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## Betty Georgina Miller 1923–2012



THE Church in Milborne St. Andrew was full of family and friends to bid farewell to a long-time resident of the village, Betty Miller, or Judy, as she was known to some. Having lived here for over 60 years she was a well known person about the village either in her vehicle or walking the dog. During those years she was a great support to her late husband, Jim, and also brought up Nicola and Michael and was a grandmother to five.

Her loves were family, farm, friends and flowers. Many a beautiful flower arrangement in the Church was done by her, and her garden was a joy to visit. Help to many organisations was

done in a quiet and unassuming manner, and we know that her family appreciate her example and devotion.

The service was led by Rev. Richard Thomson, vicar here 1994–2002, and the organ was played by Tony Fox. A tribute was given to the whole of the Fox family for their years of loyal service.

*May She Rest In Peace*

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## Jubilee Cream Teas

THE Wednesday Club's contribution to the Diamond Jubilee was in the form of a cream tea on 6th June. About 60 members and friends attended with special guests the Reverend Sarah Hillman and our very own adopted Town Crier (Village?) Mr Dick Pointer who has recently returned to live in Dorset from South Africa.



We were also delighted to welcome Ben Hanger who is carrying the Olympic Torch through the village on 12th July. After a delicious tea served by the committee, and with tremendous help from Alison Riddle,

we were given a screen presentation by Ben (set up by Richard Lock – thank you Richard). Ben took us through the small beginnings of the 'games' in the Temple of Hera in Greece about 2,700 years ago. The modern Olympics and torch-carrying began in Germany in 1928.

The modern torch itself is made of aluminium for lightness, has 8,000 holes to keep it cool and this year is carried by 8,000 runners throughout the British Isles and Ireland. Ben himself is a great supporter



of various charities including Great Ormond Street and you will have read his profile in the May issue of the *Reporter*. We were so pleased to meet this delightful young man who managed to speak to most people in the hall during the afternoon. After Ben's presentation, he

cut the delicious cake which Eva Stockley had kindly made and decorated in his honour. We wish Ben every success in his future career as he continues his university studies later this autumn. A young inspirational man, committed to fundraising thousands of pounds for the causes that are close to his heart and that



benefit his local community here in Dorset. The BBC cameraman was with us all afternoon and the party atmosphere was enhanced by The Geoff Miles Sound who brought light music to the proceedings ending with Rule Britannia and the National Anthem both sung with gusto, amidst waving of union flag serviettes.

Our outing to Winchester on 4th July has been cancelled, instead we are taking a trip on the steam train from Norden to Swanage, having lunch at Swanage returning home about 3.00pm. Cost £13.50 including the train ride. Phone Margaret on 01258 450518 if you would like to be with us – by 2nd July please.



Margaret Evans/Margo Kirk

## 10 years of Ladybirds – A Celebration

WELL the forecast was ominous but despite extra guy ropes and pegs, the gazebos and the rain held up! A fantastic time was had by young and old as Ladybirds preschool celebrated 10 years in the village. The Village Green was full of bouncy castles, chocolate tombola, a raffle, entertainment by Jamie Jigsaw and Abigail Brewster and refreshments by Woody's hog roast ensured that 100 or so current and ex ladybirds had a fun filled few hours.

As well as a 10th Birthday cake each child had a ladybird cupcake, the Village Hall was full of photos collected by Liz over the 10 years. The day started with the current Ladybirds showing off aerobics that they have been practising and ended with the raffle. A huge thanks to all that made the day possible, Ladybirds Committee, Liz Dyer and Ladybirds staff, mums, dads, children and all who helped. Here's hoping we will be doing it again in 10 year's time. Jo Lovett

## Milborne St. Andrew Gardening Club



GARDENING Club members were busy recently helping with the Plant Sale, then the May Fayre and attending the unveiling of the Picture Panels in the School Hall. In June we took a day off to visit the Abbey House Gardens in Malmesbury – more news of this will appear in August's *Reporter*.

Our next meeting on Thursday 26th July is traditionally a Members' Evening, with talks and ideas about gardening from any members who wish to speak (and the rest of us can just relax and listen). So far the main item will be a demonstration of making wirework garden sculptures. Having already seen some of these results, it will be intriguing to find out how it is done – and I guess it is not easy! Come along and see for yourself. Since we have not held an evening meeting since April, this will also be an opportunity to catch up and talk about some exciting forthcoming events.

Linda Harris Secretary

## GET ALL YOUR NEWS IN FOR THE SPECIAL **August** Reporter EDITION

**Deadline 14th as usual.**

We especially want photos of all your celebrations this month; from summer parties to the Olympic Torch run.

## REMEMBER

There will be NO edition at the beginning of September, the next one will be at the beginning of October 2012.



**THE BENEFICE OF PUDDLETOWN, TOLPUDDLE AND MILBORNE WITH DEWLISH  
PART OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN THE DIOCESE OF SALISBURY**

Dear friends

I hope you have been enjoying some of the pictures on our television screens and in our newspapers of the Olympic torch as it is carried through so many communities throughout the UK. The Olympic flame arrived in this country on 18th May and since then is being passed through 1,000 communities in its 8,000 mile journey to the Olympic Stadium in London. There have been some inspiring pictures of special people chosen by their communities to carry the torch and crowds have gathered to cheer them on.

The Olympic flame was lit from the sun's rays in a traditional ceremony among the ruins of the home of the Ancient Games in Greece. The Flame is then delivered to the Host Country, where it is transferred from one Torchbearer to another, spreading the message of peace, unity and friendship.

Less well publicised is that special prayers have been written to accompany the flame on its journey. Here are two of them:

Loving God,  
as this torch travels our nation,  
preparing us to celebrate the skill and determination of  
those competing in the Olympic and Paralympic Games,  
strengthen us to love you and serve our neighbour  
with all the skill and determination you give us,  
through Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

As this light travels our nation,  
may your light, O God, shine in the hearts of all  
who gather to celebrate the energy, skill and dedication of others.  
Send your Holy Spirit  
to light up our lives  
and set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Bishop of Truro, the Rt Revd Tim Thornton was the first to use one of the new prayers at a special event marking the arrival of the torch at Land's End at the start of its journey through the UK. A large beacon was lit to symbolise the Gospel coming into Cornwall via the first Celtic missionaries and there was a special ceremony of blessing for a Prayer Relay baton, which is to be handed over from community to community alongside the flame.

