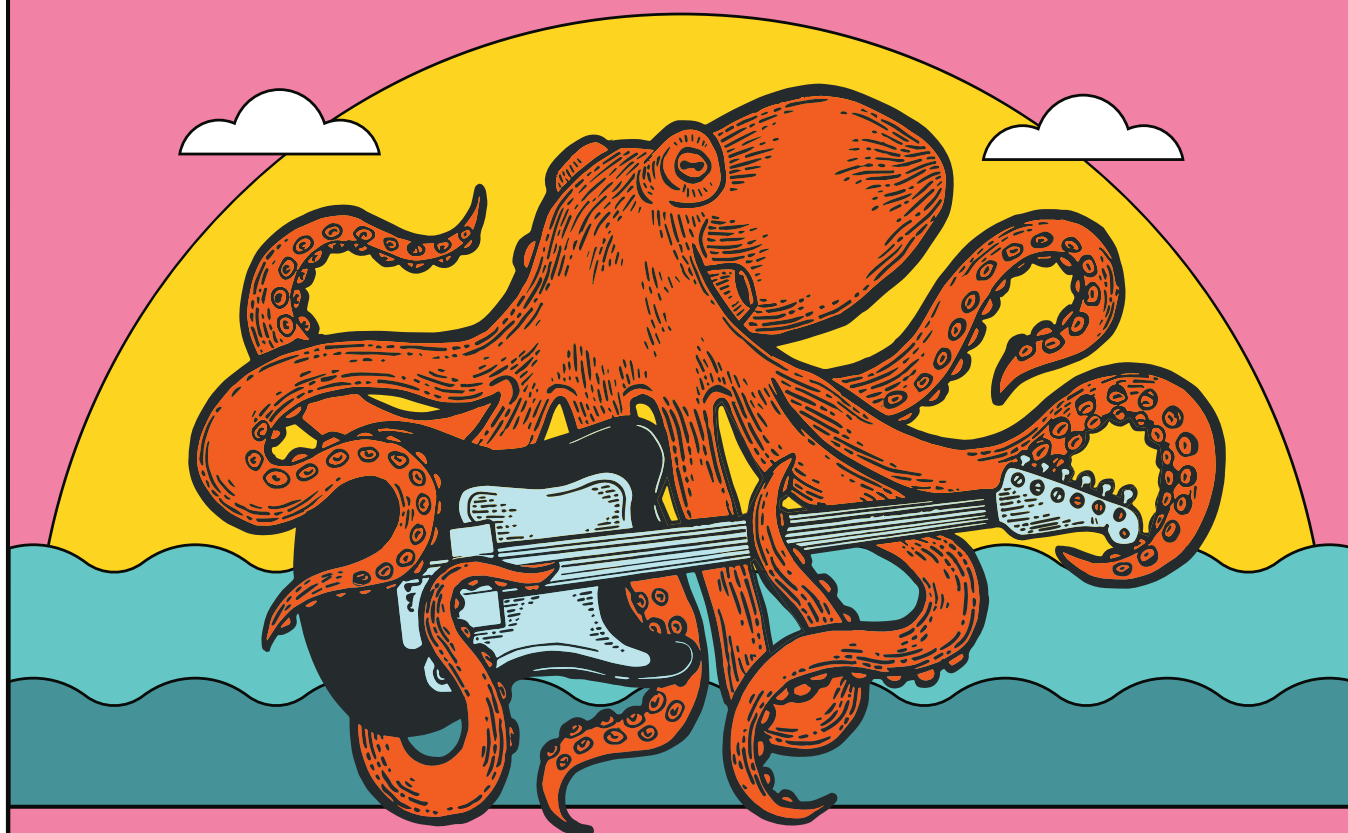


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Planet Purbeck Festival

Fri 15 - Sun 24 Sep
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Land, Sea &
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Swanage Folk Festival

Fri 8 - Sun 10 Sep
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Weekend of
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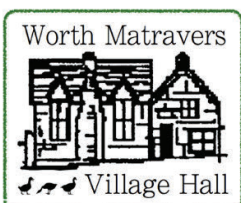
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From the Editor

I suppose we should be glad that we had some summer in late spring because July and August have been pretty dire. It's a shame for the children who had to swelter at school during exams only to be freed into the dreary, wet weather of the holidays.

Let's hope we get a few more sunny days before they are back indoors.

Angela

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The editor, Angela Bell, appreciates the early submission of contributions but, for those cutting it fine, the deadline for the **October** issue is noon on **Thursday, 21 September** & it will be ready for collection on **Tuesday, 26 September**.

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The editor welcomes news contributions and letters as well as notifications of events within the Parishes for the **What's On** section and, space permitting, for free 'one off' box adverts which are included at the Editor's discretion. These can be submitted online to ed@thedubber.co.uk or by post to The Editor, 2 The Steddings, Langton Matravers, BH19 3EU (☎427202).

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September 2023

Revd Ian Jackson writes:

I am writing a few days before the gathering at Corfe on 20 August, a few weeks after the lovely occasion at Church Knowle with people from all parts of the Benefice and only now a short while before officiating at Langton and Kingston on 27 August and then for the last time while in office here on 17 September.

