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Church and Community Magazine of The Moorland Team

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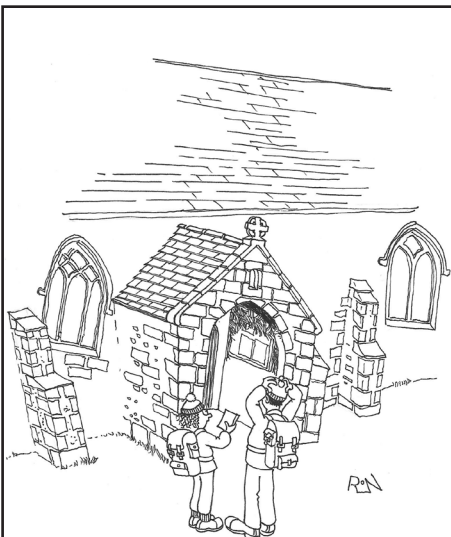
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According to the guide book, the tower was Perpendicular

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## ***That end of term feeling...***

July marks the end of the school year, and I guess all of us have memories of Julys in the past? Perhaps memories of the end of our first term at school, or finally celebrating the end of our education? Memories and deeply felt emotions that accompanied the end of term. For me it was primarily relief that the exams were done and the holidays had arrived. And happy memories of sunlit Sports Days, where I always hoped to do well, but never did! The overriding memory for me was the exams at the end of every summer term, every year of my school life! They loomed ahead, with revision and extra work and panic setting in, so that it was sheer relief to get them done, irrespective of how well I had fared. Phew – the last exam. And so the holidays started as a celebration of no school work - I could forget all about textbooks and lessons for a couple of months. Others seemed far more relaxed, and perhaps finding school rather dull, couldn't wait to leave to do something more interesting.

I think it's a bit different today, with far fewer exams, and new(-ish) institutions like the school Prom. But what hasn't changed is the finality of leaving a school for the last time – stepping into the unknown. Knowing that some or all friends for the last four or five years are going elsewhere, that new friends will have to be found, that instead of being at the top, with all the kudos and knowledge, it's a matter of beginning at the bottom again, with new rules and timetables, new buildings to become familiar with. New teachers. It's all change.

And it's no bad thing because it prepares us for the rest of life where, whether we like it or not, we have to face massive change from time to time. Like moving house – though for most perhaps not as often as my parents moved – my mother loved moving and my parents moved seventeen times in their married life – partly because my father was in the navy to start with, but then because work took them to different parts of Scotland. By contrast we've only moved twice! Each to their own, though some lucky people are able to stay in the same house all their lives.

But changes come for all sorts of other reasons – getting married, changing jobs, starting a family, retiring, coping with loss – no-one has a life without major events coming along – sometimes joyful, sometimes tough. And in a sense our schooldays helped prepared us for these as well, hopefully giving us some life-skills as part of our education. But as life goes on with all its ups and downs, finding an order and purpose in their lives for many people becomes really important – what is it all about? The silliness of the answer always being 42, as the Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy wittily put it, leads us on to deeper reflections.

For me, the life of Jesus is the revelation and the key. His passion for living for others, for changing the world, for fighting abuse and corruption, for changing the world by teaching about the point of love and the power of love in the widest possible sense. He felt rooted and grounded in God's love,

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# Church News & Events

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his Father's love, and as a result he led a perfectly fulfilled life – ending in tragedy and ultimate joy. He talked about himself saying “Foxes have their holes, and birds their nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head” and he travelled light – homeless, but being at home in any house that welcomed him in. Facing the worst that the world could throw at him and inspiring his friends and followers to do likewise, to acknowledge mistakes, own up to them and live lives freed from guilt. To bring triumph out of disaster.

CS Lewis in his Narnia books described entering Narnia, God's kingdom, as the beginning of the holidays, and the holidays will go on for ever. Sadly the summer holidays do come to an end, but connecting with God's love does go on for ever!

With every blessing

*Geoffrey*

## The Link is still looking for extra help .....

We've had some really positive feedback about last month's Link, so thank you to those who have let us know their thoughts. We realise that some people didn't receive their copies when they expected - please bear with us - hopefully this one reaches you on time?

But we still need to recruit a team of people to produce the Link – people who recognise the value of the Link to their community. Can you offer any time to be part of our Editorial team? The roles we need help on are:

- Chasing contributors who are slow to meet publishing deadlines, and then collating their monthly contributions
- Editing the contributions to the magazine into a standard format (in Word)
- Using Adobe Indesign to set up the monthly print-ready copy
- Distributing the Link where we don't yet deliver door-to-door.

Can you contribute to one or more of these? The only special role is the Indesign (print layout) work, but this works quite like Word, with a few new tricks that will be taught as needed – with technical support available.

