



# Reporter

News and Views from around the area

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Milborne St. Andrew



## Milborne goes wild!

Village Hall wild flower meadow shows its worth

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## CORRECTION

In the June edition of the *Reporter* we presented a report on the May Fayre. June Maitland has asked us to point out that the WI did not run the cake stall: all credit must go to the Parochial Church Council.

## 100 CLUB WINNERS

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## The Village Lunch Committee Report

THE Royal Oak has been preparing our lunches since just after Christmas and around 40 or so diners have enjoyed varied and wonderful menus. Our next lunch is on Saturday 24th July and there is an advert in this *Reporter* giving contact details.

However, as there is no *Reporter* in August please make a note that our August lunch is on Saturday 28th August, with tickets on sale at the Friday morning Drop-In Centre at the village hall from Friday 6th August – or call me on 01258 837453 to reserve tickets for July or August. Please look out for the August posters giving menu details!

Perhaps I can also mention that our September Lunch on Saturday 25th September will be our special “Harvest Lunch” shared with our Church when we hope to have more diners from the Church joining us. We will also make a collection for the Church Service on the following day. So please put this date firmly in your diary. There will be further details about this special lunch in the early September edition of the *Reporter*.  
*Melva Coe*



The Village Lunch Committee is pleased to invite you all  
to the  
**JULY VILLAGE LUNCH**  
To be held at the Village Hall on  
**SATURDAY 31st July from 12.15pm**

Main course : Sweet : Wine/Tea/Coffee : Mints  
£5.50 per head (children £2.75)

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Tickets available from the Drop-In Centre at the Village Hall  
from Friday 9th July (10.00am to 12 noon)  
or call Melva as soon as possible to reserve tickets – 01258 837453

## REPORTER TEAM ON HOLIDAY

The *Reporter* Team will be taking a holiday for the next few weeks. This means that the next (September) issue of the magazine will be published at the end of August / beginning of September.

Deadline for ads – 14th August  
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## Strawberries and cream at Milborne St. Andrew Gardening Club

MEMBERS enjoyed strawberries and cream at their evening meeting in June and are now looking forward to their visit on Tuesday 13th July to West Dean Gardens near Chichester. If you have not booked and would like to join in, please telephone Hilary Baumberger on 01258 837140 to see if any places are left. It should be a great day out and non-members are very welcome. The cost of £18 per person covers the coach and entry fee.

If any members who missed June's meeting would like details of our Social evening in August, please contact one of our committee.

And, since there is no *Reporter* in August, just a small reminder about our Village Show on Saturday 11th September. The schedules are now available at the Post Office, The Royal Oak and Londis shop, so that you can start planning your entries. The Show is open to all in the village and should be fun.

Linda Harris

## Wednesday Social Club

ON Wednesday 2nd of June, Val and Dave Andrews kindly hosted a delicious cream tea in their delightful garden. It was a lovely hot summer's day.



On behalf of the committee and members we would like to thank Val and Dave for kindly hosting this event in their garden for the past seven years. We were pleased the event was so well supported as this was the last time the cream

tea would be hosted in their garden. Grateful thanks for your generous hospitality Val and Dave.



From the proceeds of the cream tea a donation of £85.00 was made to Milton Abbas Neighbour Car Scheme (M.A.N.).

The raffle raised £29.00 for club funds.

Dave has also announced his retirement from committee and we would like to take this opportunity of thanking him for his kind support and work for the club.

Important Notice: Friends of Blandford Hospital have kindly agreed that the Wednesday Club can hire the mini bus for our July Mystery Trip. They will also provide the driver and escort. For those with limited mobility who wish to join us on our outing please contact Margaret Evans on 01258 450518.

Dates for your diary:

*Wednesday 7th July* Evening Mystery Trip leaving Stileham Bank at 5.20 approx - everyone welcome. £17.00 for members, £19.00 non members this includes coach and three course carvery. Booking essential, please contact Margaret Evans 01258 450518.

*Wednesday 4th August* Lunch at The Royal Oak. We meet at 12.00 noon. Everyone welcome.

*Wednesday 1st September* Evening Mystery Trip.

We look forward to seeing you at one or all of the above events.

Eve Richardson

Friends of Milborne First School  
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**'Wake up and shake up'**

*Dear Friends,*

What is it that gets you out of bed in the mornings? What is it that really energises you and makes you want to get on with the day? Perhaps it is the smell of freshly ground coffee or the thought of a cooked breakfast? Perhaps it is the sheer joy of living?

*The children at Puddletown First school start their day with 'wake and shake'.*

The whole school gathers on the playground and does ten minutes of easy aerobic routines to loud pop music. On Mondays before assembly I get to join in too, and *although I don't know what passersby make of a seemingly mad priest dancing around with the children, it is great fun! It's wonderful to feel fully alive and I love seeing all those smiley faces around me, clearly enjoying every minute.* The idea is that the physical exercise energises the children who often arrive to school in a sleepy state and it gets them into a state of readiness to learn. It also results in improved concentration in class.

What is it that energises you and makes you want to greet the day, full of life and bounce? *My favourite verse in the Bible comes from St. John's gospel where Jesus says, "I have come that you may have life in its fullness" (John 10.10).* The sort of life that makes you feel fully alive.

As I bounced around the playground with the children this week, a lovely hymn set to a lively tune and written by John Bell from the Iona Community popped into my head.

*Today I awake and God is before me  
At night as dreamt, he summoned the day;  
for God never sleeps, but patterns the morning  
with slithers of gold or glory of grey.*

The first verse is beautiful. It focuses on God the creator and reminds us that God is always at work in his creation, even while we rest.

*Today I arise and Christ is beside me.  
He walked through the dark to scatter new light.  
Yes, Christ is alive, and beckons his people  
To hope and to heal, resist and invite.*

The second verse focuses on God the Son, the redeemer and the light in the world. Christ invites us to join with him in bringing hope and healing to the world. He invites us to resist the darkness and evil we see around us and invite others to join us in enjoying life to the full in all its goodness.

*Today I affirm the Spirit within me  
at worship and work, in struggle and rest.  
The Spirit inspires all life which is changing  
from fearing to faith, from broken to blest.*

The third verse focuses on God, the Holy Spirit, the sustainer and giver of life. The Spirit is always at work, not just when we worship but when we work and we play. Here John Bell, the hymn writer, declares that the Spirit does some of its best work in the midst of change. The Spirit inspires change and encourages us not to be afraid but live in faith.

The last verse finishes with these words:

*Today I enjoy the Trinity round me,  
above and beneath, before and behind;  
the Maker, the Son, the Spirit together –  
they called me to life and call me their friend.*

This is the key verse for me and what gets me up in the morning re-energised and ready for each day, the knowledge that God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are surrounding me and calling me to new life. Perhaps I need to bounce around each morning to this hymn.

