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with Hannah Williamson

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Events Diary July 2014

Day/Date	Time	Event	Venue
Tues 1st	10.30am	Upholstery	Village Hall
Wed 2nd	6.15pm	Adult Tap Dancing	"
	8.45pm	Music Night	Half Moon Inn
Thu 3rd	10.00am	Art	Village Hall
	7.30pm	WI	"
Fri 4th	10.00am	Art	"
Sun 6th	2.30pm	North Cheriton Gardeners' Society	Picket Lane Garden
Mon 7th	Lunch	Ladies Lunch Group	The Fontmell, Fontmell Magna
	6.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Tues 8th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
Wed 9th	6.15pm	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 10th	10.00am	Art	"
	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	"
Fri 11th	10.00am	Art	"
Mon 14th	6.00pm	Pilates	"
Tue 15th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
Wed 16th	6.15pm	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 17th	10.00am	Art	"
Fri 18th	10.00am	Art	"
Mon 21st	6.00pm	Pilates	"
Sun 27th	7.30pm	Jane Taylor Concert	"

Events Diary August 2014

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Mon 4th	Lunch	Ladies Lunch Group	Beckford Arms, Fonthill Gifford
Wed 6th	8.45pm	Music Night	Half Moon Inn
Thu 7th	7.30pm	WI	Village Hall
Thu 14th	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	"

School Term ends 22nd July – School Term starts 2nd September

STOP PRESS :

**The Village Fete made £3,300 profit – a fantastic achievement!
Many congratulations to all concerned**

Cover photo & photos on pages 10 & 11 provided by Shirley Price

The Vikings are coming

by Maddie Astill and Rosie Cotterell

Earth class organised a smashing Viking afternoon, with plenty of competitions and fun for all. Earth class dressed up as Vikings, so did some of the parents and staff. The afternoon was organised to launch the new Viking Long Boat on the field (built by Earth class, with help from Mrs Padfield).



The competitions were for everyone. There was an edible Viking Long Boat competition, draw a Viking competition and a best dressed Viking competition for the parents.

All the money raised went to Rebuild Balud, a village in the Philippines, that was destroyed by the typhoon.



www.rebuildbalud.org



The Train Man

by Jon Banfield

As a small boy, jumpers for goalposts and footy were never my thing. Some of my earliest memories are of my Grandad building a miniature railway line in his garden soon after he retired. The width between the rails was $7\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Racing around Grandad's garden at 8mph on a small green battery electric locomotive when you are four years old is just fantastic and, as I got older, fire driven beasts emerged from his workshop smelling wonderful and going like stink. Sadly Grandad downsized long before I was in a position to even store any of his locos or tools, let alone pay good money for them and he passed away when I was in my early twenties.

I was hooked, but it wasn't until I reached the age of thirty that I finally sat in the office one day, when work had calmed down, and actually had time to think of some things for me. I'd rushed out of University, in debt, and spent eight years burning the midnight oil to make something of myself! Anyway, I realised I should probably spend some effort finding a wife, but my garden would have a railway; I would build a steam engine – simples!

After finding a wife, Donna, and then having our first child, Hal, I found (on the web) a new development of houses in a little village called Horsington. My father-in-law drilled 3200 holes in sleepers, I made track panels (same gauge as Grandad's) and the line was down. I borrowed a small steam engine and we were live!

I decided to build a Narrow Gauge locomotive as they end up being quite large and powerful, and are quite simple to build. A range of drawings are readily available and I chose a well known design as it was my first attempt, a Quarry Hunslet that used to run in the slate mines of North Wales. Being an IT Consultant by trade, I was keen to let the computers do most of the hard work, so I acquired Solidworks CAD (Computer Aided Design) and a 'personal' CNC (Computer Numerical Control) milling machine from the USA.

I also became a member of the East Somerset Society of Model and Experimental Engineers – ESSMEE, and at one of their evenings showed my designs to a chap called Simon Bowditch. He took one look at the valve gear design and said that I'd need to make modifications. "But there are lots of these already!" I protested, "Yes, but how well do they go?" came the sharp reply. The valve gear, much like the spark in an internal combustion engine, is vital to the timing of steam admission to the cylinders of the engine and therefore its performance. Sadly, for Mr Stephenson (of "Rocket" fame), my Grandad, and many others, the Intel Pentium PC had not been invented when the Stephenson's Link Valve Gear was designed. However, with the aid of some great software from a Mr Dockstader, Simon and I flexed the Intel's circuits and 'perfected' a valve gear design he thought would work, I had no idea, but it looked OK!

