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Church and Community Magazine of The Moorland Team

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## Facing disappointments

We all have to face disappointments from time to time – it's our natural reaction when something doesn't go as we had hoped or planned. Many of us have been disappointed with the weather in August; we have not been able to get out and do some of the things we wanted to do. Events have been cancelled, shows and festivals a wash-out, the BBQ has just sat in the shed. Of course some disappointments are more serious: a relationship that has not worked out, failing to get the grades for the university place that we wanted, being turned down for the job we had set our hearts on. Some disappointments may even threaten our very existence.

The feelings we experience when something goes wrong is part of being human – there is nothing wrong with feeling disappointed. But we can then face those disappointments in different ways; we can see them as a threat or as an opportunity. If we see them as a threat then we are likely to get into the blame game: blame the weather, blame the education system, blame the health service, blame the partner, blame the government, blame your upbringing, blame yourself! That's not to say that sometimes other people should not be held responsible, but the danger of seeing disappointments as a threat is that we get into a negative mind-set, a downward spiral which is difficult to escape from. On the other hand, we can see our disappointments as an opportunity, an opportunity for God to work and to bring about his good and perfect will.

Before we came to Ilsington, I had been interviewed for a number of posts in Devon and been turned down. I experienced feelings of disappointment and confusion and felt threatened. What was God doing? How much longer do I have to wait? It's the fault of the panel! It's my fault! I'm too old! But each time I refocused on the Lord and carried on applying. With the benefit of hindsight, I can now see that God knew exactly what he was doing! Being in Ilsington is right for us; we love the people and the ministry, and being 'house-for-duty' rather than full-time means we have the time and flexibility for each other and our families. What I saw initially as a threat was, in God's purposes, an opportunity.

Paul in his letter to the Romans (8v28) puts it like this: 'We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.' This doesn't mean that we are immune from disappointments; what it does mean is that whatever we face, God is faithful. As we keep our eyes on Jesus and trust him then we will see him at work in our lives for our good and for His glory. When you next face a disappointment, small or large, I encourage you to 'fix your eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith' (Hebrews 12v2), and just see what he does.

*John Bennett*

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## Farewell to Geoffrey Fenton



Geoffrey Fenton retired as Vicar of Widecombe and associated parishes in July 2023. His wife, Beth, had also contributed to the parish in many ways over the years

Geoffrey and Beth were presented with cards and presents to mark the occasion at the packed Thank You service on Sunday 23rd July at Widecombe Church.

They will both be much missed.

## And a final farewell from Geoffrey

Geoffrey and Beth were overwhelmed and delighted with the cards, presents and thanks from so many people in our last weeks. A big thank-you to everyone who contributed, and to all who turned up on our last Sunday. It's left us speechless.....

*Best wishes to you all, from Geoffrey and Beth.*

## From the Registers

Wedding      Postbridge      22nd July      Rachel Watson & Thomas Kinsman

## Rainfall in July 2023

Place	Total Rainfall	Days without rain	Wettest Days
Postbridge	242.6mm (9.5")	4	22nd 50.5mm (2.0")
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## St Mary the Virgin, Holne

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Church Services—see Page 22 for details

Date	Time	Service
10th Sept	15.00	Holy Communion with Baptism
17th Sept	09.00	Holy Communion at Huccaby
24th Sept	17.00	Holy Communion

For Christians music is an essential part of our worship practices. We sing praises to God; we sing about God's grace in giving us a new life through Jesus; we ask for God's healing and sometimes we sing a song of lament. Some congregations worship using more traditional hymns whilst others have worship bands leading the singing. Often there are choirs and organs, or keyboards and pianos, or music played via some form of technology. However the music is played, and whatever type of hymn or song is sung, it comes from a long Biblical tradition of worshipping God through music and poetry. The Book of Psalms in the Old Testament contains a song or psalm for every occasion or mood. Although psalms are often read in church they were intended to be sung or chanted and some of them have instructions on how they are to be delivered.

Many people are familiar with Psalm 23 – The Lord is my Shepherd, which speaks of God as the protector, carer, guarantor of peace, safety, and our hope for the future. Psalm 100 is about thanking God for his steadfast love for all humanity, whilst Psalm 102 is a prayer written by someone in great distress. The last psalm in the Bible, number 150, is all about praising God with musical instruments including trumpets, pipes, stringed instruments, tambourines, and cymbals plus dancing! What's not to like?

We have recently secured the services of two organists for the church and we plan to have a Songs of Praise service in the church with hymns or songs that are well known and chosen by the community. Additionally, the Holne Community Choir should be starting up again soon and Christmas will soon be upon us. So plenty of opportunities to hear music and sing your heart out in the church in the coming months.

We look forward to seeing you and if you feel like reading a few psalms, there are Bibles in the church and some suggested psalms for you to look at. You are always welcome.

