

THE BUZZ



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Dear Buzz Readers,

The village has responded well recently to three quite large events. Two of which raised wonderful sums of money for their chosen charities. Those who helped with organising them must be congratulated. The weather tried its best to disrupt each event but we all proved that the show must go on.

At the Jubilee Tea Party about 160 sat down to a wonderful tea. Dan the Hat Man entertained us all in his impeccable style and it was lovely to see mums and dads join the children in the circus workshops.

Revel Week will soon be with us as you will see by the centrefold of this newsletter. Lots of things for all to join in and support. Kimberley Cann is our new chosen Queen and she will have Angel Piercy as her attendant. We wish them well.

Please remember that if you have something you would like to see published in the next Buzz it must be with me by the **20th August**.

If you are not sponsoring The Buzz at present we would be very grateful to receive your donation of just £5 a year for what we hope you think is a very worthwhile village resource.

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Dear Sheila and the amazing team,

Thank you all so much for the incredible hard work and fantastic party you gave us for the Jubilee.. I am aware it was primarily for the children but do feel that all us adults enjoyed the event equally. Dan the hat man was superb and fabulous at involving everyone even the more reluctant!!

The mug that you presented to Stella is a real treasure and has been immediately confiscated until such time that a high shelf is constructed in her bedroom..

I am ashamed to say that Stella spent a long time making you a thank you card but somehow it has got lost amongst our chaos.

Once again thanking you for a happy day.

Regards

Hetty Thompson

ENJOYING DAN AND THE JUBILEE TEA



I won't smile but its a nice bit of cake mum!



"Easy Dan says - Yeah right"!!



Nice tea Marion - where shall us go next week?

Six decades of celebrations!

In honour of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, St Bridget's Church held an exhibition of weddings dresses and christening robes used in St Bridget's over the six decades of the Queen's reign. Along with the brides and their families, and visitors from the village, the church also welcomed visitors from across the South West and even one visitor from New Zealand! Thank you to everyone who supported the event.

The dresses were arranged in chronological order along with mementoes such as invitations and some interesting facts about the other things that happened during that year. Everyone particularly enjoyed looking at photographs alongside the dresses and picking out how people and fashions had changed over the years!

Below are details of the dresses included and some of the factoids that went with them:

Miss Audrey May Gilbert married Mr Ronald Francis Crocker

on 28th September 1957. They were married by Rev F. Kingdon.

They had five bridesmaids and the weather was fine. The average house price in 1957 was £2,330 with the average Wage £600. Bread cost 4d and a pint of beer 2d.

Miss Margaret Ann Andrew married Mr William Francis Eastcott

on 4th April 1964. They were married by Rev Piggott. They had three bridesmaids and a pageboy. The weather was cold and drizzly. The average house price in 1964 was £3,360. Government figures show that the average weekly wage was £16. On the 10th March The Queen gave birth to her fourth child, a son, Edward.

Miss Clarice Elizabeth Cholwill married Mr Peter John Harris

on 6th October 1973. They were married by Rev P. Swaffield. They had four bridesmaids. The weather was showery but not cold. The average house price in 1973 was £9,942. The average wage for men was £40.90 a week. A pint of Theakston's Best Bitter was 13p and a pint of milk was 55p. In 1973 the average price of a small car was £1,000 and petrol at a BP service station cost 36p a gallon. On 14th November 1973, Princess Anne married a commoner, Captain Mark Phillips, in Westminster Abbey (they later divorced in 1992)

Miss Karen Jane Brock married Mr David John Gliddon

on 24th July 1982. They were married by Rev P. Morgan. They had two bridesmaids and a pageboy. The weather was sunny. The average house price in 1982 was £23,644 and a gallon of petrol cost £1.59. On 1st January 1982 ITV launched three regional TV stations - Central, TV South and TV South West.

Miss Janet May Crocker married Mr John Henry Hallett on 8th June 1985. They were married by Rev P. Morgan. They had four bridesmaids and the weather was dull but dry. The average house price by then was £40,169 and a gallon of petrol cost £1.88. On 19th February 1985, EastEnders, the BBC1 soap opera, showed on the channel for the first time. On 3rd March 1985 the miners' strike ended after one year.

