dear, Hemyock Bowling Club

Hemyock Tennis Club

It's a gross understatement to say that the weather has not been kind to us tennis players over the last few weeks. However, the only answer is to remain optimistic and hope that things improve. The November friendly with Upottery had to be cancelled, but matches are planned throughout the winter and early next year, against Upottery once more and also Wellington and Wiveliscombe. Fixture dates are listed below.

The men have reached the semi final of their Cup competition. Our best wishes for further progress! They are hoping for improvement in the winter league, maybe the success in the cup will spur them on.

We have fitted a secure keysafe on the courts (between courts 2 & 3) containing a pavilion key. We thank Longmead management for their cooperation on this matter. This should ensure that ALL members can access the pavilion, either during play, or to access the ball machine or other facilities when available. Members have been emailed on this and made aware of contact details if problems with accessing the combination are experienced.

The 'Mulled wine and mince pies' tennis event has been planned for 1.30 pm on the afternoon of 17th November. We have also arranged a Christmas social 'skittles' event (with a buffet and maybe a quiz too) on 10th January. This proved popular earlier this year, and being in January doesn't clog up the Christmas calendar. Our thanks to Rachel for booking this with the Catherine Wheel.

Fixture dates for club friendly matches (all 6.30 start);

| | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| December 4th | Wiveliscombe (Home) |
| December 11th | Upottery (Home) |
| December 18th | Wiveliscombe (Away) |
| January 15th | Upottery (Home) |
| January 22nd | Wellington (Away) |
| February 12th | Upottery (Home) |
| February 19th | Wellington (Away) |
| March 11th | Upottery (Home) |

If you'd like to play in any of the above matches, contact Bob Hawkes or indeed any committee member. For those who have not yet experienced competitive tennis, they are a good 'taster'.

Your committee is;

Julie Steed (Chair), Jerry Popham (Treasurer), Bob Hawkes (Secretary), Rachel Bussell (Welfare Officer), Tim Julier, Suzy Besant, Lucy Jefferson, Phil Cooper.

CLUB SESSIONS.

The club weekly sessions are:

| | |
|------------|--|
| Thursday: | Mixed Club Night from 6.30 pm onwards |
| Saturday: | Mixed Club morning from 10.00 am onwards |
| Sunday: | Mixed Club morning (Team Practice) 10.30 am onwards |
| Wednesday: | A more informal mixed session. 10.30 am onwards |

Finally, don't forget about the WhatsApp group that helps keep members in touch (for example when weather is changeable or if play can be arranged earlier than planned). If you'd like to join, contact the secretary.

NON-MEMBERS AND VISITORS. The courts may be booked by non-members at the Spar shop in Hemyock. Charges are £8 per hour for seniors and £4 per hour for juniors. Tokens for the floodlights are available at £2 for each half hour.

Bob Hawkes, Secretary 07540 435149 bob.hawkes18@btinternet.com or hemyocktennisclub@outlook.com.



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Poets Corner

Funeral

The gathering sad,
her smile is no longer there
to spread God's sunshine touch,
that blessed all those she looked upon;
for she was sure of the Hope she bore,
and could not hide the joy she had,
and Hope of Blessings greater still:
but look around,
and carried in the smiles of others there,
who though sad,
their sun has dawned with Hope
of Blessings beyond the dreaming of our minds
and earthly span of life.

Written in November 2010

Raven's Drift

I wish through the dry leaves,
Drifted by the west wind
Along the roadside,
Like flakes of copper and gold.

And ravens drift
Effortlessly against the wind,
That buffets the trees
And hedges,
Across gray November skies,
On a darkening afternoon,
Large black birds,
Drifting, side slipping,
On billowed air,
Rising, falling,
Leisurely, seemingly without effort,
Long, narrow, black wings
Hardly flap as they ride the currents,
Eastwards to their nighttime roost.

David Palmer

Opening Times



Hemyock Churchinford Dunkeswell

Hemyock Surgery

Mon – Fri 08:30 – 18:00 – **Please note the dispensary is closed between 13:00-14:00**
 Sat 08:00 – 11:00

Churchinford Surgery

Mon, Tue & Thu 08:30 – 12:30 and 15:00 – 18:00
 Wed & Fri 08:30 – 12:30 – closed in the afternoon on these days
 Weekends Closed

Dunkeswell Surgery

Mon & Wed 08:30 – 12:30 and 15:00 – 18:00
 Tue, Thu & Fri 08:30 – 12:30 – closed in the afternoon on these days
 Weekends Closed

If you require urgent medical assistance or advice outside of normal surgery hours **please call 111. In a genuine emergency you should call 999.** Chest pains and / or shortness of breath constitute an emergency.

Hemyock Gardeners' Association

Now Summer is a faint memory and the nights have drawn in, members return to monthly meetings in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm, on the second Wednesday of each month, to be entertained by expert speakers on all things horticultural.

November 13 was the Association's Annual General Meeting which was well-attended. The current Committee of Brenda Calcrafft, Barbara Heaton, Stewart Smith, Marie Dear, Jane Smith, Henry Farrant, John Scantlebury and myself were re-elected en bloc. Re-joining the Committee is Judith Major. Welcome Back Judith! After the AGM concluded, a convivial evening was spent enjoying refreshments and a couple of Brenda's quizzes.

Our next speaker is Ben Candlin who will talk about sub-tropical gardening on Wednesday 11 December. He will be giving tips on how to care for the exotic specimens that make up such a garden. The New Year's meeting on 8 January gives members the chance to let their hair down for a Social Evening with Festive Refreshments and entertainment.

Visitors to our meetings are always welcome. You can find out more about Hemyock Gardeners on our website www.hemyockgardeners.org.uk or ring me: Sue Scantlebury, Secretary, Hemyock Gardeners' Association. 01823 681393.

Hemyock Parish Hall Management Committee (HPHMC)

The run up to the festive season is now well underway, and the hall will be used for a variety of fetes, bazaars and parties, including again this year, a New Year party. No doubt there will be Christmas decorations and lights to be put up too.

For those not familiar with the facilities that the hall has to offer, there is a well appointed kitchen, a bar area, (a small charge for the alcohol licence), and of course a sprung dance floor! In addition, there are disabled toilet facilities and reasonable car parking capacity. Hire charges are on the notice board outside the hall as are booking contact details.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with managing the hall. If you're able to spare a few minutes to help with such tasks as putting out tables for the monthly market, (and putting away afterwards), putting up Christmas decorations, or help with small maintenance tasks, then please contact Bob Hawkes on 680047 or bob.hawkes18@btinternet.com for further information. No reasonable offer refused!

Your committee (made up of trustees) is Denis Gubb (Chair) Doug Cartledge (Treasurer), Penny Lawrence (Secretary), and Bob Hawkes (Vice Chair).

Are You a Cake Maker?

A vacant table is available at Hemyock monthly market for an enthusiastic cake maker. Ring Heather on 680237 for details.



THE BLACKDOWN HILLS
HEDGE ASSOCIATION

"Skills of the Hills"

Annual Hedgelaying competition

Saturday 7 March 2020

at

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Refreshments

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"Skills of the Hills" Competition

Skills of the Hills 2020 will be held at Regency House in Hemyock on Saturday 7th March by kind permission of Jenny Parsons.

This competition showcases rural skills of hedgelaying. There are a number of classes ranging from Novice to Open including Pairs. People come from all over the Blackdowns to this event. There is no charge for visitor entry. If you would like to enter as a competitor, the forms are on the website www.bhha.info If you would like to advertise your business at this event we are happy to offer a reasonable rate. Stalls are also available from £15 per pitch. In the past, the event has attracted in the region of 2000 visitors interested in rural skills and products.

John Scantlebury 07976 611185 secretary@bhha.info

Ballroom Dancing in Hemyock

Lessons continue at The Garages every other Wednesday afternoon 2pm-3.30pm. The sessions are well-attended and everyone is learning more and more dance steps at our own pace.

As we might not be ready for Blackpool yet, we still have room for more people so if you're a complete beginner or a bit of a rusty dancer, come along. Our expert instructor can help! Our December sessions are on Wednesday 4 and Wednesday 18 December. The cost is £8 per person per session. Call Sue – 01823 681393 if you would like to come along.

HEMYOCK'S BIG VISIT 5PM - 7PM

NIGHT 1 STOPS WEDNESDAY 11th DEC

- 1 Healthy Living Centre
- 2 Hollingarth Way
- 3 Longmead Sports Pavilion

NIGHT 2 STOPS THURSDAY 12th DEC

- 1 Eastlands
- 2 Prowses
- 3 The Catherine Wheel
- 4 Griffin Close

Follow us on Facebook for live updates on our route progress on the night!
www.facebook.com/hemyocksbigvisit

THESE ARE FATHER CHRISTMAS' PLANNED STOPS WHERE THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE BIG MAN HIMSELF! HE WILL HOWEVER PLAN TO GET AROUND AS MANY STREETS AS POSSIBLE TO SPREAD FESTIVE CHEER AND COLLECT MONEY FOR OUR CHARITIES. SO LISTEN OUT FOR THE SLEIGH BELLS!

HEMYOCK CHRISTMAS CLUB PRESENTS

HEMYOCK'S BIG VISIT

11TH & 12TH DECEMBER 2019

Come and see me!
I will be making my way around the village with my elves between 5-7pm

During this event we will be raising money for these two brilliant charities. Please give what you can to help these wonderful organisations support our community.



For many of us December is a busy time of year with family commitments and celebratory events filling up our calendars.

In the spirit of celebration we would like to invite you to the **Blackdown Support Group Christmas Coffee Morning Tuesday 17th December between 10am and 12pm Hosted by Heather Stallard at Culm Pyne Barton, Hemyock, EX15 3UE.**

All are welcome to come and enjoy the festivities with a hot drink and some Christmas treats! Redwoods are very kindly providing a minibus which will pick up in Hemyock from the Square, Castle Park bus stop and the Garages at Lower Millhayes from 9.55am. Parking will be available at Culm Pyne Barton or individual transport can be provided on request if you are unable to use the minibus, please contact the office on 01823 681 036 if you would be interested in attending but need assistance to do so.

Christmas and the New Year is also a time that we reflect on what has happened over recent months and look forward to the future. The Blackdown Support Group has welcomed 15 new volunteers in 2019 who are offering their time to deliver a range of services which are critical to the health and well-being of many local people. This brings our current volunteers to a total of 95, some of whom have been working with us for 20 years or more. They help over 450 people across the Blackdown Hills from Bishopswood and Buckland St Mary in the East, Dunkeswell, Upottery and Sheldon to the south, Uffculme, Kentisbeare and Blackborough to the west and of course Hemyock, Culmstock, Clayhidon and Churchinford in the centre.

