

# Reporter

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**APRIL VILLAGE LUNCH**

*To be held at the Village Hall on  
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## Two new team volunteers

Many thanks to Carole and Susan for offering to come on the Reporter team. We've set them to work already, thank you Carole for our wonderful front cover, and thank you Susan for covering the Parish Council meeting this month.

We would welcome others as well. If you don't feel you have enough confidence to actually be named as on the team, but would still like to get involved, please contact us.

## Easter Raffle

COFFEE, Cake and Computers (Friday Drop-In) will draw the Easter Raffle on Friday 30th March.

The drop-In will then be closed for two weeks, re-opening on Friday 20th April.  
*Rose and Ed Frost*

## Milborne St. Andrew Gardening Club



THANKS to the new digital projector (and to Ed Frost for helping to fathom it out) in the Village Hall, members were able to watch two films produced by Roger Lane and Roger Holman at our meeting in February. These were of Dorset Gardens and the Jurassic Coast and featured stunning original photography. The gardens are all open to the public (details in the yellow NGS booklet) and ranged from the well-known ones like Forde Abbey, Compton Acres, Abbotsbury Sub-Tropical Gardens, Sherborne Castle, Minterne Magna and Mapperton Gardens to those owned privately, which were no less splendid. The Jurassic Coast film was just as amazing with fantastic views from different angles, and must have involved an awful lot of walking for the photographers! It made us all think – why do we ever need to leave Dorset with so many wonderful gardens and such scenery, right here on our doorstep?

Our next meeting is on Thursday 26th April, and Rob Hendley is returning to tell us more about his wonderful dahlias. We will be able to buy some of his prize-winning dahlia tubers and plants, and learn more of the skills involved in growing these fantastic flowers. We hope that we will be able to arrange a visit to his nursery soon as well.

Members are reminded that our Annual Plant Sale will be on Sunday 13th May. If you are able to help out on the day, either with plants or with the refreshments, please let us know at our April meeting. It is our main fund-raising event of the year, and everybody's support is always greatly appreciated.

*Linda Harris – Secretary*

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**It's real,  
it's happening,  
new allotments  
for the village**

YES, there are a few allotments already down near the old Manor House, but the new allotments are up by the Sports Pavilion on a plot of land that has been unused for 12 years or more. So with the support of the Parish Council and the Sports Pavilion a group of villagers have been meeting regularly to start the ball rolling. And it is rolling really well and quite quickly!



We are very grateful for the help of three local businesses to get the plot to where it is now. The hedges have been trimmed (thanks Andy and Riverside Contractors), the wild grass has been cut, the field has been ploughed (thanks Mark and Bagber Farm!) and Field Barn and Hedge End Farms are donating a rather large trailer load of manure. Then we will be ready for marking out the plots. There is still masses to do, but the will is there to get it done. The "Milborne St. Andrew Allotment Society" is now official, the constitution is signed, so that we can now get a bank account, and the long trek to fund raising is happening with the application for a grant that will enable us to fence the whole area as well as installing a stand pipe (at the moment there is no water on site) and gravelling the car park .



This is a real community scheme, requested by the residents of the village for the villagers. The plots will be available to all villagers, the only restrictions for renting a plot are abiding with the tenancy agreement, paying the rent and being over 18 years of age. Younger people are welcomed when supervised by the plot holder.

If you would like to be involved in this fantastic village project either by volunteering some time to help clear the site, help mark out some plots or you would like an allotment at a very reasonable yearly price you can give me or Jo Perry a ring. We will give you all the information you need. Also come and see us at the May Fayre, we'll bring along as much information as we can.

Sue Gould 837575 Jo Perry 837957

## Milborne's First Black Belt

WESSEX Karate Academy student Jamie Northover has successfully gained his 1st Dan black belt at the GKI (Go-Ju-Ryu Karate International) Gasshuku held in Chelmsford, Essex.

The Gasshukus are Biennial training camps held at different venues each year all over the world, where all students and instructors from the GKI get to train with the Chief Instructors. It is also the only opportunity students from all member Dojos have to take their black belt grades.

This year's event saw 16 people from across Europe taking tests with Jamie and fellow Wessex students Liam Heard and Tom Evans, being the only three under the age of 18 taking gradings. Students testing are expected to do 3/4 days of training covering all aspects of Go-Ju-Ryu Karate under the watchful eye of all the GKI instructors with the gradings being held towards the end of the camp.

Thomas Hardye student Jamie (16) was one of the first students to join the Milborne St Andrew wing of WKA when it was first formed as an after school club at Milborne First School. He has now become its first ever member to gain black belt level. Jamie is also a regional and National Champion and was selected for the National squad for the World Championships held in Portugal in 2010.

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## Where do you think you live?

MILBORNE St. Andrew is the name adopted for the whole of the present parish, but has had a number of previous names for the parts that were originally quite separate hamlets.

The origin of Milborne initially comes from the Milborne brook that now arises at the Milton Abbey Lake, although originally some three miles further north and closer to Hilton. The word 'mil' represents the various mills that were present down the valley and 'borne' or 'bourne' the middle English word for stream, 'borne' being the correct and older suffix to the village name. King Athelstan gave the land of Meleburn to the monastery at Milton, now Milton Abbey, as an endowment to establish the order probably in AD943. The Domesday Book mentions three parcels of land, although no longer associated with the Abbey, which would cover the area of modern day Milborne St. Andrew. This includes the name of Milborne Stileham, as well as Milborne St. Andrew, but no other names. Milborne Stileham (also known as Milborne Bec) was at one time part of Bere Regis parish, but was absorbed into Milborne St. Andrew later. Part of the current parish consisted originally of a small hamlet described by Hutchins in 1774 as being on the northern end of the parish as Milborne Deverel (or Milborne Cary being the name of one of the holders of the land) at what is now Deverel Farm, belonging to John Cole, whose memorial stone can be seen in the church. However, this man's name is associated with Cole's farm somewhat south of the present Deverel Farm on the land that was acquired by John Cole from the Huntly family in the mid fifteen hundreds, Huntly being the probable source of today's Huntley Down. On this site there was reputedly a small chapel, near one end of which bones have been dug up.

Returning to the more southerly areas, Hutchin refers to the village as Milborne Andruleston, but that Milborne Abbatston is also the same place, although this name does not appear in medieval documents. The association of saints' names to parishes occurred late in history and St. Andrew was used only after 1326. Meanwhile, another name appears in connection with rectorial tithes of Milborne Churchstone or Meleburn Churchston St. Andrew.

Further, within the parish there were other manors and hamlets listed by Hutchins in 1773, namely Milborne Mamford, Milborne Michaelston and Milborne Symondston. Mamford has very little by way of records associated with it. Michaelston may have been an alternative name for Milborne Deverel possibly associated with the tenants' name around 1320 to 1330. Symonds is also a local family name occurring no earlier than Henry VIII. This place name is also likely to be derived from the names of short term tenures. An alternative explanation hinges on the existence of two distinct and unconnected clusters of buildings, one around the old road joining Winterborne Whitechurch and Dewlish and the other more closely linked to the church and Manor Farm House.

Finally, there is the dilemma that despite all these names around the village there remains the deserted village to the south of the present village, due west of Wetherby Castle, which has no name recorded. This and other evidence would suggest the village disappeared before the mid-fourteen hundreds, but may possibly be the source of one of the names mentioned above.

So now do you know where you live, or is it now as clear as the mud at the bottom of the Milborne stream?

*Pip Howell*

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**14th April**. Please send copy via e-mail to  
msa.reporter@yahoo.co.uk or give to a member of the team.

## Milborne to lose its St. Andrew

MILBORNE St. Andrew may be forced to drop its name if the Scottish Nationalist government achieves its aim for independence. In a little-known policy of Scottish First Minister Alex Salmond's push for a break with the UK, all place names in England that have a Scottish association will be reclaimed. Milborne's link with the Scottish patron saint will be hit and the village made to change its name.

Dorset County Council admitted that Milborne St. Andrew would be number one on the county's hit list. A spokeswoman for the council, Aveline Ewan, said "I can confirm that this policy would sadly affect Milborne St. Andrew, but we intend to work with the village and offer support whilst the transition takes place". It is believed that all changes to place names will take effect immediately after the independence referendum if a 'Yes' vote is triumphant. The referendum is being planned for Autumn 2014.