Many of you will have attended leavers' assemblies at school over the years – either as a pupil or family and friends in support. I have been privileged to attend quite a few of these over the recent years at Corfe School and they are always emotional occasions but they are also very uplifting; I am sure that is the case at St George's at Langton and also at the schools attended by our children and young people. At Corfe there is usually a time of 'I remember' and then a time of looking forward. The looking back is always very emotional and it is the looking forward which I find particularly uplifting and bringing hope for the future.

The two schools in our Benefice, Corfe and St George's are both relatively small – this leads to a close knit and supportive community. They have also been serving our communities for many years now and so are well rooted with many local people having attended them.

Church life involves quite a lot of looking back. There are the local stories and memories but also the re-counting of the events and understanding at the heart of Christian faith, life and worship. At the same time, we look to the future and we try to understand all that is going on in the present. In all this we are conscious of God's guiding, loving presence: our faith may well ebb and flow but we are able to support and encourage one another.

We are conscious of all this both in our local setting but also of our place in the wider context of the nation, the world and the whole of creation.

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Ian

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SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER TRINITY 13

10am Late Breakfast Church Langton

10.30am Holy Communion Corfe

11.15am Informal Worship Kingston

5pm Celtic Evening Prayer St Aldhelm

WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

10am Prayer & conversation Langton

SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER TRINITY 14

8am Holy Communion Worth

9.30am Holy Communion Steeple

10am Holy Communion Langton

11am Morning Worship Corfe

6pm Evensong Langton

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

10am Communion & conversation Langton

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER TRINITY 15

10am Celtic Eucharist Worth

10am Morning Worship Langton

10.30am Holy Communion Corfe

11am Walking Church TBA

6pm Evening Prayer HX

WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

10am Prayer & conversation Langton

SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER TRINITY 16

9am Holy Communion Kimmeridge

10am Celtic Morning Prayer WMVH

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A very big thank you to everyone who came and supported us at our Fête on the second Saturday in August. It was the first time that we have had our Fête so late in the summer and also the first time that we ran it as an afternoon event. Judging by the number of people who came and the positive atmosphere, which was evident as the afternoon went on, we seem to have got it right and it is likely that we will stick to this date and format next year.

It was lovely seeing old friends meeting each other, just one of the spin offs that come from this sort of Church or Village event.

Huge thanks to all our helpers. A lot goes on behind the scenes and we are extremely lucky that we have a cohort of dedicated, experienced workers, without whom our Fêtes wouldn't be the successes, that they always are. In addition to that, we also have so many kind people, not always Church members, who regularly come and help, year after year, contributing enormously to making the Fête work at every level.

Although called St George's Fête, now it is really the St Aldhelm's Fête, as the money we raise goes to support all three Churches in the Purbeck Hills, since we combined to form one parish. It was good to work together.

RAFFLE PRIZES

These were the winning tickets, four went to Purbeck residents.

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- 6th Prize Holme Cream Tea YT 00636

Chris Meadows

ST NICHOLAS OF MYRA – CLOSURE

Work on relaying the Church roof is about to start. The final service in the church will be a Christening service on the afternoon of Sunday, 17 September. Work will commence on clearing all moveable objects from the Church the following day and the contractors will then start protecting all items in the Church which cannot be moved. Within days scaffolders will start erecting scaffolding both inside and outside the Church, this will take approximately three to four weeks. The work of relaying the roof is likely to take 8/9 months during which time the Church will be closed.

During the period of closure services will be held in the Village Hall or at other venues which will be advised through the Dubber or on the church notice board.

Unfortunately, a job of this magnitude is likely to cause a certain amount of inconvenience. The Project Team has met with the contractors and architects to try to ensure that this is kept to a minimum but, on behalf of the Project Team and all concerned, we would like to apologise in advance for any disruption that this work might cause.

Finally, our grateful thanks to all of you who have supported the Roof Appeal. We still have a little way to go before we reach our target so further contributions or purchase of Raffle Tickets for the wonderful painting of the Church by Nicholas Hely Hutchinson would be most welcome.

Hugh Cochrane on behalf of the Project Team

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CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

With summer rapidly coming to an end, we have to now start planning our seventh Christmas tree Festival. This year we are looking to support Mosaic (an organisation that over sixteen years has supported bereaved children in Dorset) and East Dorset and New Forest branch of the Motor Neuron Disease Association.

We are grateful once again to the PCC of St Aldhelm for allowing us to use St George's church in Langton Matravers for the Festival which will be held on the weekend of the 2 - 4 December. The Church will be filled with in excess of 30 individually decorated Christmas trees and that's where we require your help to sponsor a tree and come down on the 1 December to decorate it (the tree will be yours to keep afterwards), we will also be looking for musical groups or individuals to sing or play at the event. You can download an application form to sponsor a tree at <https://staldhelm-purbeck.org/christmas-tree-festival/>. If you would like more information, please contact Sandy (01929 424431) sandy@gizimodo.co.uk.

Colin Garner

SWANAGE FOOD BANK

A very big thank you to everyone from the villages who continue to leave food for the Food Bank in the back of Worth and Langton churches.

As many of you know that as from 18th September Worth church will be closed for the repair of the church roof.

Please continue to leave donations of food at Langton church. There are food bins in the Co op, Budgeons and Cost Cutters. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12-2pm there are bins outside the Salvation Army for the Food Bank.

However, if you are unable to get to any of these stations and would like donations collected in Worth, please contact me., Thank you for your continued support.