Demand for our transport service continues to grow year on year and we are so grateful to our committed volunteer drivers who make sure our clients get to where they need to go, even in the cold and wet weather. We have also seen a sharp increase in demand for our befriending service in the last year. It is wonderful to be able to connect people with friends from their local community who can help relieve feelings of loneliness and isolation. This is particularly important in the winter months when it may be even harder for older people to get out and about.

Winter can bring extra challenges for many reasons. Darker conditions and icy pavements can make it hard to get out, while cold weather can make us more vulnerable to illness. We have been distributing "Winter-Wise" booklets produced by Independent Age which have many useful tips on keeping warm and staying healthy in the colder weather. If you or anyone you know would like a booklet please contact the office on 01823 681 036.

We look forward to helping even more local people in 2020 and to welcoming more volunteers to the Group. If you have been thinking of getting involved and would like to know more before

committing, please get in touch, we are always happy to discuss our different volunteering options with you.

Wishing you a very warm and happy festive season from all of us at the Blackdown Support Group.

Elizabeth McNabb
01823 681 036 bsg.elizabeth@nhs.net
Blackdown Support Group, c/o The Surgery, Station Road, Hemyock, EX15 3SF.

HERE TO HELP
The Blackdown Support Group is here for you. We help people of all ages in the Blackdown Hills who are finding life difficult - because they are experiencing physical or mental ill health, disability or the effects of old age, suffering from loss or simply struggling to cope.

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Find us on Facebook

Advice & Support
Social clubs
Transport
Someone to talk to

Please help us to help others by becoming a Volunteer or by supporting our work as a Friend
01823 681 036
d-cg.bsgadmin@nhs.net
www.blackdownsupportgroup.org.uk

BLACKDOWN Support GROUP

Are You a Rural Micro Business or Sole Trader?

Are you a rural micro business or sole trader? Are you interested in shaping the future of business support? Then the Engaging Rural Micros project wants to work with you!

Engaging Rural Micros is a research trial to learn how to stimulate positive mindsets towards improving business efficiency. Micro businesses, freelancers and sole traders (less than 10 employees) make up 90.1% of Devon's rural economy*. Research suggests that there is a need for these rural micros to overcome their tendencies towards overworking, and increase time working on the business rather than in the business.

Are you a business owner who can relate to this? Is your dream to increase efficiency within your business, free up time, and reach that elusive 'work-life balance'? Then get involved in this new research trial! The trial will look at different ways of providing support to these businesses. All participating businesses will receive:

- business monitoring for up to 12 months, completing three business analysis surveys over the course of the trial
- a business insight report at the end of the project
- information on the trial outcomes and future support
- an invitation to an event at the end of the project, which will be a great networking opportunity for local businesses.

The trial will be based in rural areas of Devon (outside of settlements with a population over 10,000). If you are a micro business owner, freelancer or sole trader, sign up online at www.engagingruralmicros.com or contact engagingruralmicros@devon.gov.uk before the end of December 2019.

*Statistics excluding Exeter



I am really pleased to report that the team from the Blackdown Hills Area of Outstanding Beauty have recently relocated their offices from St Ivel House to the Blackdown Healthy Living & Activity Centre. Their role is to conserve and enhance the natural beauty of the Blackdown Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). They involve people and organisations in looking after this protected landscape, provide information about the area's special qualities and encourage people to visit and enjoy the area. The team have settled in and are now an integral part of our busy and thriving community centre. Why not pop in and say hello?

What a busy month we have planned here at the BHLAC. On the 5th December we will host our last Stay & Play session of the year with a Christmas theme. We will be serving mulled cider and hot chocolate outside the Centre as we congregate for the start of the Lights Brigade procession on Saturday 7th December.

Please come and join our Christmas Music and Mince Pie event at 2pm on Monday 9th December – enjoy listening to the fabulous King's Hall School Senior Choir and get the chance to join in some of your favourite carols. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

The Christmas Coffee Morning will be held on Thursday 12th December 10am-12pm so pop along for a cuppa and some yummy cake. The CAMEO club members and our Stay & Play children have really enjoyed making decorations for our contribution to the Christmas Tree Festival held at St Mary's from 13th - 15th December. Finally, the Grand Christmas Raffle will be drawn on Monday 16th December at the CAMEO Christmas lunch. Tickets are on sale now from the Centre and the SPAR.

The Centre will be closed from Monday 23rd December until Thursday 2nd January when CAMEO resumes. A reminder that Brightside will not meet on the first Friday of January but on Friday 10th January instead.

Peta Dayus-Jones
Centre Manager



Empty Spaces - Bereavement Support

One to one or group sessions via the Blackdown Support Group

No one can prepare you for the empty space left after a bereavement:

- The long days and nights
- The empty house
- Feeling out of control
- Being alone
- The strength needed to go out by yourself
- New decisions to be made

Sharing these small issues with others helps you to focus on yourself. We host an informal monthly session of listening and sharing for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The meeting takes place at 16 Castle Park in Hemyock on the second Wednesday of each month, 2.30-4.00pm. Our volunteer can also arrange to speak to you privately if you prefer.

Please contact the BSG office in confidence on 01823 681 036 for more information.

Blackdown Stay & Play Hub

Arts & Crafts
Baby Weigh
Sensory Play
Messy Play
Tea & Biscuits
Snacks & Story time
Music & Singing

Thursdays 9.30-11am
Healthy Living Centre
£1.50 per child / £2 per family
Health Visitor Clinic last Thursday each month

TODDLERS BABIES PARENTS GRANDPARENTS NEW MUMS

Christmas Music & Mince Pies
With King's Hall School Senior Choir
Monday 9th December at 2pm
Blackdown Healthy Living & Activity Centre
Everyone welcome
Free admission

BHLAC Christmas Coffee Morning
Blackdown Healthy Living & Activity Centre
Thursday 12th December
10am - 12pm
Everyone Welcome
www.bhlac.org.uk

Grand Christmas Raffle
Draw on 16th December 2019
Tickets £1
Lots of fabulous prizes
Top prize: Exeter Chiefs Tickets
Tickets on sale from SPAR



The Blackdown Healthy Living & Activity Centre – What’s on

- Cameo Club** Mondays and Thursdays most weeks of the year. Day care, activities and lunch for older people. Respite Care. Contact Tracy Howe (01823 680687)
- Stay & Play Hub** Thursdays term-time 9.30 – 11am, a drop-in stay & play session for pre-school children. Art & craft, messy & sensory play, music & stories. Health Visitor Clinic last Thursday of the month.
- Phoenix Group** First Tuesday of every month 10am –12pm, an informal, drop-in session for carers run by Diana Cooper (01823 680175)
- Brightside** First Friday of the month, a day of activities, entertainment and good food for people who want to get out and about. Contact Janet Elworthy for information (01823 680687)
- Memory Cafe** Second Tuesday of every month, company, gentle activities and lunch for anyone affected by memory loss. Contact Janet Morison for information (01823 680687)

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| Monday | Watercolour Art | 1.30 - 3.30pm | Drop-In Session |
| | Yoga | 6.15 - 7.45pm | Julia Baldock |
| Tuesday | Keep Fit (over 60) | 10 - 11am | Pauline Marchmont |
| | Pilates (2 classes) | 5.45 - 8pm | Harriet Tubbs |
| Wednesday | Pilates (2 classes) | 6 - 8.15pm | Harriet Tubbs |
| Friday | Yoga | 9.30 - 10.30am | Steph Leitner |

Call 01823 680687 for further information and details of our classes or visit our new website www.bhlac.org.uk

Therapies Acupuncture, Aromatherapy, Alexander Technique, Beauty Therapy, Chiropractic, Clinical Hypnosis, Counselling, Foot Care, Herbal Medicine, Homeopathy, Massage, Osteopathy, Reflexology, Speech & Language. Please contact therapists direct to book appointments.

You can find the BHLAC at Riverside, Lower Millhayes, Hemyock, EX15 3SH

Around Hemyock

It is lovely to start this page by being able to send warmest CONGRATULATIONS to **BETTY HUELIN** of Hollingarth who has recently celebrated her 100th birthday. Betty, we hope it was a day of great happiness for you.

Congratulations also to local jockey 19 year old **TOM BUCKLEY** who wearing HM The Queen racing colours won a race at Wetherby.

November saw the parish commemorate Remembrance Sunday when at St Mary's it was standing room only for the service taken by the Rector. A parade from the Parish Hall beforehand, led by the church choir, saw one of the largest groups of uniformed youngsters seen here for many years. The decorations both inside and outside the church added to the poignancy of the day.

On Armistice Day a short Act of Remembrance took place at the War Memorial and it was very much appreciated that all year 6 pupils from the school attended. Like the Scout Group, Brownies and Parish Council the school laid a wreath the previous day.

Residents who live in the area surrounding the Recreation Field were rather shocked one morning to wake and find a very large branch of an oak tree had broken off. Thankfully it had not fallen onto any properties. Presumably after this all the trees around the perimeter were checked as within days a tree at the top of the field had been removed. One tree totally different to the others and in the corner of the Rec by South View and Eastlands is a flowering cherry which was, I believe, planted to commemorate the coronation of The Queen by the then Guide Company. Hopefully that will continue to withstand stormy weather and disease.

We send get well wishes to the many folk who are unwell at present including **ALAN CRAIG** who can be seen charging around in a wheelchair following a fall and being as bright and cheerful as ever.

Many past residents are now in care homes but keep in contact with the village through various ways including reading the Pump. We send all good wishes to everyone and hope you will have a joyful festive time.

Christmas, a time for most filled with great joy but for others tinged with sadness as this will be their first without a loved family member. We remember with affection **HILDA MOULDING, CORA DOBLE** and **ELVIE JONES** and send love and condolences to their family and friends.

The funeral of Cora Doble took place in November. She was 94 years old and the widow of Ron Doble. Cora was a quiet lady who lived locally all her life. She attended Rosemary Lane chapel during her early life and then for many years, she and Ron supported Prescott Baptist Chapel. When the Chapel closed, Cora joined the congregation at St Mary's Church.

Cora cared for many people over the years. She loved her garden and latterly was a member of the Cameo Club and the Acorns. Memorable tributes have been made about her. She will be much missed by all her family but they are appreciative of her long and fruitful life.

Brian and Jenny, Hazel and Ken and their families are grateful to those who attended the funeral, for all the kind messages of sympathy and for the donations received for Parkinson's UK and for St Mary's Church. Thank you to those who 'looked out for' and helped to care for Cora in the last few years, and to the staff at Linden House for their kindness over the last few months.

December always sees many traditional events taking place but it is good to see new ones starting and continuing in popularity (although a General Election may not be one of them!) Whether it is a carol service, Hemyock's Big Visit, the Lights Brigade or the Christmas Fair they and others all work to bring both old and new parishioners together. This year, thanks once again to the Friends of St Mary's, we will be able to enjoy another Christmas Tree festival which will see not only local folk visiting but others from far afield all able to enjoy as we share what will no doubt be a delightful experience.

