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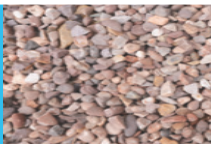
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From the Editor

There are so many charities doing wonderful work, it is very difficult to keep donating. So how do you choose who deserves your money? Most often we choose those charities that have touched our lives. Macmillan and Marie Curie nurses were wonderful with my mother when she was receiving palliative care - so they are top of the list for me. My granddaughter who lost her father when she was only 18 months old was supported by Mosaic, the charity for bereaved children, whenever she needed them. Their support through the hard times has prompted her to return the favour by tackling her first sponsored charity run.



The advert on the left for Willdoes is paid for by a generous donation to **The Dubber** and the space is available all year for charity adverts. So if there is a deserving charity close to your heart that could fill the space for a month or two, please let me know.

Angela

ed@thedubber.co.uk

Deadline for Next Issue

The editor, Angela Bell, appreciates the early submission of contributions but, for those cutting it fine, the deadline for the **June** issue is noon on **Thursday, 23 May** & it will be ready for collection on **Tuesday, 28 May**.

Contributions & Notifications

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).

How to Format Submissions

Preferably, all emailed **Dubber** submissions should be sent as **12 point Times New Roman** (or Minion Pro, if you have it) **plain type** (i.e. no bold, italic or underlining) **aligned left with single line spacing**.

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May 2024

Letter from Bishop Andrew



May is exam month for my youngest daughter, who is undergoing her 'A' Levels this summer – the last of our three to pass through that ordeal. I still recall (as I'm sure many of you do too) the sense of elation – almost disbelief – when these were over and a new chapter of life could begin. Somewhere in my loft, I still have the ring file I flung into the air when it was all over! This transition to a new stage of life feels appropriate as Easter turns to Pentecost and the church waits on God to provide all that she needs to serve him in the world. Given the seemingly constant need to find people to help in church life, it is always encouraging to remember how the Lord can take the scraps we offer and make them sufficient. When offput from commencing an apparently huge task, I sometimes say to myself: 'just do a little' and, having offered my mite to God, leave the multiplication to him.

In annual meeting season, it may be that you are reviewing your responsibilities and wondering about stopping some and starting others. If so, can I encourage you to consider standing for election to deanery or diocesan synod? Synods are our way of sharing the governance of the church and making sure it attends to the things we truly care about. We'd love your involvement and trust that God will work through us 'to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think' (Ephesian 3:20).

Bishop Andrew

Walking Church

11am Sunday, 19 May

Start TBA

DOWN ...BUT NOT OUT

As part of the fund raising for the St Nicholas Roof project, a joyful party at the Worth Matravers Village Hall in Oct 2023 saw the winning raffle ticket for the Nicholas Hely Hutchinson painting drawn out by the guest of honour's wife. But she deflated the room by announcing the winner lives in Australia! Hence the painting is going down under but not out of sight and not for long (see above the picture in its new home in Coolangatta on the Gold Coast). The winner by extraordinary coincidence descends from the King family in Swanage and has ancestors buried and married at St Nicholas, though not at the same time. Her son is marrying Georgia Strange in May so the picture may not be gone for long.



You can hide your disappointment by purchasing a signed limited edition print of the painting framed for £200 or £150 unframed. It will also help us narrow the gap to our target. Your support in one final push for funds would be much appreciated. Please contact Charles O'Reilly bladoncharles@gmail.com for further information. *Michael Robinson*

ST NICHOLAS – FIRST RAFTERS FITTED

After a period of relative inactivity whilst new rafters were being sourced, things are now moving forward quite rapidly. The first half-dozen new rafters have been fitted and approved by the architects and the remaining rafters are on site ready to be fitted over the coming weeks. Greg Hollidge has done a fantastic job of supervising works during my two recent periods in hospital, I am now recovering at home and would like to thank all those who sent such kind get well messages whilst I was laid up. *Hugh Cochrane*

WELCOME TO LINDY



The Licensing and Installation of our new Associate Pioneer Priest, Revd Lindy Cameron was celebrated at a special service at St George's Church on 17 April.

There were about 110 people there to see the Rt Revd Karen Gorham, Bishop of Sherborne, conduct the service.

Representatives from the Churches, the school, the Parish council, the village hall welcomed Lindy to the area and her new role.

We all welcome Lindy into the Parish and look forward to working with her in the future. *Michael Robinson*

SERVICE TIMES IN THE PARISHES

WEDNESDAY 1 MAY

10am Communion & Conversation Langton

SUNDAY 5 MAY EASTER 6

10am Breakfast Church Langton

10.30am Morning Prayer Corfe

5pm Celtic Evening Prayer St Aldhelm's

WEDNESDAY 8 MAY

10am Communion & Conversation Langton

THURSDAY 9 MAY ASCENSION

10am Holy Communion Kingston

SUNDAY 12 MAY EASTER 7

8am Holy Communion (BCP) Cobbler's Cottage

9.30am Holy Communion Steeple

10am Holy Communion Langton

10.30am Holy Communion Corfe

11.15am Informal Worship Kingston

6pm Evensong Langton

WEDNESDAY 15 MAY ROGATION

10am Communion & Conversation Langton

SUNDAY 19 MAY PENTECOST

10am Celtic Eucharist WMVH

10am Morning Worship Langton

10.30am Holy Communion Corfe

11am Walking Church TBA

6pm Evening Prayer HXVH

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY

10am Communion & Conversation Langton

SUNDAY 26 MAY TRINITY

10am Celtic Morning Prayer St Aldhelm's

10am Holy Communion Langton

10.30am Holy Communion Corfe

11.15am Holy Communion Kingston

WEDNESDAY 29 MAY

10am Communion & Conversation Langton

The Coffee Pot

Meet for real coffee & cake on the first Thursday of each month
St George's Church

10-11.30am Thursday, 2 May

Good company & chat.

All welcome!



WET AND WILD

Nature enthusiasts are being urged to 'go wet and wild' at South Dorset's best sites for snorkelling.

