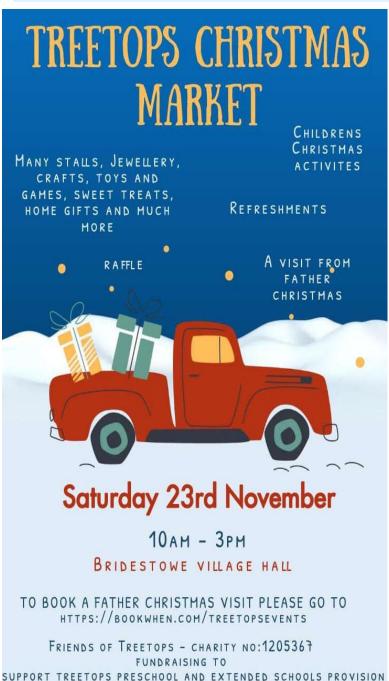
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Sourton PC: Councillor vacancy but application deadline is Thursday 31st October.

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Firework Night: Note change of venue from Sourton to Bridestowe Village Hall

The Vicar writes...

Remember, remember the 5th November, Gunpowder, treason and plot.

Bonfire Night is largely eclipsed by Halloween these days but to be fair Halloween is the older festival having superseded the even more ancient pagan fire festivals. Fire festivals were often associated with human sacrifices like the Wicker Man. The idea was based on scapegoating in which you see everything wrong with the world in one person, say, an orange man, and all you have to do is burn him alive and the evil is gone. Unfortunately, it didn't work but fortunately the practice was given up when we realised that to eliminate all the evil in the world, we would have to burn everyone including ourselves. We still like a good bonfire though.

There are similarities between the Wicker man and Bonfire night in that we burn an effigy of Guy Fawkes. Guy Fawkes thought everything wrong with the world was because of the King and if only he could blow him up everything would be sorted. Unfortunately for Guy he got caught, executed and his effigy burned on bonfires for the next 400 years. On the plus side quite a lot of kids made a few bob from doing 'Penny for the Guy'

The gunpowder plot wasn't a peasant's revolt or the oppressed masses rising up, it was more a group of disgruntled posh boys having a tantrum because they had lost their privileges.

England had just undergone the Reformation, rejecting the rule of a Pope in Europe and the corrupt practices of the Catholic church at the time; a bit of a Brexit moment. (Henry VIII wanting a divorce helped things along but it probably would have happened anyway) Of course, not everyone was happy with the situation (also a bit like Brexit) not least the Catholics, because they lost their power and influence, and the Cornish, because they didn't speak English and couldn't understand the services that were now said in English rather than Latin. (see Sampford Courtney and the Prayer Book Rebellion) Catholics suffered persecution as they were seen as a threat, fifth columnists for Spain who wanted to invade England and make it

Catholic again. They hoped a new King, James VI of Scotland, when he became James I of

England, would be more sympathetic but he wasn't. In Sourton church there is the Royal crest of Charles I which shows the lion, supporter of England, and a Unicorn, supporter of Scotland, added by James I. Guy Fawkes and his co-conspirators planned to blow up the King and Parliament on 5th November 1605 with 36 barrels of gunpowder hidden in a cellar. The plot was foiled at the last minute when the King received a note from an anonymous whistleblower. Fawkes was caught red handed and when asked why he wanted to do it replied, "To blow you Scotch beggars back to your native mountains." He was charged with Treason and hanged. The gunpowder plot was quite shocking at the time, treason was a heinous

The death penalty for treason was removed by the Crime and Punishment Act 1998 under Tony Blair, so you won't be executed if you were thinking of blowing up Parliament, you might even get a knighthood, but be careful you don't micro-offend anyone on Facebook (or parish magazines!)

crime punishable by death, even Shakespeare

alludes to the occasion in Macbeth (or the

Adrian Brook

Scottish Play if you prefer).

Clean-up Day
Saturday 2nd
November
9.30 to 12.00
St Bridget's Church
All welcome for the last

tidy up this year and in



preparation for Remembrance Day services. Please bring garden tools and garden waste containers to take home your weedings and clippings! (Occasionally we do have someone to take away the 'produce' of everyone's efforts but this can't be guaranteed). Be rewarded with a welcome cup of tea or coffee (but bring your own mugs please) and with cakes to boost energy levels! Also bring a dry day if you have one!!! Thank you to those who have taken on the care of selected graves in the 'Support a grave' initiative. Anyone else interested in this scheme should speak to Georgina Hodgson as to which graves are as yet 'unclaimed'

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Looking forward to Christmas Christmas Order Forms

We have been delivering these to our customers over the last week or so. If you would like a copy, let us know or drop into the shop

But we have included a copy within this BaSE Magazine for you.

Gift Cards & Vouchers

Don't forget postal orders and special delivery for cash gifts and Euros are always available. Christmas stamps available and 'All for One' gift cards & Amazon gift cards are in stock. These cards can be loaded with a cash gift for your recipient to spend at their leisure, making it the perfect Christmas gift.

OPENING HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR 2024/25

We will be taking a week's holiday over Christmas this year so that we may spend time with our family.

Between Sunday 22nd December and Wednesday 1st January, we will only be delivering newspapers and milk. This does not include Taw River bottled milk.

All other services such as vegetable boxes, bread and groceries will resume from Thursday 2nd
January 2025.

Friday 20th December 9am – 6pm Saturday 21st December - 9am - 12noon Sunday 22nd to Sunday 29th December Closed

Monday 30th December - 9am - 6pm Tuesday 31st December - 9am - 6pm

Wednesday 1st January 2025 - Closed Thursday 2nd January onwards - Normal Opening Hours Monday to Friday 9am to 6pm, Saturday 9am – 12 noon, Sunday Closed

Thank you. Michaela, Colin and our valued team of

Please note

The pizza van will be here on Saturday 23rd November, 5 - 8pm outside Riverside Stores



News from Sourton Parish council www.sourtonpc.org.uk parishclerk@sourtonpc.org.uk 07792958675

Change of venue for Firework night - 8th November

Sourton Village Hall is having problems with a major water leak and therefore cannot be used as the venue for our planned Firework Night on 8th November. Bridestowe Village Hall Management Committee has kindly allowed us to hold the event at their hall instead. So the event will go ahead on the same day (8th November) but NOT at Sourton Village Hall.

Food will be available from 6pm and will be served on a first come first served basis. The fireworks will start at 7pm. The fireworks are the quietest that you can buy. However if you are concerned that your pets may take fright, can we ask that you ensure that your pets are indoors by 7pm for approx. 7 -10 mins whilst the firework display is on. Thank you.

There will be free food and drink. This is funded by the *Warm Spaces* initiative which aims at bringing communities together through such events. We do ask though for donations for the drinks (beer and cider, hot chocolate with Baileys and soft drinks) as the drinks are not included in the grant that we have received.