Children and young people are a large part of our community and seeing them with their families plus older folk at the Crib and Christingle services at St Mary's is always a joy. The latter is summed up beautifully in the poem by Patricia Leighton.

Thomas's First Christingle

Thomas is holding an orange world in his hand and trying to keep the candle on top upright.

He touches red ribbon, raisins, nuts - what's it all mean? 'The next bit's magic' his sister Ann, whispers. 'Wait and see' In a big circle all round the pews they stand: mums, dads, children, grandparents packed in tight. One by one the candles are lit and someone... switches out the church lights!

In the darkness the Christingle circle glows, Christ's light shining on each single face.

The Christmas period is naturally a busy time for our clergy and readers. We thank them for all they have contributed to our lives over the past twelve months and send them all good wishes. To the Rev Becky and her husband Mike - may your

first Christmas in our Mission Community bring you much happiness as we share the Reason for the Season. May the calmness of Advent lead us all into the joys and blessings of Christmas and a New Year. Merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Janice. Email news you would like to share to jbawler1947@hotmail.co.uk.

Hemyock WI

Hemyock WI have had an interesting couple of months since the last report. The Pudding Evening was enjoyable and the Sausage and Mash Lunch was hard work but a great success with 39 diners. Several Members went to the Group Meeting at Uplowman when Anne Widdecombe was the Guest Speaker. Lynne and Judith attended a County Meeting in Bideford.

Annette amazed Members with her display of Cake Decorating skills. The Lunch Group is now being organised by Sue and Brenda still runs the Reading Group. Competitions are always well supported. Unfortunately they have lost their skittles match but have won £15 in the County 500 Club. In December Members will be making decorations for their tee which will be displayed in St Mary's Church from December 13th. In January there will be the usual Birthday Party.

Hemyock WI meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30 in Forbes Lounge. More details from Lynne on 01823 680104.

Brenda Calcraft

The Violet Chapman Trust

The Violet Chapman Charity (Charity registration number 299996) was established in 1986 after Mrs Violet Chapman, who was a patient of the Blackdown Practice, gave a substantial gift to the doctors, which was intended to provide patients with services and help that were not available under the NHS.

The original Trustees were Dr Jonathan Meads, Mrs Chapman and Sir Christopher who, at that time, was senior partner with Ashfords Solicitors and one time president of the Law Society. The Trustees were, at this time, all volunteers not drawing any salary or expenses, and this remains the case to date.

The Trust has discretion to give grants for medical equipment and treatments as well as giving financial assistance to patients of the Blackdown Practice for numerous purposes.

All grants are given for the physical and mental wellbeing of the patients, and many will gain support by the help the Trust gives in supplying counselling where the NHS is unable to supply.

There are many examples that we could give of the patients we have helped recently and would cite one that required

their bathroom to be modernised to enable them to continue to live at home; another patient who needed a chair that would help them in getting in and out without assistance. Another example is a patient who had severe back pain and a grant was given for them to have remedial massage.

If you feel the Trust can help you we would suggest you talk to your GP or any person who gives you support and submit an Application form which can be found online or pick one up from any of the Blackdown Practice surgeries. The Trustees are only too happy to consider any applications. Alternatively for more details please contact the secretary, Mrs Judy Barton on 01823 680975 or j.h.barton@hotmail.co.uk.

The Trustees are proud of the speed with which they are able to help patients and in many cases are able to provide financial assistance within two weeks.

The current Trustees are Mrs Shirley Wyatt (Chairman), Mr Stephen Walker (Legal representative - Ashfords), Mrs Judy Barton (Secretary), Dr Susan Brocklesby, Mrs Doreen Pike and Mr Tom Baker.

COULD WE HELP YOU?

What's On December 2019

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| Sun 1 | Christingle Service, St Mary's | Peter Barrett Exhibition, New Paintings, The Garages until Dec 3rd. |
| Mon 2 | "Mature Movers", 11.00-12.00 | Last this year (Over 50s) |
| Tue 3 | Phoenix Carers <i>Lunch in Honiton</i> | WI FL 19.30 |
| Wed 4 | BSG Lunch Club FL 12.30 | Parish Council FL 19.30 |
| Thu 5 | Taunton Farmers' Market | Bl'down, Play & Stay (Last this Year) BHLC 09.30-11.00 M.Union Lunch |
| Fri 6 | Brightside, <i>BHLC</i> | Christmas Bingo, Scouts <i>PH</i> |
| Sat 7 | Ch'ford & Wellington FM's | St Mary's Christmas Fayre Lights Parade, Hemyock 18.00 Wyndham Singers, Clayhidon |
| Sun 8 | | |
| Mon 9 | Kings Hall Senior Choir, music with mince pies <i>BHLC</i> | Young Farmers FL 19.30 |
| Tue 10 | Memory Café Christmas Lunch "Empty Spaces" 10-11.30 | St Mary's Charity & Coffee CR 10.00-12.00 Tue Club FL 19.30 |
| Wed 11 | Empty Spaces 14.30-16.00 | Father Christmas Visits Millhayes, H'Garth Gardeners' meeting FL 19.30 |
| Thu 12 | ELECTION DAY | Taunton Farmers' Market Coffee Morning BHLC 10.00-12.00 Father Christmas in Eastlands, Prowses, Griffin Close, Catherine wheel etc, 17.00-19.00 |
| Fri 13 | TREE FESTIVAL, St Mary's | Blood Donors, <i>PH</i> Empty Spaces, 10.00 – 11.30 |
| Sat 14 | TREE FESTIVAL, HEMYOCK MARKET | Christmas Bingo, Taunton Vale Club |
| Sun 15 | TREE FESTIVAL (Last day) | Stanchester Choir St Mary's |
| Mon 16 | | |
| Tue 17 | Coffee Morning, Culm Pyne Barton, <i>BSG</i> (all welcome) | |
| Wed 18 | Last Day of Term For Local Schools | Acorns FL 14.30 |
| Thu 19 | T'ton & H'ton FM's | Winter Lunch CR History Group CR 19.30 Hemyock Young Farmers Xmas Bingo <i>PH</i> |
| Fri 20 | "Empty Spaces" 10-11.30 | |
| Sat 21 | Wellington Farmers' Market | |
| Sun 22 | SHORTEST DAY | |
| Mon 23 | BHLC closed until Jan 2nd | Young Farmers FL 19.30 |
| Tue 24 | St Mary's Charity & Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00 | |
| Wed 25 | CHRISTMAS DAY | |
| Thu 26 | BOXING DAY | |
| Fri 27 | Tiverton Farmers' Market | |
| Sat 28 | Uffculme Farmers' Market | |
| Sun 29 | | |
| Mon 30 | | |
| Tue 31 | New Year's Eve Party / Dance, Twinning Group <i>PH</i> | |

| | Parish Hall | Forbes Lounge | Elsewhere |
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| Mon | 9.45-12.45 Short Mat 1.30-3.30 Badminton | 10-12 Art 7.45-9.30 YFC every 2nd and 4th | Pre-School (Primary Sch PS) / Arthritis Group Mature Movers (Over 50's) (GS) 11.00-12 md |
| Tue | 1.15-3.15 Baby & Toddler 7.30-9.30 Badminton | 7.15-9.45 WI every 1st 7.30-9.30 Tuesday Club every 2nd | Pre-School (PS) / Brownies (CR) / Blackdown Total Fitness (GS) |
| Wed | 7.30-9.30 Gardeners Club every 2nd | 12-2 BSG Luncheon Club every 1st 2.30 Acorns every 3rd 7.30-9.30 Parish Council every 1st | Pre-School (PS) / Cub Scouts (CR) / Chapel Café (BC) / Blackdown Total Fitness (GS) / Primary School Coffee Morning 1st week |
| Thu | 1.45-4.45 Short Mat | | Pre-School (PS) / St Mary's Choir (SM) / Walk & Talk (VH) / Bell Ringing (SM) / Clayhidon Friends 2nd / Hemyock History & Archiving (CR)(3rd) / Clayhidon History Group 3rd / Health Visitor Clinic (Pre-School age) BHLC (last) Bl'down Stay & Play(BHLC) |
| Fri | 6.45-9.45 Short Mat (Fri before Market ONLY) | | Pre-School (PS) / Seekers (BC) / Scouts (GS) / Teen Scene (BC) |
| Sat | 10-12 Market every 3rd | | |

What's On January 2020

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| Wed 1 | NEW YEARS DAY |
| Thu 2 | Taunton FM BHLAC Open again |
| Fri 3 | |
| Sat 4 | Ch'ford & Wellington FM's St Mary's Charity & Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00 |
| Sun 5 | |
| Mon 6 | School Term Starts |
| Tue 7 | Phoenix Carers <i>BHLC 10-12</i> St Mary's Charity & Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00 WI FL 19.30 |
| Wed 8 | BSG Lunch Club CR 12.30 M.U. All Saints, C'St, 14.00 "Empty Spaces" Gardeners Social <i>PH</i> |
| Thu 9 | Taunton FM Bl'down Play & Stay BHLC 09.30-11.00 |
| Fri 10 | Brightside <i>BHLC</i> Empty Spaces <i>16 Castle Park 10.00-11.30</i> |
| Sat 11 | C'mpton & Yarcombe FM's |
| Sun 12 | |
| Mon 13 | "Mature Movers", 11.00-12.00 Garages (Over 50s) Young Farmers FL 19.30 |
| Tue 14 | PUMP DEADLINE Memory Café Open Meeting BHLC 10.30 SM Charity & Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00 Tues Club <i>Meal Out</i> |
| Wed 15 | Acorns FL 2.30 |
| Thu 16 | Honiton & Taunton Farmers' Market Bl'down, Play & Stay BHLC 09.30-11.00 Winter Lunch CR History Group CR |
| Fri 17 | |
| Sat 18 | Hemyock Market <i>PH</i> Wellington Farmer's Market |
| Sun 19 | |
| Mon 20 | |
| Tue 21 | St Mary's Charity & Coffee Shop CR 10.00-12.00 |
| Wed 22 | Acorns FL 14.30 |
| Thu 23 | Taunton FM Play & Stay <i>BHLC</i> |
| Fri 24 | Tiverton Farmers' Market |
| Sat 25 | Uffculme Farmers' Market Taunton Vale Harriers Quiz Evening <i>PH</i> |
| Sun 26 | |
| Mon 27 | |
| Tue 28 | |
| Wed 29 | Crafternoon 14.30-16.00 |
| Thu 30 | Taunton FM Bl'down, Play & Stay + Health Visitor for under 5s BHLC 10.00-11.00 |
| Fri 31 | |

| Forthcoming Events (2020) | | |
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| Feb | 05 | Parish Meeting |
| Feb | 15 | National Repair Day |
| Feb | 22 | Hemyock Market (instead of the 15th) |
| Feb | 25 | Shrove Tuesday |
| Feb | 29 | Hemyock PTFA, "Nosh & Knowledge" Evening |
| March | 07 | Skills of the Hills, Hedgelaying, Regency House |
| March | 07 | Hemyock Scouts Quiz Evening |
| March | 27 | Local Schools End of Term |
| March | 27 | Hemyock Scouts Bingo Evening |
| April | 04 | Gardeners Spring Show |
| April | 12 | Easter Day |

- PH* – Parish Hall
- FL* – Forbes Lounge
- CR* – Church Rooms
- LM* – Longmead
- RS* – Riverside
- BC* – Baptist Church
- SM* – St Mary's
- SA* – St Andrew's
- ASC* – All Saint's Church
- CPH* – Clayhidon Parish Hall
- BHLC* – Blackdown Healthy Living Centre

If you wish to give people an early notice of your events by getting it in the "Forthcoming Events", please notify Sue Lambert: 680664 or sueliz.lambert@virgin.net by the "Pump" deadline date (this may stop too many clashes of dates!).