Ms Ewan said, "There's plenty of time for Milborne's Parish Council and residents to get together to mull over alternatives for the new village name". She noted that being plain 'Milborne' would not be permitted since it may be confusing for people and not be differentiated enough from Milborne Port.

Online forums and blogs are already buzzing with possible new names; 'Milborne St. George' is well liked, but many think too reactionary and reliant on the old name. Thomas Hardy's incarnation of the village, Millpond St. Jude, is also mooted by some who point out that it could be a boon to a future tourist industry for the village. Others plead that the village should not look to the past, but take on a more contemporary name, 'Milborne 3000',

being a suggestion. This option would then put Milborne at the forefront of the celebrations for the next millennium.

Behind the scenes in Whitehall, ministers and policy advisors are working together to provide support for all affected English communities. A spokesman for the Committee for the Realignment of Anglo Placenames said, "We have the greatest sympathy for Milborne St. Andrew (as is now), and would urge them to take action now. We are helping other places and organisations that need to undergo repatriation, not least Scotland Yard". It is also thought that McDonald's would have to be rebranded for south of the border trading.

## Bluebell Teas

IF you visit Milborne Woods this spring to enjoy the massed bluebells, you will find, on 29th April and 6th May from 11.00am to 4.00pm, refreshments are being served at Wakefield, immediately opposite the woods on Dewlish Road. All profits from the teas will go to charity and it is hoped you will find the wonderful bluebell experience will be enhanced by a cup of tea and a slice of homemade cake at the end of your visit.

*Shirley Dunkley*

### Milborne St Andrew Parish Council

Invites Parishioners of Milborne St. Andrew  
to the **Annual Parish Meeting**  
on Wednesday 18th April 2012 at 7.30pm  
in the Village Hall

The meeting provides an opportunity to find out about  
the work of the Parish Council and to ask questions.  
*The future of the Obelisk Fund will also be discussed.*



THE BENEFICE OF PUDDLETOWN, TOLPUDDLE AND MILBORNE WITH DEWLISH  
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## New life

*Are you a hypocrite? It's a charge that is often levelled at Christians, but one which fails to understand what is at the heart of Christianity.*

*Often that is the fault of individual Christians and the Church as an institution because we fail to put across the true message that our faith is good news, and instead we narrow it down to a set of rules about what behaviour is or is not acceptable. At heart Christianity is about God's love and the freedom that brings, not a rigid set of moral injunctions.*

*I write this in the week during which my brother and his wife welcomed a new baby girl to their family. A birth usually brings a time of great celebration, of rejoicing over the wonder of a new life. There is often thankfulness for a safe delivery and sometimes a pondering over the amazing nature of God's creation. As she grows there will be a continuing story to tell of new discoveries and exciting growth.*

*Easter too is a time of new life. It's a time to celebrate new beginnings and signs of growth. Of course, what Christians celebrate specifically at Easter is the resurrection of Jesus, but we do this because of its long-lasting and life-giving character, not only because it was a remarkable event in itself.*

*The good news we have to share is that we are not condemned for ever when we get things wrong, but that we can receive God's forgiveness and eternal life. As with a child growing up and learning about the world, there is a continuing story to tell, a story of new discoveries about God's love and faithfulness, a story that begins with the incarnation, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, and continues each and every day.*

*This is what we celebrate. Sometimes the correct verdict to the accusation of hypocrisy is "guilty as charged". We become judgmental of others and their lifestyles while not attending to our own wrongdoing and lack of love towards God and our neighbour.*

*The joy of Easter tells God's story from a different perspective. Its focus is on new life, grace and mercy. It concentrates on how we are restored to the place of honour where we started; how God, not us, changes everything and offers a welcome to all people, not just those whom we judge as acceptable. At Easter barriers and divisions are smashed up and brought low by the power of life. Our task is to claim that life for ourselves and live in its light so we touch others too.*

*I invite you to look again at the Easter story and what it means to celebrate the joy of its life, and in so doing join in the daily retelling of God's love in words and deeds, giving thanks at all times that we have access to our God and Father through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Happy Easter.*

*Sarah Hillman*

## MILBORNE ST. ANDREW CHURCH NOTES

### Springtime in the churchyard

LENT is half over, the weather has warmed up and spring has come to the churchyard. Earlier in the year the snowdrops made a wonderful show. As these died the primroses began to emerge and now there is a lovely colourful patch of wild daffodils. Bluebell leaves are showing in the area under the beech trees ready to take over when the daffodils finish. A little later watch out for snake's-head fritillaries towards the front of the same area. The jacksaws are being very active around the tower so they will probably nest in the clock tower as they have done for the past two years. Listen out for the youngsters squawking during services!

### A reminder of our Easter services:

- **Maundy Thursday** (5th April). We have coffee and cakes in church from 11.00am, followed by lunchtime Holy Communion at 12 noon.
- **Good Friday** (6th April). There will be music in church from 12 noon-3.00pm for those wishing to go in for meditation. From **2.00-4.00pm** we will be holding our **Easter Experience** at the Village Hall when we will be making Easter biscuits and hot cross buns. While these are cooking Sarah will take you up to church to tell you the Easter Story.
- **Easter Sunday service will be at 9.30am.**

## CHURCH SERVICES April 2012

### 1st April – Palm Sunday

9.30am	1662 Holy Communion + APCM	Tolpuddle
9.30	Family Communion	Milborne
11.00	Holy Communion	Puddletown
	<i>With Sunday Seekers and Creche</i>	
11.00	1662 Morning Prayer	Dewlish
4.00pm	Tolpuddle Praise	Tolpuddle

### 5th April – Maundy Thursday

12.00	Lunch-time Communion	Milborne
7.00pm	Agape Supper	Dewlish
7.30	Holy Communion	Puddletown

### 6th April – Good Friday

11.00am	Family Service	Tolpuddle
12.00–	Church open for Meditation	Puddletown
3.00pm		and Milborne
2.00	Easter Experience	Milborne
		Village Hall
6.00	Good Friday service	Dewlish

### 8th April – Easter Day

8.15am	1662 Said Communion	Puddletown
9.30	Easter Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30	Easter Communion	Milborne
11.00	Family Communion	Puddletown
11.00	Family Communion + Baptism	Dewlish

### THURSDAY 19th April

12.00	Lunch-time Communion	Puddletown
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### 15th April – Easter 2

9.30am	Family Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30	Family Communion	Milborne
	+ Baptism + APCM	
11.00	1662 Morning Prayer	Puddletown
11.00	Holy Communion	Dewlish

### 22nd April – Easter 3

9.30am	All-Age Worship*	Tolpuddle
9.30	1662 Holy Communion	Milborne
11.00	Family Communion	Puddletown
	<i>With Sunday Seekers and Creche</i>	
11.00	Family Service	Dewlish

### 29th April – Easter 4

11.00am	United Benefice All-Age Communion	Tolpuddle
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### MORNING PRAYERS

(Monday – Thursday 8.15am; Saturday 9.00am)			
Monday – Puddletown	Tuesday – Tolpuddle	Wednesday – Milborne	Thursday – Dewlish
Saturday – Puddletown			

A study group is also taking place on Tuesdays at 7.30pm at Garden Cottage, Milton Road, Milborne. All welcome.

\*The all-age service will be interactive, and around 45 minutes long.

### Flowers – w/e Saturday

7th April EASTER All helpers please  
14th and 21st April Marion Reagan  
28th April and 5th May Eve Richardson

### Change of service

On **Sunday 15th April** we will be having Family Communion with a Baptism at 9.30am. This will be followed by our Parochial Church Meeting at 10.30am.

### Drainage system under way

During March the builder will be making a start on the drainage system in the churchyard. This is so we have not got the disruption of building going on during our Easter services. Work should commence indoors about Monday 16th April.

*Eva Stockley and Pat Tribe Churchwardens*

## DEWLISH CHURCH NOTES

THE Agape Supper will be held in Dewlish Village Hall on Maundy Thursday (5th April) at 7.00pm. This will be led by Norman. Please let me know by Sunday 1st April if you would like to attend (Tel: 01258-837466). We suggest a donation of £4. Any surplus will go to Water Aid, along with money from the Lent Lunches. Our Good Friday service will be held at 6.00pm, as usual.

The church's **Annual General Meeting** is on Thursday 26th April in the Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. All parishioners on the church electoral roll are welcome to attend, and have their say on the running of the church. We would really welcome any new people to join us on the Church Council.