I'd been introduced to another ESSMEE member, John Morgan, in his seventies, a time served machinist, who offered to give me some advice on cutting metal. I picked him up from Frome, showed him the workshop, the track, the drawings and designs had lunch and

took him home again, with an agreement that he would help. Two days later the phone rang, it was John, "Oh", he said, "I should have taken some drawings home with me, then I could have got started. How about I drive down, pick some up and I'll get started – oh, and can I bring the wife, she'd like to have a look!" Another great partnership was formed and metal bashing commenced.

Many flat components were waterjet cut in Lyme Regis, a great process, straight from my Solidworks CAD to metal, just add cash. With my CNC machine, much of the construction then becomes Meccano like, with finished components fitting together easily. Also, the CNC process means that components are accurate and so the construction of the important valve gear components and their 'setting' becomes almost trivial.

The first big test day occurred when the chassis was complete, Simon, John and I worked together in my shed to 'set' the valve gear and we applied compressed air. Round and round went the wheels to much satisfaction and we popped the champagne. The second big test was with the boiler on and a Quality Street tin as a water tank. She went round the garden for the first time. Search on www.youtube.com for jbanfie and you can see videos of the final results. Also, visit ESSMEE at the Bath and West Showground, especially during the Bath and West Show in May and you may see me driving one of the trains with my engine. And that small green battery electric loco that Grandad had? It's now in my shed, now 40 years old and restored by a chap in Walsall. My kids and their friends love it!!





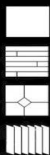
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Horsington and South Cheriton Defibrillator, V.E.T.S **& First Aid Courses**

by Charles James

The defibrillator is up and running! The team of 10+ responders is now familiar with the operation of our defibrillator and has received casualty assessment training. Congratulations to all responders and thank you for your commitment to operate this system. We now have a fully operational piece of life saving equipment within our community. Fantastic! Again I would personally like to thank all the private individuals, companies, organisations and fund raisers who have made this possible. There will continue to be fund raising events as the system has ongoing costs that need to be met so please do continue to support us in the future.

VILLAGE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM (VETS)

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defibrillator and come to help the casualty

Sonya and I are now in the process of organising First Aid courses that will take place in the Village Hall, dates to be announced. The cost of each course is £30. However, funds raised from the music festival will subsidise this cost and bring the price down to £20 per person. Anyone is welcome to attend but the subsidy will only be available to Horsington and South Cheriton residents. The **“Essential First Aid All Ages”** course will cover the following :

- Communication and casualty care
- Looking after yourself and the casualty
- Adult resuscitation
- Treatment of choking in adults
- Treatment of severe bleeding and chest pains
- Treatment of an unconscious casualty

Anyone interested in attending one of these courses please contact either me or Sonya on 01963 371166 or by email at charles@otteryantiques.co.uk

We need to start gathering names and numbers (£20 payment will be required on booking).

We are also in the process of organising (early days) a special first aid course delivered by St Johns to all the school children, which hopefully will take place this summer.

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CHILDREN'S PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

The Villager Magazine is holding a photograph competition for younger readers during the summer holidays.

There are 3 classes for entry (age by September 1st)

AGE

Up to 8 years

9 – 12 years

13 – 16 years

SUBJECT

A toy, teddy or doll

Food (a meal, cooking or a party)

A game or sport

Photographs should be sent in digital (jpeg) format by email to:

info@horsingtonmagazine.co.uk

Closing date for entries is 1st September 2014

The subject of the email should be **PHOTO COMPETITION**

Please include your name, date of birth and connection with
Horsington or South Cheriton

There will be a £10 book token for the best photograph in each category

The results will be published in the October issue of the Villager magazine.

Imaginative and creative compositions are welcomed.



Horsington Village Fete

by Lucy White

We were lucky this year for the Horsington & South Cheriton Village Fete that we were blessed with glorious weather. Local jockey Nick Scholfield very kindly opened the fete for us and took quite a shine to the Pevlings pony who was giving children rides. The crowds turned out to see what all the fuss was about and stayed for the afternoon. Everyone seemed to have a really good time enjoying our range of traditional fete stalls and games. We were entertained on the playground by the Storm Troupers majorettes from Milborne Port and Just Dance from Wincanton. On the field, adults and children participated in our wooden sheep racing which was great fun. The barbecue and beer tent were kept busy all afternoon as were the ladies in the tea tent. There were some interesting stalls to tempt you if the bouncy castle wasn't really your thing. Our tin can alley, coconut shy and plate smash stalls were very popular, also the obstacle course for children of all ages. We had skittles, stocks and tombolas together with a raffle with fantastic prizes all kindly donated by local businesses. Our vintage stall was new this year and I still don't know who bought the bright green crocodile skin cowboy boots but they are sure to stand out in a crowd!

