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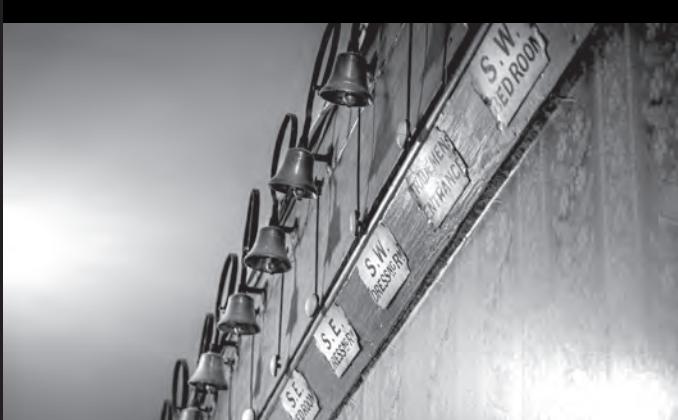
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Editor's note...



Welcome to the September edition of your Gazette! Autumn is now on its final approach; the hedgerows are producing a harvest of bounty all around us - early in some cases, such as the sloes, which seem to ripening at a rate of knots this year....

I'm writing this literally having just returned from covering my favourite annual event - the Purbeck Valley Folk Festival, run by locals, Paul and Catherine Burke. I believe there may still be some glitter lurking in my hair somewhere....! This year, the Purbeck Gazette attended the event in collaboration with members of the Pope family, who had previously enjoyed this annual event with Gaia Pope (July 1998 - November 2017).

So very many local people were involved in the intensive eleven-day search for Gaia back in November 2017 that in next month's edition, Maya (Gaia's twin) and Marienna (Gaia's cousin) will report on dealing with the aftermath of losing Gaia and the positive steps they've been deliberately taking to build new, positive memories in relation to places, events and traditions that they previously enjoyed (and therefore associate) with Gaia. Positive mental health awareness in practice and this friendly, safe, colourful festival proved the perfect place to recreate new family memories in Gaia's memory.

September sees our isle quieten somewhat; it's a spectacularly beautiful place which offers so much, so get out and about, enjoy the light whilst it's still with us and have a fantastic September!

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The Last Firework.....

The last firework launched at the main firework display at Swanage Carnival 2019 was especially in memory of Darcy-May Elm, sadly lost to our community in October 2018, aged only four-years-old.

Photograph by Greg Edgings of Pirateography Photography, Wareham.

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OCTOBER edition deadline: noon, 9th SEPT

Pollution Will Be Reduced

Dear Editor,

Thanks to Dave Hollister for another interesting column. I'd like to pick up on his criticism of London's congestion charge. As the name implies, it was originally introduced to reduce congestion, not pollution, and it was successful on that measure, reducing cars by a fifth.

However, one side effect was that diesel spewing buses increased by a quarter. Together with the other types of diesel vehicles that still had to go into central London, like delivery lorries and taxis, it's no surprise that harmful particulate levels rose.

But the current mayor's focus is on reducing pollution, and research by the New Scientist and others predicts that the new low emission zone and toxicity charge will reduce pollution by 45%.

Kind regards, M Pollard, Wareham, by email.

Frank Is So Right

Dear Gazette,

I would like to thank Frank Roberts for his letter in the August issue of the Purbeck Gazette.

He is so right regarding the build-up of unsightly weeds on the pavements and gutters all around the streets in Swanage. A contributory factor is that our roads and pavements are breaking up, leading to detritus which is a perfect medium in which weeds flourish.

Sprinkling weed-killer is not the answer as the vegetation needs to be removed and has become visually unsightly. Many drains are covered over and blocked.

I keep the pavement and gutter clean outside my property, both front and back, but as I do it, I wonder why, when we all pay exorbitant amounts of Council Tax. It's not right - we are not receiving value for money and instead are receiving a diminishing service.

Frank has been tireless in encouraging voluntary litter pickers ... and has, single handed, cleared out years' worth of rubbish from the two open fronted concrete structures at the end of North Beach promenade - now thankfully boarded up.

Whilst writing I would like to mention the lovely chap who cleans the streets in Wareham - the edges are immaculate and a credit to his diligence and hard work and he's just one man doing the job.

Yours faithfully, Alex Gray (Mrs.) Ulwell Road, Swanage, by email.

Wonderful Puffin Memories

Dear Editor,

Robin Brasher's letter (August) made me sigh with remembering.

One fine day, long ago when I was ten, my lovely dad rowed me all the way round from Buck shore to Dancing Ledge specially to see the puffins. From inside their cave we watched the puffins diving into the sea and flashing out again.

They looked so quaint with their little orange feet stuck out behind them. Then, helped by the tide, Dad rowed us back again.

Oh, the simple magic of those bygone days!

Yours sincerely, Audrey Pembroke, by email

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Dear Readers,

Now that the holiday season is well underway, it is lovely to see so many families and their friends coming to our special seaside to enjoy the beach and countless attractions that we offer. You are all very welcome.

However, there are some who enjoy themselves, but with disregard to those of us who live here. For example: excessive noise, leaving litter, driving dangerously and treating our roads as 'preference' for pedestrians, etc.

You are NOT WELCOME.

Frederick, Victoria Ave, Swanage, by email.

Yankee Doodle Boris

Dear Readers,

Noting the similarities between America's right-wing populist leader and our own new one, I wrote this satirical poem:

Yankee Doodle Boris

Oh Boris oh Boris all jolly and plump
 All blubber all bluster a public school chump
 With bright shiny hair in a wild crazy clump
 Are you the love child of President Trump?

Is that the reason you're leading us now?
 Have the Americans shown you just how?
 Will you pass gun laws to help take control
 And shoot down your rivals from some grassy knoll?!

Will you then arm us to fight every foe?
 (Gays, blacks and Muslims have all got to go!)
 Will you use fake news to baffle us all
 Then make the Scots build a new Hadrian's Wall?!

Will you paint stars on our Union Jacks?
 Will you let billionaires pay the least tax?
 Oh yes Boris, Donald has shown what to do
 So, all you need now ... is Putin's help too!!
 Martin Hobdell

Check For Offenders!!

Dear Readers,

Re: Letter from J Christchurch - August issue. Parking problem solved.

I am a resident of Webbers Close and the 'problem' is far from a joke! Yes, there were double lines there once, yes they have disappeared and been replaced with a single yellow line and, yes, cars parking on that line cause extremely reduced visibility.

But you are not aware that the Clerk to the Parish Council has been in contact on several occasions with Paul Hutton, team leader of Parking Services, Dorset Council. He told her he would instruct parking wardens to check for offenders.

I have personally asked two different traffic wardens to 'look right' but not one car has been issued with a parking ticket!

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Support Bowel Cancer Walk



Dear Readers,

As someone who loves to walk, I'm proud to support Bowel Cancer UK's Walk Together fundraiser. Every fifteen minutes, someone is diagnosed with bowel cancer. That's over 42,000 people every year, which includes my dad, who has thankfully now recovered from the disease.

Walk Together is a sponsored walk in September which brings people from all "walks" of life together to show our support for those undergoing treatment, remember loved ones and help stop people dying from bowel cancer.

You can take on a virtual five mile walk at your own pace, or plan your own special Walk Together in your area.

Bowel cancer is the fourth most common cancer in the UK and the country's second biggest cancer killer. However, it shouldn't be because it is treatable and curable especially if diagnosed early.

Sign up to Walk Together to receive a fundraising pack with everything you need to hold your own memorable walk and help ensure a future where nobody dies of bowel cancer: bowelcanceruk.org.uk/walktogether

Gaby Roslin, BBC broadcaster, by email

Simply Bonkers? Read On...

Dear Readers,

Unquestionably the chain-link ferry between Sandbanks and the Studland peninsula has served the Isle of Purbeck and beyond very well.

Over the years, there have been many proposals for a bridge, not least by the commander of the Canadian corps of engineers, who allegedly offered to build one while his men were awaiting embarkation for D-Day, if that tale has any credence.

A bridge would be complex as the geology of Sandbanks is aptly named. It would need to be articulated to allow shipping to pass in and out of the second largest natural harbour in the world, with its massive tidal flows.

So, if you can't cross this relatively small stretch of water and you can't go over it, how about going beneath it? The Sandbanks tunnel, born as all things, as an idea.

If you are a resident of Sandbanks in your mansion or are a conservationist, or if you think this is simply bonkers, please read on.....

There are countless tunnels all over the world that have overcome massive engineering challenges – examples being: the Birkenhead tunnel under the River Mersey, the Euro tunnel which links the UK with Europe (whatever the outcome of Brexit!) and the wonderful Greenwich tunnel

below the River Thames as well as the underground train tunnels beneath the city of London.

The elements that have always shadowed invention have remained – benefit, application, engineering and cost – who's going to pay? As was the driver for the Victorian age, will it make any money for the fat cats of the time? Thankfully, we don't employ the navvies with their barrows, dynamite and shovels, but their legacy remains today.

So, how could a tunnel really work when a chain ferry is clearly obsolete in this electronic century? Geodesics of Buckminster Fuller might be employed in the construction of what is essentially a tube that electric cars could pass through, thereby not exposing pedestrians to the fallout of fossil fuel emissions, within minimum proximity. Electro-recharging stations on both sides and moving walkways could be included.

This is not about tourism, it's about the future and the planet – our children inherit what we implement today! Environmentally aligned infrastructure would benefit one and all.

I would be interested to read a response from the National Trust in the next edition.

Your sincerely, MJK Hamilton, by hand.

Nurdles - By Mary



Nurdles

What are they alfloat in the sea?

Raw tiny plastic beads, a killer they be.

Food it is thought by marine life and birds

Catch, eat two or three, then dead without words.

Stuck in their body, cannot digest

Help save a life and do your best.

Nurdles are also washed/blown in on the shingle and sand,

Think of life, pick up a few - save a life!

Give a hand, it costs you nothing,

A game for anyone who could find and pick up the most?

Look what I've found along Swanage coast!

Mary Dwen, by hand - *our own Purbeckian nurdle-collecting HERO!!*

Ed's note - Mary has been collecting nurdles along the Swanage coastline since 6th April 2010. Up to June 13th 2018, Mary had been collecting, by hand, almost daily for eight years, two months and one week..... she continues to this day. Mary stores the nurdles she collects in empty 300gm coffee jars - each individual jar fits 20,000 nurdles (Yes! Mary has counted!). Mary is now filling jar 27 - almost reaching 540,000 individual nurdles removed, by Mary alone, from Swanage beach.

One can only imagine the enormous number of living creatures, both on land and in sea, that Mary has single-handedly saved since April 2010.

Community Matters

TELLING IT LIKE IT IS...

'Keep Buggering On' (Winston S. Churchill)

by David Hollister

Despite their recent absences, I still firmly believe in ferries. I won't go into my reasons because I have covered these time and time again in this column. Suffice it to say that clearly my opinions are not shared by quite a number of readers and subscribers to the Ferry Company's own Facebook page.

One enterprising reader has calculated that the journey from Swanage to Panorama Road in Sandbanks is an extra 16.5 miles which in his car is £2.40, considerably less than the ferry fare. He thinks that the journey can take about thirty minutes longer, but I can assure you that this must be on a clear day with a following wind. Perhaps I should also remind those complaining about having bought books of tickets 'upfront' that they will still be valid even after March 31st 2020. No overall loss and possibly some overall gain.

Stimulated no doubt by the absence of the ferry and the consequent additional traffic on the roads into and out of Swanage, Dorset Council devised a one-way system, routing incoming traffic round the back road past Bushey, Rempstone, and Currendon Hill. A road so narrow and twisting in places that at times there is clear danger from oncoming traffic, with two right-hand turn exits on the route. Thankfully, most of the locals chose – like me – to ignore it and to proceed down the A351 where delays – although forewarned – were no greater than on a normal summer holiday weekend.

All I can say is that Dorset Council should get their backsides out from behind their computer screens before they design rubbish like this; come and drive the roads, talk to the locals and take a deep breath before putting such a system in. I draw their attention to the fact that even when there was a ferry, Studland was regularly signed as being "full" and jams to get out on to the main A351 were prodigious. As I write, those non-existent queues have been replaced by incoming queues as far back as the Halfway Inn, and on the other side, as far as the entrance to the village of Corfe Castle. There will always be queues in the summer and they generally manage to sort themselves out without your "help".

I was taken to task about my piece last month inviting Dorset Council to react in a positive way to climate change, suggesting that a 'talking shop' should be replaced or supplemented by positive action. Indeed, on the very next page, a report from the County Council suggested that there was 'broad support' for direct involvement from the public to help reduce and mitigate climate change.

So, I ask them, right now: Are you going to put an immediate stop to all paper-based publications such as 'Dorset Council News', 'Your Dorset' and the like? Are you going to offer council taxpayers the option of having their bills, and all the explanatory notes, sent by email? Are you going to impose a total ban on the chopping down and mutilating of trees other than those already dying of natural causes? Are you going to impose a condition on all new domestic planning applications requiring each roof to have sufficient solar panels to generate at least enough electricity to fulfil the house's own needs?

Are you going to insist that all planning applications for new homes and industrial premises should make electric car charger points mandatory by 10th March 2021, as recommended by the Department of Transport? And that said, charger points should incorporate 'smart' features as required by the government's Electric Vehicle Homecharge Scheme.

Swanage Council have led the way by making at least two of their own vans 'electric only' (Nissan Leaf). Are you going to do the same and can you confirm that every time a Council Vehicle is phased out, it will be replaced by an electric vehicle? After all, you're ten times as big as Swanage council.....

I was sad to read recently that a gang of unruly teenagers in Swanage had jumped up and down on the roof of a parked car to the point where it had to be written off; it belonged to a young girl who can ill afford the replacement. Are these, I wonder, the same youngsters who ride their bikes the wrong way down our busy one-way streets, who smash bottles in the skate park, and do other meaningless criminal damage around Swanage? It is believed that the police have been provided with details of

the vehicle and with names and addresses of witnesses, so I look forward to reading in the next PACT column of Purbeck Gazette that they have done more than 'have a quiet word with the parents' but also achieved punishment and retribution.

I was amused to read a story from Bournemouth concerning cashless car parking machines; apparently there was a queue of people trying to get car park tickets from a machine which didn't appear to be working, and wishing to pay cash when there was no facility for cash payments. Someone else couldn't remember their pin number. Another one could get no mobile signal. Some tried 'contactless' cards which wouldn't work either. Another tried to use his debit card and got two "void" tickets, called the phone number shown on the board but got no answer. So – Bournemouth's loss – they all gave up and went home. The moral of the story is – Swanage, Wareham and Purbeck car parks – on behalf of us elderly, technophobic, cash-loving dinosaurs – no thanks!

How sad that the final Swanage Carnival fireworks had to be cancelled due to strong easterly winds. I know that I, along with a lot of others, was disappointed. Although I now have nothing whatsoever to do with the running of Swanage Carnival, I have a huge respect for the many boys and girls who give up their time to make it a success, raising funds for those less fortunate than themselves. And who, even now, are planning next year's event!

Although I missed Wareham Carnival due to being abroad, reports came back including the words "marvellous" and "best ever" so hopefully they too have achieved a superb result. Well done to you all.

By the time you read this, Harms Cross fete – traditionally the last of the large fetes in Purbeck – will be over and everything packed away for the season. I'm always sad because for me, it marks the end of the summer and the start of yet another long winter which will be made even more unacceptable due to the uncertainty over Brexit. Will we still be able to go to Spain? Will our pounds buy enough Euros? Will our nearest and dearest still have jobs? Will there be food shortages? Will there be soldiers on the streets (other than those who by reason of government neglect who are there already)?

Will there still be jam for tea?

Because we are English, we will simply accept whatever is done to us, put on a brave face, stay firmly behind the parapet and in the words of Winston Churchill "keep buggering on".

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September already. This summer has flown by, and no wonder, July and the start of August were extremely busy for us. On top of all the day-to-day business we also had Camp Bestival and Swanage carnival to contend with along with the ongoing Wareham Wednesdays.

So, what have we been doing? Well, in the period 04 July – 07 August 19 we dealt with a total of 811 occurrences in Purbeck. Yes, that many. Of which, 248 were recorded crimes resulting in 86 arrests.