We are excited that the Olympic Torch and the prayer relay baton will be carried through Milborne St. Andrew and Puddletown on the 12th July. As we gather to wave it on to the next community with its message of peace, friendship and unity you may like to say one of the Olympic prayers.

*Sarah Godfrey*

## MILBORNE ST. ANDREW CHURCH NOTES

### Jubilee Celebration for Early Risers

SOME early risers enjoyed sharing a Jubilee Celebration Breakfast at the village hall on Sunday 3rd June. Richard and Andy did well as our chefs in the kitchen cooking bacon and serving the bacon rolls. There were also home-made jams to spread on our rolls, all washed down with tea or coffee. The hour went very quickly before we had to walk up to church for the service which was led by Sarah Godfrey and brought in several hymns sung at the Queen's Coronation; there was some very good singing from our visitors. The day was Trinity Sunday, and the children were set the task of making bunting from coloured triangles which now hangs in church. Sarah explained to them about the triangle having three sides: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

### Coffee morning and Table Top Sale

You may be reading this in time to join us in the village hall between **9.00 and 11.00am on 30th June** to enjoy a drink and something to eat and pick up some bargains that will be for sale. Proceeds will go to St Andrew's Church.



## CHURCH SERVICES July 2012

### 1st July – Trinity 4

9.30 am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
10.00	Family Communion (with music by Roger's Rant)	Milborne
11.00	Holy Communion With Sunday Seekers and Creche	Puddletown
11.00	1662 Morning Prayer	Dewlish
4.00 pm	Tolpuddle Praise	Tolpuddle Village Hall

### THURSDAY 5th July

12 noon	Lunch-time Communion	Milborne
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### 8th July – Trinity 5

8.15 am	1662 Said Communion	Puddletown
9.30	Morning Worship	Tolpuddle
9.30	Parish Communion	Milborne
11.00	Family Service	Puddletown Village Hall
11.00	Family Communion	Dewlish
6.00pm	Puddletown Carnival Songs of Praise	Puddletown Square

### 15th July – Trinity 6

9.30am	1662 Said Communion	Milborne
10.30	Martyrs' Festival Songs of Praise (with Bishop of Salisbury)	Tolpuddle
11.00	1662 Morning Prayer	Puddletown
11.00	Holy Communion	Dewlish
5.00pm	Martyrs' Methodist Service (with Bishop of Salisbury)	Tolpuddle Chapel

### THURSDAY 19th July

12 noon	Lunch-time Communion	Puddletown
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### 22nd July – St Mary Magdalene

9.30am	All-Age Worship	Tolpuddle
9.30	1662 Holy Communion	Milborne
11.00	Family Communion With Sunday Seekers and Creche	Puddletown
11.00	Pet Service	Dewlish

### 29th July – Trinity 8

8.15am	CW Holy Communion (said)	Puddletown
11.00	Benefice Farm Service	Parsonage Farm, Dewlish

### MORNING PRAYERS

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

### Church Cleaning – w/e Saturday

7th July	Josie and John Wright
14th July	Geoff and Pat Bull
21st July	John and Anne Miller
28th July	Victoria Bone and Lin Chatfield

### Flowers – w/e Saturday

7th and 14th July	Pat Tribe
21st and 28th July	Pat Tribe



### Music in Church on 1st July

Our morning service will be at **10.00am** with music provided by Stephen Earwicker and his band. There will also be a **concert of music in church from 5.30 to 7.30pm** by local folk artists and guests as part of the Roger's Rant Weekend. Wine and nibbles will be available during the interval.



### Building Work Started at Last!

Work has now started in church a little later than expected to provide us with modern conveniences, though it seems that the



builders have been busy in their workshop for some time making doors and frames. As the photo shows, stonemasons arrived with scaffolding and lifting gear to move about a ton of font to its new home. We don't think that the work will affect any of the

services scheduled to be held in church, and we are looking forward to having running water very soon.

### Toy Stall at Athelhampton Five Churches Fete

At the annual Athelhampton Five Churches Fete on August Bank Holiday (**27th August, 12.00 to 4.00pm**) we will be running the Bric-a-Brac Stall and the Toy Stall with a Lucky Dip. Please let us have any good condition toys your children have finished with. This is a good family day out so do come along and support your church.

*Eva Stockley* 01258 837468, *John Wright* 01258 839090  
Church Wardens

## DEWLISH CHURCH NOTES

### Days of fun and high activity

WHAT a wonderful time we had in Dewlish when we celebrated the Queen's Diamond Jubilee! We were delighted that the weather stayed dry for all our activities. The Saturday was one long day of activity, starting with the parade around the village of people in fancy dress, vintage and classic cars and our cricketers showing their prowess on a tractor and trailer.

Some old Massey Ferguson tractors joined us and the rest of the day continued with food, games, a dog agility competition (great fun), Punch and Judy, races, more food, a dance, yet more food, a toast to the Queen and fireworks, at the end of which we were all exhausted (well, us oldies were anyway!).

On the Sunday we started with our Jubilee Church Service, led by Sarah, and with Aiden playing his keyboard. This was well attended and was followed by the Village Picnic. Everyone contributed delicious food and drinks were provided.

The celebrations continued on the Monday evening at the top of Greenways with food, drink and entertainment and the spectacular lighting of the beacon by means of a flaming arrow. Well done to everyone (too numerous to mention by name).

We were delighted to have been able to present Julia's House with a cheque for £2,012.60 from our surplus from fund-raising, the 2012 representing the year, and 60 representing the length of the Queen's reign. There will be more when all final figures are available.

Meanwhile... Well done, Dewlish!!

### Open garden and services during July

On Sunday 8th July Mrs Audrey Penniston of Flower Cottage, Waterston, is kindly opening her beautiful garden once again for our

church. Tea and cakes will be available. The garden will be open between 2.00–6.00pm. Please come and support us but, more especially, to enjoy the garden.

