My dear Friends,

Are you happy with your lot in life? It seems to me that frequently we are being discouraged from being content, with such comments as ‘you should want to better yourself’. What does that mean? It is certainly likely, most of all, to be about material wealth. I have an admiration for people who start with nothing and end up being very comfortably off but I most admire them when they find in their hearts a generosity towards other members of their family or their friends or simply ‘good causes’. I am glad to say that I have known – and know - many such.

I have sadly also come across those who have more or less destroyed relationships as they have pursued their own interests to the detriment of others. Jesus says (Mark 8:36) “What gain is it for a man to have won the whole world and to have lost or ruined his very self?” How sad this can be? How easily, though, we can relate it to someone else and not to ourselves. I have heard people

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Church website: www.bereregiswithaffpuddle.org.uk
incorrectly quote the passage from Paul’s first letter to his friend Timothy (6:10) and say that money is the root of all evil but actually Paul says “the love of money is the root of all evil”...which is very different!

Shortly before writing this letter it was my privilege to conduct another village funeral and I perceived as I listened to the family and friends that this person was truly contented with her lot in life. I reflected on what a wonderful virtue to celebrate in someone. I quoted from John Bunyan:

I am content with what I have, little it be or much;
And, Lord, contentment still I crave because thou savest such.

There is always, of course a real sadness at the time of a funeral but the death provides also, beyond our grief, a chance to reflect on the qualities of the person and an opportunity to learn from them. Perhaps we sometimes take people a little bit for granted and then when we lose them, we begin to think of their qualities. I have noticed occasionally that a person who may have been on the end of their families’ complaints suddenly becomes a saint! ‘Stubborn’ becomes ‘independent’, ‘selfish’ becomes ‘he preferred to keep his own judgement’ and ‘grumpy’ appears as ‘he didn’t always smile’.

One of the most wonderful gifts we have as human beings is other people who love us and care about us. How sad it is that we don’t always appreciate them as fully as we might until they are no longer with us! Perhaps it is because we need age and maturity to see all the qualities of others or perhaps just hindsight. It has only been in recent years that I have seen the true and wonderful value of my father. He was an orphan by the age of 13 having also lost his older brother, killed at the end of WW1. He then went to live with an aunt who was single, though he was also at boarding school. How did he learn how to be such a good father, when he was only 10 when his own died? He wouldn’t have claimed to be perfect but I just want to thank him for his many qualities and I was lucky to have a very loving mother too!

I honestly believe that I shall be reuniited with all our loved ones in time. To speak of the ‘glory of heaven’ is still to use earthly language for something so wonderful beyond our comprehension. It is possible to believe in something that we cannot begin to imagine but we can only do so in absolute trust of the living God. Why are we not satisfied to accept that things beyond our understanding or even our imagining can be possible? Well I’ll leave that to you to ponder as I look forward to our being somehow reunited and able to tell our loved ones how much they meant to us and how much we loved them. Perhaps we can take the opportunity to say the right things while they are still alive.....

Thank you all for who you are, with all your qualities, enriching our lives,

Your loving Priest and Friend
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### BERE REGIS CHURCH ROTAS

#### Readers
- 1st: Mrs Welton/Mrs Naylor
- 15th: Major Booth/Mrs Gibson
- 29th: Affpuddle/Mrs Bayliss

#### Sidemem
- 1st: Mr Bates/Mr House
- 8th: Junior Church
- 15th: Mr Smith/Mr Croom
- 22nd: Mr Scott
- 29th: At Turnerspuddle

#### Cleaning and Dusting

**Cleaning**
- 2 & 9 July: Bernie Lightfoot
- 16 & 23 July: Nancy Gibson
- 30 July & 6 August: Heather Day

**Dusting**
- 2 & 9 July: Sylvia Bayliss
- 16 & 23 July: Phillip Robbins
- 30 July & 6 August: Sybil Frampton

### Sanctuary Flower Guild

- 7th/14th: Forrester
- 21st/28th: Mrs Gibbs and Mrs Burden
**CHURCH SERVICES - JULY**

**Sunday 1st July – The Fifth Sunday after Trinity**
10am Parish Eucharist Bere Regis
11.30am Mattins & Communion Affpuddle
6pm Evensong Bere Regis

**Sunday 8th July – The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion Bere Regis
9.15am Parish Eucharist Affpuddle
11am Family Service following Junior Church at 10am Bere Regis

**Sunday 15th July – The Seventh Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion Affpuddle
10am Parish Eucharist Bere Regis
6pm Evensong Bere Regis

**Sunday 22nd July – The Eighth Sunday after Trinity – Mary Magdalene**
9.15am Parish Eucharist Affpuddle
11am Morning Worship and Communion Bere Regis

**Wednesday 25th July**
11am Midweek Holy Communion, followed by soup lunch.

**Sunday 29th July – The Ninth Sunday after Trinity**
10am Benefice Eucharist at Turnerspuddle (N.B. Venue)

**Sunday 5th August - The Tenth Sunday after Trinity**
10am Parish Eucharist Bere Regis
11.30am Mattins & Communion Affpuddle
6pm Evensong Bere Regis

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|                                   | General or group enquiries   | 01305 772634 |                                  |                                       | 10% or 11 to 14 years Scout Hut, Elder Road        |
| Bere Regis Scout Group (Cubs)     | Kate Wills                   | 01929 472787 |                                  |                                       | Thursdays 6.30 - 8 pm
|                                   |                             |              |                                  |                                       | 8- 10% or 11 years Scout Hut, Elder Road          |
| Kingsbere Explorer Scout Unit     | Helen Unitt-Jones            | 01929 472273 |                                  | andrea.gyllenmarshall@hotmail.com    | Tuesdays 7.30 pm-9.30 pm, 14-18 years, male and female. Scout Hut, Elder Road |
| Bere Regis Scouts Scout Hut Hire  | Andrea Marshall              | 472588 or 07884 226445 | 2 Old Barn Cottages West Street | andreagyllenmarshall@hotmail.com | Hire rates from £7.00 per hour                     |
| Briantspuddle Book Swap Club      | Jenny Beede                  | 471002 472483 | 6 Bladen Valley, 19 Bladen Valley | angie@ptalbot.plus.com              | 2nd Saturday 10 - 11 am Briantspuddle Village Hall |
| Chapel Toddlers Group             | Mrs Janet Mantis             | 471270       | The Manse Flat, Butt Lane        | jimjan.mantis19@yahoo.co.uk         | Tuesdays - 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. at the Congregational Chapel, Butt Lane |
| Cyril Wood Court Monthly Coffee Stop | Lyn Simmonds                | 471528       |                                  |                                      | 1st Saturday of every month from 10.00 - 12.00    |
| Drax Hall (hire)                  | Lyn Simmonds                | 471528       |                                  |                                      |                                                   |
| Dorset County Councillor          | Peter Wharf                  | 472246       | The Old Vicarage West Street     | peterwharfihotmail.com              |                                                   |
| Kingsbere Quilters                | Mrs Diane Edmonds            | 472331       | 10 Boswell’s Close BH20 7JE      |                                      | Monthly Scout Hut 9.30 am - 12.30p.m.             |
| Milborne St Andrew Allotment Society | Secretary; Sue Gould (28 Stileham Bank, MSA DT11 8LE) | 01258 837575 | Lane End, Milborne St Andrew. | msa.allotments@yahoo.co.uk                | A new allotment site adjacent to the Sports Club in the village, whole plot £30, half plot £20 per year. |
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A VERY HAPPY EVENT – THE THANKSGIVING SERVICE ON JUNE 3rd!

The weather was fine and the mood was upbeat when we welcomed Bishop Nicholas of Salisbury to come and share in our service in St John the Baptist’s Church in Bere Regis on June 3rd. The work of the Roof Repair Project was complete and all the money raised! The church had been so well cleaned and the flower arrangements truly stunning. About 125 people attended. We still have some attractive copies of the service if you were unable to attend and would like to see what happened.

The service began with an introduction, outlining the history of the project and we welcomed and thanked our architect, Michael Vaughan and our contractors, Richard and Gilbert Griffin. We were also aware that none of this would have been possible without three grant-making charities, Viridor Credits, Erskine Muton Trust and Dorset Historic Churches Trust, supplying us with wonderful grants; again in welcoming their representatives we were again able to express our sincerest thanks.  

We also reiterated that without local donations again this would all not have been possible and it was a particular joy to thank the many donors who were present as well as the many who had sent their apologies in not being able to attend. 

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to attend (there must have been about 40 of these). It also provided an opportunity on behalf of the Churchwardens and Church Council to thank the School for the use of their lovely Hall for our services while the church was closed and to thank Bob Croom and Richard Smith for their considerable involvement on our behalf.

In our service, we thanked God for our Parish Church and all that it means to many people. We heard Readings from both the Old and New Testament and listened attentively to our Bishop encouraging us to continue to value our building and to look after it. He reminded us too that this remarkable church needs to be as well used in our own generation as it has been through the centuries. Following a time of Prayer and Dedication of ourselves, the Bishop re-dedicated the building after its restoration.

The second half of the service was the time of Communion, led by Bishop Nicholas and during the distribution of the Sacrament, our augmented choir sang three lovely anthems, O come ye servants of our God (Tye), If ye love me (Tallis) and Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness (Cruger). Our thanks go to all our musicians and especially Paul Martin, our organist and choirmaster. We also sang, at various points in the service, four well known hymns.

