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# **Events Diary December 2018**

Day/Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sat 1st	2.30pm	N. Trust Yeovilton Military V	Vives Choir Digby Hall, Sherborne
Mon 3rd	Lunch	Ladies' Pub Lunch	Coppleridge, Motcombe
	5.30pm	Pilates	Village Hall
	6.45pm	Pilates	"
Tues 4th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
Wed 5th	8.30pm	Music Night	Half Moon Inn
Thurs 6th	10.00am	Art	Village Hall
		WI - Christmas Meal	Kings Arms, Charlton Horethorne
Fri 7th	10.00am	Art	Village Hall
Mon 10th	5.30pm	Pilates	
	6.45pm	Pilates	"
Thu 13th	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	"
Fri 14th	7.30pm	Film: The Happy Prince	Village Hall Milborne Port
Mon 17th	1	Pilates	Village Hall
	6.45pm	Pilates	"

The Villager would like to wish all their readers, advertisers and contributors a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We very much look forward to receiving further input, comments and suggestions from you in 2019.

If anyone would like to become involved in any aspect of the magazine, we would love to hear from you. Just get in touch with one of us, you will find our phone numbers on the front cover.

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Wed 2nd 8.30pm	Music Night	Half Moon Inn
Sat 5th 2.30pm	National Trust Association Ta	lk Digby Hall, Sherborne
Mon 7th Lunch	Ladies' Pub Lunch	Kings Arms, Charlton Horethorne
5.30pm	Pilates	Village Hall
6.45pm	Pilates	
<b>Tue 8th</b> 10.30am	Upholstery	"
Thu 10th 10.00am	Art	"
7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	"
<b>Fri 11th</b> 10.00am	Art	"
Mon 14th 5.30pm	Pilates	"
6.45pm	Pilates	"
<b>Tue 15th</b> 10.30am	Upholstery	"
Thu 17th 10.00am	Art	"
	WI - Panto Visit	Charlton Horethorne V. Hall
Fri 18th 10.00am	Art	Village Hall
Mon 21st 5.30pm	Pilates	
6.45pm	Pilates	"
<b>Tue 22nd</b> 10.30am	Upholstery	"
Thu 24th 10.00am	Art	"
Fri 25th 10.00am	Art	"
Mon 28th 5.30pm	Pilates	"
6.45pm	Pilates	"
Tues 29th 10.30am	Upholstery	"
<b>Thu 31st</b> 10.00am	Art	"

# Generation of to a good start!

This year's **Candlelit Carol Service** will be held on Christmas Eve (24th December) at 6pm in Horsington Church.

Why not get twice the enjoyment by joining our choir for the occasion and gain a ringside seat and world fame? (You don't have to be a great singer - just willing)

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If you are tempted, phone Sheila and John on 370249



# Finger Post Restoration Update.

by Robin Worsley

The project team has refurbished the three Finger posts along the A357 and as was reported in the November edition this was funded by the Parish Council.

To complete the project the post at Meade Lane requires removal, straightening and repairs by an outside company and the sign to Templecombe opposite the White Horse Public House, which broke off while being cleaned prior to painting, needs to be replaced.



The Village Dinner seemed the ideal opportunity to gauge the support. It was helpful to have support from some of the parish councillors who were there.



On the evening  $\pounds 600$  was donated and pledged. Initially  $\pounds 1000$  had been required for the Meade Lane Post but an extra  $\pounds 600$  is needed for the White Horse post.

The fund now stands at £810 with more pledges and donations to come from Wessex Internet and the offer of assistance from Stowell Hill Stud to dig out and replace the Meade Lane post on its return from a foundry. It has been noted that Motcombe had support from the CPRE which will be investigated. It is also understood that there are other organisations in

the Village who hold funds who might consider offering support.

There is a post at Batt's Pool on the junction with the Wincanton to Buckhorn Western road but is it in our parish? We have enough materials, but should we attend to it?

Thank you very much for all the support already received. It really makes this project worthwhile.

Further donations and ideas would be very welcome. Please call Robin Worsley 01963 370374 , Tony Parsons 01963 370998 or David Clayton 01963 371257. worsleyab.robin@gmail.com



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# War Memorial Preparation

To mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War and to remember all those who sacrificed their lives in this conflict and many since, some improvements have been made to the War Memorial in Lower Road Horsington.



