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Editorial

Last month we included dates of home rubbish collection in the Notices and Thanks part of the magazine. The dates that we gave were those Wednesday collection round one. This round covers the centre of Corfe and does not include some of the outlying and more remote parts of the parish. Because it proved to be rather confusing, for which we apologise, and only covered a part of the area we have not included it again this month.

Eighty years ago the nation celebrated victory in Europe when the second world war came to an end in Europe. It continued in the far East until 15th August.

After nearly six years of war Germany officially surrendered on 7 May 1945 and the conflict was finally over. The unconditional surrender came after Adolf Hitler took his own life on 30 April as the Allies surrounded Berlin. News that the war in Europe had ended did not come as a surprise and had been anticipated back in Britain for some time as the Allies advanced on Germany.

This year there will be celebrations in the village to remember VE day. Details will be published in the CVN in the coming months.

Stephen

Some useful Telephone Numbers

(There are more in the middle of the magazine)

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National Electricity Number	105
NHS Emergency Medical Care Service	111
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Swanage Hospital	422282
National Trust outside office hours	07970-595963
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The front page is a sketch of Corfe Village from the Rings
done by P R Gross in 2009

FEBRUARY FOR CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

Spring is finally creeping in, and with it comes brighter days, fresh opportunities, and plenty happening in and around the village. Whether you've been braving the blustery walks or enjoying the first glimpses of daffodils, we hope you're feeling the seasonal shift. There's a lot to look forward to this month, so let's dive into what's going on!

Highways & Pavements: The Parish Council understands that road and pavement repairs are a major concern, and we remain committed to advocating for the maintenance our parish deserves. However, Dorset Council follows a priority-based scoring system, and unfortunately, our requests have not yet ranked high enough for immediate action. This is where you can help make a difference. If you notice cars parked on West Street near a blind bend or in a way that obstructs safe passage for vehicles and pedestrians, please take a photo or video and send it to the Clerk. Evidence showing these safety risks especially any situations where emergency vehicles would struggle to pass will strengthen our case and help push for necessary improvements. Your support is invaluable in ensuring our community remains safe and accessible for all.

Swanworth Fund: Good news! The Swanworth Fund money has arrived with National Landscape. While the grant process isn't open just yet, we're closely monitoring developments. This fund is dedicated to supporting landscape projects, and we're exploring ways to make meaningful enhancements in our community that could benefit from this funding. We'll keep you updated as opportunities arise!

Overnight Parking: Dorset Council is considering introducing a flat £2 overnight parking fee. They believe this could simplify parking for both visitors and locals. However, Corfe Castle Parish Council is concerned that a one-size-fits-all approach across Dorset may not be the best solution. Keep an eye out for Dorset Council's consultation announcements; your feedback will be essential in shaping the final decision.

Purbeck Park & Cycleway News: Purbeck Park is back in the spotlight, with key meetings scheduled for March to discuss the creation of a footpath linking the car park to Corfe Castle Square. Dorset Council is actively working with consultants to explore potential routes and solutions. In addition, progress continues on the Wytch Farm access road cycleway, which could soon provide safer and more scenic routes for cyclists. Exciting developments are on the horizon; fingers crossed!

Footpath from East Street to the Playpark: Asbestos panels found in a nearby garden have been safely removed by a licensed contractor, and another contractor has been appointed to clear ivy and hedge growth from the damaged wall for easier

access and inspection. Once this is complete, the National Trust will consult with the Dorset Council conservation officer to agree on a plan of action. The preferred approach involves dismantling the full length of the damaged wall, lowering the garden's ground level to match the footpath, and then rebuilding the dry-stone wall to its original height. This method would eliminate the need for additional retaining supports. However, it remains unclear whether full Listed Building Consent or Planning Permission will be required. Additionally, an archaeological survey may be necessary if the ground level is altered. The pre-application process should provide further clarity on these next steps.

National Trust

We reported last month that the Trust had sought comments on local issues. The Council discussed lighting of the Castle, pavements, and the park and ride option. Comments were submitted on the proposed opening of North field for car parking.

Annual Parish Meeting: Save the date! The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Monday, 19th May 2025, at 6:30 PM. If your group would like to set up a stall to showcase what you do, sell small wares, or recruit new members, please contact the Clerk. We'd love to see as many local groups involved as possible!

Litter on the Rec: Periodically over the past few months, household waste has been repeatedly left next to the litter bin by the youth shelter on the Rec. The rubbish has been found in blue Dorset Council issued bags, which are given to households without wheelie bins, suggesting it is coming from a local property. The Parish Council has contacted local holiday letting agents, all of whom have confirmed they have business refuse contracts, meaning the waste is unlikely to be from their properties. We will be putting up notices, but we also need your help. If you see someone leaving a Dorset Council rubbish bag near the youth shelter, please report it to the Clerk with any information that could help identify where it is coming from.

As always, we appreciate everyone's involvement and feedback. Here's to a wonderful start to spring! If you have any questions, ideas, or want to get involved, reach out to the Clerk or one of your Parish Councillors. See you next month!

Next Council Meeting – Monday 10th March 2025, at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter Room. To start the meeting is a public session, so please come and join us and have your say.

Parish Council contact details: Clerk: Michelle Harrington,
Telephone: 01202 670105, **Email:** clerk@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk,
Write: 34 Egmont Road, Poole Dorset BH16 5BZ,
Facebook: www.facebook.com/CorfeCastlePC,
Website: www.corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk

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:

Self Service Portal - <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

Self Service Portal - https://dorset-self.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

Self Service Portal - <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

Self Service Portal - <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/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://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/DWP_Report_for_Mechanical_Road_Sweeper

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CORFE CASTLE PARISH MEETING

19 MAY

PLACE OF THE EVENT
Village Hall



TIME OF THE EVENT
6.30pm

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The Parish Council would like to invite you to the Annual Parish Assembly. This meeting is an opportunity for the community to come together to celebrate, talk to the different village groups and organisations, share ideas and to suggest ways of making our village even better.

Come and enjoy a FREE cup of tea or coffee with a cheeky little biscuit!!



DID YOU KNOW?

While your vehicle may be parked legally, Rule 242 of the Highway Code states:

"You must not leave your vehicle or trailer in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road."

If an accident occurs due to your parking, you could be held liable.

- Please park considerately.
- Ensure visibility and safety for all road users.
- Help keep our roads safe.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!



Environmental Group Update

To Mow, or Not to Mow?

No Mow May™, an initiative started by Plantlife, has now spread all over the world.

A lawn is an eco-system, with a complex network of fungi, worms and microbes in the soil. And the grass above has the potential to feed and shelter a wide range of wildlife. Insects are at the bottom of the food chain, and up to 40% of our insect population is declining or in danger of extinction, which endangers our own food supplies. **But your lawn can help!** A healthy lawn with some long grass and wildflowers benefits wildlife, tackles pollution and can even lock away carbon below ground.

But No Mow May is not for everyone. If you have children who enjoy ballgames, letting your whole lawn grow long is not going to be the best option for you. If where you live is prone to wildfires, then having longer grass in dry weather might not be wise. There has also been an increase in ticks in gardens, although experts believe that this is mainly due to an increase in deer visiting gardens; deer are major carriers of ticks.

What can you do instead of No Mow May? Diversity is the key to increasing biodiversity. Some species need short grass and others need longer. Both approaches can be wildlife friendly. Short grass mimics meadow areas grazed by herbivores. although very, very short grass has few benefits. If you'd like to have a more wildlife friendly lawn, but don't want a month of longer grass, you can **just mow less**. A weekly mow leads to grass about 2" high but mowing less frequently allows plants like clover and daisies to flower, and it's less work for you! You can also stop using weedkillers and fertilisers.

Sadly, one No Mow May won't lead to a lawn full of beautiful wild flowers; if you want a meadow lawn with wildflowers, you have to actively create one. One recommended option is to plant 9cm pots of wildflower plants, as these are big enough to compete with the grasses, even in the first year of the meadow lawn. Of course, plants in 9cm pots are more expensive than seeds or plug plants, so that may restrict how many you can buy. But you could grow from seed until the 9cm pot stage and then plant out.