*Tony Parker, Peter Blood & Geoffrey Fenton*

## From the Registers

Wedding	Widcombe	8th June	Patrick Frake & Lauren Whale
Wedding	Widcombe	15th June	John Mann & Alice Walker

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- Summer flowering Clematis needs liquid tomato feed
- Save water!!
- Mulch borders to retain moisture
- Check pond water level & clean
- Deadhead roses & bedding plants
- Cut back faded flowers
- Weed & water + harvest veg & stone fruit
- Happy holidays!

Andy

## Welcome to Heidi and Allanah Lewis

Having been appointed as Mission and Family Development Worker for the Moorland Team, Heidi is moving, with her daughter Allanah, to live in Holne Vicarage.

There will be a Cream Tea in the Church House Inn at 4pm on Sunday 14th July, followed by a Family Service in St Mary's Church at 5.30pm.

Heidi will be licensed by the Bishop of Plymouth at a special service on Wednesday 24th July at 7pm in St Andrew's, Ashburton. **Everyone welcome !**

### Heidi writes:

Hello Everyone!

I am so excited to be joining the Ashburton and Moorland Team, and am really looking forward to meeting you all.

I've lived and worked around Dartmoor for most of the past 20 years, and the Benefice contains many of my favourite places. I have a 9 year old daughter, Allanah, who is a great co-adventurer. At the moment we live in Princetown but we're really looking forward to moving to Holne and living in the area. We love discovering new places together and we are looking forward to creating some new favourite things to do.

We also have a VERY fluffy and friendly rabbit called Reg, whose favourite activity is to stretch out in front of the fire, or in a patch of sun, while eating carrot tops and having his neck tickled.

After growing up in the South East, I moved to Cardiff as a student and then to Exeter to do my teacher training. Until recently, I worked as a primary school teacher but am now a peripatetic music teacher - mostly teaching violin and running performing arts clubs. In my free-time I play with, and co-manage, a band called 'King's Anthem'. If you were in Plymouth over the weekend of 21st / 22nd June you may have caught us busking in the town centre or playing up on The Hoe as part of UFest.

I'm also due to begin training with the Church Army in September - please do ask me about it. The more I discover about this amazing organisation the more I want to tell everyone about it!

Hopefully Allanah and I (and Reg!) will get a chance to meet you all in person soon. Until then, let's hope the sun continues to shine and summer comes quickly!

GB

Heidi

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*July 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday*

*Pet Service*

*10.30 am St Andrew's  
Church*

*July 11<sup>th</sup> Thurs*

*Messy Church*

*3.30pm St Andrew's  
Hall*

*July 21<sup>st</sup> Fun Size*

*Details from Chloe*

*TBC by Facebook*

*Come for a swim*

*July 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday*

*Breakfast @ 9am*

*St Andrew's Hall*

*Contact Jane 654 067*

## **Next Messy Church**

**Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm**  
*St Andrew's Church Hall*

I have just sat down after Messy Church. What a wonderful privilege it was this afternoon to try and explain The Holy Spirit and the joy, peace and comfort that the Spirit brings to all who love our neighbours as Jesus taught us.

We have created a Kennings poem (several stanzas of two describing words) comparing The Holy Spirit with Wind. We waved streamers to represent the wind and wore hats with flames representing the arrival of the promised Holy Spirit while we said, "The Spirit of the Living Lord". It was quiet and people listened to the rustling of the of the streamers and thought about the friend we have in the Holy Spirit.

We demonstrated The Holy spirit with a hairdryer!! We melted crayons onto a canvas and the children watched intently as we explained that the Holy Spirit was represented by the hairdryer, and the crayons couldn't make an art piece on the Canvas without the heat. Just as we can't make the most of our God-given talents without The Holy Spirit. We will place the piece of Art produced by the children in the Church.

Next month we will be having a Pet service on the first Sunday of the month, July 7<sup>th</sup>. This will be interesting, and I am not quite sure how big and furry the animals will be. Mark was asked if people can bring horses.... to which he did not demur!! So, look after your feet and don't let the pets stand on them.

Next month at Messy Church we are exploring the Bible Story of Noah. We will be needing our doves that we made this month to come back. In the Garden after Messy Church the doves were swung around on their willow sticks and elastic - they flew through the air and everyone was filled with joy. All God's blessings. Jane.

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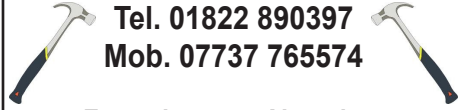
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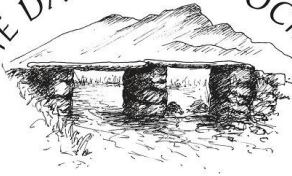
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Kite-charmer

Tree-shaker

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Sand-blitzer

Wave-ruffler

*Composed by*

*Messy Church children in the*

*June Messy Church.*

*News from the Diocese...*

### **Bishop of Plymouth at D-Day events**

THE Bishop of Plymouth, The Rt Revd Nick McKinnel, has described events to mark the 75th anniversary of D-Day in Normandy as “immensely impressive” and “very moving”.