Unfortunately, 132 of these occurrences were motor vehicle collision reports. You should be patient; remember that anyone can make a mistake. Slow down and hold back if a road user pulls into your path at a junction. Allow them to get clear. Do not overreact by driving too close behind to intimidate them.

Camp Bestival: Throughout the event 25th – 28th July officers conducted reassurance patrols around outlying villages and remote communities offering advice and reassurance. There were a few incidents related to this event, but they were dealt with swiftly.

Alongside Bestival we also had Swanage Carnival over the period 27 July – 3 August. The weeklong event attracted thousands of visitors to Swanage and was a great success. We had officers from Poole and Bournemouth come over to assist local officers police this event. On the whole, the week went well with everyone having a thoroughly good time, even though the final firework display had to be cancelled. That's the weather for you!

Unfortunately for us, we were kept on our toes, not with lost parents but with that small minority of people who just don't know how to behave in a public place. Officers made four arrests, and dealt with a number of other incidents that were either drug or drink related.

Finally, if you need to contact Dorset Police please call our Police Enquiry Centre by calling 101. Always call 999 in an EMERGENCY when there is a risk of HARM or a CRIME in progress. Alternatively, call the free CRIMESTOPPERS line on 0800 555 111.

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Please come along to our meet the team events at SWANAGE, WAREHAM and UPTON. Dates can be found on the website. We'd love to see you there.

Purbeck Neighbourhood Policing Team

Brian Raymond Guy - Never To Be Forgotten



It is with great sadness we bring you the news that Brian Raymond Guy of Swanage passed away after a short stay in Poole Hospital on July 29th 2019, aged ninety-four years old (1925 – 2019). His funeral was held on Friday 16th August.

Brian was one of our few remaining World War Two veterans and served with the 246 Field Company, Royal Engineers, Eighth Brigade, Third British Infantry Division. His unit supported 8 Brigade on Sword Beach and he found himself in command of a mine clearance teams supporting I Suffolk. He was essential in the capturing of the German stronghold, "Hillman", on D-Day.

Earlier in the war, Brian was heavily injured by an explosion, from which some shrapnel remained inside him. He was only saved by a group of soldiers in a passing lorry. The ambulance had to drive 40km from Venray to Eindhoven, and he described it as "the nearest thing to hell on earth that is possible to imagine". One of his proudest war memories was aiding in the capture of Pegasus Bridge in Normandy.

I am sure many of you read his various exploits in his book 'Cameos Of War', which we serialised in the Purbeck Gazette some years ago.

Severe war injuries greatly affected Brian's mobility and in later life, Facebook, and the various social media groups he was part of, allowed him to correspond with people of similar interests around the world. Brian was a very enthusiastic poster, reminiscing about his war memories to people in his hometown of Swanage, across the UK and as far afield as Australia, America and Canada.

Our most heart-felt condolences go out to Brian's wife, Sheila, their children Geraldine, Brian and Julie and to the wider family.

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The national campaign, instigated by the National Ballistics Intelligence Service (NABIS), was supported by other forces around the country, including Devon & Cornwall Police. Items were voluntarily surrendered at police stations in Bournemouth, Weymouth and Poole.

Michelle Mounsey, Head of the Alliance Firearms and Explosives Licensing Department for Dorset Police and Devon & Cornwall Police, said: "As a result of this firearms surrender, all of these items are now permanently out of potential circulation."

The breakdown of the types of firearms handed in during the 2019 surrender is as follows:

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Rifles: 16, Pistols: 14.

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The Sandbanks Ferry Company has set out its plans to return the chain ferry to service during October 2019, including measures to reimburse customers who have paid for tickets in advance.

Mike Kean, Managing Director of the Sandbanks Ferry Company (pictured, left), said: "I speak on behalf of the entire team at the Sandbanks Ferry Company when I express my regret that the chain ferry service has been unavoidably suspended from service.

"The failing of the drive shaft is an entirely unprecedented issue and one which, to my knowledge, has never occurred on any other ferry of this type. The ferry has passed all regulatory and insurance inspections with no such issues highlighted. As the drive shaft assembly is built to last the lifetime of the vessel, it was not amongst the hundreds of replacement parts which we routinely keep in stock."

"The replacement components were sourced and ordered as soon as possible from an approved manufacturer in Sweden. To return the ferry to service as soon as possible, we paid an additional £46,000 to reduce the stated 24-week lead time by more than half. Once the parts arrive in

the UK, our dedicated team will be working around the clock to repair and test the ferry with the objective of returning it to full service as soon as possible."

Mike Kean added: "I would like to thank all of our customers for their continued patience while we work hard on returning the ferry to service. I understand the frustrations and inconvenience the service suspension has caused, which is why we are doing everything in our power to return the ferry to normal service as soon as we can. We are all absolutely committed to serving the needs of the local community and will be providing regular updates on the progress of the repairs in order to help ferry users plan ahead for the next few weeks."

In response to enquiries as to why a stand-in ferry has not been sourced, Mike Kean commented: "Chain ferries are built to order on a two-year lead time, staying in service until the end of their serviceable life. We have carried out an exhaustive search in the hope of finding a similar vessel to provide a stand-in service, but regrettably there are no suitable ferries on the market in a state of good repair, or which could be quickly brought up to a serviceable level."

Questions have been raised in the media regarding the provision of an alternative type of vessel, such as a foot passenger service. On this subject, Mike commented: "As foot passenger vessels require a jetty for passengers to embark and alight safely, unfortunately this isn't a viable option in the short term while we work on returning the chain ferry to service. The landing slipways which are used by the chain ferry aren't suitable to use as landing points for the vast majority of vessels."

In response to comments in the media regarding the security of a fund to pay for the future replacement ferry, Mike Kean commented: "The Sandbanks Ferry Company's latest accounts as at 31st March 2019, submitted to the Secretary of State for Transport, show that the Motor Ferry Replacement Reserve (MFRR) is now ring fenced for the sole purpose of replacing the current vessel when it comes to the end of its time in service. Additionally, dividends have not been taken from the company for over two years and the Company made an overall loss for the year."

"Our policy is, and will continue to be, that dividends will not be paid in any given year before sufficient funds have been transferred into the MFRR to ensure that we hit the target required to replace the existing vessel in the future."

Customers who have purchased books of ferry tickets through the Sandbanks Ferry Company during 2019 can apply for a refund to the value of unused tickets.

All applications should be made by emailing customercare@sandbanksferry.co.uk

RNLI 'Lifejacket Lockers' Installed In Swanage

An RNLI scheme to encourage more people to use lifejackets aboard their tenders has proved so popular it has been extended and now includes Swanage.

Following RNLI research that showed boat users can often be put off wearing their lifejacket aboard their tender because of the 'hassle factor' of having nowhere secure to store them once ashore led to the Lifejacket locker initiative.

After a successful trial at Salcombe, Fowey and the River Yealm, the initiative is being rolled out across locations on the south coast. The RNLI supply the lockers to harbours and locations free of charge providing

they meet the criteria, along with signage. It's hoped the scheme, aimed at visiting sailors and motor cruisers coming ashore in tenders, will help curb preventable accidents between moored vessels and the shore.

Coxswain, Dave Turnbull, said: "Embarking or disembarking a vessel is always a risky time so to be able to wear a lifejacket without the worry of what to do with it once ashore is one more way to reduce the risk of drowning."

Swanage Lifejacket lockers are located between the pier and the stone quay with further lockers planned for south beach in Studland.



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As always, I'm amazed at how quickly the summer has gone by. Apart from the loss of the Swanage/Sandbanks Ferry resulting in more traffic than usual, it has been a pretty good one.

The next Wareham Area Seniors' Forum is taking place on Monday, 23rd September and, as usual, everyone over 50 is very welcome. Our speaker will be Robin Harper who will be talking to us about the Society of Later Life Advisors (or SOLLA).

We are also hoping to have a relatively brief discussion on what is actually happening with regard to the medical hub on the old middle school site in Worget Road.

You will have had notification from Dorset Council about their plans, together with a request to review these plans. There has been a very well attended meeting at the hospital and an Extraordinary Meeting of the Town Council. Strong views were expressed at both meetings. We feel we are being pressured into a decision, not of our making, by Dorset Council.

Come along and hear both speakers. I think I can promise you some thought-provoking ideas/problems!

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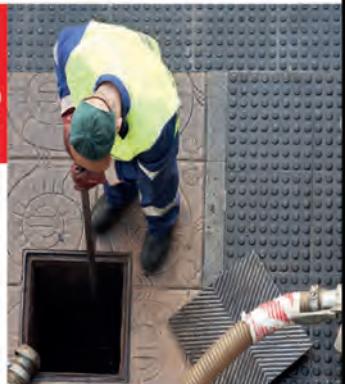
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Wareham Town Council Update

Julie, our Gazette correspondent, details the goings on in recent council meetings.....



News from Wareham Town Council August

On 2 July at an Extraordinary Meeting, Wareham Town Council prioritised the provision of an integrated Health Hub and agreed that the Council could not support any proposal which led to an overall reduction in green space. Carnival Sunday provided one opportunity for the distribution of shiny "Save Our Rec" leaflets and by the 6th

August Council meeting, six hundred people had signed a petition opposing the use of part of the Recreation Ground for housing.

The motion before the Council in August was to approve the appointment of a consultant who would prepare and inform Councillors so that they would have well-grounded input to Dorset Council's plans. The motion was carried arousing disapproval from members of the public present, who saw no need for a consultant but wanted to press on for an integrated Health Hub and initially, at least forget about any land swap - even though it could provide additional benefits.

Before the meeting started, a minute's silence was observed in memory of Nelson Townsend who had died and will be missed by Wareham Rangers, amongst many others.

Councillor Gover will be the link between the Council and the new Wareham Chamber of Commerce initiated by Sarah Wharmby of Purbeck Living and which had held a successful first meeting.

Mrs Baggs had heard at the Purbeck Local Plan Enquiry that the housing at Westminster Road which was in the Wareham Neighbourhood Plan would not go ahead. Councillor Critchley responded that this was because the developer did not accept the limit on the number of houses to be built.

Following connections made in the distant and not so distant past, the Town Council voted to set up a community partnership between Wareham, Dorset, and Wareham (pronounce the "ham" as ham), Massachusetts.

Our Dorset Councillors and Councillor Turner are pressing for a more permanent solution to the level crossing situation. With only two gate-keepers in August, while one is on holiday the other is continuously working twelve hour shifts and the gates are closed in the evening. This is not safe. Road works are planned for North Street between 8th – 9th September.

On Wednesday 4th September for only £9, you can enjoy a quiz, a two-course meal, and a glass of wine. An auction of promises will benefit Wareham In Bloom.

The event is at 7pm in the Corn Exchange and tickets must be booked in advance from the Town Council office on 01929 553006.

A new Town Clerk has been appointed and will start work on 9th September.

The next Town Council meeting is on 17th September at 7pm in the Town Hall.

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Over the years the shipping forecast has become an iconic feature of our maritime heritage. For 150 years the forecast has been sent out to mariners, four times a day. Despite

all the modern navigation systems, seafarers still tune in to the BBC at 0048, 0520, 1201 and 1754 to listen to the weather update. Its reach, however, goes beyond the maritime community and it's become part of many people's daily ritual.

As a child I can remember lunch at my grandparents was never served until the midday forecast had been read. In the opening ceremony for the 2012 Olympic Games in London, the shipping forecast was played in the opening part of the production with Elgar's Nimrod to represent Britain's maritime heritage. Zeb Soanes, a regular Shipping Forecast reader attempted to explain its popularity by saying:

"To the non-nautical, it is a nightly litany of the sea. It reinforces a sense of being islanders with a proud seafaring past. Whilst the listener is safely tucked-up in their bed, they can imagine small fishing-boats bobbing about at Plymouth or 170ft waves crashing against Rockall."

The sea areas mentioned are all named after headlands, islands, bays, sandbanks and coastal towns, the only exception being Fitzroy. This is named after Vice Admiral Robert Fitzroy, the first professional weather forecaster, captain of HMS Beagle and founder of the Met Office.

Obtaining the daily forecast is an important part of preparing for the day's watch. Luckily for us, we don't have to be up in time to listen to the 0520 forecast (although there are watchkeepers who do!). We tend to rely on the online Met Office Inshore Waters forecast.

This forecast gives the coastal weather for sections of the UK coastline. Although the areas are different to the shipping forecast the format is very similar. For us the important area is Selsey Bill to Lyme Regis.

The other main forecast we make use of is the regular forecast given by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) on the marine VHF radio frequencies. The Coastguard's broadcasts follow the same format as the shipping forecast using the same terminology and style, but the information only normally applies to the area sector or region covered by that particular Coastguard Co-ordination Centre. Announcements of pending broadcasts by HMCG is given on marine Channel 16 VHF and is normally announced along the lines of "All stations. This is Solent Coastguard... Maritime Safety Information will now be Broadcast on Channel"

One of the things we are often asked about the forecasts is what is does "soon" or "imminent" mean particularly when referring to a gale or a storm. "Imminent" means within six hours of the current forecast, "soon" between six and twelve hours' time and "later" more than twelve hours.

The other terms that people find confusing are "veering" and "backing" when referring to wind direction. "Veering" means the wind direction is changing clockwise, e.g. SW to W, while "backing" means it is changing in an anticlockwise direction e.g. SE to E.

As with any great intuition the Shipping Forecast has been parodied, used as influence for art, poetry and memorabilia. As I write this piece, I'm drinking coffee from a mug with the shipping forecast areas on it!

By far the best is the Les Barker's poem, "The Shipping Forecast" read by long time forecast reader Brian Perkins.

Have a search on the internet for it. It'll make anyone chuckle.

This is Swanage NCI, listening on channel 65, out.



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Blast From The Past!

This month, A Decade Ago...

Well, our eye-eyed readers were continuing to spot illegally parked 'official' vehicles in September 2009, sending in images for publication! Mike Ford spotted the Swanage Town Council van, pictured below, and dutifully sent it in.... we can but hope that those who enforce the rules also adhere to them. If not, our readers are out there!

Double Yellow Parking Ok?

Gazette reader, Mike Ford, snapped the Swanage Town Council parking attendant van illegally parked outside Arkwrights...



Neil Garrick-Maidment, Executive Director of The Seahorse Trust, wrote in to respond to the previous month's letter from Sara Brown, the then-Chairperson of Studland Parish Council. Sara had, in the previous month (Aug 2009), written in to 'correct' claims made by The Seahorse Trust with regards to anchors potentially causing damage to the sea grass beds utilised by the Studland seahorse colony as habitat.

Sara complained in her missive that at no point had the Parish Council been consulted with, nor actually invited to join the Studland Seagrass and Seahorse Study Group. Neil stated in the strongest terms that it was indeed a fact that anchors did indeed damage the habitat - as their regular dives and surveys had proven over a number of years. Neil also pointed out that any claims made that 'naming or shaming of people' (causing damage) at the sites was nonsense and would never be condoned by The Seahorse Trust.

Neil went on to respond most clearly to some of Sara's other published comments, including her statement that 'there was little support for the group' locally, suggesting that Sara was 'out of touch' with the community, and indeed visitors, in Studland. Neil finished off by suggesting that everyone needs to work together to ensure that Studland Bay remains the incredible, amazing site it was in 2009 for generations to come.....

The St Alban's Head Coastwatch Station, two miles from Worth Matravers, reported on an intensive refurbishment which had recently been undertaken after a major fundraising drive.

Thanks to the hard work of volunteers and a generous donation, a new Raymarine E120 unit had replaced the former radar equipment. The new unit would allow Watchkeepers to determine and track even small targets in dense fog.

The station had also been redecorated inside and out, standing proudly on the exposed headland it inhabits, at an elevation of 320ft on the cliff edge (pictured, below left).



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SYDENHAMS HIRE CENTRE SPONSORING OUR TRADE ADS ON PAGE 37 YOUR LOCAL INDEPENDENT TOOL & PLANT HIRE SPECIALIST

Housing was still a huge issue locally back in 2009 and we reported that the average 'wait' for affordable housing was calculated at twenty-nine years. Yep - you read that correctly - twenty-nine years. There were 1,192 people or families waiting for housing in September 2009. A mere 123 so-called 'affordable' homes were built in the previous three years, making the average waiting time to be housed a completely unacceptable and frankly disgusting twenty-nine years.