Liz Hoad

WOMEN OF NOTE

Purbeck Arts Choir are celebrating 200 years of female composers with music by:

- Fanny Mendelssohn-Hensel (sister of Felix) & Clara Schumann (wife of Robert)
- A Prayer of St Columba by Cecilia McDowall
- Helen Osterfew's Requiem for Humanity
- Eleanor Daley's Requiem

Grace Lovelass will be our Soprano Soloist for the concert. If you have not sung with us before we would be delighted to welcome you for two "taster sessions" at the beginning of term which starts on Thursday, 7 September at 6.30 pm at St Mary's School.

Our concert is on Saturday, 25 November. Please contact me for more information: 01929 481419 or purbeckchoir@gmail.com

Liz Roberts, Chair Purbeck Arts Choir

CORFE CASTLE SURGERY

SEPTEMBER 2023

Dr Kathryn Armitage will sadly be leaving the surgery at the end of September. Kathryn has been a part of the team for seven years now and will be sorely missed by all of the staff and patients alike. We would like to wish her all the best for her future plans.

I wanted to update you on this year's flu vaccine clinic plans; we will be holding our first Saturday clinic on 16 September from 9am to 12pm. This will be a walk-in, no appointment needed clinic for over 65's and 50-64 year olds in an 'at risk' group for Corfe Castle Surgery patients only. October dates will be communicated separately and you can check the website for details; corfecastlesurgery.co.uk.

All children will be contacted separately with an appointment to come into the Surgery.

Please remember to park in the pay and display car park so that it is safer for pedestrians arriving and waiting out the front of the Surgery for the clinic.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries.

Kerry Norman, Practice Manager

CORFE PPG

It is always a pleasure to bring good news which I am delighted to do by saying that in the National GP Survey undertaken between January and April this year, Corfe Castle Surgery received a score of 99%, against a National result of 71% - describing our overall experience as 'good'. I am sure Kerry, our Practice Manager will give more details but we wish to congratulate Dr Lepper and Kerry on this wonderful result and thank them and the surgery team for all their hard work.

Whilst this is good news, I am sad to advise that the valued and much appreciated Chemotherapy clinic held at Wareham Hospital on a weekly basis is to close on Friday, 11 August upon the retirement of the respected and loved Advanced Clinical Practitioner, Nicky, who with her team has developed a friendly professional 'Chemo Club' for those patients receiving treatment at a most vulnerable time. The clinic is run by University Hospitals Dorset (UHD) who have advised that they do not have sufficient staff to continue the clinic at this time but have said that they hope to reinstate it within six months to a year when recruitment and training has taken place. UHD wished to extend their apologies to all patients and their families who have been impacted by the short notice cessation of the Wareham hospital clinic.

It was disappointing that neither local GPs or Wareham Hospital were informed of this clinic change in advance which has created concern and distress for many and now means that patients must travel to Poole Hospital for treatments.

As the Wareham Hospital Friends Chair I have made representation to UHD and our local MPs, as has the Chair of the Swanage Hospital Friends, about this reduction in a local service; it is our intention to continue to fight for reinstatement!

The PPG committee will be meeting again in late September. Please let us know if there are issues you wish us to raise with the Surgery or if you wish to know more about the Patient Participation Group (PPG) at corfecastlesurgeryppg@gmail.com

Here's hoping for the return of some sunshine.

Maggie Hardy, PPG Chair

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The 'Belvs', as we are often known, are a friendly lot. We

come from all walks of life with wide ranging musical abilities. Members' ages range across 50 decades. Some are fit and active, some less so, but all are welcome and able to participate fully as the spaces we use are fully accessible.

We meet each Tuesday evening from 7.30pm to 9.30pm at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Swanage during school term times, and we aim to perform two full concerts each year to help raise money for good causes. Our next concert will be at on 9 December at St Mary's Church, Swanage. I have already seen some of the music our wonderful Music Director Clive has lined up for us to perform and it looks as though it will be great fun- a real mix of traditional carols, some well-known favourite Christmas songs and some new, challenging pieces too- not all of which will be in English!

Perhaps you have been thinking about joining a singing group, but don't know which one would be right for you? Perhaps you don't think you're good enough, or worry that you don't know if you are a soprano, tenor, alto or bass? Well, why not pluck up courage and come along to the start of our new term on 5 September, where you can 'have a go' and see how you get on? You can try us out for two free weeks before making any commitment to join.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have about the Belvs (call me on 01929 480247) or you might like to take a look at our website www.belvederesingers.org.uk or our Facebook page. If your Tuesday evenings are currently empty, come along and join us and fill your time with music, singing, friendship and even some laughter. You have nothing to lose and I hope to meet you soon.

Sue Eady, Belvedere Singers Secretary

PLANET PURBECK

TV star Nadeem Perera will be the big draw at this year's Planet Purbeck Festival.

The wildlife presenter – recently seen on Springwatch and David Attenborough's Saving Our Wild Isles – will be at Swanage's Mowlem Theatre to front a lavish 'Celebration of Purbeck' night.

Nadeem, regarded as the biggest up-and-coming talent in wildlife broadcasting, will talk about his passionate drive to make nature accessible to all, particularly young disadvantaged people, and his groundbreaking birdwatching group Flock Together.

Continuing the TV theme, the evening will also feature the premiere of a film called Purbeck: *Let's Go Wild* especially made for the occasion by BBC and Netflix filmmaker Sue Western.

She has been interviewing scores of people in the area, from five-year-olds to 85-year-olds, to find out what the word 'nature' means to them.