The service ended with a short blessing sung by the choir and a very lovely blessing from the Bishop, based on words by the poet John Donne.

Many of us then went to the Scout Hut for pre-lunch Refreshments, served so tastefully (to the eye and the taste-buds!) by Elm Vintage Teas in the Scout Hut and paid for by two couples in our congregation to whom we are very grateful. The Bishop cut the cake, with a super picture of the church on it. We all went home very happy and grateful to God and to all involved for such a wonderful occasion.

SUNDAY SERVICE AT TURNERSPUDDLE

I am delighted to say that, as has happened in the last two years, we are going to hold our Benefice Service on July 29th in Holy Trinity Church in Turnerspuddle. This beautiful and atmospheric building was declared redundant in 1974 and is privately owned and we are very grateful to the Debenham family who live next door for allowing us to use it again. It has no electricity but we would not want heating at that time of year and there will be plenty of light. Whether or not you have been before, why not come and join us at 10am?
ADVERTISING RATES
for the year 2018

(Cheques to be made payable to Bere Regis PCC)
Rates for charitable, community or non-profit organisations are charged at 50% of above.

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William Frampton Foundation

The William Frampton Educational Foundation was established in 1687 and since then it has supported hundreds of young people to continue training or education beyond compulsory school age.

The funding can be used to provide equipment, books or help with general maintenance with awards up to £500.

William Frampton’s original purpose was “bestowed for binding and putting forth to be apprentices such poor children as should be ……settled in the Parishes of Moreton, Affpuddle, Briantspuddle or Turnerspuddle” and this remains the responsibility of the current trustees.

Who is eligible?

Any school leaver who lives in the villages (Parish) of Moreton, Affpuddle with Briantspuddle or Turnerspuddle may apply.

We grant awards to young people who are likely to struggle to meet the financial demands of continuing an apprenticeship or education, and who will make maximum use of any additional funding.

How and when to apply

You will need to complete a short application form, available via the facebook page or by email, and return it by the closing date 31 August 2018. The dates for application are 1st July 2018 until 31st August 2018.

The Trust is offering grants either for the past academic year; 2017–2018, provided they have been studying or working on a suitable course or for the next academic year; 2018-2019.

The grant will be paid in October 2018 once confirmation has been received that you have started your course.

You may reapply in following years whether or not your application has been successful.

Further information

Visit the facebook page William Frampton Educational Foundation
Waste Disposal
At the June meeting it was reported that the waste bins in the Parish were not being emptied regularly. If you need to report a bin problem you can contact Dorset Waste Partnership on 01305 221040. They are able to help with missed collections, missing bins and other waste problems, more information can be found on DorsetForyou.

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BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB

A reminder to all those with green fingers and those with craft and other interest that the Annual Bladen Horticultural show takes place on Saturday 4th August in the Briantspuddle Village Hall.

Further details and copies of the show entry schedule will be available on the Briantspuddle village website www.briantspuddle.info, from the Bladen Social Club and the Briantspuddle Saturday Coffee shop from the beginning of July.

FOOD BANK - UPDATE

Usually every 6 -8 weeks we hand over at least five carrier bags full of your gifts to the Food Bank - so thank you from the people who were very grateful...and please keep your contributions coming!

There are boxes in both our churches (yes now back in Bere Regis church) for you to place any goods you would like to donate. This provides a simple way of helping people who have fallen on hard times.

I would ask: Please ensure that your gifts are at least 6 months in date.

You do not have to be a church member to contribute!

The boxes are emptied regularly and the contents given to the Wareham Food Bank.

The list of what is most appropriate is:

- Tinned Soup,
- Fruit Juice (carton),
- Pasta Sauces,
- Baked Beans,
- Rice/Sponge Pudding (Tinned),
- Tomatoes (Tinned),
- Pasta/Rice (1kg),
- Tinned Vegetables,
- Tea Bags/Coffee
- Instant Mash Potato,
- Tinned Meat/Fish,
- Tinned Fruit,
- Sugar (500g),
- Biscuits or snack bars

The FOOD BANK provides for local individuals and families in crisis - Thank you for your support!

FROM THE REGISTERS

The next charity coffee morning will be held on the 28th July commencing 10 am in the Bladen Social Club, proceeds in support of the annual horticultural show

Peter Talbot, Secretary

Baptism
At St John the Baptist, Bere Regis
On June 9th – Lola Rose Westell

Funeral
At St John the Baptist, Bere Regis
On June 14th – Shirley Day
SUMMER FUNDRAISING EVENTS

What a lovely evening it was on June 1st for our annual Duck race evening. 1,000 ducks were sold and the profit for the Church for the evening was £1,072, which is wonderful and we thank you all who were involved especially Bob and Denise Croom. It was also good to have the raffle and a couple of other stalls.

The Scouts ran the Barbecue and served the drinks and we trust they also made a really good profit. These events are as much about village life and people getting together as well as fund-raising, I believe – and it certainly did that.

Now we look to the future and the Bere Regis Church Summer Fete is from 2pm on June 30th, so it may have happened by the time you read this but if not, please know you will be very welcome...also at the Scout Hut. There will be a Bouncy Castle, many stalls and teas and an Ice Cream van.

The Affpuddle Fete is a little later this year – on August 11th but in the same beautiful venue. Please book that date in your diaries, whichever parish you are from.

BERE REGIS MOTHERS’ UNION

Our meeting on the 6th June we celebrated Holy Communion our celebrant and preacher was The Reverend Rosie Coldwell.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 4th July at Turberville Court which will be a talk by The Reverend Garry Guinness on his work in Rwanda.

New members are always welcome. Please contact Nancy Gibson on 01929-472105.

Angela Jones – Magazine Secretary

Date of Next Meeting

4th July Turberville Court Wednesday 2.00 pm

Millennium Stone. The stone used was from the old bridge and Alex’s design was carved by local stone masons. The inscription includes the parish name of Affpuddle, using lettering styles through the age transitioning into a digital font.

Over time this inscription has become very difficult to read and the Parish Council is considering having the stone cleaned. A quote has been received from the same stone mason who has been commissioned to carry out the cleaning of the War Memorial. The quote is based on the same methodology, which has been approved by The War Memorial Trust and Purbeck District Council.

In addition to this proposal, it has also been suggested that a more appropriate location for this stone may be Affpuddle.

The Parish Council would welcome your opinion:

Do you feel that the stone should be cleaned?

Do you have a preferred location for the stone to be sited?

Please send your replies to the Parish Clerk by the end of July, Lindsay Holewoodlands20@hotmail.com

WW1 Commemoration - Daffodil Planting

The Parish Council had asked for ideas from Parishioners for ways of marking the end of WW1. An idea to plant daffodils has come forward and in its June meeting Councillors expressed support for the proposal as well as a willingness to fund or part fund such an initiative.

Two ideas have been proposed so far, one is for naturalised narcissus to be planted in the woods now owned by The Erica Trust and another for daffodils to be planted along the main street in Briantspuddle, passing along the whole of the Briantspuddle Amenity complex.

Councillors would very much like to hear Parishioners thoughts about these proposals, or alternative idea you may have.

Please send your correspondence to the Parish Clerk, Lindsay Holewoodlands20@hotmail.com
St John the Baptist Church

Summer Fete

Saturday 30th June
at the
Scout Hut, Elder Road
2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

- Bouncy Castle
- Teas
- Refreshments
- Lots of exciting stalls

Everyone Welcome

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- tombola
- bric-a-brac
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Coffee Shop

The coffee shop will be closed on Saturday 28th July as the Bladen Social Club is holding one of its coffee mornings for a local charity. It will also be closed on Saturday 29th September as there is a wedding in the village hall.

However on the remaining Saturdays we will open as usual for coffee, cake and bacon rolls. Plus there will be a plant and local produce stall, all monies raised going to the village hall.

Look forward to seeing you.

AFFPUDDLE & TURNERSPUDDLE PARISH COUNCIL

A thank you to Morning Data

Over the last few years Morning Data have rented a small number of parking spaces in the village hall from the Parish Council. This was a mutually beneficial arrangement which started when their business had expanded at their Engine Shed site leaving insufficient car parking for them. Morning Data have now expanded further and as a result moved out of the village to accommodate their increasing numbers of staff. The Parish Council would like to thank Morning Data for the income it has received over these years. As a sum over and above the precept this additional income has meant that projects such as the repair and replacement of fingerposts and the conversion of the telephone kiosks could be accelerated. At the time the sum was also very helpful allowing additional funding as a S137 grant to the Village Hall Committee. This was needed as it undertook the hall’s redevelopment, and for a short period afterwards, as it re-established its events calendar and fundraising activities.

Millennium Stone

In 1987 the Parish celebrated 1,000 years of recorded history of Affpuddle as a settlement. This event was marked with a season of celebrations including a beautiful flower festival, a concert with Bournemouth Sinfonietta held in St Laurence’s Church and an exhibition in the Village Hall. A Millennium logo was designed by Alex Russell and this was reproduced on t-shirts, mugs and other memorabilia sold for fundraising.

A more permanent marker of this historic event was the commissioning of the
New Sink

Facilities in the Hall kitchen are now improved by the installation of a double sink and drainer. It will make life easier for caterers preparing meals for large quantities of customers, and make the Hall a more attractive venue for weddings and celebration parties. We must thank the Rotary Club grant (due to the recent marathon) and a donation from the Community Group, and also Allan who researched, and installed the sink.