Every blessing

*Sarah Godfrey*

**CHURCH SERVICES  
July 2010**

<b>THURSDAY 1st JULY</b>		
12.00	Lunch-time Communion	Milborne
<b>4th JULY – Trinity 5</b>		
10.00am	Family Communion with music from Roger's Rant	Milborne
11.00	Holy Communion and Thanksgiving with Sunday Seekers and Creche	Puddletown
12.00	Picnic service	Dewlish
4.00pm	Tolpuddle praise	Tolpuddle
<b>THURSDAY 8th JULY</b>		
12.00	Lunch-time Communion	Puddletown
<b>11th JULY – Trinity 6</b>		
8.15am	1662 said Communion Service	Puddletown
9.30	1662 Morning Prayer	Tolpuddle
9.30	Parish Communion	Milborne
11.00	Family Service	Puddletown
11.00	Family Communion	Dewlish
<b>THURSDAY 15th July</b>		
12.00	Lunch-time Communion	Dewlish
<b>18th July – Trinity 7</b>		
9.30am	1662 Said Communion	Milborne
10.30	Martyrs Festival Songs of Praise	Tolpuddle
11.00	Morning Prayer	Puddletown
11.00	Holy Communion	Dewlish
5.00pm	Martyrs Methodist Service	Tolpuddle Chapel
<b>THURSDAY 22nd JULY</b>		
12.00	Lunch-time Communion	Tolpuddle
<b>25th JULY – Trinity 8</b>		
9.30am	Holy Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30	1662 Parish Communion	Milborne
11.00	Family Communion and Baptism. With Creche and Sunday Seekers	Puddletown
11.00	Family Service	Dewlish

**Flowers – w/e Saturday**

3rd and 10th July Helen Pugh  
17th and 24th July Tony Fox  
31st July and 7th August Jill Harvey  
14th and 21st August Angie Nowell  
28th August and 4th September Pat Tribe

**Church Cleaning – w/e Saturday**

3rd July Carolyn Martin and Elizabeth Walker  
10th July Margaret Hurley and Eva Stockley  
17th July Geoff and Pat Bull  
24th July John and Ann Miller  
31st July Victoria Bone and Lin Chatfield  
7th August Ed and Rose Frost  
14th August Sue Lee and Val Hodges  
21st August Mary Bennett and Pat Tribe  
28th August Carolyn Martin and  
Elizabeth Walker

## CHURCH SERVICES August 2010

No Lunch-Time Communion in August

### 1st AUGUST – Trinity 9

9.30am	Family Communion and Baptism	Milborne
9.30	Morning Prayer	Tolpuddle
11.00	Holy Communion	Puddletown
6.00	Evening prayer	Dewlish

### 8th AUGUST – Trinity 10

9.30am	Methodist joint service	Tolpuddle
11.00	Family service	Puddletown
11.00	Family Communion	Dewlish
6.00	Compline	Milborne

### 15th AUGUST – Trinity 11

9.30am	Morning praise	Tolpuddle
9.30	1662 said communion	Milborne
11.00	1662 Morning Prayer	Puddletown
11.00	Morning praise	Dewlish

### 22nd AUGUST - Trinity 12

9.30am	Holy Communion	Tolpuddle
11.00	Family communion	Puddletown
11.00	Family service	Dewlish
6.00pm	Compline	Milborne

### 29th AUGUST – Trinity 12

9.30am	Benefice Farm Service	Dewlish
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### Benefice phone calls

**During Benny's sabbatical from May to September** you will not be able to leave a message on the vicarage answer phone. Instead we have a benefice mobile phone. The number is: 07760 304454.

To contact Rev Sarah Godfrey, please use this number. If she is busy please leave a message and she will get back to you when she can.

The benefice office number is 01258 839190. Marion Bishop, the benefice administrator, is in the benefice office on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

### Church Contacts

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Dewlish

Jim Burg 01258 837466

Sue Britton 01258 837218

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## MILBORNE ST. ANDREW CHURCH NOTES

Thanks to all for Open Gardens success

WE WERE blessed with glorious weather for the Open Gardens day. There were not quite as many visitors as we had hoped – apparently we clashed with at least two similar events in the area – but those who came were most appreciative. The most usual comments were **along the lines of “What an amazing amount people manage to fit into a small space”**.

Very many thanks to all garden openers who must have been working hard for weeks beforehand and to all helpers who gave up hours of their time on the day. Thanks to **everyone who attended: the event raised £685 for St. Andrew's Church funds. We would also like to thank Steve and Helen Lord for hosting a barbecue in the evening for all the helpers. About 30 people attended – a lovely end to a very busy day.**

Our next big event will be the Athelhampton Fete on August Bank Holiday Monday 30th August. This is a really good family outing with many attractions and stalls and is organised by all four churches in the benefice plus the Greek Orthodox Church at Athelhampton. Milborne will be in charge of the bric-a-brac stall. We would appreciate receiving items for sale. Anyone who would like to help on the day should contact Pat (Tel: 837684) or Eva (Tel: 837468).

Great time at Picnic Praise!

**Father's Day was celebrated with our usual Picnic Praise! The weather was good and we all had a great time with games, music and a shared picnic tea on the Village Hall play area. There will be no Milborne Praise! during July and August. We will re-start on Sunday 19th September. Please note this will be held in church as the Village Hall will be in use. Watch out for the advertising posters for further details.**

### What's occurin' in July and August

JULY: On Thursday 1st July we will be having our usual 11.00am coffee, tea and cakes in St. Andrew's, followed by an informal Communion service. This is a good time to come for a chat, to look around the church and see the plans of the changes we are hoping to make in church. Everyone is welcome to stay for the short Communion service at 12 noon.

**We shall be taking part in Roger's Rant weekend of celebrations. Please note that the service on Sunday 4th July will start at 10.00am.** This will be a Family Communion, with hymns sung to traditional folk tunes. At 5.30pm there will be a concert in church. This will take the form of separate performers this year. Appearing will be: Kitty Vernon and Derek Burgess (songs of Dorset), singer Les Sullivan, Twin-set (an a cappella harmony duo from West Dorset), and Stephen Kenyon, classic guitarist. Further details on the church notice boards.

AUGUST: There will be no Thursday morning coffee and Communion this month. There will also be some changes to the Sunday services as follows -

1st August: 9.30am Family Communion.

8th August: No 9.30am service. 6.00pm Compline.

15th August: 9.30am 1662 Said Communion.

22nd August: No 9.30am service. 6.00pm Compline.

29th August: 9.30am Benefice Farm Service (to be arranged).

In brief . . .

**The Architect will be visiting St. Andrew's in August for our quinquennial (five-yearly) inspection on the upkeep of the church fabric.** He will report on any repairs and maintenance required. Many thanks to all who provided cakes for the May Fayre cake stall **(which was run by the church, not the W.I., as written in June's Reporter)**. There were very few cakes left at the end, and we raised £116. Thanks also to Zoe, Livvy and Molly who ran the ladder game. This raised a further £11.50. *Eva Stockley and Pat Tribe* (Churchwardens)

## DEWLISH CHURCH NOTES

Sponsorship of the cycling fund-raisers

AS SOME of you may be aware, Jim will not be able to cycle on the fund-raising day in September for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust and Dewlish Church, owing to his torn Achilles tendon injury.

In the past you have been most generous in your giving, and we are very pleased that we still have people willing to cycle for us. Should one of these knock on your door for sponsorship, Jim would be most grateful if you will support them. Thank you.

Arrangements for the Parish Picnic

On Sunday 4th July we are holding our annual Parish Picnic on the village green at 12 noon. Our Awesome group are busy practising a dance which they will perform at the service. Please would each person bring a plate of food to share. Drinks will be provided by the church. If wet, the picnic will be held in the Village Hall.

*Daphne Burg*

## ABBEY SWIMMING CLUB

The Club is based at Milton Abbey School,  
Milton Abbas, which has a  
25 metre indoor swimming pool.

Membership is open to anyone. Members range in age from less than a year to over 80. This is a social and friendly club. Join us and keep fit.

The pool is hired for 4 sessions a week. Lifeguards supervise all sessions. RLSS National Lifeguard and Bronze Medallion courses are available as well as swimming lessons for adults and children.

### Annual Membership

Adults £80. Senior Citizens £60. Juniors (17 and under) £28 as part of a family, £45 individual.  
Children (3 and under as part of a family) free.

### Club Sessions

Tuesdays: 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm  
Fridays: 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm  
Saturdays: 10.00 am – 12.00 noon  
Sundays: 8.00 am – 9.00 am

Come to the pool during any club session for a free swim and pick up an Application Form or contact Robert (01258 880192) or Pat (01258 880601).