Steve Miles & David Blake working on the fence around the memorial

# St Margaret's Village Hall Dinner

### by John Macdonald

The St Margaret's Hall Committee would like to thank all those villagers who participated in and donated raffle prizes to the Halloween dinner fundraiser. We are constantly amazed and gratified by the generosity and support of our community of Horsington and South Cheriton. A considerable sum for Hall funds was generated.

It was good to see so many new faces. Hopefully, they will have made friends and acquaintances, which is one of the primary reasons for the dinner.

As I said at the time, the Hall is financially sound and we maintain a reserve which is within Charities Commission guidelines, but our day to day costs outweigh our income. As a result, the Hall has to raise funds to keep our finances in positive territory.

We find we can cater for sixty persons on the night, and it wouldn't be the evening it is without the people in the background who organize and produce it. Thanks must go to the committee members, their husbands and wives and to the other volunteers who cooked the food and helped run the event.

Judging by the notes of thanks we have received the dinner went down well. (Pardon the pun).

### To the Parish of Horsington

Dear friends and friends still to be

No doubt there is much speculation and inquisitiveness over who the new Parish Priest and his wife really are. The ground is level on this one as we too wonder who you are and look forward to hearing your stories too! So, by way of introduction.

I am one of three brothers, raised in the gold mining town of Welkom, central South Africa, where I met and accepted Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. Shortly after this, I became aware of God's call on my life into full time Christian ministry. This I have exercised in various church and para-church organisations in a voluntary capacity in different leadership roles, alongside my career.

I read Social Science at Cape Town University after completing National Service as a Lieutenant in the Armoured Corps. I then trained and practised as an Industrial Social Worker in the Y.M.C.A., the South African Post Office, Marine Pharmacy and Social Services, before relocating to the UK in 2003 to join the N.S.P.C.C.

In 2013, I accepted a call into the Ordained ministry of the Church of England and read Theology at Ridley Hall, Cambridge, before completing my curacy at St. Luke's Church, Parkstone in Poole under the tutelage of the Revd Canon Christopher Strain.

I met my lovely wife Lorna whilst reading Pharmacy at Cape Town University. We married in December 1989 and were blessed with four wonderful children, Carmen (now married to Rob with their son Toby and his sister on the way) who live in Weston-Super-Mare, Micah (who they wait to meet again at the resurrection), and in Poole, there is Malcolm with his girlfriend Shannon, and Daniel.

Lorna was raised in a small gold mining village, Stilfontien in northern South Africa, with her brother and sister, save for two years in Coventry. Lorna met and accepted Jesus as her Lord and Saviour whilst at school. In South Africa, Lorna has worked as a Pharmacist in the Red Cross Children's Hospital, and for several private retail Pharmacies, in-between raising and home schooling the children for part of their lives. Lorna also owned her own retail Pharmacy. In the UK, Lorna has worked for Christians Against Poverty (CAP), been an independent bookkeeper, worked in the hospitality and tourist industry, as well as with Lloyds and Boots Pharmacies. Lorna feels called at this time to join me in this new ministry in the Benefice of Abbas & Templecombe, Henstridge and Horsington.

We have two dogs. Moses, the black Labrador, welcomes all with an exuberant and extravagant greeting ritual comprising a broad smile (not a snarl!) accompanied by loud and a fairly broad range of sounds. Avoiding eye contact and generally ignoring him reduces the noise level and duration of his greeting. Moses usually accompanies Kevin wherever he can, and is occasionally seen wearing a clerical collar! Lilly is a cross Maltese Poodle/Shiatsu with a heart of gold, a temperament that wouldn't harm a flea, and a growt that belongs to a much larger dog!

Until we meet, may you all know the wonder and joy that Christmas affords us reminding us that Jesus lived all of life as we do, albeit in a different era, and so understands all that we face. So, whatever you may be experiencing this Christmas season, know that Jesus loves you and cares about you, and all whom you love.