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Times of Mobile Library
(See "What's On" for dates)

Thursday (once a month, Week 4)

Clayhidon crossroads 1.15 – 1.45pm
Hemyock Parish Hall 1.55 – 3.00
Lower Millhayes 3.05 – 4.20

Saturdays (once a month, Week 2)

Hemyock Parish Hall 9.45 – 12.15

Also found on: www.devon.gov.uk/libraries

Longmead

The Pavilion is an ideal venue for smaller events needing outdoor space, birthday parties, christenings, family gatherings and of course meetings, the building is licensed to sell alcohol and has a large screen tv and there are basic kitchen facilities for your use.

The MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) is also available for hire, why not combine the two and have a football party? Its ideal for 5 aside football, netball, hockey, we also have basketball hoops for use, is anyone interested in starting up a new club?

Hire charges

Pavilion - £7.50 per hour
MUGA - £15.00 per hour

If you wish to book any of these facilities or would like some more information please contact Karen 01823 681034 or email kazapinder@hotmail.com.

Letter to Clubs from the Parish Pump

I am responsible for the "What's On" and "Forthcoming Events" in the Parish Pump.

When I put in what's happening into the "What's On" I go by the regular times that you've told me. There are occasions when I guess you may not be meeting at the usual time (Bank holidays, Christmas, New Year etc), but I don't know what your plans are, so I have to put the usual times in. This means, of course, that sometimes things are NOT correct.

I would be grateful if you could give me any information that will affect the details in the Parish Pump by the deadline. It does mean looking 2 months ahead which is not always easy! I hope this will give the village a more accurate and up-to-date Parish Pump magazine.

Sue Lambert, tel. 01823 680664, sueliz.lambert@virgin.net

Note from the Editor: If you have an event you want listed in the "What's On" calendar section of the magazine, please also notify Sue using the details above. Don't assume it will be done automatically if you submit an advert, copy or poster to me.

Sleeping Beauty

Sleeping Beauty was a great success, audiences were very complimentary and it was a complete sell out, thank you very much to the post office for selling all of those tickets! Stuart certainly did a superb job of directing the team and his hard work and organisational skills motivated everyone to give their best performances, he was very well supported by Zelda who did wonders with the music, she made rehearsals fun and it was great to have her playing the piano at the performances encouraging the cast and audience with her enthusiasm.



Adele certainly ramped up the dance numbers pushing the cast to be more adventurous, this brought the musical numbers to life especially "I don't need anyone but you". We are awaiting our official NODA report, but the general feedback was that Harry and Gary were in their element with audience interaction and played their parts to perfection. The fairies, good and bad added magic to the performance and the knights added humour, all with their different characters played in different ways. The royals were all well cast and Posh! The fairy-tale prince and princess made a handsome young couple, enchanting the audience, but the overall favourite of the show was the spectacular dragon Firebrand!

As always the front of house and bar team, made the evening go without a hitch. The whole Pantomime was enhanced by the lighting, scenery, sound, make-up, prompt and costumes which were all professional and to a very high standard.

We are getting together for a craft evening on 28th Dec to make decorations for our St Mary's Christmas tree and our Christmas meal is on the 21st Dec at the Catherine Wheel. In the New Year we will be going to see Harry, Gary, and Lauren performing in the Culmstock Pantomime Beauty and the Beast. If you are interested in joining Valley-Arts don't hesitate to contact Caroline at cjpinder@hotmail.co.uk or Sally at sallycartledge@hotmail.co.uk. Or Stuart at stuart.summers28@gmail.com. Come and see what it's all about you will be most welcome.

Caroline Pinder (Chairman)

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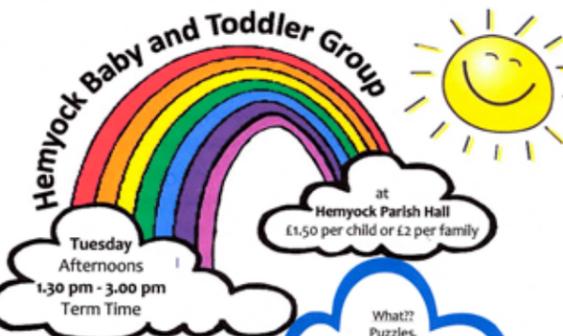
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From year 6 onwards.

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(first session free £1 thereafter per session.)



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at Hemyock Village Hall

on

Saturday 25th January 2020

7.30 start

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max 6 per team

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New 2020 Rules for Septic Tanks Explained

Septic tanks are a common way of treating wastewater in rural areas where mains drainage is not available. There are an estimated one million drainage systems off-mains in England and legislation in the area is becoming increasingly stringent.

Registration of septic tanks and private sewage disposal systems in both England & Wales was introduced in 2010. However a Government review completed in October 2014 introduced new regulations which came into effect in January 2015. These regulations – the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2014 – introduced a set of **General Binding Rules** (GBR).

The rules were designed to end the illegal practice of septic tanks discharging into ditches, streams, rhynes and rivers thus reducing the pollution in our nation's watercourses.

Under the GBRs, anyone with a septic tank discharging into a watercourse must replace it or upgrade it by **1 January 2020**, or sooner if the property is sold before this date, or if the EA finds that it is causing pollution.

If you have, or suspect you have, a septic tank with a direct discharge to a watercourse you can find out more on the **Environment Agency** website <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/general-binding-rules-small-sewage-discharge-to-a-surface-water> or by contacting WCI below.

Naomi Taylor
WCI Sewage Treatment Ltd
enquiries@wci.co.uk - www.wci.co.uk

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Hemyock Parish Council

Business Update December 2019

Hemyock Parish Council held its usual monthly meetings in October & November. A brief summary of the business conducted at those meetings is as follows:-

Planning

Applications received for:-

- 19/01469/FULL. West of Elmdene, Hemyock. Erection of a dwelling, garage and formation of new access (Revised Scheme).
- 19/01551/HOUSE. Conversion of existing outbuilding to form annex and ancillary accommodation (Revised Scheme). Studleys, Hemyock.
- 19/01591/FULL. Erection of roof over existing dung store and associated hardstanding. Land at NGR 314590 110874 Windover Farm, Madford, Hemyock.
- 19/00244/FULL. Change of use of agricultural land to allow the siting of 5 residential pitches, 1 transit gypsy and traveller pitch comprising 6 touring caravans, 3 day rooms, sewage treatment plant, hardstanding with new access and associated works. Lot 3, Shuttleton Farm, Castle Hill, Hemyock. Revised drawings and additional information.
- 19/01702/HOUSE. Erection of a single-storey extension. Corunna, Hemyock.
- 19/01664/FULL. Erection of two dwellings and associated parking. Land at NGR 313436 113036 (Cornhill) Hemyock.
- 19/01751/HOUSE. Erection of single-storey extension following removal of existing conservatory. 21 Logan Way, Hemyock.
- 19/01779/HOUSE. Erection of a single-storey extension. 2 Blackdown View, Hemyock.

Permission granted noted for:-

- 19/01110/PNOU. Change of use of offices to 2 residential dwellings. St Ivel House, Hemyock.
- 19/01176/FULL. Change of use of offices to 1 dwelling, loft extension and associated works. St Ivel House, Hemyock.
- 19/01274/HOUSE. Erection of an agricultural storage building. Claywell's Copse, Hemyock.
- 19/01186/FULL. Creation of a pavement and alteration to existing wall. 27 & 29 Station Road, Hemyock.
- 19/01370/HOUSE. Way Close, Hemyock. Erection of two-storey side and rear single-storey extension.

Finance

Income - included cemetery payments, interest, insurance contribution from BHLAC and precept. Expenditure - included room hire, clerk's pay and expenses, grass cutting, village maintenance, toilet cleaning and consumables, water at toilets and cemetery, costs for drawings and maps reference planning applications, subscriptions, bank charge, election costs,

internal audit fee and payroll, asset management, electricity at toilets, deposit for new heating system and solar panels at BHLAC.

Donations were made to:-

- £500 – Hemyock Lights Brigade
- £250 – Citizens Advice
- £50 – British Legion Poppy Appeal

Hedges

Many comments have been made to the council about hedges in and around the parish encroaching on to roads. Residents are politely asked to ensure their hedges are kept trimmed. Whilst there are some restrictions on when hedges may be cut, if there are road safety concerns then under these circumstances those restrictions do not apply.

Highways

Devon County Council's telephone number for members of the public to report any lights that are not working, pot holes, blocked drains/gulleys and any other road maintenance issues is 0345 155 1004. Lines are open 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 1pm Saturday. Or report the problem online at www.new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem

Police

101 - The non-emergency number for Devon and Cornwall Police. Textphone 18001 101 for the deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired. Always call 999 in an emergency

Longmead Play Area

The parish council is considering what other equipment is needed in the play area. If you have any suggestions please email the clerk.

Precept

The parish council has agreed to set the precept for 2020/2021 at the same rate as last year - £97.31 for a band D property.

Christmas Decorations Competition

The council is holding its annual 'Hemyock Christmas Decorations Competition'. There will be a total of four prizes for the best decorated houses/business premises. Please enter into the spirit of Christmas and make the village look festive and cheerful. Judging will take place week commencing 16th December. Winners will be notified shortly afterwards. If you live outside of the 30MPH limit and wish to be judged, please let the clerk know.

Tree Planting Event, Shuttleton Common 22nd/23rd February 2020

Following on from the Woodland Trust's recent The Big Climate Fightback #EveryTreeCounts campaign, over the weekend of 22nd/23rd February 2020 the parish council will be hosting a tree planting event at Shuttleton Common. Why not get involved?