We would like to raise some money in support of Sourton village hall's costs, and so ask that generous donations are made for the drinks. Without the hall at Sourton, the parish would lose its only community facility, so it's important for us to try and raise as much money as we can. Please do come and support us.

Resignation of councillor

A councillor has resigned so we will be looking to co-opt in the near future. The timescale is tight though.

Landmark Tree

Devon Wildlife Trust is offering a free Landmark Tree. They describe this as a a tree (around 1.2m – 2m) to be planted in a community space that can act as a focal point and be enjoyed by everyone.

We are finding it hard to think of anywhere

where there is sufficient space given that our community space is no more than the village green area and that is fairly full of trees! If you can think of somewhere else that a big tree might go, please let us know.



SAVE THE DATE

St.Bridget's Church Christmas Coffee Morning Saturday, 7th December 10.00 -13.00 Cakes, Christmas Crafts, Chutneys & more!



THANK YOU to everyone who took part in the FOSB's photo quiz and for the lovely comments about it.

And to the Bearslake Inn, Merlin Cinema & Lydford Gorge for their generous prizes.

The winner's were: Lisa Peace, Rosemary Stanbury & Dima Homoliako

CROCHETED CHRISTMAS TREE

Thank you to those of you who have already crocheted granny squares for our Christmas Tree that will go outside St.Bridget's Church this year but we are still needing more! If you can help please use chunky wool in 2/3 different colours of green (main colour) then a choice of red, white, yellow, black, orange. The squares **must** be **5 inches square**. The size of your needle will depend on your tension. If you need a pattern, please let me know. Then leave in my recycling box at Logan Stone Cottage (Launceston Rd). We hope to start assembling the squares in mid November.

Cleaner required for a few weeks to cover planned surgery.

3 hours on Monday or Wednesday or Friday in Bridestowe Village.

Please contact Julia 0771580195

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A date for your December diary

Mount Kelly Choral Society
Christmas Concert
Saturday 14th December
19.30
Tavistock Methodist Church



Mozart "Coronation" Mass, and highlights from Handel's Messiah

Divertimento Ensemble

Soloists: Bianca Phillips (soprano); India Lord (alto); Harry Tabb (tenor); Marcus Coleridge

(bass)

Director: Dan Robson

Scored for soloists and a mixed choir with orchestra, the Mass in C (K.317) is one of Mozart's most popular and enduring works. Written in 1779, probably commissioned by the Archbishop of Salzburg for performance on Easter Sunday, its nickname derives from its first documented performance at the coronation of Holy Roman Emperor Francis I in 1792, though it may also have been performed at the coronation of Leopold II the previous year. Celebratory in nature, the Mass would have been perfectly fitting for either a coronation or an Easter Day service.

Tickets £14 in advance from TicketSource (www.ticketsource.co.uk/mount-kelly-choral-s ociety) or Bookstop in Tavistock; £15 on the door. Under-18s free.



November Happenings at Boasley Chapel

Sunday 3rd November Afternoon Teas 2.30 - 4.30pm

Sunday 10th November 11am Holy Communion with Rev Chris Jackson

Thursday 21st November Soup and Sweet lunch....12 - 2pm

lots of choice...all we ask is for you to come and enjoy a relaxed lunch with lots of chatting, and perhaps a donation.

If you want to sit with friends then ring ahead 01837 871763 or 07841836018 and we will reserve a table. Or just turn up....everyone welcome!

Sunday 24th November 11am Service with Deidre Madders

Thursday 28th November Coffee with Angela Banfield starting at 11am with short service.

Everyone very welcome!

Bacon Baps will be served on **Saturday 16th November**, **10am - 12 noon**.

A mid-month session now! With weddings and the Christmas Market we're really out of sync, ousted from our end of month slot. The secondhand book stall is a regular feature of Bacon Baps and Gill may well be there too with her free-range eggs and honey.



October's session was well attended with £20 of donations for books, boosting the total raised for hall funds. Some new faces too. A warm welcome to Stuart, Sarah and Anna, newly arrived at Diggaport. Not only did they support the event but helped clear away so earning a gold star. If anyone fancies helping with the washing up, we'd be grateful. The best conversations are held in the kitchen.

If you would like a table at the session to sell anything you want, do get in touch 01837 861157

Remembrance 2024 by Howard Barkell

As this year marks the 80th Anniversary of D Day it is an opportunity to remember the contribution of local British servicemen as well as the involvement of our allies. The landings on 6th June were on five different beaches, Utah and Omaha attacked by American forces and Gold, Juno and Sword where British and Canadian troops led the way. Sometimes overlooked is the fact that the first airborne troops landed in France just after midnight on 6th June, several hours before the sea-borne landings.

6th Airlanding Brigade in Operation Tonga was tasked with capturing bridges over the Caen Canal and the River Orne intact and destroying others to stop there use by the German army, occupy some villages and disable the Merville Gun Battery which overlooked Sword beach. As its name suggests the Airlanding Brigade consisted of parachutists and airborne infantry carried by glider. 12th (Airborne) Battalion Devonshire Regiment was part of this operation. Operation Tonga was a success despite the fact that the troops were initially scattered over a wide area. They gained their objectives and held their ground until the main invasion force linked up with them later in the day. Because of a shortage of gliders or aeroplanes only A Company of the Devons landed with the first wave at 00.50. The rest of the Battalion landed on Sword Beach on 7th. 12th Devons had been a Territorial Battalion mobilised at the start of the war and used on coastal defence in south Devon until 1943 when it became a glider borne infantry unit, part of 6 Airlanding Brigade. They trained intensively at Bulford. The gliders carrying A Company took off from Fairford and Brize Norton. One crashed into the sea while crossing the channel. Only two infantrymen were saved. The rest of the Battalion landed on the beach near Ouistreham and made their way inland to Ranville where they relieved 12 Para at 18.00 on 7th June. They were soon attacked by machine gun and mortar fire and anti-personnel bombs, but held their ground. That evening they lost three men as well as having several wounded. One of the dead was

Private George Bickle. His home was in Back Street, Lewdown, but had been living with his sister Ivy Heathman at Higher Worden, Sourton Down where her husband, Charlie was a farmer. He was buried in Ranville Churchyard. His parents had the words 'His Life a Beautiful Memory His Death a Silent Grief' added to his headstone.

A large West Country contribution in the European War was made by the 43rd (Wessex) Infantry Division which included Battalions from the Dorset, Wiltshire, Hampshire and Worcester Regiments and the Duke of Cornwall's and Somerset Light Infantry as well as Artillery and Service units. Sometimes known as the Wessex Wyverns or Yellow Devils their distinctive shoulder patch was a gold dragon with two eagle-like legs and the barbed tail of a snake on a blue square, a badge which had been used by the kings of Wessex.