The Bishop was in Normandy to take part in a Royal British Legion remembrance service at Bayeux Cathedral, a wreath laying at the British cemetery there and a peace symposium in Caen, which was almost destroyed during Operation Overlord in 1944.

The Diocese of Exeter is twinned with the Diocese of Bayeux Lisieux. The Bishop said: “It was immensely impressive to see the veterans, all in their nineties, laying their wreaths at the cemetery, it was very moving.” Bishop Nick is pictured with Vatican representative Cardinal Ouellet.



### **Where are the Songs of Justice?**

#### **- John Bell to visit Holy Ground**

The preacher, hymnwriter, composer, lecturer and broadcaster, John Bell, is the special guest at July's Holy Ground at Exeter Cathedral.

An ordained minister of the Church of Scotland, John is part of the Iona Community, an ecumenical Christian community of women and men who seek to live out the Gospel in a way that is radical, inclusive and relevant to life in the 21st century.

He will invite the congregation to participate and sing songs that carry themes of justice, and he has planned the music for the Eucharist.

The service is on July 21 at 7pm in the cathedral.

### ***Thinking of trying to play the organ? Now's your chance.... Saturday 20th July at 2pm***

Mike Tidball, who plays for our services from time to time, will be putting on an organ orientation workshop at St Mary's Diptford.

This is primarily aimed at pianists who have never played an organ before, but is also open to anyone who would be interested in knowing what the various stops and pedals do.

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**Church Services - see Page 20 for details**

Date	Time	Sidesperson	Flowers
7th July	10.30	Joe Croy	Ann R
14th July	18.00	Georgina Mackie	Ann R
21st July	09.00	At Huccaby	Judy
28th July	10.30	Judy	Judy

## Holne Garden Group



**On July 17th** we take a trip to Hestercombe House and Gardens, near Taunton, a unique combination of three centuries of garden design: Coplestone Warre Bampfylde's Georgian landscape garden, the Victorian terrace and shrubbery and the stunning Edwardian garden design by Sir Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll, in all, fifty acres of lakes, temples, cascades, tranquil woodland walks, formal terraces, vivid colours and views

The Hestercombe Gardens Trust is an independent charity that works to care for, restore and develop Hestercombe's historical gardens. The gardens have undergone acclaimed restoration works and provide important examples of gardens in contrasting styles that continue to grow and develop. The restored 17th century watermill complex showcases historic uses of renewable energy alongside the original working mill machinery.

**August 21st** we visit Powderham Castle. The Castle lies in a deer park on the banks of the River Exe, just a stone's throw from Exeter. The secluded American Garden is adorned with exotic trees and the gothic summerhouse. The Rose Garden is home to beautiful blooms from June onwards, with wisteria hanging in all its glory from the Castle's east-facing terrace, a delightful spot to take pictures of the Castle, take in views across the Deer Park, home to 600 Fallow deer, and along the Exe Estuary.

And we will get a close up view of the deer park and estuary from the Deer Park Safari a land train where we will learn about their habitat and the history of the Castle through a running commentary and see an exceptional view of the Castle from what was originally the front entrance.

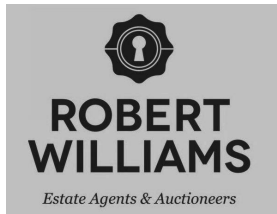
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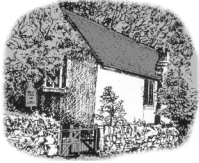
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**Church Services - see Page 20 for details**

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The Devon Historic Churches Trust is a wonderful charity which provides grants towards the maintenance of churches. As part of their fund-raising activities, the Trust organises and promotes a day each year, usually the second Saturday in September, when people are encouraged to visit their local churches and raise money through sponsorship.

Tony and I became involved in this event when we moved to Suffolk. Our neighbour asked us to join her on a sponsored bike ride to raise money for our local church. We received sponsorship for every church we visited – and there are a lot of churches in Suffolk!

Somehow on that first trip we managed to cycle 60 miles and see some glorious buildings, funded by the wool trade in Medieval times, many of which now stand isolated in the Suffolk countryside. We also sampled some excellent home-made cakes and met different people. It was so enjoyable that we continued to take part until we left Suffolk.

Now Dartmoor is just a little bit hillier than Suffolk, but you don't have to walk or cycle between churches. You can travel on horseback or drive, although using a car is not so much fun and not environmentally friendly.



We are looking for people who would like to raise some money for St. Raphael's and the DHCT who have previously given grants to the Chapel. Half the money raised on the day goes direct to St. Raphael's and the rest to the Trust.

It has been an expensive year in terms of maintenance as the gullies and porch roof have had to be replaced costing nearly £3,000, so some extra funds would be very welcome. We try to keep maintenance costs as low as possible by doing as much of it ourselves as we can, but some jobs do require experts.