## Garage/Yard Sale

Sunday 1st August – from 11.00am  
at 23 Bladen View

Redundancy, move and downsizing forces genuine sale. All sorts of furniture, camping and kitchen equipment, original oil paintings, tools, garden equipment, bric-a-brac and lots more. Everything in reasonable condition at realistic prices. Contact Sue Marsh 837414 for information or just turn up at 11.00am on Sunday 1st August, have a rummage and pick up a bargain or two.

Swishing comes to Milborne St. Andrew!  
*The great clothes swap!*

SWISHING means swapping good quality clothing accessories, etc. This is BIG in America and now taking off in Great Britain and happening here in Milborne St. Andrew!

The art of Swishing involves getting together to swap good quality clothes, accessories, etc. for something else. For each item you will receive a token to use to exchange for another item. Fashion today is disposable with an environmental and social impact but this is a way to get something new for your wardrobe without spending any money but at the same time passing on an item without waste. GOOD QUALITY items only please. Everyone welcome.

Wednesday 21st July 6.30pm swapping begins 7.00pm. Free entry – refreshments available.



## Milborne Ladybirds Playgroup

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info@milborneladybirds.org.uk www.milborneladybirds.org.uk

## Trustees given one more chance!

ONE of the many sides of Maggie Redmill is her role as the trustees very own local impresario. It is not something that you will find in the VH Charity trust deeds as a representative organisation but she does fit the bill quite nicely. In fact when I first saw Maggie in a Players panto I thought that she was a retired opera singer, such was the power and range of her voice.

Anyway, I digress so back to the plot. Maggie is responsible for organising our Moviola events and as you know the Dorset Film Touring Company decided to withdraw from Milborne because the numbers attending were not viable. To get the Moviola film crew out of bed we needed to sell 60 tickets and the average attendance was around 45. The shortfall was largely made up by the proceeds of the pre event meal, the raffle and the selling of Purbeck ice cream during the interval. The VH trustees made up the difference from VH funds.

Now, before Ms Naomi Drew-Splide writes another letter to the *Reporter* she would be well advised to check out the Trust deeds of the village hall. It is quote:

*"The object of the Charity shall be the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Milborne St. Andrew (the area of benefit) without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants"*.

The trustees take that as meaning that it is not a Bank (a dirty word at the moment) whose primary objective is to hoard money but a place where you make things happen. This year is likely to be a quiet year compared to the last three as we consolidate what we have done and prepare for the unexpected. OK, things might not always pan out exactly as expected and things might drop off their perch long before their "sell by date" but then the multi-million pound cruise liner was not expected to break down on its maiden voyage and that is not a reason to scrap all future cruise liners or an excuse to do nothing in case things go wrong!

I seem to have digressed even further but hey ho, I suspect that a large number have already given up when they realised that the title did not refer to the demise of the current Chairman of the trustees.

Mad Hatters tea party comes to the Hall!

Maggie has managed to convince Moviola to give us one last chance or season of films and a full-on programme has been planned. You will be reading elsewhere about Johnny Depp in the spectacular Alice in Wonderland in July, something for all the family to enjoy. The programme for the remainder of the year has been submitted with two options for each month. These include:

- September: Invictus or Nowhere Boy
- October: Letters to Juliet or the Ghost Writer
- November: Ondine or Robin Hood
- December: Tamara Drewe or Eat, Pray, Love.

As a final thought or two, if the survival of Moviola means that Trevor will still be able to go to the movies in his wheel chair without having to worry about keeping to the speed limit on the A35 then it will be a thing worth supporting by the trustees. That is my opinion and I am but one voice within the trustees and contrary to popular belief we work as a team and make decisions as a team.

If you want to find out more, or are considering becoming a trustee go to the village hall section on the village website, you will be surprised how much information is now available to you online. Next month we might be talking about the MUGA, or the wild flower meadow or how the trustees always keep the future of the hall uppermost in their minds, who knows what might happen!

*PS.* The Hall will be closed for a week in July to allow for the main hall floor to be sanded and resealed.

*PPS.* A really big vote of thanks to John Martin (x3) for helping to construct the hedge on the top field. They are always prepared to give of their time and resources to help those organisations that make a positive contribution to the Village, namely the Sports Club and the Village Hall.

*Richard Lock* Chairman of the Trustees

## 'Not the World Cup' . . . at the June meeting of the WI

YOU could have heard a pin drop during Christine Shaw's talk on 'Cape Town to Victoria Falls'. She treated us to an incredibly vivid verbal picture of her spectacular three week visit crossing four countries, South Africa through Namibia, Botswana and Zambia to the Victoria Falls, encompassing over 3,000 miles, all in a truck called 'Isabel'. A snapshot of her memories included whales at the Cape of Good Hope, Jackass penguins at Boulder Creek, desert fox, ostrich and enormous black beetles called 'Kalahari Ferrari' because of their speed. Then there were the seal colonies at the Skeleton Coast and game drives where she sighted black rhino, lions and wildebeest. Isabel took them from the greenery of Cape Town to the deserts of Namibia, in daytime heat of 40 degrees dropping to freezing at night, where she saw the sun rise whilst atop one of the highest sand dunes in the world. Finally she ended up in Livingstone with a helicopter flight over the awesome Victoria Falls. Asked what was the highlight of her trip she found it impossible to single out any one day, every day had included something remarkable!

Coming up: Thursday 8th July, is the date of our last meeting before the summer when Mrs Jenkins will talk about 'Bed and Breakfast: the other side'. Bring along an unusual holiday photograph.

Our monthly Pub lunch is on Thursday 15th July, at The Royal Oak.

If you have an item of clothing you would like to swap come to the 'Great Clothes Swap' on Wednesday 21st July, at 6.30pm. Moreton is the venue for our Summer outing on Thursday 12th August, with afternoon tea at the tearooms. Lastly, don't forget 'Pride and Prejudice' at Athelhampton on Friday 27th August, at 7.00pm.

*Pat Bull*



*The WI Summer Garden Party held on 18th June in Josie Wright's garden had to move indoors after about half an hour when rain began to fall.*

## Milborne St. Andrew Weather in May 2010

TOTAL rainfall in May was 15.2mm which was 26% of average making it the driest May in Milborne since 1992. Figures from the Met. Office show that rainfall totals across the UK for the first five months of this year have been the lowest for over 40 years prompting the Environment Agency to activate their drought action plans. There was rainfall on 13th June of 18.2mm which was welcome but it soon disappears with evaporation at this time of the year. There seems to be little rain forecast in the next four weeks.

Although the weather was very warm on the five days 21–25 May, it was the coldest May in Milborne since 1996. Northern England and Scotland have had a particularly cold spring with Skiing still taking place on the winter's leftover snow in the Cairngorms at the end of May.

Most people in this country will have heard of St. Swithin and know of the Weather Lore surrounding him here but across Europe the Weather Prophet is St. Medard. Similar Weather Lore surrounds this saint with forty days of the same weather likely according to the weather on St. Medard's Day which is on 8th June. The 8th June this year was dry.

*Pluvius*

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## Plans are well under way but your help is vital!

THE plans for the first village fete, in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust, are well under way and stalls and attractions are being organised as we speak.

Stalls include Coconut Shy, Bric a Brac, Hoopla, Handmade Jewellery, Refreshments, Homemade Cakes, BBQ, Splat the Rat, Bouncy Castles, Wet Sponge Target, Face Painting and **lots, lots more. We've even got Dorset Police** on hand along with a marked police vehicle and a community police vehicle.



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We need your help to keep this service running. Please help and support us by attending this fete, organised for the people of Milborne St. Andrew and surrounding areas. Please spread the word of this event and invite all your friends and family to join in the fun!

If you can help by donating any items for the fete such as Bric a Brac items, DVDs, CDs, books or anything for our big raffle please call (01305) 269719 or deliver them to Joseph Weld Hospice, Herringston Road, Dorchester.