The free-ticket Mowlem evening, on 23 September, is the centrepiece of the ten-day festival during which Planet Purbeck will continue its twin aims of bringing people together to help nature thrive and keeping pressure on the powerful to tackle climate change.

Other highlights among a host of events to be held across



the peninsula from September 15-24 include a 'camp-out' at Burnbake with live music and food; a mini festival within a festival at Sandy Hill Arts in Corfe Castle, a welly-wanging competition at Norden Farmers Market and a shoreline safari at Kimmeridge, along with the traditional autumn equinox swim at Studland's South Beach.

Festival organiser Luke M Luke said Nadeem's presence and Sue's film are part of Planet Purbeck's drive to attract a wider following, particularly among young people.

He added: "We are extremely excited to have Nadeem with us and I'm glad to say he was really drawn to the vibrancy and energy we are putting into the festival.

"Sue's films are brilliant and we're confident there won't be a dry eye in the Mowlem when she shows her new one."

Although many of the festival's events are familiar from years past, Luke is hoping for a greater emphasis on mass gatherings.

** Full details of the festival and a survey on Purbeck's rewinding are at www.planetpurbeck.org. Chris Hockley

SWANAGE SKATEPARK CONSULTATION

Have your say on the future design of Swanage Skatepark. In Spring 2023, a significant section of Swanage Skatepark became unsafe and the older ramps in this area were removed by Swanage Town Council. This has left an empty but freshly resurfaced area that is ready for new ramps.

A new group, 'Swanage Skatepark Community Project' (SSCP), has been formed to support Swanage Town Council in the continued development of the area. The group's initial aim is to run a transparent and inclusive public consultation process to see what users want from Swanage Skatepark.

So far, the online survey has been distributed to local schools from Swanage to Sandford and is now available online for anyone to respond to. The public consultation survey will close Friday, 15 September. Survey results will hopefully allow SSCP to move to the next stage, to create a community led design brief and begin fundraising for the cost of the new equipment.

SSCP will continue the decades of fundraising and community engagement by local resident Lorna Haines. Lorna's long-standing connection with Swanage Skatepark will continue as Chairperson of the new group with support from other volunteers co-opted for their combined passion to develop Swanage Skatepark in an inclusive and transparent way.

The group is also building an online gallery of skatepark users past and present enjoying the space. Dig into your archives and submit your Swanage Skatepark photos to swanageskatepark@gmail.com. Respond to the survey here: www.swanageskateparkcommunityproject.com

Heidi Florence

PURBECK YOUTH MUSIC

From Swanage to Wareham and Wool, and in the villages in between, the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument is gradually spreading through the Purbeck primary schools. Of course, not every child is musical just like every child does not enjoy sport or is good at maths but at Purbeck Youth Music we aim to reach those who may never otherwise have an opportunity to hear instruments like the flute, clarinet, saxophone, trombone, violin or trumpet to name but a few, by arranging performances in schools by

10 The Dubber

professional musicians who love to communicate their art. We hope to reach those children with untapped talent and inspire them to embark on a musical journey which may enrich their future lives.

So far, so good. Now that the schools are back, students can look forward this term to visits of the brass group 'Conical Sonicals' to whole school assemblies. Out of this there will be offers of beginner groups for children after which lessons may follow for those keen on playing a big shiny brass instrument. Where there is need, we can subsidise lessons and now that the Purbeck Instrument Loan Scheme (PILS) has joined with us, we can supply most instruments for a very modest annual fee.

Some of our young string players have morphed into a Traditional Folk Fiddle group which is led by Matt Tarling. These students are already learning conventionally with their visiting violin teachers, but Matt is teaching them to play simple folk tunes by ear i.e. not reading sheet music but listening hard, watching and copying what Matt plays to them. This is proving to be very popular and demonstrates how important it is to get together to play with others. Learning to listen is so important!

In an exciting new collaboration between The Swanage Folk Festival and the Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival who this year coincide in the weekend 9/10 September, the PYM Folk Group will be appearing alongside two visiting solo violinists who will be playing Hungarian folk tunes on Saturday, 9 September in a joint Family Concert at 10am. Our PYM group will be playing two Irish tunes and who knows what else might occur. This concert is free for all.

Our ambitious dream is eventually to have a Purbeck Youth Orchestra. With children now learning a good range of strings, winds and brass, that dream may gradually come true.

To quote Andrew Lloyd Webber: "Classical music must not be the preserve of the rich. There should be a proper programme that makes music available to children in every school." Here at Purbeck Youth Music we couldn't agree more. PYM seeks to 'Inspire, Encourage, Develop' by reaching those who may not otherwise have such an opportunity and thereby filling the gaps in state provision.

If you would like to support us by becoming a regular sponsor or friend, please visit our website: www.purbeckyouthmusic.org or email admin@purbeckyouthmusic.org for more information.

Dilys Thomas



**LANGTON MATRAVERS
SCOUT & GUIDE HQ
MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE**

**Invite you to the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
7.45pm
Wednesday, 27 September 2023
at The Scout Hut, Durnford Drove,
Langton Matravers
All welcome to attend**

WORTH FILM CLUB

Our first screening of the new season on Wednesday 20 September will be *My Sailor, My Love*. Howard (James Cosmo), a retired sea captain, is living on his own in a rambling house in a small Irish village. His daughter Grace (Catherine Walker) finds herself so appalled by the conditions her widowed father lives in, she hires a local widow Annie (Brid Brennan) to clean and cook for him. The story that follows is a poignant drama that evolves from late-life romance into study of family trauma.