With warmer weather approaching, a list of snorkelling hot spots has been compiled by the marine and freshwater team of community group Planet Purbeck.

They hope to encourage both local folk and tourists to discover the "amazing beauty" that lies beneath the surface of the sea.

Here is Planet Purbeck's Go-Wet-And-Wild guide for Purbeck this spring and summer...

- North Beach, Swanage, below the Grand Hotel. Numerous reefs with huge shoals of young fish; sandeels; wrasse; flatfish; crabs. Very accessible and great on a clear day but the longshore drift can be powerful and make it challenging to follow the reefs out.
- Kimmeridge Bay. Glorious plant life and marine invertebrates including coralline seaweeds and snakelocks anemones.
- Worbarrow Bay. Two sites here – near the Tout promontory, though watch out for spear fishermen, and Pondfield, a small rocky cove with caves.
- Redend Point, Studland Bay. Pipefish, razor shells and several varieties of crab and fish amongst the headland rocks. Avoid weekends due to marine traffic.
- Seacombe. A little known spot featuring great caves and kelp forest.
- Dancing Ledge. A kelp forest and dramatic submarine landscape.

Despite its encouragement for snorkelling, Planet Purbeck stresses that individuals keen to have a go must make their own assessments of conditions at each site and be responsible for their own swimming skills. *Chris Hockley*

HARMONY ROCKS CHOIR

We are spreading our wings all the way to the Emanuel Baptist Church Swanage for our annual summer Songs & Scones Concert.

There will be twice the space so twice the number of tickets and probably the scones will be twice as nice too (if that is at all possible).

The date for this exciting adventure is 17 July 2024 at 2pm. Entry by ticket £10 which includes a cream tea.

Our Songs & Scones Concert is always a sell out event so please note the date - 17 July 2024 - for this popular afternoon entertainment.

Ticket availability will be announced shortly.

Anne Elford

BELVEDERE SINGERS MAY MELODIES

Belvedere Singers' Secretary Sue Eady asks: 'What have Andrew Lloyd Webber, Arthur Sullivan, Eric Whitacre, Gerald Finzi, Aaron Copeland and dear old George Frederic Handel got in common?' Well, all of them have composed fine music for the Belvedere Singers! Alright then, not actually for our well-loved Swanage choir in particular, but some

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of their beautiful songs can be heard in concert on 18 May at St Mary's Church at 7.30pm.

Once again Music Director Clive Watkiss has put together a programme of lovely songs and music. Some items will be familiar, some may be new to you, but the singers have been rehearsing diligently since January to make this a concert to remember. The trademark formula of 'something for everyone' will include pieces from many centuries and genres, with accompaniment by our pianist Angus Murray-Brown.

On this occasion the Belvederes will be joined by guest violin soloist Sally Aiko Dando. Spanish-born Sally moved to Swanage in 2015 and is currently in her third year at the Royal College of Music studying under Professor Lyutsia Ibragimova. She will play three short pieces, which promise to be very exciting.

Ticket prices have been held at a very attractive £7 and are available from choir members, or at the door.

There will be a retiring collection in aid of Purbeck Besom, which is a volunteer based group supporting local people in the Purbeck area who are vulnerable; both families and individuals. This includes people on low income, refugees, those rendered homeless, those escaping domestic violence, or at the point of being rehomed. A representative will explain more about the charity's activities and needs on the night.

For the first time in many years, the May Belvederes' concert will NOT clash with the final of the Eurovision Song Contest, so if that is the reason why you haven't come along recently, you now have absolutely no excuse! Please join us for an enjoyable evening of 'May Melodies', with the opportunity to support a really worthwhile local charity too. The choir is always looking to recruit new members, so who knows, your attendance may be the start of something wonderful!

T. Eady

CORFE CASTLE SURGERY

Spring covid boosters - If you are eligible for the spring booster this year you should receive a letter from the NHS advising you to book in. Alternatively, you can book via the NHS App. The practice has no way of booking these appointments for you.

A polite reminder that the morning sit and wait clinic is for more urgent on the day medical problems. Please speak to reception to book an appointment if it is a more routine problem or query for the GP.

If it is a medication question this could be directed to the dispensary team, on 01929 480697 between 10.30 and 12.30 Monday to Friday, please do not call reception for these queries.

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require help setting this up please let us know.

Kerry Norman, Practice Manager

CORFE CASTLE SURGERY PPG

The PPG was delighted to hold a Health talk in April entitled 'Aneurysms- the Silent Killers'

Organised by Professor Howard Thomas we were pleased to welcome Mr Simon Parvin, Consultant Vascular Surgeon to Corfe who gave an interesting talk 'in plain English' to a well-attended audience from Swanage, Worth, Studland and Corfe. Our thanks to all for a very successful evening.

Our Health talks programme will continue in May with a presentation from an Orthopaedic Surgeon who specializes in knees, and will include information on sports injuries and knee replacements. Please do look out for posters and information on our Facebook page and join us if you can.

Please do let us know if there are particular areas you would like us to consider for a health talk corfecastleppg@gmail.com

I have been pleased to attend several sessions of the recently formed local Parkinson's Support Group 'Purbeck Parkys' which will be meeting again on 15 May from 2.30-4.30 at the Swanage Cricket Club. A Parky's Charter petition was handed in to 10, Downing St in April, on Parkinson's Day, to make the Government aware of the issues faced by Parkinson's patients who require more timely and personalised treatment for this severely debilitating condition.

The PPG will be aiming to arrange a Neurology Health talk as soon as we can.

Maggie Hardy, PPG Chair

SWANAGE SKATEPARK CROWDFUNDER

We aim to raise £20k by community crowdfunding towards the cost of rebuilding Swanage Skatepark. If we hit our target by 9 June we'll be awarded with £6k in match funding from Sport England.

This campaign is important as it will show local and national funders the people of Swanage support the skatepark. <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/swanage-skatepark>

COMMUNITY DAY

Skatepark Community Project is beyond excited to announce the first Swanage Skatepark Community Day; 1 June 2024, 12-5pm.