*Gillian*




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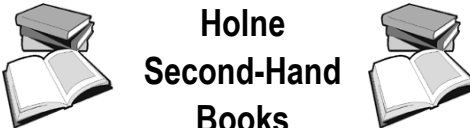
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# St Raphael, Huccaby

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## Local Bishop organises a run. (Also involves an Abbot or two!)

What has become an annual event, with St Raphael's Huccaby as a central venue, local resident Pete Bishop again organised with members of Abbots Car Club, a Huccabilly run!



Abbots Car Club features owners of pre 1962 hot rods – see the 'Bishops' van pictured. The camp site opposite the Chapel was filled; farmers barn filled; and a warm welcome to our guests from St. Raphael - who provided space for just

some of the vehicles on the recently extended car park!



## St Raphael's – revelation!



Some flaking plaster behind the St Raphael's altar recently revealed some Victorian tiles. A revelation - not perhaps as the last book of the New Testament - but certainly a

surprising and previously unknown disclosure.

After scraping and cleaning the tiles have been revealed in their glory for us to enjoy. (Some restoration still required.)



In Christianity, revelation refers to the way in which God reveals himself. In its broad meaning revelation is divine guidance or inspiration; it is the communication of truth and knowledge from God to us.

We are all responsible for listening to Gods word, in order to see how God is revealing himself to us.

Tony Parker



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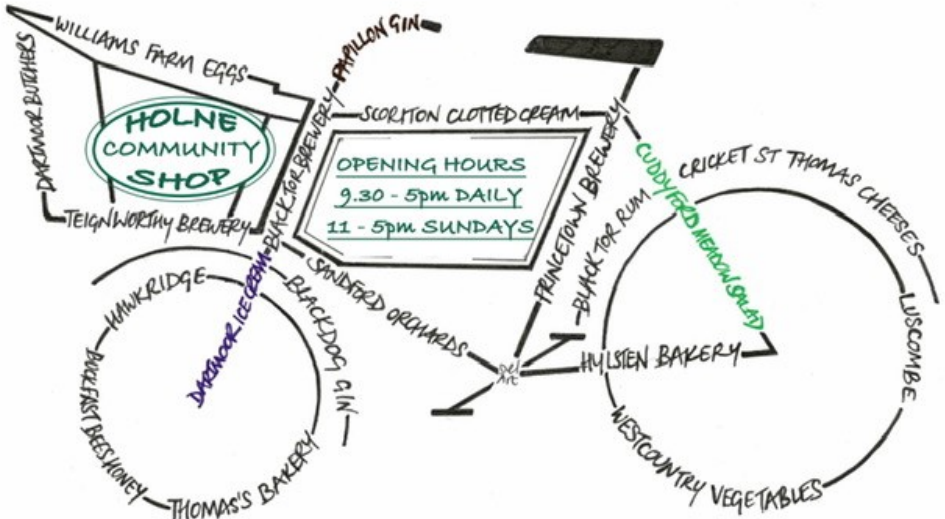
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Date	Time	Service
10th Sept	12.00	Parish Communion
24th Sept	12.00	Parish Communion

*Leusdon Church is open all day, every day. You are welcome to visit at any time – an opportunity to sit quietly, say a prayer and enjoy our beautiful building.*

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## Leusdon Memorial Hall Centenary year 1923-2023

We held our recent Coffee Morning on the 2nd August, it was very well supported, we are heartened that many families and children came as well as our usual attendees. The bric a brac stall was well supported and again Caitlan was very enthusiastic in promoting it. Overall we raised £218.40 for hall funds. Our next Coffee Morning is on **Wednesday 6 September 10.00am -12.00 noon**, it would be good to see you there.

There will be the usual Whist at Leusdon on **Monday 11th September** with the lunch at 1.00pm followed by whist at 2.00pm.

On **Tuesday 12th September** our exhibition of old Leusdon will be displayed at Widecombe Fair courtesy of Widecombe History Group to whom we are extremely grateful, do pop in and see it if you are passing .

We have now fixed the date and time for our **Centenary Celebration** it will be

**Friday 20th October starting at 2.00pm.**

The details are gradually emerging and are as follows

2.00pm-4.00pm History of the Hall and Leusdon, this will be ably facilitated by Terry French, Patrick Simpson and Geoff Bamsey and will be followed by a tea

4.00pm-6.00pm Children's activities and tea facilitated by Emma Routley, Kelly Aiers and Amanda Routley .

6.00pm until the end, The Moorland Merrymakers will perform a musical extravaganza and serve Pasties facilitated by Lloyd Mortimore, Alison Whale and Rob Steemson.

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This will be a free event although there will be a large donation bucket at the entrance, everyone who supports the hall or has supported the hall in the past will be very welcome, you do not have to stay for the whole event but can if you wish. These details may be subject to change.