For more information about this event or the service we provide visit [www.weld-hospice.org.uk](http://www.weld-hospice.org.uk) or visit our Facebook page *Matt Smith*

Fete Day is Sunday 8th August 2010, 11.00am–3.00pm, village hall and

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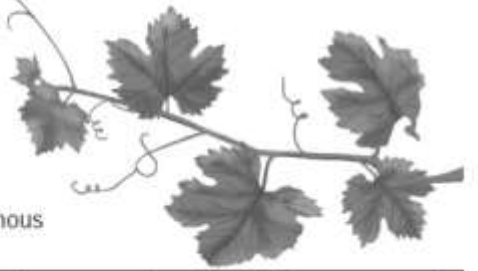
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Leanne was taken to church by Ed's dad Bruce in his American F3.50 truck. The bridesmaids were taken by Pete Jackson, who also took Pauline and her dad, Cecil, on her big day. The bride's bouquet was later placed on Leanne's grandparents grave, Jake and June Burt. All the guests accompanied the bride and groom for the reception at Durweston Village Hall.

The couple later went to Florida for their honeymoon.



## LETTERS TO THE REPORTER

### Your first Reader's Letter last month about the Village Hall

Dear Editor, I write as one of the Trustees of the Village Hall, jointly charged with its management on behalf of all the residents of Milborne St. Andrew. It was a new experience for me to open your admirable journal and find myself and the other trustees accused of greed and power-mania. I have no objection to criticism of the way the Village Hall is run. The Trustees are there to face criticism and react responsibly to it. However, I shall take no notice of anything to which the critic *has not the courage to put his, or her, name.* "Name and address supplied" is an excuse for those who are willing to wound but afraid to strike, and you will do a service to useful public debate if you discourage this kind of anonymity. Yours sincerely, Peter Dunkley

### Reply from one of the Reporter Team

The Milborne St. Andrew *Reporter*, in common with many similar publications, is happy to publish occasional letters from *readers under the authorship of "name and address supplied"*. Whilst we do not encourage this approach we acknowledge that some members of our community, with genuine concerns (as judged by the Reporter Team), may not have the confidence to present these concerns face to face.

In this particular letter, concerns were expressed about the future maintenance of the facilities recently put in place at the Village Hall by the Trustees. I note that the Trustees recently asked the Parish Council for several hundreds of pounds to maintain/repair some play equipment and the Parish Council, in giving planning permission for the MUGA, made a clear reference to the future costs of maintaining the facility. Perhaps the Trustees should clarify their strategy for the maintenance of these increased facilities and put some minds to rest?

Readers will be aware that both the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council have vacancies for representatives from the community and the *Reporter* Team encourages residents to get involved at the point where decisions are being made, rather than criticising after the event.

Ed Frost.



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## The Meeting at the School – Parish Council – 14th June 2010

IN attendance was Cllr Curtis, Cllr Regan and the Parish Clerk plus about 20 members of the public. Co-option of a Councillor was agreed and Mr Hopper took up his seat. Cllr Jill Harvey stepped down and Cllr Paul Morgan was on holiday. John Harris has submitted a letter of application to be co-opted, which will be discussed at the next meeting. Steve Howard from Highways was in attendance.

The Council had four things to consider and vote on – the scheme at Milton Road Corner, arranging an Open Public Meeting for repositioning the bus stop, the MUGA planning application and Deverel House planning application.

Questions from the public

This encompassed all items on the agenda. A show of hands suggested all but two were against anything on the Milton Road corner. A vote was taken of all the people in attendance whether they wanted the garden on the junction. No villagers present were in favour of the scheme as previously agreed by Council. Two members of the public were in favour of the seat, bin and planters instead of specific borders. A member of the public who had to manipulate a wheelchair on that corner commented that there was not enough space to turn the chair with the planting lines as they were. Mr Howard from Highways had said a safety audit is not required for anything under £10,000 and that the pavement could be widened by another six inches if needed.

Planning Matters

Councillors proposed and voted in favour of the seat, bin and planters instead of the approved DCC scheme and it will be for the Clerk to obtain the necessary permissions from DCC to allow planters to be positioned and for Councillors to agree designs and costs – this compromise will cost the local precept more money as **the Dorset County Council won't pay for planters or fixing the bench.**

Councillors voted in favour of an Open Meeting for the bus stop and the Clerk is to look at dates, possibly the week of the 5th July – although there is a scheduled PC meeting on the 7th. Bus users are urged to attend the meeting, so that a really good balanced view can be heard.

Councillors looked at the MUGA scheme and voted to approve planning (two in favour, one against) although concern was raised as to the materials used – especially for the fencing where the ball rebounds which might create a significant noise increase especially if it were metal and where such metal surfaces if present would need to be regularly maintained to avoid a rusting eyesore. There are no lights in this area (presumably meaning that use of the MUGA is naturally restricted to daylight hours).

Councillors voted to approve the planning at Deverel House.

Note: The next meeting will be on 7th July 2010 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

*We are indebted to two members of the public who took notes for the Reporter, as we were unable to attend.*

An article about the Parish Council's AGM can be found on the village website at [www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/reporter](http://www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/reporter).


## Cribbage Round Robin

ON Monday 14th June a fun evening was had by 16 of the 18 members of The Royal Oak Cribbage League. Organised by Peter Anthony at a cost of 50p per head, everyone played six games moving from table to table and changing partners each time – a bit like a barn dance. Winning scores were recorded and Hilary Daffern scooped the pot.

The league will be starting up again regularly on Monday evenings from September to March. Any new players will be very welcome at this sociable evening. Please contact Peter or Elaine on 837089.

*Janet Allen*


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## Episode Two

in which the Grumpy Old Moaner of Hillside Cottage continues his battle with the rabbits



Hi, Seven of Nine here again from the Hen House. I know I said I would ask a Labrador or the sheep dog to write this time but they are all busy charging around the field above the Old Moaner's cottage pretending to catch rabbits and tear them into pieces. They do this from time to time to keep the Old Moaner happy. If he thinks the dogs kill loads of rabbits he refrains from sitting up there with a shotgun taking pot shots at our friends.

The Old Moaner is a terrible shot – which of course is good for rabbits but rather bad for any passing cars, ramblers or low flying aircraft from Yeovilton. He should have learned his lesson about guns from the famous incident of the Deck Chair By the Pond – but I'll tell you that story another time.

It's beautiful to see the benefit of cooperative working between the dogs and the rabbits in the north field – the rabbits pop out of their burrows and dance about getting the Old Moaner's attention, he sees one and shouts expletives at the Labradors who pretend for a bit they can't see the rabbit and then, suddenly appreciative of the Old Moaner's superior intelligence and field skills, they tear off in the rabbit's direction, coincidentally reaching it just as it pops into another hole it handily prepared earlier.

Meanwhile, our dearest friend Ruffus the Red Sheepdog is slithering about the field on his belly clutching a ragged old grey and red toy squirrel that he found nearly ten years ago on one of his walks. My sisters and I were not even hatched then but Ruffus says he always thought it would come in handy one day.

After a good deal of barking and some very ham-actor growling from the Labradors the sheep dog suddenly pops up amongst them, for all the world as if he has just emerged from the rabbit hole with the best part of Mrs Bunny in his jaws. When he was younger he would leap in the air rather more but the performance still seems to convince the Old Moaner, who is always bragging about the rabbit killing efficiency of his perfectly trained dogs.

If only the Old Moaner knew this was all a performance and that while Ruffus prances with the old toy squirrel the Labradors are collapsed in laughter with the rabbits in the deep grass trying to stifle their giggles.