Have things changed?! We're of the opinion that those 'in-charge' still have literally no idea of the actual meaning of the word 'affordable' and seem incapable of accessing a dictionary. The housing list is still incomprehensively huge - meaning the waiting time remains ridiculously unacceptable to those in need of the most basic of all rights - a place to lay your head. Will this ever change?! Possibly when we finally run out of workers (nurses, retail workers, bin men, receptionists, postmen and so on....) as they're forced to move away - where? One does wonder.....

Bob Richardson and a new team from Wareham took over 'Purbeck Mobility' located on St John's Hill, thus ensuring that those less able in Purbeck still had access to mobility options locally. We featured the shop's new incarnation in our August 2009 edition, welcoming Bob and his team to the shop. Sadly, literally a decade later, Bob and his team have now retired from Purbeck Mobility.

The rather fabulous news is that an enthusiastic, new team have taken over and have rebranded the shop (still called Purbeck Mobility) and are continuing to support both locals and visitors with a wide range of mobility needs. Check out the new advert on the facing page for further details and we wish the new team the very best of luck going forwards!

Lulworth Community First Responders had officially launched in April 2006 and reported in August 2009 that the team had responded to three hundred potentially life-threatening calls as initial responders on behalf of the Ambulance Service, since 2006. The group had eight members and were looking to expand..... We still have Community First Responders in Purbeck - and we are all tremendously grateful to you all.

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Spot The Signs Of 'County Lines' In Purbeck

Dorset authorities are asking residents to look out for signs of county lines and help protect young people from being exploited by criminals.

Dorset Police, NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group, Public Health Dorset, the Youth Offending Service and Dorset Council are working together to tackle child exploitation, including county lines - which involves drug dealing networks using children to connect urban and rural areas across the UK.

And, with the summer holidays coming up, residents are being asked to keep an eye out and report any concerns.

Some of the signs of exploitation and county lines involvement are:

- A child or young person going missing from home or significant changes in emotional well-being
- A person meeting unfamiliar adults or a change to their behaviour
- The use of drugs and alcohol
- Acquiring money or expensive gifts they can't account for
- Lone children from outside of the area
- Individuals with multiple mobile phones, tablets or 'SIM cards'
- Young people with more money, expensive clothing, or accessories than they can account for
- Unknown or suspicious looking characters coming and going from a neighbour's house
- Relationships with controlling or older individuals or associations with gangs
- Suspicion of self-harm, physical assault or unexplained injuries

Superintendent Caroline Naughton from Dorset Police said: "Keeping our communities safe from county lines is a priority for Dorset Police throughout the year – but it can be particularly challenging during the summer months due to the sheer numbers of people visiting our county during the holiday season. Dorset remains one of the safest places in the country to live, work and visit and we are asking the public to help us to keep it that way. If they spot any of the signs of county lines, then we ask them to let us know by calling 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

Agencies in Dorset have been working together to improve the way intelligence is collected, shared and acted upon to tackle child exploitation. A multi-agency steering group has been set up to strengthen partnership working and protect vulnerable children and young people.

Sarah Parker, Executive Director for Children at Dorset Council, chairs the steering group. She said: "County lines can have a devastating impact on children and families' lives, so we need to all stand together to try and stop it. It's really important that people know what to look out for and who to contact, so agencies can act and protect children and young people from being exploited. We need our communities to be our eyes and ears and report any concerns."

If a child or young person is showing signs of mistreatment, seems to be travelling long distances or is unfamiliar with an area, the best advice is to trust your instincts and report your suspicions to the police online or by calling 101. Alternatively, you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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Swanage Awarded 'Plastic Free Communities' Status!



Swanage is Awarded 'Plastic Free Communities' Status as it Takes Action on Single-Use Plastic.

Swanage has joined a network of communities across the UK who are leading the way to tackle throw away plastic at source. The town has been awarded Plastic Free Community status by marine conservation charity, Surfers Against Sewage (SAS), in recognition of the work we have done to start reducing the impact of single-use plastic on the environment. Local group 'Sustainable Swanage' was formed in May 2019 with one of its first targets to achieve the Plastic Free status. The group is made up of a range of stakeholders including Swanage Town Council, Litter Free Coast and Sea, Swanage Chamber of Trade and Commerce and local residents. Registering with the SAS Plastic Free Communities movement, the group identified a range of great work that was already being done in the town and pulled these together to enable this fantastic achievement.

The objectives include; setting up a community led steering group, instigating the SAS Plastic Free Schools education programme, gaining local council commitment and working with local businesses, organisations and community groups to spread the word and minimise the amount of disposable plastics they use.

"I'm delighted that Swanage has achieved the Plastic Free Community award. It's a significant first step in addressing our concerns about environmental damage and climate change.", explained Avril Harris, Swanage Town Council Deputy Mayor, who is also a member of the Steering Group.

Swanage was provided with a target of five businesses to become 'plastic free' in order to achieve this award. Each business must eliminate at least three items of single use plastic and work to eliminate all others. While we have achieved five, we have given ourselves a target of fifty businesses. If you would like to be part of this scheme, please contact one of us at Sustainable Swanage.

Dean Storey, a local business owner who runs Quay Desserts, by the Stone Quay and a founding member of the Steering Group says he "is proud to be a Swanage plastic free business" and encourages all other business to follow his example.

A range of events to enhance the sustainability of Swanage and to promote the plastic free message regularly take place in Swanage and are free to attend. These include, for example, regular beach cleans run by Litter Free Purbeck and Sustainable Swanage are now running a series of presentations and feedback sessions to provide information and advice.

"We are so pleased that Swanage has achieved this status," said Sarah Spurling from 'Litter Free Coast and Sea'. "However, this is just the start of a long journey and we recognise that the purpose of 'Plastic Free Swanage' is to get people motivated to make a difference in this fantastic community."

The Surfers Against Sewage Plastic Free Community network aims to free the places where we live from single-use plastic. Using the five-point plan the aim is to empower communities to kick start local grassroots action, which can then be built upon.

The marine conservation charity, based in St Agnes in Cornwall, says it wants to unite communities to tackle avoidable plastic from the beach all the way back to the brands and businesses who create it. It says it is not about removing all plastic from our lives, but kicking our addiction to throwaway plastic and changing the system that produces it.

Rachel Yates, SAS Plastic Free Communities Project Officer, said: "It's great to see the work that Swanage has done to reduce the availability of avoidable plastics, raise awareness and encourage people to refill and reuse.

"We have over five hundred communities across the UK working to reduce single use plastic and the impact it has on our environment. Every step those communities and the individuals in them take is a step towards tackling the problem at source, challenging our throwaway culture and encouraging the habit and system changes we need to see."

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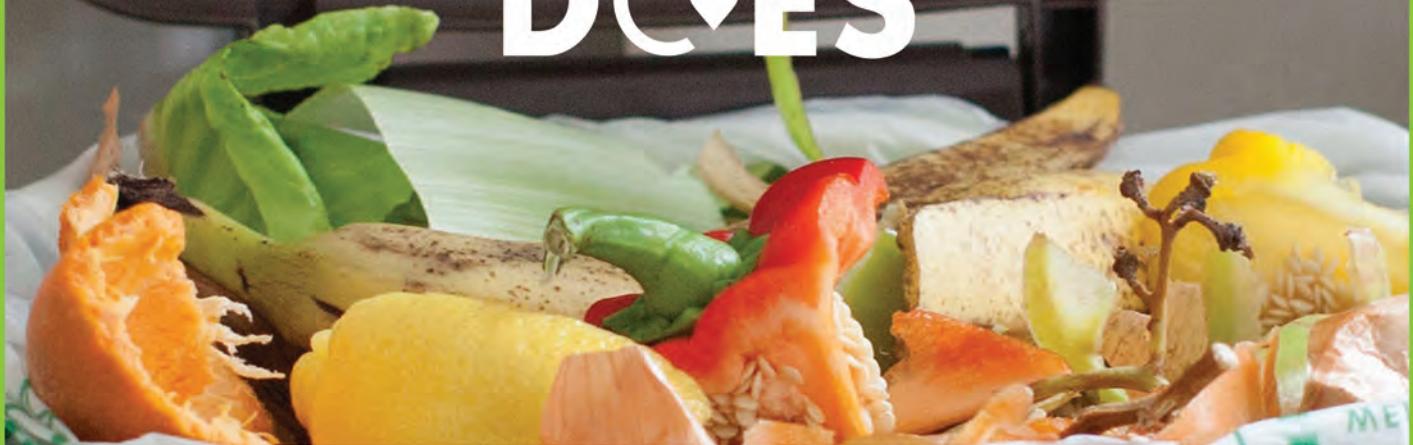
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Pictured on the left: The wonderful Bob Young, who has handmade the amazing wooden cabinets now being used in Purbeck Wholefoods!

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Extinction Rebellion Purbeck Stages 'Die-In'



Extinction Rebellion held a mass 'die-in' event outside Swanage Town Hall on Earth Overshoot Day on 29th July. The movement is demanding urgent action from the local authorities on the climate and ecological emergency.

This gathering was attended by over fifty members of the community, with ages from ten to eighty attending, and included many of the town's councillors. Participants lay on the ground to simulate being dead, while the Town Crier's ominous bell represented opportunity slipping away.

Eli, aged 11, said: "I feel that the people in charge that have the power to make a difference aren't doing so, I don't want to be frightened of my future."

Lucy, a local resident, said: "Having worked for the NHS for four and a half years, I'm all too familiar with the mantra 'do no harm', but I can't help but wonder if we need to extend this sentiment to ecosystems, since in failing to protect it we fail to protect ourselves."

Mike Bonfield, Swanage Town Mayor, said: "Thank you all for supporting this emergency. It was agreed that we would meet again in early September and we will work together (with Extinction Rebellion Purbeck) towards a

resolution to put to the full council in the near future."

Dean Storer of Extinction Rebellion Purbeck, said: "By declaring a climate emergency the council acknowledges the urgency of our situation and by committing to a net zero carbon target by 2030, the council will show that it is making the health and future of our community its number one priority.

"We already have all the solutions we need to limit our exposure to the breakdown of our climate. Whether we implement them or not is our choice and I hope we can tell our children that we did everything we could to protect their future."

This declaration is the first of its kind in the Purbeck area and follows on from BPC Council's ambitious declaration of climate emergency on the 16th July.

The UN emissions' gap report 2017 found that emissions need to peak by 2020 (just four months) if we are to have a good chance of limiting warming to 1.5-2°C and avoiding catastrophic climate breakdown.

Dean Storer. Photos by Tony Smith



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Don't forget that in every issue of the Purbeck Gazette, the Spotlight Diary at the rear of the magazine contains an amazing array of events and activities to tempt even the most jaded palate - get out there, get involved and join in!

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Martin Walks From Type 2 Diabetes

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"Wanting to appreciate the wonderful local beaches we have, I started daily 5km walks to the beach and back. My diabetes doesn't take a day off so why should I? Photographing wonderful sunrises makes it so worth it! Slowly by slowly, I've clocked up the miles and have recently completed my 70th consecutive daily walk!"

"I had the exercise sorted, next I needed to change my diet which has always been my nemesis. I've cut back on carbs, don't have takeaways and eat much more fruit. Breakfast is now a poached egg on toast. Lunch used to be a sandwich shop baguette with all the trimmings, but now I have a Ryvita with paté and tomatoes. I have switched crisps for popcorn. Then I finish with a couple of portions of fresh fruit. In the evenings, I've cut processed and microwave meals and prepare fresh food. I've cut the stodge and am more conscious about what I'm fuelling myself with."

"Fast-forward to March last year, I'd gone to the doctors as I was feeling generally unwell; having issues managing my diabetes and sleeping. My GP told me about LiveWell Dorset and encouraged me to give it a try, so I registered. I then received a diagnosis of vasculitis, a rare blood condition that affects around sixty in a million people. After making progress with my exercise and diet, this diagnosis knocked me for six and I had to take time off work."

"There's still a way for me to go but I intend to stay positive and the results have been encouraging so far. Having completed my initial treatment for vasculitis last month, I'm now going to contact LiveWell to join a weight loss group via their voucher scheme. I've joined the Our LiveWell Facebook group and am inspired by the stories of change. I returned to work in June and it's been encouraging to hear work colleagues notice the change in

me. My transformation has even given me the confidence to join a couple of dating apps too, not something I ever saw myself doing previously."

"To anyone at risk of Type 2 diabetes, I would say - get your numbers checked. We need to know our numbers and it's down to us to take responsibility for our health. Thank you LiveWell for your support, keep up the great work you do to encourage others to take that leap and improve their life in more ways than they thought possible!"

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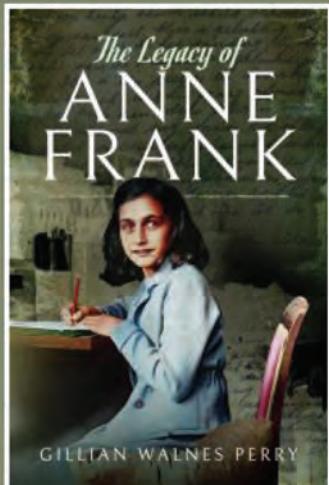
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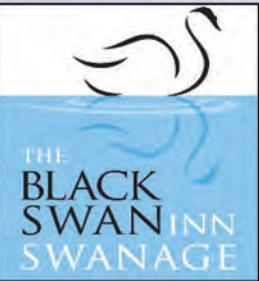
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We would like to thank our local funding contributors who have been instrumental in ensuring that we are able to continue to run the Out of the Blue project.

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Carlotta Barrow with the Sealife Bench

From The Kitchen Garden...



Runner Bean Et Courgette Chutney

By Regula Wright,
Godlingston
Manor Kitchen
Garden

Autumn is the season of plenty, when more crops are ready for harvesting than at any other time of the year. This goes particularly for the fruit crops like tomatoes, aubergines, peppers, pumpkins and many more.

Each plant has to establish itself first, get the roots settled and grow leaves to nourish the whole plant and turn the sun's energy into carbohydrates. The plant also needs to make sure it flowers, they then get pollinated and the next generation of seeds is on its way. For a perennial plant this process can take years, an apple tree can cope with a dry year once established and is able to recover.

However, if you're just an annual vegetable this whole process has to happen pretty quickly in just a few weeks. This is where my role as the grower is important- choosing the right seed for a particular spot, making sure the soil is in good health, the soil temperature is right, and the seed is sown at the right time. Afterwards my task is to prevent the seed eaten by mice, birds or other hungry mouths.

Once germinated, I have to make sure each seedling gets warmth, moisture and light by putting down fleece, watering and weeding. The growing journey has begun and I have to adjust anew to every year, every season and I only get one opportunity- if I miss it, that's it until next year....

This year on the whole so far has been rather dry, but not as bad compared to the drought last year- we did get the odd spot of rain during July & August and although I've got a lovely spring water and sprinkler set up, there's nothing like a thorough wetting by a good night's rain!

As next year's planting plan is already taking shape in my head, I am mindful to appreciate the fantastic produce grown this year. Unlike a winemaker or brewer, as a fresh vegetable grower the gathering, sorting and selling has to happen in a small-time window, so I really prize my inventive customers using the glut in their delicious bottling and preserving creations.

This Runner Bean and Courgette Chutney is a favourite of mine, as it keeps its texture even after maturing in the jar for a few weeks.

Runner Bean and Courgette Chutney

Ingredients: (makes about 7 200ml/6oz. Jars)

- 500 g runner or French climbing beans, sliced diagonally
- 4 medium sized courgettes, chopped
- 500 g cooking apples, peeled, cored and chopped
- 2 large onions, peeled and chopped
- 400g brown sugar/or dark muscovado sugar mix
- 1tsp mustard powder

1 tsp ground turmeric
1 tsp mustard seeds
1 tsp coriander seeds
600 ml apple cider vinegar

Method:

Put the beans, courgettes, apples and onions in a preserving pan or a large stainless steel saucepan. Add the sugar, spices and vinegar and stir. Cook over a gentle heat, stirring until all the sugar has dissolved, then bring to a boil and keep at a rolling boil, stirring every now and again, for 10 minutes.

Reduce the heat to a simmer and cook for about 1 hr 30 minutes, stirring from time to time until the mixture thickens. Be careful to stir continuously near the end of cooking time, as the chutney tends to catch the bottom of the pan.