The event will be hosted by King Ramps of Bournemouth who will bring a 'pop-up skatepark street course' to fill the current empty space in Swanage Skatepark. King Ramps will provide skateboards and safety gear for anyone who doesn't have their own. Expect a fun packed day designed to bring the whole community together as SSCP begins to re-energise the park.

Thank you for all the support you can give by sharing our campaign!

Heidi and the SSCP Team

UPDATES FROM THE NATIONAL TRUST

PUFFINS - TEETERING ON THE BRINK

We've installed cameras to investigate why the puffin colony near Dancing Ledge is on the verge of extinction.

In the early 1900s, these iconic birds were abundant along the Dorset coastline, but they have declined severely since. The colony in Purbeck is now tiny (three breeding pairs) and isolated – the nearest being Alderney on the Channel Islands

or the Isles of Scilly off the Cornish coast.

Possible reasons for the decline are lack of food or predation of the chicks by rats, gulls or crows. We'll know more when the images from the cameras are studied after the nesting season.

GREEN SHOOTS OF HOPE

As reported last year, we planted some of the fields at Weston Farm with yellow rattle last year. Well, we're really pleased to see that tiny plants are beginning to emerge. Yellow rattle is also known as the 'meadow maker', because it feeds off the nutrients in the roots of nearby grasses. This suppresses the growth of the grass, then more delicate, nectar-rich flowers can push their way through.

We're looking forward to seeing its yellow flowers in June, then in subsequent years, watching the fields turn from a monoculture of rye grass to meadows with myriad wildflowers.

HARNESSING SOME HORSE POWER!

Timber is being removed from Langton Westwood, Langton Matravers with the help of Purbeck resident, Toby Hoad, and two heavy horses.

Rather than using tractors and heavy-duty machinery, the coppiced timber is being extracted by the horses. This allows the logs to be pulled out between standing trees, minimises soil compaction and causes less disturbance to wildlife and people. There is no pollution, and as an added bonus, the horses' dung is food for a range of invertebrates.

Coppicing involves removing some trees to allow more light into the woods. These sunny glades will then attract wildflowers, butterflies, bees and other insects. It also ensures there is mixed age range of trees, essential for a healthy woodland.

Toby offers horse logging services across the south. It is a traditional way of countryside management and is keeping these important skills alive.

WORTH VILLAGE FETE

Come and meet us at the Worth Matravers Village Fête on Monday, 27 May. We're ready to chat all things countryside with you, and answer any burning questions you have.

Cathy Lewis, National Trust

PAW 2024

OPEN STUDIOS & EXHIBITIONS TO WORLD CLASS MUSIC

Purbeck Art Weeks Festival invites you to our two-week long celebration of art in all its forms, taking place from 25 May to 9 June. Pick up a brochure in an outlet near you to chart your own art trail. You'll get to explore the many artist's studios and discover the diverse array of artwork produced on your doorstep.

At Rollington Barn, the Festival hub, immerse yourself in a collective exhibition showcasing the range of local talent such as painters, sculptors, textile artists, metalworkers, glass artists, woodworkers, ceramicists, and more. Attend daily demonstrations, workshops, and talks at the Pop-Up Studio in the Barn's courtyard, and don't miss the Purbeck Young Artists' exhibition in the Byre, showcasing young peoples' imaginative art work. Be sure to stop off at Love Cake's pop-up courtyard café - open each day - for delicious homemade cakes, light lunches, and drinks.

Keep an eye out for a remarkable 24 ft 'Water Bottle Tree', created by Purbeck-based sculptor Robert Marshall, popping up at secret locations across Purbeck. Share your

sightings on social media by tagging #PurbeckArtWeeks and @purbeckartweeks.

In the evening, there is music and events with renowned ensembles and musicians. Opening the Festival we have Gawain Glenton with In Echo - an ensemble of cornettos, violins, viola, violone and organ, with a magical celebration of summertime (25 May). I Fagiolini return with a four-choir mass by Benevoli, Carissimi's beautiful oratorio, Jephtha, and some of Monteverdi's greatest ensemble and solo works from Venice (27 May). And back by popular demand, Helen Charlston (mezzo soprano) and Toby Carr (lute) bring the heartfelt world of English song in late 16th and 17th century to life, plus a premiere of compositions by contemporary maestros Anna Semple and Ben Rowarth (7 June).

We are also delighted to have the Fieri Consort and the vocal ensemble The Gesualdo Six with two stunning programmes. Plus, we have internationally renowned sculptor Philip Jackson, PAW's President, who will be speaking on the ever challenging theme of The Changing Face of Beauty, and The Purbeck Poets with their open mic poetry night. Information/tickets on the PAW website.

For more information, including event details and updates, visit the PAW website and follow @purbeckartweeks on social media.

Concerts and other Events Programme includes:

- **Saturday 25 May** – St James', Kingston at 6pm – In the Summertime... – Gawain Glenton with In Echo
- Bank Holiday Monday 27 May – Lady St Mary, Wareham at 6.30pm – From Venice (to Rome) With Love – I Fagiolini
- **Wednesday 29 May** – Conservative Club, Swanage at 6pm – The Changing Face of Beauty by PAW President, Philip Jackson
- **Friday 31 May** – St James', Kingston at 6pm – Dawn Chorus, Fieri Consort
- **Monday 3 June** – Swanage, The Globe Inn – 7.30pm – open mic poetry night with The Purbeck Poets.
- **Friday 7 June** – St Edward's, Corfe Castle at 6pm – Lend us your Ears – Helen Charlston (mezzo soprano) and Toby Carr (lute)
- **Saturday 8 June** – Lady St Mary, Wareham at 6.30pm – Fading – The Gesualdo Six
- Angelika Seik will be celebrating 50 years of her sculpture studio - visit her open studio. **Laura Hart**

POETRY AND A GUIDED WALK IN PURBECK

During Purbeck Arts Week, there will be a series of events that might be of interest to *Dubber* readers:

Thursday 30 May – Quarry Tracks guided walk from Burngate Purbeck Stone Centre around Acton. 10-12am. Details and registration at <https://burngatestonecentre.co.uk/tuition/quarry-tracks/>

Friday 31 May – Poetry in Purbeck workshop with Sarah Acton at Burngate Purbeck Stone Centre 2-5pm. Details and registration at <https://burngatestonecentre.co.uk/tuition/poetry-in-purbeck/>

Friday 31 May – Poetry in Purbeck with John Hegley at the Square and Compass, Worth Matravers, 6-8pm. Free event with voluntary collection and no registration needed.