The 43rd was a Territorial unit and was due to reach France on D+14, but actually did so on 24th June. They were in action 2 days later at the Battle of Odon in Operation Epsom.

During the desperate battle for Hill 112, a key point in Normandy, the Wessex Division received many casualties. One of those killed was Clifford Dawe who was serving with 4 Dorsets. He lived with his parents at Beat Down, Sourton. He was a jobbing mason with his father in civilian life and a popular member of the cricket club. He was buried at Banneville-La-Campagne War Cemetery east of Caen.

Another unit which took heavy casualties in the battle for Hill 112 was 4th Battalion, the Somerset Light Infantry. An officer wrote after the war that he was the third platoon commander to take over 18 Platoon since the battalion reached Normandy and was told that his life expectancy was just three weeks! Among the replacements posted to that platoon in August was Leslie Bickle (always known as Jack or Little Jack) whose home was at Mill Cottage, Lydford. He had been conscripted as an 18 year old and sent abroad as soon as his training was completed. The Wessex Division had soon gained a reputation as courageous and determined fighters so it was little wonder that they were one of those chosen to be part of Operation Market Garden, that ill-fated

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attempt to capture bridges across the Lower Rhine and associated waterways around Arnhem in the Netherlands. Market was the code name for the huge airborne landings to capture the bridges, Garden was the thrust by armour and infantry to link up with them and force a bridgehead into Germany itself. The two big bridges were at Arnhem and Nijmegen. After the failure to secure ground on the east of the river in late September 4th Somersets were dug in holding on to ground in the vicinity of Nijmegen in almost a return to trench warfare. It was here that Jack was shot by a sniper and died in No.3 Casualty Clearing Station, just short of his 19th birthday. He was later buried in the new Jonkerbos War Cemetery. His parents chose the words, 'In Memory of our Beloved Jack a Brave Little Hero to the end' to be added to his gravestone. A memorial to the men of 43rd Division who laid down their lives during the European Campaign was erected on Hill 112 soon after the war ended. It is an obelisk. Near the base is a bronze plaque commemorating all the men of the Division who laid down their lives during the war. Above that is a plaque showing the Wessex Wyvern. Exact copies were unveiled at Winyards Gap in Dorset and Castle Hill at Mere in Wiltshire. In Cornwall the memorial is at the top of Rough Tor. A bronze plaque with the Wyvern above the inscription is mounted on the rock face of the tor. It was the gift of Sir Richard Onslow who served in the D.C.L.I. I believe some members of the Boots and Beer Club visited this site as part of one of their walks.

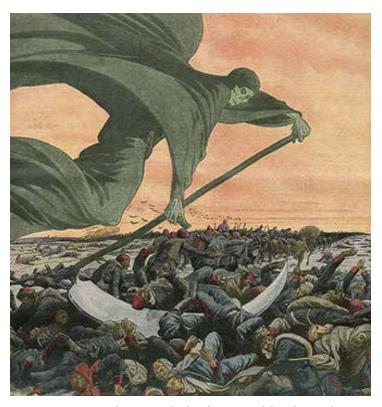
BRIDESTOWE THURSDAY MORNING GROUP

Dear members,

Don't forget to put this date in your diaries: On Thursday, December 5th we shall be going to Bow Garden Centre for Christmas lunch and maybe some Christmas shopping. (This takes the place of our usual meeting on the third Thursday of the month). I hope to sort out the details at our November coffee morning at The Ark, when I shall also be asking you for your menu choices. That will be on Thursday, November 21st at about 10.30. I hope to see you there. New members very welcome. Contact Ann Allan on 861551 or annallan1948@gmail.com

Lewdown Past The Lewdown and area local history group

Miasma, pestilence and death:
Cholera in Devon
A (cheery) illustrated talk by Kevin Dickens
and AGM
7.30 pm on Tuesday 19th November
at Stowford Parish Hall



Don't worry, this is a light-hearted look at the impact of pandemics and medical theory on Devon in the nineteenth century and some of this is bound to be relevant today. Kevin has given us many interesting talks in the past and I'm sure this will be no different.

Visitors are very welcome: charge £2 for members, £3 for visitors including refreshments. Parking in front of the hall or opposite. Enquiries: phone Hilary on 01566 783396.

NICHOLLS HALL LYDFORD BACON BUTTY, CAKE AND COFFEE MORNING

Last Saturday of each month 10am -12.30pm Well behaved dogs welcome Card payments accepted



ST THOMAS À BECKET CHURCH HARVEST SERVICE

Thank you to all who contributed to make our Harvest service so special. The decorations and gifts of produce and flowers looked lovely and the refreshments were enjoyed by all. We were able to send a donation to Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institute.

SOUP LUNCHES

Unfortunately ,due to the water problem in the Parish Hall, we had to cancel the soup lunch in November, but we look forward to the next lunch on December 8thfrom 12-2pm .

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The service will be at 10.45 a.m.

FUTURE DATES

Christingle 4p.m. on Sunday 1st December Carol service 4 p,m, on Sunday 22nd December

SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

November 3rd Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. November 10th **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE** 10.45 a.m.

November 17th Service at Bridestowe November 24th Morning Prayer at 9.30 a.m.

Jenny Batten

Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal- Bringing hope this Christmas

Thank you very much to everyone, especially the Dartmoor Stitchers for their generosity and loving care in buying and making such beautiful gifts for the shoe boxes. They will bring much joy to the

children of Ukraine and other neighbouring countries. We were able to send 29 boxes.

There will be a service of blessing the boxes as they start their journey at Fairplace Church in Okehampton at 10.30 on November 3rd if anyone would like to go.

please contact **Jenny Batten** 07879253903 widgery23@gmail.com or **Alison Ewen** 07990981826 ewen.alison@gmail.com for more information

Sourton Village Hall Lottery Results

July

1st Tracey Seymour 2nd Ali Ewen 3rd Ness Pearce

August

1st David Dashper 2nd Sam Ewen 3rd Steph Hockridge

September

1st Joy Thomas 2nd John Hockridge 3rd Caroline North

October

1st Pat Watson 2nd Sally Thompson 3rd Bruce Thompson

Thank you from BaSE

Our sincere thanks to Sourton Parish Council for their generous grant that will help meet the cost of toner and paper.

Martin and Alison Young

<u>59 Lottery Club -</u> <u>raising funds for</u> <u>Bridestowe</u> Village Hall



The rollover prize in September was won by Geoff Allan.

As no number matched the bonus ball on Saturday October 26th, there will be another rollover prize of £200 up for grabs at the end of November.

Movie Watch October 2024

We're approaching that seasonal tipping point at the New Carlton, where Autumn gives way to Winter, hopefully with a consequent improvement in movie stock.