You can now keep up to date by visiting Leusdon Memorial Hall Facebook page to get details of events in the Hall, thanks to our social media team. Should you wish to book the Hall, it is available for hire at £10.00 per hour, there are special rates for regular users. Further details can be obtained by contacting our booking secretary: **Amanda Routley on 01364 631432 or by e mail: [leusdonmemorialhall@yahoo.com](mailto:leusdonmemorialhall@yahoo.com)**

Tables at the Coffee Morning can be booked for £5 per table per session, please either book these by using the details above or coming to see us at the coffee morning.

In the meantime, if anyone would like to discuss any aspect of the Hall please contact myself or any committee member. Please email at e mail [johnsouthcombe@hotmail.com](mailto:johnsouthcombe@hotmail.com)

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## News from the East Shallowford Trust

**Shallowford Farm**  
*making the difference*

Work experience is a funny thing. Interestingly, this year we have had only one person apply. Last year we had four over the period of the year. Two came during June as school placements, the other two were more in the vein of, 'Parents think this would be good for them!' and so they were sort of 'dumped' at the doorstep. Both had a brilliant time and have asked to come back this year.

This year, we received a phone call in January. 'Can our daughter Libby come to do some work experience with you in the summer?' 'Yes of course, please call nearer the time.' In May, Mum called and requested a date when we were due to have thirty children. That is a lot for us, so we suggested the next week. We heard nothing and I suddenly thought, 'Hmmm – is Libby coming or not?' I'd completed all the formal paperwork required by the school and had not really paid much attention to the details. So, eventually, I called Libby's Mum to finalise plans. 'Can Libby bring her tent?' she asked. 'Are you not dropping Libby off and picking her up?' I asked. 'Oh no' Mum replied, 'We live in Weymouth'.

Following a final phone call Libby turned up as I'd had to make a mad dash to purchase some chicken feed. There she was, having been shown her room by Arthur, we'd agreed that she could stay in the house for a few days until the next group turned up. Arthur feeds himself, as does David, so the need to find some vegetables, allow Libby to delve into the freezers and generally ensure she could sustain herself for four nights were fairly crucial. 'Libby, do you eat meat?' 'Yes' 'Do you eat potatoes, greens and carrots?' 'Yes' she grinned fervently. 'Then here is your dinner' I beamed throwing my arm widely to unveil the breadth of our vegetable plot.



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# MOORLAND MERRYMAKERS

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**'Oh yes it is!'**

Our first rehearsal will be at Leusdon Memorial Hall on **Thursday 21st September 7.30pm.**

Please come along. We always welcome new members.

If you're not one for treading the boards, there are many other jobs you can become involved with.

For any further information contact **Ali Whale 01364 621260**



## Widcombe Concert Hits a High Note

On Friday 21st July St Pancras Widcombe was the venue for a concert organised in partnership with Music in Country Churches, a charity which aims to encourage music making in English churches, and whose patron is HRH the Prince of Wales.

The programme consisted of pieces by Debussy, Milhaud and Ibert amongst others, performed by young musicians Meg Glover (saxophone) and Catherine Milledge (piano). Both of the artists are graduates of the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

The event was initiated and organised by local resident Michael Brown, who plays the organ in St Pancras. "We are delighted with the response we had to the concert", he said. "Everyone I have spoken to told me how much they enjoyed it, and what an eye opener it was to hear the saxophone being played in this way. The programme wasn't exactly mainstream, and we weren't sure how it would be received, but it seems to have gone down very well. Ending the concert with an audience performance of "Widcombe Fair" seemed pretty popular too!"

160 tickets were sold, as well as programmes and 50 specially designed tea towels, so Michael is hopeful that a good profit was made. "We will be allocated a share of this year's income by Music in Country Churches, and expect this to be several thousand pounds", Michael said. "This will kick start our campaign to replace the organ in the church, which has seen better days and is not really big enough for such a large building".

Unfortunately The King (who continues as patron of the charity), was not able to attend this concert. However the Lord Lieutenant and High Sherriff of Devon were both able to be there.

If you would like to know more about the organ replacement project or would like to make a donation to the project, please contact Michael: 07595 927563, or email [mikebrown007@hotmail.com](mailto:mikebrown007@hotmail.com)

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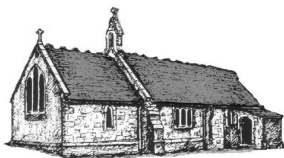
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# St Gabriel, Postbridge

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**Church Services—see Page 22 for details**

Date	Time	Service
10th Sept	09.00	Holy Communion
24th Sept	18.00	Harvest Service

*Postbridge Church is open all day, every day. You are welcome to visit at any time – an opportunity to sit quietly, say a prayer and enjoy our beautiful building.*

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**Monday 18th September**  
**11.00am - 12.30pm**

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## Postbridge Coffee Morning

The next coffee mornings will be held on

**Monday 4th September**

**Monday 2nd October**

**Monday 6th November**  
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## Postbridge Pantomime Interest Evening

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12.30pm Optional soup and a roll lunch £2 at

2.00pm Whist £3 including half-time refreshments draw

**Thursday 28th September**

**Whist every fourth Thursday in the month.**

Here's a hungry mouse who's been at someone's apples for your little ones to colour in, whilst you take a break for a cuppa.