We also had an amazing plant stall run by three very green fingered mums, who also had us sniffing herbs to win a prize and arranging our pennies along their penny trail. Our thanks, as always, to everyone who helped in any way and to all of our sponsors and those who donated items for prizes. We all had the most enjoyable afternoon in a relaxed, informal atmosphere. If you didn't manage to get there, don't worry we'll be doing it all again next year!



Alison Tytheridge has been offering pony rides at the village fete since 1985!



Village Fete 2014




From the Rector, Greetings

I have always had a sort of fascination with dates, and anniversaries. Perhaps boringly—such dates and anniversaries that are part of my history. We have just commemorated the 70th anniversary of D-Day. One of the more emotional memories I have is when I visited the War Cemetery by Omaha Beach in Normandy. It was quite overwhelming to see the number of graves, and to look at the ages of the young men buried there. All those hopes and dreams so tragically cut short. I am very mindful of the sacrifice made by so many.

On a far less serious point, it was on D-Day, 6th June 1986 that I was Installed and Inducted as the Rector of Henstridge with Charlton Horethorne and Stowell. I always had visions of my coming down from the wilds of South Yorkshire to storm the beaches of Somerset. What battle was to ensue?? When Alan Symonds left, as many of you will know, he was not replaced but we were reorganised locally. Charlton Horethorne and Stowell were hived off to become part of the Milborne Port group of parishes. They will welcome their new Rector this July – Rev'd Sarah Godfrey. We wish her and them every blessing.

As a first move in the reorganisation, I was made Priest-in-Charge of Templecombe and Horsington alongside my existing parishes. That was also in June, in 2006. Then the new Benefice of Abbas & Templecombe, Henstridge and Horsington came into being without fanfare or ceremony the following year. And the date? 1st April!! Make of that what you will!

Peter Hallett – halatvic@btinternet.com



Horsington Church Roof Appeal

Many thanks to everyone who took part in the quiz which raised £116

The winners were as follows :

1st Lucy White (49/50)

2nd Jessica Beveridge (49/50)

3rd Dave Collins (48/50)

Watch out for next year's quiz...

July Services

St John the Baptist, Horsington

6th July	9.15am	Holy Communion with Sunday School
13th July	11.00am	Morning Prayer
20th July	9.15am	Holy Communion
27th July	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)

Horsington Churchwarden
Mrs Rosemarie Wigley 371478

St Nicholas, Henstridge

6th July	11.00am	Sing Glory! All Age Worship	6.30pm	Evensong
13th July	9.30am	Holy Communion		
20th July	11.00am	Holy Communion		
	6.30pm	Evensong		
27th July	11.00am	Holy Communion		

St Mary The Virgin, Templecombe

6th July	11.00am	All Age Worship
13th July	9.30am	Holy Communion
20th July	11.00am	Morning Praise
27th July	9.30am	Holy Communion

August Services

St John the Baptist, Horsington

3rd Aug	9.15am	Holy Communion
10th Aug	11.00am	Morning Prayer
17th Aug	9.15am	Holy Communion
24th Aug	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
31st Aug	10.30am	Benefice United Service

St Nicholas, Henstridge

3rd Aug	11.00am	Sing Glory! All Age Worship		
	6.30pm	Service to Commemorate the beginning of The First World War		
10th Aug	9.30am	Holy Communion		
17th Aug	11.00am	Morning Prayer	6.30pm	Evensong
24th Aug	11.00am	Holy Communion		
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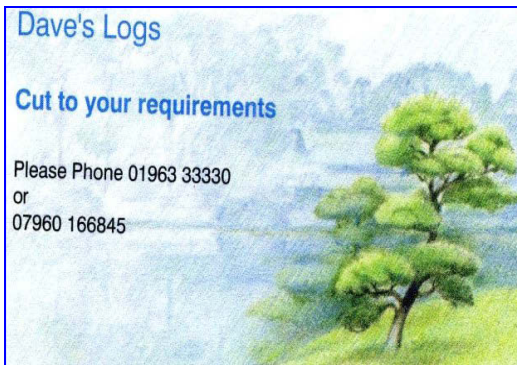
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Utopia at Milborne Port is a great success

by Richard Gaunt

Horsington turned out in force to support local performers Richard Gaunt and Chris Bailward in Gilbert & Sullivan's comic opera "Utopia limited", performed by Milborne Port Opera. The show is G & S's penultimate collaboration and is rarely performed – and by staging it the MPO has completed the task of performing every single G & S work.

To judge by the comments received and posted on various websites, including the Horsington Blog, the show was funny and well received, particularly as it had been brought up to date by the insertion of topical satirical references to celebrity magazines, the Blackmore Vale, bankers, royalty and health & safety.