The three lead actors give beautifully nuanced performances and the film is shot on the misty Achill Island off Ireland's west coast. Winner of the best Irish Film at the 2022 Dublin Film Festival, it's a drama that delves deep and is scrupulously unsentimental.

Please join us for a drink at 7pm and the film will begin at 7.30pm.

To avoid disappointment at the door, book early online: www.worthmatravervillagehall.org

Tickets are £5.

Claude Bonfanti

BBQ ON THE GREEN

Come and join us for our annual village picnic on Saturday, 26 August from noon. Bring your favourite BBQ goodies for our team of chefs to cook for you from 12pm until well into the afternoon - steaks, burgers, chops, sausages, or on our separate BBQ for vegetables, corn on the cob, stuffed peppers, bananas.

Sit back and relax while your lunch is prepared. If it rains, the chefs will be in the marquee, and we'll open the village hall. This is a free event but donations towards our chosen charity, Purbeck Youth Music, will be very much appreciated. Hope to see you there!

Claire Barnes

OUR PERSONAL WILDLIFE SPACES

Join us for an evening in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 19 September 6.30pm for 7pm when we will be sharing our garden wildlife experiences - the joy of simple pleasures as well as the rare and unexpected. Mitch Perkins from Dorset Wildlife Trust will start us off with a general introduction to wildlife friendly gardening. Be inspired to welcome wildlife into your garden! Refreshments will be available (cash donations welcome). This is A Sustainable Worth event as part of Planet Purbeck Festival. Book your free ticket Kathy.hollidge@gmail.com 07493 199665.

Kathy Hollidge

RAISE THE ROOF

Join us for champagne and canapés in Worth Matravers Village Hall to celebrate the start of building works at St Nicholas which will begin in late September. Owing to magnificent grants and the hard work of the project team funds are nearly all in hand. There are just a few raffle tickets left...

We will be selling the last few, drawing the winning ticket and thanking the painter, Nicholas Hely Hutchinson on Saturday, 14 October. Cases of champagne are on ice and plenty of food will be prepared, all of which has been donated so that every penny of your £20 ticket goes to the Church. Numbers are finite so please email Victoria Benfield at office@purbeckbenefice.plus.com as soon as possible to reserve your space and advice of method of payment.

This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all the hard-

work that has gone into saving St Nicholas, complete the fundraising and give yourself a chance to win an original oil painting worth in excess of £5,000. We look forward to seeing you there. Dress Code: smart casual. *Charles O'Reilly*

WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL

JULY MEETING

Present: Chairman Cllr J Burden, Vice Chairman Cllr I Bugler, Cllrs, J Hooper, T Peacock C Melville, C Vosper, Dorset Cllr C Brooks

CLERKS REPORT

The Chairman confirmed that overhanging vegetation had been cut back from the road in Worth village

The Clerk confirmed he was chasing up with DC Highways the PC request for the provision of a 'Please Keep Clear' sign at the off-road area by the WW2 'Lookout' on the Langton to Worth road, This would be funded by WMPC as it is a non-regulatory information sign.

DORSET COUNCIL

Cllr Brooks gave an update on current and other DC initiatives. She confirmed she was following up a recent request from the Clerk chasing Dorset Waste regarding the unexplained removal of three large black waste bins from the specific central area pen and by the entrance to the WM car park. Cllr Ms Brooks gave an update on current funding initiatives and consultations including the DC Library Strategy and recent amendments and reductions to DC car park charges.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk updated Cllrs on the loss of now three large black bins from WM Car Park. It had been confirmed that these had been removed by a special DC vehicle operation without any request to do so. The result the Clerk reported was that he had to clear the surface of a lot more litter and debris on his recent regular visits to the car park. These bin removals had been reported to Dorset Waste who had stated the issue would be followed up within 30 days.

The PC agreed the purchase / procurement of a replacement HX dog bin (£130) by the railway bridge and a new 200 litre with salt bin (£120) for locating near the Haycrafts lane A351 junction. This was where the PC purchased 'Dumpy' bag had been located in the 2022/3 winter.

The Clerk confirmed ongoing investigation of an additional /replacement donation machine in WM Car Park. To avoid utility connection work it was proposed, as reported in other local areas, any new Donation machine would be solar powered

HIGHWAY MATTERS

Councillors expressed concerns about recent Filming crew access by very large vehicles along the Kingston to Worth road resulting on one occasion with a large articulated vehicle causing obstruction by taking a long time to turn round in that road by the entrance to the Suttles quarry. The Clerk had also taken up with the Film company large vehicle junction damage at the corner of the junction by the Square and Compass in Worth village with the request they organise a local contractor to carry out repairs.

In HX on the A351 an additional SID post has been erected for commissioning with Cllr Tom Peacock as a volunteer Cllr on the road on the 5 July.. Cllr Hooper stated he would be able to assist in the future when trained up by Cllr Peacock. The Clerk would arrange any necessary paperwork with DC and confirm insurance requirements for volun-

teers. The PC would fund special reflectorized yellow jackets to protect those working approximately every 4- 6 weeks on the sign relocation on the three separate poles on the A351.