*Daphne Burg*

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### Church Cleaning - w/e Saturday

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14th April John and Anne Miller

21st April Victoria Bone and Lin Chatfield

28th April Sue Lee and Val Hodges

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**New members always welcome. Contact  
June Maitland 837235 or Denise Sanderson 837049**

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## MILBORNE ST. ANDREW OPEN GARDENS

St. Andrew's Church is hoping to put on our biennial open gardens event this year on **Saturday 12th May**.

We are asking people to open their gardens for viewing on this day from **10.30am to 5.00pm**.

We will also offer **morning coffee and cake** in the Village Hall and **cream teas** in the afternoon.

All profits will be divided between **St. Andrew's Church** and **Mosaic**, a local charity for bereaved children.

If you can help in any way please contact either

**Pat Tribe 837684 or Josie Wright 839090**

## Christian Fellowship Group in Milborne

Chris and Angie Nowell host an inter-denominational Bible Study Group in their home every other Thursday morning.

From now until Easter we will be following Lance Pearson's *Journeys of Discovery*.

This involves bible readings and informal discussion followed by tea and biscuits.

If this is something you might enjoy joining in, we would be very pleased to see you.

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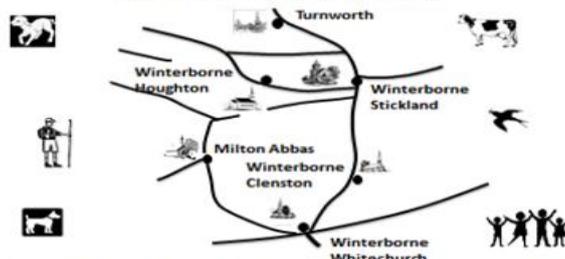
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WE have booked to see **Epsom Downs** by Howard Breton on **Monday 14th May**. There may be some seats available, please phone Stephen or John if you are interested.

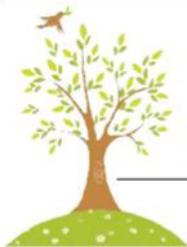
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## February Weather in Milborne St. Andrew

FEBRUARY 2012 was a month of extremes. The first two weeks of the month were extremely cold with the night temperature dipping as low as  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  on the 3rd of the month and snow occurring on the 4th and 9th. In contrast, the last two weeks of the month turned unusually warm with the day temperature reaching  $15^{\circ}\text{C}$  on 23rd of the month. It is rare to get such a dramatic switch in temperatures in such a short period of time. It was another dry month with only 19.8mm of rain which was less than 25% of average rainfall for February. After six consecutive months of below average rainfall there is now serious concern for ground water levels. Some areas of the South East of the country are now implementing drought orders and restricting water usage. A dry February does not necessarily indicate that the rest of the year will be dry. There was only 16.9mm of rainfall in February 1983 and the rest of the year was very dry but the 4.1mm of rainfall in February 1986 was followed by a very wet year.

The daffodils have not been so numerous this year but other spring flowers are flourishing in the warm, dry conditions. The primrose is one of the most beautiful but delicate of the spring flowers. Robert Burns wrote of the primrose;

'Look on its bending  
stalk, so weak  
That, each way  
yielding, doth not  
break,  
And see how aptly it  
reveals  
The doubts and fears  
a lover feels.'

*Pluvius*



## Holidays 4 Heroes Coffee Morning



'HOLIDAYS 4 HEROES' is a non-profit Community Group whose 'Help Them Out' activities have included getting a number of veterans off the streets, helping out with job applications, buying back medals sold due to financial crises and almost everything else in between. Homeless, hungry, skint, separated, ill, imprisoned, burgled, raped and robbed – the scope of problems encountered by serving and ex-Service people is vast and we have helped with every problem we have found. Our rapid reaction time and 'can do' attitude have amazed the existing Service Charities and we work closely with them.

- For those injured on operations, the bereaved and their families, 'Holidays 4 Heroes' will raise funds to cover flights, transfers, insurance, taxes and perhaps a little spending money;
- Work with the expatriate and holiday accommodation communities, either gaining significant discounts or managing donations of a free week or three; and
- Work with Regimental or Corps officials and Welfare Officers, RBL and SSAFA Forces Help to identify suitable cases, sort out administration and generally make sure all they have to remember is their toothbrushes.

In the last year we sent over 120 families (a family being between two and fourteen people) on holiday, mostly to Spain, but also to Gibraltar, France, Portugal, Cyprus and the US. Others have been to UK locations from Scotland through the Lakes and to the Isle of Wight.



We will be holding a Coffee Morning at The Royal Oak, Milborne St. Andrew on Monday 2nd April, starting at 10.30am. There will be a Book Stall, Cakes, Bring and Buy and a Raffle, as well as an opportunity to buy hand-made beaded jewellery – necklaces, bracelets and earrings.

Admission will be £1, to include coffee and cake. Please come along and support us. We have no paid staff and you can be sure that all the money we raise will help a deserving case.

If anyone is able to bake a cake, to help on the day or donate new or nearly-new items for the 'Bring and Buy', please contact Susan Cawley on 01258 839070. Thank you.

Sgt Slingsby, Holidays 4 Heroes and Help Them Out are not registered charities, but not-for-profit community organisations. This approach allows us to reduce administration costs and provide a quick response to urgent cases, thus achieving our main objective of the shortest possible 'flash to bang' time. If you have any concerns about this, please do not hesitate to contact us at [info@holidays4heroes.org](mailto:info@holidays4heroes.org).

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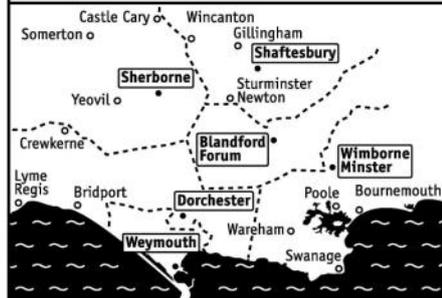
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Congratulations to Paul Hoskins who contacted one of the team to say the picture last month is behind the Memorial Stone in The Causeway.

## A smoke alarm without batteries is 'a useless piece of plastic'



THAT is the message from Station Manager Karen Adams, manager of the Community Safety Task Teams based at Dorset Fire and

Rescue Service HQ, Poundbury and Hamworthy fire station.

Karen leads a team of firefighters and officers, who are taking DFRS's safety message out into the community, with a particular focus on educating vulnerable and hard to reach groups.

When someone dies in a fire, as unfortunately happened at the end of February, it is always upsetting. At Dorset Fire and Rescue Service, our aim is to reduce all preventable fire deaths to zero. We want to see every home in Dorset with a smoke alarm and that means testing your smoke alarms every week!

Karen said: "We provide a free home safety check service to those in our at risk groups. Firefighters and DFRS staff are able to visit residents in their homes and fit or replace smoke alarms, advise on the use of candles, unattended cooking, electric blankets, overloading sockets, chimneys, low energy light bulbs and much more. This is all free of charge with the aim of encouraging people to think about fire safety in the home." She added: "People need to consider their night-time routine – close doors, keep an escape route clear, and check they know where the door key is so they can let themselves out. Smoke alarms should be tested once a week to make sure they are still working and in good condition. A smoke alarm without a battery is a useless piece of plastic."

To request a Free Home Safety Check for you, or someone who may be vulnerable and would benefit from a visit, please get their permission and contact us on **01305 252600** or use the new online form found at [www.dorsetfire.gov.uk](http://www.dorsetfire.gov.uk). Just fill out the form with your name and address details and click 'submit'. Our new PinPoint technology will analyse whether or not we can make your home safer and you will either receive a Free Home Safety Check or Home Safety Information Pack, containing a leaflet on safety and a checklist for the home.