100+ Club

It’s that time of year again when a friendly volunteer will be knocking on your door. Angie is handing over the baton to Mike this year, but hopefully it will be a smooth handover and you shouldn’t notice any change. The monthly prize will remain as it is now.

Artsreach

Next seasons shows have been selected at a promoters evening, but there is no certainty that you get what you ask for, even so we hope to offer some interesting evenings.

Village Hall Lunch

The June Lunch was cancelled due to a staff shortage. The July lunch on Thursday 12th July will be chicken and summer vegetable soup followed by trifle and the usual cheese and coffee with a treat. As usual look out for the poster in the shop and put your name down or phone Jenny on 01929 471498 to book your place.

Hiring the Hall

The hall, meeting room, and or kitchen are available for hire by going to the Briantspuddle web site and following the links to Briantspuddle Village Hall. Currently Allan is covering the booking secretary job, but things are about to change as we are hoping to induct our new secretary this month and avoid future problems by getting a dedicated mobile phone so that whoever is doing the job you will just phone the same number.

SHIRLEY MARGARET DAY

Well, what can we tell you about Mum. It’s difficult because in many ways Mum’s life seemed to start for us children at least, the moment she met Dad, married and the family arrived.

Despite hearing all sorts of stories from Dad about his past life Mums past remained in some ways an enigma.

We know that Mum was born in Yardley, Birmingham on 5th January, 1936 to John (Jack) & Cissie Davies and that the births of her dear sisters Evelyn and Barbara followed.

Around 1950 the family moved to Kensington which would have made Mum about 14 years old. Barbara cannot remember which school Mum attended but having left school Mums first job was in a sweet shop. Mum loved working there.

After that Mum worked at John Blundell’s as a Cashier. Blundell’s was a retail sales door to door company. Salesmen sold their goods on a payment plan, and week by week would call on their customers to collect the weekly payment. Dad also worked at Blundell’s and Mum was responsible for taking Dads monies he had collected and keeping his cash books in order. This was all perfectly good until they became a couple. To avoid there being a conflict of interest where both were collecting and receiving monies Mum could no longer work with Dad. Mum would have been around 18 years old at this point.

Barbara thinks that they may have been courting for around a year before they were married which seemed about right because in 1955 Mum and Dad were married at the Parish Church in the Parish of St. Mary, Becontree, Essex on 29th October when Mum was 19 years old. Almost twelve months later on 21st October 1956 Lesley and Maggie were born – just three months before Mums 21st Birthday.

Mum had only one kidney and had been told it would be unwise to have children so it was pretty remarkable that Mum chose to ignore such advise and go on to have a family at all – never mind twins.

Back in those days there were no such things as scans so neither Mum nor Dad had any idea that although Mum – in her own words had a tummy which would
round a corner long before she did – was carrying twins until seven weeks before the babies were due. Seven weeks was not long to get used to having to double up on everything Mum and Dad had for one babe but to make matters worse the babies came a week later, and six weeks early. Poor Dad had to rush around and try and make an additional cot in time for when the babies came home. Mum and babes were quite poorly after the birth and did not return home for several weeks which fortunately gave Dad some breathing space and time to prepare. After that – and still ignoring medical advise – Mum went on to have Janice in September 1958, followed by Kevin in 1961.

With the family complete and at this point living in 374 Upminster Road, Rainham in Essex and Dad now working in Fords Dagenham, the family travelled down to Dorset to spend a holiday with friends in Corfe Mullen. It was here after a lovely holiday that Mum and Dad decided to move the family from Essex to the countryside of Dorset and settled for a run down cottage in Shitterton, built in 1760. There were no stairs, the loo was down the garden and no real plumbing and electrics to write home about. With the help of Dad’s old friend Eric Mansfield and Louis Bartlett – who lived in the bungalow next door – Dad set about making the house into a family home. We can’t quite remember how many weekends away Dad spent working on the house but think it was about 12 weeks. The family finally moved down in January 1963 all loaded into Dads Ford Pop, which was not uneventful because he had problems with muck in the fuel line so every few miles we had to stop and Dad would suck out the junk from the pipe, drink several gulps of milk and off we’d go again.

The family quickly settled into our new life with all us children attending Bere Regis Primary School.

Mum meanwhile immersed herself in village life and, with other young Mums in the village started the Bere Regis Young Wives Group. This was a monthly get together of like minded Wives and Mums. After a few years the members decided to drop the word “Young” [something to do with no longer being so young!] and it carried on for many years. During this time Mum was wholeheartedly involved in the Bere Regis Carnival and the Wives always entered floats – ably assisted by husbands who lent vehicles, muscle and carpentry skills to build the sets. Mum was also a player in the Wives Group Football team – although we can’t quite remember how successful they were!

Various bodies have contributed donations towards items being bought for the Hall, not least the Parish Council who contributed along with the Community Group to the purchase of the beautiful new cooker to replace our dear old green goddess which had given us such good service for so many years.

The next item of expenditure is to be a renewal of the straw ridge on the Hall. Luckily for us Allan secured a grant in the last round of Viridor Landfill Tax Grants, as the scheme is now closing. Leonora Shepherd has given the Hall a substantial amount as third Party match funding and also a donation from the sale of ‘Salt of the Earth’ for which we thank her in the warmest terms.

Planning for the future (if we remain in post) we hope to promote the hall more on line, luckily we do have a young savvy and computer literate member who is a great help. Another aim is to try and get more regular users and if at all possible to encourage some of the people in the parish who never use the hall to come along to experience its delights! We will continue to foster good relations with other Parish organisations, and keep the Hall open and in good repair for use by future generations as a social, educational and recreational hub for the community.

Before I finish, I would like to thank all the people who have been on the Committee for the last two years, those in our tiny band when we were surprised to find ourselves alone and in charge at the beginning of my tenure, and those who have joined us along the way. We have swift, efficient and often amusing meetings, a delightful, sensible and silent minutes secretary, and still manage to enjoy being trustees even though it’s hard work.

And finally Don’t forget research has found that the biggest correlation with happiness is not with money, but with your relationships and your sense of community.

Thank you all for your attention

Current Village Hall Trustees

After a friendly and positive AGM the previous committee were thanked for their work throughout the year by the Parish Council Chair on behalf of the community. There are now 9 members on the Hall Committee, 4 nominated trustees, and 5 elected trustees.

We are: Anne Colquhoun, Allan Smith, Angie Talbot, Angela Tozer, Jenny Lightfoot, Mike Menzies, Roger Smith, Stuart Chorley, Tamsin Tankard Evans. Lesley Wilcox is the voluntary minutes secretary.

Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle website: www.briantspuddle.info
This happened over an extended period whilst I was on both the Parish Council and the V Hall Committee, and eventually the Social Club Committee also as a gesture of friendship and goodwill. Planning permission was finally approved, and I left the committee once more. Peter Talbot as the new chair, Philippa Thornily as treasurer and the committee worked tirelessly planning applying for grants taking quotes, giving out contracts etc. They saw the plan through to fruition giving us the lovely Hall we have today.

I eventually resigned the Chair of the Parish Council also, feeling that I had done my bit for the place of which I had grown so very fond.

This is a precis of the history of the Village Hall and latterly my involvement with it. The reality is of course much more extensive and complicated as you can imagine.

So now here I am, yet again, giving a chairs report, and it doesn’t get any easier.

At the last AGM I was able to report how our small committee and wonderful community had pulled together to stage a fabulous Open Garden Event. What a lot of stress that was but this year has been a lot more steady and predictable, with our regular hirers carrying on enjoying our superb facilities as well as a fair number of occasional hirings. Basically we try to cover day to day expenses from regular and occasional hirings and profits from Hall arranged events goes towards capital projects and I hope you’ll agree we’re doing ok.

The Hall committee have hosted and organised various other events from that time, such as the Burns Night celebration, The Purbeck Film Festival, Artreach performances, The Xmas Fair, Xmas Lights Competition and New Years’ Party, some made profits to add to funds and others simply provided entertainment for residents.

Our hirings include Pilates, Keep Fit, Briantspuddle Singers, Short Mat Bowls, Coffee Shop, Talks, Lets Lunch, Skittles, Village Hall Lunch as well as Parties, Celebrations and Wakes.

As any Village Hall representative will tell you that catered events are a mainstay of hirings, the offer of food is one of the things guaranteed to get people off the sofa and into the Hall. Fortunately we have a lovely kitchen and a number of excellent cooks and helpers here in Briantspuddle who willingly assist with their expertise when asked.

There are many other supporters who help by organising events to boost funds, and yet more who offer assistance with repairs and maintenance. You know who you are and my thanks go out to you all for your kindness and community spirit.

Obviously there are items which need updating, repairing and replacing from time to time. Allan here has manfully taken charge of most technical aspects whilst being thoroughly advised by the rest of the committee and volunteers.

July 2018

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Mum was also a member of the WI and the Mothers Union, and gave her wholehearted support to these institutions too.

In 1967 Mum decided she would return to work and initially worked at Astron Birds at Sterte, Poole working on PCB’s. We were all still at School so when we got home in the evening – which was before Mum and Dad got home, Nanny and Grandad Day (who lived by now at No. 1 Shitterton) would “baby-sit” us and give us our tea until Mum was home. Mum worked here for about 7 years before joining Dad, Lesley and Maggie at Hamworthy Engineering Ltd, where she was an expeditor until she was made redundant at the age of 59 years – just shy of having completed 21 years service and therefore missing out on her gold watch.