The missing waiting restriction plate opposite the Church in Worth village has been brought to the attention of Dorset Highways and it was hoped this would be soon erected as the waiting restriction there cannot be enforced encouraging parking and obstruction on this difficult corner.

The PC agreed to the replacement of one CCTV camera at WMCP which shows early signs of condensation (£640). The next meeting is on 5 September at HXVH.

Roger Khanna. Parish Clerk

LANGTON MATRAVERS

LANGTON POST OFFICE

As most of you know, we have a 'pop up' Post Office in the café at Putlake Farm just 200 yards from the Kings Arms Pub & shop. Putlake is at the bottom of the hill and is open on Tuesdays from 9-Noon.

It is important to our village but it does need all of us to support it; many people do not have a car. There is a car park. The Post Office can do most things including:

- Cash & cheque deposits & withdrawals for the major banks.
- Posting parcels and letters
- Some bill payment
- Stamps

A few things need a week's notice. Be a supporter of our village.

Marjorie Glasscock

LM LOCAL HISTORY & PRESERVATION SOCIETY

We have had a busy month at the museum, not only welcoming visitors old and new, but planning for the future. We have had new flyers printed, bought a new card reader for donations and sales, and are making wider links with other museums locally. We are excited to know that the museum may be involved in an upcoming exhibition on 'The Isle of Purbeck: Spirit of Place' at the Russell-Cotes Gallery in Bournemouth in late 2024: more on this later. We are extremely fortunate that the Windrose Trust, who work with archive film to make it accessible to a wider public, have chosen us for one of their projects: they will be supplying the museum with a DVD of archive film on the stone industry in this area. We will let you know when this is available to view as part of our display material. We have been invited to take part in the National Trust's Festival of Cultural Heritage on the weekend of 16-17 September between 10am and 5pm at Corfe Castle: do come along to support us there and find out more about what we're up to.

Our 'Ailwood' guided walk was well-supported and enjoyed, and by the time you read this, the two village guided walks will have taken place. The programme of talks for Autumn-Winter is shaping up well: here are confirmed dates for your diary, all at 7.30 in the Village Hall:

- Thursday, 28 September: Langton invades Europe: The D-Day Deceptions, by Phil Judkins.
- Thursday, 26 October: The Hlstory of Swanage Pier, by Nick Reed.
- Thursday, 30 November: The Mortar Wreck – a 13th Century Ship, by Tom Cousins.
- Thursday, 7 December: Society's Christmas event (more details later).

- Thursday 29 February 2024: Purbeck during the Civil War, by Anthony Moore.

We are also hoping to do a couple of shorter afternoon talks in the Village Hall either in the Autumn or Spring: hopefully a 'sit-down' version of the Ailwood walk for those who couldn't make it, and a repeat of the 'Sale of Worth' talk. See the website www.langtonmatraversmuseum.org and posters for further details and dates.

Society Membership. Subscriptions are due on 1 September: the income from fees is vital to keep the museum and Society going. Please consider joining the society if you are not already a member you can find details on the website, or you can pick up a form from the museum or at events. If you are a member and haven't yet been sent a renewal letter, please contact lm1hps23@gmail.com which is our website e-mail address. If you would like to send a donation for the upkeep of the museum, please send to LMLHPS Barton, The Hyde LM BH19 3HE or via our website.

Our museum is the only museum dedicated to Purbeck Stone, the geology and the history of the quarrying in the local area. Please consider visiting before the end of the season.

Daryle Pearson & Mary Sparks, Publicity & Communications

LANGTON MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL

NEW CLERK

Langton Matravers Parish Council welcomes Michelle Harrington as the new Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer. Michelle will primarily be working from home, however will come to the Parish Office once a week, (date and time to be confirmed). In the meantime, if you wish to contact Michelle please call the usual number 01929 425100 (to leave a message) or email clerk@langtonmatravers-pc.gov.uk.

COUNCILLORS

Could you be the next Councillor to join Langton Matravers Parish Council? Langton Matravers Parish Council currently have vacancies. Do you want to make a difference? Would you like to offer your skills and experience? Do you enjoy being part of a team? If you care about where you live and are passionate about your community, WE NEED YOU. To find out more please contact Michelle, Parish Clerk on the usual number 01929 425100 (to leave a message) or email clerk@langtonmatravers-pc.gov.uk. Alternatively talk to one of the current standing Councillors.

DORSET COUNCIL HOUSING STRATEGY

Dorset Council have launched an on-line survey regarding their Housing Strategy. Langton Matravers Parish Council will be discussing this issue during the September meeting so please do join us to have your input. The Survey and details can be found at <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/housing-strategy-consultation>

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

During the August Parish Council meeting a member of public raised concern regarding the state of the highways through Langton Matravers. This was noted and Councillor Vaughan Arbuckle will investigate.

WHO TO CONTACT WHEN

If you have a problem, do you know who best to call to help deal with the issue? If not don't worry, the contacts below may help you.

MY BIN WAS NOT EMPTIED

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/bins-recycling-and-litter/report-a-bin-problem/missed-bin-collection> Telephone: 01305 221040

A PUBLIC LITTER BIN IS OVERFLOWING.