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## More than a Movie with 'How to Train Your Dragon' (PG)

at Milborne St Andrew Village Hall (DT11 0JX)  
on Thursday 12th April 2012 at 2.00pm

HOW to Train Your Dragon is an enjoyable family movie, with some great flight sequences. It starts a long time ago, up North on the Island of Berk, where the young Viking, Hiccup, wants to join his town's fight against the dragons that continually raid their town. However, his macho father and village leader, Stoik the Vast, will not allow his small, clumsy, but inventive son to do so. In spite of this Hiccup ventures out into battle and downs a mysterious Night Fury dragon, but can't bring himself to kill it. Instead, Hiccup and the dragon, whom he dubs Toothless, begin a friendship that would open up both their worlds as the observant boy learns that his people have misjudged the species. While you can find lots of recommendations on how to train your dog, cat or parrot there is not a single piece of advice on how to train your dragon until DreamWorks released one of the most fascinating manuals on how you can turn a ferocious dragon into an obedient pet and dispel the myth that dragons and humans can't live peacefully together. The story here is surely the strongest part, but it's not the first thing you pay attention to but to the amazing photo realistic 3D effects, that catch your whole attention. The colours burst out of the screen like fireworks and the opening dragon attack sequence is genuinely exhilarating. How to Train Your Dragon has no songs but excellent music, which helps to create a certain atmosphere and the visuals are striking, the script sharp and well paced and it all wraps up with a breathtaking aerial battle sequence. What's true here can be said of all good family films: adults without kids will enjoy this as much as kids and the parents who accompany them.

The village hall is open from 2.00pm and the film starts at 2.30pm. Admission with an ice cream or soft drink is £3.00. For more information phone Alice Harrall on 01258 837371.

## Round Robin Ramblers

*The local villages walking group*

WALKS are normally held on the first Sunday and the third Wednesday of each month. Please join us as we enjoy exercise, good company and the wonderful Dorset countryside, irrespective of the weather.

**Any questions, please contact: Ian Bromilow, 01258-880044.**

### Sunday 1st April – 2.00pm

#### Poundbury Urban and Country Walk

At the end of St John's Way, Poundbury.

On entering Poundbury from Dorchester, St John's Way is the first right at the first roundabout.

Grid reference: SY 675906 on OS Explorer Sheet 117 (approx. 4 miles).

### Wednesday 18th April – 11.00am

#### Maiden Newton and Cattistock

Meet near St. Mary's Church, Maiden Newton.

Grid reference: ST 596979 on OS Explorer Sheet 117 (approx. 5.5 miles).

### Sunday 6th May – 2.00pm

#### Winterborne Houghton

Meet outside St. Andrew's Church, Winterborne Houghton.

Grid reference: ST 820045 on OS Explorer Sheet 117 (approx. 4.5 miles).

#### Please note:

- Who** All welcome including well-behaved dogs and their responsible owners. No pre-booking required just turn up.
- Wear** Suitable clothing for conditions and location, walking boots or Wellington boots.
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- Pané goats cheese with pickled vegetable julienne and toast

#### MAINS

- Rump steak with hand cut chips, rocket and red wine jus
- Pheasant, wild mushroom and red wine pie with mash and winter greens
- Sea bass with purple sprouting broccoli and brown shrimp
- Pan fried hake with risotto nero and buttered samphire
- Roasted banana shallots with sautéed wild mushrooms and kale with sesame oil
- Sweet piquillo pepper linguine with gorgonzola

#### DESSERTS

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**Next meeting for the May Fayre Wednesday 4th April at 8.00pm in The Royal Oak**

Would all organisations taking part in the May Fayre please send a representative to the above meeting also anyone involved with the day or interested in volunteering to help. Please contact Mike Mullett 01258 839076

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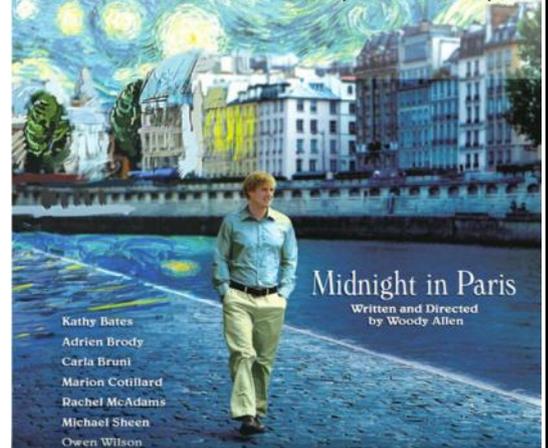
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# Community Contacts

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## Councils

Environment Agency Floodline		0845 9881188
North Dorset District Councillor	Emma Parker	01258 881631
	Jane Somper	01258 471089
Parish Council – Dewlish	Clerk: Pat Gubbins	01258 881348
	Chair: Mike Claydon	01258 837314
Parish Council – Milborne St. Andrew	Clerk: Joyce Holman	01202 880512
	Chair: Janet Allen	01258 837551

## General – Adult

Computer Drop-in Centre	Rose and Ed Frost	01258 837921
Ladies Group – Dewlish	Judith Bridgen	01258 837157
Memory Lane Swing Band	Gilly Pink	01258 837695
M.A. Neighbourcar	Nigel Hodder	01258 881709
Wednesday Social Club	Margaret Evans	01258 450518
Women's Institute	Linda Wright	01258 839255

## General – Youth

Beavers	Mike Mullett	01258 839076
Cub Scouts	Mike Mullett	01258 839076
Hazelnuts out-of-school club	Hazel Barrett	01305 848588
Ladybirds (Playgroup)	Liz Dyer	01258 839117
Scouts	Mike Mullett	01258 839076
Under 5's Group – The Busy Bees	Hayley Davis	07919 156578
Youth Club age 8 – 14 yrs	Sallie Maitland-Gleed	01258 837442

## Police

Police – Non-emergency contact		101
Community Beat Officer	PC Dave Mullins	01202 223003 07825 521850
Community Beat Officer (Dorch)	PC Jeremy Cuff	101
Safer Neighbourhood Team		
Blandford Rural South	PC Dave Mullins and PCSO Luke Goddard	01202 223003 or 07825 521850

Or email [blandfordruralsouthSNT@dorset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:blandfordruralsouthSNT@dorset.pnn.police.uk)

## School

Milborne 1st School		
Headteacher:	Neil McDermott	01258 837362
Chair Governors:	Jessica Doodes	
Friends of School Chair:	Kate Connolly	

## Special Interest

Bellringers	Pip Bowell	01258 837329
Bridge Group	Laurie Benn	01258 837720
Food and Wine Society	Maureen Lock	01258 837929
MSA Allotment Society Chair:	Jo Perry	01258 837957
Secretary:	Sue Gould	01258 837575
MSA Friendly Art Group	Elaine Anthony	01258 837089
MSA Gardening Club	Sally Dyer	01258 837061
Milborne Players	Roy Sach	01258 837033
Modern Sequence Dancing	Brian Webber	01935 812347
Ranters' Folk Session	Roger Harrall	01258 837371
Round Robin Ramblers	Ian Bromilow	01258 880044

## Sport

Abbey Swimming Club	Pat Cowan	01258 880601
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Adult Tap Dancing Milton Abbas	Libby Goodchild	01305 268029
Archers – Crossways	Sheila Ryall	01258 837504
Athletics – Junior	David Pearson	01258 837057
Badminton	David Payne	01258 837700
Circuit Training and Pilates	Claire Barratt	01929 554999 07946 732769
Cricket – Dewlish	Elaine Kellaway	01258 837696
Cricket Club – Milton Abbas	Andy Smith	01258 880310
Cricket – Junior (U11 – U13)	Andy Smith	01258 880310
Football – Adult	Matt Hall	07846 262717
Football – Reserve Team	Tom Lane	07786 156335
Football – Under 11s	Marie Hayter	01258 837241
Running Group	Anne-Marie Pearson	01258 837057
Skittles – Dewlish	Frank Ross	01258 837366
Sports Club		
Chairman:	Jenny Balcon	01258 837121
Bookings:	Alice Harrall	01258 837371
Table-tennis	Sandra Shannon	01258 837253
Tap Dancing for Men and Women		01258 880523
Yoga	Sue Chapman	01305 848053

## Village Hall

Dewlish		
Chairman:	Alex Carter	01258 837312
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# Community Events Diary

Add your event to this diary by contacting the **Reporter** – tel: 01258 837700 or email: msa.reporter@yahoo.co.uk