Saturday 1 June – Drawing and Poetry with John Hegley: What is the difference between Chalk and Cheese? At Sandy Hills Arts, Corfe Castle. 11am-1pm. Tickets at sandyhillarts.co.uk.

Patrick Corbett

WORTH MATRAVERS

WORTH FILM CLUB

Our next screening on Wednesday 15 May will be *The Drover's Wife*, a tale of an unarmed woman's survival amid the dangers of Outback life while her husband is away droving.

Originally a short story by Henry Lawson, Leah Purcell's re-imagining – first as a stage play, then a novel, and now as a feature film – not only creates a powerful, original character for herself to play but gives the male-centred western genre an indigenous feminist slant. It's a gift to see her at work in a role she knows inside out. An electrifying and ultimately harrowing window into of a woman's plight in rural Australia in the 19th century, it's also a not to be missed and moving story of resilience.

Wine will be served from 7pm and the film will begin at 7.30pm.

Claude Bonfanti

WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING APRIL 2024

The Chairman reported as follows: 2023-24 has been a very positive, post Covid 19, year.

The Parish Council met in these halls each month in 2023-24 (including an experimental virtual meeting in early January 2024) with all seven Parish Councillors in place with their attendance of 88% at the 11 monthly Parish Council meetings. In 2024-25 alternating monthly PC meetings will be held in Harmans Cross and Worth Matravers village hall

Parish Councillors continue to be actively involved in a voluntary capacity to contribute as locally informed eyes and ears whilst directly supporting the financial management of the car parks and assisting with local minor maintenance matters. The new Dorset Council (DC) has, bedded down satisfactorily in terms of consultation and responsive communication with WM PC as the new second tier authority. Informal and regular liaison meetings with the five East Purbeck Parish and Town Councils continued.

We have considered local planning and tree work applications to Dorset Council as now the Local Planning Authority. 38 Planning Applications and 2 Planning Appeals came to the Parish Council and were commented on. Seven Formal Objections were made and Concerns expressed on 11 other Planning. The information provided by DC Planning Authority on their web site link to application drawings and reports was much improved with supportive liaison and other responses from DC Officers.

The new web site with Aubergene our external IT design consultancy has bedded in and the information has been updated by the Clerk.

Cllrs worked on minor repairs and the PC contractors cut back hedges and cleared and cut and patched roadside verges and the WMPC car parks across the parish. 'The ongoing daily 24 hour CCTV system at the Worth car park was maintained and funded. The £22K cost of the Worth village playground improvements completed by the contractor in 2023 operated satisfactorily. Further improvements to the WMCP boundary fencing are currently being pursued.

The PC supported volunteer proposals for five-metre wildflower edges of field strips in Worth village and thanks are due to them for the ongoing maintenance of the Withy bed in Worth village.

New fencing improvements were funded by the PC around the play area in HX. After full consultation new

£16 K facilities for smaller children with the removal of redundant adult equipment were funded by the PC in 2024

Dorset Highways staff have fully supported the PC and are formally thanked for their diligence and responsive local highway maintenance.

The WM Fête and the HX Field day were successfully held in 2023 by the respective village hall management committees with some support from the PC. We have continued to support both village halls through the provision of funding of Xmas trees and other grants. The PC supports and thanks the ongoing voluntary litter picking organisation 'Purbeck Litter free' and especially the local roadside rubbish collector.

Once again due to a lot of voluntary hard work from Parish Councillors especially in collecting and banking all donations from the PC car parks we were able without and external funding to meet all our substantial funding commitments. These included HX and WM car park and open spaces maintenance with daily cleansing of public toilets in WM Car Park. The WMPC speed indicator system on the A351 through Harmans Cross operated throughout the year

I would like to thank my Vice Chairman Cllr Bugler who also stands in for me at meetings if I am absent, Parish Cllrs Hooper, Melville, Peacock, Mrs. Vosper, and Mrs. Hemmings with the support of the Clerk. I would also like to recognise and thank Dorset Cllr Mrs. Cherry Brooks for her 100% attendance at PC meetings with her reports back from DC and her proactive pursuit on matters raised by the Parish Council falling within the responsibility of Dorset Council. I am pleased that as a result of all these efforts to report that uniquely in Dorset this PC for the fifteenth year in a row will be setting a £ NIL Council Tax Precept for 2024-25

THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER REPORT

The Annual External and local Audits for 2023-24 were submitted without any external requests for access to the accounts. The results of the audit were published as required by statute. The External and Internal Auditors raised no issues. The Council reviewed its Risk Assessments, its Financial and Internal Controls, its Reserves and its renewed its Term Bond with C & C Bank for 2 years to December 2024. The Council's Bank Statement has been formally 'Reconciled' against the 2023-24 Budgets, the Santander current account total, and the Cash Book records.

The PC Grass cutting & Kerbside contracts and General Building Maintenance and Repair and associated minor work contracts April 2022-27 have operated well. General Maintenance Revenue expenditure was within the revised 2023-24 budget estimate which included the additional small childrens playground equipment at HX Open space. The PC maintains ongoing financial and management responsibility for grounds maintenance in both Worth village and Harmans Cross

Unfortunately, the general inclement rain and bad weather is still impacting on income after April 2023.

The central tower located multiple CCTV provision and agreed management strategy for Worth Car Park has been successful

The strength of these WMPC reserves in 2023-24 resulted in £38K funding of now completed contracts to upgrade and repair the small children's play equipment at Worth village and Harmans Cross.

The PC formally considered its Reserves, in excess of one

year's revenue expenditure, and its future annual income and expenditure in setting its budget and £ NIL Annual Council Tax Precept for 2024-25.