# Church Services for September 2023

## 3rd September

## Trinity 13

## Green

*Readings - Exodus 3.1-15, Psalm 105.1-6,23-26,45b\*, Romans 12.9-21, Matthew 16.21-28*

Widcombe	10.30	All Age Service	Ashburton	08.00	Holy Communion
			Bickington	09.00	Holy Communion
			Ashburton	10.30	"Best Start" Family Service
			Ilington	10.30	Holy Communion
			Ashburton	10.30	Morning Worship, Church Hall *
			Buckland	15.00	Holy Communion

## 10th September

## Trinity 14

## Green

*Readings - Exodus 12.1-14, Psalm 149, Romans 13.8-14, Matthew 18.15-20*

Postbridge	09.00	Holy Communion	Ilington	08.00	Holy Communion
Widcombe	10.30	Parish Communion	Ashburton	10.30	Parish Communion
Leusdon	12.00	Parish Communion	Ilington	10.30	Family Service
			Location tbc	14.00	Moor & Messy Craft Service
			Holne	15.00	Holy Communion with Baptism

## 17th September

## Trinity 15

## Green

*Readings - Exodus 14.19-31, Psalm 114 or Canticle: Exodus 15.1b-11, 20,21, Romans 14.1-12, Matthew 18.21-35*

Widcombe	10.30	Morning Worship	Huccaby	09.00	Holy Communion
			Bickington	10.30	Morning Worship
			Ilington	10.30	Holy Communion
			Ashburton	10.30	All Age Communion
			Buckland	15.00	Animal Service
			Ashburton	18.30	Celtic Reflective Service, St Petros, East St, Ashburton

## 24th September

## Trinity 16

## Green

*Readings - Exodus 16.2-15, Psalm 105.1-6,37-45\*, Philippians 1.21-30, Matthew 20.1-16*

Widcombe	10.30	Parish Communion	Ashburton	09.15	Breakfast Church, Church Hall*
Leusdon	12.00	Parish Communion	Ashburton	10.30	Parish Communion
Postbridge	18.00	Harvest Service	Ilington	10.30	Morning Praise
			Holne	17.00	Holy Communion

## 28th September

			Ashburton	18.30	Informal Communion, Ashburton Church Hall *
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\* Service led by Ashburton Methodists. All are welcome.

# Holy Communion

# Midweek & At Home

There is a service of  
**Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10.30**  
 at St. Andrew's Church in Ashburton  
 You will be most welcome!.



## Communion at home

If you would like to receive Home Communion please contact Mark  
 (see page 2 for contact details)

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# St Pancras, Widecombe-in-the-Moor

For contact information, ministers and church officers see front of the Link

**Church Services—see Page 22 for details**

Date	Time	Sidesperson	Coffee	Flowers
3rd Sept	10.30	Penny	Rose Mortimore	Sue Darke
10th Sept	10.30	Clare	Judy	Val Casey
17th Sept	10.30	Philly	Michael and Philly	Val Casey
24th Sept	10.30	Ronnie	Penny	Jenny Pascoe

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## **WIDECOMBE FAIR TUESDAY 12th September**

Widecombe Fair is on the 12th September and as usual the traffic one-way system will come into effect from **9.00 am to 5.00 pm**. We are sorry for the inconvenience but Health and Safety has to be our priority. This means that roads closures into and through the village will be strictly enforced. If you need to come to the village after 9.00am you will need to use the 'Park and Ride' transport.

**Don't forget you can purchase pre-paid reduced price tickets on the website.** Please visit our website [www.WidecombeFair.com](http://www.WidecombeFair.com)



## **WIDECOMBE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023 - ADVANCE NOTICE**

This year's Christmas Tree Festival will run from  
**Saturday 9th December to Sunday 17th December.**

This means that the trees will be up for the Christmas Market, the Christmas Whist Drive, the Carol Service, as well as the End of Term Celebrations for the School, Preschool and Widdytots!

The trees will go up on **Friday 8th December** and come down on **Monday 18th December**.

The theme this year is "**ANIMALS**" which, as usual, can be interpreted any way you like!

Entries are welcome from Groups, Organisations, Families and Individuals

Please do start planning your tree, the Christmas Tree Festival is always very popular, with regular visitors coming back year after year! This Year's Charity is still to be decided.