Once again we are holding our **Pet Service**, and this year it will be on Sunday 22nd July at 11.00am. We look forward to seeing as many pets as possible (well-behaved of course!), and, if it is not possible to bring your pet, bring a picture. The service will be held in the churchyard.

On Sunday 29th July the **Benefice Farm Service** is to be held at Parsonage Farm, Dewlish, the home of Mrs Sue Britton. Come and give thanks for all the food produced by our farmers, and to see Sue's sheep and chickens.

*Daphne Burg*

## 100 CLUB WINNERS

*Draw Date – Tuesday 19th June 2012*

1st prize	£100	James Cowley
2nd prize	£50	John Sanderson
3rd prize	£6	Brian O'Dwyer

The next draw is at 8.00pm in The Royal Oak, on Tuesday 24th July

*Everyone is welcome to attend*

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*Contact:*

**June Maitland 837235 or Denise Sanderson 837049**

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### **Dewlish**

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### **Benefice Office**

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## Do you need a lift to church?

If you have difficulty getting to church or need transport when the Benefice Service is at another church, we can arrange transport for you. Please contact Eva (837468) or John (839090).

## Christian Fellowship Group in Milborne

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

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

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LIKE it or not, love it or loathe it on 12th July 2012 at 12.17pm the Olympic Torch Relay will pass through the village leaving the village at 12.30pm.

The Torch Relay will start at the top of Blandford Hill by the factory and then progress to the Square where a changeover of the Torchbearers will take place and then move on to Dorchester Hill. Then it is back onto the transport to take the Torch to Puddletown, finishing that evening in Weymouth, the site of the Olympic Sailing competition.

This event will not be seen again in our or our children's lifetime. It is therefore fitting for the people of Milborne St. Andrew and those of the many surrounding villages to enjoy and celebrate this unique occasion.

We have no idea how many people will want to witness the event but it has been suggested that up to two thousand people could witness the Torch Relay in our village. Arrangements are being made to ensure that crowd control/marshals will be in place to help people stay on the limited available footways. However, it is important that everyone consider theirs and their children's own safety. The Torch Relay is formed of a convoy of up to 12 vehicles, in front of and behind the Torchbearer. The Torchbearer will be flanked by a team of specially trained officers from the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) known as the Torch Security Team (TST). This event will, by the time you read this, be well practiced and honed to a fine art.

In front of the convoy and a little ahead in time will come the Olympic Sponsors vehicles providing entertainment, followed by the Torch Relay security and other vehicles for the Torchbearers and the changeover and of course a back up flame to re-ignite the torch in the case it goes out.

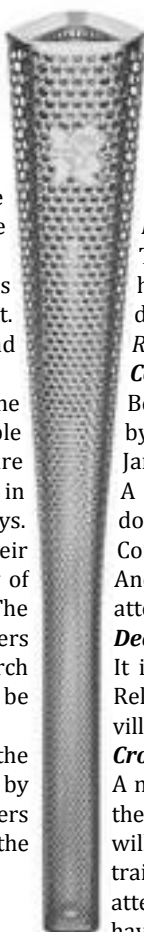
## Practical Issues for the day

### Car Parking

It is hoped the majority of people will arrive on foot but for those who have to drive that day, please consider car sharing. Parking in the village is limited but arrangements are in hand to provide car parking, subject to confirmation from the landowners and Village Hall Trustees, at:

1. The Factory car park in Lane End at the top of Blandford Hill.
2. Limited parking at the Village Hall.
3. On the track in the Grove by Chapel Street.

We wish to thank Mr Ferguson of Camelco and the Village Hall Trustees in anticipation of their assistance and Mr Marc Frampton of Manor Farm who has agreed that visitors can park from the blue gate up to the pillars at The Grove but requests nowhere else on his land.



No parking will be allowed along the route of the Torch Relay and the Police may remove vehicles if parked on the road, footways or inappropriate locations. Be warned!

### Toilets

Extremely limited public availability, however The Royal Oak will be open and it is hoped to have the Village Hall available also.

### Refreshments

The Royal Oak will be open for refreshments, it is also hoped to have an ice cream van and the Fish and Chip wagon on site during the event.

*Remember to bring water if the weather is sunny.*

### Competitions

Best decorated house in the village. A competition to be judged by our County Councillor Mrs Hilary Cox, District Councillor Mrs Jane Somper and Chairman of the Parish Council Mrs Janet Allen. A meal voucher for the sum of £30.00 has been generously donated by Sarah Fox of The Royal Oak for the winner.

Competitions are being arranged for the children of Milborne St. Andrew First School and a separate competition for those attending Ladybirds.

### Decorating The Village

It is hoped that as much as possible of the route of the Torch Relay will be decorated with flags and bunting to show off our village as we are going to be on national television.

### Crowd Control/Marshals

A number of volunteers have already put themselves forward for the important role of crowd control/marshals on the day. There will be a training session for those who can attend but advice and training will be provided prior to the event for those who cannot attend the official training. Insurance will be given to those who have signed up.

Fluorescent vests will be provided for the event to be returned.

The Police will control road junctions by means of rolling roadblocks and traffic wishing to use the A354 between Puddletown and Blandford and vice versa will be seriously delayed. No one will be allowed to overtake the Olympic Torch Relay Convoy along its route.

### Litter Picking

Following the event later that day it is hoped that volunteers will give their names forward to Councillor Janet Allen, telephone 837551, so that we can help clean up the village from the inevitable dropped litter. Bags will be provided.

It is hoped that everyone has a great and memorable time and will join in the spirit of the moment.

*Michael Hopper*

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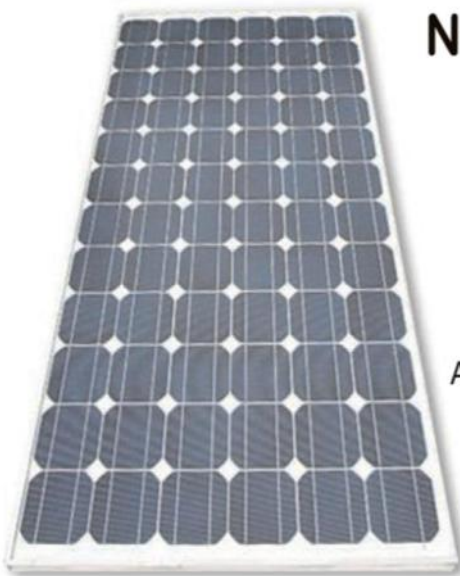
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# Three days of Jubilee celebrations in the village

Jubilee weekend was celebrated here in the village in fine style with various different events taking place over the three days

## Bladen View Jubilee Party

BLADEN View and a gathering of many like minded souls got together for a bring and share lunch in The Royal Oak garden on a fine but not very sunny Sunday.