Ladle into warm, sterilized jars with non-metallic or vinegar proof lids, making sure there are no air gaps.

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Chairman's News

It is great to have positive news and there is so much going on at the Hospital it is hard to know where to start. We knew it would be beneficial for patients to be able to access a beautiful garden area to speed their recovery prior to their discharge.

We have been waiting for such a long time to create such a garden but there was little point in starting it if the patients couldn't easily reach it.

There had to be a lift from the ward area and building that would tie in with developing the empty area under the ward known as the Undercroft. Then when the decision was taken by Dorset HealthCare (the part of the NHS that manages our hospital) to allow us to build a car park on the old Everest site, it made sense to put these three projects together.

Getting planning permission took longer than we hoped but the plans were finally approved in May and Phase one will be the creation of a meeting room, a bed-sit for relatives of palliative care patients and a staff room in the Undercroft. This work is just starting and will be

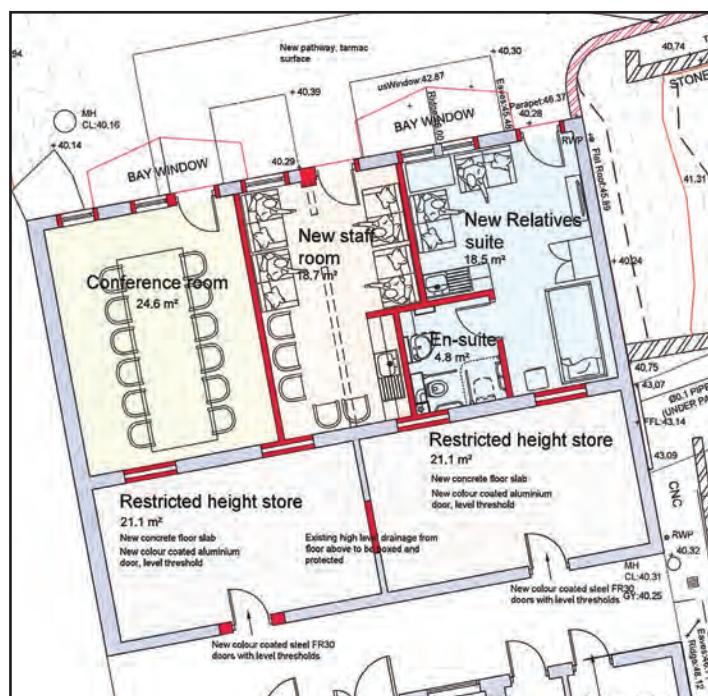
followed by the creation of a 27-bay car park. The Patient Garden will be the last phase and work will go on well into next year with spring planting completing this exciting project. This will be followed next year by redecoration of the ward and the upgrading of the lighting and fitments in that area plus the purchase of new televisions for each bed.

We are so fortunate to be in a community which cares so passionately about its hospital and gives so generously to the Friends. We were stopped from spending very much on the Hospital whilst the Clinical Services Review was going on but now it's full steam ahead!

At our AGM on 9th October the Chief Executive of Dorset Healthcare will be talking. Why not take the chance to quiz him about what new services could be provided at the Hospital? We keep being promised 'care closer to home' but too many of us still have to travel over to Poole or Dorchester for outpatient appointments.

We need to make our voices heard and see if we can get more consultants to hold clinics at Swanage Hospital. Thank you for your support over the last year and to the wonderful team of staff up at the Hospital who do such a brilliant job, keeping up an excellent standard of care, cleanliness, catering and commitment - thank you!

Jan Turnbull - Plans of the intended works are shown below.



Dot Harris, Paula Beesley & Julie Lloyd with day surgery trolley

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Annual Newsletter 2019



Message from Matron



Hello everyone I hope this message finds you well. It's another year and once again I am given the chance to reflect on the last year at Swanage Hospital. We continue to be a very busy hospital offering services to Purbeck; visitors to the hospital won't have failed to notice the large refurbishment of our X ray and Ultrasound service.

This is now completed and we are officially launching this in September with a local celebrity attending. Watch this space!

This investment in our Radiography Department by Dorset Healthcare means that we are completely up to date with equipment and technology and the department is working towards national accreditation. The Friends have also been able to support us with additional equipment needed in our ultrasound department.

Our Endoscopy service led by Judy Ford and her team achieved their reaccreditation from the Joint Advisory Group for Endoscopy, a national body that assess and monitor the endoscopy experience ranging from use

of lists, to patient experience. I am very proud to say that Swanage was the first community hospital to achieve this accreditation and the first to be reaccredited without any conditions.

Our Minor Injury Unit continues to be very busy especially during the holiday period and the team at Swanage work very hard to ensure that all patients are treated promptly. They deal with so many different cases that I am always impressed by their knowledge and skills.

Outpatients continue to be busy with a range of clinics, and both nursing and admin teams work tirelessly to ensure the jigsaw puzzle of which clinic is on which day, ensures the department runs smoothly.

Finally, I would like to share the opportunities our nursing staff have been given: Two of our Healthcare assistants on the Nursing Apprenticeship for Registered Nurses, and one of our Theatre Healthcare assistants on the Associate Nurse Apprenticeship.

The Friends of Swanage have supported us to enable one of these to start studying in September, without which we would not be able to 'grow our own' nurses in these challenging recruitment times.

There are a lot more exciting plans for the future development of the Swanage Hospital building and grounds in the coming year.

Once again, I would like to thank the Friends for their continued support to myself and Swanage Hospital.

Membership Report

Do you value Swanage Hospital and all the services that it offers to the community?

If so, please consider joining the Friends and adding to the large number of people who already support the hospital in this way. Being a Friend shows your support of the hospital and does not mean that you have to do any voluntary work, but demonstrates that you support the hospital.

That support is important for two reasons. Firstly, it demonstrates how important Swanage Hospital is to our community and how much its services are needed and valued. Secondly, subscription monies plus donations, legacies and fundraising, mean that over the years, all sorts

of equipment, enhancements and training have been funded, which have resulted in Swanage Hospital being able to offer a huge range of services including diabetic eye screening, scans and numerous outpatient clinics (all using state of the art equipment) saving lengthy trips to larger hospitals some distance away.

We also have the Minor Injuries Unit and Inpatient beds.

Membership forms are available from Swanage Hospital reception or can be downloaded from our website - www.friendsofswanagehospital.org.uk

We suggest a minimum annual membership of £5 and this can be paid in cash, cheque, annual standing order or online via our website. If you are a taxpayer, you are also able to Gift Aid your membership fees and any donations that you make. Lastly and most importantly, a huge 'thank you' to all the Friends who already support our Hospital in this way. **Kate Spurling**

Treasurer's Report

The Chairman has told you about our exciting plans for the coming year which will cost well in excess of one million pounds and will ensure that the former Everest site will stay permanently available should the Hospital need to expand and the space will not be lost to housing.

While we have been saving for some time to fund this major project, it hasn't stopped us spending money to support the Hospital this year.

We have spent £139,000 on improvements to the Day Surgery Unit, equipment for it and the Stanley Purser Ward, a new disinfection system for Ultrasound and a new Zeiss Microscope to support the Eye Clinics in Outpatients (this item alone cost £45,000).

We couldn't spend it without your support in the first place and it is still our intention that Swanage Hospital will have the facilities and the equipment to not only keep it fit for purpose but to be at the forefront of good practice.

Even with this huge expenditure we only made a slight loss on the year thanks to your continued generosity.

Clearly next year we will make a huge loss as we pay the bills for the major work but I am sure the people of Swanage and Purbeck will continue to support us as we look for the next big ventures needed to keep our Hospital moving forward and providing us all with the care we need.

Thank you.

Terry Buck



Karyn Hunt & Angela Holmes with Trophon Disinfection System for Ultrasound probes

Motoring

An Exclusive Drive In The Country

by David Hollister

It was back in 2014 that I accepted a challenge from my friend Tim Pyne of Wool & Bovington Motors to try out the new MG, a marque which has reappeared in the UK after many years lingering in the doldrums, probably embarrassed by the unreliable noisy leaking rust-buckets with useless brakes and cars which promised much and delivered little and yet which bring a tear to the eye of the "real sports enthusiasts" who love to spend their weekends lying on their backs under their cars, when they're not actually on the phone to the RAC.

I knew that they were back in this country, that they were mostly built in China but styled, designed and assembled in Longbridge so I guess that makes them British. The MG3 I drove in August 2014 did a lot to encourage me that this model was going to stick around and prove popular, and I was right. The MG3 has persisted and the latest model is better than ever.

Tim kindly lent me a top of the range MG3 Exclusive for a long weekend; we were going to Castle Combe circuit just north of the M4, to meet James and have a 'track day' in our Cooper S, a journey of about 90 miles. This was very much a 'boys weekend' so Tina didn't come with me which meant I could really try the MG's speed and handling without cries of 'surrender' from the passenger seat.

We did manage a Saturday morning driving around Purbeck to 'get the hang of it' and I liked what I found. The 4-cylinder normally-aspirated DOHC VTI-tech engine produces a healthy 106ps and 137nm of torque. Providing 0-60 in 10.4 seconds and a notional (of course) maximum speed of 108 mph. In other words, nippy but not extravagantly over-powered for the UK's poorly-maintained and over-regulated road system. Honestly, you don't need more power than this in a road car. And with an insurance group of 8E and emissions of Euro 6D, it's really all you need. Pretty, five doors, nice cabin, good load space, tell me what more you could ask?

Actually, the speed and acceleration on the way to Castle Combe ended up being the quickest I drove all weekend as no matter what we did to the Mini, it decided to have an electrical or fuel system malfunction which prevented us from taking it on the track and obliged James to 'limp home', a low-speed journey which he didn't enjoy but did admit that he saw scenery he never usually noticed.....

And, Tim, we did resist taking the MG on the track despite our friends urging us to 'show us what it can do'!

MG are so confident in the quality of their MG3 that they offer a seven-year or 80,000 mile manufacturer's warranty. Which means no significant repair bills – a major plus in this day and age. With its low-cut front spoiler and colour-coded boot spoiler, the MG3 really looks the part.

Once behind the wheel, I was pleased to find features that you don't normally expect on a car with such a small price tag. LED running lights, and hill hold control and the eight-inch colour touch screen come as standard on all three models across the range along with TPMS (tyre pressure monitoring system). There are six airbags and a really roomy interior. We had the back seats down and used most of the 1262 litres of space with our tools, luggage, spare wheels, etc. with no noticeable fall-off in performance.

The MG3 is 4055 cm long (just over thirteen feet in 'old money') so it will fit nicely in your drive and is a pleasure to park. The reverse bleepers and dynamic colour reversing camera with guidelines help a lot, especially if you're not as flexible as perhaps you once were!

The eight-inch colour touch screen is the portal to most of the MG3's range of electronics and driving aids. Including an AM-FM-DAB radio with USB, the Bluetooth telephone with steering-wheel controls and audio streaming which means that entertainment is virtually unlimited. The Exclusive model which I drove also featured cruise control which is a real boon on long journeys. The stitched leather steering wheel served to remind me of the MG's sporting history; so much nicer than plastic!

There's not a lot of road noise or engine noise; not the quietest car I've driven but still a pleasure to be in. Even gentle classical music comes over well.



I found the aircon controls a bit fiddly, especially as when using 'Google maps' on the screen, the aircon indicator disappeared. But I'm sure that this is something that after a few days I'd get used to. I didn't get to use the 'stability control' but it's nice to know it's there! Like ABS and airbags, a feature that you actually hope you never have to use.

The book says that on a combined cycle we should achieve 47.1 mpg. The car itself told me that I'd achieved 44.5mpg so I guess I didn't do too bad. I used 21 litres (4.6 gallons) over 190 miles so my wallet told me I'd done 41.3 mpg, that's 87% - one of the best I've ever managed. I know that this could have been better had I not spent so long in traffic jams; avoid Melbury Abbas like the plague..... come to think of it, don't try to get out of Purbeck on a sunny Sunday afternoon!

Some folk don't like yellow. Me, I love it and would have chosen it from the range of six colours that the MG3 offers. It also offers 'MG 3-dimensional colour scheme' which basically is a huge range of stripes and roof colours so you can personalise your car. As you will see from the photo, mine was pretty well personalised with the Purbeck MG decals and the amazing £2,000 trade-in offer currently being advertised.

OK, prices. That's what it's all about. The basic 'Explore' model is £9495 OTR, whilst the top-of-the range Exclusive is £12,795 OTR. But Purbeck MG are offering you to swap your old car and get a minimum of £2000 off a new MG3. Trade-in must be taxed and in 'good working order' but there really isn't a catch. If I were in the market right now for a 5-door family hatchback, I would offer Tim my battered 1988 Mazda 323 which has been in the family for nigh on twenty years..... but he's a friend and I wouldn't do that to him!

MG are just about to launch an all-electric version of the MG ZS, the MG ZS EV. I'm really looking forward to getting my hands on this (in November) because I enjoyed the MG ZS I drove in March 2018 and I'm all in favour of electric cars.... Bring it on!

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How Are You Positioning Yourself For H2?

This was a question that I was asked to answer in about 150 words in early July for 'Investment Week', which is a publication which provides the latest investment news, analysis and opinion for wealth managers and the UK funds industry.

My answer as to how I am positioning clients' portfolios for the second half of 2019 was as follows and my thoughts remain the same as I review my comments in early August.

'Who would have thought that 3 years after the Brexit vote there would still be so much uncertainty over when, how and if it was going to happen? Markets and investors are unsettled by uncertainty.'

However, sitting on cash in investment accounts means potentially missing capital growth, certainly missing out on income but still paying fees.

I still believe that the UK offers good value long term, although as we have found in the recent Woodford situation, value investing is not 'on trend' at the moment. However, I am sure that there are a number of undervalued UK companies which will come right in time, but this can mean more patience and underperformance than a lot of investors are prepared to accept.

I am maintaining my exposure to the UK and am also ensuring that I have good general global exposure. Fixed Interest remains a difficult sector, so I prefer to obtain income from equity and stability from selected absolute return funds and low risk, diversified funds.'

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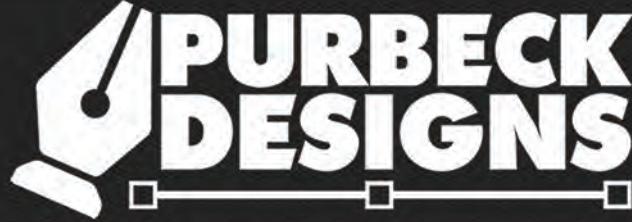
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Three charities based in Dorset have received donations of £1,000 each as part of the Movement for Good awards. The awards, set up by specialist insurer Ecclesiastical, will see a total of £1 million given to charities across the UK this summer. Members of the public were invited to nominate causes close to their hearts, with 500 awards of £1,000 available for donation. Child of Hope and Forest Holme Hospice based in Poole and Dorset Search & Rescue in Weymouth are the local charities set to benefit from the money, following overwhelming public support in the county. More than 1,200 kind-hearted residents voted for over 100 charities across the region.

In total, an amazing 98,000 people around the UK supported the Movement for Good awards, with over 7,000 charitable causes up and down the country receiving votes. The 500 winning charities were picked at random from those nominated. Thanking supporters in Dorset, Mark Hews, Group CEO of Ecclesiastical, said: "We have seen a fantastic public response to our Movement for Good awards. It's clear that people care deeply about good causes in their region. Here at Ecclesiastical, our core purpose is to contribute to the greater good of society, so charitable giving is at the heart of our business. We know that £1,000 can make a huge difference to the incredible work that charities do and we're looking forward to seeing how this financial boost will change lives for the better."

Later this summer, a further ten charities will also be chosen by a panel of judges to receive £50,000 from Ecclesiastical to be put towards the advancement of education, skills, arts, culture and heritage, as well as citizenship or community development. Charities are invited to apply for the substantial grant with applications being assessed against four key areas; impact and effectiveness, sustainability, innovation, and care and compassion. The successful charities will be announced from Monday 30 September 2019. Owned by a charity, Ecclesiastical is the only financial services group that exists to give all its profits to charity. It has given £100million to charity over the past five years and is the fourth largest corporate giver in the UK1.