Miss Melanie Jayne Gander married Mr Paul Thomas Dymond on 31st August 1991. They were married by Rev P. Morgan and Rev R. Burrow. They had three bridesmaids. The weather was hot and sunny. The average house price was £70,987 and a gallon of Petrol cost £2.05. On 19th October 1991 Canadian singer Bryan Adams made history when his hit single (Everything I Do) I Do It for You, which featured in the film Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves entered its 15th successive week at number one in the UK singles charts.

Miss Katherine Ann Louise James married Mr Kelvin Spencer Davey on 7th September 1996. They were married by Rev L Brookhouse. They had four bridesmaids. The weather was fine and sunny. The average house price in 1996 was £69,453 and gallon of petrol cost £2.70. On 13th February 1996 Take That, the most successful British band so far this decade, announced that they were splitting up.

Miss Natasha Louise Hambley married Mr Darren John Stephens on 22nd July 2000. They were married by Rev L. Brookhouse. They had three bridesmaids and their son Josh as pageboy. The weather was fine and sunny, but windy. The average house price by 2000 had reached over the hundred thousand mark at £101,5004. In August of that year Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother celebrated her 100th birthday.

Miss Lisa Jeffery married Mr Barry John Lucas on 16th September 2005. They were married by Canon L. Ryder. They had three bridesmaids. The weather was fine. Also shown with this coat was a christening robe made out of Lisa's wedding dress. This was used at the baptisms of the couple's two children, William and Phoebe. By 2005 petrol prices had reached £3.49 per gallon. On 9th April - The wedding of Charles, Prince of Wales and Camilla Parker Bowles took place in a 20-minute ceremony at Windsor Guildhall, followed by a blessing at St George's Chapel in Windsor Castle. On 23rd June Prince Charles of Wales graduated from the University of St Andrews.

Christening Robes

Four christening robes were shown, along with the Lucas robe. They had been loaned by the Bowden, Harris, Short and Crocker families, although used for generations. As they had been passed along the female lines of the family, some of them had changed names several times. We all marvelled at the work that had gone in to making the robes and how

well they had been kept over the years.

Prouse Christening Robe

This christening robe was used by the Prouse family (George, Jack and Elsie) at the turn of the 20th Century. It was then used by the Jones family from 1934, then by the Vinnicombe family for Margaret and Phillip. The robe was used most recently for the Short family; Darryn, Gareth and Janine.

Crocker Christening Robe

This christening robe was first used by the Crocker family in 1958 for Michael, then subsequently for Janet. It has more recently been used for the baptisms of Mark and Paul Crocker and Simon and Jamie Hallett.

Saltern Christening Robe

This christening robe was hand made by Fanny Saltern wife of William Saltern in 1899.

Lily Louisa (Bowden) was the first member of her family to wear the robe; followed by siblings Flossie (Sangwin), Jack & Frank. John Bowden wore the robe for his christening at St. Bridget's Church in 1927. In more recent years it has been worn by Trevor & Paul Bowden.

The next generation to wear the robe were Robert Bowden in 1986, Katy Bowden in 1989 and Willow Bowden in 2001.

Bowden Christening Robe

This Christening robe was made for Mr and Mrs William Bowden and was first used by John Bowden in 1885 and then his five siblings. It was then used by the Vinnicombe and Bassett families in the early 1900s. In the 1950's and 60's it was used by 8 members of the next generation including Robert Honey and Clarice Cholwill. More recently in the 1970's and 80's it was used for some of their children including Valerie and Michael Harris and Rosalind Honey.

The P.C.C would like to offer their sincere thanks to the brides for their support in putting the exhibition together. Thanks also go to the parents who leant their christening robes and to all of the members of the church congregation who donated refreshments and helped to serve them. Thank you also to all of those involved in putting together the display, producing photos, loaning mannequins and generally making the event a success. Around £200 was raised for church funds with a further £188 going to the Air Ambulance as part of the Open Gardens event..

The photo to the right shows Miss Melanie Gander's wedding dress when she married Mr Paul Dymond on 31st August 1991 at St Bridget's Church.