When you do mow the lawn, mow from the centre of the lawn, working towards the edges. This gives small creatures, like frogs and toads, a chance to escape. And if you have let the grass grow long, mow it on the highest setting for the first cut, and then only cut it short a week later. This allows the grass to re-grow with shorter leaves.



Get in touch: Parish Clerk (Michelle) - environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk

Facebook: "Corfe Castle Environmental Group"

Core Members: Helen, Tom, David, Luke & Richard



National
Trust

The snowdrops are back around the castle which means Spring must be on its way and we hope by the time you are reading, the sun will be making more of a regular appearance. Photo by Dave Hutton, Facilities coordinator at the castle.

In search of the famous Sallyport

On February 27, 1646, Colonel Pitman betrayed the castle by letting in enemy Parliamentarians through a sallyport.

National Trust archaeologist Martin Papworth explains "*The sallyport is fundamental to the history of Corfe Castle, the capture of Corfe by the enemy troops tricking their way through this entrance. This enabled Parliament to*



Martin Papworth in front of sallyport. Corfe Castle Dig 2024. Image National Trust-Sophie Bolesworth

Spring at the Castle



order its demolition – today's much-loved ruin is the direct result of this action. Letters from the time describe Parliamentarians quickly getting control of the Inner Ward which made us suspect there was a sallyport high in the castle. We had previously found an arch high within the Inner Ward which seemed an obvious place to explore".

During a two-day dig, Martin and volunteers needed to sift through rubble that had blocked the arch from when the castle was demolished. A number of finds were made – fragments of lead frames and glass remnants from a Tudor window - probably from the Gloriette/ Queens Tower and 16th-century pottery shards including fragments from a bright green glazed earthenware bowl 55cm (22in) in diameter. There was still plaster on the walls, made using the same techniques as today, with the base and skim coat both clearly visible

and finished with a coat of limewash. Other finds included oyster, cockle and crab shells, roofing slate, a sheep's jaw and rabbit bones.

Martin continued “We had permission from Historic England to lower the ground surface under the arch by half a metre and it quickly became clear the arch was indeed the top of a sallyport to the Inner Ward. We found that the arch had been cut all the way through Corfe’s 3m thick 11th-century boundary wall”.



Pottery Bowl remnant from Corfe Castle dig 2024. Image National Trust. Pam White



Painted plaster from Corfe Castle dig 2024. Image National Trust. Pam White

“We have old maps of the castle, and they show that sometime between 1586 and 1620 a turret was added to the exterior wall. It makes sense this turret was built as additional fortification for the sallyport but we didn’t find evidence of openings or steps to support this hypothesis. However, only the top section of the gateway was revealed during this dig. The floor of the sallyport is likely to lie a further 1.5m below the 1640s rubble and these deeper areas could hold more answers

or clues. One thing that is certain is Corfe is known for giving up her secrets slowly...”

By March 1646, soon after the castle was captured, a vote was passed by the commons for the demolition of Corfe Castle to the ruins we see today.

Notable events in March:

Thursday 13 March – the castle is closed for our annual regional Spring Conference

Weekend 29 & 30 March - Bring your Mum, Grandma or special someone for Mothers Day and plant a sunflower seed in an eco-pot to take home and watch grow.

Thursday 20 March, we are lighting up the castle in aid of Champ 1 a rare genetic neurodevelopmental disorder

Nature updates from the National Trust



National Trust

The future is bright

If it’s left in the hands of youngsters like these. The pupils from The Purbeck School recently helped at a tree planting session at Middlebere Farm, near Corfe.

After hearing from the farm tenant, Jake Hancock, about how he’s restoring the farm for nature, they began planting a mixture of native trees and shrubs. Within 30 minutes, the teenage eco-enthusiasts had planted 100 saplings!



The Purbeck 7 Planters

The pupils are all on their Level 3 qualification as Environmental Leaders. As well as tree planting, they are involved in projects such as tracking the grazing pigs, mapping visitor experiences and creating artworks to promote nature-friendly ways to enjoy the Purbeck Heaths.

We’ve had incredible media interest across the country for our wood pasture project. The story has run in the national media, including The Independent and BBC News, as well as over 140 regional outlets.

Wood pasture is a prime habitat for our much-loved songbirds. It provides nesting, roosting and foraging sites for wildlife, including birds such as the yellowhammer, linnet and goldfinch. Not only are we hoping to hear more of these birds, but it could lead to the return of the extremely rare turtle dove and nightingale. Read more here: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/dorset/spyway/amplifying-natures-chorus-in-purbeck



Yellowhammer courtesy Pete Christie

It's black and white...



Avocets courtesy Mark Singleton

stunning birds, and conservationist have worked ever since to increase their range.

In Purbeck, we have one of the biggest populations of over-wintering avocets in the UK, with over 2000 birds being recorded. One of the best places to watch them is from the Avocet Hide, overlooking Middlebere Channel – but be quick as they start to head back to their breeding sites from mid-March.

If you have any queries about wildlife or how we are looking after the Corfe Commons and Purbeck Heaths, email us on purbeck@nationaltrust.org.uk

Nature can recover with a little help. The avocet was almost extinct as a breeding bird in England 100 years ago. Then in the Second World War, some coastal marshes were flooded as a defence tactic. This created the ideal habitat for these



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Church Knowle Parish Council

The February meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council took place in the Furzebrook Village Hall on Tuesday 11th February 2025 at 6:30pm. It was attended by six members of the Council (Cllr Burt in the chair) and two members of the public.

The main items of interest in the meeting were:

Damage to the Tracks along the top of the Church Knowle Hills by Off-Road Vehicles

The damage being done by off road vehicles to the tracks and ancient monuments along the top of the hills at Cucknowle was discussed. It is possible for the landowner to fence these tracks to prevent vehicles straying onto private land. It was agreed that this is not the preferred option as there is an expense involved and it alters the experience of open countryside for walkers and other legitimate users.

The area is an important natural habitat for protected species as well as containing listed ancient monuments, the tumuli and barrows. These are protected by law and damaging them is a criminal offence. The environmental agencies responsible for these will be notified and asked to become involved. This elevates the damage and nuisance from a civil to a criminal offence which will allow the police to be involved and criminal prosecutions can result.

There will be a further public discussion at the next parish council meeting at the Church Knowle Village Hall on 11th March when more information has been gathered. Any interested party or parishioners are invited to come along and participate or make suggestions.

Vacancies on the Parish Council

There is still one vacancy on the council which has a full strength of nine and any interested parishioners can apply to clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk.

Highways

The Council is pleased to report that deer warning signs have been installed, the 30mph speed limit is in progress and the flooding at the East Creech culvert is being fixed by replacing the culvert with a larger one.

Kimmeridge Pass

Thanks were extended to Cllr Grice for organising a local pass from the Smedmore Estate for local people to visit Kimmeridge.

The meeting finished at 7:50 pm. The next meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council will be at the Church Knowle Village Hall at 6:30 on 11th March 2025.

Corfe Castle Village Hall CIO, in association with
Artsreach, is pleased to present:

Jaclarabag

Jim Carey (accordion, trombone, guitar) and Giles King (clarinet, bagpipes, whistle, saxophone) have both written and performed music for Kneehigh, Miracle Theatre, Wildworks, and more. Claire Ingleheart (fiddle, clarinet, baritone) is a composer for theatre and a gigging musician with a vast repertoire of styles, including funk, folk and shanties!

Touring Dorset with Artsreach, the county's rural arts charity, join Jaclarabag as they invite you into an exciting world of plaintive airs, brass band mischief and Balkan delights!

Light refreshments will be available.

Sunday March 16th 2025 at 7.30pm

Tickets (£12.50 adult, £6 u18, £35 family) available from www.artsreach.co.uk, the Village Stores or David on 07590 352219



Corfe Castle CE Primary
School & Pre-School



When I last wrote to you, I touched on that air of positivity which is now imminent as the fresh buds and green leaves begin to appear.