WMVH TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

To meet its objectives the Trust maintains and seeks to improve the Hall to make it available to as wide a range of people as possible. The usage of the Hall in 2023 continued to improve modestly, hirings increasing from £3,259 to £3,512. To encourage use lower hiring rates are offered to the village community and no charge is made for use by village groups such as the Cinema Club and the Snooker Group.

In 2023 the parish church St Nicholas of Myra, has been using the Hall as repairs are undertaken on the church roof.

The Trust's only fundraising in 2023 has been a share of the net receipts from the Village Fete in May.

Community events organized by the Trust included a Coronation Picnic, the annual BBQ on the Green, a Bring and Share Supper and a Christmas Carol Service.

The Trust has continued to invest in the maintenance and improvement of the Hall and School House and during 2020/21 undertook a major review of the two buildings. As a result of this review work commenced in December 2021 and continued throughout 2022 and 2023. Expenditure on the project in 2023 amounted to £9,898 (2022 £8,219). The cumulative costs at 31 December 2023 amount to £35,850.

HXXVH TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Hall offers a first-class modern venue for use by private individuals, groups and all others from the locality and further afield. Thanks to all the volunteers who help with many of the Hall's activities. The Hall remains well used and events are well attended but are only possible with help from residents who volunteer. Two major investment projects were undertaken in 2022. Firstly, a new projector and sound system have been installed. These are regularly in use at monthly movie nights, U3A and other lectures and training events and sometimes at weddings. The other major investment was the installation of solar panels on the Hall roof. This was part-financed through a grant from Low Carbon Dorset.

The year's finances were bolstered by a very successful August Bank Holiday Fete. Over one hundred volunteers helped raise over £10,000. An investment in a new 12mx6m marquee with Swanage Rotary allowed us to operate our own bar which helped to generate more direct income. A donation of £750 to the charity Willdoes was also made from the Fete.

Lettings have returned to normal levels post Covid restrictions and bookings are looking very good. We are enjoying a boom in children's parties and there are also 10 weddings booked for 2023.

The Hall is now of an age where there are many regular maintenance needs and our team of volunteers do a good job both managing regular maintenance contracts and fixing 'odd jobs' themselves. We are appreciative of their efforts.

Regular Movie Nights - every 2nd Tuesday of the month ran throughout 2022 but with attendance levels way below those pre-Covid. However, the start of 2023 has seen audiences return and we are consistently seeing 60+ each evening enjoying the film, the company, the bar and for many an ice-cream at the break.

The next major project is the development of the play area with more equipment for children in the age group of 1 to 5 years. A public consultation has taken place on the choice of equipment and this will be reported upon at the Hall's AGM.

The Committee would like to thank the Parish Council for their support towards funding this project. Indeed, thanks to the WMPC for their continuing help supporting the Hall and field. This year we are particularly grateful for the fencing off of the children's play area and the commitment to help with the field and car park drainage issue.

WORTH MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL MAY MEETING

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

Two members of the family with a long time personal and family residential connections addressed the Committee to present their indicative proposals for a new residential Market Housing development of four private houses on their land adjacent to their property off the Valley Road in Harmans Cross. They would be proposing to retain, post this development, the remaining large open space behind these properties as fields with environmentally sensitive management.

A range of question and initial Cllr concerns were raised from the Committee. These included the need to compensate for no affordable housing provision and the proposed drainage, and the site access and forward visibility for vehicles passing the site entrance or exiting from their proposed entrance. It was essential taking into account the speed of traffic on his part of the Valley road that any minimum design access standard was not acceptable for safety reasons Drainage issue would need careful consideration especially regarding recent experience of proposed soakaway systems at other sites in the area These residents confirmed that they would be either personally or with consultancy support be addressing all of these issues as part of their future planning application

CLERK'S REPORT

Cllrs noted the Actions and Clerks update on matters arising during Actions arising from the meeting of 5 March 2024. It was agreed to pursue the additional mirror for the Car park exit at Worth. Cllrs noted that their nomination forms for the 2024-29 Parish Council had been delivered to the temporary Dorset Council elections office in Wareham. This election will be held on Thursday 2 May 2024 if there are more candidates than the 7 WMPC Cllr positions otherwise all those nominated will be elected.

DORSET COUNCIL

A verbal report was provided by Cllr Brooks updating the PC on current initiatives and actions at Dorset Council. This is currently in Purdah as the Dorset Council and Parish elections approach on 2 May. She confirmed she had requested a camera survey of Haycrafts lane for the road surface and road drainage on the corner adjacent to the camping and caravan site.

HIGHWAY MATTERS

An Additional External mirror was agreed in principle for improving visibility out of the WM Car park exit. The design and cost of the proposals especially of the need for one or two facing different ways facilities and additional supporting posts would need to be considered.

Concerns were expressed about recent on street car parking outside the Square and Compass in Worth village extending far away up towards Langton Matravers. Cllrs were recognisant of the lack of any DC enforcement especially at weekends when the major obstruction took place.

Cllrs asked that further discussions be held with DC

Highways officers to renew and replace the missing double yellow lines in this approach to Worth village.

Concerns were expressed at the dire state of DC Main road signs in HX around the turn off from the A351 to Haycrafts lane. DC Cllr Brooks agreed these were an eyesore due to lack of Highways maintenance over many years but regretted direction signs were no priority for DC expenditure.

PLANNING AND TREE WORK APPLICATIONS

- P/NMA/2024/01466: Dolphin Cottage Winspit Road Worth Matravers BH19 3LW
- Non material amendment to Approved P/A P/FUL/2023/06285 (Replacement chalet bungalow and garage plus ancillary detached annexe) to re-size 3no windows on the South elevation No Objection
- P/FUL/2024/01566 : Abbascombe Poultry Farm Worth Matravers BH19 3LF Conversion of existing outbuilding to 3 residential dwellings. Replacement application. No comment

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllrs raised ongoing their concerns about the effects of the lack of a dark skies police for Worth village. An increasing numbers of properties are installing highly visually impacting boundary permanent or intrusive movement actuated lighting.