Sheila's Mentions:

Congratulations to **Alan and Rosie Beat** on the birth of their first grandchild. Alice Rose, born on the 12th June to their daughter Katie and her partner.

Our thoughts go to **Kay Snowdon** and her family on the recent death of husband, dad and granddad Mervyn.

Special Wedding Day Wishes to **Paul Cholwill and Stacey Hillier** for the 7th July at Shebbear Parish Church.

Congratulations to **Emily Youldon** who will be celebrating her 18th Birthday on the 8th August. Emily and mum, Ann, will be spending the day supporting the England Hockey Team in London.

Our best wishes go to the following pupils of **Bridgerule Primary School** who will be leaving at the end of the Summer Term to commence the next stage of their education at Holsworthy Community College. They are Kasie Davey, Eleanor Timlin, Felicity Piercey and Kieran Fraser. We also wish Ella Hillier Cholwill, Storm Piercey, Fergal Fitzsimmons, Edward Hibben, Jacob Masters and Kobi Orchard a happy time as they begin their fulltime education in Bridgerule Primary School.

Our best wishes go to **Joan Green** and hope that she will soon feel better.

Birthday Wishes to -

Michael Moore for the 8th July.

Audrey Bewes for the 1st August.

Raymond Bewes for the 15th August.

Grant Latham for the 17th August.

Janet Hallett for the 26th August.

Linda Goodman for the 29th August.



This poor girl thinks she's a train driver -
Chris says she's a sl... driver!!



Mrs. M. D'Praser attending her last Bridgerule Coffee Morning before she moved back to Leicestershire. She has been a great supporter of The Buzz . We wish her well.



BRIDGERULE VILLAGE HALL

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BRIDGERULE OPEN GARDENS

On a rather gloomy, grey and wet day the good people of Bridgerule and beyond turned out last Sunday 10th June 2012 to support the Devon and Cornwall Air Ambulance charities. Enthusiastic gardeners had cut, mowed, weeded and tidied up their gardens for this very special annual event which is now firmly part of Bridgerule's yearly activities. They had a tremendous response and managed to raise £1,826. A cheque for £913 will be sent to each Trust.

Local people as well as holidaymakers were once again extremely generous in support of these 2 very worthwhile charities. For the entrance fee of £3.50 visitors could visit all 7 gardens, the Church exhibition and the Chapel.

John and Cathy Nettles kindly opened their very large garden with ponds and lakes, specimen trees and a few rescued animals. Visitors were happy to buy bags of fish food which enabled them to view the fish jumping in the lake. The fish food sold like hot cakes ! There was also an older style "wildlife friendly" cottage garden with an orchard and hens roaming freely where you could buy delicious lunches and rest awhile with a cuppa.

One new garden was involved this year, a compact easily maintained garden which also sold toiletries. Once again John Hammond had his magnificent display of old garden tools, and another garden had 4 happy ex-battery hens proudly wearing a new set of feathers while just next door there was a garden with plenty of seating showing that gardening can be relaxing. In fact there was something for everyone to enjoy.

Once again ladies of St Bridget's Church made and served the cream teas and other refreshments. The local Methodist Chapel ladies sold home made cakes at their cake stall, which was once again well visited by the visitors. A raffle was also held which was generously supported by local businesses who donated some lovely prizes including a round of golf for four people, holistic massage, Sunday lunches, hanging baskets, many bottles of wine, gift vouchers for cream teas and petrol vouchers.

Visitors came to visit the gardens from Barnstaple, Launceston, Cheshire and even New Zealand!

Photo shows our present carnival queen, Abigail Cottier and Holly Trayford presenting a cheque for £1826 to Arthur Newton, representing The Air Ambulance Trust.



Special Invitation to attend Exeter Cathedral:

Several weeks ago the Parish Council were requested to nominate someone from their community to attend a future celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in recognition of 'local unsung heroes' (local, but not sure if I fit the rest). Cliff nominated myself and some weeks later an invitation came through the door from the Dean and Chapter of Exeter Cathedral and HM Lord Lieutenant of Devon inviting me and a guest to attend a Special Service to celebrate The Diamond Jubilee of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Sunday 27th May and prior to the service attend a Garden Party at Bishop's Palace. The day arrived and in true garden party style the weather was wonderful the day before but today the heavens had opened!

