

# THE VILLAGE BELL

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**Diary Dates** – next 2 months. All at Village Hall unless stated

8<sup>th</sup> Dec Computer Forum 1.30

10<sup>th</sup> Dec Adults Christmas Party

15<sup>th</sup> Dec Computer Forum Christmas Bash 1.30

16<sup>th</sup> Dec Coffee Morning 9.50 (No Library)

17<sup>th</sup> Dec Carol Service 6.00 (Church) nibbles after in VH

22<sup>nd</sup> Dec Children's Christmas Party

26<sup>th</sup> Dec Boxing Day Walk meet 11.00 VH just round Henceford Littleborough triangle. After at "The Lawns" for refreshment.

31<sup>st</sup> Dec New Year Social, Skittles tournament. Bring your own drink + Bring and share supper 8.30 onwards! All welcome! **Raffle**

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3<sup>rd</sup> Jan Parish Council Meeting 8.00

13<sup>th</sup> Jan Library Coffee Morning 9.55 see below

23<sup>rd</sup> Jan Village Hall Meeting 7.30

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

## **Library**

As you will be aware the Mobile Library currently stops in Puddington at the Village Hall on alternate Friday mornings from 09.50 – 10.35am

From January 2012, we propose to make a change. Our data shows that the mobile library has not been allocated enough travelling time between stops on this day, and therefore I regret that the library will arrive 5 minutes later i.e. 09.55 – 10.35am.

To ensure that everyone is able to access Devon Libraries, we work closely with the WRVS Home Library Service whose volunteers deliver our books and spoken word CDs to anyone confined to home, or who are no longer physically able to reach a library. If anyone in the village needs this help, please contact me via email [pauline.anderson@devon.gov.uk](mailto:pauline.anderson@devon.gov.uk) or by telephoning 01392 384315.

## **Updates**

**Nov 5<sup>th</sup>** went off without incident. Thanks so much to everybody who gave a hand, and special thanks to Mike and Sandy who donated a barrel! A profit of £237 was made on the evening for the Village Hall.

## **Puppet Show**

Jolly good fun – especially the sea squirrel! (Another one booked for March)

## **Christmas Fayre**

Well we were obviously all in the Christmas spirit – a welcome £278 towards the new windows!

## **Coming Up**

There will be a Christmas Quiz Night instead if the paper quiz this year. I do not have any details however.

## **Fuel Oil**

You can still save by joining the multiple drop. Contact John 3 Church Close 860920 to be included in the next delivery. Minimum order 500 litres.

WOPEC is the Witheridge version of our multiple drop, because they have more "customers" they may be able to do a better deal. They do have a website, speak to John if you are interested or contact them direct 01884 861186 (Fred Hanbury).

**Bounce with Bob** ..... take the bus to Exeter Wednesday or Friday and see above the hedges..... **No petrol - no car parking**  
Departs Puddington Cross 9.15am  
Leaves Exeter Bus Station 1.35pm  
Fare £3.40(ish) return – pass holders FREE.

### 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.

We have a new number to ring to contact the police for non-urgent incidents – just dial 101. The cost will be 15p however long it lasts or what time of day it is, but you can still give John in the village (860980) a ring if you like!

### Lunch anyone?

Next lunches at The Black Dog 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 1.00pm, join us, if you wish, for a meal and chatter.

### **† St Thomas a Becket †**

1st Sunday in month.	Morning Worship	9.30am
2nd " "	No Service	
3rd " "	Morning Worship	9.30am
4 <sup>th</sup> " "	Holy Communion	9.30am

Everyone is welcome to all of these.

### Puddington Rainfall (Old Parsonage)

October 4.21ins November 2.8ins  
(This month so far 2.27ins)

### For Sale

Dunlop Rollaway Table Tennis Table  
£50 ono Eric 07527 165641

### Space in the freezer after Christmas?

Jacobs lamb? Contact no 860200

My pork will be ready too 860505

### Christmas Greetings

Rose wishes you all a blessed Christmas and all that goes well for the New Year. I wish to thank you all for the overwhelming help and concern I receive always.

Bless you all.

*Instead of sending Christmas cards I will be making a donation to the Village Hall fund. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year*  
Irene Eldridge

Gill Lyon wishes all her friends and neighbours in the Village a Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year!!

Cross Country subs will be collected Mid February (ALG)

## Merry Christmas to all our Readers!

A Village Hall/Old Parsonage Production

E-mail [chrisie@puddington-village.net](mailto:chrisie@puddington-village.net)

Tel 860505

Just a little grumble so I can start the New Year afresh –

The day after the bonfire I was left with a burnt and broken pitchfork – an apology would be nice.

Also somebody has dumped a couple of loads of garden rubbish on top of the burnt out bonfire – can they please either remove it or burn it up themselves please? (I need to clear the metal from the site.)