A great feast was there for our consumption and was washed down with some house wine and a fair helping of magnificent real ale.



With ballooning waistbands many finished off the afternoon by watching the Thames Pageant in the comfort of the Bottom Bar.

It was truly a memorable day!

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## Wetherby Close Jubilee Celebrations

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Here at home and across the foam!

We had visions that on Bank Holiday Monday at three  
That we could deck out tables and share cake and tea!

T'was nice to get to know our neighbours local  
Exchange tales, chats, chill and with memorabilia be anecdotal!!



We were too late to apply for a street party event  
But gardens drives and pavements is more what we meant!

The Pimms it flowed, the weather  
fine and boy we had such fun,  
All vowing that we'd not wait  
another 60 years to have another  
one!

The first Wetherby group photo was  
taken and history was made!

We enjoyed a sing song too when  
Fred, Neil and Rose their guitars  
played



By candlelight at ten that eve for the final flit  
To time with the beacon the Queen did 'lit'

The lanterns were sent up far and wide

With grins and hopes and our farewell goodbyes.

Sarah Clark

## Chapel St, Orchard Rise and St Andrew's View Diamond Jubilee Street Party

A HIGHLY successful 'street party' was held on Bank Holiday Tuesday by the residents of Chapel St, Orchard Rise and St Andrew's View. Alan and Veronica Herridge had kindly offered their lovely garden in Chapel Street as a venue, but as the weather forecast was so bad, this had to be changed to the Village Hall.

Eighty-three residents came, bringing food to share, which provided an enormous and delicious buffet; a barbecue was set up,

avoiding the notorious puddle on the patio; the Hall looked stunning, decorated with red, white and blue bunting, ribbon and flags. Everyone ate and drank their fill and lunch ended with the National Anthem and a toast to Her Majesty.



After this, all those who had entered the competitions to make crowns paraded in their headgear. Many people had made amazing creations and it was very difficult to choose the eventual winners: Marion Regan's granddaughter, Poppy, in the children's section and Louise and Jeremy Richardson (right) in the adults. Games for the children followed and they were all given a goodie bag with Jubilee souvenirs.



It was agreed by everyone that it had been an excellent party and a really good opportunity to get to know our neighbours. We are now all looking for an excuse to have another!

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## Did you identify this?

Congratulations to Easton Mallon who was very closely followed by Wendy Joyce and Pat Tribe for identifying the house name as that of 18 Bladen View, Pip Bowell's, last month's "Have you met . . ." home. Try this month's photograph on page 28 and send your answer to [msa.reporter@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:msa.reporter@yahoo.co.uk) or give to a member of the team.

See the *Reporter* each month in colour at [www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/Reporter/index](http://www.milbornestandrew.org.uk/Reporter/index)

## Summer drink drive campaign to begin in Dorset

DRIVERS are being reminded that they could face a prison sentence if they are caught drink driving on Dorset's roads. The summer drink driving campaign is about to begin.

Drink and drug driving remains a significant contributory factor in road deaths. Currently around 25% of fatalities within Dorset involve alcohol.

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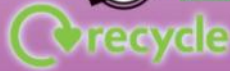


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## 'Best Ever' May Fayre raises over £1,100

THIS year's May Fayre and Dog Show was branded the 'best ever', with good attendance and raising over £1,100. Dodging the unseasonal weather May had seen, the event was even blessed with some sunshine.

The fayre was opened by Wessex FM's Steve Bulley and Blandford town crier Jean Wells. At her side was protégé Dick Pointer, who blasted Milborne with his horn. They both arrived at the Recreation Ground courtesy of the new community transport, Bus2Go. By the end of the afternoon, Dick was announced as Milborne's official crier.

Wessex Karate Academy gave a display of their style of karate, goju ryu, to an enthralled crowd. Sensei Peter Thompson led the 22 strong group through basic moves, then moved on to other *kata* (sequence of moves) in smaller groups. One of these included Amber Clark and Harry Hamilton, both seven years old and from Milborne, who have recently excelled at a Southern Counties competition, winning medals. More senior members then demonstrated their prowess with *kobudo* (Okinawan weapons), which included a display of *bo* combat, using six foot long staffs.

Entrants in the dog show competed across a range of Olympic themed classes, including Hurdles, 'Total Recall' and Fancy Dress. A spectrum of skill levels was displayed over the hurdles, with top spot on the podium going to Bee, an eight year old Border collie owned by Jill Pitman. (See separate dog show report).

Dorset Search Dogs gave a wonderful display of their dogs' finely tuned sense of smell, and search skills. Many fayre goers took up the opportunity to 'get lost at no cost, get found for two pounds' by one of the five dogs the team brought along. The willing participants hid, under cover, above the bank behind the MUGA and waited to see if an excited canine nose would find them. Once detected - as they always were - the 'lost' person heard a short bark and the search dog would return to their handler to 'tell' them that they had found their



quarry, and lead them to it. Many thanks go to Dorset Search Dogs for giving a great demonstration. All proceeds go towards the valuable work the team of volunteers do assisting police forces across the south finding missing persons.

Keeping the crowd informed of the afternoon's entertainment was Jon Riddle, who did so with great humour to universal agreement. He provided a comedic running commentary during the dog show and plenty of banter as he roamed the fayre stalls. He may well have earned himself a residency ...

Amongst a variety of stalls and sideshows were the Food and Wine Society's raffle for two locally sourced 'foodie' hampers; 'splat the rat'; a huge bouncy giraffe slide, the WI jarbola stall, fishing game, Gerry's plants stall, football target game, a jewellery stall and D-Fur dog accessories. The barbecue proved very popular, and with cream teas, the Church cake stall and ice creams also on offer, fayre goers were certainly kept satisfied.

