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Events Diary November 2016

Day/Date	Time	Event	Venue
Tue 1st	10.30am	Upholstery	Village Hall
	2.30pm	U3A - A Talk on 'Beatrice a Kingston Lacy Housemaid	Henstridge VH
	8.00pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Wed 2nd	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	"
	8.30pm	Music Night	Half Moon Inn
Thu 3rd	10.00am	Art	Village Hall
	7.30pm	WI	"
Fri 4th	10.00am	Art	"
Sat 5th	2.30pm	Blackmore Vale & Yeovil National Trust Association	Digby Hall
Sun 6th	3.00pm	Service of Thanksgiving & Remembrance	Templecombe Church
Mon 7th	Lunch	Ladies' Lunch Group	Stag's Head, Yarlinton
	6.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Tue 8th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	7.30pm	North Cheriton Gardeners Society	N/C Village Hall
	8.00pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Wed 9th	10.00am	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	"
	7.30pm	Film: Eye In The Sky	King Arthurs
	8.00pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Wed 16th	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 17th	10.00am	Art	"
Fri 18th	10.00am	Art	"
Sat 19th	10.00am	HFT Annual Christmas Bazaar	Wincanton Memorial Hall
Mon 21st	6.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Tue 22nd	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	8.00pm	Badminton	"
Wed 23rd	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 24th	10.00am	Art	"
Fri 25th	10.00am	Art	"
	7.30pm	Wincanton Museum & History Society	Wincanton Memorial Hall
Mon 28th	6.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Tue 29th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	8.00pm	Badminton	"
Wed 30th	10.00am	Adult Tap dancing	"

Future Events:

Christmas Craft Fayre

Saturday 3rd December 10am -3pm Horsington Village Hall.

Phyllis Mary Williams (nee Sanger) 1924

Horsington School as I remember it: by Phyllis Williams.

(3rd Story published from "Images and Living Memories of Horsington School"
1855-2005)



I started school in 1924 when I was four and a half years old. The first year I was there the Headmaster was a Mr. Mycock. He used to cane girls and boys. I was taken to school with Gladys Bennett and Kathleen Hillier for the first year. Then they left the school aged 14 years. The infant teacher at that time was Miss Miller and a very kind teacher she was. First of all, we played with sand trays, bricks, plasticene and learnt our letters and numbers. She was a very good pianist and taught us how to sing. The girls were taught how to knit on big wooden needles. Standard 1 & 2 were taught by Miss Evett, another nice teacher who left to get married. Miss Stockwell took her place. Miss Burge taught standard 3 & 4 and Mr. Skuse, who had taken Mr. Mycock's place as headmaster, taught 5,6 & 7. The school started at 9am. And the school bell, which has since been removed, rang at 8.55am. To warn children it was almost school time. The Headmaster would blow the whistle at 9am. The register was called for all the children attending. As it was a Church of England school the first lesson was religious knowledge for an hour. Then came arithmetic and at 10.45am. it was playtime for fifteen minutes. There was a boys and a girls' playground and the playing field, which was the whole field – not the small part of the field they have now.

After playtime it was an English lesson. Then at 12 noon it was dinner time for an hour and a half. Those children who lived in the outlying districts – Wilkinthroop and Horsington Marsh - brought sandwiches. My three brothers and I lived near enough to go home unless it was a wet day. Then my mother would cycle out to the school with a can full of hot stew, four dishes and spoons, rather than let four of us get wet through. She was the fore runner of school meals, though we didn't appreciate at the time and felt embarrassed, wishing she had brought sandwiches like the rest of the children. After dinner it would be history or geography. Sometimes it could be sewing or knitting for the girls or handicraft or games or physical exercises. Once a week the older boys would go to a woodwork class in a room in South Cheriton and the girls would go to a cookery class in St. Mary's Hall Templecombe. Some of the Templecombe girls joined with us. Once a week we would have a library van call at the school. We were only allowed one book a week. That wasn't enough for me as I loved reading and could read a book in an afternoon and I still like reading. Every year we went to the Rectory (now called the Grange) for a Fete and the school girls did Country Dancing. The boys were too shy to take part, so some girls had to wear blue sashes to represent the boys and the girls wore pink sashes. The Rector and his wife had a very pretty parrot they used to put out in its cage for us children to admire.

Another place the school used to visit to have tea and do Country Dancing was in the garden where Mr. And Mrs. Minns used to live. It was a maiden lady (Miss Mead) who lived there then and she used to play the violin and Miss Miller, our infant teacher, played the piano.

I remember once an aeroplane flew over the school playing field during the dinner time and it looked as if it had landed in the Marsh and of course all the boys went off to look for it and came back late for school. They were all caned. Mr. Skuse never caned girls. They were given a 100 lines to write "I must not talk or eat sweets in school".