There will be posters and other information available this month and if you are interested in helping us raise money, please contact Tony or me. We all take things that are on our doorstep for granted so it can be good to take time out to visit places that you may pass every day.

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# St John the Baptist, Leusdon

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**Church Services - see Page 20 for details**

Date	Time	Reader	Teas	Flowers - Altar	Windows
7th July	16.00	Norma	-	Norma	Shan
14th July	12.00	Geoff	Norma	Norma	Shan
21st July	12.00	Liz	Shan	Penny/Norma	Diana
28th July	12.00	Shan	Liz	Penny/Norma	Diana
4th August	16.00	Norma	-	Nicky	Jane

## Coffee Morning and Stalls



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### Wednesday 3rd July

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## Whist Drive Dates

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# Church Services for July 2019

7th July				Trinity 3				Green			
<i>Readings - Isaiah 66:10-14; Psalm 66:1-8; Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20</i>											
Widecombe	08:00	Holy Communion BCP	GF	Ashburton	08:00	Holy Communion BCP	JA				
Widecombe	10:30	Pet Service	GF	Bickington	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR				
Holne	10:30	Parish Communion	JG	Ashburton	10:30	Animal Service	MR				
Leusdon	16:00	Animal Service	GF	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	SLW				
14th July				Trinity 4				Green			
<i>Readings - Deuteronomy 30:9-14; Psalm 25:1-10; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37</i>											
Postbridge	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	GF	Bickington	09:00	Parish Communion	MR				
Widecombe	10:30	Parish Communion	GF	Ashburton	10:30	Parish Communion	MR				
Leusdon	12:00	Parish Communion	GF	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	MR				
Holne	17:30	Family Service to welcome Heidi to Holne	MR								
21st July				Trinity 5				Green			
<i>Readings - Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42</i>											
Huccaby	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	GF	Bickington	10:30	No service - in Ashburton for Confirmation Service					
Widecombe	10:30	Parish Communion	GF	Ashburton	10:30	Confirmation Service	MR				
Leusdon	12:00	Parish Communion	GF	Buckland	15:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR				
28th July				Trinity 6				Green			
<i>Readings - Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]; Luke 11:1-13</i>											
Widecombe	10:30	Parish Communion	MR	Bickington	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	GF				
Holne	10:30	Holy Communion BCP	DW	Ashburton	10:30	Parish Communion	GF				
Leusdon	12:00	Parish Communion	MR	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	WW				
Postbridge	18:00	Pet Service	GF								
4th August				Trinity 7				Green			
<i>Readings - Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21</i>											
Widecombe	10:30	Family Worship	GF	Ashburton	08:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR				
Holne	10:30	Parish Communion	AR	Bickington	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR				
Leusdon	16:00	Evening Prayer	GF	Ashburton	10:30	Family Service	MR				
				Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	MR				

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If you are unable to get to church because of ill health or loss of mobility and would like to receive communion at home please contact a member of the Ministry Team.  
*(see p.2 for contact details)*

### Mid-week Communion

Wednesday 3rd July	Ashburton	10.30	JA
Wednesday 10th July	Ashburton	10.30	MR
Wednesday 17h July	Ashburton	10.30	MR
Wednesday 24th July	Ashburton	10.30	MR
Wednesday 31st July	Ashburton	10.30	GF
Wednesday 7th August	Ashburton	10.30	MR

### Key to Service Leaders

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AR	Revd Mandy Rylands	DW	Revd David Witchell		
GF	Revd Geoffrey Fenton	SLW	Simon Le-Pine Williams		
JG	Revd John Good	WW	William West		

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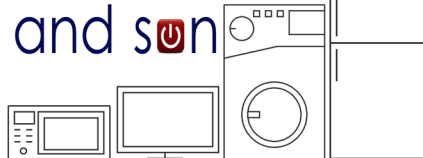
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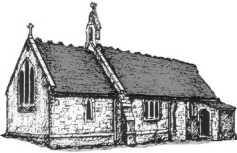
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## Postbridge Whist Drives

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**Start time - 7.30**

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## Postbridge Coffee Mornings

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### Monday 1 July

at 3 Heatherdene  
Bovey Tracey  
*with Ruth Parnell*

### Monday 15 July

at Postbridge Village Hall  
*with Wendy Watson*

### Monday 29 July

at Postbridge Village Hall

*Food will be provided by Coffee Morning Ladies*

## Princetown History Club

meets 1st Tuesday of each month at Princetown Community Centre at 7 for 7.30pm.