<https://dorsetself.achieveservice.com/service/DWP-Report-a-public-litter-bin-problem> Telephone: 01305 221040 To report a pothole Self Service Portal - <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/Report-a-pothole> - Telephone 01305 221020

To report an overgrown hedge, tree or verge onto the highway: <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-hedge--tree-or-verge-issue> - Telephone 01305 221020 To report a problem on a road or pavement <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highwaysmaintenance/report-a-problem-on-the-road-or-pavement> Telephone 01305 221020

To request a highways gully clear: Self Service Portal - <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/report-a-gully--drain-or-flooding-issue> - Telephone 01305 221020

To request a road sweep on a highway near you: Self Service Portal - https://dorsetself.achieveservice.com/service/DWP_Report_for_Mechanical_Road_Sweeper Telephone 01305 221020

PLANNING

- P/TRT/2023/04047 - Location: 1 Spyway Mews Durnford Drove Langton Matravers BH193JD. Treeworks, No objection. P/TRT/2023/03986 - Location: Spyway Orchard - adjacent to 4 Spyway Mews, Langton Matravers, BH19 3BQ, Treeworks, No objection.
- P/HOU/2023/04121: Location: Tykes Fold, Toms Field Road Langton Matravers Dorset BH19 3HN, Householder Planning Permission, No objection as in keeping with surrounding area.

HIGHWAYS

It was noted that warning signage had not been installed by Aster at Spyways. Cllr Vaughan-Arbuckle will contract a representative from Aster to ensure appropriate signage is installed with a matter of urgency.

Work is still on-going with Dorset council to have the Pavement outside the Church repaired.

ALLOTMENTS

It was noted the Allotment Open Event held in August, was a success, with lots of positive feedback received during the day. Thanks are sent to the Allotment association for all their hard work ensuring a successful event, plus all the work they do all year round.

EMERGENCY PLANNING

Work continues to ensure Langton Matravers have a sturdy Emergency Plan in place to deal with any emergency event, such as but not limited to, heavy snow, or flooding.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, 14 September 2023, at 7pm in the Langton Matravers Village Hall. During the meeting is a public session, so please come and join us and have your say.

Parish Council contact details on page 5 (Please remember to give permission for your details to be shared with Councillors). *Michelle Harrington, Parish Clerk*

HARMANS CROSS

HARMANS CROSS VILLAGE HALL

After all the work and excitement of our Annual Fete, September is a bit of 'rest and recovery' at the Hall with all our usual weekly groups returning and just our September Movie Night to focus on:

TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER – THE LOST KING

In 2012, after having been lost for over 500 years, the remains of King Richard III were discovered beneath a carpark in Leicester. The search had been orchestrated by an amateur historian, Philippa Langley, whose unrelenting research had been met with incomprehension by her friends and family and with scepticism by experts and academics.

When Philippa (Sally Hawkins) reads a biography of Richard that highlights the disconnect between his reputation (a deformed, wicked usurper) and his "true" self (none of the above), she resolves to set the record straight, despite her ME having left her feeling shunned and ridiculed, her marriage to John (Steve Coogan) close to collapse and her job at risk. So, after a couple of pub meetings with fellow Ricardians (self-described oddballs and misfits), she's banging on the doors of the establishment, seeking funding to dig up Richard's bones, which she has become convinced lie under a car park in Leicester.

The trailer can be found on our website at <https://www.harmanscrosshall.co.uk/Movie-Nights/>

Doors and bar open at 7.00pm, and the film starts at 7.30pm with admission still at the inflation-busting price of £5. Thank you for reading and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Alison and the HXVH Committee

THE ROUND

TREV HAYSOM

1942-2023

It is with great sadness that we announce the death, on 7 August, of Trev Haysom.

He will be buried in Crack Lane Cemetery, attended by family only.

There will be a gathering to celebrate Trev's life at 2.30pm on Sunday, 10 September at Leeson House, Langton Matravers, to which all are welcome.

The Haysom Family

NEWS FROM NOWHERE

RAMBLING OF A LOCAL GARDENER

September is the main month for harvesting and preserving the vegetables by freezing, drying or clamping. On 23 September, the nights will start to be longer than the days so it is time to sow as soon as possible.

Quick growing vegetables that will crop quickly or are hardy and will grow slowly to harvest during the winter into spring. There are four different radish the long white radish (oriental radish), can be harvested or pickled, the small ones use soon if the weather is warm, another radish is medium white and pink one that crops before Christmas. Also, a large black skinned radish that is good for late winter and early spring, if not sown too early. It is wonderful grated with cabbage and carrot for winter salad! It can be fleece covered awaiting harvest! There are oriental vegetables which I don't know much about but can be sown now for a quick salad crop or for winter cropping. Look out for something new to

sow and if you still have any bare ground, sow some green manures - I like phacelia, (to prevent winter rain leaching the nutrients in the soil), or cover with a natural covering.

In September there are many lovely days to enjoy walking or bicycling to make the most of the end of the summer. Here in Purbeck, we have a lots of foot paths which will show every kind of soil in your area, look out for plants that are doing well on local soils and try them in your own garden, look into local gardens for ideas.

In the early 1950s, my mother said some time the Elms would die of a virus so I was to plant some lime trees between the magnificent elms that dwarfed all our homes. They did well and today I am having them cut back as I feel with the increasing storms/winds all around the world, they must be made smaller to be healthy. I have looked after them for 70 years so I wish I could leave them tall, but for longer term and my house (if they fall) they are being cut back.