## April

Monday 2nd	<b>Coffee Morning</b> in aid of Holidays 4 Heroes The Royal Oak, 10.30am – see page 9.
Wednesday 4th	<b>May Fayre</b> meeting at The Royal Oak 8.00pm. Everyone welcome to attend – see page 15.
Friday 6th	<b>Good Friday</b> “Easter Experience” making hot cross buns and Easter biscuits. Village Hall 2.00–4.00pm.
Saturday 14th	<b>Village Quiz</b> Village Hall 7.00pm – see page 2.
Sunday 15th	<b>Annual Parochial Church Meeting</b> St. Andrew’s Church 10.30am.
Thursday 12th	<b>How to Train your Dragon</b> Village Hall 2.30pm – see pages 13 and 15.
Friday 13th	<b>Midnight in Paris</b> Village Hall 7.30pm – see pages 15 and 25.
Wednesday 18th	<b>Parish Council (Annual Parish Meeting)</b> Village Hall 7.30pm
Monday 23rd	<b>Ranters’ Folk Session</b> 2 Dorchester Hill 8.00pm.
Wednesday 25th	<b>Village Hall AGM</b> 7.00pm
Saturday 28th	<b>Village Lunch</b> 12.15pm – see page 2.
Sunday 29th	<b>Bluebell Teas</b> Wakefield, Dewlish Road 11.00am to 4.00pm – see page 5.
<b>May</b>	
Sunday 6th	<b>Bluebell Teas</b> Wakefield, Dewlish Road 11.00am to 4.00pm – see page 5.
Saturday 12th	<b>Milborne St. Andrew Open Gardens</b> from 10.30am to 5.00pm – see page 7. <b>Family Fun Day</b> Milborne Sports Club 4.00pm – see page 11.
Sunday 13th	<b>Annual Plant Sale</b> Village Hall 10.30am to 12.30pm.

## Regular Bookings at the Village Hall

**Ladybirds Playgroup** Monday–Friday 8.30am–1.00pm MH (term time only)  
**Beavers** Monday 6.00–7.15pm MH (term time only)  
**Scouts** Monday 6.00–8.00pm CR/MH  
**Players** Monday 8.00–10.00pm MH  
**ABC Line dancers** Tuesday 7.30–10.00pm MH  
**Cub Scouts** Tuesday 5.45–7.15pm MH (term time only)  
**MSA Friendly Art Group** second and fourth Wednesday 7.00–9.00pm CR  
**Wednesday Club** first Wednesday 2.00–4.30pm MH  
**Gardening Club** fourth Thursday 7.30–10.00pm MH  
**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  
**Coffee, Cake and Computers** Friday 10.00am–12.00 noon CR  
**Sequence Dancing** third Saturday 7.30–10.30pm MH  
**Village Lunch** last Saturday of the month 12.15–2.30pm MH  
**Milborne Praise!** Plans to be announced.  
**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)  
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**Circuit Training** every Thursday 7.00–8.00pm

## Milton Abbas and Milborne St. Andrew Surgery appointments timetable

AM 9.00am–11.00am PM 4.00am–6.00pm	MILTON ABBAS		MILBORNE ST. ANDREW	For urgent problems needing advice or attention on the same day we offer a same day walk in surgery each morning and afternoon
Monday AM	Dr Longley or Dr Rees	Dr Trickey	Dr Dean	Milton Abbas 9.00–10.03am
Monday PM	Dr Longley	Dr Rees		Milton Abbas 4.00–5.00pm
Tuesday AM	Dr Longley		Dr Rees	Milborne St. Andrew 9.00–10.30am
Tuesday PM	Dr Longley	Dr Rees		Milton Abbas 4.00–5.00pm
Wednesday AM	Dr Longley or Dr Dean	Dr Longley or Dr Dean		Milton Abbas 9.00–10.30am
Wednesday PM	Dr Longley or Dr Dean	Dr Longley or Dr Dean		Milton Abbas 4.00–5.00pm
Thursday AM	Dr Dean		Minor Operations	Milton Abbas 9.00–10.30am
Thursday PM	Dr Rees			Milton Abbas 4.00–5.00pm
Friday AM	Dr Longley or Dr Rees	Dr Trickey		Milton Abbas 9.00–10.30am
Friday PM	Dr Longley or Dr Rees	Dr Trickey	Dr Longley or Dr Rees	Milton Abbas 4.00–5.00pm
Saturday AM	8.30–10.30am with either Dr Longley, Rees or Dean			
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## LETTERS TO THE REPORTER

Dear Editor

Is anyone interested in playing Mah Jong on Monday evenings? A small group of us is planning to do this now the Crib League at The Royal Oak has ended. Sessions will be open to beginners through to experts, and will be for fun and enjoyment rather than competition. The first session will be on 16th April, and will include an introduction to the basics of the game.

If you're interested, please contact me on [susan@sensitivepenguin.co.uk](mailto:susan@sensitivepenguin.co.uk) or 839070. Susan Cawley

### Spectacles

Following delivery of flyers to much of the village I would like to say a big thank you to all those people who responded to my appeal for glasses to go to The Gambia. The trip was sponsored by 'Lush' at the beginning of March and my son Jonathan went with them. Over one hundred pairs of glasses were given to me for him to take..

Today, 13th March he sent a phone text as follows:

Not sure how to report it all in text in a way that does the experience justice. I'll do a page when I get back. We have painted and drawn educational murals at two schools. Raised beds, planted them and seen seedlings shooting. We worked at the eye clinic on Sunday with Suti an eye specialist who runs monthly clinics. He saw around 70 patients with everything from untreatable conditions,

to conjunctivitis that can easily cause blindness, but can be treated quickly with free medicine. Some glasses were handed out. Others have been taken to have new lenses ground. All were very welcome

I hope to send a fuller report when the group returns.

Pip Bowell, 18 Bladen View

## Ask Millie – your problems solved



### Last month's problem

Getting to grips with your lawn this year.

**Millie says** – We have had a reply from a villager to remind you of 'Greensleeves' a company based in this village. Villagers even have a £5.00 discount off their first treatment! Please read the ads in your magazine, it really is worth it.

### Dear Millie

The warmer weather is here again, hopefully, and the same old noise pollution from radios and TVs as people open doors and windows. Are all the people in Milborne deaf? They even seem to compete with one another, I hope I'm not going to be driven from the peace of my garden again by this dreadful row. Please print this letter, in the hope it will wake them up to this unsociable behaviour.

**Millie says** – I am ashamed to say I don't think of my neighbours often enough. Please realise your enjoyment of punk rock or Bach may not be everyone's cup of tea.

### Dear Millie

What's happening about the Olympic torch passing through the village and the Jubilee – surely your reply to last month's letter isn't true that we aren't

doing anything? I haven't seen any posters about village celebrations, there isn't much time left to organise anything.

**Millie says** – Our lovely local, The Royal Oak, is planning events for both occasions, see the articles in this publication. Is anyone else doing anything? I have heard rumours of street parties.

### Dear Millie

Me and my mates like to meet in the village now the evenings are lighter, we're not making any trouble but everyone crosses the street instead of passing us. We're just gossing, what's wrong with people?

**Millie says** – This is depressing. I blame the media for frightening people, so they think any young person is about to do them harm. I assume you are young – if this letter is from the president of the WI, I apologise for jumping to conclusions.

### Dear Millie

My plant in the front room is covered in insects, tiny red spiders, white fly and bluebottles, as the draught catches it, it waves very festively. It troubles me as the colours clash with my pet pink elephant. Happy days.

**Millie says** – Yes – I have noticed the date – happy days!

### Dear Millie

I've noticed this year even though a lot of birds started to feed in my garden, and I regularly top up my seeds, nuts and fat, the numbers keep dwindling. What's happened?

**Millie says** – Any ideas?

Send your letters to The Editor or to Millie at [mas.reporter@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mas.reporter@yahoo.co.uk) or give them to a member of the team.

## Gardening Weekend in Milborne Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th May

MILBORNE will see an unusual celebration of gardens and gardening in mid May. The annual plant sale run by the Gardening Club on Sunday 13th May, will be preceded by the Open Gardens event on Saturday 12th May. A variety of gardens will be opened to explore and their owners will be present to talk about them and the plants you will see in them.

What could be better the next day than to be able to examine and buy plants that you may have seen and fancied? Or other plants that you know will grow and thrive in Milborne, as they have been raised there – all at bargain prices!

On both days refreshments will be available in the village hall between 10.30am and 5.00pm on Saturday and on Sunday from 10.30am until 12.30pm. So whether you are an experienced or a new gardener, do come to both these events.

You will be very welcome.