As the September BASE went to print, we'd squeezed in a very late cinema visit which I briefly mentioned last month. We saw **The Critic**, featuring excellent performances from Gemma Arterton and, in particular, Ian McKellen who plays Jimmy Erskine, a feared theatre critic of the day.

Set in London in 1934, Erskine is the proudly gay film critic for The Daily Chronicle, a tabloid newspaper owned and run, following the death of his father, by Viscount David Brooke (Mark Strong). Despite increasingly strident requests from Brooke to tone down his level of criticism, Erskine delights in penning savage reviews of what he judges to be moderate theatrical work.

We both enjoyed **The Critic**, in particular McKellen's performance, described by the Guardian as 'waspish.' Sir lan is 85 but has lost none of his sharpness. Recommended.

This month we made another late trip into Okehampton to see **The Outrun**, produced by and starring the excellent, if tricky to pronounce, Saoirse Ronan. The film's title refers to an outlying piece of coastal farmland on Orkney, where most of the action takes place.

The film is a tough watch, covering the gradual and painful recovery from alcohol addiction endured by Ronan's character Rona, a young woman born in Orkney. Following a period of rehab, she returns to the island from her chaotic post-graduate London life, to take up a voluntary post with the RSMB.

The bleak reality of Orkney life is not watered down for the screen. The environment is shown to be stunningly beautiful but also terrifying, especially when frequent storms hit the wind-lashed cottage Rona calls home.

A fellow recovering alcoholic who Rona befriends on the island, has not had a drink for over 12 years. He offers her guarded encouragement, "It gets easier day-by-day, but it's never easy," stressing that the condition equates to a life sentence.

Saoirse Ronan has become a compelling onscreen figure who dominates this film from start to finish. She may well have been onscreen throughout. Whether **The Outrun** is a potential award-winner remains to be seen but this is a notable piece of work, although not for the faint-hearted.

It was good to find a thought-provoking title showing at the New Carlton. When Screen 3 opened, three years ago, the pre-launch publicity implied it would be used to extend the range of choice available to local cinemagoers. In reality that has not proved the case, with the upstairs facility invariably offering 'more of the same.'

Screen 3 offers 41 seats, of which 36 were taken on the evening we saw **The Outrun**. All bar five of those seats were occupied by women. This suggests, certainly outside School Holidays, that a wider range of titles, including some targeting a broad adult audience, might be well-received by locals.

The big November title headed our way will be **Gladiator 2**, starring Paul Mescal, Pedro Pascal and Denzel Washington. 24 years after the original Gladiator film, director Ridley Scott returns to continue the epic saga, set in Ancient Rome.

Gladiator 2 opens in Okehampton on 15th November, with advance booking required.

You'd imagine **Paddington in Peru** (Ben Whishaw, Olivia Colman, Antonio Banderas) might appeal to a slightly different demographic to **Gladiator 2**, but each to their own.

Meanwhile **Small Things Like These**, starring Oscar winner Cillian Murphy alongside Emily Watson, is a critically-

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acclaimed historical drama, produced by Ben Affleck and Matt Damon. This one is scheduled to arrive with us at the start of November.

We'll then be into the pre-Christmas period so will check out holiday titles next month.

With multi-channel choice now widely available, there's just so much television, but I doubt my favourite programme of the last few weeks will have registered with many of you. **The Club that George Built** is an uplifting documentary deserving of wider distribution than it will have so far received on Discovery+ and TNT Sports.

George Dowell, a promising young footballer with semi-pro Worthing FC, was left paralysed from the chest down after a horrific car accident as he returned home from training. Following settlement of his compensation, George bought his local club, settled their debts and invested in an all-weather 3G surface for community use. He has since led the club to successive promotions while crowds have increased tenfold.

George has become a major local figure as well as being awarded the MBE for Services to Football and Disability Awareness. If you can track the programme down, I promise you won't be disappointed.

I'm not sure if **Just One Thing - with Michael Mosley** (BBC) could yet be regarded as uplifting, I suspect his loss is still too raw for that. But this two-part series, under production at the time of his death, celebrated the life and legacy of Dr Mosley, with suggestions as to how you might improve your health and wellbeing, delivered in his accessible and hugely likeable style. All very sad although Mrs Harrison now pays her own personal tribute, by regularly jumping under a very cold shower, as recommended.

On these pages I generally try to identify a few TV shows that might be of interest to readers. However I suspect equally helpful could be suggestions of shows to which you should offer the widest possible berth. **Industry** (BBC), **The Franchise** (Sky Comedy) and

Phillip Schofield Cast Away (C5) all qualify on that count, with the last-named dubbed 'the moaning silver narcissist' by the acerbic Camilla Long in The Times.

On the positive side, I've collected a few recommendations, most of which have been delivered either inside, or just outside, the Post Office. The comedy-drama **Brassic** (Sky One) was offered up, rather sheepishly I felt, as something of a guilty pleasure while **Love Cheats** (C4) comes under the 'compellingly awful' category.

We've not flagged up anything quite so well received as **Colin From Accounts** (BBC iPlayer) so, if by any chance, you've missed it, do yourself a favour. Oh and we've still not seen **Slow Horses** (Apple TV+), but we really will.

Please keep your suggestions coming. They're much appreciated, certainly by me but hopefully by others as well.

David Harrison October 2024



Saturday 9th November in Belstone Village Hall. Open from 10.00am-4.30pm Admission free.

Belstone's everpopular, Annual Craft Fair is here again! Parking



space in the Village Car Park, opposite the Hall – overflow parking in the Cricket Field. As usual we have Ploughman's Lunches and a range of delicious home made soup and cakes on sale all day. An excellent place to do that special bit of Christmas shopping – or just browse – in a friendly and convivial atmosphere.

There will be a wide range of craft stalls and, to give you a chance to look up our exhibitors and plan your shopping list, below is a list of the stallholders and their crafts – with websites, where appropriate.

Jen Bryant **Landscape photography** www.jenbryant.co.uk

Marielle Ebner-Rijke **Artist/Printmaker** www.marielleebner-rijke.co.uk

Louise Gelson **Hand stitched leather goods** www.lgleatherworks.com

Deborah Jones **Designer Jeweller** www.deborahjonesjewellery.co.uk

The Country Child Parchment and Children's Lampshades

www.thecountrychildsco.uk Shelagh Brown **Textiles** www.shelaghbrown.com

Mary Needham **Painter & Printmaker** www.maryneedham.co.uk

Paula Steer **Lily Warne Wool** www.lilywarnewool.co.uk

Debby Mason **Marine Themed Etchings** www.debbymason.com

Gill Dubey **Potting Shed Ceramics** www.pottingshedceramics.co.uk

The Dartmoor Soap Company Natural
Artisan Soap www.thedartmoorsoapco.co.uk
Hilary Johnson Handmade Leather Goods
www.hilaryjohnsonhandmade.co.uk
Judy Rogers Lampwork Bead Jewellery

David Gundry **Pottery**

David Bowden Wooden Toys

Baby, Toddler & Family Group

TERM TIME

Our Baby & Toddler session is warm and welcoming, led by Jackie, a passionate and experienced practitioner and Building Baby Brains Champion

Different themed activites weekly, suitable for different ages. Each session is very relaxed and allows you and your children to experience different things, topics and arts and crafts!