Nevertheless my guest, Col and I dressed in our Sunday best made our way to Exeter Cathedral and as luck or something would have it as soon as we reached our destination the sun came out. Within minutes I met up with someone I had gone to school with many years ago and we stayed together for the duration of the day catching up when at all possible.

The four of us made our way to Bishop's Palace for the Tea Party. Some of the guests proudly wearing their medals and many ladies wearing outfits fit for Ladies day at Ascot or a Buckingham Palace Garden Party.

We then made our way to the Cathedral and were ushered to our seats in the left nave and fortunately for us just behind the dignitaries in the centre of magnificent cathedral seating on this day about 1000.

The 'unsung heroes' were given a special mention in the opening speech by the Dean of the Cathedral and just before 4.00pm the organist began to play Handel's - 'The Music for the Royal Fireworks' and Elgar's - 'Pomp and Circumstance Military March No.1.' It was so grand that for the next few moments it made me think of how the music would have sounded at Prince William and Katherine's wedding at Westminster Abbey. It was truly wonderful.

We were each given a special commemorative Order of Service which had been divided into six decades with the cathedral choir performing several anthems and a special Devon County Children's Choir also chosen to sing. During these anthems large television screens had been placed around the cathedral showing important events that had occurred in the world over the last sixty years. Just before the close of the service a 'Big Book of Thanks' containing goodwill messages of the people of Devon was received by Bishop Michael and given to the Lord-Lieutenant to pass on to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

Colin and I said our goodbyes to our friends and made our way home. Later, we recalled our special visit to Exeter Cathedral.

Thanks to the Parish Council for giving me the opportunity. Sheila Cholwill.



THE VILLAGE SHOP AND ADJOINING COTTAGES

As many of the community will already know, Jubilee Terrace was sold at the beginning of May. Since the purchase by two local investors, various rumours have circulated regarding the fate of The Terrace and village shop. We can now confirm that it is the owner's intention to renovate The Terrace and re-create the original cottages Albert, Jubilee and Victoria House. On the approval of planning the village shop will also be extended to provide a bright, spacious and modern village store. Works have already commenced and it is anticipated the project will be concluded by late spring next year.

Every attempt will be made to minimise disruption to the village. The owners hope that with the cooperation of Dawn and Tony, the shop and post office will stay open while the proposed renovations take place. For full details of the project, including artist impressions, plans and contact details please visit the dedicated web site www.jubileeterrace.com. Should you have any concerns or queries or merely wish to give your support to the scheme an email address is provided on this website.

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OVER 50'S COFFEE MORNINGS

Having run the Bridgerule Over 50s coffee mornings for 7 years, Gwynneth and Ron Cameron will be stepping down later this year. The coffee mornings are an important source of companionship to many of Bridgerule's more mature residents, who would be very sad to see them end. If anyone would like to volunteer to take over from Gwynneth and Ron, please come along to look around and meet people. The dates of the coffee mornings are published in The Buzz.

MODEL OF CONTAINER CRANE



A lot of container ships are now capable of carrying over 5000 containers. These ships need special terminals in the ports and large fast moving cranes to unload them. Large ports will have banks of six of these cranes alongside the terminal and they can offload as many as 25 ships a week - up to 125000 containers.

The prototypes.

These large cranes stand over 110 metres high when the boom is raised to allow for easy berthing of ships and 125 metres long when the boom is in the horizontal working position.

Michael's Model

The height of the crane built out of meccano by Michael Moore (above) is 2.4 metres. Length is 2.7 metres when the boom is in the horizontal working position. It took Michael 231 hours to build and used 2739 parts and 6527 nuts and bolts.

It also takes 7 power drive units to take care of all the movements.

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Dear God, so far today I've done all right.

I haven't lost my temper, I haven't criticised or moaned.

I haven't been snappy, grumpy, nasty, selfish or over indulgent,

I haven't gossiped, and I'm very thankful for that.