Mercifully for the audience, the re-writers had shortened it, binning a long and tedious song about the 1862 Companies Act, and some irrelevant romantic *cul-de-sacs* in the plot.

Richard Gaunt, who had the task of (almost) learning the largest part ever written by Gilbert and Sullivan, told us "Without the support of the village of Horsington and the Half Moon, we would not have enjoyed such success, and we thank them very much".

Next year's show has yet to be decided, but it's not too early to think about taking the plunge and going on the stage – it's only one night a week, and it's great fun!

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**Chris Bailward (Captain Edward Corcoran, RN) & Richard Gaunt (King Paramount)
discuss naval reform in "Utopia Limited" at Milborne Port.**

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Talk on the European Union

by Jane Jones

ROLAND RUDD, who is Chairman of Business for New Europe and lives in Cucklington, gave an excellent talk on the European Union at St. John's Church on Friday evening 6th June. He spoke with authority and projected facts to persuade us that our membership of the EU was to the best advantage of us all.

He acknowledged that reform was needed and answered several questions posed by the audience. Many people commented on a lack of available information on the EU in this country so this talk was a good opportunity to find out something more about it.



Report on South Cheriton Football Club

by Simon Howell

South Cheriton Utd continues to grow. As a club last season we ran youth football teams from the ages of 5 to 15, an under 18's, reserve team and a 1st team. We had around 120 children and 60 adult players registered with the club.

The 1st team this season has played at its highest level yet, competing in the Dorset Senior division finishing just below half way. Several players from the youth section have already stepped up to feature in the 1st team, which proves that all the hard work put in at the younger ages is paying off.

Off the field, we have worked very hard to increase our fund raising efforts to help cover the cost of running the club. We have had several fund raising nights with another on the 26th July, a race night, to be held in the village hall. We are also running a 50/50 club and selling advertising banners to businesses around the main pitch.

We are extremely lucky to have some of the best facilities in the area, but are unique in the fact that we maintain them ourselves – thanks mainly to the efforts of Colin Howell our groundsman who devotes countless hours to their care.

Anyone who is interested in any aspect of the club can contact me, Simon Howell, on 07730 314959 or simonhowell1971@gmail.com

**Half Moon Inn Music Night, Horsington
at 8.45pm on Wednesday 2nd July & Wednesday 6th August**

Please come and join us, play and sing whilst enjoying a beer.

Free, apart from drinks.

Further details from **Anna** on **370749**



Thursday July 3rd – 7.30pm at St Margaret's Hall

David Beckley – THE HISTORY OF MAGIC
(Group visitors invited for supper)

Thursday August 7th – 7.30pm at St Margaret's Hall

Mrs de Burgh – THE HISTORY OF CHOCOLATE

Contact Mrs Jackie Pyne on 370713

NORTH CHERITON AND DISTRICT GARDENERS' SOCIETY
SUNDAY JULY 6TH 2.30PM VISIT TO PICKET LANE GARDEN AND NURSERY
(MEET AT VENUE)

(AUGUST – NO MEETING)

Please call Pat Holmes on 370017 for further information.

The Annual Sherborne Art Club Exhibition

Will take place from Saturday 19 July until Sunday 27 July
from 11am to 5pm daily (except the last day, when it will close at 3pm)
at the Digby Hall in Sherborne.

The exhibition promises to be of an even higher standard than usual, and you should find work by several of our resident artists from both villages on show.

Entry is free, and all are very welcome.

Announcements

Including: *Births * Deaths * Birthdays * Weddings* Anniversaries * Congratulations*

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SAVE THE DATE !!

St Margaret's Hall Committee will be holding it's popular **Village Hall Fundraiser Dinner** on the evening of 20th September 2014.

Golden opportunity to meet new people in the villages of Horsington and South Cheriton or reacquaint yourself with old friends!

Book your seat at the table with John Macdonald on 01963 370444.

Tickets will be available from mid August.

HORSINGTON CHURCH SCHOOL

In September we will have a vacancy on our Governing Board.

Being a school governor is a challenging, but worthwhile job. Governors are part of a team, with important responsibilities. These include working closely with the Headteacher and staff to shape the future of the school, to decide the priorities that will help to raise academic standards and how the school will achieve these aims.

No formal qualifications are required to become a governor but the world of governance is changing at a very fast pace. There is huge emphasis on strategy, therefore we really need to ensure that we look for the right skill sets in any new potential governors.

If you are interested in knowing more about this job then we would love to hear from you.

Please contact the school on 01963 370358 to speak to the Headteacher, Ian Rumbelow or the Clerk to Governors, Maggie Chubb.

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