> Thursday mornings 9.30am - 11.30am Bridestowe Village Hall







Play, Snack, Craft

Stories and Singing

The Bridestowe Volunteer Group met

on Saturday 26th and a great deal of litter picking was carried out along the old A30. Hedges were trimmed and tidied near the village hall entrance and volunteers have embarked on widening the footpath running up to Trescote Way.

The next session will be on **Saturday 23rd November**, meeting at 9.30am at the cemetery gates. The plan is to have refreshments afterwards at the Christmas Market in the hall.

New recruits are always welcome.

In an attempt to keep areas tidy we would ask that if you find the dog bins full, you take your bag home and put it in with household waste. Overflowing bins are very unsightly.

Are you passionate about our community? Have ideas for positive change? Make a real difference— Become a Sourton Parish Councillor!

Why Become a Councillor?

- Shape local decisions
- Connect with the community
- Personal & professional development

Who Can Apply?

- Sourton residents 18+
- On the electoral register
- Genuine interest in community well-being

How to Apply:

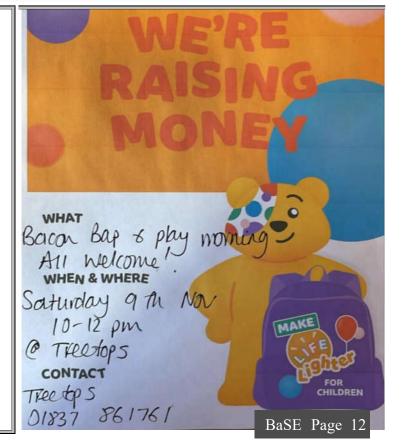
- Contact Sourton Parish Council for an application form
- Attend upcoming council meetings to learn more
 - Get Involved—Shape the Future!
 For more info, contact Abi Horn, Clerk parishclerk@sourtonpc.org.uk
 07792958675
- Application Deadline: Thursday 31st October
 Sourton Parish Council

Seth's Pressure Washing Services

Reliable and energetic local young person offering pressure washing of patios, steps, outdoors paving etc in Bridestowe. Own machine and tools used.

Will need access to tap and electric. Competitive rates please contact for a free quotation visit. 01837 861114









Hi,

I'm Kate, a Sports Massage Therapist, based in Meldon, near the reservoir. I offer Sports Massage sessions to everyone, athlete or not, symptom focused or for general maintenance and recovery.

I've had a love of sport since a very young age and to this day it is my main driver of feeling healthy both mentally & physically. From my whitewater kayaking and rafting days in Norway, to skiing and paramedic work in Canada, to trail running and mountain biking now on Dartmoor. I have had a varied and fun career, one that has always allowed me to combine sport with work. This takes a demand on the body and as a result I have often used Sports Massage therapists to help support me to get the most out of my body.

Since having children my focus has shifted career wise and at the beginning of the year I retrained as a Level 3 certified Sports Massage Therapist. Sports massage is a form of soft tissue massage that often has a targeted approach focusing on a certain area of the body that is heeling or needs relief. It has many benefits including loosening of muscular tensions, increasing range of movement, prevention of injury, reduction in pain and boosting energy levels, to name but a few.

I operate out of my home during the weekdays and welcome new clients. My goal is to help promote good recovery, encourage rebalance and leave your body feeling refreshed. Please get in touch via email/mobile if you would like to discuss or book a Sports Massage.

Kate

email: kate@katecornfield.com mob: 07913 855 231





LYDFORD FOXES AFC

Sessions for children in Years 2, 3 and 4.

Our fun and exciting session for our popular "Fox Cubs" is back on Saturday mornings from 09.00 – 10.00 at Lydford Sports Field
Established in 2016 this small, friendly local youth football club with a strong family feel, offers fun training sessions to focus on the developmen

strong family feel, offers fun training sessions to focus on the development of skills for the game of football.

Sessions run at Lydford Sports Field, EX20 4BE every Saturday and on Tuesday evenings at Ashbury all-weather pitch. To register your interest, please contact us: play@lydfordfoxes.com or www.lydfordfloxes.com or call 07792 906 608

Lydford Foxes also currently have an U12s team playing in the Adrenalin Devon Junior & Minor League and the U18s that are focusing on a pathway to lead into training and playing with nearby local adult team, FC Tavyside.

Bridestowe Parish Council report

At the full meeting of the parish Council on 2nd October, Mark Edwards, Head of Development, Bakers Estates Ltd, gave an update on progress so far. All the necessary surveys have been carried out and he looked forward to meeting members of the community at the drop in session mid-month. (See attached report0

Cleaning of the multiplay equipment in the Sporting Green is to be carried out by councillors.

The '20 is Plenty' scheme has run into difficulties as Devon County Council ' cannot approve the signs on the public highway because they are contradictory to the existing speed limits in many of the locations where they had been put up. Not only does this cause confusion; it also creates issues for vehicles with speed limit recognition technology.'

So there we are: the signs are to come down. The Council thanks those householders who have been prepared to display them on their properties.

Now that the Parish Council has received requests from a number of residents - more than the required 6 - expressing interest in having an allotment, the Council has a statutory duty to provide a sufficient number of plots. The Council will ask local landowners if there is a parcel of land that can be purchased.

The Council asks that posters are not attached to telegraph poles and lamp posts. It is tempting but it's actually deemed as 'fly posting' and is illegal. There are several noticeboards that can be used.

The next full meeting of Bridestowe Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 20th November** at 7.30pm in The Ark.

Members of the public are very welcome to attend.

Clerk's contact details: Kayleigh Walker Little Kellacott Farm, St Giles on the Heath, Launceston PL15 9SW

Tel: **07854 275 955**

Email: clerk@ bridestowe.org. uk

Drop in session on October 16th in The Ark

Mark Edwards' assessment

To confirm the purpose of the event was to share some early information about the site including initial high level layout options and to hear residents' views to help us develop our proposals.

The event was well-attended with 44 residents calling in and providing valuable feedback. Attendees were asked to complete a feedback form and return to us by 31st October 24 in a postage paid envelope. Once all the feedback has been analysed this will help us to develop our proposals.

Of those forms completed and returned to date, the tone is generally positive. In fact, there are a number of comments welcoming our consultation process: we were pleased to hear this as engaging and listening to communities is an important part of our work.

