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**June 2019**

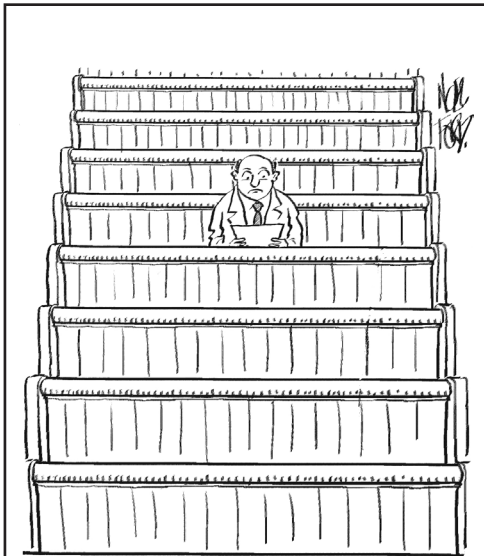
Church and Community Magazine of The Moorland Team

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There are some minor changes to the layout of this Month's link, incorporating some of the ideas from the recent Magazine Review. So, for example, the Services are now on the centre-page spread. Do send your comments to [link@moorlandteam.org.uk](mailto:link@moorlandteam.org.uk)



With the congregation depleted by the bug that was going around, it suddenly dawned on Roy that he wouldn't be able to get away with just miming to the hymns this week

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## **Geoffrey Boycott and God**

A few years ago I was invited to watch England play West Indies in a Test cricket match at Trent Bridge. Sunshine, good company and some superb cricket – it was a fantastic day. But the day became even better when I met Geoffrey Boycott, the former England batsman and commentator on Test Match Special. My host knew him and he got a text message from Geoffrey inviting us to join him when he had a break in between his commentary work. So we did! On a balcony overlooking the cricket right behind the bowler's arm – the best spot. We had half an hour together. I have to say I was a bit overawed and tongue-tied in the presence of the great man. But I needn't have worried because Boycott loves talking about cricket and enjoys giving his opinions to anyone who will listen. So we had a conversation together. In truth, it was more like an audience: he spoke and we listened.

Towards the end of the conversation, I summoned up the courage to ask him some questions about my own batting. I've always had trouble executing the square cut on the offside and the clip off the legs. Sorry if this sounds technical... I won't go into details... but I was amazed at the way the great man responded to me. I was expecting some disdainful comments and a few brief directions from Boycott that would put me straight on the matter. But I was wrong. He suddenly became animated; asked me to show him how I stood at the crease and tried to play the shots. He found a bat and got me to play the shots again. Then he stood by me and showed me how my balance was all wrong for the cut shot and I was not getting my angles right for the leg side shot. I am a left handed batsman. He is right handed. But, for my benefit, he demonstrated playing left handed. He then stood right by me so I could copy him – how to play the different strokes. There on the balcony at Trent Bridge, in the middle of a Test Match, I was given a coaching session by Geoffrey Boycott. He listened carefully, gave encouragement and really helped me. He didn't just tell me what to do, he stood by me and showed me the way.

This month we celebrate Pentecost on 9th June, the day when the Church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first followers of Jesus Christ. One of the names used for the Holy Spirit by Jesus is 'paraclete' which means 'helper', one who 'stands by you' and 'pleads for you'. Jesus did not leave the disciples when he ascended to heaven and just tell his followers to get on with his work. He commanded them to wait for 'the power from

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# Church News & Events

*(Continued from page 3)*

on high' that would come to assist them. At Pentecost we celebrate the Holy Spirit coming to help us live and share the good news of God's love being available for everyone. His presence with us to guide, encourage and help us in a good direction.

Like Boycott, God doesn't just tell us what to do and where to go, he shows us the way and helps us on it. He is a divine coach waiting for us to ask him for help. Why not?

*Mark*

## **PATRONAL FESTIVAL and BENEFICE SERVICE**

**ST PETER'S CHURCH, Buckland in the Moor**

***10.30am Sunday 30th June***

Coffee and biscuits for all will be served in the village hall after the service

At 12.30pm lunch will be available at £5 a head  
for all those who have pre-booked.