As we leave February and move into March, we reflect on 'love' and kindness and what that means for us – something I shared with the children during our Journey Day on Thursday 13th February. Through a retelling of Luke 19:1-10, the story of Zacchaeus the Tax Collector, I was able to support children in understanding Jesus' love and kindness towards all people; a story that teaches the children how to not make judgement based on appearance!

Still with the focus on 'love' and kindness, particularly in February, I was able to highlight the four different Greek words for love used in the Bible:

agape – which means selfless love or a gift of love

philia – which means deep friendship

storge – which is like family love, loving with empathy, steady and sure

eros – which is romantic love

Children were then able to think about those connections through our Spiritual understanding of relationships with self, others, the world and beyond.

It is so important to think about our actions, the kindness we show towards ourselves and those around us; we are so grateful, as a school, for the community and the engagement that we have with many groups of people outside our school gates. Thank you and please do continue to reach out to us.

Thank you for all your continuing support, Miss Amy Howe (Headteacher) and Mr Robert Stoner (Acting Headteacher) and the whole team at Corfe Castle Primary School.

CHURCH KNOWLE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

NOTIFICATION OF HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

2nd April to 30th April 2025



The Steering Group has made progress in putting together a Neighbourhood Plan and we now aim to forge ahead with finalising the draft in the next few months. In response to our initial questionnaire and housing survey a number of you asked us to investigate the need for some form of Affordable Housing in the parish. As a result, we have decided to carry out a wider housing survey with the support of the DEFRA funded Rural Housing Enabler for Dorset, from Dorset Community Action and Dorset Council's Housing Enabling Team.

HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE THERE WITH A GENUINE LOCAL CONNECTION WHO WANT TO RETURN OR MOVE WITHIN THIS PARISH, BUT CANNOT AFFORD TO?

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OUR NEW HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY will be GOING LIVE ON 2ND APRIL

The survey will be online. Printed copies and help completing the forms will also be available. It should only take 5-10 minutes to complete.

Details will be hand delivered to every household and emailed to wider stakeholders. However, we rely on you to spread the word amongst your family, friends and employees – anyone you know, regardless of where they currently live, who has a local connection to the Parish, through residency, family or work.

To contact the Steering Group, please email: churchknowlenp@gmail.com
Any questions regarding local connection, housing in general or the Housing Needs Survey, please email: jacqui.cuff@dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk or call 07421 994590



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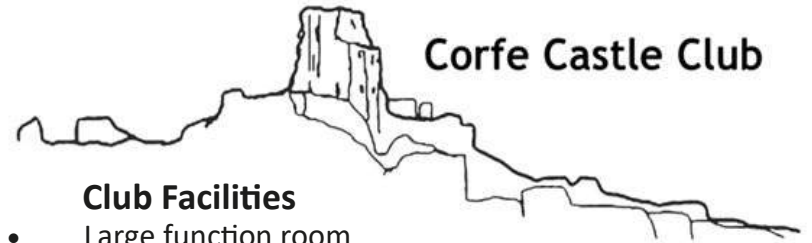


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Looking Forward!

Double Act Members were treated to a wonderful Workshop on Theatre Skills on February 10th. Charmaine enthusiastically had us moving round and making noises in ways we hadn't thought possible before! Let's hope it shows when we next perform in front of the public!

'QUIZINE' is now available, at just £1! This quiz, produced by Double Act, is being sold to raise funds for the Village Hall Kitchen. Look out for copies around the village, or contact David Kemp (details below). There are valuable prizes to be won!

On March 3rd we hold our AGM, which all members are encouraged to attend. It is usually a reasonably brief affair, and we are following the formalities with a 'Soirée' – various short varied performances from our own members. It's a 'DIY Entertainment'! Anyone is welcome to attend the evening (£1 on the door, 50p for youngsters), but non-members cannot vote in the AGM of course.

The rest of the year is expected to pan out as follows:-

April 7th – first airing of our November production, 'Alice in Cuckoo Land'.

May 8th – we may be providing a short entertainment during the VE80 evening event in the Castle.

May 12th and 19th – casting read-throughs of Alice and possibly Murder Mystery read-through.

May 26th – hopefully we will present a mini-panto during the May Fair.

Monday evenings for the remainder of the summer term – rehearsals for 'Alice'.

July 16th, 23rd, 30th, Aug 6th, Aug 13th – Murder Mystery Walks.

Nov 27th – 29th – 'Alice in Cuckoo Land' to be performed in Corfe Castle's Village Hall.

If you would be interested in joining our friendly safe group or for more details, please contact the chairman, David Kemp 01929 480007, or secretary David Watson 01929 481265 - or email doubleactdramagroup@gmail.com
New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome!





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The development of Integrated Neighbourhood Teams (INT's) in Purbeck

As many will know the 6 GP Surgeries in Purbeck are part of the Purbeck Primary Care Network (PCN) which is led by Clinical Director Anna Darling and which brings together GPs and staff from across the whole of Purbeck to deliver and support services and work more effectively together.

The PPG leads from across Purbeck also link together several times a year in meetings organised by NHS Dorset - the commissioners of services. At these meetings we hear about new services across Dorset and how we can get involved as PPG's /patients.

In Purbeck we are now **all** involved in a new initiative '**Integrated Neighbourhood teams (INT's)**' where teams of multi -disciplinary professionals from different organisations across health and care service aim to deliver more joined up preventative care at a neighbourhood level. Purbeck is in the first wave of INTs across Dorset.

Purbeck already has a strong foundation for integrated care but together we aim to make this even better for us all locally and hopefully encourage better use of the resources we have available to us e.g. Community Hospitals.

The PCN is setting priority areas of work with **communication** being a top priority as many professionals and patients are unaware of the services that are actually available to us locally.

As a past NHS manger in Purbeck, prior to retirement, I was privileged to establish several new services at the Community Hospitals. It has been disheartening to see so many of these now lost, BUT we are still very fortunate to have many services available to us at both Wareham and Swanage hospitals. There are pull up banners identifying those services available displayed in both the hospitals and surgeries in Wareham and Swanage and it is pleasing to see the South Dorset MP Lloyd Hatton, championing our local services, particularly the reinstatement of the Chemotherapy service at Wareham Hospital - lost over eighteen months ago .

INT Engagement events are being organised across the area and we are all being encouraged to get involved so please do look out for invitations and contact us in the Corfe PPG if you would like more information.(corfecastleppg@gmail.com)

Hopefully the Integrated Neighbourhood Team work will help us all to have a say in what services we want and need in Purbeck.

We can all help to make better use of local services by cancelling any appointments no longer needed - just not attending wastes clinical time and extends waiting lists for those needing help.

Thank you!

Maggie Hardy, PPG Chair



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Sunday Evening Roast

Buy one get one free on our roast dinners every Sunday
evening from 6 – 8pm in March, including Mother's day.

Mother's Day

Book now for Mother's Day, Sunday 30th March. We will be
serving roasts from 12pm until 8pm. This year, Mother's Day
falls on the last Sunday of March, so as a special treat for all
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- to help on the day
- with fundraising
- ideas for the event
- etc.,.



If you have not already been contacted please email
CCVE80@gmail.com to register interest in this community event!

News from the Library

Follow the trek of David Kemp to Angkor Wat



Last year David embarked on a trek to Angkor Wat (Cambodia) to raise funds for Julia's House (a charity who operate our local children's hospice). The trek posed some incredibly challenging conditions for the group. These included heat, lack of sleep and a few blisters but the group spent five incredible days hiking over 57 miles. They experienced local culture, spectacular monasteries and temples, refreshing waterfall swims, finishing at Angkor Wat.

Angkor Wat, built in the early twelfth century, is one of the most important archaeological sites of Southeast Asia. Angkor extends over approximately 400 square kilometres and consists of scores of temples, hydraulic structures (basins, dykes, reservoirs, canals) as well as communication routes. It is an UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Come along to David's talk on March 21st and find out more. Admission is free and open to all.

We will be holding a collection at the end to help provide funds for the modernisation of the village hall kitchen.