What next for Mum she did not know. Dad had already retired by this time and Mum did wonder how they would cope being in each others company 24/7. As it turned out Dad had his model aircraft - which he built - and would often be off up the fields with his pal Eric flying them, whilst Mum contented herself with her home and garden. Mum was always happiest at home. Several holidays followed not least to South Africa to see the growing family which Jan was producing – ultimately going two better than Mum by having six boys of her own – and a shared interest of Bowling. Incidentally, Mum was very much better than Dad at this, despite the fact that Dad would often tell Mum where she was going wrong.

Mum remained in relatively good health, despite what life threw at her and it is a shame that after Dad died it became apparent that despite dealing with all things physical that she endured with her health it would be the cruellest of illness’s which no matter how stoic Mum was, she would have no chance of overcoming.

In 2014 Mum was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s and for the last four years has steadily declined until May this year when she was hospitalised and for which Mum never came home.

We have to thank Rowan and Jo of Bettercare At Home and their lovely ladies for all their care and support, ensuring Mum was able to remain at home for as long as possible.

We would also like to thank Bere Regis Surgery for all their care and support not only given to Mum but also their support given to Lesley and Maggie so helping them to care for Mum at home.

And finally our biggest thanks must go to Audrey Painter and Jean Gibb, who both over these past few
years have found the time to pop in and be good company for Mum, spending time with her.

We will miss you every single day for the remainder of our lives Mum. We thank you so much for your unselfishness and for making us the people we are today.

You may not have lit up the wider world, but you lit up our world, and to the four of us that is all that will ever matter.

We love you Mum. God bless.

An Open Letter to Shirley

Dear Shirley,

It goes without saying that everybody here today and many that cannot be present, will miss you, but this is my letter so I say: ‘I will miss you’.

How could it be otherwise – after all, apart from a few people present I have known you longer than anyone.

I knew you before any of your children were born, and looking at them today - that is saying something!

We must have met in 1954/5 - nearly 64 years ago. Wherever did all that time go?

Shirley, you were always so loving, lovable and kind. You were always so patient – Job could have taken lessons from you!

Patience in your case was of course an essential attribute: after all you were married to my brother!

When I think of how you have been over the last year or so, it would be easy to forget the pretty, vivacious and bubbly young woman that I knew.

I have not forgotten.

It seems a lifetime ago now, but I recall clearly after I had left home before I was 17 years old and was living
in digs on my apprentice wages, I used to visit you occasionally at your home in the Upminster road Rainham. Clearly you thought I was starving – I probably was – and without saying a word you instantly fed me. From memory it was always bacon, eggs and toast!

I have not forgotten.

Do you remember when I visited to tell you that I was joining the army when I was 17 ½ years old? I was due to go to some unheard of place called Blandford Forum for my basic training and I had a travel warrant from Waterloo station. You asked me how I would get to Waterloo and when I said “probably by bus then tube then walk over the bridge” your immediate reaction was to turn to Dickie and say: ‘you can take Paddy to Waterloo in the car’.

Dickie’s face was a picture – but Shirley, if you said that was how it would be done – that is how it was done! And so it was.

I have not forgotten.

The years rolled by, the children were born and you all moved out of ‘the smoke’ to the beautiful clean air of Dorset.

How can I forget the many visits here to Bere Regis with Pat, Brett and subsequently Alexandra and how welcome you always made us feel?

I have not forgotten.

Do you remember when I gently berated one of the girls for a spelling mistake she had made in a ‘thank you letter’? I explained that if she did not know how to spell a word, she should look it up in the dictionary. After a moment or two of reflection she said ‘yes, but how do I know that I don’t know the correct spelling’?

Shirley - the look on your face said it all – she gotcha!

I have not forgotten.

How can I forget the tears you cried for me when Pat died, or indeed the happiness you showed for me eleven years later when you met Diana?

I have not forgotten.

Now then Dear Shirley,

All that I have said so far, I feel from the bottom of my heart.
To all Village Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Please could you check your entry in the Church and Village section at the back.
Do let me know if any of the information has changed or is missing.
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However, I know that you would be mortified if I were less than honest, fair and balanced.

I have struggled with my conscience over whether to bring up this tiniest criticism at all, but in the end I feel that I must.

Sadly Shirley, you have failed in your maternal duties in one important respect – you did not teach your children the importance of supporting the correct football team!

On that note Dear Shirley, it is time for me to say ‘Goodbye’.

Sleep tight Little One.

Pad xxxxxxxxx

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

Website: www.bereregis.com

OPENING TIMES

The Sports Club regular opening times are as follows:
Friday 7.30 p.m.
Saturday 4.30 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Opening times may vary due to televised sport, please check the BRSC website for details of any such changes.

The clubhouse is available for functions e.g. Birthdays, Anniversaries, Wakes.

For further info please contact Andy Kent, andy@contact.go-plus.net or Tel. 01929 471079

Cricket Section – Home Fixtures in July

Monday 2nd – Martinstown U11
Tuesday 3rd – Cerne Valley U15
Thursday 5th – Puddletown U13
Saturday 7th – Cerne Valley II
Monday 9th – Charlton Down U11
Saturday 14th – Stalbridge
Wednesday 18th – St George’s
Saturday 21st – Dorchester
Saturday 28th – Martinstown II
Sunday 29th – Chairmans XI v Presidents XI (followed by BBQ & Draw)

The Cricket Section is looking to form a Ladies Social Cricket team. Kit will be provided and will be in soft ball format. Practice sessions will be held at The Rec on Sunday mornings at 10.30 a.m.

Any interested Ladies are welcome to attend the sessions with a view to forming a team.

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The story behind last month’s Junior Church Service was about the sick man who was lowered through the roof to ensure that Jesus saw him and healed him. His friends were persistent on the man’s behalf. They were real friends. So our service was based around friendship.

Various members of the “Open the Book” team acted out the story with the help of the children. The “Open the Book” project encourages church groups to make links with local primary schools so that they can act out Bible stories in assemblies. We currently do these stories in Bere, Wool and Bovington Primary Schools, as well as the odd Junior Church service.

The other big event was that we were celebrating ten years of puppets. Our current puppeteers performed the same song as we did ten years ago, Reach by S Club 7, and one of our retired puppeteers returned from university to do a guest spot. As we were celebrating this birthday we had lots of mini birthday cakes at the end of the service.

Lytchett Matravers (free Parking) at 08.30 and the Flower Show at 16.30, to be back home at c.19.00.

Come and join us and have some fun with our friendly club!

New club members are very welcome, and membership is free – just ring (after 10.00 please!)

Jo Puttick on 01929-459368, or email – joandeve.puttick@btinternet.com

BERE REGIS AND DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION

We are holding a Summer BBQ on 13th July 2018 7 pm for 7.30 pm at The Old Post Office, 13 North Street, Bere Regis, BH20 7LA. All are welcome. If you would like to join us, please email jackie.ahern@hotmail.co.uk or ring 07876 577012. Cost £7.00 per head which will cover the food. Please bring your own drinks.

If you are interested in joining the Twinning Association please email Jackie Ahern at jackie.ahern@hotmail.co.uk for further information.
LYTCHETT-LINE OUTINGS CLUB – HAMPTON COURT FLOWER SHOW – SAT 7 JULY

Hooray, we’ve exceeded the number we needed to earn the discounted entry price (which I assumed we would when pricing this trip!), for the wonderful RHS flower show at Hampton Court Palace on Saturday 7 July. In fact we’ve had to book a larger coach!

This means that, as I write, we have five places available if you wish to come; but be quick!

When we went last time it proved very popular as it has much more to offer than the Chelsea Flower Show, (many of whose show gardens are transferred to Hampton Court) over a much bigger area (and so not crowded), and at a much lower price, so do book now if possible.

The total price, including the coach and entrance, is £50 each. We’ll leave
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Saturday 8th September 2018

Our parish organisers are:
Pat Wharf (Bere Regis) 472246
and
Richard Killer (Affpuddle) 471202

This event takes place between 10.00am and 6.00pm. There is no specified route or timetable – you can visit as many or as few churches and chapels as you wish. Full information, sponsor forms, instructions and lists of churches can be obtained from the Parish Organisers (above) or the DHCT website.

Surgery and there are still individual maps available on the table in the Surgery for those patients, friends and family who would still like to take part. There is also an option on the map to walk a two mile route. Enjoy!

Carers Week - June 11th-17th
A tea party to celebrate the above week was held in the Scout Hut at Bere Regis. Please see Carers Notice Board in the Surgery Waiting Room for details of forthcoming events, or contact Mechelle or Jo for any information. The next meeting will be held in August.

PPG Awareness Week- June 4-June 9th
PPG Awareness Week aims to promote the role and benefits of PPGs to patients, the public and health professionals and to create more understanding of the value of true patient participation. Posters were distributed locally outlining some of the work your PPG has undertaken.

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**Surgery ‘Mile Walk’**

We would like to take the opportunity to thank patients who have already taken part in the ‘Mile Walk’. We hope you enjoyed the route, both for the scenery and for its health benefits. There is a large map of the walk on the wall outside the surgery.

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**AFFPUDDLE CHURCH NEWS**

**AFFPUDDLE CHURCH ROTAS**

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Blood Test Results

The Surgery is soon to pilot a scheme advising patients of their normal blood results by text message if consent has been given previously by the patient to use this mobile phone procedure.