The next PC meeting will be at Worth Matravers Village Hall at 7.30pm on 14 May.

Roger Khanna, Parish Clerk

LANGTON MATRAVERS

LANGTON FOLK DANCING

100 years of country dancing were joyfully celebrated on April 13, 2024 by Dorset-based, Swanage + Langton Matravers Folk Dance Club A special Saturday afternoon dance with caller Madeleine Smith and music by Sue + Pete Hall was held at Langton Matravers Village Hall and attended by 50 members and visitors. Two Gold Badge holders of the English Folk Dance & Song Society (EFDSS), Madeleine Smith and Kerry Fletcher, proposed a Toast to the Club and together blew out the candles on the Birthday Cake.



Madeleine incorporated several of our favourite dances into her programme and member Carolyn Yeates kindly wrote a new dance especially for the Club called 'Langton 100'.

Inaugurated in 1924 via the auspices of the W.I., the Club was initially run by two local ladies: Miss Dymond called and music was played on the piano by Miss Lander. At this time the rent for the parish hall was 6d per night. The Club became a member of the EFDSS in 1947 and remains so to this day.

Currently the club has a membership of 27 with an average attendance around 20 every Tuesday night. The club has four regular callers, two of whom call per night using a rota system.

The club meets every Tuesday night (except in school

holidays) at 7.30pm at Langton Matravers Village Hall near the historic seaside town of Swanage. Beginners and visitors are most welcome.

Further information: Mike Walshaw (Chair) 01929 421913. email: mhwalshaw@talktalk.net. *Anne Dickens*
Photographs: Chris Walshaw + Alan Dickens

LANGTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Having trouble updating your Apps, or don't know how to fix an issue on your Smart Phone or tablet? Maybe you would love to know how to order groceries or do online banking or have other computer issues. Help is at hand.

On Monday, 13 May, the Community library will be hosting the DIGITAL CHAMPIONS from 10 - 12noon, in Langton Village Hall.

Spaces will be limited so, if possible, please register by contacting Daryle at daryle.pearson@btinternet.com or calling 07786 433442.

Simon will be here to help but it would also be helpful to know if you will be bringing your own device with you.

Daryle Pearson

LANGTON MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL TIMPSON TRUST

Five years ago, the Timpson Trust Properties underwent a transition, finding a new home under the stewardship of Dorset Council. Since then, they've journeyed through various departments, finally finding a place within the Housing Department.

Central to Dorset Council's mission is the preservation of the original ethos imbued within the trust. Recognising this, Cllr Brooks has undertaken a thorough examination of the proposed Deed of Trust document, suggesting substantial amendments to ensure alignment with the Trust's values and goals.

In a recent development, Cllr Brooks has advocated for a pivotal step forward: once the Trust achieves formal establishment, Dorset Council is urged to commit to maintaining the properties for an additional five years. This strategic move aims to provide the Trust with the necessary stability and runway to accrue financial resources, thereby safeguarding its future sustainability.

By extending this commitment, Dorset Council demonstrates its unwavering dedication to upholding the principles, ensuring that its legacy endures for generations to come.

VILLAGE SHOP UPDATE

Over the past month, the Village Shop Working Group has convened on several occasions, pooling their expertise and efforts to advance a common goal: the establishment of a community-owned village shop. Through collaborative efforts, the group has meticulously crafted a preliminary budget proposal.

This draft budget lays the foundation for the group to transition into an official community entity with the esteemed support of the Plunkett Foundation, pending widespread interest and commitment from within the village. It represents a crucial step towards realising the collective vision of a vibrant and sustainable community hub.

As the Working Group continues to refine its plans and engage with residents, their dedication to fostering local resilience and connectivity shines through. Together, they

are charting a path towards a future where the Village Shop stands as a testament to the power of community-driven initiatives.

SURFACE WATER ISSUES

While flooding is nothing new to Langton Matravers and the wider UK, this year has seen an alarming escalation in both frequency and severity of flood events. Against this backdrop, the Langton Matravers Parish Council convened during their April meeting to address the pressing concerns raised by recent flooding incidents.

Key areas of focus included the precarious situation from Spyway Farm to Spyway Car Park, the vulnerable lane leading from Spyway Car Park to Spyway Orchard, the compromised entrance to Spyway Orchard and footpath connectivity with Gypshayes, the inundation of fields at South Hyde, and the critical state of drainage infrastructure including ditches, gullies, and pipes.

In a proactive response, the Parish Council unanimously resolved to initiate dialogue with relevant stakeholders overseeing these areas. Their aim is to convene a comprehensive meeting involving all concerned parties, with the objective of collaboratively devising a robust plan to mitigate the impact of future flooding events.

This proactive approach underscores the Parish Council's commitment to safeguarding the welfare and interests of the community, demonstrating a resolve to confront challenges head-on and foster resilience in the face of environmental adversity. Through concerted efforts and collective engagement, Langton Matravers Parish Council endeavours to forge a path towards a more secure and sustainable future for all residents.

Annual Parish Meeting: Mark your calendars for an important gathering: Wednesday, 5 June 2024, at 6pm. We're coming together at the Village Hall to discuss matters to our community's future.

PLANNING MATTERS

- Application No. P/FUL/2023/07355, P/VOC/2023/07502 & P/VOC/2023/07522 Location: Downs Quarry, Kingston Road, Langton Matravers, Swanage BH19 3JP Proposal: Extraction of Viviparus and Burr Limestones and restoration to deciduous native woodland (with variation of condition 20 of 6/2021/0167 to extend the restoration end date to facilitate access to the northern extension area). Comment: The Parish Council object to the proposed quarry application, citing several grounds for objection. Firstly, the quarry's location falls outside the parameters outlined in the Dorset Mineral Plan; The case made with reference to PK2 is contravening established policy.

Additionally, the Council highlights the potential adverse effects on biodiversity within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The quarry's operation poses a threat to the delicate ecological balance of the region, warranting careful consideration and mitigation measures.