Entry forms will be available in the Church from the beginning of November

or from me, **Judy Southcombe 01364 621520**

[judysouthcombe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:judysouthcombe@yahoo.co.uk), or **Mary in the Kiosk.**



# WIDECOMBE FAIR 2023 PRODUCE SCHEDULE

## Vegetables locally grown

### Hermon French Silver Salver



1. 3 coloured potatoes
2. 3 white potatoes
3. 3 onions grown from sets or seeds
4. 3 carrots Trimmed and washed
5. 3 beetroot Trimmed and washed
6. 6 runner beans
7. Longest runner bean
8. Any squash or courgette
9. Peppers or chillies (2 of either variety)
10. Any vegetable not otherwise mentioned.
11. A comedy vegetable
12. 4 Tomatoes
13. 4 varieties of culinary herbs in a jar.
14. A collection of five different vegetables in a Standard veg box. (12" X 16")

## Flowers ( All locally grown)

### Trophy to be presented



15. 3 Dahlias
16. A single Rose
17. A single stem, any flower.
18. 3 Hydrangea flower stems.
19. A vase of 9 mixed flowers ( 3 of each variety)
20. A pot plant. Just foliage or flowering.
21. A woodland arrangement (leaves, berries twigs.etc)
22. An arrangement in an unusual container.
23. An arrangement of flowers in a teacup.
24. A standard flower arrangement.



## Art and Craft

### Classes open to all.



### Gordon Daw memorial Trophy

#### Entries from persons under 16 judged separately

25. A woven, knitted or crocheted item
26. A needlework item
27. A Pencil sketch
28. A painting . Any subject, any medium.
29. A picture or card using paper/dried/pressed flowers
30. Any craft item not mentioned
31. A photo. Subject; ' Moody Dartmoor'
32. A short poem.

## Children's Classes

### Children 7 and under for the Tame cup.



33. Garden on a plate
34. A Happy Pizza
35. A lego Model
36. Pebble Art
37. 4 decorated cup cakes
38. A collage picture

### Children 8 to 12 for the Hutchins cup

## Home Produce

### The Rose Bowl

39. A tasty fruit tart
40. A decorated Coronation Chocolate Cake (1<sup>st</sup> place: special cash prize)
41. A Traditional Victoria sponge
42. A cheese and onion pasty.
43. A rustic brown loaf
44. 4 sausage rolls
45. A plate of 6 biscuits ( 2 varieties, 3 of each).
46. A Jar of marmalade ( Any citrus fruit)
47. A jar of chutney.
48. A bottle of homemade drink. Cordial, cider, beer, wine etc.



## WIDECOMBE FAIR PRODUCE CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. The Judges decision will be final in all cases
2. Exhibitors may show all vegetables as they wish, trimmed or untrimmed unless stated in the schedule
3. Only one entry per exhibitor in each class
4. Entries to be staged by 8.45 a.m
5. The marquee will be cleared at 9.30 a.m. of all competitors. Only officials to remain until judges have finished
6. Exhibits must be the property of the exhibitor and either grown by them or in their possession for three months (Cakes, bread, flower arrangements and handicrafts must have been produced by the exhibitor)
7. Constitution of the Exhibit-It must be as per schedule, neither more or less than the number or quantity
8. Any exhibit not as schedule will be disqualified
9. After judging, no entry to be altered or moved until the end of the show
10. Exhibits may be removed between 4.30 and 5.00pm
11. The show committee wish to make it clearly understood that they will not be responsible for any accident occurring to spectators or for the damage or loss of property
12. The judges have the power to withhold any prize if the exhibits are not in their opinion of sufficient merit
13. The Committee reserve the right to visit exhibitors plot or gardens
14. Points to be 3=1st, 2=2nd, 1=3rd. To be calculated for the trophies

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Please state age of child when entering.

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- ★ Highest points for classes 15 to 24 Flowers
- ★ Best exhibit for single stem classes 16 and 17
- ★ Highest points in classes 39 to 48 for the Rose Bowl
- ★ Best vegetable exhibit for the Joan Perkins memorial cup
- ★ Children's under 7 for the Tame Perpetual Challenge Cup
- ★ Children aged 8 to 12 for the Hutchins Cup
- ★ Highest points for Arts and Crafts Classes 25 to 32 for the Gordon Daw Memorial Cup



ENTRY FORM ( or on any sheet of paper)

Entries to Mrs Jenny Pascoe. Wooder Bungalow. Widecombe. Tel. 01364 621333.