SMS Text Messaging

We would like to remind our patients again that if you would like us to send you a text message detailing your next appointment and/or blood results, please inform the Reception Team of your current mobile number.

Surgery : 01929 471268

Lyme Disease/Tick Bites - Some advice

Lyme disease is a bacterial infection that can be spread to humans by infected ticks. It’s usually easier to treat if it’s diagnosed early.

Most tick bites are harmless. Only a small number of ticks are infected with the bacteria that cause Lyme disease. Ticks that may cause the disease are found all over the UK, but high-risk areas include grassy and wooded areas in southern England and the Scottish Highlands.

How to spot and remove ticks

Tick bites are not always painful. You may not notice a tick unless you see it on your skin. Regularly check your skin and that of your children or pets’ skin after being outdoors.

To remove a tick safely:

1. Use fine-tipped tweezers or a tick-removal tool – you can buy these from some pharmacies, vets and pet shops
2. Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible
MILBORNE ST ANDREW VILLAGE HALL

Artsreach August workshops for children - save the date

Wednesday 8th August
10am – 11.30am
: a workshop for 2-4 year-olds, drawing to music and making, with Jo Burlington

Tuesday 14th August
10.30 am - 3pm
: a workshop for age group 6+ with Darrell Wakelam - cutting, sticking, papier mache and collage

Tuesday 21st August
10am - 1pm
a songwriting workshop with Abigail Thommes for 9-12 year-olds

For more information phone Sarah Ryan 01258 839230

A TOILET FOR ST LAURENCE’S CHURCH!

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) have, for some considerable time, believed that 800 years without a toilet at the church is long enough and one needs to be installed.

The problem has been, and still is, where, how constructed, what will the planners allow. No small problem too, is the cost.

The situation, at present, is that if we hold an event at the church we have to hire a portaloo at the cost of over £100 per time. This has either to be sited by the gas tank on the B3390 or, with permission, in Roger Prideaux’s rick yard across the road from the church. Both these positions enable the loo to be unloaded from the lorry.

When weddings are held at the church, it is made clear to the bride and groom that toilet facilities are not available and they must therefore arrange for the hire of a portaloo for their guests travelling from any distance.

None of the above arrangements are of any help to those attending the weekly services and the lack of toilet facilities does mean that some people do not attend or are hesitant to attend.

Over the years, the PCC have thought long and hard about the problem. We are very aware that we have the care of a Grade 1 listed building to consider as well as the need to comply with all planning and conservation requirements and lastly, we do not want to upset any of our neighbours. However, it has to be accepted that we cannot please all of the people all of the time.

What has and is being considered:

It must be born in mind that whatever is finally agreed has to have disabled access. It is the intention that the toilet would be kept locked when the church was not being used.

Last year, draft plans to provide a wooden structure on the North side of the tower where an old boiler house used to be, were taken to the local authority.

The Conservation Officer would not agree to this.

The other options are

[a] A wooden structure down by the gas tank – this would allow easy access to main drains but would require considerable alteration to the path from the church past the Peace Shrine, down the steps to reach this facility. It would also require lighting to be provided for safe access.

[b] A wooden structure next to the existing flower arrangers shed to your right as
you come down the path towards the church. This would be a reasonably quick, simple and cost effective option even providing lighting to it. It would however, be adjacent to the hedge at the back of the Old Vicarage and therefore quite close to that property.

The third option is far more radical and also addresses the issue of level, disabled access to the church itself.

(c) Also a wooden structure but more substantial. By knocking through the lower part of the West window, to the North of the tower where the old boiler house had been, a new, level entrance into the church would be created. Outside the church, in the new structure, would be the toilet and space for a wheelchair or pushchair to be kept in the dry. The existing path would need to be extended and lit.

The window, which would be partly removed, was, some years ago, renewed at considerable cost. It is appreciated that those who contributed and fund raised feel the alteration to this window should not take place.

Options a and b, if agreed by planners, could be completed fairly quickly and at reasonable cost but may not provide a long-term solution. Option c is a much more long-term project and will be at a far greater cost. It may however, "future proof" the church and enable it to be used by everybody in years to come.

As an interim measure, the PCC have decided to lease, at a reasonable cost, a portaloo, which will be placed in the churchyard, down by the B3390 and will be maintained by the leasing company. Whilst this is not suitable for people with disabilities it will at least provide a vital facility until a more permanent solution can be agreed and funded. Those booking weddings at the church will still be expected to contribute to the hire of this facility.

The PCC realise that you will all have your own views on what should be considered and what is possible. Please feel free to talk to either Elizabeth Whatley or Stephen Sanderson (Churchwardens) or Charles Masheder, the Vicar, about this.

Elizabeth Whatley

RIDING AND STRIDING

The 2018 Ride + Stride will take place on Saturday 8th September. Last year’s sponsored riders and striders raised over £86 000 for Dorset Historic Churches Trust. If you wish to take part please contact Pat Wharf at Bere Regis or Richard Killer at Affpuddle.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Thanks to our WI members for sharing their favourites

Banana Split

This is a special treat for the children after school.

Allow 1 banana for each person.

- 6 bananas
- 1 bar of milk chocolate
- ½ oz butter
- 1 small carton 4fl oz double cream
- family brick of vanilla ice cream
- chopped walnuts

Place the broken up chocolate in a small bowl add the butter and melt over a hot pan of water until smooth.

Whip the cream until stiff. Cut the ice cream into 6 portions. Peel the bananas, split lengthways, Sandwich together with the ice cream, spoon the melted chocolate over each portion, top with whipped cream and chopped nuts. Serve immediately. You can add other fruits and your sprinkles need not stop at nuts, there are many lovely ideas on the baking shelves at supermarkets.
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For more information visit www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call 08454 040506.
To report or seek advice about problems you have experienced when dealing with a trader call 08454 040506.

News from Trading Standards: Scams through the ages.

Citizens Advice working have identified four common groups of people, each of who are more likely to be affected by scams in different ways.

Although ‘young people’ aged 18 to 24 don’t represent the largest group of people falling victim to scams, numbers of scam victims in this group is rising. In particular, young people are a growing proportion of victims of online and identity fraud. Having grown up with technology they are often confident in their ability when using the internet. This can lead to them feeling that they are unlikely to fall for internet scams, making them complacent and increasingly vulnerable. Research shows that over half of young people are unlikely to report scams.

‘Life established’ people in their 40s to 60s are the group most affected by scams. Part of this is due to the fact that they are most likely to report scams, but also because certain demographics within this group are targeted due to their circumstances. For example, this group tends to be more settled and has access to financial assets. This makes them more likely to be targets of scams, such as pension scams, dating scams and property scams.

‘Older people’, over 70s, are often targeted by scammers. Research has found that 75 is the average age of reported scam victims and those over 70 suffer the highest detriment. Older people tend to fall victim most to phone and mail scams, and figures from National Trading Standards show that older people are deliberately targeted more than other demographics. This also sees the largest proportion of people who are recurring victims of scams.

People who are ‘socially isolated’ can be the hardest to reach and often aren’t able to access the same support that others can. While this group makes up a smaller number of cases of reported scams they often have high levels of detriment, not just in the amount of money lost, but the overall impact on health and wellbeing.

By better understanding different groups Citizens Advice hope to reach more people and encourage reporting. If you’ve lost money because of scams report it to action fraud, by phone 0300 123 2040, or online www.actionfraud.police.uk
help is amazing. They include, for example, unloading a washing machine, opening doors, switching lights on and off, posting parcels and picking up selected groceries at the supermarket (the owner points).

Along with several better known charities, CPI is a member of Assistance Dogs (UK) which registers trained dogs. Stickers stating ‘No dogs except registered assistance dogs’ are gradually replacing the familiar ‘Guide Dogs Only’ on the doors of shops, restaurants and public buildings.

As I read this story I was struck by the number of ‘pictures’ it gives of a Christian’s life, and of our relationship to God. Allen couldn’t receive Endal’s unconditional love and help until he admitted his need and took Endal into his home.

In a similar way, we are unable to receive God’s unconditional love until we admit our need of Him, and confess that we have gone our own way and turned our back on Him. God calls that ‘sin’, and it separates us from Him, but when Jesus died on the cross He made it possible for us to be forgiven, to have a new start and for Jesus to come and live in us, to help us every day and show us His love. If you ask Jesus to forgive you and to come and live in you, then you will find that ‘that He helps you to be more tolerant, and every day you will learn a new way in which you can work together as a team.’ You will not be on your own! If you fall, Jesus will gently pick you up. He will not only make life liveable, He has promised to give you a new life and for it to be life to the full. (John 10:10) Why would anyone not want to have that quality of life? It can be yours today if you confess your sin and ask Jesus to give you His new life. What are you waiting for!

Joyce Healey

BERE HEATH METHODIST CHAPEL

The next Service at the Chapel will be on Sunday 1st July at 3.00pm and will be led by the Rev Jean Quick.

There will be a ‘Buggies and Brunch’ on a Saturday morning later in the month, at the usual start time of 10.30am, but the date has still to be agreed.

For more information contact the stewards: Karen Smith (01929 471339), Caroline Harrison (01929 471378).
The Parish Council met on Thursday 14th June 2018 at the Drax Hall. The next meeting will be on Thursday 12th July at the Drax Hall, starting at 7pm. All parishioners are very welcome to attend and to take the opportunity to raise any matters or concerns at the start of the meeting.