**2nd July** *The Donaghy memorial stone with Liz Miall. Meet at DNPA carpark, Postbridge, 19:00.*

**6th August** *Conscientious Objectors with Simon Dell. Meet at DNPA car park at 7pm*

*For further information, please phone Mr John Lissenden on 01752 847573 or email [jlissenden@talktalk.net](mailto:jlissenden@talktalk.net) Web Site: [princetownhistoryclub.weebly.com](http://princetownhistoryclub.weebly.com)*

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We have many exciting things happening within our Institute during the next twelve months, so come and check us out.

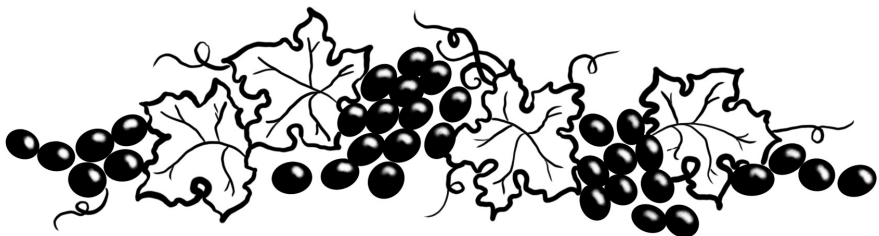
At our June meeting we welcomed 1 new member and enjoyed an entertaining talk from the Squire of Dartmoor Border Morris. This was followed by the opportunity to join in with their practice session. We all enjoyed the evening and now appreciate how energetic the dances are!

Members have been busy raising money for the 2019 Pensioners Christmas Lunch in Princetown by running Tombola stalls at the Rotary Car Boot sale and the Tavistock Steam Fair.

On 3rd July we will be having our summer picnic at Yelverton with electric bikes being provided for the evening. This promises to be a fun meeting.

If you would like to know more about High Moorland Women's Institute or details of the events listed above, please drop Helly an email on:

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**Election of Chair & Vice Chair** Cllr Alison Geen was elected as chair and Cllr David Worth as vice-chair.

**New Councillors** Cllrs. Nigel Tigwell, John Druett and Ian Bishop were welcomed to the council. Induction, training and support has been planned for the new councillors to undertake their new responsibilities.

**Representation on committees, sub groups and outside bodies** the following Cllrs. were selected to represent the parish council on the below outside groups:

- Southern Link; Cllrs. Manning, Tigwell.
- Princetown Community Centre; Cllr. Renders.
- Princetown School PTFA; Cllr. Stones.
- Princetown Youth Club; Cllr. Stones.
- Princetown Royal Marine Cadet unit; Cllr. Stones.
- Princetown Neighbourhood Watch; Cllr. Stones

Representation on the following sub groups was also agreed:

- Postbridge Cemetery; Cllr. Greatrex.
- Finance; Cllrs. Tigwell & Geen.
- Dartmoor Local Plan; Cllrs. Watson, Geen & Bishop
- Anti-social driving –Princetown CCTV; Cllrs. Manning, Stones & Renders.
- Princetown Skate Park; Cllrs. Manning, Stones & Renders.
- Princetown Play Area; Cllrs. Bishop, Druett, Stones & Renders.

**Princetown Air Ambulance Night Landing Site** It was proposed that an informal buffet is organised at the Prince of Wales, Princetown to invite and thank donors and supporters and mark official opening of facility.

**Dartmoor Speedwatch** Cllr Manning reported on the on the three-letter process, used by the police force for those caught speeding by the Speedwatch group. Data for 2019 seems to suggest that the number of offenders is decreasing, compared to 2018.

**Minutes of Parish Council Meetings.** These are available to view at <http://www.dartmoorforestpc.net/2018.html>

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be 19:30 on Tuesday 25 June at St Raphael's, Huccaby and Tuesday 23 July at Princetown Community Centre.** Members of the public are welcome and may speak during the public sessions. The agenda will be published at <http://www.dartmoorforestpc.net/next-meetings-agenda.html>



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01364 631238.

**Rates of Hire** (Local Events)

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*For all other matters relating to  
the Church House  
please contact Diana Cameron on  
01364 621218*



# St Pancras, Widecombe-in-the-Moor

For contact information, ministers and church officers see front of the Link

**Church Services - see Page 20 for details**

Date	Time	Sidesperson	Coffee	Flowers
7th July	10.30	Dawn	Debbie Dracup	Debbie
14th July	10.30	Marcia	Rose Mortimore	Debbie
21st July	10.30	Peter Dracup	Alison Whale	Sue Darke
28th July	10.30	Wendy Beard	Ann Murphy	Sue Darke



**Widecombe Community Hall CIO** is delighted to announce that we have accepted the phenomenally generous offer to purchase the Hayes Field for a peppercorn sum, which means we can start the legal process immediately to take ownership of the site for the new hall.

We are now 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the way towards our local fundraising target of £50k, with plenty more events planned. Thanks to everyone for supporting us so far.