A big 'well done' to all those that took part and made this year's May Fayre a success once again.

Wessex Karate practice at the village hall on Thursdays, 5.10pm - new members welcome. See [www.wessexkarate.co.uk](http://www.wessexkarate.co.uk) Ed Richards





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DFRS are working hard to prevent avoidable fires and you can help us do that - So take up the challenge to 'Go For Gold' and apply for a **FREE** home safety check and the opportunity to achieve a Gold certificate today. Please contact us on 01305 252600 or visit [www.dorsetfire.gov.uk](http://www.dorsetfire.gov.uk).

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- Carrot and orange soup with crusty bread
- Smoked salmon with mixed leaves and raspberry vinaigrette
- Garlicked king prawns with tapenade and toast
- Chicken liver, thyme and port parfait with red onion confit and toast
- Crab and chilli spaghetti
- Tarragon, pinenut and black pudding risotto with fried quails eggs

#### SALADS

- (Available as either a starter or main course)
- Warm salad of goats cheese and broad beans with a mint dressing
- Salad of figs with Cornish blue cheese and pickled garlic

#### MAINS

- Rump steak with hand cut chips, rocket and Béarnaise sauce

- Honey duck with dauphinoise potatoes, braised red cabbage, 5 spice jus
- Pan fried hake with risotto nero and buttered samphire
- Smoked haddock in parmesan cream sauce with crushed new potatoes spinach and a poached egg
- Roasted shallots with wild mushrooms, savoy cabbage and sesame oil
- Courgette, parsley and lemon linguine

#### DESSERTS

- Strawberry and mascarpone mille feuilles
- Apple tarte tatin with strawberry and balsamic sorbet
- Rhubarb crumble with crème anglais
- Chocolate mousse with summer berry compote
- Sticky toffee pudding with toffee sauce and vanilla ice cream
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## WI Jubilee Supper

ON the 1st June the W.I. held their summer Diamond Jubilee Supper in Val and Dave's garden. Members arrived dressed in red, white and blue and rattling their diamonds, to be presented with their patriotic tiaras. Several husbands accompanied them, and guests from our group of W.I.s also attended. Naturally the food provided by members was varied and delicious as usual. Afterwards the county



secretary, Diane Towndrow, cut a special Jubilee cake made by Ann Mephram. The evening was a little chilly but this didn't dampen spirits as conversation flowed until darkness fell and forced us home.

The Venerable Patrick Evans, who lives in Tolpuddle, is coming along to our next meeting on Thursday 12th July, to talk about Canterbury Cathedral where he was Dean for a number of years. A report of this and of the June meeting, at which Derek Radley spoke about Victim Support, will be included in the August edition of the *Reporter*.  
*Josie Wright*

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## Great Sports at Olympic Dog Show

THE 'Olympic' Dog Show at this year's May Fayre attracted a record 53 canine entrants from Milborne and surrounding areas. Competing across six classes, the Hurdles and the Recall classes proved most popular – and provided the best entertainment for spectators.

The Fancy Dress class saw dogs dressed as Olympic competitors and included a synchronised swimmer and a rower, both Jack Russells. But the winner was Georgie, a tacked up 'show-jumper' (English springer spaniel) and her rider, three year old Samuel Richards.

Twenty two dogs of all shapes, sizes and varieties were paraded in the 'Adonis and Aphrodite' class (best adult). Judge, David Harding, of Damory Veterinary Clinic cast his eye among the contestants and picked out a beautiful and elegant whippet, Lola Garcia, as the winner. In the Junior Olympian class, open to dogs up to the age of 18 months, the gold rosette was awarded to Lucy owned by Blake Langhorn. Joining him on the podium was Bramble, a three month old pointer pup and bronze winner Merlin, a seven month old Leonberger, who struggled to fit onto the podium – not surprising, since being a relative of the St. Bernard and Pyrenean mountain dog.



A spectrum of skill levels was seen during the Hurdles class, providing both laughs and spectacle for the crowd. Timed against the stopwatch, each competitor had to jump the series of three hurdles, turn, and then return back over them. Some were obvious novices,



but loved by the spectators all the more for it. Others showed real agility and speed and flew over the hurdles. Finishing times ranged up to 49 seconds (including penalties added), but the winner, clocking an impressive 7.47 seconds, was Bee, an eight year old Border Collie owned by Jill Pitman.

Next was the turn of the veterans in the Ancient Olympian class and this saw eleven entries. Winner of this class was Olive, a Labrador owned by Isobel Meadows. Silver rosette was taken by Molly, a nine year old Westie owned by Toni Pall and third was Ruby, a Briard owned by Sue Benn.

To round the show off was "an Olympic test of recall" – all the handler had to do was call their dog to them when released by judge, David Harding. The only thing between their dog and them was a minefield of distraction – dog toys, tennis balls and sausages. The Total Recall class tested the entrants' obedience to the limit; was he to be waylaid by a sausage or return to his master's feet immediately? In all but a handful of cases, it was the sausages what won it! A number of 'DNF's were recorded (Did Not Finish), as the sausages were systematically hoovered up from the grass without a second look to the waiting owner. There were three clear winners, split by less than a second. Gold winner by a whisker was Lucy, her second of the day. Taking silver was Ozzie, a six year old Labrador (yes, a Labrador) owned by Sarah Fox; and third was George, a collie cross retriever, owned by Hazel Ingram.

Many thanks to all who entered in the spirit and took part in the dog show, making it successful and enjoyable. Thanks also to the Reporter for their support and Wagg Foods for providing treats for prizes. Once again thanks go to David Harding of Damory Veterinary Clinic for giving his time and expertise in the tricky task of judging the classes. Also thanks to Jon Riddle for his great running commentary.

*Ed Richards*

# Community Contacts

More information about many community organisations can be found on [www.milbornestandrew.org.uk](http://www.milbornestandrew.org.uk)

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## June

- Saturday 30th **Table Top Sale and Coffee Morning** Village Hall 9.00–11am  
**Roger's Rant Show Case Concert** Sports Club 3.00pm.  
**Roger's Rant Barn Dance** with the Dorset Buttons and Chris Hall Village Hall tickets £5.00 on the door.  
**Rotary TGI Fun Day** Borough Gardens, Dorchester 12.30–5.00pm. Free Admission.

