

THE VILLAGE BELL

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Diary Dates – next 2 months

18th Sep WI Meeting 7.30 Puddington – Susan's Flower Shop.
19th Sep Library Coffee Morning 10.00
25th Sep Computer Forum 1.30
26th Sep Wine Tasting 7.30 see box
3rd Oct Library Coffee Morning 10.00
4th Oct Cider with Roadies 11.00 see box
9th Oct Computer Forum 1.30
13th Oct Entertainments Fund Raiser 7.00 (date changed) see box
17th Oct Library Coffee Morning 10.00
18th Oct Harvest Supper
23rd Oct Computer Forum 1.30
31st Oct Library Coffee Morning 10.00
1st Nov Bonfire Night

Details are believed to be correct, but see posters around the village for further details and to confirm dates!

Updates

Village Fete – what can I say – the Sun shone and we raised £822.23 to be shared with the Church!!

Thanks from Mary To all who helped make the Fete such a massive success on the day; to the usual stalwarts, Alan, Ken, Tony, John, (joined this year by young Mark), for the collecting, erecting and dismantling of the donated marquees and Anne Lyndsay-Good for helping us all morning in the furniture moving; to all the ladies who worked tirelessly with cakes and teas for our many visitors; to Joan Lakeland for organizing the raffle and games and cooking over a hot BBQ all evening; to John and Ann/Ken for making the raffle and tombola the best ever. A special thank you from me to Claire Newell who worked so hard to help me unload and pack away my stall. I couldn't have done it without her –

and Helga who gave us cups of tea in the morning and kept a close eye on me.

A big thank to my husband who took over all the physical stuff from me, like delivering the flyers (twice), putting up all the posters in the villages around, placing all the poster boards and filling our garage to the roof with bric-a-brac in between visiting me in hospital and taking care of me when I came out.

A big, big 'Thank you' to Chrissie for the loan of her field. Thanks to God for answering my prayers and giving us a perfect day.

If I've left anyone out I'm really sorry. Thanks to everyone for pulling together on the day.

Flower Show

Well done everybody – another lovely day – the quality was outstanding despite the wettest summer we have ever had. Congratulations to Joyce Rowcliffe who won the Cup for the most points overall, after a recount Freda Berry just eased Ken and Ann Webber into third place. The Webbers won the cup for the most points in the Flower and Veg section. Thanks to all who gave their support!!

Wine Tasting with The Jolly Vintner

Friday 26th September..... 7.30 for 8.00

Puddington Village Hall

Tickets £6.50 from 9 Church Close 860382

. Places MUST be booked in advance.

Wines will be for sale on the night

Cider with Roadies

Puddington Village Green

Saturday 4th October from 11.00am

See flyer

Join us for a cup of REAL coffee and something sweet and appley from 10.30am and something soupy and savoury for lunch!

Entertainments Committee

Fundraiser

Monday 13th October 7.00pm
Village Hall

Stalls include
Homestyle with Lindsay
Mini IQ Books – books and games 0-12
Scenic Cards

Harvest Festival

Saturday October 18th 6.00pm
in the Church

followed by Supper in the Village Hall
Tickets in advance please from
Mrs Drew 860532
or Mrs Lindsay-Good 861296
£6.00 adults £3.00 children

Fuel Oil

Prices are coming down but you can still save by 5 to 6p per litre by joining the multiple drop. Contact John 3 Church Close 860920 to be included in the next delivery end of October. Minimum order 500 litres.

Neighbourhood Watch

Remember to be vigilant and make a note of anything you're unhappy about. This is our village and we want it to be safe and crime free!
First point of contact John B, 2 Glebelands 860980
Our Neighbourhood Watch is based at Crediton and can be contacted on 01363 772223 or 08452 777449 (24 hours)

Jim's Top Tips

I have just come in from feeding our chickens, a job which really only takes about five minutes but can last up to an hour. I just love to watch them investigate something new or to scratch away in a dust bath. Anyway it has prompted me to share a tip or two about eggs.

To test eggs for freshness place them in a bowl of salted water. Discard any that float to the surface or turn their broad ends up as they will be stale. Don't discard eggs because the white is cloudy as they are

the freshest eggs, still retaining a little carbon dioxide which is tasteless and harmless.

When whisking egg whites and making meringues, whisk them up in a clean, grease-free, glass or porcelain bowl. Do not use bowls or whisks made of plastic - the plastic prevents the whites from whisking properly. Adding a pinch of salt, cream of tartar or half a teaspoon of vinegar will help to whisk them up stiffly.

Well I'm off now to give the chickens a handful of corn, any excuse.

Jim.

Lunch anyone?

We've changed the day to Wednesday!
Next lunch at The Black Dog 17th Sept then 1st Oct 1.00pm, join us, if you wish, for a meal and chatter.

† St Thomas a Becket †

1st Sunday in month. Morning Worship
2nd " " Eucharist
3rd " " Morning service led by Worship Group.

All at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to all of these.

Want to book the Village Hall? Phone me to check availability 860505

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