Of course, cooperative working is anathema to the Old Moaner (Ruffus taught me that word as he is the cleverest sheep dog and apparently erudite, although I don't have a clue what that is). The Old Moaner's idea of cooperation is to demand that people and animals operate as he says. But of course he is usually disappointed. Disappointment on his part leads to sulking and that leads to solitary isolation in a deck chair with a whisky by the pond – but that's another story.  
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## Councils

Environment Agency Floodline		0845 9881188
North Dorset District Councillor	Cllr Michael Cox	01258 881396
Parish Council – Dewlish	Clerk: Pat Gubbins	01258 881348
	Chair: Cllr Mike Claydon	01258 837314
Parish Council –	Clerk: Colin Fletcher	01258 450639
Milborne St. Andrew	Chair: Cllr Simon Curtis	01258 839000

## General – Adult

Drop-in Centre – POPP	Rose and Ed Frost	01258 837921
IT Club (Connecting Dorset)	Sue Gould	01258 837575
Ladies Group – Dewlish	Judith Bridgen	01258 837157
Memory Lane Swing Band	Bob Boorman	01258 839077
M.A. Neighbourcar	Nigel Hodder	01258 881709
Wednesday Social Club	Margaret Evans	01258 450518
Women's Institute	Linda Wright	01258 837255

## General – Youth

Beavers	Sue Mullett	01258 839076
Cub Scouts	Jo Hewish	01305 852614
Hazelnuts out-of-school club	Hazel Barrett	01305 848588
Ladybirds (Playgroup)	Marion Bishop	01305 848427
Scouts	Jim Burg	01258 837466
Under 5's Group – The Busy Bees	Jane Williams	01258 839291
Youth Club age 8 – 14 yrs	Sallie Maitland-Gleed	01258 837442

## Police

Police – Non-emergency contact		01202 222222
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Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th	<b>Roger's Rant</b> Sports Club, Milborne Village Hall and St. Andrews Church – see page 20.
Wednesday 7th	Parish Council Village Hall 7.30pm.
Wednesday 7th	Wednesday Club Mystery Trip – see page 3.
Tuesday 13th	Gardening Club Outing to West Dean Gardens, near Chichester ring 837140 as soon as possible so we can be sure there is a place for you. Payment is £18.00 which includes the coach and entrance fee.
Friday 16th	Summer Fayre Millborne First School 5.00pm – 7.30pm. Barbeque and fun and games for all.
Saturday 17th	Fifth Food Festival and Classic Car Show Village Hall, Leigh, Nr Sherborne from 10.00am–4.00pm.
Wednesday 21st	Swishing comes to Milborne St. Andrew! <i>The great clothes swap!</i> – see pages 2 and 6.
Saturday 31st	Village Lunch – see page 2.
August	
Wednesday 4th	Wednesday Club Lunch at The Royal – see page 3.
Sunday 8th	Village Fete in aid of Weldmar Hospicecare Trust. Milborne St. Andrew Village Hall and Field. 11.00am–3.00pm – see page 8.
Saturday 28th	Village Lunch – see page 2.
September	
Wednesday 1st	Wednesday Club Evening Mystery Trip – see page 3.
Saturday 11th	Village Show Schedules are now available at the Post Office, The Royal Oak, and Londis shop.
Saturday 25th	Village Harvest Lunch – see page 2.

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Players Monday 8.00–10pm MH  
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Cub Scouts Tuesday 5.45–7.15pm MH (term time only)  
MSA Friendly Art Group second and fourth Wednesday 7.00–9.00pm CR  
100 Acre Wood Pottery Wednesday 6.00–10.00pm MH (term time only)  
Wednesday Club first Wednesday 2.30–4.30pm MH  
Gardening Club fourth Thursday 7.30–10pm MH  
Healthy Eaters Thursday 7.00–8.00pm CR  
Karate Thursday 5.10–6.40pm MH  
Village Hall Committee third Thursday 8.00–10.00pm  
**Women's Institute** second Thursday 7.30–10.00pm  
POPP Drop-In Friday 10.00am–12 noon CR  
Youth Club every other Friday 6.30–8.30pm MH (term time only)  
Sequence Dancing third Saturday 7.30–10.30pm MH  
Village Lunch last Saturday of the month 12.15–2.30pm MH/CR  
Milborne Praise! third Sunday 4.00–5.30pm MH  
Moviola and supper about every six weeks, look out for the posters, 6.30–10.30pm MH/CR  
Artsreach Events – look out for the posters.

Check Village Hall Notice Board for any other events that are one off for you to join in with.

## Regular Bookings at the First School

Pilates Monday 7.00–8.00pm (term time only)  
Yoga Tuesday 6.15–7.45pm (term time only)  
Badminton Wednesday 7.00–9.00pm (term time only)  
Circuit Training every Thursday 7.00–8.00pm

## Milborne Friendly Art Group



THE May Fayre celebrations went off well and members of the MSA Art Group exhibited some of their work on the stands in the field and we had a children's painting table set up for children to have a go at painting a picture or two, some budding young artists were evident and the more mature art members, predominantly there to assist the children, thoroughly enjoyed the day's painting too.

We also had our new member, Al Newport, playing his guitar and singing (when Brian had a break in commentating the days events) and those that managed to hear him seemed impressed. Further entertainment with Al and his mate Jamie (duo 2tone) was planned for the evening at The Royal Oak which went off very well and the pub occupants seemed to enjoy the evening's music. The Art Group have been displaying some of their work in Al's gallery in Sturminster Newton for several months so if you haven't yet managed to get to Sturminster to see their work you must hurry as they are selling like hot cakes and there will soon be a change in paintings or wall sculptures (the shop is opposite the Museum). If you are interested in joining the group who usually meet twice a month, further details can be obtained from the village web site as well as contacting either Sue Marsh on 837414 or Elaine Anthony on 837089. Membership is still only £5 from January to January and the session fees are only £3 so come along and join in.

# Public protest forces Parish Council to abandon plans

A personal view

The Parish Council has abandoned its plan to improve the appearance of the village centre junction with Milton Road. This followed organised public protest against the scheme.

The junction is hardly a thing of beauty: road signs dominate it with a back drop of an empty, near-derelict, cottage on one side. On the other, a grubby high brick wall dominates the corner and successfully hides the well cared-for garden beyond. The peeling finger post points towards our oldest village building – a Church.



The Parish Council's scheme, shown above, was meant to soften at least one side of the junction, but, following the protests, all we can hope for is a bench, a bin and a couple of planters. 90% of the public at the meeting were also against this severely revised scheme.

Parish Council meetings have been poorly attended by the public and it is a real pity that this scheme, more than a year in development, has had to be more or less abandoned at this very late stage. The minutes of Parish Council meetings are displayed on two notice boards in the village and also on the village website. We also present a summary of Parish Council meetings in this magazine. I would encourage members of our community to keep up to date with what is being done and said at this local level.

The trustees of the Village Hall have decided to keep villagers more up to date with their deliberations by publishing policies, plans and minutes on their pages of the village website. Visit [www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/villagehall](http://www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/villagehall).

*Ed Frost*



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# Have you met . . . Jo Perry (Jo-Jo)

WE met up with Jo at lunchtime in The Royal Oak and we explained that the “Have you met” feature should be both interesting and entertaining for our readers, little did we realise just how true that was going to be.

Jo was born in 1973 in Hitchin in Hertfordshire and spent most of her early life in Stevenage. She is the middle sibling with an elder brother, now living in Australia, and a younger sister. She says she is the odd-one-out: her siblings are tall and slim and have jobs associated with science and technology, Jo is by no means tall and describes herself as “arty-farty”. Her Dad says that they had “book sense” whilst Jo had “street sense”. She attended Stevenage Girls’ Grammar School and was Head Girl whilst she studied for A levels. She was passionate about Drama and Literature and gained a place at RADA on leaving school. Unfortunately she didn’t get a scholarship and so couldn’t afford to take the place up.