Trees are the ultimate multi-taskers, helping to combat the two environmental emergencies facing our planet: climate change and biodiversity loss. They absorb carbon, fight flooding, reduce pollution, nurture wildlife and make landscapes more resilient. Reducing our carbon emissions

New Year's Eve Party

@ Hemyock Parish Hall

Normandy Pork followed by dessert
The cheese table
Fizz at Midnight

All wine, beer and other drinks included in your ticket price

Following the meal dance the night away to
DJ Steve's Disco
(If you would like any particular tunes please let us know)

Free entry into the Grand Draw

All Inclusive ticket price £35

Payments to 31 Station Road, Hemyock, EX153SE
Please enclose your contact details

Please contact Karen 01823 681034 kazapinder@hotmail.com
Upper Culm Twinning Association



Longmead Field

TREASURER WANTED

LONGMEAD MANAGEMENT GROUP

Can you help?

The Longmead Management Group is seeking a new Treasurer. The role includes the collection of fees, record keeping, compiling a short report for each meeting and completing an annual return for the Football Foundation.

There are four meetings each year held in the pavilion at Longmead. It is a friendly and interesting group whose task is to oversee the running of the sports facilities and the environmental area at Longmead

If you are interested please contact Tracy Leaman - 01823 681569

will never be enough. The woods, hedges and green spaces we create buffer existing habitats, tackle climate change and reverse wildlife decline – all at the same time.

The parish council plans to order a selection of 4-5 feet native hardwood trees (English and red oak, beech, sweet chestnut, cherry, walnut and sycamore). Parishioners will need to reserve a tree by contacting the clerk and paying a donation of £15.00 before 31st December. The parish council will provide a stake and tree guard.

Over the weekend of 22nd/23rd February the parish council will position numbered stakes out on Shuttleton Common and parishioners will be able to plant their reserved tree (if you are unable to do this the pc can provide assistance). The pc hopes you will take part in this event. Please reserve your tree now!

Finally

If you would like to get involved or wish to know what is happening around the parish then please come along to one of the council meetings, normally held on the first Wednesday of the month in the Forbes Lounge, Parish Hall. The next meeting will start at 7.30pm on Wednesday 4th December 2019. Minutes and agenda are displayed on the web at www.hemyock.org/index.php?topic=parishcouncil and may be found on the two Parish Noticeboards located outside the Spar Shop and in the car park next to the Baptist Church.

Clerk:

Mrs Donna Evans, Park Farm, Dunkeswell, Honiton, Devon EX14 4RN Tel 01823 680968 Email hemyockpc@gmail.com.



1st Hemyock Scout Group

Hello again. I must start with Remembrance Day Parade and Service. What a superb turnout. We had over seventy uniformed members present including Brownies, Beavers (our new section started this Autumn), Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. They were all smartly dressed and well behaved. A credit to themselves and the Group. It was wonderful to see the Church full. The service was excellent, led by our new Rector. A Remembrance Day to remember.

Normally after the silence at the Memorial and the laying of the wreaths, Akela Julie and Old Rikki armed with scissors and string tie the wreaths to the Memorial to defy wind and gales. This year we only had to supervise as two splendid young cubs did the job for us. Done well with the necessary reef knot. This meant that Julie and Rikki could have a chat. She told me that the new Beaver section is going really well with fourteen members and they have all been invested into scouting. More important we have more waiting to join. An excellent start to the new section. A thankyou to the leaders for looking after this section. The cubs have been busy. The weekend before Remembrance they attended a Challenge camp down at Halberton and they all achieved lots of challenge badges. Akela also told me that two cubs have made their Silver Acorn awards and more are on the way. Well done to all of them. The section is still full and having excellent meetings every week. Thankyou Akela and your team.

I also spoke with leader Tom (he is the one still wearing a Kilt!) and he tells me that scouts and explorers are having a great time with their Autumn meetings every week with forty plus regularly attending. I think our leaders must be doing something right! Must mention GSL Andy. At the Parade he had his arm in a sling, some sort of accident the day before. I will say no more, just get better soon we need you!

Annual Sale. This took place on 5th October, another really good result. Gross amount received some £2400, which after costs still leaves us with nearly £2000 for our funds. As you know this is all used for kit and equipment for our young people. A great big thankyou to everyone who donated lots and lots of jumble and to all of you who attended and helped us raise that fantastic sum. So, a date for your diaries, next years sale, 3rd October. See you there! A quick reminder that we have our Christmas BINGO in the Parish Hall on Friday 6th December. We would love to see you there.

And of course the finally from our Founder Lord Baden Powell. This is an extract from his last message to all scouts. Be contented with what you have got and make the best of it. Look on the bright side of things instead of the gloomy one. But the real way to get happiness is by giving out happiness to other people. Try and leave this world a little better than you found it. Always do your best. Be prepared to live a happy life and stick to your Scout Promise always- even when you have ceased to be a boy- God will help you do it. His words, not Rikki's. But I know all at 1st Hemyock agree.

Where does the time go? Another year and I would like to wish all of you a merry and peaceful Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Chat with you again in 2020.

Old Rikki

Dear Residents

All Devon County Budgets lines are struggling. We have not borrowed any money for the last 10 years, although these last 10 years have been in austerity times, with savage cuts, we have picked up grants and handouts that become available to bolster our budgets. We still have loans that are historical and unable to re-pay because of the penalties that we would incur. Government have given us an extra £18m for roads/potholes, it will help, but that will soon disappear, unfortunately, it will not be enough, because we have 8000miles of roads to maintain.

The Devon Children and Family Partnership (DCFP) has launched an ambitious new vision, to help support Children and their Families, bringing together Councils, Health Services, Police, Schools and Voluntary Sector. At the heart of 'The Devon Children and Young People Plan', is to recognise that there are many issues facing children and families that are complex and inter-related and that problems in early life can have a huge impact on public services later in life, and that frontline staff to local community organisations and volunteer groups, to consider themselves a part of the plan. You can join the campaign by using; #WeAreDevon.

Devon could see an extra £20m for education over the next two years. Our initial calculation suggest DCC could receive and extra £11.7m next year and £9.5m in 2021/22. In addition there could be an extra £8.6m to help support children with special needs next year, intending to level up funding for historical under-spend areas.

Over the years there has been a difficulty in attracting Care Workers. 'Proud to Care Devon' is currently running a marketing recruitment campaign to support the recruitment of Care Workers in Devon. The campaign is focusing on recruiting people to roles in domiciliary care, residential and nursing homes using a range of different media to attract people aged 20-39.

County have committed its self to Zero Carbon, including a £250k contribution. The Devon Climate Emergency Response Group, chaired by Phil Norrey, Devon County Chief Executive, and comprising of public and private sector organisations, has appointed a Net-Zero Task Force to deliver a Devon Carbon Plan. The Net-Zero Task Force is chaired by Professor Patrick Devine-Wright, a leading climate expert, and it includes experts drawn from environmental, economic, health and academic organisations.

The Task Force has issued a 'call for evidence' to all Devon residents to submit their ideas about how Devon can reduce carbon emissions as quickly as possible. It will be conducting a series of hearings to help gather views, evidence and data that will be used to develop recommendations to Devon Carbon Plan. You can get more information by going to; www.devonclimateemergency.org.uk/devo-carbon-plan.

This just some of what is going on in Devon, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have anything that you feel I can help with.

Regards,

Ray Radford, Devon County Councillor
Willand & Uffculme Division
Email: ray.radford@devon.gov.uk

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| | AN EVENING OF MARVIN GAYE 22 Feb 7.30pm Bar open 6.30pm £23 |
| | Gary Delaney: Gagster's Paradise Saturday 29 Feb 8.00pm Bar 6.30pm £17 |
| | Mark Steel: Every Little Thing's Gonna Be Alright Friday 6 Mar 8.00pm Bar 6.30pm £15 |
| | A night in Dublin Friday 20 Mar 7.30pm Bar 6.30pm £21 |
| the venue Uffculme | See website for full events listing or to book venueuffculme.com |

1st Hemyock Scout Group

BINGO

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Hemyock Parish Hall

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| Taunton, Castle Way (S-bound) | — | — | 0850 | — | 1115 | — | 1415 | — | 1715 | — | — | — | 0850 | — | 1115 | — | 1415 | — | 1715 | | |
| Hockholler, Heatherton Grange Inn (SW-bound) | — | — | 0900 | — | 1125 | — | 1425 | — | 1726 | — | — | — | 0900 | — | 1125 | — | 1425 | — | 1726 | | |
| Wellington, Post Office (SW-bound) | — | — | 0911 | — | 1136 | — | 1436 | — | 1736 | — | — | — | 0911 | — | 1136 | — | 1436 | — | 1736 | | |
| Sampford Moor, Blue Ball Inn (SW-bound) | — | — | 0920 | — | 1145 | — | 1445 | — | 1745 | — | — | — | 0920 | — | 1145 | — | 1445 | — | 1745 | | |
| Nicholashayne, opp Post Box | — | — | 0924 | — | 1149 | — | 1449 | — | 1749 | — | — | — | 0924 | — | 1149 | — | 1449 | — | 1749 | | |
| Culmstock, All Saints Church (E-bound) | 0729 | — | 0930 | — | 1155 | — | 1455 | — | 1755 | — | — | — | 0729 | — | 0930 | — | 1155 | — | 1755 | | |
| Hemyock, Castle Park (NE-bound) | 0738 | — | 0939 | — | 1204 | — | 1504 | — | 1804 | — | — | — | 0738 | — | 0939 | — | 1204 | — | 1804 | | |
| Hemyock, Prowses (S-bound) | 0741 | — | 0942 | — | 1207 | — | 1507 | — | 1807 | — | — | — | 0741 | — | 0942 | — | 1207 | — | 1807 | | |
| Hemyock, Catherine Wheel (N-bound) | 0743 | — | 0944 | — | 1209 | — | 1509 | — | 1809 | — | — | — | 0743 | — | 0944 | — | 1209 | — | 1809 | | |
| Sheldon, Sheldon Turn (S-bound) | 0749 | — | 0950 | — | 1215 | — | 1515 | — | 1815 | — | — | — | 0749 | — | 0950 | — | 1215 | — | 1815 | | |
| Dunkeswell, opp Royal Oak | 0753 | — | 0954 | — | 1219 | — | 1519 | — | 1819 | — | — | — | 0753 | — | 0954 | — | 1219 | — | 1819 | | |
| Dunkeswell, Jenwood Road (W-bound) | 0756 | — | 0957 | — | 1222 | — | 1522 | — | 1822 | — | — | — | 0756 | — | 0957 | — | 1222 | — | 1822 | | |
| Combe Raleigh, opp Combe Raleigh Turn | 0803 | — | 1004 | — | 1229 | — | 1529 | — | 1829 | — | — | — | 0803 | — | 1004 | — | 1229 | — | 1829 | | |
| Honiton, Job Centre (Stop D) | 0810 | 0815 | 1011 | 1015 | 1236 | 1240 | 1536 | 1540 | 1836 | — | — | — | 0810 | 0815 | 1011 | 1015 | 1236 | 1240 | 1536 | 1540 | 1836 |
| Honiton, Tesco Superstore (E-bound) | — | 0820 | — | 1020 | — | 1245 | — | 1545 | 1841 | — | — | — | — | 0820 | — | 1020 | — | 1245 | — | 1545 | 1841 |
| Honiton, Waterleat Avenue (NE-bound) | — | 0824 | — | 1024 | — | 1249 | — | 1549 | — | — | — | — | — | 0824 | — | 1024 | — | 1249 | — | 1549 | — |
| Wilmington, White Hart Inn (E-bound) | — | 0830 | — | 1030 | — | 1255 | — | 1555 | — | — | — | — | — | 0830 | — | 1030 | — | 1255 | — | 1555 | — |
| Shute, Shute House (S-bound) | — | 0839 | — | 1039 | — | 1304 | — | 1604 | — | — | — | — | — | 0839 | — | 1039 | — | 1304 | — | 1604 | — |
| Colyton, The Square (S-bound) | — | 0846 | — | 1046 | — | 1311 | — | 1611 | — | — | — | — | — | 0846 | — | 1046 | — | 1311 | — | 1611 | — |
| Colyford, opp The Elms | — | 0850 | — | 1050 | — | 1315 | — | 1615 | — | — | — | — | — | 0850 | — | 1050 | — | 1315 | — | 1615 | — |
| Seaton, Health Centre (S-bound) | — | 0852 | — | 1052 | — | 1317 | — | 1617 | — | — | — | — | — | 0852 | — | 1052 | — | 1317 | — | 1617 | — |
| Seaton, Marine Place (Stop B) | — | 0857 | — | 1057 | — | 1322 | — | 1622 | — | — | — | — | — | 0857 | — | 1057 | — | 1322 | — | 1622 | — |