Sign-up forms for lunch available in all 8 churches from 9th until 23rd June.

*(If you miss the sign-up in your church, please book a place by contacting Gill  
in the Parish Office - see contact details on Page 4)*

## **From the Registers**

Wedding	Widecombe	27th April	Kevin Leigh Chapman & Jamie Ling
Burial of ashes	Holne	4th May	Sally Anne Mortimore-Jodeau
Funeral	Postbridge	10th May	Bernard Rabicano

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  - Weed, weed, weed!
  - Apply & renew mulches
  - Fill gaps in borders
  - Train climbers & remove suckers
  - Deadhead flowers
  - Plant out runner beans & toms
  - Above all else, enjoy your garden!
  - & A BIG 'THANK YOU' MARION!
- Andy

# The Link's future .....

After more than ten years of editing the Moorland Parish Link, Marion, our Editor, has retired. The Link has flourished under Marion's professional hand and many, many people in the last month have praised her work in creating such an informative and interesting magazine; but now it's time for Marion to enjoy a well-earned retirement.



The Link must continue, but without new volunteers it can't. So, we need to build urgently a small team of people to produce it – people who recognise the value of the Link to their community.

## Can you help?

Can you offer any time to be part of our Editorial team? The roles we desperately need help on are:

- Gently 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.

## Why would you be interested?

As part of the Editorial team, you receive 'local' coverage through the magazine but now, potentially, worldwide coverage as the Link is available for download from anywhere! You may wish to contribute your existing interest or experience - or use this opportunity to expand your CV – but whatever your motivation just contact us at [link@moorlandteam.org.uk](mailto:link@moorlandteam.org.uk) and we can have a chat about what may be involved.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks from

*Tony Parker, Peter Blood & Geoffrey Fenton – the skeleton crew!*

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***Family Service***

***10.30 am St Andrew's  
Church***

***June 13<sup>th</sup> Thurs***

***Messy Church***

***3.30pm St Andrew's Hall***

***June 16<sup>th</sup> Moor Church***

***Details phone Kevin***

***07772571647***

***June 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday***

***10.30am FunSize Church at  
Buckland in the Moor  
Benefice Service with meal  
and rounders in field.***

***June 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday***

***Breakfast @ 9am***

***St Andrew's Hall***

***Contact Jane 654 067***

## **Next Messy Church Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm**

***St Andrew's Church Hall***

"We are wonderfully made by God" Psalm 139: that is what we tried to explain to our families on Thursday. We asked each young person about themselves. What was their favourite pudding? What was their favourite bible story? How many brothers and sisters do you have? Which is your favourite TV story? All this God knows about you. Does your best friend? So, this was a challenge for us all: God knows us better than our best friend!! The children liked the disassemble station where we took machines, printers etc apart with screw drivers. The insides were amazing - this is all God's wonderful work. They also liked the people they made which were all unique and different - just like God makes us.

The one table that did not take off was the food table which was the adult table this month!! Coating strawberries in chocolate: two of God's most wonderful creations! The children preferred drawing around themselves and then painting their organs inside the life-sized outlines. We read cards from Ruth Histed and her family from New Zealand.

Messy Church welcomed a new baby and her mother. We need to build the younger membership of our Messy Church family.

On June 2<sup>nd</sup> our family service in Ashburton will be part of the "Thy Kingdom Come" campaign when we pray for 5 friends. FunSize church will be at Buckland in the Moor's Benefice service: if you want a meal you need to put your name down on the list in St Andrew's Church. Breakfast at 9am will be before this at 9am. Moor Church is on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Next Messy Church will be celebrating Pentecost John 14 v 15-17 "Peace and Comfort". So, please pray for us when we craft, play and explain this theme. All God's blessings, Jane

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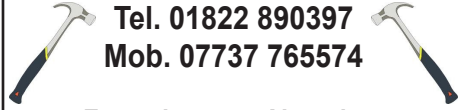
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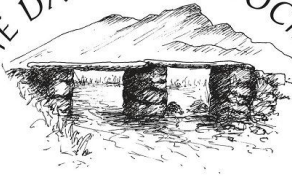
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**Church Services - see Page 20 for details**