Instead she took a job with a theatre PR company in London and spent four years organising “Events” including an elephant for the grand opening of a betting shop and several dozen bandage-clad “Invisible Men” for another client. She fondly remembers managing the celebrities’ beer tent at festivals such as Glastonbury where she rubbed shoulders with Chris Evans, Blur, Van Morrison and Peter Gabriel – to name but a few.

Fun though it was, the daily commute to London was unremitting and she moved to a local job at the council-run theatre in Stevenage. The cultural contrast was enormous and after a year she had had enough. Fate took a hand when she met with the brother of an old school friend on a train. His sister was about to open a pub and needed an assistant manager. A phone call and informal interview later and Jo took her first job in the licensed trade. She was employed by a regional pub chain and for the next three years she moved from pub to pub as ‘relief manager’. It was during this time that she first met Andy and Sarah and they became firm friends.

She moved on to bigger and better things and managed restaurants and night clubs in London and the south of England including a four-floor, 1,800 capacity club in Shaftsbury Avenue, “Boardwalk” in Soho and “Ruby Blue” in Leicester Square. A job managing a Belgian Bar and Restaurant in Holborn followed and after that a job as training manager at the 900 room Thistle Hotel at Marble Arch. Then, the training done, she and her team were all made redundant.

That was just before Christmas in 2008. She phoned her friends Andy and Sarah to “have a whinge”. They needed a waitress for the Christmas season at their restaurant in Dorchester and Jo leapt at their invitation. Soon after, Jo took over as restaurant manager, Andy and Sarah completed their negotiations for The Royal Oak and the rest is history.

*That must have been a massive change in lifestyle, what made you take such a step?*

Been there, done that! When you are in your 20’s, on everyone’s guest



list, can access any club in London, it’s great . . . but eventually, a life featuring chickens, cabbages and sweet peas seems very, very attractive. I love Milborne St. Andrew, I love the characters, I love the support of the village, I love being part of the community. Do you know: it used to take me at least 15 minutes to walk from Bladen View to the pub – not because I am slow but because every few yards I’d stop and have a conversation! Last week, whilst on my bike, I was challenged to

a race by a young man on a scooter on his way home from school. Thankfully I did, of course, win!  
*Is there a down side to living in Milborne St. Andrew?*

**Yes! The Londis doesn’t sell tights!**  
*Anything you would change?*

Speeding lorries coming down Dorchester Hill late at night – we need to have some sort of traffic control. The wind direction at muck-spreading time. The quality of our bus service – an extended service would mean better access to Dorchester and Blandford for our teenagers – it would open up lots of opportunities for them, and for the rest of us

who can’t drive or don’t want to.

*What are your pet hates?*

**People (young and old) who have no manners and don’t show any respect.** A respect for others is a cornerstone of civilised society and everyone should be given a fair hearing. It was part of my upbringing. It takes so little to say “Please” or “Thank you”. Also: raw tomato in sandwiches (it makes them soggy!), pineapple in hot food and exposed male underwear.

*Do you have a claim to fame?*

**Well, I’ve met lots of famous people but my biggest thrill was being on stage at Wembley with the Canadian band – The Bare Naked Ladies.** I had gone to the concert with my sister and my 50 year old aunt and, just because we were all wearing glasses, we were invited onto the stage.

*Who is your hero or inspiration?*

Lots of people in lots of ways. I am inspired by people who have principles and stick to them. I owe a lot to my friends and family who have supported me in so many ways. Especially I am inspired by people who, despite their own major problems, don’t whinge, they get on with life and even find the time to help others.

*Your fantasy dinner date?*

**Anthony Bourdain. He’s an American chef and a genius with food. Also Marie Antoinette (we wouldn’t be eating cake), Henry VIII – he seems to have been a jolly chap, Robbie Williams (’cos I fancy him) and Margaret Thatcher – definitely not a wimp in a man’s world.**

*When did you last throw caution to the wind?*

When I moved down here to Dorset. It was a bit scary at first but it seems to have worked out pretty well in more ways than one!

*Do you have any particular hobbies or interests?*

**I love 1920’s jazz, I make soap and I love bargains.** I recently bought some material and made it up into kitchen curtains. Two pairs for two quid – bargain eh? I love good food and good wine and enjoy watching movies. I’m also an avid reader and much prefer to read than watch TV. Oh, and I’m in the WI. Most of all I love my job . . . but it’s not a job, it’s a way of life.

*Will you describe your most embarrassing moment?*

I spent three hours asleep, going backwards and forward on the tube whilst cuddling a turkey. I was returning home from work at about 7.00am on the first tube of the day, carrying a turkey, given to me as a Christmas present. I was exhausted and fell asleep. At 10.00am I was roused from my dreams by the ringing of my mobile phone – whoops!

*Anything else you would like to tell us?*

**I love the village, I plan to stay in the village, the support we’ve had from the village is wonderful and . . . by the time this is published, I’ll have got my kittens!**

Thank you Jo for a most enjoyable lunchtime.

*Ed Frost and David Payne*

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The tickets for the Ceilidh are £6.00 from Roger Harrall (tel. no. 01258 837371).

All other sessions are FREE entry but we do ask you to give generously into the bucket collections. The money raised goes to cover the cost of running the event and then is divided between the Royal National Lifeboat Institute and The Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

Our web pages are [www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/RogersRant](http://www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/RogersRant) and [www.myspace.com/rogersrant](http://www.myspace.com/rogersrant)



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## In your Garden Seasonal notes and tips from Maureen Lock of *Designer Gardens* The Summer Garden

JUNE and July are the best time for flowering plants in the garden. Roses are just starting to come into their own; perennials such as oriental poppies and lupins are still just about flowering and bedding plants are starting to fill up the hanging baskets and pots bringing with them a riot of colour.

The roses which started to flower in June are **now looking fantastic. Don't forget to deadhead** them by cutting the flowered stem back by 3-4in (8-10cm) and cut it off just above a healthy leaf. If you cut roses to enjoy them in the house, you will be doing the same job. Ramblers and climbers, and the old fashioned roses that only flower once need to be pruned when they have finished flowering - usually at the end of July - as they flower on the growth made after they have been pruned. If climbers or ramblers are growing up into trees there is no need to prune them - just enjoy the flowers.

**I've got a huge Rosa 'Rambling Rector' which** flowers its heart out right next to my greenhouse and it smells divine. Its fragrance fills the whole garden. All the roses I have in my garden are scented - it seems such a waste to see roses with no smell. The David Austin rose stand at the Chelsea flower show was full of people admiring the roses and it was interesting to observe how many people bent over to smell the roses. Honeysuckle goes well with roses and the fragrance of the two can be almost overpowering in the evening - wonderful!



Early perennials such as Pulmonaria and brunnera will be over and can be cut back; so too can peonies, lupins and oriental poppies if their **foliage is starting to look a bit 'ropey'**. They will soon start to grow again, and you will probably get a second flush of flowers later in the summer.

Some plants flower continuously all summer. I have a wonderful hardy geranium called **Geranium 'Jolly Bee' / 'Rozanne'** and once it starts flowering it doesn't stop until the frosts. Astrantia too will keep on flowering as long as you remember to deadhead regularly.

We all like colour in the gardens during the summer, and it was interesting to see at Chelsea **this year that the 'in' colour was green and white with a touch of blue.** Lots of box hedging, box balls, lovely sensuous grasses billowing in the breeze and clumps of **Astrantia major 'Giant White'** for a lasting show and white foxgloves for height. Irises gave a brief but stunning flash

of colour and when these are over could be replaced with blue or white agapanthus which flower later in the year - if you want to keep the colour theme going. I always think it looks good to see a garden with a colour theme, but I love plants and the odd yellow or deep red always finds a corner in my garden. Perhaps one day I will be a little more disciplined - but gardening is really about what you enjoy in your garden and not just the fad of the moment.