Happy Christmas in Christ,

Kevin and Lorna Rogers

## HORSINGTON CHURCH

#### DECEMBER

#### St John the Baptist, Horsington

2nd Dec	9.15am	Holy Communion with Sunday School
9th Dec	11.00am	Morning Prayer
16th Dec	9.15am	Holy Communion
24th Dec	6.00pm	Carol Service
25th Dec	9.15am	Christmas Morning Worship with shortened Communion
30th Dec	10.30am	United Service - Holy Communion - at Horsington

#### St Nicholas, Henstridge

2nd Dec	11.00am	Morning Worship	6.30pm Evensong
9th Dec	9.30am	Holy Communion	4.00pm Messy Christingle
16th Dec	11.00am	Holy Communion	6.30pm Carol Service
24th Dec	4.00pm	Crib Service (for the Bend	efice)
	11.30pm	Holy Communion (for the	e Benefice)
25th Dec	11.00am	Morning Worship	
30th Dec	10.30am	United Service - Holy Co	mmunion at Horsington

#### St Mary The Virgin, Templecombe

2nd Dec	11.00am	Morning Praise
9th Dec	5.00pm	Christingle Service
16th Dec	6.30pm	Carol Service
23rd Dec	9.30am	Holy Communion (for the Benefice)
25th Dec	11.00am	Christmas Morning Worship with shortened Communion
30th Dec	10.30am	United Service - Holy Communion at Horsington

### JANUARY

	St John the Ba	ptist, Horsington	
I	6th Jan	9.15am	Holy Communion with Sunday School
I	13th Jan	11.00am	Morning Prayer
I	20th Jan	9.15am	Holy Communion
I	24th Jan	7.00pm	Service of installation and induction of Revd Kevin Rogers at Henstridge
I	27th Jan	8.30am	Holy Communion
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# There but not There –Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November by Stephen Miles

Heavy rain did not deter children from Earth class carrying 'their' soldiers' silhouettes from the Horsington War Memorial to St John's Church, watched by the children from the rest of the school.

Many people visited the school first to see the colourful 'Hall of Remembrance' in the school hall which every child in the school had contributed to. With their hoods up and others



under umbrellas against the heavy rain, the children formed a semicircle in front of the Memorial with two



children holding each silhouette. Ian Coomber led the short service here with the gathered congregation hearing the names of those who died in the war called out by each pair of children. Three of the children laid their wreaths on behalf of the school community. After our two minute silence 'The Last Post' was played and the children formed

up behind the flags of the British Legion, the Union Jack and the twenty strong contingent from the Army Air Corps who marched to the church.

At the beginning of the service the 'colours' were presented with the Union Jack placed on the Altar. Stephen Miles welcomed everyone to the service reminding us all of the aim of the commemoration, 'to take the names from the memorial and bring them back into the places they left behind'. He thanked both staff and children of the school, for all their work, Neil Anderson and his squad of soldiers who had all volunteered to come and be part of commemoration. Also members of the British Legion and the Wincanton Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club who attended. A special thank you was given to Kathryn Dodington whose Uncle's name is on the Memorial as it was she who, many months previously, had suggested that she would like to buy a silhouette and asked the question 'How was Horsington going to commemorate this 100yr anniversary?' Thanks was also given to those others who have purchased silhouettes. During the service each silhouette, carried by one of the children and a soldier was brought forward as their name, rank, service number, regiment, date of death and age was announced. We heard in which cemetery they were buried or which War Memorial their name is on if they had an unknown grave. With some we learned where they had lived in Horsington or South Cheriton, of their familes and their occupation. With others there was some very poignant information on how they met their fate, some in France, Belgium, Iraq, Gallipoli and India.



The children recited for us very movingly the words of 'In Flanders Fields' which they had learnt by heart and three children led us in prayers at the end of the service. A retiring collection raised £250 for the charity



'Remembered', with money going to military charities supporting veterans.

Leaflets have been produced for each soldier from WW1 and it is planned to add information to these in the future for a more comprehensive record, so anyone who has information on any of these names can you please email Stephen Miles on

miles632@btinternet.com. Electronic copies can also be obtained from him.

We can be extremely proud of our local school as they embraced the significance of this anniversary and were very proud to be there to 'present' their soldiers.

# **Horsington Church School**

Children at Horsington Church School have been busy studying and working on World War I over the last weeks.

Each child was sent home with two blank paper poppies: one to decorate, one to write information on a family member who might have been in WW1.

Each class used several materials to draw poppies. All the poppies are displayed in the school hall and all around the school.