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So, when can you collect the keys?! The whole process on average takes between eight-twelve weeks but this is dependent upon a number of factors including whether you are purchasing a freehold or a leasehold property, whether a Management Company or Landlord is involved and whether you are in a chain of other property transactions.

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A New CCTV Centre In Dorchester To Improve Safety

Dorset Council, Dorset Police and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Dorset have worked together to deliver the new £375,000 control room, which will help prevent, detect and reduce crime, as well as improve traffic management.

The new centre features upgraded technology, including new digital radio systems, touchscreen control panels, interactive mapping software, upgraded monitors and better facilities for reviewing footage.

Representatives from Dorset Council and Dorset Police visited the new centre in mid-July to see it in action. Those visiting included Cllr Graham Carr-Jones, Dorset Council Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Housing, Cllr Ray Bryan, Portfolio Holder for Highways, Travel and Environment, Martyn Underhill, Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner and Superintendent Caroline Naughton from Dorset Police.

Cllr Carr-Jones said: "It is an impressive facility with better technology that will improve public safety. It's a good example of public services pulling together efficiently to deliver improvements."

Superintendent Caroline Naughton of Dorset Police said: "This is a fantastic example of all partners involved in community safety coming together to develop a CCTV system that is fit for purpose and meets all of our needs. CCTV systems are vital for the prevention, detection and prosecution of crime and I am pleased that Dorset is now at the forefront of using the latest technology."

Martyn Underhill, Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner, said: "This represents a crucial modernisation of Dorset's CCTV infrastructure and I am confident this important investment will enable agencies including

the police and council to work more closely together to help keep people across the county safe.

"This state-of-the-art centre will hopefully expand to enable other areas of Dorset to benefit from this innovation in the future."

The digital radio system in the new control room can link to council staff on patrol including parking officers, Weymouth Town Council beach staff and uniformed patrol officers who tackle anti-social behaviour under the Community Safety Accreditation Scheme. It also links direct to Shop Watch, Pub Watch and Taxi Watch schemes. This means shopkeepers, publicans and taxi drivers can contact the CCTV control room direct. The control room is also connected directly to the police via the emergency services Airwave radio system.

The cameras also help to monitor traffic, dealing with any problems and supporting safe travel across the network. This is particularly useful during special events such as Weymouth Carnival, Weymouth IRONMAN 70.3 and the veterans' parade.

The Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner's Office contributed £263,000 to the project, while Dorset Council contributed £110,000. Apart from the Highways cameras, which operate across Dorset, the CCTV centre currently covers Bridport, Dorchester and Weymouth. Other parts of Dorset have separate CCTV systems, operated either privately or by town councils. The new centre could be expanded in the future to cover other parts of the county.

The operation of the CCTV centre is carefully managed and is governed by the Surveillance Camera Commissioner.

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Scam Victims To Be Refunded By Their Bank

People who make a payment to an account that they believe belongs to a legitimate person or business, that turns out to be a fraudulent account run by a scammer, will now in most cases be given a refund by their bank.

The added protection for consumers is due to a new code of practice agreed by most major banks. The code states that victims should be reimbursed unless they ignored their bank's warnings about the scam or were 'grossly negligent' in transferring the money.

It applies to scams reported from Tuesday 28 May to UK accounts, overseas accounts aren't covered. Until now, while banks have generally given refunds when payments are fraudulently made without customers' authorisation, they haven't been obliged to give a refund when someone has been tricked into making a payment themselves.

This type of scam is called an Authorised Push Payment (APP) scam as the customer unwittingly authorises the payment to be made, usually either online, in person or over the phone. It is reported that £228.4 million was lost in 2018 due to APP scams.

The voluntary code commits banks that are signed up to it to a series of measures to tackle APP fraud, such as educating customers about scams and how they work.

The code also encourages banks to identify customers who are at higher risk of becoming a victim, warn customers when they've spotted a scam and try to delay payments while investigating.

Scams can have a devastating impact on people, causing distress and hardship, some people will have lost whole life savings. This new code is therefore seen as a real positive step forward.

If you think you have been a victim of this type of scam, then report it to your bank.

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Natural Matters

Priests, Pubs And Purbeck Stone...



by John Garner

The Isle of Purbeck has a thriving quarrying industry. An internet search will throw up many alternatives should you wish to purchase Purbeck stone. I recently went to look at a new build house where local stone had been used and it really is brilliant stuff. There's something about building with local stone that just feels and looks right.

Purbeck stone has been used since Roman times. The limestone could be made to look like the marble they used to use in the Mediterranean. Those seams have long been exhausted, but the limestone used today is highly sought after and is the result of millions of tiny sea creatures being compressed together over somewhere between 155 million and 45 million years - which really is quite something when you think of it.

It's strong and long-lasting and as such was often the building material of choice for many an architect from the middle ages onwards. Corfe Castle, as well as many of the local churches and a host of other dwellings in the area, used it. Elsewhere it was used in Westminster, St Paul's and most famously (in Russia), Salisbury Cathedral, with its 330 steps.

These are not quite as inspirational to us as they are to visitors from the East and I'm not even sure that the steps up to the top of the spire are themselves fashioned from Purbeck stone. It's safe to say that even if they are, the architect would have to have been some sort of Nostradamus type visionary to install it as the best option for repelling poisonous nerve gas. But you never know. The attention to detail in those days was legendary.

Some of the stone could well have been taken from Dancing Ledge, where I found myself just the other day. Well, I didn't just find myself there. That would be weird. It was a planned visit and for good reason. There are a number of theories about the name Dancing Ledge. One is that the main ledge is about the size of a dancefloor.

Another is that the shallow ledge means that in windy conditions the waves appear to dance on the surface. Whatever the derivation of the name, Dancing Ledge is a firm favourite for swimming and scrambling. There's even a small swimming pool that a local school had quarried out for their students in the early nineteenth century. It fills up at high tide and as the water recedes allows for safe and pleasant bathing.

I like swimming off the rocks as the water is quite deep, but this isn't everyone's idea of relaxed swimming. Relatively deep water makes it a coasteering destination and there are a number of sport climbs and bouldering problems there as well. It's a bit of a climb down, but the walk to it is beautiful. I headed there from Langton Matravers and even though it was the heart of summer, it was still pretty peaceful and uncrowded. A great spot for an evening swim and picnic.

The deep water made it a good place to load the stone onto ships for transport. They stopped quarrying at Dancing Ledge in 1914, presumably coinciding with the outbreak of the First World War and never resumed, although they carried on elsewhere on the coast until after the second world war. It's possible that as other forms of transport became available the need to use ships became redundant, although this is strictly from my

'facts I have guessed at' folder. Could be a pure coincidence. Quarrying on this scale must have been a hazardous business, collapsing tunnels being an ever-present possibility.

Back up towards Langton Matravers you pass over the Priest's Way, an ancient thoroughfare a medieval priest frequently trod to visit all the holy places on his patch between Swanage and Worth Matravers.

The Priest's Way in itself makes for a great walk or cycle and takes in some fantastic views and sights. Start at the Swanage end of the trail and you can reward yourself at the end with a pint in the world's best pub.

Nothing comes close to the Square and Compass in terms of sheer 'pubness'. It might not satisfy George Orwell's 10-point criteria for the perfect pub (look it up if you don't know), but to just about everyone else who's been there it's exactly what a pub should be. Music, beer and quirkiness.

They even have a stone carving festival in late July through early August. It's a pub that's absolutely rooted in the quarrying history of the area, from its name, to the fossil museum housed within it, through to the stone carving fortnight.

The owner of the pub even constructed a woodhenge, in the style of Stonehenge, just up the hill. It's still there despite the local council wanting to take it down. I for one signed the online petition to keep it there.

Purbeck is steeped in quarrying. Many families have been quarrying here for generations and hopefully will for many more. Quarrying here, now appears to be conducted in a small and sustainable way and that's all to its credit. The stone is a fantastic colour and the more new homes that are built with it in the area, the better.

Developers please take note.

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Smaller migrants might still be present in the form of a Painted Lady Butterfly or two. These insects along with Bush-crickets and Grasshoppers are perfect pre-migrant food for the birds! Last year the bird ringers managed to capture and ring several Nightjars on passage through Durlston after leaving their heathland breeding grounds. It is also a time to be on the lookout for the tiny white orchid Autumn Ladies Tresses and rare Autumn Gentians.

If you are planning a wildlife watching trip, why not use the Durlston Explorer Bus Service which operates until Saturday 21st September, from stops between Swanage Railway and Durlston (and is free to bus pass holders). Of course, there is still the opportunity to sign up to either offer or accept a car share to or from Durlston, as part of our new lift-share scheme – do get in touch if you'd like to know more.

For those with an artistic interest then do take in the 'Durlston and Beyond' exhibition, presented by Southern Contemporaries. This will show off paintings and 3-dimensional art forms; as well as affordable art - artists'

postcards and unframed work, along with artists' talks and demonstrations.

Perhaps you might like to have a go at drawing under the friendly guidance of popular local artist/illustrator Tony Kerins in his Sketchbook Workshop on 15th September. Drawing materials and/or camera optional, but booking is essential via our website!

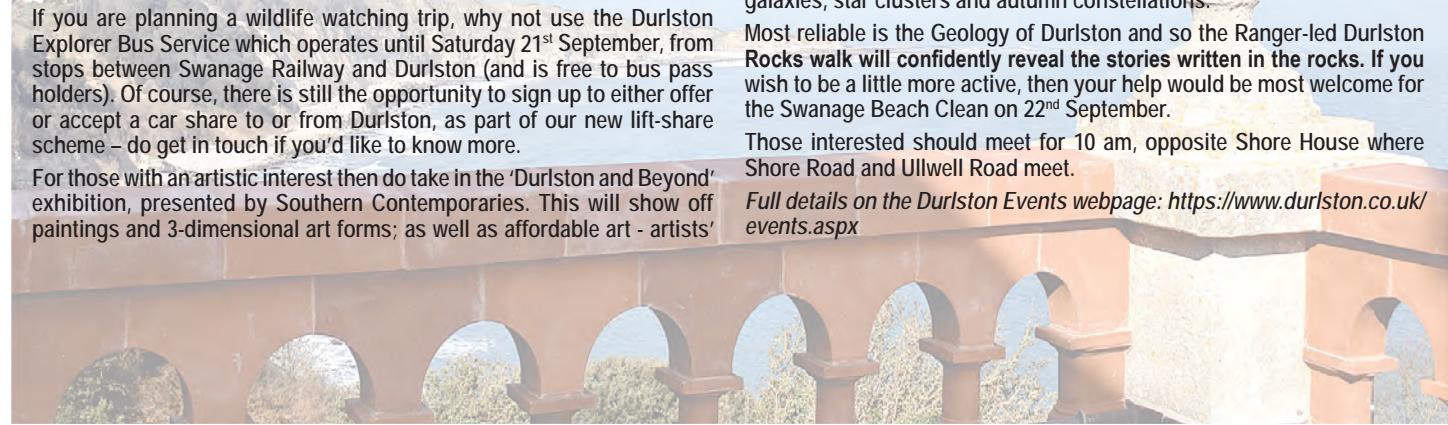
Another local favourite is Julian Sawyer's inspirational Purbeck Footprints: Wildlife Photography Walk. A Ranger-led walk will focus on those Early Migrants Birds about on 29th September (please book).

Before our evenings draw in come along to the Stargazing on 7th September when, weather permitting, we hope to see the Moon, Jupiter, Saturn, galaxies, star clusters and autumn constellations.

Most reliable is the Geology of Durlston and so the Ranger-led Durlston Rocks walk will confidently reveal the stories written in the rocks. If you wish to be a little more active, then your help would be most welcome for the Swanage Beach Clean on 22nd September.

Those interested should meet for 10 am, opposite Shore House where Shore Road and Ullwell Road meet.

Full details on the Durlston Events webpage: <https://www.durlston.co.uk/events.aspx>



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with Simon Goldsack

Creating a Relaxing Outdoor Space

A garden should be a place to relax and enjoy the outdoors and perhaps commune with family and friends. The trouble is with living in an urban environment (as the two below pictures show) is that, as well as being overlooked by neighbouring windows, one's outlook is dominated by sterile, manmade objects.



The views from sub-urban gardens are awash with harsh horizontal lines. In the pictures we can see the line where the bottom of the walls and fences meet the soil; the top of the fence; the brick courses, the roof eaves, the fenestration, the roof line and the gutters.

There is also the problem of 'massing' i.e. the sheer volume of flat planes

constructed of one type of material with little or no relief e.g. the roof tiles, the brick walls and the fence panels.

Fortunately, the solutions are simple and easy.

The introduction of just a few planting elements really helps distract the eye from the strong horizontal

for three reasons. Firstly, the yellow stems contrast beautifully with the grey wall. Secondly, they break up the massing of the wall and finally they break the horizontal line at the top of the wall.

So, you can see with just a little investment in plants your garden can be transformed from an uncomfortable goldfish bowl into a relaxing, private space to sit in and enjoy with friends and family.

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lines, the massing and provides privacy within the space.

In the next picture (top right), not only does the climbing jasmine break up the mass of the wall and fence but it also provides some privacy from the building behind. The box balls break up the massing of the patio and wall, and the ascending tree branches introduce a vertical element to foil the horizontal lines.

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AONB Landowner Fined Over Planning Breach

ADORSET landowner has been prosecuted and fined after failing to rectify a serious breach of planning control within the Cranborne Chase Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Robert George Coles of Broad Oak Farm, East Melbury, Shaftesbury, pleaded guilty at Weymouth Magistrates Court on 5th August 2019 to one offence contrary to S179(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Planning enforcement officers discovered significant excavation works had taken place at Broad Oak Farm, located at the base of Zig Zag Hill in Melbury Abbas, in October 2014. The works, which caused ground levels to change as a result of the spreading of excavated spoil, affected 3,700 square metres of the 150,000 square metre farm.

The council informed Mr Coles that the excavation and resultant works taking place were not permitted development, but were an unauthorised engineering operation that required planning permission. Prior to an enforcement notice being served in October 2018, Mr Coles twice made promises to the council that he would rectify the breach and return the land to its former condition. But failed to do so.

Mr. Coles was fined £3,000 and ordered to pay the full claim for prosecution costs in the sum of £1,323, making a total of £4,123. He was also ordered to pay a victim surcharge of £30. The sentencing magistrate said that the offence was particularly serious because the unauthorised development was in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and because so much time that had passed without the situation being remedied.

Dorset Council Cabinet Member for Planning, Cllr David Walsh said: "I would like to thank our planning control officers for conducting an excellent investigation and working with our legal team to bring this case to a successful conclusion. Court proceedings are a last resort and we always try to work with landowners to remedy planning breaches when possible.

"However, we have a duty to protect Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and we will address breaches to ensure the integrity of the planning system is not undermined." More information about planning enforcement, including how to report a possible unauthorised development, is available on Dorset Council's website: www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk



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Swanage Folk Festival 2019



Swanage Folk Festival will have three vibrant young multinational bands headlining, one on each evening, at the Festival this year.

The Festival, which runs from 6-8 September has a group of five Welsh musicians, Calan, in the top spot on Friday night. They have a contemporary and lively approach, updating traditional songs and giving energetic performances of Welsh step dancing.

On Saturday night, there is an English/Scottish combo, The Tweed Project, who are sought after musicians from the UK folk scene. Two of whom, Greg Russell and Ciaran Algar have been recipients of the BBC's Young Folk Award.

Orkney group Fara close the Festival on Sunday night. Fara's show is an exciting one. With a mixture of self-penned and traditional Orkney tunes as well as haunting songs; the girls' combined musical experiences and friendships produce an exciting and individual sound.

The Festival also boasts over sixty dance sides who will be performing around the town throughout the Festival and there will be some interesting fringe events ranging from stories for children to yoga and music



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workshops. There is also a craft fair and a well-stocked Festival Bar. Swanage Folk Festival is looking for more stewards to help at the Festival this year. For information about stewarding and tickets please go to swanagefolkfestival.com.

Photos: Dancers enjoying the sea (top), Swan Folk Hawk (below left), Fara (below, left)



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Artists appearing will include Ben Tyzack (The Spikedrivers) & Guy Tortora (USA); Blues Dharma (multi-cultural Indo-blues fusion featuring Tabla and Veena); Gary Fletcher (The Blues Band); Blues 'Hall of Fame' top harmonica player Paul Lamb with Chad Strentz; The Sepia Show Swing Twins (Nick Hyde & David Raphael); and The Baroness and The Bear with Robert Hokum.