June was wet and foggy and I have a lot of mildew on the foliage but I am sure it will heal if it is sprayed with my Comfrey juice. I make it but, it is hard finding the time to get it done! Now I am just enjoying the good weather in my garden and so glad I don't have to go anywhere unless I go for a swim in the sea

It is a lovely sunny day that reminds me of making hay in the 1950s riding on a hay cart being pulled by a big shire horse. I was taught how to load the wagon first, then make the hay rick, treading it down but, no bouncing. We had to wear hats and drink lots of fresh homemade ginger beer. I thought it great fun although my brothers said it was hard work! I loved all the jobs I was given, feeding hens, ducks, geese, one pig and the shire horse. Milking one old cow and adding up all the milk yields. The milkman wrote down the amount of milk after milking each cow. I am so lucky I enjoyed everything, as it had to be done every day.

It is horrible hearing about the droughts, flooding, gales and now fires. Let's hope they don't come here. Everyone must change the way they live. Stop changing things, think before buying and cut down on fossil fuels. Unless we all change there will be no life for future generations. For now, enjoy the present. If you want to sit, talk or look at my garden please just ring me (01929421681).

Rachel

Dubber Distributor Needed for Haycrafts Lane

After 22 years of distributing the Dubber, Hilarie Lewis needs to step back. The delivery area is Haycrafts Lane, north of Flower Meadow Lane, to 21 houses.

We are extremely grateful to Hilarie for her years of service to *The Dubber*

We therefore need someone else to take on the roll. Hilarie is also willing to share the round with someone else. If you are able to do this once a month, we would be extremely grateful.

If you can, either ring me on 07767 090013 or email me at cjmeadows@talktalk.net



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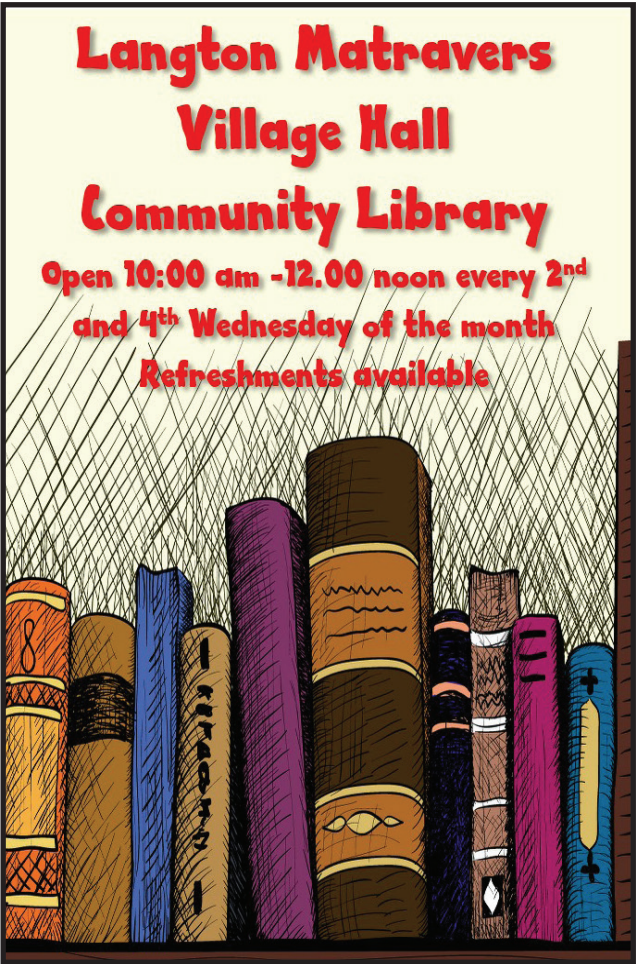
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AUGUST 2023

26	Noon	BBQ on the Green	Worth Green
28	Noon	HX Fete	HXVH
29	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe

SEPTEMBER 2023

2	?	PFF: ? Film Info purbeckfilm.com	Careys Secret Garden
5	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
5	7.30pm	WMPC Meeting	HXVH
7	10 - 11.30	Coffee Pot	St George's Ch
7	10.30-noon	Coffee Junction Post Office (9.30-11.30)	HXVH
7	6.30pm	Purbeck Arts Choir Taster	St Mary's School
7	7.30pm	PICMF: Concert 2 She/Her/ They	St George's Ch
8-10	Various	Swanage Folk Festival	Sandpit Field
9	9.30am-noon	Stalls in the Hall	HXVH
12	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
12	7.30pm	Film: <i>The Lost King</i>	HXVH
14	9.30-11.30am	Post Office	HXVH
15-24	Various	Planet Purbeck Festival	Various
19	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
19	6.30pm	Our Personal Wildlife Spaces	WMVH
20	7pm	WFC: <i>My Sailor, My Love</i>	WMVH
21	10.30-noon	Coffee Junction Post Office (9.30-11.30)	HXVH
26	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
27	7.45pm	Scout & Guide AGM	Scout HQ
28	9.30-11.30am	Post Office	HXVH
28	7.30pm	LMLHPS Talk: Langton invade Europe	LMVH

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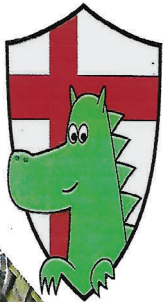


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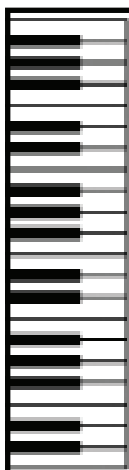
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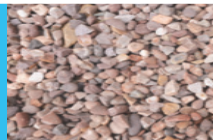
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