Date	Time	Sidesperson	Flowers
2nd June	10.30	Joe Croy	Katie
9th June	18.00	Georgina Mackie	Hannah
16th June	09.00	At Huccaby	Hannah
23rd June	10.30	Ann Rowland	Annie V
30th June	10.30	Benefice Service at Buckland	Annie V

**Concert in The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Holne**

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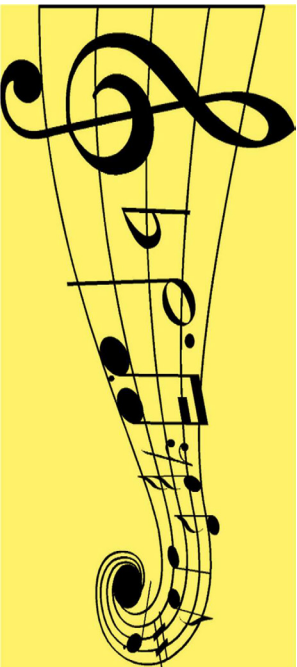
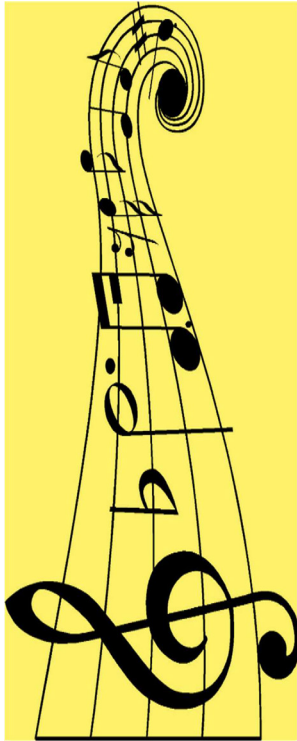
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The walled White Garden, Rose and Iris Garden and Lily Garden were influenced by Gertrude Jekyll, with playing fountains, vibrant colours and intoxicating scents. The original kitchen garden supplies the restaurant and continues the Lyle family's vision of self-sufficiency.

We leave Buckfastleigh Woodholme car park at 9:45, Holne, Church House Inn, 10:00, Ashburton, Dartmoor Lodge, 10:15. For more details, to join the group and to book outings, contact  
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# HOLNE REVEL

**Saturday JUNE 22**  
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Holne Events Group can't wait to bring this year's Revel to the Village Hall and we hope you'll join us!

We're excited to welcome the local 8-piece band, **Malavita** with their own brand of reggae latin funk which is guaranteed to get everyone up on their dancing feet.

Trudy from Tuckers will provide delicious veggie and meat options on her BBQ - all home prepared, and cooked street-food style to accommodate most tastes. As usual our bar will be well stocked with beer from Red Rock and Thompstone's cider, as well as wines and soft drinks.

Early bird food tickets are available now at £7 (£5 children under 14) from Holne Village Shop. Buy before June 16<sup>th</sup> to get a free drink on the night. The entry to and entertainment at the Revel is FREE so sales of food and drink are important to keep us Revelling. Any surplus funds will be given back to the community.

If you would like to be part of the Holne Events Group, get in touch with Suzy - [jollymustard@gmail.com](mailto:jollymustard@gmail.com) or Carol - [carolharper@me.com](mailto:carolharper@me.com). Or have a look at [www.holnevillage.co.uk](http://www.holnevillage.co.uk) where you can find out more.



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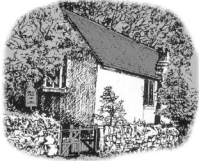
Becoming a churchwarden can be extremely daunting and might entail learning a whole new language (Quinquennial inspection); developing new skills, (lime plastering; writing Faculty applications); meeting new people (gravediggers);

providing CD players at the last moment for music to be played at a funeral to mention just a few, but ultimately, it is a fascinating and rewarding role.