Robert is not only a long-time Swanage Blues favourite and organiser of Ealing Blues Festival, but was recently asked to be on a panel of an All-Party Political Group at Westminster looking at protecting music venues from closure.

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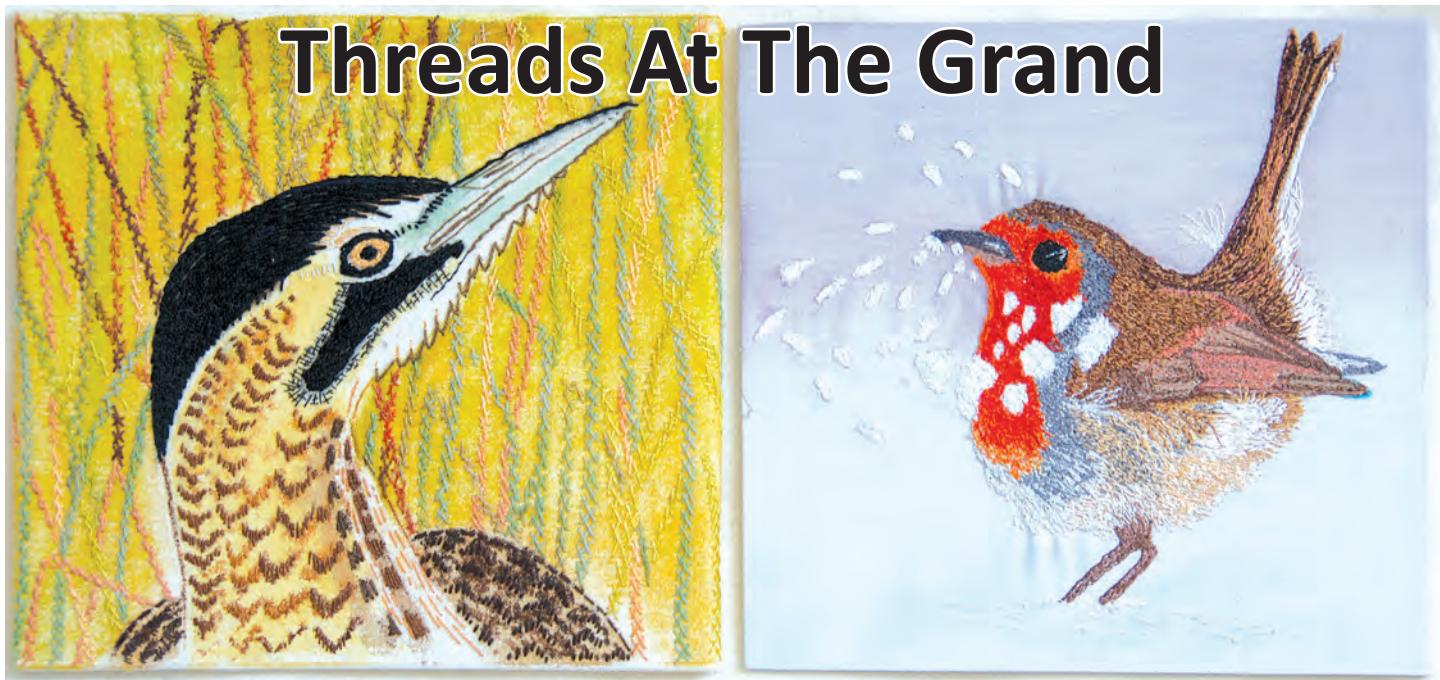
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Dorset Button Rapper are a men's rapper sword side. Rapper is a form of Morris dancing that comes from the north east of England.

We dance out during the summer most Wednesdays outside many Dorset pubs. We also dance at several folk festivals.

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Naughty Knitters!



Swanage's own 'Naughty Knitters', some of whom are pictured above (fully clothed!), are still selling their fabulous calendar for 2020, in various outlets around Swanage and Purbeck, raising much-needed funds for our local Dementia Buddies scheme.

During a few weeks in the summer the ladies operated a small charity 'pop-up' shop in Swanage, raising even more much-needed funds.

The calendar is still for sale in various retail outlets, including from @61 in Swanage High Street (next to the Red Lion).

The ladies originally got together once a week to knit and crochet over a good natter and a cuppa. The calendar idea was mooted as a way of raising funds for the local Dementia Buddy scheme and the ladies eventually stripped off, with photographer, Julian Sawyer, ensuring everyone felt comfortable whilst the fabulous images were snapped!

Well done to all involved (including our town Mayor who features (fully clothed!!) on the cover! Don't forget to buy your copy today!

2019 Swanage Jazz Festival A Great Success!



Swanage Jazz Festival A Success Say New Organisers

The 'resurrected' 30th Swanage Jazz Festival staged over the weekend of 12th-13th July, was a big success and bettered expectations, say the organisers.

"We've had many positive comments and emails thanking us for 'rescuing the Festival' and making sure its long tradition continues", said Festival Chair, Paul Kelly. "The new team only came together in late January and we started with nothing in the bank. So, it was quite a risk to stage a Festival with forty bands."

Audience numbers were down this year, "But we expected and planned for that," said Paul Kelly. "We achieved about two thirds of the audience that Nigel Price's much larger 2018 Festival achieved and most importantly, all the indicators are that we have made a modest surplus."

An audience survey has already received 150 replies. "The replies have lots of positives," said Paul Kelly, "as well as some very helpful ideas for the future. We had to make some fairly drastic cuts and changes to keep going, but many people seem to have understood this."

"What's also gratifying is the positive response from the public and jazz critics to some of the lesser known 'regional bands' we programmed."

"We are already planning a bigger and better 2020 Swanage Jazz Festival which will be staged on 10th, 11th and 12th July 2020." Said Kelly. "We hope to be making initial programme announcements during autumn 2019."



Wareham Whalers Present Cheque For £1000



Wareham Whalers presented a cheque for £1000 to Carole Turner for Friends of MS Purbeck, on Saturday 20th July 2019.
Picture by Sue Booth.

Swanage Carnival 'Photomarathon' Competition Results!

An exciting new competition as part of Swanage Carnival week, launched for the first time in 2019, proudly sponsored by the Purbeck Gazette and Nadine Hudson-Featherstone



The Purbeck Gazette's Kay Jenkins was asked to judge the final entries, and we're delighted to be able to share them with our readers! Well done to all who took part!

I was honoured to be asked to judge the very first Swanage Carnival Photomarathon sponsored by us here at the Purbeck Gazette. As I wandered up to the marquee at Sandpit Field, I had no idea of the difficult task ahead of me!



Category: 'MUSIC' - winner: Rob Senior



Category: 'PROCESSION' - winner: Jean Mcleanery

Before I knew it, I was presented with an array of over two hundred photographs - at which point I realised this was not going to be easy! I have to say all the photographs entered were truly stunning; the different interpretations of each category title were amazing and all entries were worthy of a medal. I may have been heard to say I didn't want to do the judging in 2020 as it was too stressful to pick the winners!

However, the following day I had completely changed my mind and as I presented the medals, I had already booked myself in to judge 2020 Photomarathon..... a glutton for (enjoyable) punishment indeed!!

Well done to you all and thank you for making me look at Swanage from a completely different angle through your submitted entries this year!

Kay Jenkins (pictured, far left)

(Some images produced here have been slightly cropped to fit the space - none have otherwise been altered).



Category: 'OFF WITH A BANG' - winner: Carol Wadsworth



Category: 'LOOK UP' - winner: Richard Smith



Category: 'HISTORY' - winner: Graeme Neale



Category: 'ENTERTAINMENT' - winner: Joanne Winter



Category: 'RELAX' - winner: Joanne Winter



Category: 'RED' - winner: Raj Theivamanoharran



Category: 'A LINE' - winner: Bethany Woodward



Category: 'HAPPINESS' - winner: Haley Woodward

Wareham Carnival 2019 - The Best Yet!!



2019's Wareham Carnival – the sixtieth running of the event – had the theme 'Dancing Through the Decades', proved to be a rip-roaring success this year.

A record-breaking number of floats in the procession (and a record-breaking number of locals and visitors lining the streets of Wareham) got into the party spirit with music and dancing during the procession which continued on to an afternoon and evening of events at a jam-packed Wareham Rec.

With the extraordinarily generous help of our local sponsors and volunteers, we have raised in excess of £4000 this year and the Wareham weather was immensely kind to us once again this year.

Dancing through the decades proved an apt description of the event, with the Muddlecombe Men's belly dancers likely to live long in the memories of those who witnessed them!

At the other end of the age (and size) spectrum, one of the most pleasing parts of this year's event was the influence of the new Junior Committee, who did sterling work raising our profile and raising money. Their commitment and energy augurs really well for the continued running of the carnival in future years.

Speaking of which, plans are already well advanced for next year's carnival, with 2020's theme to be revealed at a special launch event. We hope and expect that 2020 will be an even bigger and better carnival than our diamond jubilee.

A HUGE thanks to Kim and Phil for the absolutely amazing procession this year - the best ever - and for their tireless work in getting fully involved with the carnival committee this year - we salute you!

Keep reading the Gazette for updates of special events and competitions leading up to next year's carnival... and we hope to see you there!

Ian Davey – Chairman, Wareham Carnival

If you think you can spare a couple of hours on the day next year, or if you want to be a part of Wareham's biggest event, why not talk to us about volunteering?

You can reach me on ian@warehamcarnival.co.uk



Purbeck Rally 2019 Success Despite Winds!

Kay Jenkins reports on this year's event



After a difficult year in 2018, we were all hoping for a dry and sunny weekend for the Purbeck Rally this year. Unfortunately, the Rally was hampered by strong winds, which resulted in some of the events being cancelled after the loss of the Craft Marquee.

Fortunately, the team are not easily beaten, and they managed to keep the Rally going! Huge congratulations to them for all of the hard work and dedication that keeps this wonderful local weekend alive.

Sunday the 11th of August saw some much-needed sunshine return and the showground welcomed hundreds of people.

I caught up with Mary and her family, who have been visitors for the last five years and thoroughly enjoy all aspects of the show. Mary told me she now loves classic cars, motorcycles and even tractors - which is all due to the Purbeck Rally! The organisers and team do a fantastic job raising money for many local charities and despite the awful weather, are always friendly and cheerful.

With an impressive display of classic cars, vintage motorcycles, lorries and tractors of all ages and sizes, there was something to interest everyone.

There was a wonderful display of stationary engines, along with a demonstration of old-fashioned log-cutting machinery, reminding us of how hard the physical work was before modern technology took over.

The Dog and Duck show was the alternative to herding sheep and showed how adaptable and clever dogs are.

I was introduced to the stars of the Ferret Roadshow, who were all enjoying a mid-morning nap in their hammocks - I never knew just how adorable these little creatures are, so thanks to the inviting and enthusiastic handlers who took the time to introduce us!

The Purbeck Rally won the award for 'Best in Purbeck 2018' and although hampered by the weather again this year, still managed put on yet another spectacular show.

I, for one, am already looking forward to the 2020 Purbeck Rally!

The Purbeck Rally has endured a tough time this year, if you would like to make a donation to help their charity work and support the Rally 2020, please contact them via the website: www.purbeckrally.com



Thousands Attend Swanage Carnival 2019!



Eight days of Swanage Carnival fun have come to an end, but we are already planning for next year! This year we introduced a number of brand-new events and activities and all were well received.

The opening weekend was attended by a record-breaking number of visitors throughout both days. The procession on Sunday had more entries than usual and was suggested by many as 'the best ever'! Crowds lined the streets and cheered along the many floats and walking entries on a beautiful, sunny day.

Carnival Chairperson, Maria Foot, said: "We worked really hard this year to bring some new events to Carnival 2019 and made some changes to some of our traditional events to refresh the line-up. I'm very proud of the Committee for all the work and effort they put in to make this happen and a huge thanks to our local community for supporting us and to all those who visited during the week."

Over the years Swanage Carnival has grown and the responsibilities of the volunteers have increased, meaning that organising the event is a huge undertaking requiring significant commitment. Our Committee members give up many hours of time

throughout the year to plan the events and many take the whole week off to give their time during the week itself. During the week, the Friends of Carnival also join the team to help with the many events

There is no way that this event would run without the combined effort of our volunteers and those who support us. I really hope that the



tremendous efforts this year will result in a great amount raised for our twenty-five chosen charities and good causes.

We are still finalising the figures, but hope to know how much we are able to give away by October."

Make sure you put next year's dates in your diary - Carnival 2020 dates – 25th July to 2nd August 2020. www.swanagecarnival.com

Pictures by Nadine Hudson-Featherstone - thanks Nadine!!



Health & Beauty

Matron's Round - our Local Hospitals' Monthly Column

Is it me, or does Purbeck seem to be bustling with more visitors than ever this summer? Certainly, both our hospitals are busy, and the parking situation means many of us are enjoying a slightly longer walk to work than usual!

Whilst we all wait for more information about what the new Health Hub in Wareham will look like, we do have some more details about developments in Swanage. For months now, surveys and other essential research have been going on to support our planning application for major building works.

We are planning to develop the space under the ward to provide a staff room and meeting/training facilities, together with en-suite accommodation for relatives or carers of patients receiving palliative care on our ward.

We will also be creating a therapeutic garden for patients and staff and, at long last, building a car park for visitors and patients on the old Everest site.

Whilst we're in the middle of all this disruption, we're going to take the opportunity to upgrade our storage and laundry facilities and sort out drains and gas pipes. It's going to be a lot of work and is very exciting.

So a big thanks to all of you who continue to support the Friends of Swanage Hospital.

Without your donations over the past years this major project would not be happening. We are hoping for a start date towards the end of September this year and look forward to celebrating when all the work is completed.

It is going to make such a difference to so many people and we're truly grateful for everyone's support.

We look forward to making a similar announcement for improved facilities in Wareham, which we know will be equally well supported by the local community and the Friends of Wareham Hospital.

It will be brilliant for Purbeck patients to have local access to so many facilities.

Until next time, take care!

Matron Donna.



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Are We South Westerners Lazy?!

The South West has been ranked as the most unfit region in the UK, new survey data has revealed. When quizzed about their exercise routines, a shocking 48% of South West residents admitted they NEVER do strength exercises and 31% NEVER do aerobic exercise.

The NHS recommends that adults aged 19 to 64 should do at least 150 minutes of moderate aerobic activity a week and strength exercises on two or more days a week that work all the major muscles.

However, South West residents average at just over one strength session and 120 minutes of cardio per week. Shockingly, the nationally representative survey revealed that over 60% of Brits don't do enough cardio and 65% aren't doing enough strength exercise.

When it comes to attitudes towards fitness, the results are also surprising. 42% of people living in the South West think they should do more exercise a week. However, over half of residents don't know how much strength exercise they should do (52%) and 31% don't know how much cardio they should do per week.

Time issues are the biggest blocks on exercise, with over one in three (37%) South West respondents stating that work, family or social commitments get in the way of working out. 22% agreed that they would be more motivated to exercise if "I had a way to fit more exercise into my busy schedule".

Despite a lack of motivation, South West residents are aware of the direct health benefits of exercise, with positive impacts to heart health (51%), life expectancy (37%) and mental health (36%) being the most popular answers. However, very few recognised the indirect impact that exercise could have

on the NHS. Only 7% recognised the benefits to their local GP service, and 5% to their local hospital.

The nationally representative data also revealed which is the most active region, with London coming in first and the South West ranking the worst. Scotland was the second most active area, whilst East Anglia was placed as the second-worst. The OnePoll survey was commissioned by Patient Claim Line to understand attitudes towards exercise and health.

Dr Jessicarr Moorhouse, an NHS doctor and Personal Trainer, is an advocate for exercise as preventative medicine. Dr Moorhouse comments: "Our perception of exercise is crucial to our levels of activity. Many of us form negative associations with exercise from our childhood experiences of school PE and, especially for young women, this can lead to ongoing inactivity (source: NHS). In my opinion, we need to see a social, economic and cultural shift towards more active lifestyles. Making exercise convenient is crucial, so that exercise is not considered a chore. Robust walking and cycling infrastructure will go some way, as will NHS-led community exercise initiatives."