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# Summer Newsletter

**APPOINTMENTS** – Some of you may have noticed that during the months of April and May we have been running trials of open surgeries. We did this on odd days during April and May and on Monday mornings throughout June. The PPG came along and talked to patients whilst this was happening to gain your thoughts and ideas on an open surgery and to see how it worked for those of you who were using it on the day. The feedback from them was quite positive. However many patients were confused by yet another system. We have put together some frequently asked questions about open surgeries.

## Why have an open surgery?

Many people have problems they feel need to be seen on the same day. We have found it increasingly difficult to accommodate the number of patients who are asking for same day appointments. This has become worse since patients asked us to make more appointments available which can be booked in advance. The clinics are now mostly booked in advance leaving little space to fit in the number of patients who want to be seen on the same day. Speaking to patients and other surgeries in the area we took the decision to trial some open surgeries. If this works we will provide an open surgery each morning.

## How will it work?

Each morning there will be a team of doctors, nurses and our nurse practitioner who will all be available to see patients who wish to be seen that day.

## What if everyone turns up at once?

To avoid this happening we will ask patients to telephone the surgery as early as possible and you will be given a time to go to the open surgery. This will help us to know how many patients will be turning up and even out the queue to avoid long waits in a crowded waiting room.

## Can I choose who I see?

Where possible we will always do our best to ensure patients see the best person to treat their problem. During open surgeries the doctor will view the list of patients waiting and allocate patients to the most appropriate person by looking at the reason for the appointment. If there is no reason you will usually be seen by whoever is free. In the event that the person seeing you is not the most appropriate you will be immediately allocated to the correct person to deal with your condition. If the Doctor knows you and knows your condition they will make a decision on who is best for you to see based on that knowledge.

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chillies and garlic in!) three times a day for two weeks. If you are still having problems after two weeks make an appointment to see the nurse who will check whether syringing is necessary.

**How to use olive oil** Lie on your side with the problem ear uppermost. Pull the outer part of your ear back and up to straighten the ear canal and either put two or three drops in your ear or ¼ teaspoonful. The oil can be used at room temperature. Massage the area just in front of the ear to assist in distributing the oil. Try and stay on your side for a few minutes. **DO NOT INSERT COTTON WOOL** as this will soak up the oil.

**Dangers of ear syringing** Perforated ear drum, Outer ear infection, Pain, Vertigo, Middle ear infection

Will I still be able to book a normal appointment with the doctor I choose?

Yes. The doctor who is not doing an open surgery in the morning will be seeing patients as usual who have booked appointments in advance. The afternoon appointments will also be open for you to book in advance.

## Winterborne Valley Surgeries

As you are aware there have been some problems with the ability to deliver GP services at both of our offsite consulting facilities at Winterborne Whitechurch and Winterborne Stickland. This has been frustrating for both doctors and patients alike. Unfortunately, this situation has been ongoing for some years, during which time circumstances have changed. For example there have been many improvements in the technology and facilities available to assist consultations at the main surgeries at Milton Abbas and Milborne St. Andrew as well as changes in the standards set for safety of doctors and staff.

Briefly, The issues are as follows:-

- Technological problems with PCs – a clinical risk
- Lack of availability of important clinical equipment
- Personal safety

A clinical risk assessment, undertaken on our behalf by the Medical Protection Society, highlighted a number of clinical risks.

These include:-

- Doctors working alone should not undertake intimate examinations without a chaperone. This is not possible at the village hall sites.
- Electronic hospital letters and reports cannot be read at these locations. This is a risk both to patients and clinicians.
- As there are no reception or nursing staff present, patients likely to become agitated or violent put both the doctor, and other patients who are waiting to be seen, at risk.

We have researched the records of attendance at the Winterborne Valley clinics and found the following:-

- A majority of patients consulting at the village hall sites did not live in those villages. Many travelled from other villages, closer to the main site because they felt that seeing their preferred doctor was more important than where the consultation took place.
- Many patients living in the Winterborne Valley preferred to travel to the main sites for the same reason.

Our doctors have encountered the following difficulties in the village hall clinics

- Lack of equipment at these sites such as ECG machines etc means that diagnostic consultations often cannot be completed. Therefore patients had

to be asked to make further appointments at the main sites. This results in two consultations for both the doctor and the patient instead of one. The end result is that the patient still has to travel to a main site.

- No emergency equipment such as defibrillators, **oxygen giving facilities and 'crash' trolleys** put patients at risk.
- The village hall sites are not large enough to accommodate all the required equipment, even if the high cost of such provision could be met.
- They felt vulnerable consulting alone without the support of nursing staff.

The outcome of the above is that, with regret, we have now made a final decision that we are no longer able to provide a service at these sites.

This decision has not been taken lightly by the doctors at the surgery. They fully understand that villagers worked hard to provide these sites. However, we all feel that the risk of not working in an up to date consultation environment is too great and not beneficial to the patients. Of course, we will continue to hold flu vaccination clinics as in the past, and suggest that the accommodation could possibly be used in conjunction with the adjacent hall, for ancillary services, such as the Citizens Advice Bureau, Health Visitor and Nursery Nurse clinics, complementary medicine and similar outreach services.

We understand that some patients who live in the villages may have difficulty in getting to the two main sites. Therefore, the doctors have made a commitment to do everything they can to support the new Community Car Scheme (Further details of the scheme can be obtained by telephoning 01258 881709). This will enable patients who are unable to drive and have no other means of transport to access the surgery. A commitment to give financial support to the scheme has also been made.

Although this unfortunate decision is final, if you would like further explanation please contact Sharon Hunt (practice manager) Sharon.hunt2@nhs.net or 01258 882014 or Milton Abbas Patient Participation Group.



## News from the dispensary

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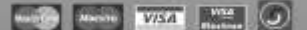
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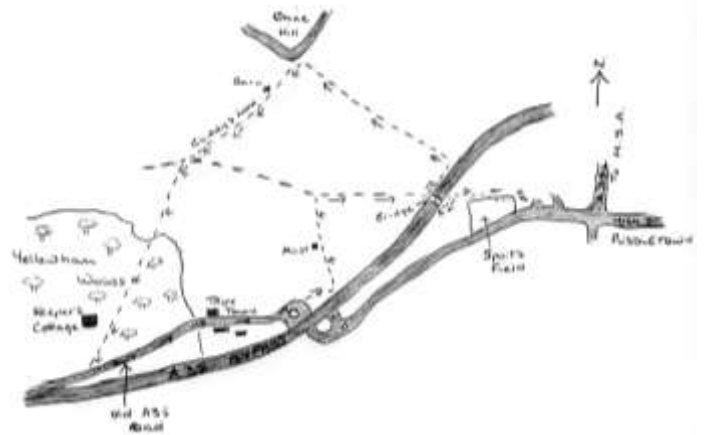
You will then come to the bend in the road at *Chine Hill*. Do not go onto the road, instead turn left and precede through a gate along ***Gabby's Lane*** another bridleway. There is a slight incline up *Gabby's Lane*. You will pass a barn on your right. The views to your right are across towards *Waterston*.

After about 1km you will see a signpost on the left pointing back to *Puddletown*. Ignore this and take the narrow path again off to the left, only a few metres further on. You will pass through an open gate onto this path.

Follow this path past fields to start with and then into *Yellowham Woods* (Yalbury Woods in Thomas Hardy's book "*Under the Greenwood Tree*"). The path drops down slightly and before long you will see a

delightful cottage amongst the trees on your right. This is *Keepers Cottage*, (again featuring in Thomas Hardy's books). Continue along the bridleway until you come to a road, turn left along the road.

The road is the old A35. The road is still in use and



there is a danger from fast-moving cars. The road rises up *Yellowham Hill* and on to *Troy Town*. *Troy Town* is a delightful hamlet consisting of a farm and a few cottages. Although the road runs parallel to the new bypass it is remarkably peaceful with very little noise from the traffic on the new road.