Sally Dyer

## News from Milborne Mini Soccer



MILBORNE Mini Soccer Club are delighted to get the go-ahead for the mini soccer pitch development at the rear of the club-house. This is fantastic news for the mini's who currently play all their home matches at Milton Abbas Cricket Club. Home matches will continue at Milton Abbas until the end of the season with home games to be played

on the main pitch from September until the mini pitches are ready for use. Fund raising will now begin in earnest, kick started by the Boot Fair kindly hosted by The Royal Oak pub in Milborne St. Andrew on Sunday 25th March. Another date for your diary is the Family Fun Day to be held at the Sports Club on Saturday 12th May. For information on joining the Milborne Mini Soccer Club please call Marie Hayter on 07917 541857. Coaches are still sought and full FA training courses provided and paid for by the club. Marie Hayter

## Goodbye Mary and Thank You



AT the end of February Mary left Ladybirds after many years of reliable service. Staff and children are already missing her. Mary can be seen at the back in the photo holding her flowers and a framed collection of photos of a few of the activities she has been part of. Some of the children are showing their Mardi Gras masks. They had fun making shakers, dressing up, taking part in a carnival parade and listening and dancing to carnival music.

Six of our older children joined children from the First School in the area behind the play equipment where they planted an oak tree – something they can tell their children about in the future. It is the growing season and we have received our free potato kit, the potatoes are chitting on the window sill and will soon be planted into growing bags, hopefully we will have a good crop and will cook and eat the produce.

*Liz Dyer*

## Police News

DORSET Police would like to remind residents not to allow strangers into their home, regardless of what they are told on their doorstep. Recently an elderly occupant became victim of a distraction burglary having allowed a stranger into her home. The male claimed his car had broken down and asked to use her phone book to call for assistance. It was subsequently discovered he had stolen cash and bankcards. This is one of many fictitious reasons used to gain entry into unsuspecting victims homes. If you are in doubt of callers legitimacy, please call a friend or neighbour to assist you in verifying their identity.

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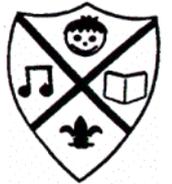
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# Milborne St. Andrew First School



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## School News

MARCH 1st was World Book Day. With everyone dressing up as their favourite book characters for the day it was great to have Mr Tickle sat side by side with Wally and as you can see we even



Our year 2 and 4 children have helped recently with more work as part of the Trees for Dorset project. The year 4 children walked to the village hall and joined children from Ladybirds preschool to plant trees. Our roving reporter Jasmine explains how it was done:

*First we got a shovel, a tree, a stake and a guard. Then we dug a big or small hole with the shovel. After the hole was dug we put in some food for the tree and mixed it around. Then we put in the tree and put the soil back in and used our heels and toes to push down the soil. Finally we put the stake in and put a guard over the tree and connected some cable ties to the stake.*



welcomed two of the 101 Dalmatians into school. During the day the children were visited by authors Ron Dawson and Peter Davidson. Ron shared stories of his character Scary Bones and Peter introduced our year

3 and 4 children to the adventures of Professor P on the Jurassic coast. Parents visited school during the day to read favourite stories to the children and Friends of School put on a play "Eat Your Peas" which was enjoyed by children and parents.



### Job Vacancy

WE currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, DCC Grade 1, 5 hours 25 minutes per week. Applications are welcome from all individuals who can demonstrate good interpersonal and team working skills and support the school's ethos of positive behaviour management. The school is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. An enhanced CRB check will be required. The school values the diversity of the workforce and welcomes applications from all sections of the community and is committed to Equal Opportunities.

We will consider both full and part time applications for this vacancy. For further details please contact the school office.

### CONTACTS

If you require any information about the school, including admission details or would like to arrange a visit please contact Mrs Pugh in the school office

**Headteacher:** Mr Neil McDermott **Secretary, School Office:** Mrs Helen Pugh

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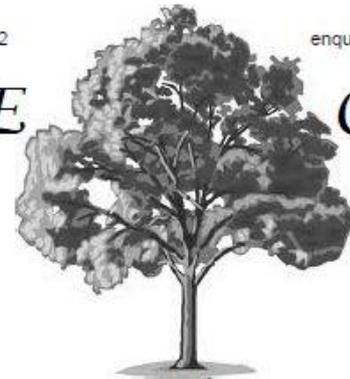
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# Have you met . . . our first school teacher, Audrey Andrews?

AUDREY was born "Audrey Hammond" in Kent, she lived up to the age of 10 in West Wickham then in Tunbridge Wells until going to university in Winchester. Audrey graduated with a B.Ed Hons and went straight into teaching in Dorset, teaching for eight years in Sturminster Newton before joining Milborne First School.

Audrey came to work at the old school in the reception class, she continues "my first pupils included Sarah and Cheryl Atkins and Jake Tissington. The old school had such a lot of character, you walked through one class to another, and sat at the little tables for lunch. We had to parade to the village hall for PE each time.

One day when we had really bad floods outside the shop, we were going over to the hall for a rehearsal, but we had to go around the loop past the main road rather than down the flooded footpath, a lorry was going through the floods, with a bow wave travelling beforehand. I had to quickly lift all the children over the wall into someone's garden (by the bus stop). Coming out of the hall, word must have got round, there were villagers who turned up from nowhere to carry the children through the flood back to school. Wouldn't be allowed with CRB checks today! I remember Mrs Irving teaching the maypole dancing in the old school field, they had to do little steps down the hill, and big steps up the hill. That was fine until we had to do it elsewhere, they got in a real muddle, as they continued the little steps big steps routine.

I became deputy head in the mid 00ties and was invited up to Dorset County Council last year to celebrate 25 years of teaching in the county, I was presented with four Dartington glasses, lovely, except they were engraved with the county logo, so they look like I've pinched them, the staff and governors also clubbed together for gift vouchers and we ended up with a meal at the pub.

I met my future husband at a blind date, set up when he was visiting



his sister in Sturminster Newton and was fishing in the River Stour. Ian was born and brought up in Tottenham, a Spurs supporter, he works in London as a police officer for the Met, and comes home on his rest days. I married Ian 19 years ago at Spetisbury Church. When I walked

down the aisle I was amazed to see many of my little class sat in the choir stalls! And they all stood as guard of honour for us when we left the church. We have two children, Bethany, 17, who is studying A levels at Thomas Hardy and James who is 12 and at Dorchester Middle. They have both had the 'pleasure' of being in my class although I am sure they would disagree."

*What do you think is the best thing about working in Milborne St. Andrew?* I did not plan to stay teaching in Milborne for so long but it is such a great place to work,

the staff, children and parents are a great team and there is always some new challenge around the corner. I have never had a request for help or support turned down by anyone in the village.

Disadvantage of working so long in one place, is that you learn that your first pupils are now getting married and are parents. I will have to move on before I teach them as that will make me officially old.

*Who is your hero or inspiration?* Percy Bull, the first Headteacher I worked for at William Barnes in Sturminster Newton. A brilliant leader who made everyone feel they were part of one family.

*When did you last throw caution to the wind?* I had the chance to throw caution to the wind when I was invited to my neighbour's 40th birthday party, we were told to come in swimming costumes. She had decided to have a jelly-filled paddling pool party. Apparently the neighbour's children took a day to break up all the jelly cubes, and they had to all be melted in the pool with the hose pipe to top it off. I just could not bring myself to join in. My children played in it the following day and I was still finding jelly in James' ears a week later.

*Something that people may find surprising about you:* I have a phobia about potato sprouts, I cannot go near garden centres in January because of the sale of seed potatoes. Ian takes the micky relentlessly. He even hung one with long shoots from a piece of string inside the garage door and I walked into it . . . he suffered afterwards.

*Your most embarrassing moment:* Two come to mind. When walking through Liverpool Street Station with its light coloured floors my slip fell down. Yes, I did step out of it, pick it up and walk on. The second was at school. One of my pupils had a very wobbly tooth, the sort that was twisting round, and she wanted me to pull it out, I encouraged her to give it a gentle push, which worked. The child walked out of school at the end of the day, absolutely chuffed to bits, then Mum said, "We've been trying to keep it in as she's a bridesmaid tomorrow!" I was absolutely mortified.

It was great meeting Audrey, as my youngest was one of those in that guard of honour. Many of the village children will probably have very fond memories of their time in her class.

Thank you Audrey!