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| Seaton, Marine Place (Stop B) | — | — | 0900 | — | 1200 | — | 1500 | — | 1700 | — | — | — | — | — | 0900 | — | 1200 | — | 1500 | — | 1700 |
| Seaton, opp Health Centre | — | — | 0904 | — | 1204 | — | 1504 | — | 1704 | — | — | — | — | — | 0904 | — | 1204 | — | 1504 | — | 1704 |
| Colyford, The Elms (NE-bound) | — | — | 0908 | — | 1208 | — | 1508 | — | 1708 | — | — | — | — | — | 0908 | — | 1208 | — | 1508 | — | 1708 |
| Colyton, The Square (N-bound) | — | — | 0913 | — | 1213 | — | 1513 | — | 1712 | — | — | — | — | — | 0913 | — | 1213 | — | 1513 | — | 1712 |
| Shute, Shute House (N-bound) | — | — | 0920 | — | 1220 | — | 1520 | — | 1718 | — | — | — | — | — | 0920 | — | 1220 | — | 1520 | — | 1718 |
| Wilmington, opp White Hart Inn | — | — | 0929 | — | 1229 | — | 1529 | — | 1726 | — | — | — | — | — | 0929 | — | 1229 | — | 1529 | — | 1726 |
| Honiton, Waterleat Avenue (SW-bound) | — | — | 0935 | — | 1235 | — | 1535 | — | 1732 | — | — | — | — | — | 0935 | — | 1235 | — | 1535 | — | 1732 |
| Honiton, Tesco Superstore (E-bound) | 0701 | 0938 | — | 1238 | — | 1538 | — | 1735 | — | — | — | — | 0701 | 0938 | — | 1238 | — | 1538 | — | 1735 | — |
| Honiton, Lace Walk (Stop C) | 0705 | 0942 | 0944 | 1242 | 1244 | 1542 | 1544 | 1739 | 1740 | — | — | — | 0705 | 0942 | 0944 | 1242 | 1244 | 1542 | 1544 | 1739 | 1740 |
| Combe Raleigh, Combe Raleigh Turn (NW-bound) | 0712 | — | 0951 | — | 1251 | — | 1551 | — | 1746 | — | — | — | 0712 | — | 0951 | — | 1251 | — | 1551 | — | 1746 |
| Dunkeswell, Jenwood Road (E-bound) | 0719 | — | 0958 | — | 1258 | — | 1558 | — | 1753 | — | — | — | 0719 | — | 0958 | — | 1258 | — | 1558 | — | 1753 |
| Dunkeswell, Royal Oak (N-bound) | 0722 | — | 1001 | — | 1301 | — | 1601 | — | 1755 | — | — | — | 0722 | — | 1001 | — | 1301 | — | 1601 | — | 1755 |
| Sheldon, Sheldon Turn (N-bound) | 0725 | — | 1004 | — | 1304 | — | 1604 | — | 1758 | — | — | — | 0725 | — | 1004 | — | 1304 | — | 1604 | — | 1758 |
| Hemyock, Square (W-bound) | 0733 | — | 1012 | — | 1312 | — | 1612 | — | 1806 | — | — | — | 0733 | — | 1012 | — | 1312 | — | 1612 | — | 1806 |
| Hemyock, Castle Park (NE-bound) | 0735 | — | 1014 | — | 1314 | — | 1614 | — | 1808 | — | — | — | 0735 | — | 1014 | — | 1314 | — | 1614 | — | 1808 |
| Hemyock, Prowses (S-bound) | 0738 | — | 1017 | — | 1317 | — | 1617 | — | 1811 | — | — | — | 0738 | — | 1017 | — | 1317 | — | 1617 | — | 1811 |
| Culmstock, opp All Saints Church | 0748 | — | 1027 | — | 1327 | — | 1627 | — | 1820 | — | — | — | 0748 | — | 1027 | — | 1327 | — | 1627 | — | 1820 |
| Nicholashayne, Post Box (NE-bound) | 0753 | — | 1032 | — | 1332 | — | 1632 | — | — | — | — | — | 0753 | — | 1032 | — | 1332 | — | 1632 | — | — |
| Sampford Moor, Vine Cottage (NE-bound) | 0757 | — | 1036 | — | 1336 | — | 1636 | — | — | — | — | — | 0757 | — | 1036 | — | 1336 | — | 1636 | — | — |
| Wellington, Post Office (NE-bound) | 0806 | — | 1045 | — | 1345 | — | 1645 | — | — | — | — | — | 0806 | — | 1045 | — | 1345 | — | 1645 | — | — |
| Silver Street, Heatherton Grange Inn (NE-bound) | 0813 | — | 1052 | — | 1352 | — | 1652 | — | — | — | — | — | 0813 | — | 1052 | — | 1352 | — | 1652 | — | — |
| Taunton, Castle Way (S-bound) | 0831 | — | 1105 | — | 1405 | — | 1705 | — | — | — | — | — | 0831 | — | 1105 | — | 1405 | — | 1705 | — | — |

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St Andrew's Clayhidon



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St. Andrew's Church News

It was a wonderful occasion on 2nd October when we could gather together with congregations from Culmstock and Culm Davy in Hemyock Church to welcome our new Rector, Rev. Becky Totterdell. We wish that she and her husband will be very happy here in our rural communities where life can be so different from city atmosphere, yet so rewarding. Only two days later we were able to give them our Clayhidon welcome at our Harvest Festival followed by supper served in the Parish Hall where a glorious meal was appreciated, followed by Brenda's enjoyable group of entertainers.



Later in October, it was St Luke's Day and a time for us particularly to remember all those in the medical world. From Rosemary Lane Chapel members came to join us in prayer and praise for so many who need our thoughts at this time.

Now as we approach the end of November, we think of our services during December and give you information of the many happy occasions when we can join together with friends and families at this exciting time of year.

- December 1st 10.30 Benefice service. Holy Communion.
- December 7th 2pm preparation. 4pm Christingle service.
- December 8th 8.30 Holy Communion.
- December 14th 10 – 12. Christmas Fayre. Parish Hall.
- December 15th 6.30. Carol Service – 9 Lessons and Carols.
- December 22nd 4pm. Crib Service.
- December 24th 11.15pm Holy Communion.
- December 25th 10 am. Family Service. Holy Communion.
- December 29th 10.30 Benefice service at Culm Davy Chapel.
- January 12th 10 am Plough Sunday Family Service.
- January 19th 6.30pm Evening Prayer at Rosemary Lane Chapel

We send our good wishes to all in our community for your happiness and friendship at this special time and we pray for your safety and good health in the year to come.

P. Reynolds, PCC

St Andrew's Flower Rota

December, for Sunday

- 1st Heather Drew and Margaret Prettejohn
- 8th as above
- 15th Lucy Ball and Alison Weekes
- 22nd As Christmas day is on a Wednesday this year, would you all be able to do flowers on either Monday 23rd or Tuesday 24th...please let me know. Silver, gold, red and green, glitter etc. I will get the flowers, so any greenery very welcome.
- 29th Lucy Ball and Alison Weekes and anyone else to help tidy up...

January for Sunday

- 5th everybody to take away the Christmas decorations please and just leave silk flowers on the font and the altar.

No more flowers until Easter which is Good Friday on April 10th, 2020

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and healthy 2020. Thank you for your time and patience with me during the years that I have been doing the church flowers. It is time to retire! Bridget Drew will be taking over – new blood and many years of really wonderful flower arrangements from a person who knows what they are doing!

Nicola Bendle

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| HEMYOCK, Square | 0912 | TIVERTON, Carew Road | 1321 |
| CULMSTOCK, All Saints Church | 0920 | CHETTISCOMBE, Post Box | 1323 |
| CULMSTOCK, Millmoor | 0922 | CHEVITHORNE, Church | 1325 |
| BURLESCOMBE, Ayshford Arms | 0930 | UPLOWMAN, Bus Shelter | 1332 |
| WESTLEIGH, Shelter | 0934 | STAGG MILL, Cross | 1337 |
| HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Prince of Wales | 0942 | HUNTSHAM, Post Office | 1342 |
| HOLCOMBE ROGUS, Whitebrook Terrace | 0944 | HOCKFORD WATERS | 1348 |
| HOCKWORTHY, Phone Box | 0950 | STAPLE CROSS, Inn | 1350 |
| STAPLE CROSS, Inn | 0952 | HOCKWORTHY, Phone Box | 1352 |
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| UPLOWMAN, Bus Shelter | 1010 | BURLESCOMBE, Ayshford Arms | 1412 |
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| CHETTISCOMBE, Post Box | 1020 | CULMSTOCK, All Saints Church | 1422 |
| TIVERTON, Carew Road | 1022 | HEMYOCK, Square | 1430 |
| TIVERTON, Bus Station | 1028 | HEMYOCK, Lower Millhayes | 1432 |

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incidentally. The present descendant of the family Richard Fox is the only person who holds the title Freeman of the Town.