[www.widecombevillagehall.co.uk](http://www.widecombevillagehall.co.uk)

Email: [info@widecombevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:info@widecombevillagehall.co.uk)

## WIDDYTOTS

Widdytots is our local toddler group for children from 0-3 years. It runs on a Friday from 1.30-3pm in the school hall; except on the 3rd Friday of the month when we join the preschool at Church House.

Widdytots is a relaxed, informal parent and toddler group where you can turn up and chat with other parents whilst your children play. We provide hot drinks for parents and snacks for the little ones. Everyone is welcome.

Your first session, and any when your child is under 6 months, are free and then from 6 months to 3 years it is £1.50 per child and 50p for siblings.

For more information please call the preschool on 01364 621 273, or find us on our Widdytots facebook page.



# Widcombe Fair - Tuesday 10th September 2019

## Produce Show Schedule



	Description		Description
<b>VEGETABLES AND FLOWERS - LOCALLY GROWN</b>			
	- Hermon French Silver Salver		<b>Get yourself ready !</b>
1	Three coloured potatoes washed		
2	Three white potatoes washed		
3	Three onions, grown from sets		
4	Three carrots, trimmed and washed	<b>CHILDREN'S CLASSES for</b>	
5	Three beetroot, trimmed and washed	<b>TAME AND HUTCHINS CUPS</b>	
6	Six runner beans	<b>ALL CLASSES 16 yrs and under</b>	
7	Longest runner bean	Please state your age	
8	Any vegetable not mentioned in schedule	28	A home-made Greetings Card
9	Any squash or courgette	29	A pasta collage
10	A collection of 5 different vegetables, any variety	30	A garden on a plate
	in a standard veg box 12" x 16"	31	A lego model
11	Four tomatoes	32	Four decorated cup cakes
12	Four varieties of culinary herbs in a jar of water	33	A fun Mr Potato Head
13	A plate of berry fruit - one variety		
14	Three Dahlias	<b>ART and CRAFT OPEN TO ALL</b>	
15	Single rose	Gordon Daw Memorial trophy	
16	Single stem any flower	34	Arrangement of flowers and foliage in an
17	Pot plant - in flower or just foliage	unusual container	
18	Vase of mixed flowers (9 stems, 3 of each variety)	35	A flower arrangement in a teacup
<b>HOME PRODUCE - LOCAL ENTRANTS</b> Rose Bowl		36	A flower arrangement not to exceed 30 ins
	Made to competitors own recipe	in any dimension	
19	Ginger cake	37	A home-made toy - any material
20	A savoury flan - ingredients of own choice	38	A pencil sketch
21	4 Cheese Scones	39	Painting - Any subject, any medium
22	A traditional Victoria sponge	40	A needlework item
23	Traditional Meat Pasty	41	A knitted, woven or crocheted article
24	A rustic brown loaf	42	Any craft work not mentioned in schedule
25	A pot of homemade jam	43	Made from wood!
26	A jar of homemade Chutney	44	A short poem
27	A bottle of homemade drink - beer/cider/wine/ cordial	45	A photograph - Dartmoor Wildlife

Further information from Mike Pascoe - pascoewooder@yahoo.co.uk

Phone : 01364 621333



## Widecombe & District Sports Group

**Membership renewals are now due** if you have not received yours please [cl.partridge@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cl.partridge@hotmail.co.uk) or tel: 621468. Alternatively membership form found in the noticeboard by the court.



**Regular Bookings: Tuesday & Thursday:** Tennis Adults (16+) 6.30 Under 16's with ability are welcome to these sessions with a parent who is also playing.

For queries re tennis phone Di Cameron on 621218.

Please remember to wear soft soled shoes and to leave the court tidy with the net replaced. Report any damage immediately to Claire Partridge (Secretary) on 621468. Close all gates and replace the keys.

For more information about WDSG visit [www.widecombe-in-the-moor.com/sports\\_group/](http://www.widecombe-in-the-moor.com/sports_group/)

Thank you and enjoy your sports area.

## Widecombe Pre-School

At Widecombe Church House, established since the 1970's, our OFSTED inspected and highly rated sessions are designed to prepare your child for an easy and happy introduction to school. Through qualified and trained staff, we provide a safe and stimulating environment.

Tues 9.15am - 3pm Weds 9.15 - 12.45pm Fri 9.15am - 3pm

Tel: 01364 621273

## Widecombe Ladies Social Club July Meeting

Thursday 11th July at 6.30 pm

There will be a visit to Lower Merripit ,  
Postbridge, the home of  
Carolyn Hillier and Nigel Shaw.

We will see the Musical Instruments  
and Roundhouse.

For more details phone Rose 631238

## Widecombe & District History Group

Meetings are held at the Church House in  
Widecombe on the 1st Wednesday of each  
month at 7.30pm.