Pascoewoodeer@yahoo.co.uk **By the Friday before Fair Day.**

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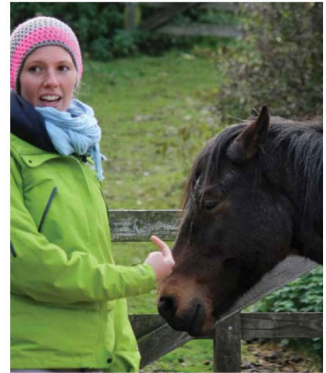
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*To start with, a few 'thank yous', firstly to Gail for organising the refurbishment of the handbells along with all those who donated for this to be undertaken, the bells are looking and ringing beautifully. We'd also like to say a special thank you and farewell to Beth, who has given her time and led our bell ringers over many years, Beth will be much missed*

*If you'd like to join us and take up handbell ringing but you cannot make our regular time on a Saturday morning at the Church House, please do get in touch with Judy Southcombe, 01364 621520 or [judyouthcombe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:judyouthcombe@yahoo.co.uk)*

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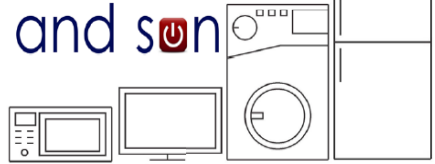


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## Wed 13 Sep

### CONCERT 1

#### Byrd Takes Flight

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Reinvasion and present day cobwebs in an atmospheric candlelit concert, playing some of today's brightest young composers into dialogue with William Byrd and his timeless vocal music.

### CONCERT 2

#### Poetry in Music: George Herbert

Moretonhampstead Church, 8:00 pm

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Louise Thomson (harp)  
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Harry Baker (piano)

Explore the transcendent poetry of George Herbert through sumptuous choral settings of his words by Judith Weir, Alec Red, Rebecca Potholff, Ralph Vaughan Williams and more.

### CONCERT 3

#### Solo Harp Recital

Throwleigh Church, 8:00 pm

Louise Thomson (harp)

Pioneering harpist Louise Thomson is our special guest artist giving a recital of virtuosic music for solo harp.

### CONCERT 4

#### In Beauty May I Walk

Chagford Church, 6:00 pm

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Ellie Stearn (mezzo soprano)  
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## Fri 15 Sep

### CONCERT 5

#### Festival String Quartet

Previdencia Chapel, 3:00 pm

Festival String Quartet

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### CONCERT 6

#### Women's Voices

Moretonhampstead Church, 8:00 pm

Corvus Consort upper voices  
Louise Thomson (harp)

The witty combination of upper voices and harp brings us glorious music by Ingeborg Hallgrímsson, Gustav Mahler, and Irving Copland. Featuring a particular spotlight on women's voices.

### CONCERT 7

#### Festival Jazz Night

Jubilee Hall, Chagford, 8:30 pm

Hobben Ford (vocals)  
Harry Baker (piano)  
Festival String Quartet  
Corvus Consort lower voices

Fresh from her sold-out show at the London Jazz Festival, headliner Hobben Ford is a young vocalist & songwriter already making waves on the UK's jazz scene.

### CONCERT 8

#### Back: Then & Now

Chagford Church, 8:00 pm

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Harry Baker (piano)  
Festival String Quartet  
ComeSing choir

Join us to celebrate the timeless influence of contemporary genre! S. Bach, prefiguring his own vocal mastery with contemporary reimaginings of his music.



## Sat 16 Sep

### CONCERT 9

#### Music & Coffee Morning

Endeavour House, 10:00 – 12:00

Meet our brilliant young musicians over a virtual coffee at Endeavour House, with their musical performances from our resident artists.

Free event (donations invited)

### CONCERT 10

#### Amor's Bookshop, 14:00 – 16:00

A free informal opportunity for anyone interested in music creation to meet our resident composer Nathan James Davies, one of the leading young voices on the UK compositional scene.

### CONCERT 11

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### CONCERT 12

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### CONCERT 13

#### Festival Complime

Gidleigh Church, 9:00 pm

Corvus Consort  
Festival String Quartet

Our Festival comes to a contemporary close with a magical (short) Complime service for candlelight in Gidleigh Church.

Free event (donations invited)

## Sun 17 Sep

### CONCERT 14

#### Children's Concert

Amor's Bookshop, Chagford, 11:30 am

Louise Thomson (harp)

Let's Dance! Featuring bubbles, percussion, singing and dancing, harpist Louise Thomson presents a fun, sensory and informal concert for children aged 2-6 and their grown-ups.

Free event (donations invited)

### CONCERT 15

#### Come & Sing

An opportunity for people of all musical backgrounds to join together in song, and give us a performance alongside our professional artists.