## July

- Sunday 1st **Roger's Rant Concert** St. Andrews Church 5.30pm.  
Tuesday 3rd **Bus2Go Dolphin Centre Poole** – see page 2.  
Wednesday 4th **Wednesday Club** trip on the steam train from Norden to Swanage – see page 3.  
Thursday 6th **The Help** Movie Village Hall 7.30pm – see below.  
Friday 12th **WI Canterbury Cathedral** talk by Venerable Patrick Evans – see page 14.  
Sunday 14th **Reporter** final deadline for copy for the August/September issue. **Please note** there will be no September issue this year.  
Wednesday 18th **Bus2Go Shaftesbury** – see page 2.  
Sunday 22nd **Parish Council** Village Hall 7.30pm.  
**Family Fun Day and Fun Rounders Match** Milton Abbas Sports Club from 1.00pm – see page 20.  
Wednesday 25th **Far from the Madding Crowd** Movie Village Hall 2.00pm – see page 25.  
Thursday 26th **Lost and Found** Movie Village Hall 7.30pm – see page 25.  
Sunday 29th **Bus2Go Bristol Zoo** – see page 2.

## More than a Movie with 'The Help' (12)

at Milborne St. Andrew Village Hall  
on Friday 6th July and the event starts at 7.30 pm

THE story of this film, which is adapted from Kathryn Stockett's book, is set in Mississippi during the civil rights movement of the 1960s. It is about Skeeter (Stone) who is a southern society girl returned from college who is determined to become a writer. Possessing observation skills and humanity that her lifelong friends can't comprehend, Skeeter desperately wants to write a book detailing the African-American maids' point of view on the white families for which they work, and the hardships they go through on a daily basis. As expected, the maids are hesitant, but Aibileen (Viola Davis) does relent. The stories begin to flow and soon the robust Minny (Octavia Spencer) joins in. From their improbable alliance a remarkable sisterhood emerges, instilling all of them with the courage, but not before everyone in town has a thing or two to say, when they become unwittingly and unwillingly caught up in the changing times.

This incredible film is phenomenally cast, with strong writing and direction from Tate Taylor. There are so many fantastic details in the film with classic cars, wardrobe, hair and make-up, which perfectly shows up the class differentials from the late 50's and early 60's, not forgetting the TV and radio segments which provide context and timing with the deaths of Medgar Evers and JFK. "The Help" may not tell the whole story of black domestic workers, but it offers a more personal spin on the Civil Rights Movement than most of us have seen.

The village hall social and bar is open from 7.00pm and the film starts at 7.30 pm. Admission to this event, including a soft drink or an ice cream with the film, is £3.00.

For more information phone Alice Harrall on 01258 837371.

## 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 7.30–10.00pm  
**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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## Anyone need a builder?

WITH work boxes and tools in their hands, the children at Ladybirds judged the play house was in need of repair and there was no shortage of help at hand. Soon there were ropes going through windows and door securing the building while work started on the roof. This wonderful play continued throughout the morning with different teams of children participating in the building maintenance.



During the week leading up to Fathers' Day the children made cards and decorated biscuits with stars and number 1. We talked about what their dads and grand-dads liked to do and have learnt we have very energetic dads who ride bikes, run, do exercises, climb trees, do the cooking, mend things and surprisingly none go to the pub or like a pint!

*Liz Dyer*



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## School News

Friday 1st June was a very busy day for us all in school. During the morning Mrs Allen visited the school to present commemorative jubilee mugs to the children on behalf of the Parish Council. In their



classes the children then made placemats and crowns to wear at our own lunchtime street party. As you can see we were very fortunate with the weather and we were able to stay outside for our party. Everyone had come to school wearing their red, white and blue clothes and with the added bunting it was a very colourful event. A number of parents had kindly made cakes for the children to enjoy in addition to their lunches.



The afternoon allowed us to welcome visitors to school for the official unveiling of our community art project. The project, which involved different school and local community groups producing large pictures to represent the months of the year, has resulted in a beautiful calendar being displayed across the length of our hall. The mediums and styles used are varied, but all show the talent that we have locally. We would like everyone to enjoy the pictures throughout the next year via the *Reporter*, so in addition to the summary picture above you can also see the picture representing July (right), which was produced by some of the local cubs, beavers and scouts and depicts their summer camp. As well as inviting those



who contributed to the art project to the afternoon, we also invited our regular parent helpers to join us to express how grateful we are to them all for the support they give in school. The afternoon also allowed our dance club, run by Mrs Bratby, to show off their talents to children and guests, before our year 4 children served all with tea and cake.

Earlier in the month Mr Ryall joined us for assembly to show the talents of our guitar and ukulele players to parents and later this month our other musicians will be presenting their own assembly. On a sporting theme a group of our year 3 children competed in an athletics festival with other local schools, winning the overall event and Milborne had great fun taking part in the Prince of Wales School football tournament in Dorchester. We also welcomed the children



from Ladybirds who will be starting school in September to a fun sports morning with our younger children. In September it will be time to register children who will start school the following year. We are looking forward to inviting new parents to an open day when we return in the autumn, so look out for details in the next edition of the *Reporter*.

## 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

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Bring a picnic or enjoy our BBQ and cream teas. Other refreshments will be available.

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## LETTERS to the reporter

Dear Editor

How lovely it was to read about Pip Bowell in 'Have you met...' last month. I had the pleasure of getting to know Pip through bell-ringing getting on for 20 years ago after I first moved to the village and always found him an interesting person, but I really enjoyed hearing more about his fascinating life. Kind regards  
Adrienne Rogers

Dear Editor

Congratulations to the residents of Dewlish for their wonderful tribute to Her Majesty The Queen for her Diamond Jubilee.

The village was awash with flags and bunting, and possibly one of the best decorated in Dorset. Well done all of you and I hope you enjoyed your celebrations.  
June Maitland

Milborne's Got Talent

That is how it was advertised and what a wonderful exhibition of needlecraft was put on in the Committee Room on 2nd June.