Other notable businesses were Egerton Burnett a mail order clothing company. After a fire Cedar Court building took its place. Price Brothers with the trading name of "Relyon" claim to build the best mattresses in the World. Pool Brickworks, with its famous orangey red smooth faced bricks now is the Waste Disposal Centre. The town pubs have whittled down from 13 to 7. Walter Gregory Chemists was one of the first to sell Aerosols. He was also the local Vet. Locals might know of Walkers Gate, where originally Walkers Dairy was situated. They being the company to once win an award for the Second Cleanest Milk. Unigate took them over. Famously James Kelway Toms invented the perfect violin string, verified by famous violin players; Jaqueline Du Pres and Andre Previn.

The Howards of Wellington were responsible for a hundreds of buildings around the Town. The Father Edwin was an Architect and also had the title of Sanitary Inspector and installed the mains water and mains drainage. He also held the position of Surveyor and was in the unique position to pass his own Architectural drawings. Notably the family built Fox Fowlers Bank Building which became Lloyds Bank. The oldest part of Wellington School. (Past pupils being famously David Suchet, Jeffery Archer and Keith Lloyd.) When the building next to Lloyds was developed for a Supermarket (now the Co-Op), the separation of the building's Pilaster still ends with a carving of the Green Man – take a look next time!

The Town's Crest was won in a competition and depicts the Monument taking centre stage surrounded by the Woollen Industry, The Milling Industry, the Relyon Mattress, the Dairy Company and Rows Nursery whose Chrysanthemums were supplied to the Queen Mother and Marks and Spencers. Obviously I can only write a small amount of the wealth of information within the Museum. It is up to the individual to go in, next time they have some time to spare, and learn about the Town and its history. You will find it immensely worthwhile. We are very fortunate to live in this part of Britain.

Lynda Ridout

Funding for community projects



Do you have a project which will have an environmental, social or economic benefit?

The Blackdown Hills AONB's Sustainable Development Fund (SDF) gives grants of up to £3000 to encourage individuals, community groups, schools and businesses to try to achieve a more sustainable way of living in the Blackdown Hills.

Find out if your project qualifies and apply for a Sustainable Development Fund grant:

Tel: 01823 680681

Email: blackdownhills@devon.gov.uk

HELP

The Clayhidon Village Hall Committee are seeking help from parishioners to enable us to continue to run the entertainment's programme, as well as to raise money for the expansion of the Village Hall now that the new roof has been finished.

If the idea of becoming a trustee does not attract you, we always need volunteers to help us set up, run and tidy up afterwards for the events that we do put on.

The existing group, which is becoming a little thin on the ground, needs the help of some new blood.

The committee is also looking for a new chairperson to lead the group from the beginning of 2020. This role involves chairing the meetings and coordinating the individual activities of the various trustees.

Please come and join us - we need your help - and the community will be grateful for any help you can give. For more information call Neil Carter on 01823 680672 or Anne Langford on 01823 680086.

The Village Hall Committee

In aid of Exeter Leukaemia Fund and Hall building fund

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

With Culm Valley's Male Voice Choir

THE WYNDHAM SINGERS

AND

WELLINGTON SCHOOL'S BRASS PLAYERS

at Clayhidon Parish Hall EX15 3PL

Saturday 7th December 2019

At 7.30pm (doors 7pm)

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Or email: carouselle@btinternet.com

Clayhidon Parish Council

Clayhidon Parish Council held meetings in October and November. A brief summary of the business conducted at those meetings is as follows:-

Planning

Applications received for:

- 19/01509/HOUSE. Erection of two-storey extension to front (following demolition of existing store) and two-storey rear extension and construction of new vehicular access. Hatchet and Brandy Cottage, Clayhidon.
- 19/00868/FULL. Variation of condition 2 to allow for substitution of plans and condition 3 of planning permission 18/01260/FULL to allow commercial equestrian use. Poachers Rest, Clayhidon.

Permission granted for:

- 19/01521/PNCOU. Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building. Smiths Farm, Clayhidon.
- 19/00990/HOUSE. Erection of a 2-bay garage. Barpark, Clayhidon.
- 19/00853/FULL. Conversion of redundant outbuilding/barn to dwelling. West of Valley View, Dunns Green Lane, Clayhidon.
- 19/01299/PNCOU. Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building to hotel. Foxhayes, Garlandhayes.

Finance

Income –interest.

Expenditure –clerk's wages, election costs, training, internal audit fee and pay roll.

Highways

Devon County Council's telephone number for members of the public to report any lights that are not working, pot holes, blocked drains/gulleys and any other road maintenance issues is 0345 155 1004 (Lines are open 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 1pm Saturday).

Or report the problem online at www.new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem

Police

101 - The non-emergency number for Devon and Cornwall Police. Textphone 18001 101 for the deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired. Always call 999 in an emergency.

Parish Lengthsman

The parish has a modest budget to spend on a trained lengthsman to maintain those ditches/drains which are not the responsibility of Devon County Council. Please report any problems to the clerk or a councillor so that the lengthsman may be deployed where he is most needed.

Hedges

Many comments have been made to the council about hedges around the parish encroaching on to roads. Residents are politely asked to ensure their hedges are kept trimmed. Whilst

there are some restrictions on when hedges may be cut, if there are road safety concerns then under these circumstances those restrictions do not apply.

Snow Warden Volunteers

The pc is still looking for volunteers who are willing to help clear snow and spread grit/salt on roads in the parish when necessary. Please contact the clerk if you are interested in volunteering.

Local Tradespeople

From time to time the parish council employs people to carry out tasks on its behalf. These tasks range from repairing a wall, improving and repairing footpaths, gates and bridges, clearing ditches, and other general maintenance works. The parish council is keen to use local tradespeople and to that end if you would be interested in quoting for any such works then please contact the clerk giving your contact details and the types of work you are interested in and your details will be held on file.

And Finally

If you would like to get involved or wish to know what is happening around the parish then please come along to one of the council meetings, normally held on the second Monday of every other month in the Parish Hall. The next meeting will start at 7.30 pm on Monday 9th December 2019 (a planning meeting will be held at 7.30pm on the second Monday of the alternate month, if necessary). Minutes and agendas are displayed on the web at www.clayhidon.org and a schedule of meetings may be found on the noticeboard at the Parish Hall.

Clerk:

Mrs Donna Evans, Park Farm, Dunkeswell, Honiton, Devon EX14 4RN. Tel: 01823 680968.
Email clayhidonparishcouncil@gmail.com.

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aggie@devoncommunities.org.uk
 01392 248919
www.devoncommunities.org.uk/projects/big-energy-saving-network

1 in 10 households in Devon are classed as 'fuel poor'. Help us support communities to fight fuel poverty this winter.

News From Rosemary Lane Chapel

There are two things that occupy my mind at this moment... the writing of this article and, a most pressing question my wife has just asked me: "What do I want for Christmas?" That we are asking these questions, is indicative of the months marching on, as we enter this season of Advent – a time of anticipation, celebration, thanksgiving and a time when we herald good news that brings hope. And yet, Christmas seems a million miles away because, as a nation, we are preoccupied by a General Election and the still unknown consequences of Brexit. Uncertainty can be unsettling.

At Rosemary Lane, we were glad of a few events in the diary to fix our minds upon. At the time of last writing I shared news that we were anticipating the arrival of a visiting missionary from London City Mission (LCM). I'm pleased to say, our hopes were not dashed – Emmanuel Gill visited us on Sunday 3rd November. He shared with us the many ways in which he and others involved with LCM are engaging with communities across our nation's capital and sharing something of the love of Jesus. He then shared a word of encouragement to us at Rosemary Lane Chapel – if we know Jesus, each one of us has a story to share of God's love. Spurred on by this word, we were greatly encouraged by the opportunity that we would have later that week – although even here, an element of uncertainty could have robbed us of our focus on sharing something of this story of God's love.

Speaking of God's love, several weeks prior to our visit from LCM, we commenced our Winter Bible Study series looking at the well-known words from John 3:16:

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Peter Glasgow commenced our series by exploring the danger, that we are, absent of His love, perishing. Yet this is not God's heart for any of us and indeed, through His Son, reveals the full extent of His love. The second study in the series addressed this design, God's plan, that we encounter and experience his love in action. John Woollam, from Newhouse Baptist Chapel, walked us through this aspect of John 3:16. We look forward to resuming the Winter Bible Study in February and March when we will be joined by David Beazley (Sainthill) and David Herring (Quantock Ministries).

As alluded to earlier, In the month of November, we hosted our annual Bonfire Night and Fireworks display when we open up the Chapel field to the local community to join with us as we watch the night sky light up. However, with plans in place to host the evening on the 1st November, we had to postpone the evening due to the uncertainty of bad weather. We waited a week and prayed for better weather – we were not disappointed. Though cold, the night of the 8th November was clear. We were thrilled to see so many members of our local community join us for a special night. Not deterred by the cold, all held on to hear a short word about the power of Jesus to light up our lives! This was followed by hot dogs and

hot chocolate to fight back the winter chill. For a time though, with the disappointment of postponing and no guarantee of better weather the week to follow, the uncertainty could have easily begun to remove something of the anticipation and excitement for the event.

Indeed, one of the things that would rob us of anticipation, excitement and hope, is uncertainty. When we are filled with a sense of uncertainty regarding what tomorrow, next week or next year will hold, it is hard to hope, or to know what even to hope for. As a nation, as a community, even as individuals with our various circumstances... fear of the unknown can rob us of hope. So how do we push back on all of life's uncertainty? We hold fast to that which is certain – for me this is God and His Word. I believe God offers each one of us something that is certain, something that gives hope, an assurance that the best is yet to come – He gives us Himself.

*This is how God showed his love among us:
He sent his one and only Son into the world that
we might live through him.*

1 JOHN 4:9

How do we face uncertainty – by holding to that which is certain... the love of God revealed in the sending of His Son to live among us. You see, the hope we discover in the birth of Jesus is a hope that cannot be dashed, a hope that cannot be extinguished, a hope that cannot fade – it lasts, enduringly, because the one who loved, who loves, lives! If you want to know more about this wonderful hope this Christmas, then we would love for you to know how welcome you would be to join us as we walk through the accounts of Jesus' birth and rediscover The Thrill of Hope.

Jonathan Hillman – Rosemary Lane Chapel

Rosemary Lane Chapel
warmly invites you to our Christmas services:

Sunday 15th December
Christmas Family Service
11:00 am

Christmas Tea & Carols by Candlelight
4:30-6.30 pm

Sunday 22nd December
Christmas Service with Communion
11:00 am

Tuesday 25th December
Christmas Day Service
10:30 - 11:15 am

for more information please visit our website
www.rosemarylanechapel.co.uk
or call Jonathan Hillman on 01823 681164

Sampford Peverell Historic Vehicles Show

The date for next years show will be 16th August 2020. Any help would be appreciated as the show is getting bigger and the organisers are getting older. Please ring Keith Astbury on 01884 820 527.