**But in a few minutes Lord, I'm going to get out of bed and go to work,
 and from then on I'm probably going to need a lot more help. Amen.**

BRIDGERULE METHODIST CHAPEL

Preaching appointments



July 1st	Mr. P. Craig	11.00am
8th	Mr. J. Guy	11.00am
15th	at St. Peter's Fair Service	11.00am
22nd	Mr. R. Down	11.00am
29th	Mrs. S. Risdon	11.00am
	United Service at St. Bridget's	6.30pm
August 5th	To be arranged	11.00am
12th	Rev. N. Street (Sac)	11.00am
19th	Members of the Gideon Society	11.00am
26th	Mr.C. Parish	11.00am

PYWORTHY WITH PANCRASWEEK AND BRIDGERULE FORTHCOMING SERVICES

1st July	4th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Morning Prayer
		9.45am	Pancrasweek Communion
		11.00am	Bridgerule “
8th July	5th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule “
15th July	6th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Morning Prayer
		9.45am	Pancrasweek Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule “
22nd July	7th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule “
29th July	8th after Trinity	10.30am	Pancrasweek Benefice Eucharist
5th August	Transfiguration	9.30am	Pyworthy Morning Prayer
		9.45am	Pancrasweek Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule Eucharist
12th August	10th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule Eucharist
19th August	11th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Morning Prayer
		9.45am	Pancrasweek Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule Eucharist
26th August	12th after Trinity	9.30am	Pyworthy Eucharist
		11.00am	Bridgerule Eucharist

BRIDGERULE CARNIVAL WEEK

Sunday 29th July

Crowning of Carnival Queen

Miss Kimberley Cann

Attendant - Miss Angel Piercey

Parish Hall 3.00pm

Followed by Cream Teas, Cake Stall & Sideshows

The Mill is Open 4.30pm (see overleaf for details)

United Service 6.30pm Methodist Chapel.

Monday 30th July

Wine and Wisdom

Parish Hall - Teams of 6 - Start 7.30pm

Helen Brookhouse— Question Master

Please enter team to Mrs. C. Harris. Tel: 01288 381329



Tuesday 31st

Skittle Tournament

Parish Hall –Teams of 6 to include 2 ladies

Licensed Bar applied for

Enter your team on either 01288 381279 or 01288 381402

Wednesday 01st August Ramble

Assemble Parish Hall 6.30pm

Tractor / Trailer ride back. BBQ and sideshows to follow

Thursday 02nd August Family Dog Show

The Ham - 7.00pm (various classes)

The Burger Bar will be in attendance including teas & coffees.

Friday 3rd August

Prize Bingo

Parish Hall - Eyes down 8.00pm.

Saturday 30th July

CARNIVAL DAY - Procession leaves the Ham 7.30pm.

Grand Raffle—BBQ - Stalls etc

Lions Duck Race during Evening.

BIDEFORD PIPES AND DRUMS LEAD THE PROCESSION

Individual Skittle Tournament follows Carnival in Skittle Alley.

Prize for Top Scoring Male and Top Scoring Female

Alan and Rosie Beat have opened the Water Mill to support our Revel Week.

Following a long restoration programme, the millstones of Bridge Mill are turning by water power again for the first time in 60 years. After the crowning of the revel queen and cream teas on Sunday 29th July, the Mill will be open and grinding from 4.30 to 5.30 pm, entry £2.50 adult, 50p child towards Revel funds.

FAMILY SCARECROW COMPETITION

Entry forms from The Post Office or Rose Hitchings

Judging begins from Monday 29th July

Prize: Best Scarecrow and Best Idea.



CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION

Any Subject—No larger than A3.

(Can use paints, crayons or pencils)

Classes: 2 - 5 years 6 - 8 years 9 - 11 years

Please take completed art work to The Hall between 10.00 - 12 Noon Wednesday August 1st for Judging.



TALLEST SUNFLOWER COMPETITION



Entry forms available
From Post Office /
Rose Hitchings

TALLEST WEED

Please bring your
TALLEST WEED to
The Hall on **Wednesday 1st
August** between 10.00 and
12 Noon for judging.