Moreover, the Council underscores the anticipated negative impacts on immediate households surrounding the proposed site. Concerns include increased noise levels, a potential loss of privacy, and a potential decline in overall quality of life for residents. These factors weigh heavily in the Council's assessment of the application's suitability.

Furthermore, there is apprehension regarding the timely completion of previously agreed restoration works. The failure to adhere to restoration schedules raises doubts about

the applicant's commitment to fulfilling their obligations and preserving the environmental integrity of the area.

In summary, the Parish Council's objections are rooted in a commitment to upholding established policies, safeguarding biodiversity, and protecting the well-being of residents. We urge thorough scrutiny of the application and advocate for measures that prioritise environmental conservation and community welfare.

Full details for all planning applications can be found on the Dorset Council website, <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning>

PAVEMENTS IN LANGTON

It's no secret that the condition of Langton Matravers' pavements leaves much to be desired. The Parish Council has been unwavering in their efforts to advocate for improvements, consistently pressing Dorset Council to take action. However, the current situation presents a frustrating reality: while Dorset Council has a policy to address trip hazards it does so with repairs using tarmac.

Fortunately, there's a glimmer of hope on the horizon. Langton Matravers has been introduced to a potential game-changer: Rhino Paving. Already implemented in select areas of Swanage, Rhino Paving offers a promising alternative that merits further exploration. The Parish Council has committed to delving deeper into this innovative solution, recognising its potential to enhance both safety and aesthetics in our community.

Join us at the upcoming May meeting to stay informed and engaged. We'll be sharing updates on our progress and discussing the feasibility of adopting Rhino Paving in Langton Matravers. Your input and support are invaluable as we strive to pave the way for a brighter, safer future for our village.

FAREWELL

Farewell to Cllr Loudon and Cllr Vaughan-Arbuckle: In a bittersweet moment, Cllr Paul Loudon and Cllr Ian Vaughan-Arbuckle bid adieu to their roles as Parish Councillors, marking the conclusion of their dedicated service. While their presence will be missed, their commitment to seeing projects through to fruition persists.

Both Paul and Ian have graciously agreed to remain involved in a couple of working parties, ensuring that their invaluable contributions continue to guide initiatives from inception to completion. Their steadfast commitment to the betterment of our community is a testament to their unwavering dedication and passion.

On behalf of the Parish Council and the entire community, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to Paul and Ian for their years of hard work, tireless dedication, and unwavering advocacy on behalf of Langton Matravers. Their legacy of service will continue to inspire and uplift us for years to come.

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 16 May 2024 in the Langton Matravers Village Hall. During the meeting there is a public session, so please come and join us to have your say. Please note this is the third Thursday of the month, rather than the usual second due to the Elections.

Michelle Harrington, Parish Clerk



WHAT'S ON AT HXVH

Movie Nights – doors and bar open at 7pm, admission just £5

Reviews and trailers can be found on the Movie Nights section of our website at <https://www.harmanscrosshall.co.uk/Movie-Nights/>

OUR NEXT SCREENINGS ARE:

Tuesday 14 May – *Napoleon*

Tuesday 11 June – *The Great Escaper*

Coffee Junction – in the small meeting room from 10.30am

Thursday 16 and 30 May. Coffee Junction has had to give way to Polling Day for the local elections on Thursday 2 May.

HXVH Church – 3rd Sunday at 6pm

Next HX service is Sunday 19 May.

BOOKING THE HALL

A reminder to anyone interested in booking the Hall that our new Bookings Guru is Kelly King. There's loads of information available on the 'Make a Booking' section of our website and you can check availability using the online calendar which is always kept up to date. Kelly can be contacted on either 07384 848 419 or email at bookings@harmanscrosshall.co.uk *Alison & the HXVH Committee*

KINGSTON

KINGSTON NEWS

Last month's village gathering in the Scott Arms was well attended and we had a very enjoyable time talking with Barry Audley, who used to live in the village. We were particularly interested to hear about the Bishop's Seat which was used on the bishop's pilgrimage to Purbeck in July 1950. There is a plan to reinstate this bench in Kingston churchyard. If anybody else has any further information or photos about this historic event, or about the bench in particular, we would like to hear from you.

We are delighted to announce the election of two parish councillors from Kingston to the Corfe Parish Council, namely, Martin Rowell and Jonathan Lermitt. Congratulations to both of them.

Dates for the diary:

St James's afternoon teas, with music plus the tower tour open on 21 July & 18 August from 2-4.30pm.

Planned future events include the usual evening drinks at the top of the tower, harvest supper and Carols around the pump. Any further suggestions are very welcome.

Reminder: Kingston village pub night is the last Thursday of each month - this is a casual drop in between 6-8pm so the next one is on 30 May. See you there. Info 07421-111581.

Sally Feben Smith

NEWS FROM NOWHERE

THE RAMBLING GARDENER

May is a beautiful month; the birds are nesting, on sunny days the butterflies are out looking for plants to lay their eggs on, and all the plants are coming out with fresh new leaves. This is a green month which is both restful and interesting as there are so many different green colours no two plants ever look the same and our countryside is so beautiful. I think that we are blessed to live in England. There is violence and trouble in places, but mostly people here can do what they would like to do, and we haven't suf-

ferred like many other countries..

Why do people go to war and refuse to talk? When I was young I listened to a talk about how conservation minded people like my father were making plans to green up the Sahara. They had the knowledge that dew is formed by the hot desert getting very cold at night and it is possible to use dew nets to gather the water to grow trees until the trees are mature enough to get their own water from the dew at nights. However, it seems that the different tribes would not talk to each other, then the second world war broke out, and the plans were never carried out. If the plans had gone ahead in the 1930s would it be slowing down the present climate change and giving humans and wild life a chance to acclimatise to the changing temperatures? Surely it would be better to spend money on plans like this than on weapons. Fighting always seems to cause more fighting. Is it all to do with money? How I wish we could just wave a wand and make everyone happy with what they have. Unfortunately, we can't change the world, but we can be prudent and careful not to waste food or water and we can green our own gardens.