**March 21st 2025 *David's Trek to Angkor Wat*
Village Hall at 2.00pm.**

Come in for a free Cuppa and a Biscuit!

Get away from the cold/hail/rain/fog/snow/wind or whatever the weather is doing at the moment. We will be offering a hot drink and biscuits for anyone who would like to come into the library and have a chat (or even quietly browse through the book shelves!)

Normal Library Opening Hours

Monday 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Wednesday 10.00 -12.00 a.m. and 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Saturday 10.00 - 12.00 a.m.



4th February - During 2023 – 2024 Aquarius has raised money for the Dorset Motor Neurone Disease Association. Their representative, Rose Amey, gave an overview of the work done throughout Dorset. The Aquarius Chair, Sue Sedgley, presented her charity with a cheque for £1,100 which was gratefully received. Three proposals had been received for 2025/26: Harlequin Care, Lewis Manning Purbeck Hub and the Wareham Visually Impaired club. The proposers had each given a little background to the charities and the membership had voted Harlequin Care to be our chosen charity for next year.

March 4th - For the AGM we will have cakes from the village bakery and as the AGM falls on Shrove Tuesday we will have toss the pancake race plus a fun quiz based on knowledge of sweets and chocolates, plus each member would be given one free raffle ticket!

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME FOR SPEAKERS AT FUTURE MEETINGS:

These remain provisional, unless stated as confirmed.

1st April (confirmed) - Mary van Coller will be talking about her book 'Downstream Dorset, River Tales and Local History'

Date to be confirmed:

Alan Neal - the amazing life and achievements of Marie Curie.

Roy Norton - 50 Years on TV

Steve Dimmer – Appreciation of 'Carry On' films ("Ooh Matron")

Paul Stricker – Historical murders

AQUARIUS GROUPS:

Just a reminder of the full list of our regular groups that are available to members:

Walkers Group: Meet 3rd Monday monthly at various locations.

Strollers Group: Meet 2nd Tuesday monthly *In February, Strollers will meet in the Castle Inn Car Park* rather than from Colletts Close, 10.00am.

Tertius Book Group: Meet 2nd Monday monthly in member's homes, 7.00pm.

Aquarius Book Group: Meet 3pm on Wednesday every six weeks.

Lunch Club: Meet 4th Thursday at 12:30 monthly at various locations.

New Members – we are a friendly lot so please come and join us!
Our Ladies Group is at Corfe Castle Village Hall every 1st Tuesday of the month from 2pm and we have a fun and sociable afternoon. Visitors are welcome at £3 per meeting.

We have a good selection of interesting speakers and our satellite groups include walkers, strollers, lunch club and bookgroups.

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News from The Castle

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40% Off throughout March!

Our special offer of 40% off the main menu is continuing throughout March! Monday to Saturday we're offering delicious meals, sides & desserts for a fraction of the cost, and kids meals are included too!! This offer won't be around forever, so take advantage whilst it lasts.

17th March is St Patrick's Day

Celebrate St Patrick's Day in true Castle Inn style on March 17th! The pub will be decorated in St Paddy day decorations and our leprechaun will be doing the rounds to spread the luck. Offering scrumptious Irish specials to commemorate this glorious day, get your table booked & enjoy a meal with a refreshing pint of Ireland's favourite!

Sunday 30th March is Mother's Day

Let's celebrate mum at The Castle Inn, where you will find a fantastic menu designed by our team of experienced chefs as well as our traditional roast dinners. Mum's really do deserve the best, so why go anywhere else? Mum will also receive a little gift from the team here, to show our appreciation for all the things they do! Bookings are essential!

From the team at The Castle Inn, we wish you a fantastic month.

A plea from **Corfe Castle Christmas Festivities Committee:**

We are a voluntary organization dedicated to providing Christmas lights in and for the village, and have been doing so for over 70 years.

Our team of volunteers put up and take down lights and features on Sunday mornings Oct/Nov and Jan. In summer months all this equipment must also be maintained.

We hold several fundraising events each year to cover these costs. However this year, due to extreme adverse weather, we were forced to cancel our main fundraiser, the switch on and arrival of Father Christmas in December 2024. This hit hard, not only because of the sunk costs for that event but also because considerably more work than usual was undertaken in the summer of 2024 to renew the power and lighting cables. The hard work paid off because the lights all worked when tested, we believe for the first time in living memory, and our electrical guru was not called out once over the festive period, despite quite a lot of bad weather.

Our lights provide a lot of pleasure for villagers and anyone passing through, and have done so for many years. Many villagers who remember them from their childhood now enjoy them alongside their children and grandchildren. Additionally visitors are drawn to the village and local businesses must also benefit from this in the low season.

We need to raise funds if we are to continue to light the village at Christmas time. If you feel that this great tradition should continue for future generations, perhaps you would consider a financial donation. We are always extremely grateful to our regular sponsors, but we rely heavily on our fundraisers. Traditionally we also received donations in collection tins in local shops and in buckets on switch on night, but now people carry less cash around so those methods no longer work well.

Finally, we really appreciate you taking the time to read this and invite you to visit our **JustGiving page**, where it is simple to make a donation of any amount to help us continue to make the village look so festive and special in coming years.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/corfechristmaslights>



Purbeck Art Weeks Festival 2025: A Celebration of Art, Music & Creativity - 24 May - 8 June

Purbeck Art Weeks (PAW) Festival returns in 2025 with an inspiring programme of exhibitions, concerts, talks, open studios, performances, and workshops, bringing together the best of local and international talent. From stunning visual arts to world-class music performances, PAW continues to celebrate the rich cultural landscape of Purbeck.

At the heart of the Festival is our vibrant Rollington Barn exhibition, showcasing works from emerging and established artists, alongside the Purbeck Young Artists exhibition, which highlights wonderful creations by local schoolchildren. Visitors can also explore Open Studios, where artists invite the public into their creative spaces, offering a unique insight into their work.

Music lovers can look forward to an extraordinary lineup of concerts and other events, bringing internationally acclaimed musicians and performers to stunning venues across the region. The Festival also features engaging talks, poetry nights, workshops, and a special outdoor picnic performance of Henry Purcell's Fairy Queen at Careys Secret Garden.

For the latest updates, concert details, and ways to get involved, visit www.purbeckartweeksfestival.co.uk or follow us on social media @purbeckartweeks



News from Purbeck Youth Music - Spring 2025

In our Purbeck primary schools, instrumental lessons have been continuing throughout the academic year as well as groups for strings, woodwind, brass and the 'Singing Schools' project.

The hard work of the children and their tutors can be enjoyed in three concerts coming up in March.

Monday 17th March: Informal concert for instrumentalists and solo singers at United Reformed Church, Swanage 6pm. All standards welcome, piano accompaniment available.

Tuesday 25th March: Swanage Singing Schools concert at Emmanuel Baptist Church Swanage 2pm. Years 3 and 4 children from the three primaries of Swanage plus Corfe and Langton join to sing a selection of songs all together and also as individual schools.

Friday 28th March: Wareham Singing Schools Concert at Lady St Mary's Church Wareham at 2pm. Years 3 and 4 children from Wareham St Mary's, Stoborough, Wool St Mary & St Joseph and Wool C of E Primaries singing a selection of songs altogether and as individual schools.

Details of the end of year concerts on 26th and 30th June to be finalised.

Explore the Orchestra Wednesday 21st May The Lighthouse Poole

Supported by PYM and with transport costs paid for by Swanage and Purbeck Rotary and the BSO. An opportunity for KS2 children to see our local and world famous **Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra** in action. An interactive performance specially designed for young ears and not to be missed.

Purbeck Youth Music and the Trustees are hugely grateful to all the financial support we receive from the Purbeck community. From fundraising choirs and bands to local charities, Rotary, PAW and many generous individuals we have enabled more music making to take place where early opportunities are so important, in our primary schools.

And in addition, if you have a Co-op loyalty card you can vote online to support their Community Fund donation to PYM as we have been chosen as one of their beneficiaries. In order for this to be extended votes from the community are required. So please if you don't have a card, do get one and make your vote count!