MAKE A MODEL ANIMAL OUT OF VARIOUS VEGETABLES



Classes: 2 - 4 years
5 - 7 years
8 - 11 years



COOKERY COMPETITIONS

3 PLAIN SCONES on a plate

Recipe as follows: makes 8

8 oz SR Flour 3 ozs Butter at room temperature. 1½ oz castor sugar, 1 large egg, 4-8 tbsp milk.

Preheat oven to 200C (200C Fan oven) Sift flour and pinch of salt. Add butter and rub in until it resembles breadcrumbs. Stir in the sugar. Mix in egg and gradually add milk until dough binds together but not sticky. Flour work surface and roll out dough to 1 inch thick. Cut 8 scones with 2inch cutter. Lightly brush scones with milk. Bake at top of oven for 10—12 minutes until golden.

3 DECORATED CUP CAKES on a plate

Prize for Best child and Best adult entry.

Please bring your entries to The Hall for Judging on
Wednesday 1st August between 10.00 and 12 Noon.

WHEN YOU'RE BAKING!!

We would be very grateful if you would donate
A homemade cake, sponge or biscuits etc to the
Cake Stall on Sunday 29th July.
(Crowning of Carnival Queen)

These can be brought to The Hall after 11.00am
on that day or given to Mrs. C. Harris prior.



TOMBOLA

Our Tombola Stall on Carnival Night has always been well
supported by your kind donations of bottles, jars etc.
Please show your support again this year.



Once again we are requesting your gifts, which will be
collected, be ready from **Monday 30th July.**
Thank you in anticipation.

FUN DOG SHOW

Thursday 2nd August 2012

Best Pedigree	Best Crossbred
Best Movement	Most handsome dog
Dog that looks most like its owner	Waggiest tail.
Prettiest bitch	Best long coat.
Best short coat.	Best veteran (7 years and over)
Best condition.	Best rescue dog.
The dog the judge would most like to take home.	
Best child handler.	Best Fancy Dress.

The Burger Bar will be selling hot refreshments during the night.

CARNIVAL DAY

**Tableaux and Fancy Dress to form in The Ham from
6.00pm**

Various Classic Cars will also be forming in the procession

**BBQ - GRAND RAFFLE - BOTTLE TOMBOLA
FOOTBALL TOMBOLA**

**BRING AND BUY - Plants, Produce, Books, Bric a Brac etc
(Donations before please)**

Duck Race after Procession - Holsworthy Lions

Following Carnival

**INDIVIDUAL SKITTLE TOURNAMENT
IN SKITTLE ALLEY**

**Highest Ladies Score/ Highest Gents Score
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Winner of best Jubilee Crown at the recent Bridge Inn Sunday Quiz was Graham whose crown was made of copper piping!



Honeybelle Hosie and Marley May Aged 5 dressed up in the 50's style for the school jubilee.

Bridgerule Church rings to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.



**Back row: Barry Williams, Paul Bowden, Paul Dymond, Trevor Bowden.
Front row: Colin Cholwill, Katy Bowden, John Bowden and Melanie Dymond.**

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THE AIR AMBULANCE

By Maire Field

The Air Ambulance flies into land with a shattering roar,
 The noise shaking the village to the core.
 Every window in the village vibrates
 Startling pets and livestock all aquake.
 The helicopter hovering, expertly manned,
 Is gently lowered to the land.
 The medics movements are sure and swift,
 For their patient they must quickly shift.
 And diagnosed, reassured and securely strapped,
 Into the airbus their passenger safely packed.
 And with a thunderous ear splitting sound,
 The great red dragon fly leaves the ground.

The sick person now borne way on high,
 Within seconds a minute speck in the sky.
 And left in the intense silence we gather our thoughts
 So grateful to have help of this sort.
 To accommodate frail or vulnerable folk,
 Who otherwise would endure a long road journey
 Of Bumps and jolts.