The "nit nurse" used to come to the school. Also the school dentist would come to St. Margaret's Hall and two families would go up at a time. I should mention children who were not C of E were not made to sit in at Religious Knowledge. They could sit and read or sew or knit. Only one family did that while I was at school. The lavatories at the school were outside and not flush toilets. Boys and girls were separate. During the time when the farmer in the village was having oats and barley thrashed the children in their spare time would go to the farmyard at the top of the village and watch as the rats and mice would run out of the ricks. Some of the boys would catch the mice and take them to school and put them down the ventilators. The headmaster would wonder where all the mice were coming from. They would also hide his canes down the ventilators. I really enjoyed my time at school and was sorry when it was time for me to leave. I think I am correct in saying that in later years I was the first scholar that went on to be a School Manager, and later called Governors, for 30 years. Many children who started their education at Horsington School have gone all over the World and done well. Long may it keep open and congratulations on 150 years.



Horsington School photo taken in the 1920's

Back Row: Stanley Knight, Edward Brissey, Reg Knight, George Herrin, Gerald Isaacs, Fred Kellam, Fred Hopkins

2nd row: ? Fox, Vera Rolls, Vera Blandford, Eva Green, Violet H??, Mary Cockerell, Kathleen Hilliar

3rd Row: Billy Clothier, Joan Hilliar, Elsie Stephens, Marjorie Isaacs, Mr Mycock, Ethel White, Hilda Cockerell, Doll Davey

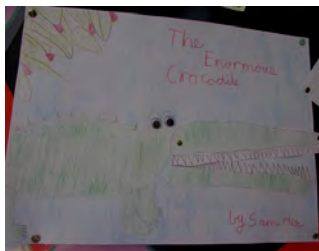
Front: Charlie Hix, Stanley Hix, Julia Isaacs, Olive Sargeant, Harry Blandford, Bill Norman

Roald Dahl Day

by the Staff of Horsington Church Primary

On the 13th of September 2016, Horsington Church Primary decided to participate in the National Roald Dahl Day, to mark 100 years since the birth of the author. This was perfectly in line with the school's strong focus on Reading and a great opportunity to celebrate books! The children were asked to draw a character from the stories, and a winner was chosen for each year group. Well done to all the children for their creativity!

During the day, children read aloud their favourite moment from their favourite Dahl's story, listened to a story, talked about the author and his books; in year 4, they were asked to draw their best wish in a dream jar. Mr Canning (Air Class) very much enjoyed the day as he never misses an opportunity to proclaim that his favourite book ever in the whole world is Danny The Champion of the World. And what is your favourite Roald Dahl story Mr Rumbelow (Headteacher)? "The BFG, probably because it is full of invented words that you don't need to spell correctly" (much to the pleasure of the children!).



(Winners from left to right)

Reception. The Enormous Crocodile

Year 1. The BFG

Year 2. Fantastic Mr Fox

Year 3. The Enormous Crocodile

Year 4. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Willy Wonka)

Year 5. Danny the Champion of the World

Year 6. The Twits (the Rolly-Polly bird)

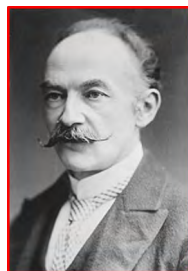


The Blackmore Vale and Yeovil Association

A local group supporting the National Trust



Saturday 5th November 2016
Digby Hall 2.30pm
A Talk on Thomas Hardy
by Alistair Chisholm



Alastair will attempt to dispel the perception that Hardy was a "miserable old fellow "

Will he succeed?

Come along on 5th November to find out!

Members of the Association £3, guests £5
Please call Elizabeth Gowers on 01935 425383 or go to

[ttps://BVYNTassoc.word press.com](https://BVYNTassoc.word press.com)

"Live" Screenings at Cineworld Yeovil

Cineworld in Yeovil is one of a nationwide chain of cinemas now screening live theatrical productions and other events. November highlights include:

Wed 2nd Nov	Royal Opera House - Anastasia
Sun 6th Nov	Bolshoi Ballet - The Bright Stream
Thur 10th Nov	Margy Kinmouth - Revolution - New Art For A New World
Fri 11th Nov	Universal Pictures - Kevin Hart: What Now?
Tues 15th Nov	Royal Opera House - Les Contes d'Hoffman
Wed 16th Nov	BBC - Alan Bennett's Diaries Live (Film + Q&A)
Wed 23rd Nov	The Australian Ballet - Cinderella
Sat 19th Nov	Andre Rieu - Andre Rieu's 2016 Christmas Concert
Sun 27th Nov	Teatro dell'Opera - Tristan und Isolde

Further details <https://www.cineworld.co.uk/cinemas/yeovil>

Blackmore Vale and Yeovil National Trust Association



The majority of National Trust members are unaware of the existence of the National Trust Supporters/Associations.

We form a network across the National Trust. We are independent with a common constitution approved by the National Trust which we support but are not a part. The Associations promote the work of the National Trust and make membership and volunteering more enjoyable, allowing their members to share their interests with like-minded people in their area.

We run an organised year long programme of talks, trips to National Trust or other properties, holidays, social events and walks, allowing members to make friends, learn about the National Trust and its properties, and raise money to support its work.

Our Association serves an area from Shaftesbury to Crewkerne and Sturminster Newton to Castle Cary.

We produce a Spring Newsletter in January containing details of the functions and trips during the summer. Through the summer months we run day trips with pickup points down the A30 from Gillingham to Yeovil. Bookings are opened on March 1st at random with no priority for early applications.