Finally, we are also one of the church's representatives in the local community. By making our churches friendly, welcoming and involving others in supporting their church and its activities, we are, in different ways promoting God's love for mankind and His work on earth.

*Gillian Parker*





# St Raphael, Huccaby

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

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

## The life and experiences of a Churchwarden

I suspect that even many regular church goers only have a vague idea of what the role of a churchwarden entails. Of course, although there are some important legal responsibilities, other duties will vary depending on the location of the church, the area, the population and the size of the congregation.

In churches located within areas of small populations such as the Moorland churches, churchwardens usually have to be multi-functional. Not for us the luxury of building committees, fund-raising committees or multitudes of volunteers. Usually we are supported by a few, hard-working and committed people who care about their church and appreciate whatever the churchwardens do.

After election at the Annual Parish Church meeting, all churchwardens have to attend an Archdeacon's Visitation Service to be formally admitted to the role. I was very struck by something that Archdeacon Douglas Dettmer said a couple of years ago about a key role being able to provide support to the incumbent as well as representing the laity. So we act as a sounding board and try to look after the incumbent as best we can to ensure they can do their job without too many distractions.

Perhaps, the most well-known parts of the role are being responsible for the fabric of the church building, health and safety, being a point of contact for visiting priests and ensuring that all church records are properly maintained. Understanding and promoting the importance of safeguarding is another vital responsibility.

The role also requires the ability to respond to enquiries about times of services, weddings, funerals and other church offices. Sometimes, however, the enquiries can be a little unusual.

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# St John the Baptist, Leusdon

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

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

Date	Time	Reader	Teas	Flowers - Altar	Windows
2nd June	16.00	Norma	-	Shan	Norma
9th June	12.00	Patrick	Liz	Diane	Penny/Norma
16th June	12.00	Geoff	Shan	Diane	Penny/Norma
23rd June	12.00	Liz	Norma	Nicky	Liz
30th June	.....	Benefice Service	Buckland		

## Coffee Morning and Stalls



We hold our Coffee & Stalls on the first Wednesday of every month.

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### Wednesday 5th June

10 - 12 Admission £1 (includes tea/coffee etc)

## Leusdon Memorial Hall Update

Coffee Morning was good again and the profit was £177-50

Many thanks to our supporters.

### Norma's Afternoon Teas

**Friday 28th June, 2-30pm - 4.30pm**

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## Whist Drive Dates

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# Church Services for June 2019

<b>Sunday 2nd June</b>				<b>Easter 7</b>				<b>White</b>			
<i>Readings - Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26</i>											
Widecombe	10:30	Rogation Service	GF	Ashburton	08:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR	Bickington	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR
Holne	10:30	Parish Communion	AR	Ashburton	10:30	Family Service	MR	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	SLW
Leusdon	16:00	Rogation Service	GF								
Postbridge	18:00	Rogation Service	GF								
<b>9th June</b>				<b>Pentecost</b>				<b>Red</b>			
<i>Readings - Psalm 104:26-36, 37b; Romans 8:14-17; Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17 [25-27]</i>											
Postbridge	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR	Bickington	09:00	Parish Communion	GF	Ashburton	10:30	Parish Communion	GF
Widecombe	10:30	Parish Communion	MR	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer +	GF				
Leusdon	12:00	Parish Communion	MR			Baptism					
Holne	18:00	Evening Prayer	MR								
<b>16th June</b>				<b>Trinity Sunday</b>				<b>White/Gold</b>			
<i>Readings - Proverbs 8:1-4, 2:2-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15 :</i>											
Huccaby	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR	Bickington	10:30	Family Worship	SS	Ashburton	10:30	Parish Communion	JA MR
Widecombe	10:30	Parish Communion	GF	Buckland	15:00	Holy Communion BCP	JG				
Leusdon	12:00	Parish Communion	GF								
<b>23rd June</b>				<b>Trinity 1</b>				<b>Green</b>			
<i>Readings - Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:19-28; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39</i>											
Widecombe	10:30	Parish Communion	GF	Bickington	09:00	Holy Communion BCP	MR	Ashburton	10:30	Parish Communion	MR
Holne	10:30	Holy Communion BCP	JG	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	WW				
Leusdon	12:00	Parish Communion	GF								
Postbridge	18:00	Evening Prayer	GF								
<b>30th June</b>				<b>Trinity 2</b>				<b>Red</b>			
<i>Readings - Feast of St Peter Acts 12: 1-11; Matthew 16: 13-19</i>											
		All at Buckland		Buckland	10:30	Benefice Communion	All				
<b>7th July</b>				<b>Trinity 3</b>				<b>Green</b>			
<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	MR	Bickington	09:00	Holy Communion	MR
Widecombe	10:30	Pet Service	GF	Ashburton	10:30	Family Service	MR				
Holne	10:30	Parish Communion	JG	Buckland	15:00	Evening Prayer	GF				
Leusdon	16:00	Animal Service	GF								