Sue Gould and David Payne





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Now, however, the scamsters try to persuade you that they have your computer's ID and that there is a serious problem with your computer(s). Do *not* be fooled by this as with everything – your ID, computer account details, etc are *all* secure as long as you do not give them any details. If you are sucked in, they will plant malware on your machine that will give them access to everything and according to Trading Standards they could access more intimate details on your machine. This will be followed by attempts to 'blackmail or extort' money to sort out the problem in your machine (up to £500 in some cases). Either way *do not* allow any cold callers access to your machine or indeed any personal details. It is a national issue and one that is almost impossible to combat. The miscreants are very adept at changing their telephone numbers at a glance and being outside the EU cannot be traced or prosecuted even though they are committing illegal scams. So be aware! Either be polite and put the phone down or have your sport but whatever keep your cool and *don't* give them anything including confirmation of your telephone number or name or heaven forbid, a credit card number.

If you want help stopping some nuisance cold callers there is a free service called PPS 0845 0700707 that can stop some calls but in this case it cannot help with computer generated calls such as our friends.

Steve Lord

## More than a Movie with 'Midnight in Paris' (12A)

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on Friday 13th April 2012 at 7.00pm

NOBODY sets a scene like Woody Allen and 'Midnight in Paris' is a love letter to a city. If you weren't already in love with Paris you will be by the time the film finally introduces us to its protagonist. Before that happens, it opens with a simple, beautiful montage of Parisian street scenes: on sunny days and rainy nights, of museums and cafes, of the Eiffel Tower and chic boutiques. It plants you right in the middle of Paris: not just its physical sights but its spiritual mystique. This is a romantic comedy about a family that goes there because of business, and the two young people, Gil (Owen Wilson) and Inez (Rachel McAdams), who are engaged to be married who have experiences in Paris that change their lives. While Inez wants to shop and socialise, Gil, a struggling writer, falls in love with the city and thinks they should move there permanently. When Inez goes off dancing with her friends Gil goes for a midnight stroll and discovers what could be the ultimate source of inspiration for writing.

This is Woody Allen's 41st film and is beautifully written with a charming story that belongs in the top ten of his all-time greats. Owen Wilson is perfectly cast as Gil Pender, a Hollywood writer who has penned his first novel about a man who owns a nostalgia shop and throughout his stay in Paris he hearkens back to the iconic characters who once roamed its winding cobblestone streets. Rachel McAdams, who plays his fiancée Inez, adroitly depicts a character both shallow and blasé who is content to listen to the pseudo-intellectual musings of her onetime flame. This is a charming and thought provoking film.

The village hall and bar is open from 7.00pm and the film starts at 7.30pm. Admission and a soft drink or an ice cream with the film is £3.00. For more information phone Alice Harrall on 01258 837371.

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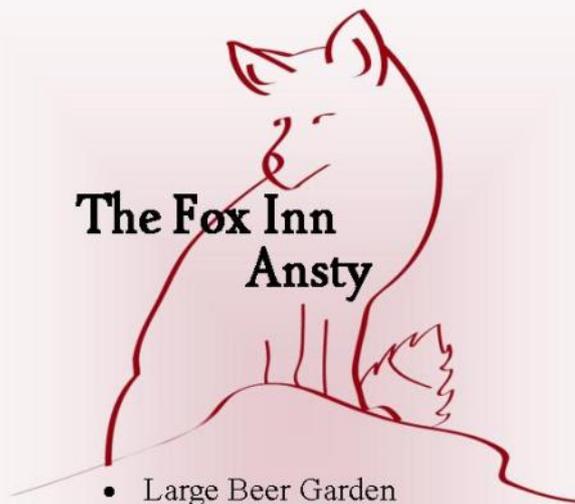
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DESPITE fielding a depleted squad, the Laneenders started this important fixture in determined style and were unfortunate not to take an early lead. After fourteen minutes Milborne won a corner on the left flank and Matty Williams drove the ball to the far post where the dependable Paul Aston rose to send in a header that was partially blocked only for the predatory Carl McClements to nudge the ball over the line and open the scoring.

Sports continued to push forward and Cris Pavey was prevented from scoring by a fine save from the visiting custodian after McClements had driven forward. After an injury scare to keeper Nick Gregg, Milborne still looked likely to score again and did so after forty-three minutes when Williams made a fine interception in his own half before going on a sixty yard solo run before calmly slotting the ball past the keeper into the corner of the net.

Coming out for the second period Normalair had to push forward and after sixty-five minutes they got themselves back in the tie. A fine drive from distance was superbly touched onto the crossbar by the injured Clegg but after an ensuing goalmouth melée a header from close range was headed on to his own crossbar by the diminutive Karl Dean and judged to have crossed the line. Suddenly the visitors had hope but only a minute later McClements and Pavey combined for the former to waltz through to side foot home from twelve yards. Milborne now looked to have won the game but Normalair kept battling and won a disputed penalty which was stroked home with twelve minutes remaining. A tense finale ensued with Normalair pushing forward in an attempt to draw level whilst Williams was unlucky not to bag another when his rasping cross shot was turned over for a corner.

Milborne held firm at the back for the remaining period, with Jammer Aldom and Mark Lambert having fine games very well supported with excellent performances from Ross Heaton and Karl Dean. This was overall an extremely satisfactory display by all of the team enabling them to reach the final which will see them play Lyme Regis from the Perry Street League. *Mike Lathbury, Chairman*

## Village Hall AGM

**Wednesday 25th April at 7.00pm**

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## The Matchstick Fleet

– at the March WI

MR PHILIP WARREN was our speaker this month and we were enthralled with his talk and demonstration of models of 'The Matchstick Fleet'. Starting in 1948, and using a scale of 1:300, he has completed models of all the battleships in the Royal Navy, as well as 30 aircraft carriers and over 800 aircraft. The entire fleet is made from matchsticks and matchboxes and even some moving parts. He is clearly very skilled and I would encourage anyone who gets the chance to go and see his exhibition. He was enthusiastically applauded by us all and very kindly donated his fee to the RNLI. Our competition for a 'Nautical item' was won by June Maitland.



Dates for the diary include; 'Bluebell Teas' to be held at 'Wakefield', Dewlish Road, on the weekends of 29th April and 6th May from 11.00am to 4.00pm. Parking at Coles Farm. The Group Quiz is at Bere Regis on 23rd April and the Group Walk at Sturminster Marshall on 25th June, to meet at White Mill.

The April meeting will be on Thursday 12th, when a new Committee and Officers will be elected. The speaker is Mrs Jennifer Orchard, who will bring examples of her wonderful Japanese embroidery. There will be an exhibition of members' embroidery.

*June Maitland*



**Ranters' Folk Session** is now held on the **4th Monday** of the month at 8.00pm at 2 Dorchester Hill, Milborne St. Andrew (Roger's House)  
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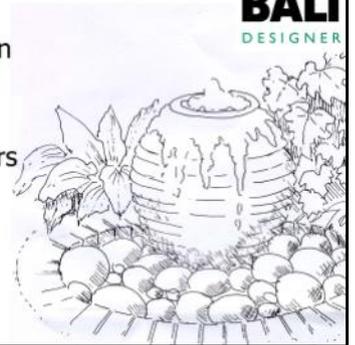
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### Seasonal notes and tips from Maureen Lock of *Designer Gardens*

# Plants for Chalky Soils

THE garden centres are full of delicious colourful plants and you must just have one, or two or three . . . to fill in those gaps that have appeared over the winter. However lovely these plants might be do you know whether they will thrive in your garden or not?

There are a couple of things to consider – (i) the aspect ie is it a shady spot, does it have dappled shade or is it in full sun; and (ii) the type of soil you have. In Milborne we have an alkaline chalky soil, which in some parts of the village means it is shallow and stony and can be difficult to keep fertile. Poor growth and yellowing leaves (*chlorosis*) are a sign that the plant isn't happy and will eventually die. Choosing plants that like alkaline soil is the best way forward.

If your soil is only 10cm/4in over the chalk layer then you will need to import some topsoil to increase the growing depth. Ideally you need about 30–45cm/1ft–18in of soil over the chalk. When I moved into my house in Huntley Down the soil was really shallow. I had the added advantage that it was a new, untouched garden and so I was able to bring in lots of topsoil. Over the years I brought in more topsoil (it's amazing how it seems to disappear) and I mulch it every year with well rotted compost and manure and it always looks good.