Workshops: Endeavour House 11:30 – 13:00 and 14:00 – 15:00

Concert: Chagford Church 15:00 – 18:00 (informal) 17:00 – 18:00 (concert) (performing as part of Concert 7)

### CONCERT 16

#### Back: Then & Now

Chagford Church, 8:00 pm

Corvus Consort  
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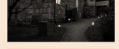
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Ministers: Rev'd Kevin Hooke (01626) 832369

Church contacts: Nigel Davis (01364) 631476 or Serena Walcot (01364) 631279

### Sunday Service

**Dunstone** - Informal service at 3pm in Dunstone Chapel every week and all are welcome.

**Poundsgate** - the next service will be on **Sunday 3rd September at 15.00.**

### Dunstone Charity Lunches

To allow time to recover from Widecombe Fair the Charity Lunch will be on the 3rd Wednesday in the month in September, at Dunstone Chapel.as usual

**Wednesday 20th September from 12 noon until 3pm.**

It will be raising money for disadvantaged children who visit East Shallowfrod Farm.

There will be soup, bread, sushi, savory dishes, salads and cakes.

There is no set price, you are asked to make as generous a donation as possible for the charity we are collecting for. Please support our lunch to make it worthwhile putting it on.

### WANTED

**Part-Time Gardener/Handyman** Berrywood, Higher Dunstone

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### Widecombe Website – Volunteers Wanted

The Widecombe-in-the-Moor website is 25 years old next year and we want to secure its future for at least the next 25.

We are looking for volunteers to join a small team to maintain and further develop the site, so if you can spare some time, however little, or know someone who might, please get in touch. Training can be provided but some web development skills would help a lot and if there is someone out there with extensive experience who can help take us forward then so much the better

Please email me at [contact@widecombe-in-the-moor.com](mailto:contact@widecombe-in-the-moor.com) in the first instance.

Many thanks **Roger Claxton**

### Buckland-in-the-Moor Whist

12.30pm Optional soup and a roll lunch £2 at

2.00pm Whist £3 including half-time refreshments draw

**Thursday 28th September**

**Whist every fourth Thursday in the month.**



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Libby set to work, not just in the vegetable plot, but helping Arthur put bottom sheets on the beds, sweeping, mucking out, feeding the animals and of course, dry stone walling. In truth, we were all astonished and so very, very impressed.

Serena gave Libby the job of collecting compost from Barn Park field to top up a couple of the raised beds. Off Libby went. I happened to come around the corner as Libby had filled her wheelbarrow and reached the gate with a small collection of curious cows. 'How do I move the cows away to get the wheelbarrow through?' 'Aha,' I replied, 'Follow me', so in I walked, slowly waving my arms and talking to the cows, 'Move on girls, off you go' ..... 'Just a matter of asking them to move' I said and out Libby gently walked with the wheelbarrow.

One raised bed had been used to grow oak seedlings last autumn collected and planted in pots by Princetown Primary School. Libby had spent the entire day carefully removing every pot, pulling out the large, often viciously mean weeds, topping up the bed with compost (once she had learned how to fend off the cunning cows) and then carefully planted in perfect straight lines, row upon row of oak seedlings. I could not believe it! One serious job, completed by one young lady in an entire day!

In the morning of the second day, I found Libby preparing her breakfast. Tuesday was dry stone walling day – she needed energy!

Every single day, Libby would be given a task and off she went to complete it. Asking sensible questions, just to make sure she knew what to do. Classic example was mowing the lawn. I started around the edge, where the bushes can be a little tricky to negotiate whilst Libby was having lunch.

She then came out so I could explain how the settings work, where to put the cuttings, which line to follow to keep it tidy. Off she went. Over the last three years, I have given the mowing job of our lovely flat, easy lawn to at least five young people. Not one could complete more than two runs up and down the lawn. Why? It's not hard work. Mostly, it's because they are young and have not learned the skill of working alone to complete a job simply because it needs completing. Teenagers have a massive need to 'perform', to 'be seen', to find their tribe and fit in. Completing a lone solitary job simply because it needs doing requires a sense of responsibility, but also and perhaps most importantly a sense of value and worth in the task. The whole issue of 'self worth and value' is what most of our young people truly struggle with.

Libby worked brilliantly with the group that visited towards the end of the week. She also slept in her tent, just so she could have one night outside!

In the mean time, we were delighted to have met Libby. What Libby represented for us, was that a 'just' fourteen year old was hard working, level headed and brilliant. More hope for us all..... she could of course have a mad flip in her later teens??