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Corfe Castle Village Hall

general news:

Thanks to all those who attended the February VH Coffee Morning. £150.28 was raised for Village Hall funds.

The February 100 club draw was made at the Coffee Morning. The first prize of £20 was won by member 25, with member 22 getting second prize £10 and member 5 winning the third prize £5. **If you would like to join the many villagers who support their local village hall in this way please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.**

We offer a large amount of secure storage space. For news on future availability please contact Judith on 01929 480216.

regular weekly events:

Monday mornings	Purbeck Dance
Monday evenings	Double Act
Monday evenings	Purbeck Chess
Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday mornings	Yoga
Tuesday evenings	Martial Arts
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Corfe Crafters
Wednesday mornings	Pilates
Wednesday afternoons	U3A Pickleball
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
Thursday mornings	Silver Swans adult ballet
Thursday evenings	Cubs
Thursday evenings	Alcoholics Anonymous
Friday mornings	Pilates

regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning	VH Coffee Morning
1st Sunday all day	Cameo Antiques Fair
1st Tuesday afternoon	Aquarius
1st Thursday evening	Gardening Club
2nd Monday evening	Parish Council
3rd Wednesday morning	Carers' Support (P Jones)

Artsreach music event

On the evening of Sunday 16th March we are delighted to welcome an intriguing trio of multi-instrumental musicians. Jaclarabag perform heartfelt, eclectic folk songs from across the world. Reasonable ticket prices, quality assurance with Artsreach recommendation and performing in our own village - what is not to like? Tickets are available from the village stores, or from David on 07590 352219.

Village Hall AGM

Our AGM will take place at 6.30pm on Tuesday 25th March in the Bill Carter room. All parishioners are entitled to attend, listen to the reports from our chairman and treasurer, ask questions and vote to elect trustees. If anyone wishes to be considered for a trustee role please contact David on 07590 352219 as soon as possible.

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Corfe Castle Village Hall
Saturday March 1st 2025
12.30 – 1.45pm



Come and join local friends for a simple, healthy, filling and sustainable
Free Lunch

This venture is provided by volunteers, on a not-for-profit basis, in a friendly environment for local residents to increase community spirit. If you wish to make a donation, either of food or money please feel free but it is not obligatory.

We had our usual good turn-out for the February Soup 'n Pud and everyone enjoyed the tasty fare. Thanks are once again due to our willing volunteers and Dragon's Bakery for their bread rolls.

The most important thing to report on this month is the very successful Tapas Lunch that we held on Saturday February 15th to raise funds towards the new Village Hall Kitchen. We had 55 punters who seemed to relish the home made Spanish cuisine that kept coming and enjoy one another's company while also having a go at the basic Spanish Quiz between courses.

So far the sums have not been completed but we must have raised a goodly sum towards this worthy cause. We will make a full announcement about the amount next month. The 'Tombottleola' made £78. This was a chance to win a full bottle of wine from amongst empty ones. Thanks are due to those that supported us by donating full bottles. Of course thanks are also due to those that supplied the empties! A lot of recycling is now required!

We still have 2 full bottles remaining so we will run this game again at the next S'n P so please come with some ready cash to have a go!

We are especially grateful to Purbeck Ice Cream for donating the lemon sorbet and to the several volunteers who helped us out, either setting up and dismantling tables, making food, serving it, washing up etc. It was a mammoth task but was all achieved very smoothly. I am not suggesting we will do it again but who knows how we will feel in the future!

We are now looking forward to the next few months of Soup 'n Pud and would love to see you all there.

WHY DON'T YOU GIVE IT A TRY?



Welcome to Spring!
 It's Mother's Day on the 30th
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CORFE VALLEY NEWS

CALENDAR for MARCH 2025

Please check timings and other details with the information available elsewhere in this magazine or with the organisers.

1	March	Saturday	10.15 am	Village Coffee Morning -	Corfe Castle Village Hall
1	March	Saturday	12.30 – 1.45 pm	Soup and Pud Community Lunch –	Corfe Castle Village Hall
1	March	Saturday	7 pm	Orlando Singers in St Edwards	
3	March	Monday	7 pm	Double Act AGM and DIY entertainment -	Corfe Castle Village Hall
4	March	Tuesday	2 pm	Aquarius AGM and activities -	Corfe Castle Village Hall
6	March	Thursday	7.45 pm	Gardening Club – Mike Horton from East Dorset Beekeepers -	Corfe Castle VH
10	March	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting	Corfe Castle Village Hall
11	March	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council meeting –	Church Knowle Village Hall
14	March	Friday	7.30 pm	Kimmeridge Barn Dance –	Kimmeridge Village Hall
16	March	Sunday	7.30 pm	Arts Reach presentation Jaclarabag –	Corfe Castle Village Hall
21	March	Friday	2 pm	David’s trek to Ankor Wat –	Corfe castle Village Hall
22	March	Saturday	6.45 pm	Football club Pig Racing -	Corfe Castle Village Hall
23	March	Sunday	2 pm	Karen Grant recital –	St Mary’s, Swanage
29	March	Saturday	6.30 pm	Mozart Requiem –	Lady St Mary Church, Wareham

All details are correct as at publishing date, but please check with the organization involved before attending any events.

1	April	Tuesday	2 pm	Aquarius – Mary van Coller talking about her book -	Corfe Castle Village Hall
3	April	Thursday	7.45 pm	Gardening Club talk by Bridget Kitley – Identify/Propagate/Divide –	Corfe VH
8	April	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council meeting –	Furzebrook Village Hall
14	April	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting –	Corfe Castle Village Hall
8	May	Thursday	pm	Victory in Europe 80 years on – In the Castle – Beacon Lighting	9.30 pm
19	May	Monday	6.30 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Meeting –	Corfe Castle Village Hall
24 May – 8 June				Purbeck Art Weeks	

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Revd Louise White writes

This year March, for the Church, brings with it Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent. Forty days, if you don't count Sunday's. Forty days which for many Christians today and for the past centuries would involve fasting or giving up of the stuff which we have decided has too much of a hold on us (like chocolate for me!). As well as a time for giving things up, Lent can

also be a time when we try to give more space in our busy lives to pray and to spend time with God.

I wonder, what does prayer, or time spent with God, look like for you? I have always enjoyed praying whilst walking outside in the beauty of creation, something I can do a lot of here. I like it when I can be alone, and perhaps talk out loud to God, or sing, or look at something beautiful which communicates to me the wonder of the God I worship. But I have also found that praying with others brings joy to me, and often makes praying easier and more real. Since we came to Corfe, Morning Prayer on a Tuesday at Rev Lindy's house in Langton, and Morning Prayer on a Wednesday with people from Corfe, have been special times for me. Coming together to listen to what God might be speaking to us from the Bible, praying together for the needs of the world which can sometimes feel overwhelming, or praying for friends or family who are in need of our prayers. Prayer is simply talking with God, as if to a friend. Prayer is what Jesus used to do, often early in the mornings when He knew he could be alone, withdraw from the constant demands on his time, and spend time talking with His Father, with the one who knew Him and whom He knew loved Him with a perfect love. Prayer is an invitation from God for us to bring what is on our hearts and minds to Him. God loves us to turn to Him and to ask for His help in our lives.

What would you like to do during this season of Lent. In what way would you like to respond to God's love for you, and seek to draw closer to Him.

Louise

Bible Readings – March 2025

2 nd March	Last Sunday after Epiphany 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36, [37-43a]
9 th March	First Sunday in Lent Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13
16 th March	Second Sunday in Lent Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 13:31-35

23 rd March	Third Sunday in Lent 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9
30 th March	Fourth Sunday in Lent 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Services in March 2025

Sunday 2nd March *Corfe Castle – 10.30am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 5th March *Corfe Castle - 10.30	Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday 9th March Steeple - 9.30am *Corfe Castle - 10.30am Kingston - 11.30am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer Informal Worship
Sunday 16th March *Corfe Castle – 10.30am Harmans Cross – 6pm	Holy Communion Evening Prayer
Sunday 23rd March Church Knowle – 10.30am	Combined Benefice Service – Holy Communion)
Sunday 30th March (Mothering Sunday) *Corfe Castle – 10.30am Kingston – 11.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion

* St Edwards Corfe has temporarily relocated Sunday morning services to the 'Chapel on the Green' and are very grateful for the use of the Chapel.