Neighbourhood Plan

We have now begun the 6 week period for Public Consultation on the final draft version of our Neighbourhood Plan. The consultation event on the 23rd June was well attended and anybody who didn’t manage to get along to the event but wants to see a copy of the draft plan and complete a questionnaire with their views, can do so by contacting the Clerk, Amanda Crocker, on the details above, or by visiting the Parish Council website at: https://www.bereregisparishcouncil.co.uk/projects/neighbourhood-plan/.

Once the 6 week public consultation has finished, we will make any minor changes to the Plan as required before it’s then submitted to Purbeck District Council for their approval. This is all leading up to a Parish Referendum on accepting the Neighbourhood Plan which will hopefully take place in May 2019, to coincide with Local Elections for the new Unitary Authority.

Village Walkabout

It was decided at our meeting that we would recommence our annual village walkabout, at the start of our August meeting on Thursday 9th August. The walkabout will see the Council walk a route around the village at the start of the meeting, which we will publicise after the July meeting, making sure that group and posters made available in schools and public places.

Although there is a limited fund of money available, and grants are only made once a year in August, our aim is very much to give smaller amounts of money to a greater number of applicants as this really does meet the aim of the Trust “to seek to help young people in the Parish with a contribution to their educational costs, priority being given to those most in need”.

The application process is very straightforward, completed on-line via www.williamstrust.org.uk. Young people are encouraged to make the applications themselves, although for those under the age of 16, it is understood that a parent or guardian may make the application.

The award decisions are made at the Trustee meeting at the end of August. Grants are usually paid out before the end of that month - in time for the start of the new education year.

In 2018, the closing date for applications is Friday 10th August.

Can you help?

The Trustees are seeking to bolster the Trust’s funds, to raise additional capital and to generate more income for grants in the future and are keen to encourage additional fund-raising opportunities. You may work for, or know of a company looking for ways to support the community; you might consider a personal legacy; or you might, like the founder Thomas Williams nearly 300 years ago, be in a position to make a donation to the Trust right now. It doesn’t have to be a fortune (though that would be most welcome!)

£100 can help with special travel needs. £500 will help a future village Doctor to buy stethoscope & lab equipment. £1,000 will support our next generation of farmers and stable managers through Kingston Maurward.

The Trust’s income is derived from the dividends and interest yields of invested capital. Percentage yields have been low in recent years, whilst the costs incurred by students have risen substantially as fees have risen and government has withdrawn funding.

If you can help in any way, please get in touch with the Treasurer & Trustee John Cleave on 01929 471463.

The Trust is a fully registered Charity and makes annual returns to the Charity Commission. Its aims, objectives and achievements are available on request.

Alison Debenham - Trustee
The Thomas Williams Educational Foundation

Educational Grants available for the 2018 - 2019 Academic Year

The Thomas Williams Educational Foundation (TWEF) is a grant-making trust which exists to assist young people, under the age of 25 living in the Parish of Bere Regis, to further their education.

Awards can be made to young people whether they are in part-time or full-time education. In recent years the Foundation has assisted individuals on apprenticeships and in vocational training; at university; at agricultural college and with travelling expenses to 6th form colleges.

Applications are invited by the closing date of Friday 10th August 2018.
Applications must be made online: www.williamstrust.org.uk

Order forms have now gone out for you to order your Christmas Tree for this year. The forms need to be returned as soon as possible to the clerk, Amanda Crocker. The price of a tree is remaining at £10 again and if you didn’t receive a form simply contact Amanda before the end of July to place your order.

It was also decided to hold another village tidy, in September or October this year, giving the whole village the opportunity to come together to sweep, clean, weed and improve the paths, and communal areas around the village. Details will follow over the next month with the date to be confirmed.

Bryan Benjafield
PURBECK DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Annual Meeting
At our recent annual meeting, which will be our last as we will be wound up in a year’s time, I was re-elected to the post of Planning Committee Chairman.

Wareham Foot Bridge
The County regulatory Committee met on Thursday 14th June to consider this application. As Chair of the District’s Planning Committee, who has presided over our refusals of this proposals over the last few years, I spoke to a packed meeting in Wareham outlining the Districts position on this. I am delighted to say that our reasons for refusal were supported and have been included in their case for refusal which was passed unanimously. I will report back on further developments.

New cashless parking payment provider launches in Purbeck
Drivers can now using their mobile phone to pay to park in car parks in Wareham, Swanage and Corfe Castle; however they will need to register with a new service from the end of May 2018.

JustPark will be running the service in Council-owned car parks from Tuesday 29 May 2018. The service had previously been provided by Phone and Pay so users of that service will need to register their details with JustPark at www.justpark.com. Car park users will still be able to use cash if they prefer, but anyone wishing to pay via mobile will have the convenience of being cash-free, and extending their parking time without going back to their vehicle. JustPark is also being rolled out to car parks across Poole and Dorset, so users will only need to register once to park in the whole area. Check the JustPark app or website to see which car parks are included. Visit www.justpark.com for details and to download the app.

was our resident 1 handicap golfer Julian “The Hook” Flower, in second position was “The Gun Slinger” Mark Clapcott, and the winner for the day was yours truly, The Captain…..well played to all.

The nearest the pin were won by Peter “The Abacus” Cheeseman, and Jim Goodey, nearest the pin in 2 was won by Harry Smith, who drove the green and holed for a 2! Lastly the nearest the line competition was won by Roger “Cueball” Johns.

There was a rollover from the previous month with the 2’s, where we more than made up for it this month by sinking 6 of them, congratulations to Julian, Brett, Captain, Jim, Colin & Hary!

After the prize giving we held the third of our monthly raffles where I am again overwhelmed with the ROGS generosity as we managed to raise a fantastic £188 for the Captain’s Charities of Diabetes UK and Epilepsy….thank you so much once again.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next ROGS game at Manor House GC just outside Castle Coombe on June 29th first tee off 2pm.

Captain Tiny

THOMAS WILLIAMS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Long established members of our village community will already be aware of this local grant making charity.

Nowadays, we generally refer to the trust as “The Williams Trust” and many parishioners are aware that it makes financial contributions towards the education of young people in the Parish, especially in cases of greatest need.

Grants to individuals in previous years have ranged from assistance with equipment costs for undergraduates, 6th former travel costs and support for apprenticeships. Local youth organisations, including the school, Scouts and the Swimming Club have also benefited.

The Trustees of the charity are very much aware that as the community has changed and grown over the years, the profile of the Trust has become less well-known and there are many cases of real need which have not been able to benefit. To that end, we have stepped up the publicity for the grant application process with advertisements in this publication, posts on the village Facebook
July 2018

Also see details of car parks in Dorset at www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/travel-dorset/roads-and-driving/parking

**Surgery**

Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of every month. These are held at the communal Lounge in Turberville Court in Bere Regis from 09.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. If you have any questions or queries related to the business of Purbeck District Council please do come along. If anyone wants to contact me and cannot get

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**GARDEN PARTY AND OPEN GARDEN**

I have recently sent out this notification to many of my parish magazine and village contacts, whose email address I have, to publicise this event that I am holding.

If you have not been contacted and would like to receive an invitation (it can’t be a ‘public’ event), please do let me know (alison@culverdell.co.uk or 471780) and I will arrange for you to be properly invited.

Obviously, if you’re a keen Wimbledon fan or are engrossed in the World Cup, then this will not be your cup of tea - although the TV will be on!!!!

Alison Debenham, Editor
DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

Dorset for You new Website
The new website has just launched (Dorsetforyou.gov.uk). This includes the new homepage and some new services. All other services are being updated and will transfer over in the next few weeks. As the team continues to work on the new site, a few snags are being raised and resolved. There are ‘feedback’ links on most standard pages (there isn’t one on the homepage), so please use these to let the Dorsetforyou team know if you spot anything that isn’t working as it should.

Finance
I am pleased to let you know that we were able to close the Council’s accounts in record time for the financial year 2017-18. And I’m even more pleased to confirm that together, as a Council, we achieved a small overall underspend of £238,000. This is no mean feat in light of the challenging and increasing budget pressures we face as a Council, with demand for social care services growing year on year due to an ageing population, and the Council’s funding from central government falling. In addition, government regulations allowed us to make some one-off adjustments to our financing arrangements in 2017-18 and to put aside some money to cover costs associated with forming the new unitary councils. This improved the Council’s overall year end budget position by another £4m. This money has been added to the Council’s reserves.

We managed to achieve this significant result thanks to hard work across the council to tackle potential budget overspending. However, we cannot rest on our laurels. The budget challenge continues: the Council’s savings target for 2018-19 is just under £19m. We face ongoing budget pressures due to inflation, continuing growth in demand for social care, and other factors. We must ensure that Dorset County Council is in a stable financial position ready for the transition to the new unitary councils in April 2019. I will be working closely with directors to ensure we achieve this.

Verges
A combination of warm and wet weather has resulted in the green verges and hedgerows of Dorset becoming lush and luxuriant. Dorset County Council

ROGS

Ex Landlords Cup 2018
30 ROGS members and 2 guests turned it in beautiful sunshine for the Ex Landlords Cup kindly sponsored by good friend Mr Mark Teed. It was played at the beautifully manicured Salisbury golf course situated adjacent to Salisbury Racecourse. The day was started once again with an FA cup style live draw which once again threw up some interesting groups.