Calculations: In order to rank the regions from most to least active, a point scoring system was used. This was based on the average amount of aerobic activity and strength sessions done by each region, and where this ranked in relation to the other regions (1 for the best, 12 for the worst).

London: 3 (most active region), Scotland: 6, Wales: 6, North East: 7, South East: 13.5, East Midlands: 14, North West: 14.5, West Midlands: 16, Yorkshire: 18, Northern Ireland: 19, East Anglia: 19, South West: 20 (least active region)



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Hello From Swanage Medical Practice

Summer has finally arrived, and we are feeling optimistic about the season and the future. Despite GP surgeries in Dorset & nationally closing down, we are 'holding our own' as a practice and that's despite being two GPs short.

We'll soon be able to bring you news of a more formal working relationship that we're developing with our fellow Isle of Purbeck practices.

The idea being that the might of collective thinking & working will bring increased 'security of tenure' and improved services for all our patients. Watch this space!

We Are Recruiting

We currently have a vacancy for a GP (Partner or Salaried) and a Practice Nurse. For more information please see our website: <https://www.swanagemedical.org.uk/pages/Current-Vacancies>

Exciting New Online Service!!

e-Consult is a new service using digital technology to bring choice to patients who want to consult with a GP online. With routine GP appointments at a premium this exciting & convenient new service could help you get advice about a health concern without having to come in to see your GP!

Patients who submit their symptoms online will get a response within 48 hours (Mon-Fri). A GP will review your symptoms & give advice as appropriate. This could be general advice, direction to other support such as the pharmacy or if necessary, an appointment to see a GP.

The service also offers around the clock NHS self-help information, signposting to services & a symptom checker. To use e-Consult please click on: <https://swanagemedical.webgp.com/>

We are really pleased to be offering this convenient service and hope you find it a more timely way of addressing your health issues.

Online Access

Staying on the theme of online access don't forget that you can register with us online! This is an amazingly convenient way of ordering repeat prescriptions, viewing a summary of your medical record, accessing recent test results & most importantly booking GP appointments. All you need do is come into the practice with some ID & one of our reception team can sign you up! Sshhh...we'll let you into a little secret....this is the quickest way of getting your repeat prescription!

Patient Participation

We are keen to encourage more patient participation in the machinations of the practice. However, it is realised that busy lives & time limitations mean that it's not easy for people to come to the regular meetings of our Patient Participation Group. With this in mind we have created a 'Patient Email Group'.

By signing up to the 'Patient Email Group' you will receive a copy of our quarterly newsletter and be kept informed about new initiatives at the Practice. We might also ask you for your opinion on the services we provide. If this is of interest to you, please speak to a receptionist who can give you a form to sign up.

GP News

Finally, we are delighted to report that Dr Mark Law has now become a partner at the practice and Dr Sarah Basham is increasing the number of sessions she does with us. Our GP recruitment campaign continues unabated; we've had some interest and hope to have positive news for you soon.

Your opinions are important and can lead to change at the practice. Please use our 'Friends and Family' touch screen in reception to tell us what you think.

For more information about our services view www.swanagemedical.org.uk or pick up a copy of our latest Newsletter from reception.

Top Four Improvements Wanted For Dorset NHS

Hundreds of people in Dorset have shared their views on how to improve NHS health services in the county.

Quicker and easier access to GPs; speedier diagnosis and treatment options; annual health checks and more regular support for those with long-term conditions, were the top four things people in Dorset would like to see implemented.

Their views were shared as part of Healthwatch Dorset's What Would You Do? campaign and the findings are revealed in a report published recently. More than 300 residents, patients and their families took part in 'What Would You do?' activities, which launched in April to encourage people in the county to share their views about how extra money from the Government should be spent on local NHS services.

The public were asked to give their views about how local services could improve, and to share ideas about the NHS can help people live healthier lives and take more control of their care.

The report also reveals people would like:

- More services based in local communities so that people do not have to travel long distances to access healthcare
- Better transport provision to help people to access health and care services, particularly for those in more rural parts of the county
- Easy access to good quality, accessible information to help people

to make informed conditions about their care and treatment. In particular, people would like to see more information around long-term conditions. Easy read versions should also be available

- Clearer information around end-of-life care and support
- More support for carers and quicker access to carers assessments
- Easier access to first line mental health support to help prevent people from reaching crisis point
- More places to exercise that are free or cheap. More information, including easy read versions around healthy eating on a budget
- Better sharing of health records between NHS services across the country. A single NHS platform so that health records can be accessed wherever someone is receiving treatment
- Better awareness across the health service of the needs of those with a learning disability or autism when accessing care and treatment including respite and residential care
- Respect for those with a learning disability, listening to their concerns and treating them with dignity helping them to maintain their best level of independence at all times.

The report, 'NHS Long Term Plan: The views of Dorset residents', will be shared with the local NHS and can be viewed here: www.healthwatchdorset.co.uk/report-publications

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Sport

Swanage Walking Football Club



A PAIR OF 3RD PLACES FOR SWANAGE WALKING FOOTBALL CLUB

Wednesday 31st July saw Walking Football teams from across Dorset come together at the Specsavers County Ground, Hamworthy to compete in the Bobby Moore Walking Football Tournament and raise money for Cancer Research UK.

Swanage Walking FC competed in both Over 50s and Over 60s age groups, which included teams such as AFC Bournemouth, Dexter Sports (Hamworthy), Dorchester Town, and Weymouth. The tournament was refereed by qualified WFA referees. The tournament was played in a very competitive yet well-natured manner, with eventual winners across the age groups going to Dorchester Town.

Swanage over 60s played exceptionally well and were unbeaten with their 84-year-old goalkeeper John Vince only conceding one goal during

the whole tournament. "It was an extra special achievement as John only stepped in as goalkeeper at the very last moment. It just goes to show that age alone shouldn't stop you playing football." said Nick Surman, the club manager. The team only just missed out on the final due to goal difference. Swanage over 60s Mike Pocklington scored a late goal with one minute on the clock to beat Weymouth in the 3rd place playoff.

Swanage over 50s team also claimed third place in the over 50s category, with the playoff final also against Weymouth going down to penalties with goalkeeper Michael Binns making a fingertip save to prevent a sudden death shoot out.

Nick said: "I am very proud of how well both teams played despite missing some key players on the night. The competition was very tough and despite this, it was great to see so many smiling faces during and at the end of the evening."

The tournament was successful in raising over £800 for cancer research UK's Bobby Moore Fund and also achieved the aim of raising awareness of bowel cancer with those in attendance including players, referees, coaches, and spectators.

All the teams attending the tournament are part of the Dorset Walking Football League, which will once again be offering league football for the 2019/20 season.

If you are interested in finding out more about getting involved in playing in the league or if you just want to play for fun, please get in touch with Nick Surman on 07745 907509.

Swanage Walking FC is constantly looking for players. It is a game for both men and women. If you are aged over forty and fancy taking up the UK's fastest growing sport, please come along on at the following times:

Tuesday 10am (Mixed)

Thursday 7pm (Men Only)

Michael Binns, Swanage Walking Football Club
(held at Swanage Football Club).

Swanage Cricket Update

Swanage Cricket Club are enjoying a successful season with the 1st XI winning nine of their first fourteen matches.

With regards to the 1st XI, the highlights of the batting have been half-centuries by Dave Goldsack, John Lewis, Pete Richards, Dan Salmon, Mike Salmon, Tom Salmon (2) and Craig Wells (2). The highlights of the bowling were four wicket-hauls for both Mike Hernandez and Dan Salmon.

There have also been some fine bowling performances by Simon Goldsack, Ben Hodder, Steve Kent, Mike Nash, Ryan Norman, and Craig Wells. With regards to the 2nd XI, they are involved in a relegation 'battle' in a very 'tight' league. The highlights of the batting have been half-centuries by Pete Baczala (3), John Lewis, Nash (2), Tim Ives (2) and Scott Orchard.

The outstanding bowling performance was Ron Barker's 6 wicket-haul. There have also been some outstanding bowling performances by Pete Barker, John Gregory, Dave Morton, Nash and Mike Wells.

As well as that, all of the Youth Teams, from the Under 8s through to the Under 15s have performed admirably - including some of the youngsters representing both the District and County sides.

Anyone interested in playing for/sponsoring the club, please visit our website:- www.swanagecricketclub.co.uk for the relevant links and latest results.

Mike Nash (Press & Media Officer)

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Swanage Bowls Winners



The first trophies of the season were presented to the Men's and Women's 2 Wood club champions on Saturday 3rd August.

Congratulations to the 'experienced' Mike Keats who beat Brian Beeston by one shot in a very tight final. Mike played consistently well throughout his four games to win the cup.

In the Ladies final we had a relatively new bowler in Nadine Evans who overcame Uta Keats in the final. Many congratulations to Nadine. May it be the first of many more triumphs!

During July a Men's team of Gordon Wallis, Terry Buck, Mie Barron and John Brudenall won the Dorset Senior Fours (over 55) at Blandford Bowls Club to earn the right to represent Dorset in the National Finals at Leamington Spa in August.

Spotlight Event Diary

Diary Entries are FREE if your event is FREE. If you charge, then it's £5 plus VAT per entry, per month. DEADLINE for OCT is noon, 9th SEPT

KEY: * = Start time not known or n/a; Ffi = for further information; Sw = Swanage; Wm = Wareham; VH = Village Hall, Telephone code 01929 unless otherwise stated.

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sun 1st

- * Purbeck International Chamber Music Festival Ffi: purbeck-chambermusic.org.uk
- 11:30 Music Concert Part of PICMF. At St James's Church, Kingston. Tickets on 03336663366
- 14:00 James Patrick & Adrian Lever Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229
- 20:00 Purbeck Chamber Music Fest. Players Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

Tue 3rd

- 18:15 Swanage Beach Buddies Beach Clean (1-1.5hr) (Litter-free Purbeck) Meet on south side of Banjo Pier, Shore Road, All welcome. Children must be fully supervised by an adult. Please bring gardening gloves if you can. Ffi: swanagebeachbuddies@gmail.com or see Litter-free Purbeck's FB page.

Fri 6th

- * Travel Back in Time Transport Rally At Swanage Railway. Rally at Harman's Cross. Ffi: swanagerailway.co.uk
- * Swanage Folk Festival Music, Workshops, Dance, Craft Fair, Ceilidhs. Tickets: swanagefolkfestival.com
- * Classic Transport Rally At Harman's Cross. Displays, Classic cars, stalls and refreshments.
- 19:30 Hedgehog Predicament At Wareham Town Hall, East Street, BH20 4NS. Talk with slides by Colin Varndell of Dorset Mammal Group Admission £3. Refreshments Included.
- 20:00 Phil King Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229
- 20:00 Pop-Up Bowie Tribute Act At The Mowlem Theatre, Swanage. Ffi and tickets mowlemttheatre.com or 01929 422239.

Sat 7th

- * Travel Back in Time Transport Rally At Swanage Railway. Rally at Harman's Cross. Ffi: swanagerailway.co.uk
- * Swanage Folk Festival Music, Workshops, Dance, Craft Fair, Ceilidhs. Tickets: swanagefolkfestival.com
- * Classic Transport Rally At Harman's Cross. Displays, Classic cars, stalls and refreshments.
- * "Harvest" Open Art Exhibition Upstairs gallery at Purbeck New Wave Gallery in Swanage. Artists from around Dorset including amateur, established and professional, will be displaying and selling work around the theme of "Harvest". Purbeck New Wave Gallery 25 Commercial Road Swanage BH19 1DF. email: purbecknewwave@gmail.com
- 20:00 African Ngwasuma Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

Sun 8th

- * Travel Back in Time Transport Rally At Swanage Railway. Rally at Harman's Cross. Ffi: swanagerailway.co.uk
- * Swanage Folk Festival Music, Workshops, Dance, Craft Fair, Ceilidhs. Tickets: swanagefolkfestival.com
- * Classic Transport Rally At Harman's Cross. Displays, Classic cars, stalls and refreshments.
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- * The Hobbyhorse Spectacular & Dog Show At the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

12:30

- Singing Workshop with Local Vocals At Swanage Folk Festival:Community Room, The Mowlem, Swanage. £2 entry. Acapella singing workshop with Dorset based community choir leader Lesley Whatley. No musical knowledge required, just enthusiasm. Local Vocals Stoborough Group meet at 10.00 on Friday mornings during term time in Stoborough Village Hall. www.localvocals.org/ About.html

14:00

- Kalyna Rakel Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

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- Swanage Library Friends Afternoon Tea at Swanage Library until 4pm.

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14:30

- Purbeck Society Talks In the Community room The Mowlem. Presentation by Lillian Ladle "The Archaeology of the Ancient Societies of Worth Matravers. Doors open 2pm refreshments available.

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- Shop Dorset Makers Pop-Up Event at the Old Blacksmith, Grange rd, Creech, Wareham.

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- Stone Engraving At Burgate Stone Carving Centre, Langton Matravers. Booking essential on: 01929 439405

10:30

- Artisans at the Legion 'Poppy Coffee Fair' Artisans, books, crafts, candles, cakes, gifts, toys and more!

14:00

- Jez Hellard Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

20:00

- Jenny Wren & Her Borrowed Wings Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

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10:00

- Guided Walk with Carlotta Barrow Part of Purbeck Walking Festival. Meet at the TIC, Shore rd, Swanage. Book online at: walkpurbeck.com

10:00

- Kingston Maurwood College Open Morning Dorchester DT2 8PY. Ffi: 01305 215215

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- * **Make a Will Week At Humphries Kirk.** Call to make an appointment: 01929 423301 or Wareham: 01929 552141

19:00 **Friends of Wareham Hospital AGM** To be held at the Hospital, Streche rd.

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14:30 **'The Legacy of Anne Frank'** An Illustrated talk by Gillian Walnes Perry MBE at The Grand Hotel, Swanage. £15 per person to include high tea. Booking essential on 01929 423353.

19:00 **Wareham Town Council Meeting** In the Town Hall.

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10:00 **Threads at the Grand Hotel** Annual exhibition of embroidery, textile and mixed media artists.

14:30 **Studland History Group** Meets in the Village Hall for a talk by Richard Cottrell, "Nineteenth Century Public Health And The Swanage Connection". All welcome. Ffi the Secretary 01929 439245

19:30 **Wareham & District Archaeology & Local History Soc** Meetings held at Wareham Town Hall. AGM . Mark Corney - Hill Forts of Wessex.

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19:30 **Swanage Photographic Society** Meets in the Rectory classroom, Church Hill for: Two competitions:- 3 linked images - 'Open' Judge: Members and Outing images - 'Open' Judge: Bob Hollister Visitors welcome, ffi: www. swanagephotographicsociety.com or 01929 426268

20:00 **Witherwood** Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

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- 11:00 **Country Fayre At Margaret Green**, Church Knowle. Admission £4 per adult, children up to 12 years, £2.50.
- 14:00 **Old Baby Mackerel** Live acts at the Square & Compass, Worth Matravers. Ffi: 01929 439229

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- 10:00 **Wareham Area Seniors' Forum** At Carey Hall, Mistover rd, Wareham. Coffee & tea, cake on arrival.

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- 00:00 **Probus 2 of Purbeck** Ffi: swanageprobus.org.uk

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19.30 Spring Harvest Local At The Emmanuel Baptist Church, Swanage Tickets from Tim Silk (silk423@gmail.com) 01929 423931 or 07708 668357 or springharvest.org/local

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* **Dorset Button Rapper Workshop At Sandford Scout Hut**. Ffi email: anthony613@btinternet.com or www.brmm.org.uk/DorsetButtonsMorris

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09.45 Toddler Club URC, Sw. Till 11.15

10.00 Table Tennis Club Sw FC All ages/abilities £2.50 Till noon. 480093

10.30 Flowers with Liz at the Purbeck Workshop in Wool. The Workshop provides craft activities free of charge to those touched by cancer - friends and family are welcome too. Unit 6, Woolbridge Business Centre, East Burton Rd, Wool. BH20 6HG. www.purbeckworkshop.org 07757 776907. Email: richris95@gmail.com

13.00 Play and Learn at Wareham's Children's Centre, Streche Rd, Wm. Till 2.45pm

13.00 Under 1s and Tums at Chapel Lane, Swanage. Till 3pm

14.00 Pins and Needles at Harmans Cross VH.

14.00 Swanage Disabled Club meet until 4pm. Meeting place alternates between Catholic Hall & Queensmead Hall, Sw. Transport available. Call Mrs Daphne Saville on 01929 425241 ffi.