Thinking with heartfelt thanks to the brave cool team,
 Who in bad weather with courage and skill man the air machine.
 And to the kind folk who give their leisure time,
 For sponsored walks and tough hill climbs.
 Coffee mornings and Village hops,
 Karaoke and Table Tops.
 Activities all performed with love, to build the funds,
 To help the Air Ambulance continue to run.
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Sheila Cholwill at the fantastic Buzz

and all residents of Bridgerule[that we have had the pleasure of meeting so far]

It was early in 2011 that our elderly mother decided that she could not cope with living on her own anymore after losing her husband of 54 years 2 years earlier, and asked us if she could live with us. As we had a very small 2 bed cottage and a nursing home for mum was out of the question for us that we decided we would have to sell the cottage and Mum sell her apartment and buy a larger house to accommodate us all [with our 2 large Italian Spinone dogs].

We started to look in Sussex where I had lived all my life but property of a adequate size was way out of our reach so we started to look further west, Hampshire then Dorset then Somerset and finally realised that Devon could be the place to live. In April Lyndsey and I took a holiday near Combe Martin [with the dogs] and searched for a property which we found in Bickington near Barnstaple so on our return put the wheels in motion to sell both properties. Unfortunately at the time we had only managed to get a buyer for our cottage so as not to lose our buyer and having lost the property in Bickington we decided to rent in Devon until Mums apartment was sold.

In August my grandson Sam and myself came down to look at the 7 only properties to rent in the whole of Devon and Somerset that would take 2 large dogs .After dismissing the first 3 due to location or condition we eventually arrived at Town Park Pancrasweek which was a huge 4 bedroom house situated in the middle of Pitworthy Farm [which is a 300 acre sheep farm]. Well myself and my grandson fell in love with the property and the peace and quiet, we could not hear any traffic only the occasional bleating of the sheep and the local Tawny owl and its young.

We were sold, all we had to do was convince Lyndsey and mum.

This we managed to do and on the 27th September Lyndsey me and the dogs arrived at Town Park with only sleeping bags and wash gear as the furniture was following the next day and Mum was staying with friends for 3 days while we settled in.

As we arrived in the afternoon there was nothing to do as the property was immaculate so we decided to find the nearest village shop to get a few supplies and ended up at Bridgerule stores. We made a few enquiries and found out that the pub opened at 6:30 and we would be able to get a snack there, so we returned in the evening to be warmly welcomed by Pam and the only 2 other people in the pub [who believe it or not originated from my home town Worthing]and I went to school with Greg and Elaines brother [Greg and Elaine have since moved to Somerset]. Further enquiries to Pam resulted in us finding out about the pub quiz so we returned on Sunday evening with some trepidation only to find our fears completely wiped out by the first couple we spoke to inviting us to join their team [thank you so much Barry and Joan Marshall).We had a great fun evening and Barry invited me for a round of golf which resulted in me joining Holsworthy golf Club.

Moving on we have recently completed the sale of Mums apartment so we have been looking for a property all over from Launceston to Bideford down to St Gennys and across to Hatherleigh but due to the amazing warmth of the residents of Bridgerule

we have decided that we can not entertain anything outside of the village boundaries and thankfully we have found a house on which we have exchanged contracts, hopefully in the next 3 months we will be Bridgerule residents.

Lyndsey and I cannot list all the wonderful friends and acquaintances that we have made in the last 8 months but all those at The Bridge /Holsworthy Golf Club / Pancrasweek short mat bowls club/Pancrasweek skittles team know who you are and we thank you warmly.

P.S for my sins I am deputising for Tony while he is in America and “doing the quiz and bingo”at the Bridge.Lyndsey and I joined the wonderful carol singers round Bridgerule at Christmas and we look forward to getting involved with as many activities as possible in the village,

We will of course miss Pitworthy Farm, Andrew and Suzie Greenaway and Libby and the boys and the 16 orphan lambs that we have been hand rearing but we need to put our roots down and what better place than Bridgerule.

Brian Lyndsey and Joan Mia and Bella

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NOTES

John McDougall

Neighbourhood watch has now got post-code busy, by which I mean that if you have obtained a discount on your home insurance and make a claim, your insurance company will, possibly, check your postcode into www.ourwatch.org.uk to see that you are included. It’s called progress, or the growth of the Big Brother (and I don’t mean the TV show)

And the way around this?