The ground is still a bit cold to sow seeds outside as I write, but by the time you read this it will be time to sow all the seeds you want, vegetables and flowers, some inside and some outside. We used to say that the rule for planting seeds is "one for the rook and one for the crow, one to rot and one to grow," but with the increase of slugs and snails plus the fact that there are often very few seeds in the packets nowadays it may be best to sow more carefully in boxes of sieved soil in a sheltered place. It is easiest to have your seed boxes in the house so as to keep a good eye on them without having to put on outside clothes, and you can get strong plants to put out after hardening off as soon as the weather improves.

May is a good time to sow summer and winter squash, leeks, tomatoes and winter cabbage inside. So long as the weather is good early carrots and beans can go directly outside, as can parsnips and radish which are good to plant together as the radish can mark the line of slow maturing parsnip and will be ready before the parsnips need the space. If you have not already done so then peas, and both the 2nd early and the late main crop potatoes should go in. Do try something new, you can look for new plants or maybe become a member of the Heritage Seed Library at www.gardenorganic.org.uk which has a lot of unusual seeds. Also apple trees need to be pruned enough to let the sun get to the middle of the tree and to check that there is no disease.

Leaving piles of twigs, untidy corners, seldom mown grass and wild areas is great for the wildlife that we can all encourage, especially in towns where a pot on a windowsill can provide shelter or food for insects travelling between green spaces. Six common butterflies need nettles in sunny places for their caterpillars. The caterpillars weave a white web to protect them so you can see them, but when they have hatched do cut back nettles in May and then late July to provide fresh young leaves for a possible second family.

Enjoy the warmer weather and your plants, and I would love to see you at my NGS garden opening at the end of the month. (telephone 01929 421681).

Rachel



BELVEDERE SINGERS
Music Director Clive Watkiss

May Melodies
Saturday **18TH**
May

Special Guest
Violinist
Sally Aiko Dando

St Mary's Church Swanage 7.30
tickets £7 - under 18's free
from choir members or on the door

Retiring collection for Purbeck Besom CHARITY NO. 1192800
Providing 'almost anything needed to make a home' to vulnerable people living locally.
BELVEDERE SINGERS CHARITY NO. 1160197

Mayday Singers

Springtime
Folk

3:30pm, Sunday 28th April 2024
St George's Church,
Langton Matravers
Tickets - £8 on the Door
Followed by Tea and Cakes

HAVE YOUR SAY

DEAR DUBBER

It appears that our little Parish Magazine is becoming political once again. This is not the place to share political opinions.

*Even the Editor is taking the opportunity to give us her views on Trump. Keep it to yourself. We may all have opinions about the world, but **The Dubber** is not the place to promote them. Especially the front page!*

JASMINE CATTLE

Jasmine, I think you may have misunderstood the aim of the article about Nevalny. Nevalny's Christian belief, which had supported him throughout his difficult fight for democracy, was being discussed within the Lent House Group study course. Nevalny said he never betrayed the Commandment 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied'. He was a very brave man whose belief never wavered.

PS Editorials are opinion pieces, Ed.

REGULAR EVENTS

Table Tennis	Mon 7-9pm	LMVH
Folk Dancing	Tues 7.30-9.45pm	LMVH
Langton PO	Tues 9-12pm	Putlake Tea Rooms
Community Library	2 nd Mon mornings. 10-12pm	LMVH
Harmans Cross PO	Thurs 9.30-11.30	HXVH
Short Mat Bowls	Friday 7-9pm	LMVH

Don't Miss

Napoleon

7pm Tuesday 14 May

HXVH

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Dorset

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Free but limited spaces available

To book please contact Daryle: daryle.pearson@btinternet.com or 07786433442.

APRIL 2024

28	3.30pm	Mayday Singers: Springtime Folk	St George's Ch
30	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe

MAY 2024

2	10 - 11.30	Coffee Pot	St George's Ch
7	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
9	9.30-11.30am	Post Office	HXVH
13	10-12	Community Library: Digital Champions	LMVH
14	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
14	7.30pm	Film: <i>Napoleon</i>	HXVH
14	7.30pm	WMPC Meeting	WMVH
15	2.30-4.30pm	Parkinsons Support Group: Purbeck Parkys	Swanage Cricket Club
15	7pm	WFC: <i>The Drover's Wife</i>	WMVH
16	10.30-noon	Coffee Junction Post Office (9.30-11.30)	HXVH
16	7pm	LMPC Meeting	LMVH
18	7.30pm	Belvedere Singers	St Mary's Swan
21	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
23	9.30-11.30am	Post Office	HXVH
25- 9 June	Various	Purbeck Arts Weeks (see page 9)	Various
27	10.30-2.30pm	Worth Charity Fête	Worth Green
28	9-12pm	Post Office	Putlake Cafe
30	10.30-noon	Coffee Junction Post Office (9.30-11.30)	HXVH
30	10-12pm	Quarry Tracks Guided Walk	Start Burngate Stone Centre
30	6-8pm	Kingston Village Pub Night	Scott Arms
31	2-5pm	Poetry in Purbeck: Poetry Workshop	Burngate Stone Centre
31	6-8pm	Poetry in Purbeck: John Hegley	Square & Compass

JUNE 2024

1	11-1pm	Drawing & Poetry	Sandy Hill Arts Centre
1	12-5pm	Swanage Skate Park Community Day	Skate Park



New Yoga Class for beginners
starting on 24 April
Langton Matravers Village Hall,
every Wednesday at 10 am
£8 drop-in

Increase your flexibility, stamina, confidence and balance

Contact: Semra@Yogawithsemra@gmail.com or 07932180327

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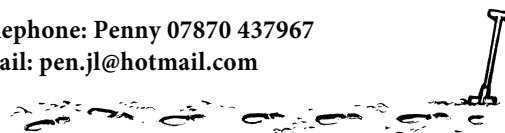


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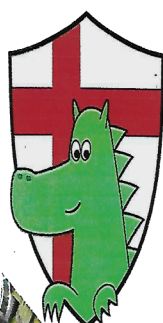
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