*Julia*

## Other Community News and Events

### Princetown History Club

meets **1st Tuesday** of each month at  
Princetown Community Centre  
7 for 7.30pm

**September 5th** A talk by Geri Parlbay on  
Tavistock's Tudor ship

**October 3rd** A talk by our Chair, Simon  
Dell, on Tavistock Canal's poetry trail.

For further information, please contact

Mr John Lissenden

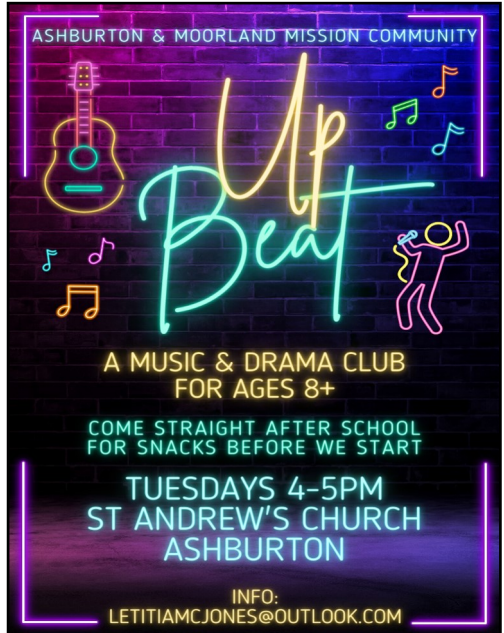
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### High Moorland Women's Institute Princetown

We are a small friendly group of 16 ladies  
based in Princetown, but many of our  
members live outside. We try to support the  
community whenever we can and are  
always open to ideas and suggestions in  
this area.

We meet on the **FIRST WEDNESDAY OF  
EACH MONTH** in **PRINCETOWN  
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# Dartmoor Forest Parish Council



## Extracts from the Council meeting on 25th July 2023

**20's Plenty:** Council voted to adopt a motion in support of the campaign to;

- 1) Achieve a 20mph speed limit on roads in the Parish where people and motor vehicles mix.
- 2) Demonstrate to Devon County Council (the Highways Authority) the desire for 20mph countywide, making it both cheaper and easier to implement.

Council agreed to support the 20's Plenty for Devon campaign and will undertake to:

- Call on Devon County Council to implement 20mph in Princetown, Postbridge, Hexworthy, and Believer;
- Write to Devon County Council to request 20mph speed limits on streets throughout Devon where people live, work, shop, play or learn, with 30mph as the exception on those roads, where full consideration of the needs of vulnerable road users allows a higher limit.

**Planning:** Council considered the following applications:

0280/23 Application at The Bearas, Hexworthy, PL20 6SD

0288/23 Application at Ring Of Bells, Hexworthy, PL20 6SD

23/0045 Tree Conservation Consultation Letter - Application at Jubilee Field, PL20 6XQ.

23/0048 Tree Conservation Consultation Letter - Application at 1 Plymouth Hill, PL20 6QG.

Council then voted to recommend approval of each of these applications.

**Dartmeet Cattlegrid Fencing Repairs:** Council agreed to lend its support to Rob Steemson DNPA Ranger, Widdicombe Parish Council, and a local farmer in asking DCC Highways to make necessary repairs to the fencing to prevent livestock getting onto the road.

**Princetown Benches:** The Council is very pleased to welcome the three benches back to the



Green in Princetown. They were removed last October '22 to be refurbished by HMP Dartmoor, and after months of waiting due to faulty machinery within the Prison workshop, they have finally been 'released' back into the community.

Many thanks to HMP Dartmoor – the benches are looking great!

**Date of next 'Tidy Princetown' session:** 10am til 11am Sunday 3rd September 2023, all are welcome to join with Councillors to help keep Princetown looking at its best. Meet outside the Post Office, Princetown.

**Date of next meetings:** 26th September 2023, 7.30pm Princetown Community Centre.  
24th October 2023, 7.30pm Princetown Community Centre.

**Agenda and Minutes:** <https://www.dartmoorforestparishcouncil.gov.uk/meetings.php>

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**Widcombe Sports Group**



It shouldn't come as a surprise that it's September as it has felt autumnal for a lot of the last two months, but here we are again with autumn on the way.

The big September event in our area is Widecombe Fair which falls on 12th September this year. If you live in the parish and would like to enter any of the Produce and Craft categories details are on pages [26](#) and 27. Everyone from the area is very welcome and we hope to see many of you there. For more details do check out the website [www.widcombefair.com](http://www.widcombefair.com)

We have received a suggestion from a reader about having a section in the magazine for people to express an interest in meeting up for shared interests or just a chat. Not everyone is adept at social media and the online world, which can make getting to know people a bit of a challenge. We would welcome readers' thoughts on this.

In the meantime there are regular coffee mornings, such as the ones at Leusdon ([p11](#)) and Postbridge ([p19](#)) which are a good way to meet more people in the area and the Widecombe Social Club ([p33](#)) amongst other events, meet on a monthly basis.

A big thank you to our advertisers and contributors for your continued support in enabling us to publish our little magazine. We hope you continue to enjoy the content, as always we are always happy to receive feedback from you our readers. To get in touch please just send us an email via [link@moorlandteam.org.uk](mailto:link@moorlandteam.org.uk)

*With best wishes from "The Link Team"*

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