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*(see p.2 for contact details)*

### Mid-week Communion

Wednesday 5th June	Ashburton	10.30	GF
Wednesday 12th June	Ashburton	10.30	MR
Wednesday 19th June	Ashburton	10.30	MR
Wednesday 26th June	Ashburton	10.30	MR
Wednesday 3rd July	Ashburton	10.30	JA

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GF	Revd Geoffrey Fenton	SLW	Simon Le-Pine Williams		
JG	Revd John Good	WW	William West		

## Dates for the Diary

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19th	Holne Garden Club Outing	13

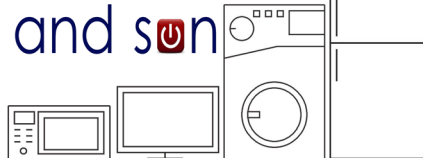
22nd	Holne Revel	15
28th	Mark Padmore Concert, Holne	12
28th	'Norma's Tea' at Leusdon	19
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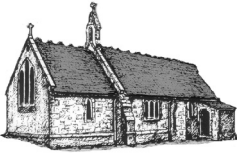
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# St Gabriel, Postbridge

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## Postbridge Coffee Mornings

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### Monday 3rd June

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### Monday 17th June

at Rundlestone Lodge,  
Princetown  
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### Monday 1st July

at Heatherdene,  
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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 May meeting we welcomed 4 visitors, who joined our members in enjoying an amusing and interesting talk about being a Blue Badge Guide in London. We all learnt a lot of unusual facts about both popular landmarks and some hidden gems.

On 5th June our members will be treated to a visit from The Squire and Border Morris. This promises to be a fun meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you. **Don't forget we have moved to our new venue.**

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 [hellyhtsn@hotmail.com](mailto:hellyhtsn@hotmail.com) or follow us on Facebook: High Moorland Women's Institute.

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### Election Special update!

#### Borough & Parish Council Election Results - May 2019

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Results were as follows:

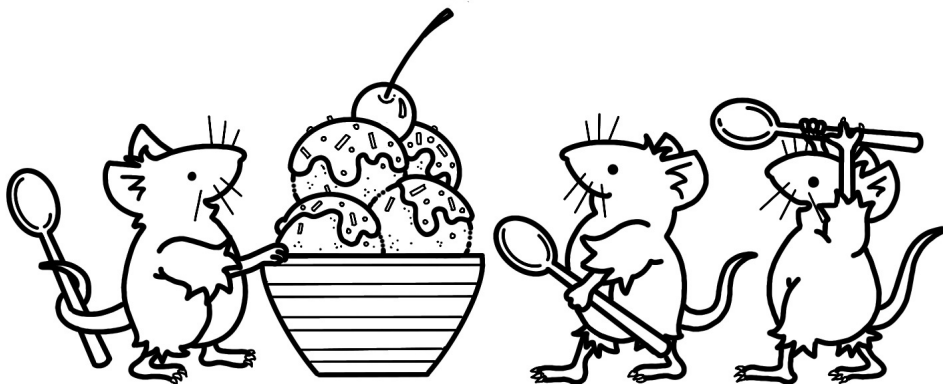
BISHOP, Ian Raymond 101 Elected  
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MANNING, Gregory John 87 Elected  
RENDERS, Mark Christian 291 Elected  
STONES, Wendy 192 Elected  
TIGWELL, Nigel Keith Independent 108 Elected  
WORTH, David Edward Independent 164 Elected.