We look forward to meeting residents at our next event, prior to submitting a planning application to West Devon Borough Council.

A resident has drawn attention to the three fairly local developments that Bakers Estates are progressing. People might like to see the quality of the build there.

They are

Tavistock - The Orchard behind Lidl Mortonhampstead - Hingstead View, near Thompson's Haulage Yard

Darlington - St Mary 's, opposite the entrance to the Hall





Tavistock Memory Cafe provides locally based support and information to those living with dementia, their family, carers and friends. Memory Cafe runs two bookable meetings on the 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month.

AM session 11.00-12.30 PM session 14.00-15.30

Trained volunteers greet members old & new, after an initial chance to chat over tea & biscuits/cake, carers can join a peer support group in a separate room, to share experiences, exchange information or hear from a guest professional, always in strict confidence. Meanwhile those living with dementia get involved in a variety of stimulating activities supported by our volunteers, quizzes, art & craft, live music, singing & celebratory events are often in the programme.

Care & Share sessions are on the 3rd Thursday of each month providing carers & family a spell of time for themselves for 1-4 hours from 10.30-14.30. Those living with dementia & attending will be involved in a variety of stimulating activities.

Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (CST) is a course of structured theraputic sessions that are based around a topic with talking, music & pictures, all leading to a stimulating, fun & beneficial experience. Run by trained facilitators. The sessions are for an hour, once a week over 12 weeks.

For more information visit our website:-tavistockmemorycafe.co.uk or our Facebook page or contact Heather on **07436 008 281** or email info@tavistockmemorycafe.co.uk.



Quiz night at The Blue Lion , Lewdown, Thursday 28th November

In aid of Lewtrenchard School, £3 per person, kids free!

7.30pm for 8pm start

The winning team wil receive a bottle of wine , kindly donated by the Blue Lion. The Friends of Lewtrenchard

School will receive a cash percentage of food ordered on the night.



<u>Lunar cycle for</u> November

New moon 1st First quarter 9th Full moon 15th Last quarter 23rd

The full moon in November is named after beavers who can be seen preparing for the winter. Native Americans also called it the Frost Moon and Freezing Moon.

In Celtic tradition, it is also called the Mourning Moon and the Darkest Depths Moon.

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Winter opening times October to March

Monday - Friday 9am -4.30pm

Saturday & Sunday 10am - 4.30pm



BRIDESTOWE READING GROUP

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 7th November** at

7.30pm at 8 Beech Tree

Meadow. Thanks to Tricia for hosting it. We will be discussing David Knott's *War Doctor Surgery on the front Line.*

New members are always welcome

01566 783529

email: neil@neiledgson.com

About the book..

For more than twenty-five years, David Nott has taken unpaid leave from his job as a general and vascular surgeon with the NHS to volunteer in some of the world's most dangerous war zones. From Sarajevo under siege in 1993, to clandestine hospitals in rebelheld eastern Aleppo, he has carried out lifesaving operations and field surgery in the most challenging conditions, and with none of the resources of a major London teaching hospital.

The conflicts he has worked in form a chronology of twenty-first-century combat: Afghanistan, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Darfur, Congo, Iraq, Yemen, Libya, Gaza and Syria. But he has also volunteered in areas blighted by natural disasters, such as the earthquakes in Haiti and Nepal.

Driven both by compassion and passion, the desire to help others and the thrill of extreme personal danger, he is now widely acknowledged to be the most experienced trauma surgeon in the world. But as time went on, David Nott began to realize that flying into a catastrophe - whether war or natural disaster - was not enough. Doctors on the ground needed to learn how to treat the appalling injuries that war inflicts upon its victims. Since 2015, the foundation he set up with his wife, Elly, has disseminated the knowledge he has gained, training other doctors in the art of saving lives threatened by bombs and bullets.

War Doctor is his extraordinary story. www.waterstones.com

Live music at The Wharf, Tavistock ...

Ralph McTell with Dave Pegg

Wednesday 27th November at 7:30pm

Ralph McTell and Dave Pegg have been friends for more than 50 years.

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Information: Gerald@jacksmeadow.co.uk

The Glebe Park laundrette is in operation.



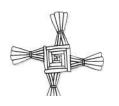
Wash £6

Dry £1.50 (for 20 mins)

Open 8am - 8pm

You will need tokens for both machines which you can buy from Reception.

Bridestowe Churches Partnership





<u>Sunday Worship for November</u> Saturday 2nd

6.30pm All Souls Day service at St Bridget's **Sunday 3rd**

9.30am See Sourton BaSe entry for details 10.30am to 12.30pm Cafe Church in The Ark (Worship, Coffee, Tea, Chat, Children's activities)

Sunday 10th

10.15am Remembrance Day Service at St Bridget's

Sunday 17th

9.30am Joint service with the Methodists at St Bridget's.

Sunday 24th

9.30am Family Service at St Bridget's. Songs and a bible story.

11.00am Morning service at the Methodist Church led by M Cooke. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

An Advent course is being held during November and December, the first being on Monday 28th November in The Ark. Please contact Rev Adrian Brook for more detail if you are interested in attending.

The Family Barn Dance organised by St Bridget's and the Methodist Chapel was a great success with everyone enjoying dancing to *Walter Shortage and the Hosepipe Banned*. The collection in aid of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution raised £190.

The Service of Remembrance will be held on Sunday 10th November starting at 10.15am at St

Bridget's.

On Wednesday 13th

November the quiz, starting at 8.00pm, at the White Hart will be in aid of the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the service and the quiz.



The Coffee Morning in October raised £137 for the charity *All We Can*. Thanks to all who supported this.

The November Coffee Morning will be held on **Saturday 9th November**.

The charity is **DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee - Middle East Appeal)**

As usual there will be tea/coffee/biscuits and cakes, and a warm welcome. Do Come. The Tuesday Whist afternoon has been well attended in recent weeks. Why not visit It is always good fun and there will be someone ready to give a helping hand.

Opening times

Tuesdays 10 - 12 with coffee, cake and a friendly chat, and 2 - 4, when you can play whist.

Thursday 10 - 12. Laugh and Craft or just pop in for a chat.

Remember that booking the ARK has changed. Jennifer Thorne is handling bookings.