World Day Of Prayer

Friday 7th March 10.30am @ St George's Church , Langton Matravers.

We welcome everyone to a special service which will be taking place throughout the day in countries right around the world. We have people from ten local churches participating in a moving , but colourful service, prepared by believers in the Cook Islands. There will be a 'tropical pacific' feel about the morning.

Please do join us on Friday 7th March at 10.30am in the lovely church of St George at Langton Matravers. Tea, coffee and cakes to follow the service. Freewill offering to support WDP Charities.

St. Edward King & Martyr Parish Church Corfe Castle

Electoral Roll

Every Sixth Year, instead of a revision, a completely new Roll has to be compiled. 2025 is a sixth year.

This notice is simply to alert anyone **not** already on the Roll but who might wish to be added to the Roll this year to contact me for a form. Remember that you need to be on the Roll should you wish to vote at the forthcoming APCM.

I will be sending new forms to everyone currently on the Roll in time for the new Roll to be completed before the APCM and forms must be in by the deadline of **19th April**.

After sending out forms I will put a box in the church for completed forms or you may drop them in to me at home.

Any queries please contact me on 480925.

Joy Carter

**Any Questions? - Tuesday 11th March 2025 Swanage
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Doors open at 6.30 pm coffee/tea presentation from 7.00 pm

Do come and hear Dr James Paul on:

“What on Earth is Heaven?”

James is Director of the English branch of L’Abri Fellowship, an apologetics ministry which offers space where people can explore and ask questions about the truth and relevance of Christian faith. His presentation is based on his book of the same title and provides a welcome corrective to popular, dualist misconceptions about heaven; seeking instead to sketch a vision of heaven as a dimension of reality which can be experienced both in life in the here and now, as well as in the future.

James originally trained and practised as a medical doctor, specialising in hospice and home care for the terminally ill. This background, together with further studies in sociology, bioethics and theology, strongly inform his insights and understanding of this subject.

Do join us and hear what Dr Paul has to say about a topic that is of interest and relevance to us all. We look forward to your support.

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February was a busy month up at the courtyard, including a second sold out venison tasting evening which was a lot of fun all round. We also took time to celebrate National Nestbox Week, adding more habitats in the woodlands for a variety of wildlife, ready to welcome in Spring this month.

Family Quiz Afternoon

Join us on Sunday 9th March where Corfe Castle PTFA are hosting a family quiz afternoon between 3pm - 5pm. Tickets are available direct from Kingston Country Courtyard or Corfe Castle Primary & Preschool. Adults £3.50, Children £2.50 and families of four for £10. All ticket proceeds donated to Corfe Castle PTFA.

Saddle Up & Dance

Thrilled to announce a fantastic new event being held on Friday 21st March, 7pm till midnight. Funky Sole will be leading a double line dancing session, followed by DJ Roast. American food available at the bar, and cowboy boots and hats encouraged. Tickets just £10pp and available direct from Kingston Country Courtyard.

Mothers Day

Bookings for Mothers Day lunch are now open at the Sawmill restaurant. Enjoy a delicious three course meal for £25pp and all reservations made ahead will include a special treat for mum!

Tuesday Quiz Night

Our weekly quiz night continues every Tuesday in the Sawmill restaurant - 7:30pm arrival for 7:45pm start. The quiz is completely FREE to enter and the winning team win a round of drinks on us! Donations are however gratefully received and in aid of #WillDoes - our nominated charity of the year.

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Notices and Thanks

Corfe Castle Gardening Club.

Our February meeting was our AGM, followed by Hazel's fantastic, fun gardening quiz, in the Village Hall.

The current committee members were all willing to stand for another year and were duly elected. The past year was very successful with a selection of speakers from outside, as well as our own members. We enjoyed an interesting trip to Hauser and Wirth, where the gardens were designed by Piet Oudolf, ably driven by Fiona.

Our bring and share Christmas Supper in the Village Hall was well received and we enjoyed Catherine Ramm's demonstration. We decided to repeat the Bring and Share Supper next year.

Hazel gave the Treasurer's report and the Club is financially healthy but with speakers becoming more expensive and other increases on the horizon it was agreed that the subs per year should be £12, still a bargain. Introducing refreshments before our meetings has been successful both socially and financially.

We have many plans for 2025 starting with:

6th March with what should be a fascinating and informative talk from Mike Horton from East Dorset Beekeepers on keeping bees and planting to encourage bees in our gardens. He will also be bringing along some of his bee produce for sale. 7.45 for 8 in the Village Hall.

3rd. April. Bridget Kitley, an experienced landscaping, garden and herb consultant from Sherborne will give us a talk called Identify/Propagate/Divide.

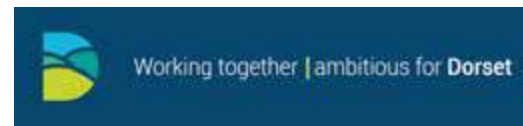
More speakers will be announced next month. We are also hoping to arrange visits to Anderson Manor, near Bere Regis and to the stunning gardens at Highgrove.

If there is anything you would particularly like us to cover during the year please let us know.

If you are interested in Gardens and Gardening and would like to join a friendly local group, please get in touch with Chris on 10929 480095 or 07815 058880, cclarkecorfe@gmail.com. We love to welcome new members. Meetings, with interesting talks and speakers, plant sales, seed

swaps and social events usually take place in the Village Hall, Corfe Castle, at 7.45 pm for coffee and starting the programme at 8pm. Non-members are welcome to join us for £3 if they are interested in a particular talk.

Chris Clarke
For the Committee.



Digital Champions. There is now more help than ever for Dorset residents to get online, with 50 volunteer digital champions working across the

county.

The newest champions for Shaftesbury - Chris Robinson and Lorena Sutherland – now mean Dorset Council has recruited its largest number of active digital champions.

From Shaftesbury to Portland and from Ferndown to Lyme Regis, the council has volunteer digital champions covering most corners of Dorset.

They hold face to face sessions in libraries and community centres for anyone who has a technical problem or needs help with a digital device or getting online.

Chris, who worked for Openreach for 44 years as an engineer before retiring a year ago, said: "I always like helping people and I wanted to do my bit. I did a lot of coaching in my previous job and thought the time was right to give something back to the community." And Lorena, who is a web content designer and has worked previously for central and local government, added: "In my job I have seen first-hand the immense impact of digital exclusion and the barriers that can bring. I'm hoping I can help people overcome those barriers."

Both Chris and Lorena will be based at Shaftesbury Library, holding face-to-face sessions on Mondays and Thursdays. As well as Chris and Lorena, there are 48 other volunteer digital champions who are dedicated, friendly and patient.

They can help with a whole range of digital issues such as setting up a new device, online shopping and banking, using apps, accessing public services and how to save money and stay safe online.

People can find out where their nearest digital champion session is by calling the council's Digital hotline on 01305 221048.



Citizens Advice East Dorset & Purbeck

Citizens Advice continues to be available for residents offering free, confidential and impartial advice. Advice can be accessed via email, telephone, or in-person at outreaches and at the Advice Bus.

Advice Bus

The Advice Bus has changed locations in Corfe Castle. It will now be stopping at the Residents Car Park, West Street, the third Friday of the month. It also stops weekly at Swanage Market on a Friday morning, 9.30am-1.30pm.

Advisers can offer advice on a number of different issues including: benefits, debt & money, employment, energy, family, housing and legal. If you're struggling to pay your Wessex Water bills and if you're on pension credit you may be entitled to additional help. Advice is free and confidential and you don't need to book an appointment.