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**Answers to Crossword** 

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# **Crossword by Max**

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#### Across

- 1. A grand instrument of the body. (5)
- 8. You might do this playing Bridge or Golf. (9)
- 9. An orphan without a fish is discovered. (5)
- 10. Let free or be free. (7)
- 11. Commandos or American Football players. (7)
- 12. Isometric stretch. (7)
- 16. Unfinished musical instrument behind city for cleansing unit. (7)
- 17. You might lean on this bank. (7)
- 20. The abundant politician. (7)
- 22. The flood teems. (5)
- 23. Tess and Anita in a muddle over cleaning. (9)
- 24. The advantages are contained in teeth set on edge so badly. (5)

# Down

- 1. To tender without Public Relations is a bid. (5)
- 2. Not muted in most tasteless way. (8)
- 3. Elbow provides the prod. (5)
- 4. A plug that's a fair skill capable of fine tuning. (13)
- 5. Invigorating supports. (7)
- 6. Posts letter after a diary. (4)
- 7. Dwelling which one can stand. (7)
- 13. Sparks to set off combustion. (8)
- 14. Nullify scrub. (7)
- 15. Take the learner from being able to read to repeat. (7)
- 18. Sounds like you taken from direction to French isle. (5)
- 19. Facilitates comforts. (5)
- 21. Border guards. (4)

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# South Cheriton United FC

The village football club has begun the 2018/19 season with 3 teams running. We currently have a Men's 1<sup>st</sup> team, U8s Boys' team and for the first time a Vets' (Legends) team. The club has struggled over the last few years to keep operating as running costs became increasingly high and a shortage of players, managers and support became apparent. However, we have survived after some adjustments and restructuring.

The Mens first team are currently 13<sup>th</sup> in Dorset Div 3 with a mixture of recent results. The U8s are storming it and are unbeaten so far with some seriously high scores. The Legends got knocked out of the Somerset cup but won their first league game.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Saturday

SCFC 5-7 Portland Town Bere Regis 1-0 SCFC Marnhull 1-2 SCFC SCFC 0-3 Handley Sports Okeford United 3-2 SCFC

#### **U8s Results**

SCFC 15-0 Templecombe Martock 2-13 SCFC Sherborne 2-10 SCFC Somerton 2-7 SCFC Ilchester 2-10 SCFC

#### Legends

SCFC 0-1 Olympic Victoria (cup game) SCFC 3-2 Millfield Vets



The club now wants to grow and build further for the future so welcomes new faces, ideas and finance to help it achieve its goals. It is vital that future generations have an opportunity to meet friends, play competitive sports and have a safe environment. If you have time on your hands and wish to contribute please contact me or call in to the workshop to understand what can be done.

Ollie Franklin (01963 370764) or ocf@southcheritongarage.co.uk

Our next fundraising event is on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November**, Race Night at the White Horse Inn, South Cheriton. Tickets are available from the pub and the garage.





Where West Begins is excited to be part of "Wincanton Christmas Extravaganza" on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December with 2 special not-to-be-missed Christmas screenings:

At 3.30pm: *Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street*, the 1947 version winner of 3 Academy Awards. At 6pm: *A Christmas Carol*, with actor Alistair Sim's exceptional performance (1951).

Location: Wincanton Town Hall. <u>Tickets booking and info</u>: www.wherewestbegins.org.uk

# <u>besseressessessessessessessessesses</u> Bobologism No 6

Most of us probably have a vague recollection of hearing that Peter the Great of Russia visited England in 1698 for four months, to learn about how to build a navy, Britain at the time being the foremost maritime power. (Not a very nice man by the way; you wouldn't ask him to dinner, let alone let your house out to him). What is perhaps less well-known is that in the 1830s, the Russians having heard that the British had developed something called a "Railway" sent a delegation to London to learn what they could about it, and to consider making such an invention in Russia.

During their time here the Russian delegation were taken for a ride on this new-fangled machine, from the main station (which was later named after the monarch, Queen Victoria) down to the little village of Vauxhall on the River Thames. When they arrived at the end of their short journey (parallel to what is now the Vauxhall Bridge Road ) they looked around them and asked: "what /where is this?" On being told "Vauxhall" they wrote in their notebooks BOKCAL - which to a Russian is pronounced "Vauxhall". Now here's an interesting thing: If today you look up in a Russian dictionary the Russian for "Station" you will find "BOKCAL". Straight from that little village on the Thames. There are one or two other words for station as well, but that is usually the main one. Did you know that the original gauge for Russian railways was copied from the British, and measured 4ft. 8½ inches?.

Whilst we're talking about Russian, the Russian word for a knife is HOY, pronounced "NOGE" but with the last consonant soft as in "Mirage". I think that's where we get the slang word "nosh", I suspect from the Yiddish.

(The last Russian letter in HOY is not exactly as written here, but is very much like it. I can't get the proper Russian letters on my computer, and the above are more Greek - on which the Russian alphabet is based).

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