The ROGS fared in the humid conditions and returned some impressive scores, with all of the top 3 players returning a very respectable 37 points. In 3rd position

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Summer Tour – 15th-17th June 2018
Old Thorns Golf & Spa Hotel
Autumn Tour - 13th – 22nd September
Belek, Turkey

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manages verge cutting throughout the county, working with local councils to maintain our roads’ edges. The amount of cutting depends upon the location. In urban areas, the highway grass verges are cut six times a year. Mowing usually starts in mid-March and continues cyclically every five or six weeks depending on the weather and ground conditions. Rural highway grass verges are currently cut twice a year. But trials have taken place to reduce the number of cuts, help conserve wildflowers and improve the biodiversity of the verges.

The aim of these trials was to find new ways of managing the verges to produce cost savings. The trials involved different methods of management to reduce the soil fertility within the verge itself and decrease grass growth. To achieve this, the council have:

- Stripped topsoil to expose low fertility subsoil or mineral rock,
- Harvested “mini bales” from the roadside verges where we could,
- Monitored subsequent growth to determine success, future maintenance needs, biodiversity enhancement and public perception,
- Created wildflower rich verges.

The exposed subsoil has a lower fertility compared to the topsoil and will require little maintenance once initial weed growth is suppressed. Removing cuttings rather than allowing them to rot will also reduce fertility and cutting frequency. The verges where bare mineral rock is exposed may require no annual cutting for up to 10 years. Those verges which have been harvested may only need one cut and collect after a few years. Both types of trial area can develop into wildflower rich meadows which are attractive and help provide a valuable source of nectar for bees, butterflies and other pollinating insects.

If we can encourage wildflower rich verges alongside the almost 5,000 miles of our rural roads it will have a fantastic effect on pollinating insects which are vital for our agriculture. For more details on verge cutting visit dorsetforyou.gov.uk and search for ‘verge cutting’, and for more information about the challenges faced by verges visit www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/about-us/news/road-verge-marauders

**Foster Carers**

Find out if fostering is for you. If you’re interested in fostering, now is the time to find out more. Dorset County Council’s fostering team is out and about answering questions about fostering, as well as raising funds for The Fostering Network, a charity which offers information and support for anyone involved in fostering.

The county council welcomes foster carers from all walks of life, whether single or married, and regardless of cultural background or sexual orientation. Eligibility criteria include being over 21 years old, and having a spare bedroom. The county council offers its foster carers weekly fees and allowances, and full training and

rather than running water in the stream attracts a different range of insects and it was good to see the broad bodied caser dragonfly there as well as azure damselflies and pond skaters. The diversity within the pond will improve with time.

**Cuckoo**

Have you heard a cuckoo this year? We would be interested to know if you have and where. At the time of writing a cuckoo was heard in the trees at Barrow Hill, also at Turnerspuddle, Wareham Forest and Arne. But, perhaps you know of others close by. Do let us know.

**Bats**

There has been a bat maternity roost containing about 100 bats at a house in Bitchams Mead for the past couple of years. However the bats have not returned to roost there this year. If you are aware of any active bat roosts in the area, please let us know.

If you would like to see some bats in flight stand on Jubilee Bridge around dusk. There are always several bats over the water feeding on insects.

**Contact Us**

If you would like to know more about the work of the Wildlife and Environment Group or to be included on our mailing list, please contact:

Tony Bates at tonybates19@gmail.com / 01929 471563 or Mike Gee at mike.n.g@outlook.com / 0775 988 4942.

**TONY SHAVE**

Those of you who attended Tony’s funeral recently will be pleased to learn that a total of £890.69 was raised for The Stars Appeal. This generous amount is a true testament to how much Tony was respected and loved by so many people in the village.
the Parish. See the picture of one of the veteran oak trees in May’s Wood being measured. It is estimated this tree is probably over 250 years old. There will be more about this in next month’s magazine.

**Summer Events**

We are hoping to hold other events over the coming summer months. If possible we hope to hold a ‘bioblitz’ to see what wildlife can be found on Souls Moor in August. So watch this space for further news of these. If you would like to be kept informed of future events and the Group’s work why not add your name to our email list – simply email us at mike.n.g@outlook.com

**Souls Moor Ponies and their Conservation Work**

The ponies are back on Souls Moor – they are very friendly. Do say “hello” to them when you pass, but please do not deliberately approach them, feed them, and do keep dogs on a lead. The two we have this year are a charming smaller cob breed. They do have a tendency to lie down and have a nap in the middle of the day! This is natural behaviour. They have also been seen having fun together. However one day they had some unusual company which appeared along the pathway! see the picture.

Further benefits of last year’s grazing have occurred with several of the beautiful Southern Marsh Orchids back again. Previously common on this and other sites they had all but disappeared because of the rank growth of grasses, docks and nettles. There should be a gradual improvement in the future of a more varied range of wildflowers as the ponies continue to munch their way into the longer grasses.

As the new notice put up by the Parish Council states, for those of you concerned for the ponies’ welfare, be assured they are regularly checked and they have a plentiful supply of water from the pond dug last year.

The pond

The pond dug last year to provide a permanent water supply for them. Still water support. We desperately need people in Dorset to look after children of all ages and abilities. Fostering could provide these vulnerable children with safe and caring homes, either for a short period or through to adulthood. To find out more, please visit www.fosterindorset.com or call 01305 225568.

In Dorset, we currently have:

- 139 foster carer households
- 43 connected carer households (where a child who cannot be cared for by their parents is looked after by a relative or family friend)
- 43 children needing foster homes
- 449 children in care (foster and residential homes)

For further information – or to arrange an interview with a foster carer – please contact Cathy Lewis, communications team, on 01305 225013.

**Surgery**

Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of every month. These are held at the communal Lounge in Turverville Court in Bere Regis from 09.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. If you cannot make one of these please email me and I will arrange to come round to see you. If you have any questions or queries related to the business of Dorset County Council please come along. If anyone wants to contact me and cannot get to the surgery my email address is peterwharf@hotmail.com.

Peter Wharf, County Councillor
NEWS FROM WESTMINSTER

Every week I receive hundreds of emails from constituents about things they are concerned about. Some are from people who require assistance – whether with the Child Maintenance Service, housing issues, immigration or schools. Whilst I cannot wave a magic wand, sometimes an intervention from my office can prove to be a catalyst for positive change. Other people get in touch about local issues – from affordable housing to traffic problems, and broadband problems to grass cutting frequency. Some of these can be dealt with by the local councils, and I work closely with local councillors across the constituency.

Other people are more focussed on national and international issues. Brexit obviously is the subject of many emails I receive – from both sides of the argument. Animal welfare also always features highly, as does the environment. I am often contacted by people about the NHS and I’m really pleased that the government were able to give nurses a pay rise this year, as they provide such an important service.

People also have worldwide concerns – with issues such as Rohingya Muslims, persecuted Christians around the world, the Middle East and Syria featuring recently. As the Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for International Development, part of my job is to have a deeper understanding of international affairs and to be the “eyes and ears” in Parliament. I do not ask or answer questions in Parliament about International Development, but I am the link between parliament and ministers on this subject.

More generally, I respond to all individual emails and letters – and they receive the same level of attention. If you send me a standard text campaign email or postcard, you will be able to see my responses to the most popular campaigns on my website.

As well as emails, I like to hear from and speak to constituents in person. I hold regular surgeries by appointment right across the constituency for people with specific and urgent concerns. To book an appointment please contact my office. For more informal discussions, I also hold street surgeries across the constituency. I have recently held them in Broadstone, Wimborne, Wareham and Bearwood. I hope to hold more during summer recess – if you see me do stop to chat!

As always, I will be attending a variety of events in the constituency in the summer – if you are holding an event and you would like me to visit, please do get in touch.

AUTUMN LEAVES

Over 50’S CLUB

Once again a good turnout of members were enthralled by a talk from Mary Graham about the little known outbreak of Typhoid in Poole and Bournemouth in 1936. Over 700 people became very ill and more than 50 people died, but it was all hushed up, and only by diligent detective work by a doctor was the source traced to infected milk from a dairy in Wimborne.

Next month we will have an equally interesting talk by Frank Holden about his experiences as a registrar of births, deaths and marriages. Do come and join us at the Scout Hut on Wednesday 11th July at 2.30. Bring a friend! I’m sure you will enjoy it!

BERE REGIS WILDLIFE GROUP

We have enjoyed some warm sunny weeks through May and June, which has been a boost for our wildlife. This is very evident if you walk along the meadow area in May’s Wood, between the primary school and the far end of Shitterton. The flowers and grasses are fodder and host to a wide range of butterflies and insects. Do go along and see what you can find.

Notable, Veteran and Ancient Trees

In mid-June we had a very informative talk by Sean Cooch from Natural England on old trees. We heard about the great importance of ancient and veteran trees. In Britain we have some of the most important old trees in Europe. This was followed by a walk to look at learn more about some older trees in the field. These trees are of particular wildlife value. They are much enjoyed by villagers and visitors for their impressive stature and beauty, and they can be of great historical importance. We were told how to start to start recording such trees across
I continue to hold regular surgeries for constituents all year round and if you have an issue that you need help with, please do get in touch; email me on michael.tomlinson.mp@parliament.uk or contact my office on 01202 624216. You can also follow what I’ve been doing on Twitter @Michael4MDNP or Facebook www.facebook.com/michael4MDNP.
BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP

Group News

Thank you to all who came along to our Annual Review of the Year. It was an evening to look back on some of the activities each of the sections have taken part in and to recognise with awards and gifts the top young people in Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and our Explorer Unit. We also spent a short amount of time to complete the legal requirements of the organisation, approved the financial accounts and elected the Executive Committee for the next 12 months.