The Clerk would like to thank all candidates for standing and for everyone who voted. Turnout was 34.5%.

We welcome back Nigel Tigwell, previous Clerk to the Council, who has now been elected as Councillor. Also Wendy Stones, who was first elected back in 1991 remains the longest serving Councillor.

In Huccaby ward we welcome back Alison Geen as councillor and in Postbridge ward, Julian Greatrex and Wendy Watson return as Councillors. Both wards were uncontested.

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# 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
2nd June	10.30	Judy Southcombe	Debbie	Penny Whale
9th June	10.30	Peter Blood	Kriss & Peter	Penny Whale
16th June	10.30	Audrey Mortimore	Dawn & Betty	Wedding
23rd June	10.30	Ronnie Constant	Val & Richard	Wendy
30th June	----	Benefice Service	Buckland	Wendy



**Widecombe Community Hall CIO** has now formally taken over the work of the Steering Group, with all assets transferred to the new charity (registered number 1182621).

Our **Barn Dance** will be taking place at Blackaton Manor Farm on Saturday 29th June from 6pm – tickets are now on sale from our website for £12.50 (£15 on the gate), to include a Hog Roast. Kids tickets £6 with food, £3 without (extra food available to purchase on the night if they change their minds!). This is open to all and with a bouncy castle and music from 6pm it's a family-friendly event. Ceilidh band, Bar, Disco and overnight camping available. Let's get the whole community out for a great night & move a step closer to getting our new hall built.

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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><i>Get yourself ready !</i></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 unusual container
17	Pot plant - in flower or just foliage		
18	Vase of mixed flowers (9 stems, 3 of each variety)	35	A flower arrangement in a teacup
<b>HOME PRODUCE - LOCAL ENTRANTS Rose Bowl</b> Made to competitors own recipe		36	A flower arrangement not to exceed 30 ins 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



## Widcombe Fair Notice

## WIDECOMBE FAIR

Widcombe Fair Committee recently announced arrangements for the allocation of surplus funds from the 2018 Fair, with the primary beneficiaries being the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RABI) and local Rotary Clubs. This plan was published in the Parish Link.



Additionally a donation will be made to the Parish Link, and the village as whole should benefit financially from the revised arrangements agreed between the Fair Committee and the Parish Council for the operation of events on the Village Green on Fair Day.

However, there is still a small pot of money left for distribution to local organisations. Generally these donations are between £50 and £250 per organisation.

Applications for these funds are now welcomed. Applications should be for a specific purpose and not just for improving the financial position of the organisation. They should be submitted to the Company Secretary via email to [peteroldham131@btinternet.com](mailto:peteroldham131@btinternet.com) by 21st June 2019. A decision on donations will be made by the end of June.

### Friends of Widcombe School

#### Night at the Races

Friday 14th June  
at Leusdon Hall 7pm

£10 to include food and a drink  
(£5 for children)  
All welcome.

Tickets in advance only from  
Widcombe School office or  
Chloe 07974778975

### Widcombe Pre-School

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Weds 9.15 - 12.45pm  
Fri 9.15am - 3pm  
Tel: 01364 621273

## News from East Shallowford Farm

The East Shallowford Trust said a sad farewell to Debbie and Alastair Sandels just before Easter. Debbie has been the Trust manager for over five years, and in that time hundreds of city children have experienced life on the farm – life-changing visits, continuing the work that Elizabeth Braund started over 40 years, when she set the Trust up as a Christian Charity. Debbie's role grew and grew, so she has been replaced by two people – Julia McDade as Manager, and Alethe Virgin as Resident Warden. Both are now in place.