Continue along the old road until you come to the slip road. Keep left around the slip road and head for a gate off to the left. Go through the gate and after about 150m turn left and through another gate onto another bridleway. This is called *Two Doves* and climbs slightly to pass a telephone mast and then downhill to the bridleway known as *Charminster Lane*. Turn right and follow the path back to the bypass bridge. Cross over the bridge and walk along the path, past the Sports Field and back to your car.

*Ann Snape*

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## Rainbow Pre-School

By Verina Cutler - Playleader

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We would like to thank everyone who collected Tesco vouchers for us this year, especially those who left some in the Post Office

at Milton Abbas. They are really appreciated and this year we are getting drums, a little trampoline, a water butt and art equipment. We collected over 5,000, so a big THANK YOU!

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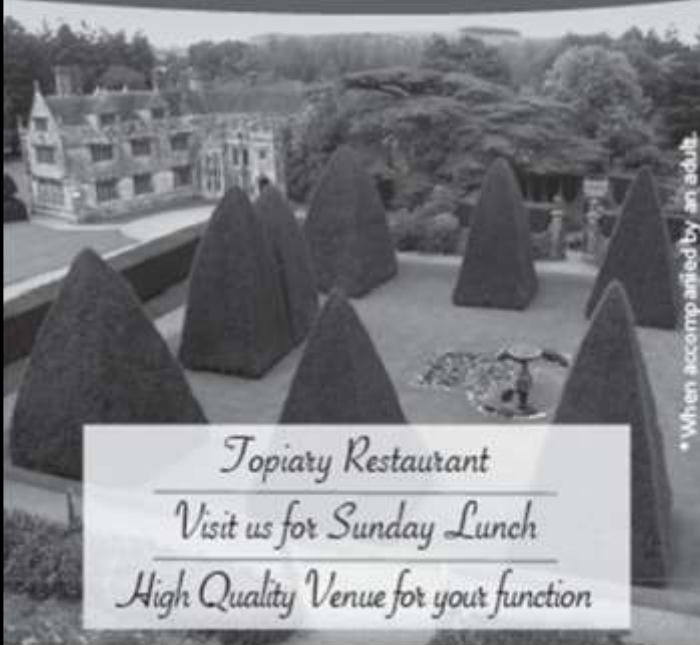
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## SCHOOL NEWS

IT'S hard to believe that we are already in the final half term of this academic year – time certainly has flown. Our year four children have returned from their residential trip to Carey, where apart from a sudden downpour late on the first afternoon, their stay under canvas was in good weather.

They enjoyed numerous activities from scaling climbing walls, negotiating a low ropes course and photo orienteering. A woodland walk gave the more quiet children the opportunity to see deer. The evenings at Carey allow for fire

side singing and getting to know the other children. This trip is a great opportunity for the children from the schools which all feed into St. Mary's Middle school to meet before they transfer in September. In addition to the full transfer day at the beginning of July, a further French transition visit has recently taken place, with our year four children meeting the year 5s for a French café experience.

Squirrels class recently enjoyed a trip to Brownsea Island. Since renaming the classes in the Autumn, Squirrels have been fundraising to make this trip possible – cake and ice cream sales after school and offering sausage sandwiches for breakfast one morning contributed to the fund and the class was very grateful to Friends of School for a significant contribution to the travel costs. A great day was enjoyed



by all which included talks from the National Trust and Dorset Wildlife Trust and luckily they also got to see the elusive Red squirrel.

These last few weeks will continue to be busy. All the children who take music dance lessons in school will be performing in an evening concert for family and friends. Sports afternoon will soon be here and then everyone is off to the Sealife centre in Weymouth for a school trip during the last week of term – so continued sunshine would be much appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the school during the past year. We are extremely fortunate to have such willing parents who give their time to the school and also many local people who help out in school and as governors. Without their support so many things would not be possible. In September we will be launching a volunteers group "Helping Hands", to be coordinated by

local governor Debbie Corke – more details to follow in September. We look forward to your continued support and hope as many of you as possible can join us for our Summer Fayre on Friday 16th July from 5.00pm.

Enjoy the summer!



## CONTACTS

If you require any information about the school, including admissions details for children please contact the school office.

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### Patient Participation Group

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We are going to hold our usual raffle this year with lots of very worthwhile prizes. Tickets may arrive with your prescription medicaments or through your door, probably in September. Tickets will also be available at the Surgery, M St. A and MA Post Offices and later at the usual Flu Clinic. We are hoping that you will all be able to purchase at least one book, of five chances to win, for £1.00.

Also remember that the surgery is now collecting any un-opened packets, bottles or containers of medicaments. These can be sent, after checking, to poorer countries where they can help to cure patients who may not otherwise be treated because of lack of funding.

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## BREAKING NEWS

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Bob contacted Milborne with the offer to coach following the reputation that Milborne Sports has gained over the years as an FA Standard Chartered Club, he has volunteered to coach 6 to 11 year olds for Milborne Sports on Wednesdays from 5.30 to 6.30pm.

### Fun in the Sun for Milton Abbas

MILTON ABBAS continued their Sunday friendly Cricket matches with an away trip to Martinstown.

On a fine day Milton won the toss and chose to bat. They then made hay in the glorious sunshine. The best batting of the season so far saw them reach 226 off their 40 overs. The pick of the crop being Chris Thomas with 58 and Shaun Gallagher just missing out with a fine 49.

Martinstown made a good start in their reply by keeping up with the required rate, only to be stopped in their tracks by a fine bowling spell by Ian Colmer who took two wickets and put the brakes on the scoring.

Martinstown now had to take risks and the bowlers mixed it up to get the batsmen swinging. The tactics worked with Roy Sach and Dave Rideout taking wickets before Nick Handley got himself on a hat trick by taking two wickets in two balls. Andy Smith wrapped up the tail with two wickets to leave Martinstown 126 all out in the 29th over.

A fine performance in the sunshine from Milton Abbas.

*Andy Smith*

On Sunday 20th June the Milton Abbas Cricket Club played a match against the Bedouin Cricket Club as part of the Milton Abbey Fun Day. Shown left, village players: Colin Chastey, Roy Sach, Ben Sach, Sam Sach, Connor Rosoman and Joe Handley.

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## Summer Menu

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### Starters

- Chef's soup of the day served with a warm crusty roll
- Dorset pate with warm granary toast and a Cumberland sauce
- Tomato and mozzarella brioche (v)
- Whiskey potted shrimp served with mixed leaves and granary bread
- Baked flat mushroom stuffed with garlic, onions and peppers topped with brie and a herb crust (v)
- Egg poached in red wine on a bed of wilted spinach with a mushroom and bacon sauce
- Dorset crab, prawn and smoked salmon medley served with mixed leaves and granary bread

£4.50  
£5  
£5  
£6  
£5  
£8

Main course

### Main courses

- Steak and Dorset Piddle ale pie with creamy mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables or chips and garden peas
- Hambro fish and chips. Prime succulent sustainable cod in our homemade Dorset ale batter with chips and mushy peas
- Chicken topped with goats cheese with a basil tomato tapenade served with salad and new potatoes
- Spinach and ricotta cannelloni served with salad and garlic bread (v)
- Breaded whole tail scampi served with chips, salad garnish and homemade tartar sauce
- Home-cooked gammon ham served with two eggs, and chips
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£10  
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### Salads

- Classic Caesar salad (add chicken £1.00)
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- Chicken with bacon

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£8.90  
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### Examples from our Specials Board

- Locally sourced fillet steak grilled to your liking with a creamy peppercorn sauce, served with salad and chips.
- Pork Steak in a creamy wholegrain mustard sauce, served with new potatoes and seasonal vegetables
- Grilled local sardines with garlic and chili served with a salad and new potatoes
- Mediterranean vegetable risotto served with mixed leaves (v)
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