Visit our website for all of our bus locations www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk/get-advice/advice-bus

Drop-in locations

Here's a list of local drop-ins for residents at nearby outreaches. No appointment is needed:

- Swanage Library – Tuesday, 10am-12pm (from 2nd July 2024)
- Herston Village Hall, Swanage – Monday, 10am-12pm
- Wareham Citizens Advice – Tuesday & Thursday, 10am-12pm
- Lytchett Minster & Upton Town Council – Tuesday, 10am-12pm
- Upton Library – Wednesday, 2pm-4pm

For more information about Citizens Advice services, including all of our outreaches, visit www.edpcitizensadvice.org.uk to speak to an Adviser, call the Dorset Adviceline freephone on 0800 144 8848, 10am-4pm weekdays.



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Contact the Dorset Energy Team on 01929 775500 or email energy@edpcitizensadvice.org.uk

PurbeckParkys,

PurbeckParkys, a support group for families living with Parkinson's, meets on the third Wednesday of each month, 2.30 - 4.30 at the Swanage Cricket Club BH19 1LG

For more details contact the co-ordinator: david.gynes@parkinsons-uk.goassemble.com Next meeting - March 19th, 2025

	<p><u>Corfe Crafters</u></p> <p>Wednesday 9.00am to 12 midday</p> <p>Contact Cheryl - 07745242511</p>	
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Thanks to delivery helpers

A big thank you to Julie Fooks for the many years she has been delivering in the Bushey area. We are always keen to hear from anyone who is willing to help with deliveries. We are dependent on our helpers, so thank you one and all.

Calling All Singers in Corfe Castle!

VE Day 80th Anniversary May 8th

One of the items in the planned programme for VE80 day in the grounds of Corfe Castle is the singing of **'I Vow to Thee My Country'** when the Beacon is lit at 9.30pm. To lead the singing we are inviting anyone who *can* sing, *thinks* they can sing, would *like* to sing, or *can't stop* singing, to join a 'choir' which will provide the vocal support for everyone in the Castle to join in. A goodly number of singers have already shown an interest, but plenty more would be better! Words for the two verses will be provided, and the tune is Thaxted (by Holst, from Jupiter in 'The Planets').

There will be a run-through for anyone who can spare the time in St. Edward's Church, Corfe Castle, on Wednesday May 7th at 7pm, after the Church Choir practice, by kind permission of the Church Wardens.

David Kemp
480007, davimukem@aol.com

Woolgarston Farm

Woolgarston Farm, owned by John Calcraft in 1772, existed as a random selection of fields (outlined in black below) tenanted by Thomas Barnes and interspersed with fields owned by other people.



Woolgarston Tenement in 1772.

Mr. Barnes rented three tenements here in 1770 called Benfield's, Clavill's and Chinchin's which were all merged to form the farm that was sold in July 1919 by the Rempstone Estate (see map).



Lot 3 - Sale of Woolgarston Farm in 1919
containing 178a. 1r. 35p.

Originally, this farm was considerably smaller - only a dwelling and 79 acres of land are mentioned in a lawsuit involving eight people in about 1256.

A charter was drawn up in 1450 by Thomas Attkyn granting his tenements (unspecified) at 'Wolgerston' to Robert Rempston and his wife, Margaret, and their heirs. Attkyn had acquired these lands from John Lotor (a bailiff at the castle in the early 15th century). Lotor had purchased these lands before Easter 1427, as he had died by then, from Thomas Floer of Wareham - another person holding land here but living elsewhere - although closer than Thomas Saint Aubyn of Clowance, Cornwall, who in 1464 granted land at Woolgarston to the Tregarthens, who, as the name suggests, also lived in Cornwall.

There seems to have been many exchanges of land here over the centuries, which makes ownership very difficult to track. Woolgarston may have just

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The Reluctant Gardener

March is a beautiful month, an exciting month, as everything is waking up for a new season of growth. As the days are longer, and hopefully warmer, the birds are courting and preparing their nests, and some more migrants like the chiffchaff and blackcap will arrive from warmer climes. Many more insects and amphibians should be getting more active with a few early butterflies even red admirals patrolling our lanes, ladybirds and spiders preparing to protect your gardens from pests, and frog spawn maturing in our ponds and lakes.

All our deciduous trees are changing too, stimulated by longer days and warmer weather; the bigger trees like oak and ash sending out their buds, alder and birch greening with their first leaves, and blackthorn and crab apple in blossom. Bluebells may start to carpet our woods at the end of the month and hosts of bulbs, not bothered by wind and rain, will open to gladden our hearts underneath a canopy of opening leaves or in our lawns and borders. I look forward to sitting in the sun in a sheltered place to feel the spring awakening.

There is lots to do for a gardener at this time: firstly check that the winter month jobs are done – so make sure that all your tools are oiled and sharp, and use natural linseed oil to protect any garden tables and chairs that have spent the winter undercover. I hope that we can use them outside soon. Also order the last of the bare-rooted plants that you need but please make sure that they have been sown and grown in the UK as TV programmes have stressed the damage that can be done when plants are imported. You can ask the nursery before buying or take cuttings from locals who are mostly very happy to give bits of anything that you fancy.

For your vegetable garden, start growing these vegetables inside: tomatoes, cucumber, aubergine and some of the slower growing squashes/ pumpkins. In the beds outside you can plant early peas and beans, all broad beans, and both early and main crop potatoes. If frost is forecast, then do mound up the potatoes with organic material or earth. A richer soil should give a better crop. Indeed, in spring it is good to sprinkle blood, bone and fish meal as well as good, rotted compost on vegetable beds to give a slow release of nutrients for the growing season.

Most salad vegetables can be planted outside this month, so start doing your monthly planting of lettuces, peas, carrots, beans, radish, rocket.... for a

regular supply of fresh vegetables. A cloche, or other protection, may be useful for some plantings.

On nice days do go walking to enjoy the spring; our narrow roads are rather dangerous with cars driving fast on them, but we have lovely footpaths off the roads. If you keep to the high ground, like the top of Nine Barrow Down or Priest's Way, the paths are mostly good; but the valley and the Downs' Underhill paths are muddy and it isn't good to walk them and compact the soil. It would be wonderful if cars were more controlled so that walkers and riders could enjoy the countryside more safely. It isn't practical everywhere, but on holiday in Spain I did enjoy the old parts of towns where the streets were cobbled and sometimes had barriers up to make it safer for people.

This is an excellent time of year to come and find cuttings, seedlings, roots or tubers of plants that you would like. Everything in my garden is there to share so do give me a ring or email if you would like to visit anytime.

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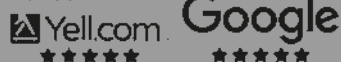


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Kimmeridge News

Kimmeridge Coastguard Rescue Team

Your local Coastguard Volunteers now have a new team leader. We are delighted to announce that Harry Cake has been appointed as Station Officer for the team. In 2024 we had 72 "shouts" making it the busiest year for a long time. Calls were to the places all along the Purbeck coast and Poole Harbour working with our colleagues in other Coastguard Teams, the RNLI & Ambulance Service. We have an active keen crew, but are on the lookout for new recruits. If you live locally and would be interested in applying, you will find more details on the team's facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/kimmeridgecrt>



Kimmeridge Keilidh

Sadly we had to cancel the Valentine's Day Keilidh because of a power cut in the village, but our next barn dance in the Village Hall is on Friday 14th March - 7:30 to 10:00 - Live music from Arish Mel Come & join us for a fun evening! No Bar, so bring your own drinks & nibbles! Tickets on the door £7.50 for adults, £2.50 for children. All profits go to support Kimmeridge Village Hall & The Etches Collection.

Steve & Helen Earwicker

Eyes to the Skies

Hi all,

Never the mind the dull days and grey skies and cold winds, there have been

amazing scenes at Kimmeridge, enough to brighten anyone's day. 4 White tailed sea eagles, 2 adults and 2 juveniles have been recorded regularly visiting the area. I have also seen peregrine, red kite, buzzard and kestrel from the toll hut.

We are waiting for the return of the first spring migrants this month ... wheatear, sand Martin, swallow and house Martin should all make an appearance in March, with more to follow as the weather warms up and April arrives. Keep those bird feeders clean and filled up to keep the birds coming into your garden. I have noticed at home that there are increasing numbers of Siskin on our feedersare you getting any ???