**July 3rd** *A loveletter to Dartmoor in  
365 photos with Jo Bradford*

**August 7th** *A History of Kelly Mines,  
Lustleigh - Colin Vosper*

Contact :  
Helen Barrow - [helenagsec@gmail.com](mailto:helenagsec@gmail.com)  
or  
Rosemary Mortimore - 01364 631238

## News from East Shallowford Farm

June has been the month in which we have had more visitors than we will have in the rest of the year, with groups almost every day, sometimes two in a day, turning up in small mini buses from as close as Plymouth to as far as Sussex. Luckily, with some forward planning from Will Dracup, our Farm Manager, we have been able to use the energy of some of the teenagers to help with annual farm tasks whilst introducing the pure delights of Dartmoor to younger groups who have rarely ventured out of their inner cities.

All groups muck out the sows and weaners at 7.30 and again at 17.30, whether they are groups of ten year olds or twenty year olds. One group gallantly caught and lifted over 400 lambs for Will to vaccinate, refusing to give up and finishing the task set for one very long afternoon. Another group roped and carefully instructed, climbed up Haytor taking Serena as the climbing Grandmother. Alethe the next day learned to abseil down Bone Hill Rocks whilst Julia scrambled at speed over Hound Tor and discussed the ancient ruins close by.

Groups of ten year olds, having raced around fields to identify items produced from farm animals in a real treasure hunt, were then set to identify beautiful flowers on the marsh land, before meditating under the warm sun, learning to listen to the soft wind in the trees and the noisy chatter of birds. Learning to feel safe outside, to trust the warmth of the grass and listen to the beauty of the cuckoo or gentle bleating of a lamb.

Older groups have been set the complicated task of estimating the time it would take to pay for the electricity generated from the solar panels on the barn. Several groups have been captivated at Old Walls by Miles and Gail's brilliant ability to explain how their hydroplant efficiently generates enough clean electricity to power 80 homes. Nearly all groups have weighed the 'biglets' (big-piglets) and learned how to estimate averages illustrating the practical use of classroom lessons.

However, perhaps the most important thing, is learning to negotiate the uneven ancient granite cross passage and then balance carefully as they wind up the nobby spiral granite staircase. Everyone gasps in awe as they peer up at the sky through the huge chimney. So many young children sit for the first time around a table to eat, are tempted by Serena's fresh carrots and beans (fruit and vegetables being new to many), eating home produced sausages and potatoes from the garden. So many say they have never laid a table before, don't know how to hold a knife and fork properly, have never cleared a table or made a bed. As much is about respecting and learning about each other as it is about farm life. On the first day everyone complains about the smell of the pigs. After two days no one wants to leave. The beauty of Dartmoor works its magic on all. *Julia McDade, Manager*

\*\*\* An 'open farm taster' is being held Saturday 27th July. Do call 01364 621392 for info.



# Dunstone & Poundsgate Methodist Chapels

Ministers: Rev'd Kevin Hooke (01626) 832369

Church contacts: Nigel Davis (01364) 631476 or Serena Walcot (01364) 631279

## Poundsgate and Dunstone Chapels

You are welcome to come to services and any special event taking place at the chapel. The services for the month are as follows :

Every Sunday                      9am                      Breakfast and Worship at Dunstone Chapel

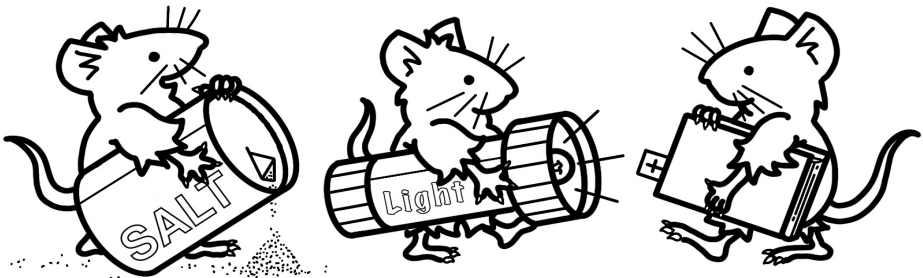
First Sunday in Month            3pm                      Service at Poundsgate Chapel

**Contact: 01364 631279 for more details**

## MONTHLY CHARITY LUNCH

Held at Dunstone chapel on the second Wednesday of every month in aid of a different charity each month.

The next lunch will be at 12 - 3 pm on  
**Wednesday 10th JULY 2019**



## Saint Swithun Wordsearch

St. Swithun is the saint you can blame for rainy summers. It is said that if it rains on his special day, 15th July, it will then rain for 40 days after that. Swithun was Bishop of Winchester in the 9th century, and famous for his charitable gifts and for building churches.

When he was dying in 862, he asked to be buried in the cemetery of the Old Minster, just outside the west door. But on 15th July 971 Swithun was dug up and moved into the cathedral itself. That same day many people claimed miraculous cures, but the heavens opened.

The unusually heavy rain that day, and for days following, was attributed to the power of St. Swithun. Swithun was moved again in 1093, into the new Winchester cathedral.