16.45 Soccer Skills Sw FC First Sch chldn £1 Till 5.45. 425175

18.00 Lesbian and Gay Friendship Group meets every Monday evening for social events and shared interests, such as meals, walking and outings. Ffi: contact Karen via email: outinpurbeck@gmail.com

18.00 Swanage Tennis Club at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Cardio Tennis taster. Till 7pm

18.00 Swanage Tennis Club at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Matchplay taster session for prospective new members. First 3 sessions are free. Until 8.30pm.

19.00 Wareham Choral Society meet URC Meeting House, Church St, Wm. Till 9. New singers always welcome.

19.00 Swanage Youth Club. School year 10 and upwards. Till 9.30pm

19.00 Whist. Come & join us at the Reading Room, Church Hill, Swanage. Ffi, call 07984 968733

19.00 Purbeck Chess Club. Mortons House Hotel, Corfe Castle. Ffi, call Steve Peirson on 01929 552504.

19.30 Purbeck Quire rehearse at Wm Methodist Church. New/visiting singers (no audition necessary). String & wind players also welcome. Ffi: 423505 or 480737.

19.30 Wareham Art Club Workshop at Wareham Parish Hall. Ffi: 553718.

19.30 Wm Folk Dance Club Stoboro' VH. All welcome. 552763/551029

19.30 Swanage Air Cadets meet at Air Training Corps HQ, Court Road, Sw. Cadets age 12+. Ffi: email: oc.2185@aircadets.mod.

20.00 DARTS at the RBL Club, Sw.

20.00 Herston Hall Management C'tee Bingo

EVERY TUESDAY

09.00 First Steps Toddler's Group. Swanage Methodist Church till 10.15am. Ffi: Sylvia Garrett 425420, office hours.

09.00 Swanage Tennis Club at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Cardio Tennis taster. Till 10am

09.30 Isle of Purbeck Arts Club. Painting and sketching. At the Catholic Church Hall, Remptstone Rd, Sw. Till 1pm. Outdoors in summer. Ffi: Gina on 421689.

09.30 Well Baby Clinic at Chapel Lane, Swanage. Till 11.30am.

09.30 Kiddies Corner Mother & Toddler Group (term time only) No fee - donations welcome. Purbeck Gateway Church. 551415

09.30 Wareham Art Club Workshop at Wareham Parish Hall. Ffi: 553718.

10.00 Men & Women's Mixed Walking Football Club at Swanage Football Club. Come and try! All levels welcome, even if you've never played before. Come and join in or just come along to watch a very friendly group of people playing football. Until 11.30am. Call Nick on: 07745 907509

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10.00 Wareham Croquet Club meet at the Recreation Ground until 5pm. New members and visitors welcome. Call Tony on 01929 550190 or Lesley on 01929 553927 or email warehamgolfcroquetclub@hotmail.com

10.00 Sandford Toddlers at Sandford Community Hall, till 11.30am.

10.00 Short Tennis at Sw FC All ages & abilities £1.50 Till noon. 425175

10.00 A Place Of Welcome at 21 Commercial Road, Sw. Friendly drop-in for everyone, providing a free cup of tea or coffee, a listening ear, conversation and basic information. Everyone welcome, whatever the circumstances.

10.30 Swanage Walking for Health Group starter walks (15-30mins). Start from the Mowlem Shelter on Swanage Seafront. Get back into the swing of things gently! Ffi: 481000

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10.30 Wareham Walkers. Convivial health walks for mainly older people, of up to two hours in and around Wareham, ending with coffee at a local tea room or pub. Ffi: www.wareham-walkers.org.uk or call 552933.

12.00 Nature Tots (0-4yrs) at Bovington Memorial Hall Garden. Until 2pm

14.00 Swanage Walking for Health Group. Walks of 60-90mins, various locations. Walks are very social, for a range of abilities. Walks start from car parks at Studland, Corfe, Arne, Durlston, Langton, Acton, Worth and Kingston. Ffi: 481000.

14.00 Harman's Cross Village Hall Art Group Till 5

14.00 Wareham Short Mat Bowls. Furzebrook VH. Roll-up session, all standards welcome. Ffi: 401799

18.00 Sw Youth Centre Girls' Night (Yr 8+) Till 10

18.15 Sw Cricket Club Practice till 8.30pm

18.30 Sw Bridge Club Mowlem Community Room. 421840

19.00 Wareham Air Cadets meet at Air Training Corps HQ, St Martin's Lane, Wm. Cadets age 12+. Ffi: email: oc.2185@aircadets.mod.

19.30 Swanage Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at Swanage Day Centre, High Street, Swanage. If you want help to stop drinking, you are welcome. Or

WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY MONDAY

09.00 U3A Table Tennis Group meet at Harmans Cross VH.

09.30 Under 2.5 years old group. Till 11am. at Parish Hall, Wm.

call 01202 296000 for more details.

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19.30 **Sw & Langton Folk Dance Club** Langton VH. Ffi: 421913

19.00 **Belvedere Singers** rehearsal at St Mark's CE VA Primary School, High St, Sw. Parking on-site. Till 9pm. All singers welcome! 423350.

20.00 **Carey Hall, Wm Bingo**

EVERY WEDNESDAY

09.00 **St Mark's Toddlers Group**, St Mark's Church, Swanage. Herston, Sw Till 11am

09.45 **Corfe Wool Workshop** Corfe VH, East St. Members £1.50; non-members £2.50. Till 12.00. 427067

10.00 **Short tennis for adults** at Swanage Football Club. All welcome. Equipment supplied. Till noon.

10.00 **Breast Feeding Group** at Wareham's Children Centre, Streche Rd, Wm. Offering peer support and breastfeeding counsellor advice. Till 12 noon. Ffi: 552864

10.30 **Play and Learn at Kids of Wool** (BH20 6DY) until 12 noon.

13.00 **Studland Toddler Group** at Studland Village Hall until 2.30pm.

14.00 **Herston Senior Citizens** meet Herston Hall, Jubilee Rd, Sw. All welcome

14.00 **Health Qigong: Fitness and relaxation**. Till 3pm. With Penny at the Mowlem Community Room, Sw. Ffi 07969925502

14.30 **Local Historian takes you on a town walk** around Swanage, lasting 1 1/2 hours. No need to book, just turn up in the Swanage Museum in the Square, voluntary contributions welcome.

15.00 **Extend Exercise Class**, now at Morton Village Hall. To improve strength, balance and flexibility. All welcome. Donations welcome. Ffi: 471490.

16.15 **Swanage Football Club U-7s** Training till 5.15pm. £1. Ffi: 426346

17.15 **Swanage Football Club U-9s** Training till 6.15pm. £1. Ffi: 426346

18.00 **Swanage Tennis Club** at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Cardio Tennis taster. Till 7pm

18.00 **Swanage Youth Club**. School years 7&8. Till 8.30pm

18.00 **Table Tennis** at Harmans Cross Village Hall. All ages & abilities welcome. Coaching given. Till 8pm or later. Ffi: 424591

18.45 **Sw Hockey Club** Training Wm Sports Centre. Till 8. 424442

19.00 **Wm Bridge Club** at the Library, South St. 552046

19.00 **Swanage Town Band** meet for our weekly practice in the Council Chamber, Swanage Town Hall. New musicians warmly welcomed. Please call David Cook (musical Director) for further information on: 01929 422909.

19.00 **Purbeck Runners** meet at Beach Gardens Pavilion, Sw.

19.30 **Swanage Musical Theatre** meet Swanage Bay View Complex Rehearsal Room. All welcome. Ffi: 426161

20.00 **Sw Youth Centre Club Night** (Yr 9+) Till 10

20.15 **Dorset Buttons Morris Practice**. URC Hall, Wm. 423234/421130

20.30 **Wm Swimming Club Adults**. All standards + stroke improvement. Till 10

22.00 **Sw Youth Centre Club Night** (16+) Till 11.59

EVERY THURSDAY

08.30 **Swanage Tennis Club** at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Cardio Tennis taster. Till 9.30am.

09.00 **Carey Crafters** meet every Thursday at Carey Hall, Mistover Road, until 12.30pm (come anytime between). No age or gender restriction. All crafts welcome we have a wide variety!. Come along and share your craft or learn a new one! Contact Donna on 07870 993311 or Helen on 07368 352737 ffi.

09.00 **Swanage Painting Club**. Catholic Church Hall, Rempstone Rd, Sw. Friendly group. New members including beginners welcome. Till 1pm. Ffi: Jane on 01929 427078

09.30 **Play and Learn** at Chapel Lane, Swanage, till 11am.

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09.30 **Sensory Play** for under ones, at Bovington Centre until 10.30am

10.00 **Wyvern Savings & Loan Credit Union** opens until 12 noon at Not Just Sundaes, South Street, Wareham, opposite the Library. A secure place to save and loans available at fair rates. Call in for a cuppa and a chat, or call 01305 268444.

10.00 **Wm Parent & Toddler Group** During term Parish Hall, Quay Till 11.45. 556806

10.00 **Wool Country Market** D'Urbeville Hall. Cakes, preserves, plants, crafts, vegetables. Coffee & biscuits available.

10.00 **Tea, Coffee, Biscuits** at Queensmead Hall, Sw. Till 11am. Adm 50p

10.00 **Volunteer Centre Drop-In** at Wareham Library till 12pm. Find our about volunteering to support community groups & charities.

10.00 **Wareham Croquet Club** meet at the Recreation Ground until 5pm. New members and visitors welcome. Call Tony on 01929 550190 or Lesley on 01929 553927 or email warehamgolfcroquetclub@hotmail.com

10.15 **Chess** at the Cafe Tratt, Lower High Street, Swanage (from 8th February 2018). Call in for a friendly game of chess and a chat. All welcome.

10.30 **Mid-Week Market Morning Service** URC, Church St, Wm. Prayer requests to Revd. Simon Franklin 556976

10.30 **Woodworking** with Bernard and Terry at the Purbeck Workshop in Wool. The Workshop provides craft activities free of charge to those touched by cancer - friends and family are welcome too. Unit 6, Woolbridge Business Centre, East Burton Rd, Wool. BH20 6HG. www.purbeckworkshop.org 07757 776907. Email: richris95@gmail.com

11.00 **Sensory Play** for 1-4yrs old at Bovington Centre, until 12 noon.

13.30 **Under 1 year olds** at Wareham's Children's Centre, Streche Rd, Wm. Antenatal mums welcome. Till 3pm. Ffi: 552864.

13.30 **Toddler Group**. All Saints' Church, Sw. 423937. Till 3pm (Term times)

14.00 **Studland Chair-based Exercise** in the Village Hall, Studland. Ffi: Julie on 558139 or email: jbrad@uwclub.net

14.15 **Sw Over-60s** Meet in the Rectory Classroom, Swanage, Sw. All Welcome.

17.45 **Swanage Youth Club**. Learning Difficulties and disability (age 11-25) night. Till 7.30pm

18.00 **Five High Singers**, United Reformed Church Hall, Swanage. 11 - 18 years. Till 7pm

18.00 **Isle of Purbeck Arts Club**. Weekly evening Art Group. Aimed at beginners, at Purbeck New Wave Gallery, 25 Commercial Rd, Sw. BH19 1DF. till 9pm.

18.15 **Sw Cricket Club** Practice till 9pm

18.30 **Swanage Sea Rowing Club Circuit Training** at Swanage Middle School. Ffi: 07776 201455

19.00 **Health Qigong: Fitness and relaxation**. Till 8pm. With Penny at Furzebrook VH, Wm. Ffi 07969925502

19.00 **Over 40s Men's Walking Football Club** at Swanage Football Club. Come and try! All levels welcome, even if you've never played before. Come and join in or just come along to watch a very friendly group of people playing football. Until 8.30pm. Call Nick on: 07745 907509

19.00 **Purbeck Gateway Club** meets at Wareham Youth Centre until 9pm. Purbeck Gateway is a club for adults with learning difficulties. We meet during term time and have fun! All welcome. Ffi: Lew on 552173. Email: Lewisbell1@aol.com

19.15 **Wm Town Band Brass & Woodwind** players welcome. 551478/01202 242147

19.30 **Short Mat Bowls** in the Durbeville Hall, Wool. All standards welcome, till 9.30pm. Ffi: 552682

19.30 **Purbeck Arts Choir** meet for rehearsals, with conductor Jay Buckle, at St Mary's School, Northbrook Road, Swanage. Sept-May. All welcome. For more information please phone Liz Roberts 01929 481419

19.30 **Swanage Youth Club** Youth Action (year 7 - sixth form). Till 9.30pm

20.00 **Herston Hall OAP Committee Bingo** Sw

EVERY FRIDAY

08.45 **Coffee @ 112 - Drop In For Coffee!** Catch up with friends at 112 High Street (United Reformed Church) in Sw. Cake and bacon butties. Fair trade stall. Donations for 'Besom in Purbeck' and church funds.

09.00 **Swanage Tennis Club** at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Cardio Tennis taster. Till 10am

09.30 **Health Qigong: Fitness and relaxation**. Till 10.30am. With Penny at Furzebrook VH, Wm. Ffi 07969925502

09.30 **Little Fishes Baby and Toddler Group**. Catholic Church Hall, Rempstone Road, Swanage. Term time only. Until 11.30am. Ffi: Alex on 07904 412067.

10.00 **Table Tennis Club** Sw FC All ages/abilities £2.50 Till noon. 480093

10.00 **A Place Of Welcome** at 21 Commercial Road, Sw. Friendly drop-in for everyone, providing a free cup of tea or coffee, a listening ear, conversation and basic information. Everyone welcome, whatever the circumstances.

11.00 **Swanage Library Rhyme Time**, ages 0-4, until 11.30am.

11.00 **Toddler Time For Under 5s And Carers**. Wareham Library. Stories, songs and crafts. Every Friday, including school holidays. Ffi: 01929 556146

14.30 **Short Mat Bowls** at Durbeville Hall, Wool. Till 4.30pm. All standards welcome. Ffi: 552682.

18.00 **Swanage Tennis Club** at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Matchplay taster session for prospective new members. First 3 sessions are free. Until 8.30pm.

18.00 **Purbeck War-Game & Model Club**. Royal British Legion, Sw. 426096.

18.00 **Sw Youth Centre Club** 12-13 (Yr 7-9) Till 8

18.30 **Sw Bridge Club** Mowlem Community Room. 421840

19.00 **Sw Youth Centre Seniors Club Night** (Yr 9+) Till 9.30pm.

19.30 **Short tennis** for adults at Swanage Football Club. All welcome. Equipment supplied. Till 9.30pm. £3.

20.00 **Sw Youth Centre Live Bands** (as advertised) Till 10pm.

22.00 **Sw Youth Centre Late Session** (Yr 9+) till 11.59pm (members free)

EVERY SATURDAY

08.00 **Purbeck Runners** meet at the Mowlem, Sw. 4/5 mile run.

09.00 **Sw CC U11 - U15** Practice till 10.30

09.30 **Sw CC U9 & U10** Practice & Kwik Cricket till 10.30

10.00 **Tea, coffee and home-made cakes** in the Parish Hall on Wareham Quay during the Community Market. Till 2pm. Bric-a-Brac stall weekly. Christian bookstall most weeks. All welcome for a warm-up and a friendly chat.

11.00 **Lego and Megablok Mayhem** at Swanage Library, until 12 noon.

20.00 **Herston OAP Committee Bingo** at Herston Hall, Sw

EVERY SUNDAY

09.00 **Purbeck Runners** meet at the Mowlem, Sw. 8+ mile run.

10.00 **Arts and Crafts Market** at the Mowlem in Swanage. A wide range of local art for sale, including pottery, glass, cards, fabric and much more! To book your table, or for more information, call Tony on 01929 421321.

10.30 **Stoborough Emmanuel Baptist Church** meet at Stoborough First School, Stoborough. All very welcome.

13.30 **Swanage Tennis Club** at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Cardio Tennis taster. Till 2.30pm

14.30 **Swanage Tennis Club** at Beach Gardens, Sw. Free Matchplay taster session for prospective new members. First 3 sessions are free. Until 4.30pm.



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