Explorer News

As a break from exam revision for some, participants at a backwoods wild camp used last year’s trek cart to deliver their kit from the scout hut to their greenfield campsite at Briantspuddle woods. Those that took part in this camp along with the Scouts, cooked on open fires, learnt how to mark trails, use heliographs, how to light fires without matches and how to feel comfortable in a forest environment.

Some of our Explorer Unit did their bit for the environment and our coastal community by meeting some other Explorers from our District at Kimmeridge Bay for a beach clean challenge. It was a beautiful May evening and a very worthwhile project.

During the summer programme, there have been lots of activities planned at Buddens Scout Activity Centre. An evening of archery tuition proved very popular for those who wanted to improve on this very skilful sport.

Some of the young people have been busy helping to build a second trek cart for this year’s District Trek Cart challenge.

Bere Regis Dental Practice

Bere Regis Dental Practice are a private dental practice with over 20 years experience and a friendly atmosphere.

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**Rye Hill Farm Shop & Tea Room**

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- Spring bedding plants now available

The café offers full English breakfasts, light lunches, tea, coffee, sandwiches and cakes – eat in or take away

All produce is locally sourced whenever possible

- Sacks of potatoes – Mars Piper, Wilja, Desiree and Marfona now available
- Local & Fairtrade groceries, milk, cheese and meats
- Full range of locally produced cider and fruit wines

Now agents for Muddyrugs – cleaning and repairing horse and dog blankets & rugs

Open Tuesday – Saturday 9am to 4pm    Sunday 10am to 2.30pm
**Macmillan Coffee Morning**

This will be in the Lower Hall on Friday 28th September 10am until 12 noon donations and help will be gratefully received.

**An Evening with Local Band Rapport Saturday 13th October**

Tickets are £5 each bring your own drinks and nibbles during the evening the Pop In Place Awards will be presented. All welcome tickets go on sale in August.

Please Check out Pop In Place Website popinplace.org

Thanks to Rod Osmond who has updated our website and it is look great check it out on the above address.

Thank you for your continued support, and thanks you to all our volunteers and drivers. Thank you for making a real difference.

Alison Bennett Team Leader 01929 472023

**Special Message from Joan Stickland**

I would like to thank everyone who sent me good wishes for my 90th birthday and who made donations to the Dorset County Hospital Cancer Appeal. We have sent £400 to this worthy cause.

Thank you all.

**BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP**

The next meeting of Bere Regis Floral Group will be on Tuesday 10th July at 2pm in Winterborne Kingston village hall. The demonstrator is Vivienne Thompson, and her title is Anticipation. We will look forward to this with happy anticipation, and as usual will welcome visitors and new members. Your first visit to the club is free of charge.

For all information. Contact secretary Sue Stone on 01929 472083

**DofE activities**

A Gold practice expedition took place during the May Spring Bank holiday so well done to Dan, Amelia and Tom for completing that with some of their friends from Wareham Explorers. Other practice and assessed Gold expeditions are planned for August. All these will be taking place in Dartmoor National Park.

A Bronze assessed expedition will also be taking place in the Purbecks to challenge Explorers on their first level of this award scheme.

**Scout News**

Scouts are spending their meetings out of the hut and have enjoyed a bike ride with quizzing along the way in Wareham following the 10km route of the Sika Trail. The now famous 24 hour camps took the format of attending the District raft race and we stayed to camp at Buddens overnight. The Scouts did very well and 2 teams built rafts from wooden planks, plastic barrels and rope. Races against each other and the other local Scout troops followed before we hosted a BBQ. We moved to the camping area and
set up tents this time before lighting a fire and cooking a bean stew. Camping would not be complete without toasting marshmallows and hot chocolate around the camp fire. Back to Buddens to learn how to shoot at an archery target with a bow and arrow, and to fire a rifle at a target.

Cub News

Thanks to the parents who joined us for a bike ride at the Sika Trail in Wareham, we do tell you how much fun we have at cubs and it was great to see how much the grown-ups enjoyed themselves. Cubs have spent a couple of meetings at Buddens so that everyone gets a chance at Archery and Den Building. They were amazing and lots of them managed to hit the target every arrow.

Beaver News

Bere Regis beavers do Beajam! Dorset County organised a “Beaver Jamboree” at Buddens on 16th June, a day of activities from all over the world, followed by an evening meal, campfire and night’s camp. It is wonderful for our beavers to meet up with 400 others from Groups and Districts across the county, and start to understand that Beavers is not just about them meeting every Wednesday in Bere Regis, but is a global organisation. The Group Activity Day the following weekend helped them to see the different age groups involved in scouting too!

Our meetings in June have focused on Sports and Camp Craft badges. Every beaver is regularly practising a sport or physical activity for 6 weeks, and many have taken up new challenges and

We are asking for a £3 fee per person per week. You are very welcome to visit the Pop In Place Community Café after the class for refreshments. Come along and give it a try, you will be made very welcome.

Pop In Place Community Café

There is a warm welcome for all at the Pop In Place Community Café we operate the café’s on Monday and Friday mornings 10am until 12 noon. On the Friday we have Bere Regis Watercress at 50p a bunch when in season. There is a pound shop set up in the foyer. If you live within the Parish and would you like transport to the Pop In Place Telephone Alison 472023 who will arrange it for you.

Wanted

Good Quality items of clothing bric a brac and books to sell in our new pound shop please only bring in good quality and clean items or they will be refused. Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Come along to The Poppets Group

This is our family community café on Thursday Mornings 9.30 until 11.30 At the Lower Drax Hall during Term Time.

We are also able to offer breastfeeding advice by a trained member of our staff and a relaxed informal meeting place. There is often a clothing exchange of children’s clothes, do come along and try us out, new members are most welcome, Sarah and Jackie offer a warm welcome to all.

Dates for your Diary

The Bere Regis Alzheimer’s Society Memory Walk Saturday 15th of September 10am start

Come and walk with us for a world without Dementia everyone taking part will be asked to contribute £5 so you don’t even have to worry about getting sponsors.

We will meet in Elder Road near the kicking wall and finish at the Village Hall for raffle and refreshments. Please Support this event.

Raffle Prizes for this event will be greatly appreciated please see Alison.

Memory Walk Coffee Morning This will run from 10am until about 12 noon we have booked the Durnovaria Silver Band and they will be playing at the hall during the morning, there will be coffee cake and a raffle please come along to one of these events of do both the walk will finish at the Village Hall.
Thank you

To Linda Lamon for her recent talk at the Pop In Place on “Mays woods” Linda’s photography is stunning, it was a pleasure to see it.

Thank you to everyone who supported “Our last Summer”

More details of the money raised for the Southampton Immunotherapy Centre will be in next month. I would like to thank everyone who has helped with this production in any way whatsoever and to the wonderful all age cast who have worked so hard, and to all the people who made time to come along and make up the three fantastic audiences.

Wonderful Wednesdays Afternoon Café

During this month we have our usual cafes sessions plus the extra Wednesday afternoon this is Wednesday the 18th July 1pm -3pm this is run by Victoria Birch and hopes to attract a new client group of younger people but it is important to emphasise that everyone whatever age will always be made welcome.

Movement to Music at the Pop In Place on Monday Mornings (Upper Hall)

We are a friendly group meeting Mondays 9.30am for 40 minutes; it is for anyone who wants to take a little more exercise but is not mega fit. The sessions will be led by one of our team with choreography background and designed especially for this client group with suitable music and movement.

new sports. We are learning firelighting and how to put up tents, toasting marshmallows and singing traditional campfire songs. Also we are having a Young Leader led hike one evening at the end of June - which goes towards the Young Leader awards as well as earning the beavers a Hikes Activity badge. So lots of fun all round!

Scout Hut hire

The Scout Hut is available for hire, particularly during the daytime – rates from £7.50 per hour. For more information, please contact Andrea Marshall on 01929 472588 or 0788 422 6445, andrealynnmarshall@hotmail.com

Contact us

If anyone would like further information about Bere Regis Scout Group or the Kingsbere Explorer Scout Unit, all the contact details for the individual sections (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers) are available in the village directory at the back of this magazine. General enquiries and offers of help/assistance: Neal Unitt-Jones on 01929 472273.

Scout Group Publicity: Andrea Marshall on 01929 472588 and Helen Unitt-Jones on 01929 472273.
Thank you
Thank you to all who helped with the hall spring clean especially to Philip Boreham for all his ladder work, the hall has now been deep cleaned and is looking good.
Thank you to Nora who made us all those lovely cakes, good baking!
Thank you also to Ron who has very kindly tidied up all the weeds outside the hall. Making it look very neat indeed.

Photos of events at the hall
I am opening a folder for photos that support our case for a new hall, if you take anything at an event that would be useful within an application for funding please email it to me popinplace@gmail.com

Village Hall Hiring
The village hall has two options for hire the large upper Hall at £8 per hour and the Lower room at £7 per hour please telephone Lyn Simmonds on 01929 471528 to discuss your requirements and view the facilities available.