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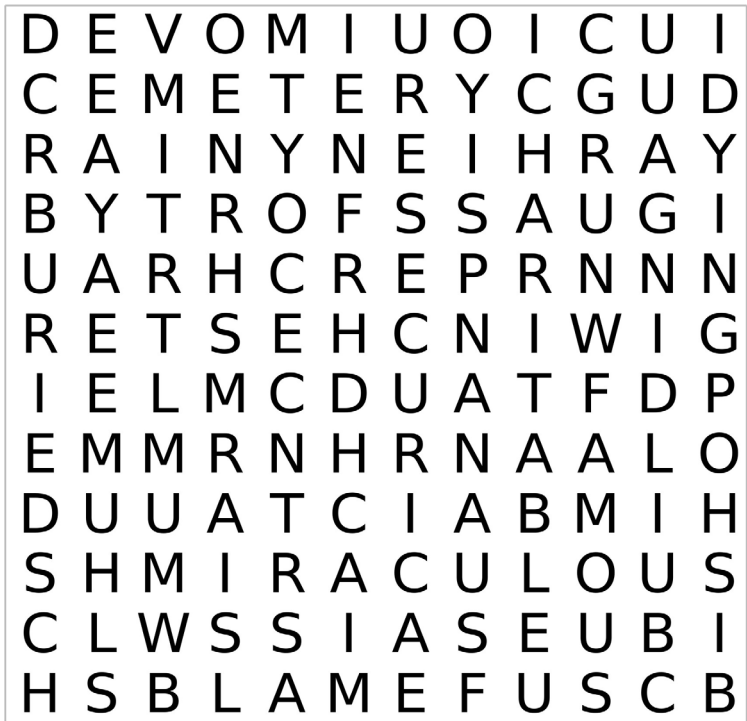
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## Other Community News & Events

### ***“Moor than Meets the Eye” Grand Finale at Manaton on July 6th.....***

A day of free, hands-on exploration and celebration of Dartmoor's heritage organised by Moor than Meets the Eye, called “Discover Dartmoor”.

A FREE family-friendly celebration of Dartmoor's wildlife and heritage on Saturday July 6 will feature food, live medieval music and hands-on activities. The Discover Dartmoor Festival is set to take place in Manaton Church Field from 10.30am - 4.00pm.

Mediaeval re-enactments and musicians will give visitors a glimpse into the past and how human activity has shaped today's moor, its plants and creatures. History buffs can enjoy films and a full programme of talks that further illustrate the Dartmoor story and Manaton Church will be open for a guided tour.

Hands-on activities will include ore-crushing to discover tin, archaeological surveying and unearthing buried historic artefacts in a sand pit. Stalls, a barbecue and refreshments in the village hall will add to the atmosphere.

The event is being staged to celebrate five years of the Moor than meets the eye Landscape Partnership project (MTMTE) which has recruited hundreds of volunteers to help conserve moorland culture and wildlife.

MTMTE Community Officer Andy Bailey said: ‘It has been an amazing five years with hundreds of people contributing their time to be part of the 4,000-year-old story which has seen Dartmoor's natural landscape shaped by human hands into the National Park we love today.

‘The Discover Dartmoor day on July 6 will not only celebrate the efforts of everyone who's been involved with the Moor than meets the eye scheme but provide families and more serious history fans with a fun and informative insight into a moor they might not know quite as well as they think.

Entrance is free and parking is free.

**‘For anyone interested in Dartmoor, this is the event to come to.’**

*Locally, Moor than Meets the Eye has funded many projects of great benefit to our communities - new information signs for Welcome to Widcombe, restored Pounds and Driftways, excavations at North Hall Manor in Widcombe, etc, etc. Do join the celebration!*

**We're there if needed.....**

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**St Luke's Church, Buckfastleigh:**

Saturday June 29th at 7pm.

Admission free with retiring collection for church funds.

**St Andrew's Church, Ashburton:**

Friday July 12th at 7:30

Admission free with retiring collection for church funds.

**Exeter Cathedral:**

Thursday August 8th at 7pm.

Tickets £8 adult, £4 student and free for under 18s.

Booking available from 01392 285983 [Monday- Friday] and online

**Rainfall in May 2019**

Place	Total Rainfall	Days without rain	Wettest days
Postbridge	38.7 mm (2.1").	17	7th 0.7"
	(May 2018 - 53.7 mm (2.1"))		
Holne	36.0mm (1.42")		7th 18.6mm



**Last . . . but not least . . .**

We've been discussing amongst ourselves the meaning of the word "Deadline". Everyone knows what it means when buying a Lottery Ticket. But a magazine deadline? Well, that's a question - is it simply a trigger to start thinking about submitting something? Perhaps you could let us know your definition?

A big thank-you to all our contributors who will from now on meet the deadline!

*Tony, Peter and Geoffrey*

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