The Autumn Newsletter contains details of our Autumn/Winter functions and talks which are held in the Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne at 2.30pm on Saturday afternoons. Entrance is £3.00 for members and Visitors are welcome for a charge of £5.00. Tea/Coffee and biscuits included.

November Events

Saturday 5th Talk *Thomas Hardy* by Alistair Chisholm
 Tuesday 15th Autumn Lunch Crown & Victoria Inn, Tintinhull BA22 8PZ 12.30pm for 1pm.

Further details in our Autumn Newsletter (copies in the lobby of the Half Moon Inn at Horsington) , website <https://BVYNTassoc.wordpress.com> or Bookings Secretary suzanandphilip@hotmail.co.uk

It is hoped to keep you informed of our future events through this publication.
<https://BVYNTassoc.wordpress.com>

It is not necessary to be a member of the National Trust to attend. Single (non member) £5 or £8 at the same address.

Further details <https://BVYNTassoc.wordpress.com>



CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE

Horsington Village Hall



Saturday 3rd December
from 10am – 3pm

Refreshments will be available.
To give a donation or to book a table
Contact John Sansom on 01963 370178

Proceeds shared between Village Hall and
Defibrillator Fund

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST
HENSTRIDGE VILLAGE HALL
2.30PM



A Talk by David Smith
Beatrice - a Kingston Lacy Housemaid



Members £1.50 Visitors £2.50
Includes tea and cakes

For more information about
Blackmore Vale U3A
call 01963 371544 or visit our website
www.u3a.org.uk

From the Rector, Greetings.

November is always a significant month — it is the season of Remembrance. We begin with the celebration of All Saints. All Souls day is fast on its heels. Then Remembrance Sunday is upon us fairly quickly. The month finishes with Advent Sunday.

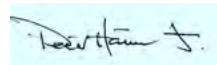
This year November has the added significance of it being when the Americans elect their new President. With two main candidates being as unpopular as they seem to be, they find themselves truly between a rock and a hard place.

In the days before we enjoyed the democracy that is now common place in the West, we, the ordinary folk, had no say in who our ruler(s) would be. The Christians at the time the New Testament was written had no say in who would be the Emperor in Rome. In our own country, throughout most of our history, the country was governed by monarchs who came to power by accident of birth – or by usurping the crown. In these situations, there is added force in the call within scripture that we should pray for our rulers that we may be able to get on with our lives quietly and peaceably.

In similar vein, to my mind, I pray for the outcome of the American Presidential Election. I can only sit and watch while others choose who will be the most powerful ruler in the world. At this point, apart from praying, I run out of words.... Except that Advent reminds me that there is a King whose reign of love and peace will overcome and all will be well, and all manner of things will be well. Come the day!

May God's blessing and peace be with you all.

Peter Hallett – halatvic@gmail.com



St John the Baptist, Horsington

Nov 6th	9.15am	Holy Communion with Sunday School
Nov 13th	11.00am	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
	11.15am	Service of Remembrance in Church
Nov 20th	9.15am	Holy Communion
Nov 27th	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)

Churchwardens

Mrs Anne Jones 370626
Mrs Rosemarie Wigley 371478

St Nicholas, Henstridge

Nov 6th	11.00am	Morning Praise	6.30pm Evensong
Nov 13th	10.55am	Service of Remembrance	
Nov 20th	11.00am	Morning Prayer	6.30pm Evensong
Nov 27th	11.00am	Holy Communion	

St Mary The Virgin, Templecombe

Nov 6th	11.00am	Morning Praise
Nov 13th	10.00am	Service of Remembrance
Nov 20th	11.00am	Holy Communion
Nov 27th	9.30am	Holy Communion



Half Moon Inn Music Night, Horsington at 8.30pm on Wednesday 2nd November

Please come and join us, play and sing whilst enjoying a beer. Free, apart from drinks.

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



Thursday November 3rd @ 7.30pm



Christmas Crafts—Pauline and Helpers

Telephone Mrs Jackie Pyne for further information on **370713**

The Wincanton Film Society Presents

EYE IN THE SKY (2015) 15

at King Arthur's Performance Centre
Tuesday 15th November @ 7.30pm

Col. Katherine Powell, a military officer in command of an operation to capture terrorists in Kenya, sees her mission escalate when a girl enters the kill zone triggering an international dispute over the implications of modern warfare.

Starring: Helen Mirren and Alan Rickman

Director: Gavin Hood

For further information contact Les Graney on **371668**



NORTH CHERITON AND DISTRICT GARDENERS' SOCIETY

TUESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER—7.30PM
NORTH CHERITON VILLAGE HALL

Christine Stones gives a timely talk on the gardens of the First World War

New members always welcome, first meeting is free.
Please call Pat Holmes on 370017 for further information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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info@horsingtonmagazine.co.uk



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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 10AM—1.30PM
WINCANTON MEMORIAL HALL
ENTRANCE 50p

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WINCANTON MUSEUM AND HISTORY SOCIETY

Friday 25th November at 7.30pm
 At the Wincanton Memorial Hall

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AD43 The Roman Invasion of Britannia.

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