Happy birding

Rose and Pat



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Perhaps you know what it's like to be mocked, shunned, excluded, or just plain ignored. It seems like no matter how hard you try to fit in, there is always someone willing to put you down. The message that you get from your peers is that if you want to be loved you have to change. Why can't people ever just accept the way you are?

A lot of people act as though they will only accept us if we're better, smarter, more popular or whatever. We feel like we have to earn the right to be loved; but then it seems like no matter how hard we try, we're never quite good enough for some people. Do you wish you could find someone... who will love you unconditionally? Who won't condemn you for your mistakes and failures? Who you can trust with all your hopes and fears, your tears and your triumphs?

There is one person who will accept you just the way you are.

God loves you for who you are and for what you are and for who He created you to be.

Often, we get the wrong picture of God. So often we view God as an enforcer of religious values, a list of dos and don'ts. This is getting God's character wrong. Rather, He is a Father who wants us to have life in all its abundance. We also, often see God as a parent who spends all His efforts trying to fix us on the outside, but that isn't true.

It's our hearts that he sees, not our outward appearance. He wants only what is best for us. God will never ask us to be anyone other than who we are, not asking us to be like other believers, or to copy those around us who seem to be well liked and accepted. He doesn't try to cover up who we are, rather He devotes Himself to uncovering the self that we show. He wants us to be who we truly are and who He made us to be.

The Bible says in Psalm 139:13 - "for You created my inmost being; You knit me together in my mother's womb". God formed us wonderfully and uniquely; He gave us a personality of our own. He sees us for who we really are. We must allow God to fill us with the courage to be ourselves, not changing so that we might fit in

. "As water reflects a face, so a man's heart reflects the man" – Proverbs 27:19

Let us not be someone that we are not!

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What's On at Harmans Cross Village Hall

Here are some dates for your diaries for forthcoming events at HXVH.

Saturday 1 March – Stalls at the Hall

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Sunday 2 March – Wedding Fayre

Everyone loves a wedding so if you, a family member or a friend have a wedding in the planning, come along to the Hall from 1-4pm to meet some of our fabulous local wedding suppliers and see what Harmans Cross can offer you. Why not arrive on the train as well – really magical.

Tuesday 11 March – Movie Night – Woman in Gold

The remarkable true story of one woman's journey to reclaim her heritage and seek justice for what happened to her family. Sixty years after she fled Vienna during World War II, an elderly Jewish woman, Maria Altmann (Helen Mirren), starts her journey to retrieve family possessions seized by the Nazis, among them Klimt's famous painting 'The Lady in Gold'. Together with her inexperienced but plucky young lawyer Randy Schoenberg (Ryan Reynolds), she embarks upon a major battle which takes them all the way to the heart of the Austrian establishment and the U.S. Supreme Court and forces her to confront difficult truths about the past along the way.

Coffee Junction – alternate Thursday mornings 10.30-12.30

Come along for coffee (or tea) and conversation between 10.30 and 12.30. 6 and 20 March and April 3 and 17.

Church Service 16 March starting at 6pm

HXVH AGM and Wine & Cheese Evening – 11 April

More details next month

Alison and the HXVH Committee



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- Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00
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- Shotokan Karate – www.warehamskc.co.uk

TUESDAY

- Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00 –
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- Pilates – Alex Moore telephone 07536103364
almoore1@live.co.uk

WEDNESDAY

- Say so Drama 10:30 – 12.00 Adults with learning difficulties
- Emma 07725942609
- Yoga - Pam Steele – 01929 556714
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THURSDAY

- Shotokan Karate www.warehamskc.co.uk

FRIDAY

- Weekly Health Qigong Fitness 9.30 & 10.45 am – Penny Youssef 07969925502
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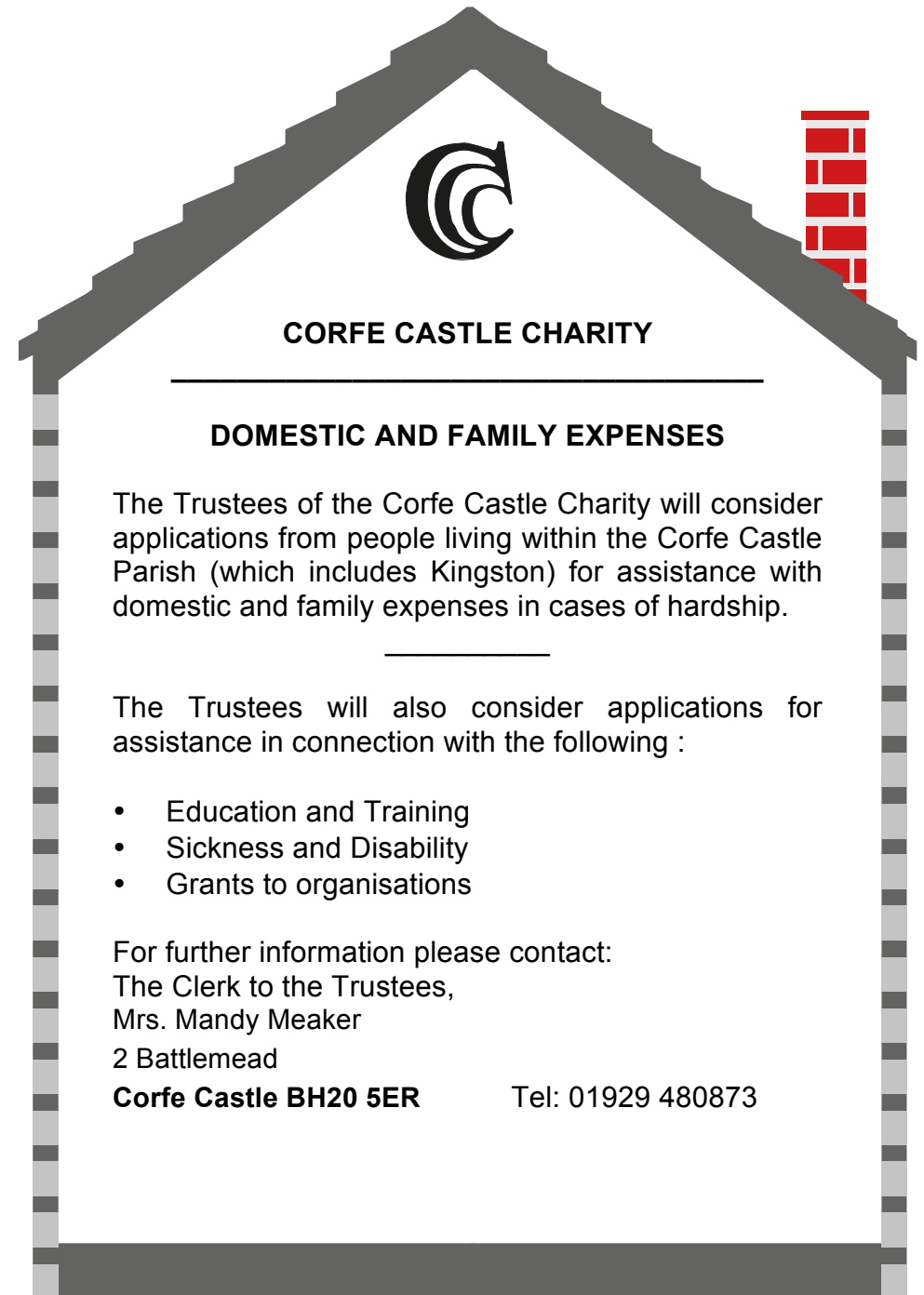
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Each	10.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Village Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.30 – 7.30pm	Adult	C C Village Hall
		Ballroom Dance	Donna 01202 243803
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furzebrook VH; even CK
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.00am-12.00	Corfe Crafters	C.C. Village Hall
Term time,	5.30- 6.45pm jnrs 6.45-8.00pm snrs	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons Manor
3rd	7 pm	CC Environment Gp	Mortons Manor
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	www.purbeckyoga.com	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
FRIDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre	The Pre School
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
SATURDAY			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee	C C Village Hall
SUNDAY			
Each	1.00pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club

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