Phone **01837 861592**

Email: j.thorne2013@btinternet.com

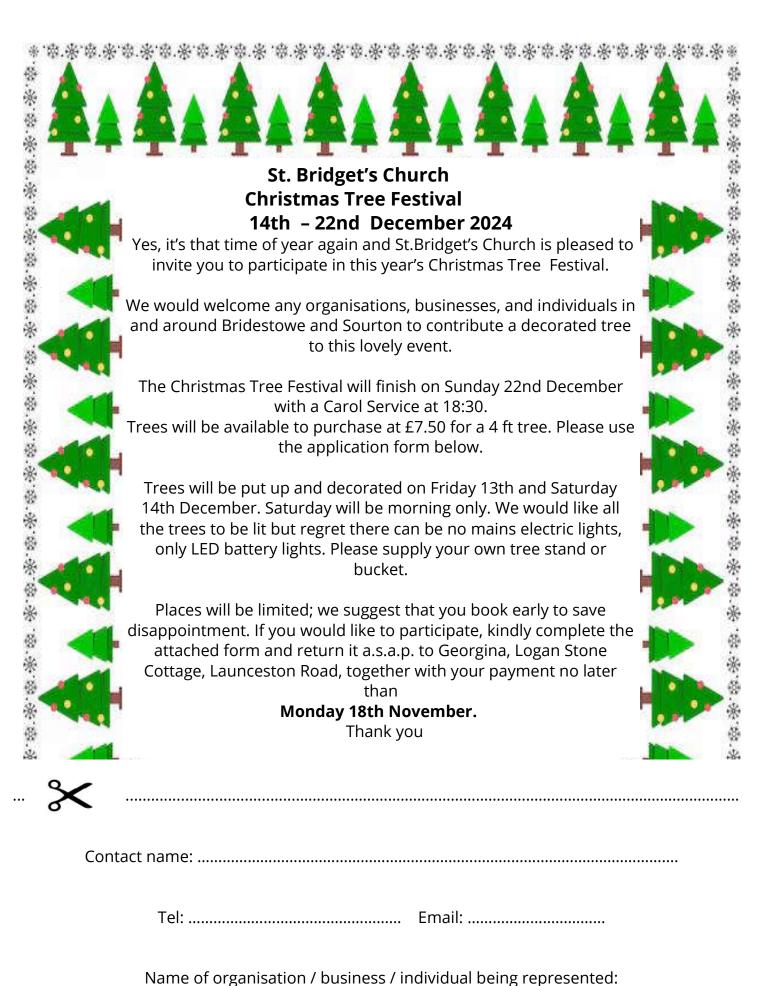
The Over 60's Lunch Club will meet on Tuesday 12th November.



Gather at 12.15 for lunch at 12.30.

Apologies to Jennifer on 861592 if you cannot attend.We will be choosing our Christmas Meals ready for the Christmas Lunch at The White Hart on Tuesday 10th December.

Thank you.



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Okehampton Library

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welcoming space with free WiFi and computer access, people to chat to, groups and activities. Enjoy a natter with other customers or have a go at our community puzzle.

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Keep an eye out for more events and activities at Okehampton Library. Visit our website: www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/okehamptonlibrary

November Events

International Games Week: 7-13 November Games Day - Thursday 7 November 10:00-16:00

Join us for a 'Games Day' as part of International Games Week at Okehampton Library. Will you play cards? Or dominoes, Bananagrams, shut the box, Yahtzee, Uno or Monopoly? Free drop-in event, donations welcome. Free hot drinks available.

Bounce & Rhyme – 10:00 and 11:00, Tuesday 12th November

20-minute sessions. Suitable for under 5s, FREE, book via the library or Eventbrite. This week we are joined by Katie from Action for Children, who work in communities to offer practical and caring support to children and families.

Police Community Drop-in: Date to be confirmed

Police Community Support Officer, Sean Jones will be here if you would like to come in and chat. He said: "It will be a good chance for us to engage with the community and answer any questions or concerns people have, as well as passing on advice if they would like it. I

will also bring along some finger printing kits for any children to take part in."

Opening Hours

Monday 09:00-17:00 Tuesday 09:00-18:00 Wednesday 09:00-13:00 Thursday 09:00-17:00 Friday 09:00-18:00 Saturday 09:00-13:00



The North Dartmoor Garden Club, this friendly group of garden lovers – but not necessarily gardeners – has started its autumn season. Regular monthly meetings are held from September to April, on the fourth Thursday of each month, 7.30pm, in Belstone Village Hall and we have a wide range of speakers on a variety of topics. We are also looking to provide some exciting garden visits for our members in 2025. Members come from a wide area, including

Okehampton, Hatherleigh, North Tawton, Chagford and, of course, all the local villages. The club welcomes new members, guests and visitors, so why not come along? At £15 membership for the year, it is very good value for money. Visitors £4 for an evening. On **28th November**, Robin Hill from Andrews Corner *(photo)* will be giving a talk 'Weird and Wonderful in a Dartmoor Garden'.



This is our Christmas meeting and will include tea/coffee, mince pies and a Christmas Raffle with a horticultural theme.

For further details contact Robin Hill 01837840332 edwinarobinhill@outlook.com or our secretary Pat Watson watsongp@hotmail.com





Okehampton

Our speaker this month is John Walters

Tuesday 19 November at 2.30pm in Fairplace Church

Discover the weird and wonderful world of the undergrowth with noted wildlife photographer, artist, author and ecologist, John Walters. John is a passionate observer of wildlife who explores the natural world through art, photography and video, which is how he will introduce this secret world and the creatures within. He has worked as a consultant entomologist and naturalist on many programmes, including the BBC's 'Wild Isles' and 'Life in the Undergrowth' with David Attenborough.

More about the speaker..

John is a noted wildlife photographer and ecology consultant who has been fascinated by nature since childhood and one of his earliest memories is of watching glowworms as a three year old on the South Downs, in Hampshire. Growing up on Hayling Island, where surrounded by the bird-filled harbours, sand dunes and the rich habitats of the county he developed a deep passion for the natural world.

After graduating from Falmouth School of Art and Design in 1991 John worked for the Dartmoor National Park Authority as a graphic designer. Since going freelance in 1999 he now works as; an ecologist specialising in invertebrates, a wildlife artist and as a public speaker on a wide variety of projects including an illustrated wildlife diary and ecological studies of invertebrates including the blue ground beetle, the heath potter wasp and the Horrid ground weaver spider.

John has worked with the BBC Natural History Unit on many television programmes including the award winning Smalltalk

Diaries, the Natural World – Earth Pilgrim and the David Attenborough series - Life in the Undergrowth. He has also contributed to several Living World programmes for Radio 4. He enjoys exploring the natural world through through drawing and painting wildlife in the field and is a keen photographer. His interests in natural history are wide with particular focus on the study of insects, birds and rockpool life. So, if you would like to discover the weird, wonderful and secret world of the undergrowth what better way than coming to our meeting and listening to John who will introduce you to these secret worlds and the creatures within.

This meeting will be held at Fairplace Church, 3 Fairplace Terrace, Okehampton, EX20 1DT starting at 2.30pm. There will be an opportunity to ask John questions at the end of his talk.

Admission - £1.00 to help towards the cost of hiring the venue, paying speakers and, not least refreshments.