Green Drinks

Green things on your mind? Want to drink about them? "What we need are more people who specialise in the impossible". Is that YOU, I wonder? Do you have a unique idea or skill that might help us navigate our current ecological crisis? Most certainly you do, so you might be interested in finding out more about a new initiative from the Blackdown Hills Transition Group, called GREEN DRINKS.

Let's imagine a bicycle wheel where we're all heading for the hub – a harmonious planet – yet with different, though equally important, avenues of approach. The wheel won't be complete without your particular spoke in it or, as another saying goes, "No-one has all the answers, but together we are a genius". At the time of writing we've already had two gatherings, both well attended by people brimming with ideas, from all over the Blackdowns and beyond, where useful contacts and links have been made. It's all about networking, finding out what people are doing, where their passions lie and how we can help and support one another to bring those ideas to fruition in our neighbourhoods.

We meet on the last Wednesday of each month at the York Inn, Churchinford, from 7-9pm, the next one being on 29th January, 2020. Please come along (there's no need to book), bring your friends and become part of this ever-expanding conversation.

For more information, please email trishacomrie@gmail.com.

BHTG Blackdown Hills Transition Group

GREEN DRINKS

Green things on your mind?
Want to drink about them?

Come for a drink and meet like-minded thinkers to talk about green issues, and find out about what is happening. Do you have questions to ask? Or answers to give?

What we need are more people who specialise in the impossible

Creating a world that we want is far more powerful than destroying the one we have

No-one has all the answers, but together we are a genius

York Inn, Churchinford
7 - 9 pm

Wednesday 29 January 2020
Wednesday 26 February 2020
Wednesday 25 March 2020

Green Drinks is an invitation for individuals to come together and bounce ideas, share talents and skills. So, bring along your passion for green/ecological issues, to share what makes your heart sing and what makes you come alive.

It's good to talk
For more information, contact trishacomrie@gmail.com
www.blackdownhillstransition.net

News From Coldharbour Mill

Please note that the Museum is closed over the winter except for special events (see below) and for pre-booked school and adult group visits (please phone or email to enquire or book). It will reopen to the general public in Spring 2020.



In the meantime, do visit the Mill's website to find out about the benefits of membership and to keep up to speed on events or buy discounted tickets for them.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sunday 1st December 2pm-7pm – Christmas STEAM DAY with lots of lights and festive fun for all the family! Christmas special reduced entry – only £8.50 adults, £7 concessions and under 16s go free! Mulled wine in the cafe, and fantastic offers up to 50% off in Mill Shop – our exclusive textile products and local crafts are ideal for your unique last-minute Christmas gifts!

Saturday 7th December – Friends of the Mill AUTUMN QUIZ and SUPPER at Uffculme Village Hall. Doors open 7pm for prompt start at 7.30pm. Entry £6 per person includes buffet supper with tea or coffee. Please book your table of four by phoning 01884 840309 or 01884 840880 in advance. All Welcome! No bar – please bring your own soft or alcoholic drinks (ample parking at Magelake, only 5 mins walk).

Wednesday 1st January 2020 10.30m-4pm – New Year's Day STEAM UP!

The Mill's traditional way to start the New Year – do come and join us!

Volunteering

Although the Mill is closed to the public over the winter, we still need volunteers!

Among the many opportunities available: we are seeking people to help with our Victorian Drama for school visits, and to help in the cafe mainly on Thursday mornings for an hour or two for coach parties, and also on Steam Days. Email or phone to find out more about volunteering at the Mill.

To contact Coldharbour Mill, please phone 01884 840960 or email: info@coldharbourmill.org.uk or visit the Mill website: www.coldharbourmill.org.uk or write to Coldharbour Mill, Uffculme, Cullompton EX15 3EE.

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Sheldon

Tuesday 3rd December - Quiet Day, 10:30am to 4pm. 'Hope Against Hope: Longing and Living for God's Justice' led by Canon Chris Palmer.

Day in silence with 4 short addresses. Space in between to quietly read or reflect, pray, walk. Medieval chapel, labyrinth, 45 acres grounds, shop.

£22 (20% ministry discount), includes coffee on arrival, lunch, and tea after final prayers. Sheldon, Sheldon Lane, Doddiscombsleigh, Exeter EX6 7YT. 01647 252752. www.sheldon.uk.com

Blackdown Hills Transition Group

Exciting Christmas news for the new year from Blackdown Hills Transition (BHT).

Due to the generous support and donations made to both Blackdown Hills Transition Apple Days and Repair Cafés, we are delighted to be able to give back to the Blackdown Hills community. Every year, after maintaining a contingency fund, any extra donations will help fund new related projects. This year we have £1,500 available. We encourage local communities, repairers, enthusiasts and schools in the Blackdown Hills to apply for up to £250 towards a sustainability project.

The Categories for 2019/2020 are:

1. Planting a community or school orchard or vegetable patch
2. Planting and maintaining a wildflower verge
3. Running a skills' share Repair Workshop for families with children
4. Running a home-based Repair support team to link with BH Support Group
5. Supporting a new Repair Café somewhere in the Blackdown Hills
6. Publish groups of local children's stories on Climate Change

To find out how to apply please visit our website at www.blackdownhillstransition.net.

Deadline for submission of proposals is Friday 7th February 2020. The main BHT committee will decide which projects will be supported by March 2020. The Repair Café held in Hemyock every 4th Saturday bimonthly will be postponing the January Café and moving it to coincide with the National BIG FIX Day February 15th when all Repair Cafés are coordinating on the same day to publicise repairing rather than throwing away. More information to be given in a February 2020 article. www.blackdownhillstransition.net.

Our Thatching Life featuring Ferrari the Thatcher, Daisy his apprentice and all our animals...

At last we have made it to a local re-thatch, which is a blessing in winter with such short days. As glorious as it is to be in the Exmoor National Park, the drive there and back steals too many hours from the working day. It's nice to be back in Rawridge amongst old friends and new, almost like the Journeymen workers from earlier times, passing through once a year, having just enough time to catch up on the year's news before moving on again.

Speaking of times past, many, many years ago I used to have falcons and a lurcher. Some of you may remember Graphite the peregrine sitting on her perch on a customer's lawn, bells jangling on her jesses. My lurcher, Socks, was the very best hound for catching rabbits, and on a windy night the two of us would be twitching like a pair of Bisto kids, waiting to get out in the wildness of it all. The rabbits we caught either fed the falcon, or made a wonderful stew for me.

This all came to mind while Daisy and I watched Jelly put up and chase a lovely fat rabbit. The rabbit switched this way and that, leading Jelly a merry dance, and she loving every fast paced moment with absolutely no intention of catching it, trotting back after the game of it all, looking very pleased with herself as our joint delight at the prospect of a rabbit stew ebbed away.

A few days later Jelly and Daisy were out walking and met a lady from the village renowned as a good cook. On talking of rabbits and Jelly not being quite the hunter that Socks was, the lady offered a spare rabbit... stew back on the menu, and perhaps in a roundabout way, Jelly caught us a rabbit after all! With the pigs feasting on spare apples from Bollhayes Cider orchards, hay in the barn for the cows, a very fetching fluorescent orange jacket for Jelly and winter tyres from Mr Retter, we are about ready for dark nights and cold days. It just remains for us to wish you a warm, and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



The Filo Project
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A different kind of day care

The Filo Project is a ground-breaking not-for-profit organisation offering high quality adult day care. Our service supports elderly individuals who are socially and intellectually isolated, most of whom are experiencing symptoms associated with moderate dementia, including memory loss.

A day with The Filo Project begins when clients are collected from their own home by a host. The clients spend the day in the host's home between the approximate hours of 10am-4pm. Group sizes are small, generally a maximum of 4. The intimate home environment is key; no client is subsumed by a large group and confidence is gently nurtured. Moreover, the small group size gives the time and space for people to feel at ease, to flourish and to form friendships.

Apartment having a home-cooked lunch, what occurs in each group varies and is dependent on who is in a group and what the capacities and personalities are. It is a bespoke service. However, the focus of any day, for any group, is to provide the opportunity for high quality social interaction.

For more information visit www.thefiloproject.co.uk or call us or email on 01392 982138 info@thefiloproject.co.uk.

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- * Hosts require a full driving license, downstairs W/C and access to a five-door car
- * Experience isn't essential however, hosts must be: a good listener, gentle, able to 'read' people well and be understanding
- * Full training is provided
- * A DBS check is undertaken prior to work commencement.

The Filo Project is a lead provider for Devon County Council and hosts enjoy excellent rates of pay and on-going training. Please visit www.thefiloproject.co.uk for further details, or contact us on 01392 982138 or email info@thefiloproject.co.uk

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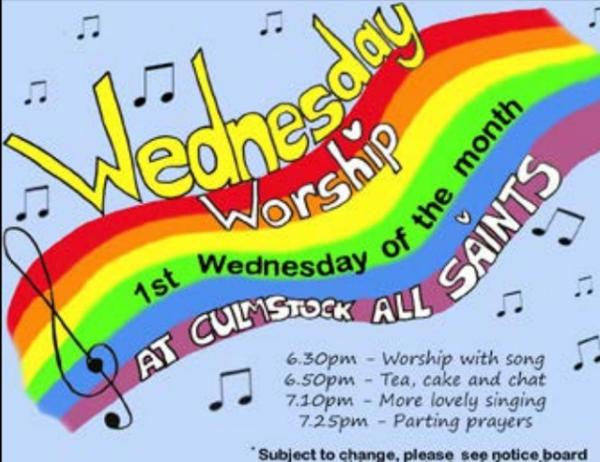
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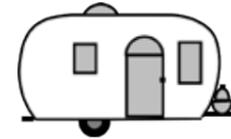
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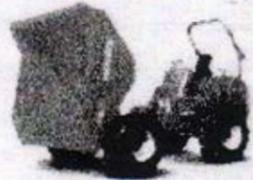
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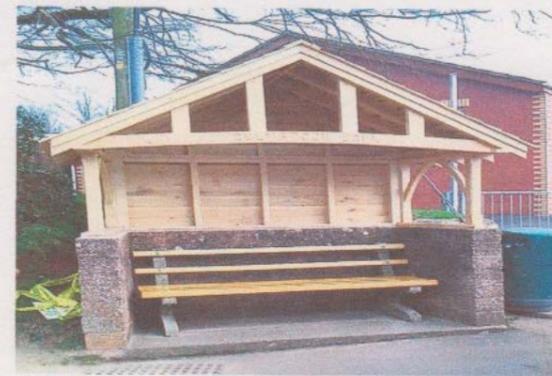
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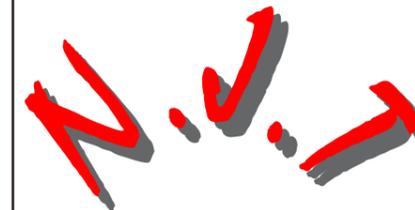
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