Congratulations to Pat Tribe and her friends for putting on such an array of



different types of needlework, including patchwork, quilting, knitting, embroidery, dressmaking, crochet and stump work (which I must admit I had never heard of).

Having been amazed by the excellent exhibitions, I just had to have a cup of tea and slice of home-made cake. Well done to all those involved.

David Payne

Dear Editor

We would just like to thank all the residents of Milborne St. Andrew for making our short time in the village (eleven years) so happy and memorable. You have a wonderful village with various clubs and events to suit all of you – you just need to make the most of them and support the various people who give their time and energy to run them. We will certainly miss our little house and neighbours at the top of Coles Lane but know that, given a bit of time, we will love our new bungalow and the surrounding areas in Barton on Sea. After all – we can now walk to the beach!

Unfortunately you may see us from time to time, as we still have one or two events in the village to attend!

Thank you again.

Melva and Sid Coe

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## May Weather in Milborne St. Andrew

THE first three weeks of May were damp and gloomy with daytime temperatures struggling to get above mid-teens but, in contrast, the last week of May was dry, warm, and sunny with temperatures in the upper twenties which brought the average temperature for the month to 13.4°C. The Central England Temperature for May was 0.3°C above the 30 year mean.

Total rainfall in May was 52.9mm which was 95% of average. At the time of writing on 12th June the rainfall for June has already been twice the average for the month and the prospects for the summer weather are looking bleak; but the weather in May and June is often inversely related to the weather in July and August. After a wet May and cold June in 1983, there were only nine days of rain in the following two months and July was the hottest July of the last century with an average temperature of 21.5°C.

We can be consoled by the old saying from Weather Lore;

"A dripping June brings everything in tune"

*Pluvius*

## Warning!/Beware

**THIEF at work in the village.** Has been seen driving a low loader, flat bed truck in broad daylight using the drive of an empty property to gain access to mainly metal/tools on other properties. Keep outbuildings locked and secure with belongings inside to deter opportunistic felons.

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## London Olympics 1908 and 1948 by Janie Hampton

THIS author wrote the excellent *How the Girl Guides Won the War*, and when I heard about her latest book I asked for a copy to review. At 48 pages, it's more of a pamphlet than a book, but it is packed with information, history, pictures and anecdotes.

Although the book doesn't compare 1908 and 1948 with the forthcoming events in London 2012, it's inevitable that any reader will.

Both the 1908 and 1948 events were conceived, planned and delivered in two years. 1908 was moved from Italy after Vesuvius had erupted in 1906, and 1948 after the IOC decided that Britain was the only country that could possibly organise it after the traumatic events of 1939-45.

Venues for the 1908 event were built or refurbished in ten months at a cost in today's money of £5 million. Tickets for the opening ceremony cost a guinea (£1.05p). Lord Coe please note!

The difference between 1908's amateur age and current times is emphasised by the three swimming gold medals won by a miner's son who learned and practised his swimming in the local canal. And how fabrics have changed – the ladies' diving team wore woollen costumes! Some events are also no longer contested – standing long jump, standing high jump and motor boat racing.

In an echo of current times, the 1948 event when announced was not popular with the public, press or government in a bankrupt nation suffering serious unemployment, rationing, and lack of housing. In those austere times, competitors were asked to bring their own towels and soap, but their bed linen was provided. The author lists the countries which sent food for the athletes to share, and what they sent (France sent several railway waggons of food and one of wine). In the absence of telephones, schoolboys who owned bicycles volunteered as messengers.

Seventy nations took part, with the Germans and Japanese excluded (although there's an interesting tale of German PoW Helmut Bantz and the British Gymnastic Team). The description of the opening ceremony is very moving, and captures the sense of relief felt by everyone after recent history.

Advertising was becoming more sophisticated, and I particularly liked the idea of the free pair of white Y-fronts given to each male competitor in the British Team. As soon as other teams saw them they went and bought their own! The difference from the current multi-million pound global corporate marketing extravaganza is very apparent.

Costs for the 1948 Games were estimated at £743,000 and were actually £732,268 (around twenty million pounds at today's prices). They made a profit of £29,000. Not much, but one can't help comparing that to the taxpayers' millions being wasted in building and dismantling temporary facilities for 2012.

The author includes a brief and interesting chapter on 'what happened next' to the various people and venues. As well as the people (Emil Zatopek, Fanny Blankers-Koen, Helmut Bantz), I was intrigued to learn that when I attended concerts at the Empire Pool Wembley in the 1970s and 80s, I was standing on a floor suspended over the 1948 Olympic Pool, only removed when Wembley Arena was created on the site.

1948 was the first year that games for disabled people were held, at Stoke Mandeville, mostly for wounded service personnel. In 1952 that event became International, and now we see the Paralympics running at the same venues as the Olympics. Not all change has been for the worse!

This is an interesting book, which I'd recommend to all – it doesn't take long to read, but will provide excellent conversation points on a range of topics.

And when we see the next Zola Budd, Mary Decker, Nancy Kerrigan/Tonya Harding or Dwain Chambers, and wonder whatever happened to the Olympic spirit, I shall remember Jim Halliday. Jim had been a PoW on the Burma-Siam Railway and weighed five stone when freed in 1945. He worked at Kearsley Power Station shovelling coal to get fit. In 1948 he captained the British Olympic Weightlifting Team and won a bronze medal. Despite the modern corruption of sporting ideals, it truly isn't the winning, but the taking part, that matters.

*Reviewed by Susan Cawley*

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## More than a Movie Matinee with **Far from the Madding Crowd** (1967) (U)

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'Far from the Madding Crowd' is based on Thomas Hardy's 19th century novel about Bathsheba Everdene, who is a wilful, passionate girl, never satisfied with anything less than a man's complete and helpless adoration. She unexpectedly inherits a large farm and becomes romantically involved with three widely divergent men: Gabriel Oak, a sheep farmer who is captivated by her beauty and proposes marriage; William Boldwood, a prosperous man in his early forties and a confirmed bachelor; and Sergeant Frank Troy, a handsome, reckless swordsman given to sudden fits of violence. Each of these characters is very well developed and even the performances of the minor characters are masterly. Julie Christie is beautiful and her Bathsheba is a precise mixture of headstrong independence and vulnerability; Terence Stamp's repulsive Troy is a triumph of casting and Alan Bates is wonderful as the simplest of her suitors while Peter Finch portrays a Boldwood who is so eligible, so tragic, so lost and helpless.