Julia writes:

*"In the last two weeks, we watched a lady lie down on the grass, close her eyes and cry, as she felt the sun warm her grey skin that so rarely sees rays of glowing light. Another opened her lungs to cough saying, 'I would give up these 'orrd fags if I lived 'ere, but there's no point in London.'*

*This week we took ducks, chickens and geese to Exeter Crown Court for 'health and well-being week'; planned enthusiastically for the next round of school visits for which Will, our farm manager, is developing complex mathematical questions about stocking rates, carbon sinks on the marshes and how mixed herbal leys can also reduce Britain's carbon emissions by counteracting the methane burping cows. The involuntary smile. The 'awww – they are so cute', the enthusiasm for physical work, knowing it is needed and worthy...Shallowford does it all and people's hearts are lifted and relieved."*

Alethe writes:

*"I'm sitting at my desk fully intending to write an amusing and informative piece – but it's far too easy to 'lift my eyes to the quiet hills' and watch the clouds scudding through a blue sky. The birds are twittering and the cockerel (Christopher Columbus) has an attempt at crowing every now and then, but otherwise there is silence.*

*I've been coming out to the farm for a number of years now as a volunteer. Having grown up in this part of Devon I've always just accepted the Moor as my playground – going for a walk in the wide-open spaces was what we did as a family at the weekends. It took a tearful Mum from Battersea to help me see my Devon through fresh eyes. I knew then that I needed to share with others what I had always taken for granted. So supporting East Shallowford took over my life. Being guardian of the farm is both privilege and huge responsibility in ensuring that all is kept secure for future generations to enjoy and appreciate."*

\*\*\* An 'open farm taster' is planned for Saturday 27th July. The aim is to invite youth groups, cubs, scouts, churches etc and show them what we can provide and how they can enjoy, learn and support. More next month.

## Widecombe & District Sports Group

**AGM Monday 3rd June at 7.00pm 2019**

This is to be held at the Old Inn all are welcome.



**Membership renewals are now due** if you have not received yours please email [cl.partridge@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cl.partridge@hotmail.co.uk) or tel: 621468. Alternatively membership forms can be 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 Ladies Social Club June Meeting

Thursday 13th June at 7.30 p.m  
at the Church House, Widecombe.

The speaker will be Janet Cowlard on  
"Celebrating the Queens 90 years" .

She is an excellent speaker.

Tea & Biscuits. Draw.

The Meeting will be held downstairs.

All for £2. Contact Rose.

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.

**June 5th** *Devon Air Ambulance  
with Louise Newbury*

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

Contact : Helen Barrow  
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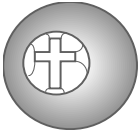
Ministers: Rev'd Kevin Hooke (01626) 832369

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

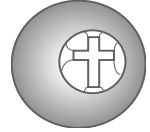
You are welcome to come to services and any special event taking place at the chapel. The services for the month are as follows :

Every Sunday	9am	Breakfast and Worship at Dunstone Chapel
First Sunday in Month	3pm	Service at Poundsgate Chapel

### **June Service at Poundsgate Chapel - Sunday 2nd June at 3 pm Led by Rev Kevin Hooke**



Talking with author and photographer  
Tracey Elliot-Reep



Visitors are always welcome

We hope you can join us

**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 12th JUNE 2019**



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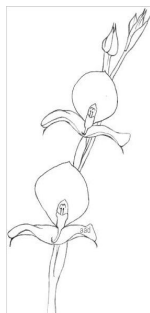


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## Buckland in the Moor

Saturday 8 June 1-6 pm



**Have you ever seen a field full of Butterfly Orchids - sparkling white amidst a field of other wild flowers?**

There are 5 wild flower meadows open to visit from 1pm and teas in aid of St Peter's Church in the village hall from 2pm.

Map and information about the different meadows in the village hall.

## Rainfall in April 2019

Place	Total Rainfall	Days without rain	Wettest days
Postbridge	80.4 mm (3.2").	12	1st 0.9"
	(April 2018 - 160.3 mm (6.3"))		
Holne	78.1mm (3.07")		5th 18.7mm



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

We've done it - this is a Parish Link! But we need help... It makes us realise how much work Marion put into it, and what a great magazine she evolved. Thank you again, Marion, for all you did.

If any reader has any comments to make about this June link, do let us know.

*Tony, Peter and Geoffrey*

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