For further information please contact Dee McVey 01837 658590





Bridestowe Scout Group news October 2024

We hope you are all doing well. The Scout group has been getting back into the swing of things with camps, high ropes, scout skills and loads more. If you would like to enrol your young people in any section please contact us at: membership@bridestowescouts.org.uk

Beavers (6 - 8)

The first five of our new Beavers have been invested into the group and it's great to have the younger section up and running. The Beavers have been busy working on

Beavers have been busy working on their chiefs badges, making puppets and learning about space and the planets at the weekly meetings. As this month's BASE is being printed, the Beavers will be on their Autumn camp, a sleep over at the Plymouth Aquarium - more on this next month.

Cubs (8 - 10)

The Cubs have been working on navigation badges, making bamboo catapults, and had a night playing board games at the hall. The Cubs had their Autumn camp at Ashbury woods, working on their camp craft and skills.

Scouts (10 - 14)

The Scouts have been making trebuchets, working on navigation skills and making bird feeders during their weekly meetings. The Scouts have also been on camp to Taw Bottom campsite near Sticklepath. The Scouts put their navigation skills to the test on a 6hr hike over the moor, finishing with smoors around the camp fire.

Explorers (14 – 18)

A group of west Devon Explorers completed the Abbots Way walk, a 25 mile route between Buckfast and Tavistock abbeys, in 7.5 hrs over the open moor. The Explorer silver Duke of Edinburgh team have been working towards their final Expedition over the half term.

The Scout movement exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. But above all it is great fun. Young people get to take part in activities and camps creating memories and developing skills.

If you would like more information on the Scout Group activities, discuss how we could get involved in community events or would like to discuss a volunteer role with us please contact: gsl@bridestowescouts.org.uk

Yours in Scouting Bridestowe Scout Leaders.



News from Lydford Gorge

National Trust Rose Cooke, Visitor Experience Officer



There may still be some autumn colour around as we head into November. Apparently, the wet spring has led to lush woodland growth, and the cooler summer has helped trees retain their leaves, so the autumn colour could be better than last year, and last longer.

The rangers have started to tackle the invasive non-native species in the gorge and will be continuing this work through the winter and beyond. It's a big job as laurel and rhododendron grow dense and very tall and can easily spread through woodlands. They prevent light from reaching the tree trunks and branches that support threatened rainforest species of lichen and moss. This important work will re-connect the priority rainforest habitat across and along the riverbanks in the gorge.

As promised here are some of my favourite slug and snail facts from the autumn trail.

- 1. The largest UK slug is the ash-black slug. It's one of the largest land slugs in the world. It usually reaches 150mm but can reach up to 300mm. It lives in temperate rainforests and is predated by the rare blue ground beetle.
- 2. Like humans, snails can either be right-handed (their shell spirals clockwise) or left-handed (their shell spirals anti-clockwise). Around 10% of humans are left-handed but it's rare in snails. However, for left-handed snails it's not just their shells that are opposite, it's their whole bodies and so they can't mate with right-handed snails.
- 3. Only a few of the roughly 40 slug and 100 snail species found in the UK are a menace in the garden. And the leopard slug will actually eat other slugs.

Now that we have moved into our winter period, please check the weather before you visit. During periods of high wind and rainfall trees may drop branches or fall over making it hazardous to walk in the gorge. We may also have to shut sections of path for work over winter, please check the website for updates

and follow directions on site, thanks.

St Clement's Day at Finch Foundry Saturday 23 November, drop in any time between 10am and 4pm.

Blacksmiths from near and far will be showing off their skill at the forge to compete and create. There'll be the annual Great Snail Race and the firing of the anvil.

Free entry, parking is limited so please be considerate.

We'd still love to take any book donations over winter. Please get in touch by email lydfordgorge@nationaltrust.org.uk or call 01822 820320 and leave a message so we can get back to you. We can arrange a suitable time for a drop off or we can also collect.

Opening Times until Friday 28 February 2024

The waterfall trail and railway path will be open for walks during daylight hours.

All other facilities, including the toilets, will be closed.

We plan to reopen from Saturday 1 March 2025

The rest of the gorge trails are closed over winter for safety and essential maintenance work. This can include tree work, path work and rock face inspections, so please do not pass any locked gates. Please check the website - nationaltrust.org.uk/lydford-gorge Email: lydfordgorge@nationaltrust.org.uk Tel: 01822 820320

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Did you know?

Tawny owls are easier to track down at this time of year because they are re-establishing territories and pair bonds, and this year's brood are leaving home to establish their own patch. All this means quite a bit of calling. The male's iconic hooting call goes something like 'hooo-huhuhuhooo', while the typical female contact call is more like a 'keewik'. Tawny owls will frequently call from their daytime roost at dusk before moving off to hunt, so if you can locate them at dusk, you'll know where to find them next time!



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For prices and to book, contact
Paul Alford 07799 778 779
Sally Gibson 07305 112586
Visit the website to see prices and view the calendar for availability

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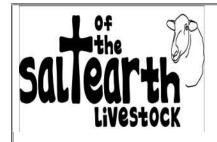
Saturday November 9th 10am-1pm Lino Printing Christmas Cards £45

Saturday December 7th 10am-1pm

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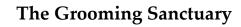


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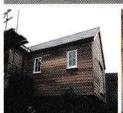
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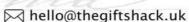
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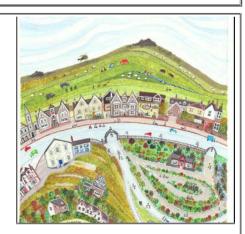
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Sunday 3rd	2.30pm - 4.30pm, Boasley Chapel, Afternoon Teas
Thursday 7th	7.30pm, 8 Beech Tree Meadow, Reading Group
Friday 8th	Deadline for booking 'Meet Father Christmas'
	6pm (fireworks 7pm) Bridestowe Village Hall, Firework Night
Saturday 9th	10 - 12noon, The Ark, Coffee Morning in aid of DEC
	10am - 4pm, Belstone Village Hall, Craft Fair
Tuesday 12th	12.15 for 12.30pm, The Ark, Over 60's lunch
Wednesday 13th	8pm, The White Hart, Quiz in aid of the Royal British Legion
Saturday 16th	10am - 12pm, Bridestowe Village Hall, Bacon Baps
Tuesday 19th	2.30pm, Fairplace Church, Oke u3a talk
	7.30pm, Stowford Parish Hall, Lewdown Past, talk
Wednesday 20th	7.30pm, The Ark(Methodist Chapel), Bridestowe PC meeting
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10.30am, The Ark, Thursday Morning Group
12pm - 2pm, Boasley Chapel, Soup and Sweet
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Deadline around 25th of the month but can be flexible. It's always worth getting in contact after the date. The newsletter can be read online via the Bridestowe website, just follow the link for BaSE.

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