Become a Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator for those parts of the village that are without Neighbourhood Watch coverage. “Progress” strikes again. Those of you who are in the Community Messaging Service, to get phone reports of criminal incidents or warnings of things like scams or people trying to tarmac your drive can have this information relayed to your email address and save the phone calls. To do so, send your email address and phone number with your name as known on the C.M.S. To:-

Angela.jl@tiscali.co.uk and you will be emailed back when it is done. If you are not in the C.M.S. Loop and want to be, I have the forms for you to fill in, get set up, and then transfer to email.

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CHARITY EVENT

A Cornish themed evening was held recently at **Knowle Cottage**, the home of the Youldon family assisted by Gary and Shirley Abbott. Raising funds for Cancer Research UK and The Devon Air Ambulance. Due to bad weather at the beginning of the week two large marquees were erected, provided by Mr. Bill Harper and The Tetcott Hunt. 250 enjoyed a hog roast cooked by Chris Jopling followed by delicious sweets, which had all been kindly donated.

The committee ran a very successful draw with the star prize being a weeks holiday in a villa in Portugal for 8 people. Other prizes were more holidays, an iPod docking station, plus vouchers for the garden, petrol, fencing, beauty hair and meals donated by local businesses. A bottle tree was very popular with every ticket a winner. Entertainment was provided by The Cornish Wurzels and Friggin Riffin. A local group who regularly support Cancer Research UK. A vote of thanks was given by Steven Youldon to everyone who had helped or been involved in any way making the evening an outstanding success.

The audience finished by singing Trelawney. **A profit of £6313 will be divided between these two very worthwhile charities.**



BOTTLE TREE AT KNOWLE FARM.

A big thank you to all our friends, neighbours and relations for helping us achieve our target of 100 bottles. In fact we surpassed this number and **raised £585** on the night. When we agreed to take on this project we did think we had bitten off more than we could chew but the bottles kept rolling in thanks to all of you.

“ The bottle tree girls”.

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BRIDGERULE CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

As the school year draws to end, we can look back and be very proud of our achievement and progress. Our school has been recognised as providing good to outstanding teaching with our children enjoying a range of learning opportunities. This term's learning has focused around the Olympics, with the Olympic motto being the title of our topic work.

We are lucky to be a part of the local community. Our close links with the Church of St Bridget's and Rev Chris Hardwick means that the children have an assembly delivered to them on a weekly basis by Rev Chris. Pat Johnston, our Foundation Governor, who represents the Church is unstinting in her time and dedication. Pat regularly donates resources and items for us that add to the attractiveness of displays and to the Christian ethos of our school. If you would like to come and visit our school and have a look round, with a guided tour by the children, you would be most welcome.

Class 1 and 2 have this week visited the Church where class 2 focused upon pilgrimage and class 1 took part in a baptism for their class dolly, learning about the special celebration and the meaning behind it. Many thanks to Rev Chris for kindly working with our children.

Another link we have with the community is that the Coffee Club visited our school for a coffee morning. The children thoroughly enjoyed this and are currently writing to invite the coffee club back into school again. It would be lovely to make this something we continue and enjoy.

In the last edition, I requested for any volunteers to come and help with after school clubs. Mrs Vivienne Hale has kindly offered to run a cookery club for us - this is great and such a lovely way of us all working together in the community for our children. Please do contact me at school on 01288 381366 if you feel you could offer some time to our children.

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 children as they move on in the next phase of their growing up years. Kasie Davy, Eleanor Timlin, Felicity Piercey & Kieran Fraser will be starting at Holsworthy College in September and have already enjoyed their first visits to the College. On Thursday 19th July at 2pm, we are having our annual leaver's assembly at the Church. We welcome members from the community to come and join us as wish our children a happy time in their secondary school years. At the same time, we welcome our new Reception children into our school and into our care. Our new children are Ella Hillier Cholwill, Storm Piercey, Fergal Fitzsimmons, Edward Hibben, Jacob Masters & Kobi Orchard.

Jo. Dymond - Headteacher



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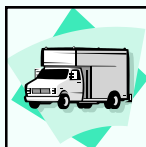
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Tuesday 17th July Over 50's Coffee Morning Parish Hall 10.30am.

Wednesday 18th July Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall 8.00pm

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