You can tell if your soil is alkaline by testing the pH of the soil – an alkaline soil will have a pH of 7–8; or use a less scientific method – see what your neighbours are growing – it is unlikely that you will see rhododendrons, pieris or camellias growing around here unless they are grown in pots in ericaceous compost. Even in pots the leaves may turn

yellow and you can rectify this by applying sequestered iron which you can buy in any garden centre.

Chalky soils do have their advantages – they warm up quickly in spring, are free draining and there are many, many plants that cope well with alkalinity. You can improve your soil by digging in plenty of organic matter (well-rotted manure or garden compost); mulch plants to conserve moisture and finally feed the plants with fertiliser such as chicken manure pellets, Growmore or Vitax Q4. Plants that will do well in our chalky soils are Mediterranean plants such as lavender, Santolina and many herbs.

Flowering shrubs such as Lilac, Philadelphus, Ceanothus, Abelia x grandiflora and Cistus will all do well. Herbaceous plants that you can grow include peonias, campanulas, astrantias, hemerocallis (day lilies), agapanthus, echinacea, rudbeckia and all the honeysuckles and clematis love alkaline soil.

*What a choice!* Buy smaller plants as these will establish more quickly than mature specimens – it just means you may have to wait a little longer to get the effect you desire.

If you have any gardening related queries or would like some advice on what to grow in your garden just give me a call.



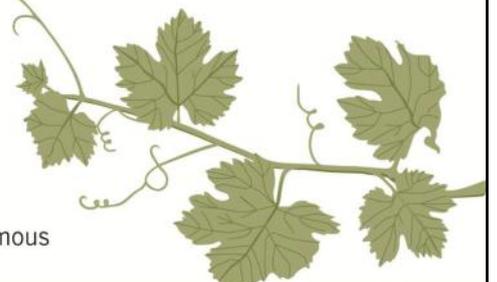
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# The **ROYAL** Oak celebrates The big jubilee lunch!

NOW only a couple of months away and with the Queen starting her jubilee tour of the country, more people have been asking us what our plans are for the jubilee weekend. We have settled on an "if it ain't broke, don't fix it approach!" and are planning a garden party along the lines of our village celebrations for the royal wedding last year. Anyone who came along will agree, we think, that it was a wonderful day, with a marvellous turn out and a great way to bring people of all ages together. This year The Big Jubilee Lunch, is an official part of the main programme of events over the Diamond Jubilee weekend in June, and fits perfectly with our garden party! The national event, supported by the Eden project is a very simple idea encouraging as many people as possible to have lunch with their neighbours once a year. The Eden project started The Big Lunch in 2009 in the belief that we're better equipped to tackle the challenges that we face when we face them together. A lovely sentiment!

The celebrations will be held on Sunday 3rd June, and we will also be showing full television coverage of The Thames Diamond Jubilee Pageant, which will see 1,000 boats from around the UK assembled on the Thames. We will have a bouncy castle for the children, and encourage people to get together with their friends and neighbours to reserve an area of seating in the garden. Please feel free to bring your own food and decorations to make it a truly festive occasion! Last year there was certainly more than a little competition surrounding different groups, food spreads and bunting displays, so we are hoping for an even bigger and better selection this year! Maybe some lovely homemade crowns this year to add some grandeur to the occasion?

In celebration of the Queen's 60 year reign we would like to put together a display of 60 years of memories of Milborne St. Andrew, for everyone to see on the day. As "newbies" to the village this will very much be driven by you. If you, or your relatives, have any photographs, items or stories that you would like to share please talk to us at the pub.

In the first instance please get in touch to let us know if you are coming and an approximate idea of the number of people in your group, and any other ideas you may have for the day!

## The Olympic Torch

AREN'T we lucky that the Olympic Torch will be coming through the centre of our village? On 12th July the official Olympic torch will be passing through Milborne St. Andrew. Hot on the heels of the jubilee celebrations this is a chance for another village get-together to put a smile on people's faces! At the pub we are planning, lots of bunting, (in addition to our red, white and blue flowers already on order!) a BBQ, and lots of rousing British anthems to get us in the mood! So please put the date in your diary and come along and join in this unique occasion!

### Olympic Torch Latest

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## Report of Parish Council meeting

THERE were some very differing opinions expressed at Wednesday's meeting of the Parish Council, which was chaired sensitively and with good humour by Councillor Morgan. Here's a flavour of the wide variety of topics debated:

- *The Olympic Torch procession* – a rare opportunity to be involved in a marvellous and entertaining sporting event, or a waste of taxpayers' money hi-jacked by corporate sponsors which will cause major inconvenience to everyone and a red-tape bonanza for Safety Advisors and Risk Assessors?
- *The District Council's Draft Corporate Plan* – a clear and prioritised view of how our money will be spent, or a load of unquantified, unmanageable waffle?
- *The Diamond Jubilee* – a celebration of sixty years of service to the nation and the Commonwealth, or a waste of money because we should be a Republic?
- *Reduction in police station hours* – certainly the authorities' priority, but is it the taxpayers'?
- *Fibre-optic broadband* – a way to encourage London businesses to bring jobs to Dorset, or a way for communications companies to take money from the taxpayer, the ratepayer and the customers all at the same time? (And should one Councillor change ISP, with such a slow connection compared to others in the room?)

Councillor Jane Somper from North Dorset DC attended, as did Councillor Tony Gibb and Mr. Kevin Morris, who talked to us about the Olympic Torch plans.

Other matters discussed included the progress being made by the Allotment Society with particular reference to public indemnity insurance, the Housing Strategy Statement Consultation (deferred to next Meeting), grass cutting in the village, the Sports Club camping plans for two weekends, and snow clearing (already!). The next Meeting will be on 18th April at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

### Things you might like to know;

*The Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen* We will be planting sixty trees, given free by the Woodland Trust for a community planting in the village. Volunteers will be needed to help with this when the trees are available and the sites agreed.

*Bone china mugs* will be given to all the primary-school aged children in the village.

*Police Enquiry Office Review* Just as 'Jif' became 'CiF' and 'Marathon' became 'Snickers', Police Stations are now called Enquiry Offices. The one in Blandford will be open between 10.00am and 6.00pm Tuesday to Saturday, and closed on Sunday and Monday from 1st May 2012.

*The Olympic Torch* The Torch will pass through the Village on 12th July at approximately noon. We can expect a number of viewers from outside the village who will need to park, use lavatories, and be kept safe when standing and watching. It will be televised live.

There will be a rolling roadblock in both directions 5-7 minutes ahead of the main convoy of 30-50 vehicles (buses and lorries). It will all travel down the middle of the road from Shaftesbury to Dorchester via Blandford. Like the writer, some may be surprised to learn that there is no relay of people running between destinations – they just run 350 yards through a village before the torch is 'kissed' and returned to its lorry.

Sponsors will be giving away merchandise from the convoy, on one side only, and will be told which side our footpaths are. Although Metropolitan Police will escort the convoy, no local police will be available to marshal the road. Local volunteer marshals could be provided with hi-vis vests, but the insurance position is not clear yet.

A Safety Advisory Group is being formed and a Risk Assessment Template will be available.

Two of our Parish Councillors are leading us in this, and will provide further information when it is available. The Olympic Torch will be an item on the Parish Council Meeting Agenda until the July Meeting.

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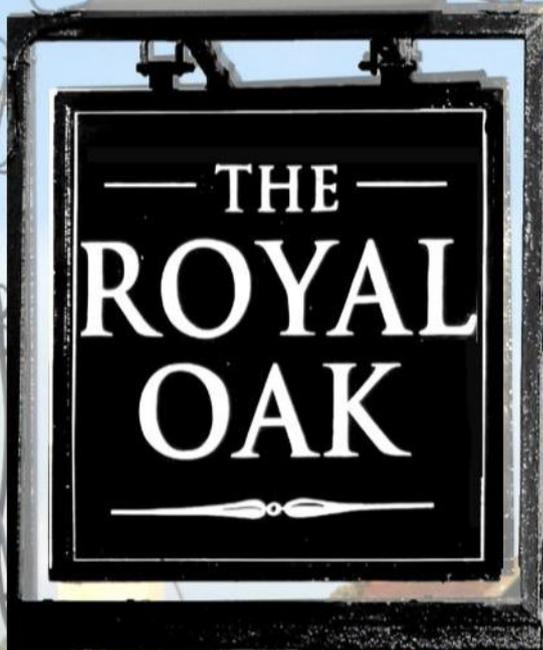
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