This version of Far From The Madding Crowd was filmed, mainly on location in Dorset, by John Schlesinger, where the spacious landscape is photographed in stunning beauty that is realistic rather than idyllic, beautiful but sometimes cold and foreboding and broods over the tragic proceedings. This is further enhanced by a remarkable soundtrack by Richard Rodney Bennett which lends the film a good deal of its emotiveness. There is something quintessentially English about this film not to be found anywhere else, for this reason alone it should not be missed.

The village hall social is open from 2.00pm and the film starts at 2.30pm. Admission to the event, which includes tea, cake and the film, is £3.00. For more information phone Alice Harrall on 01258 837371.

**Editor:** *You must see this film as both my parents feature in it.*

## More than a Movie Matinee with **Lost and Found** (U)

**at Milborne St. Andrew Village Hall  
on Thursday 26th July the event starts at 2.00 pm**

'Lost and Found' is a remarkable and magical tale of friendship between little boy and a penguin, who he finds on the doorstep of his house one morning. Although at first he is unsure about what to do, the boy becomes determined to help the penguin find his way back home, even if that means rowing a small boat all the way to the South Pole! He eventually makes a trip to the South Pole, but then realises he wants to keep the penguin.

You'll notice if you watch the film closely that the Penguin never interacts with anyone other than the Boy; none of the adults acknowledge him. The van that drives down the street at the start does not slow down for the Penguin, and the people in the lost and found office don't make mention of a penguin in their midst either. Penguin is not real rather, he is imagined by the boy, like an invisible friend. This is a gentle story with no wisecracks or sarcasm done very well and although this film is aimed at children it totally entralls adults as well.

This animation of Oliver Jeffers' book is absolutely wonderful, breathtaking and spellbinding. A story that is warm and fuzzy and highly recommended for all age groups, this short film has been pleasing audiences all over the world and winning awards ever since its Christmas 2008 release. This British 24 minute animated film Lost and Found (2008), directed by Philip Hunt, was voted audience's favourite in the 20th edition of the World Festival of Animated Film.

The village hall is open from 2.00pm and the film starts at 2.30pm. Admission to the event, which includes a soft drink or ice cream and the film, is £3.00 / accompanied children £2.00.

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## In your Garden

### Seasonal notes and tips from Maureen Lock of *Designer Gardens*

## Your Garden in July

I WAS looking back at some of my old articles, and rain in June (not Spain!) is actually quite a common occurrence. I think we desperately want the sun to shine ALL summer, but the fact is it never has, even when we remember those halcyon days of our childhoods.

After all that heavy rain, we need to remember to check our plants as they may need to be re-tied into position. We were away during the high winds and several roses had been quite badly damaged where they had been blow down from their supports.

#### The Allotment

I now have an allotment down near the river – the soil is deep and very fertile and after an initial rabbit problem and a hurried weekend of surrounding the entire plot with rabbit proof fencing, everything is growing away like mad. Although I have completely run out of space because I don't like throwing seedlings away but really! Can I eat all those veg?! Sadly some things don't freeze well so it is only worth growing what you know you can use – or that you can give away to friends. The potatoes have just about filled the entire allotment and so next year I shall be much more circumspect and allocate a smaller area for the spuds. Then I will be able to grow some more unusual vegetables that you can't readily buy in the shops.

The key thing to remember is that preparation of the soil is essential before you attempt to grow anything (ornamental plants or veg) and although I haven't actually reached chalk on the allotment, I will still add organic matter to keep the soil in as good a condition as I can. In my own garden the soil isn't very deep and I constantly have to improve it with the addition of organic matter ie home grown compost or well-rotted manure.

#### Looking Good

Often people will say that the garden starts to look a bit tired in July so here are a few perennials that will keep it looking colourful:



*Agapanthus* with their wonderful blue or white flowers will come back reliably year after year and flower from July to September; *Penstemons* of all varieties – just keep cutting out the flowered stems regularly; *Phygelius*; *Salvia 'hot lips'* stunning all summer; *Geranium 'Rozanne'* flowers till the frost but is completely hardy; *Lavender* and *Cistus* – there, that should give you a few ideas for colour in July.

#### Jobs to Do

There are a few jobs to keep you going in July:

- ⇒ keep your patio displays going by deadheading regularly to encourage more blooms and use a liquid feed towards the end of the month even if you added slow release fertilizer at planting time.
- ⇒ If your pond is full of blanket weed, I found a marvelous treatment and it really does work. It is called Evolution Aqua Stop Blanketweed. You just add a little bit to your pond over 3 weeks and the blanket weed dies. I got it from Tincton Koi.
- ⇒ Cut back flowered stems of weigela and philadelphus, lightly trim hebe and lavender after flowering and you will probably get another flush of flowers.

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In addition we visit dentists, opticians, chiropodists plus we carry out regular trips taking people shopping (or even do their shopping for them), to village lunch clubs, coffee mornings and other social activities helping to get the elderly and infirm out of the house for a few hours and reduce social isolation.

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If you would like to join our group of volunteer drivers please contact me, Nigel Hodder, on 01258 881709 and I will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

*Nigel Hodder*

## New Allotments – The latest News

THE undergrowth has been cut, the hedges trimmed and the field has been ploughed. Next job for our intrepid Allotmenters was to create the ‘Master Plan’. Working from a plan drawn up by our village surveyor, Dave Andrews, the first pegs were hammered in. Then they were pulled out and hammered in again. This job was not proving easy!

Referring back to our patient surveyor, we discovered that after trimming back the hedgerows, the plot is actually bigger than we first thought. Back to the drawing board for our Dave!

Our second attempt to mark out was far more successful, with plots, pathways and wider vehicle avenues laid out.

For those villagers who have already signed up for an allotment, work can now start on the task of preparing their plots. Many of the new allotmenters have been up to their patches, raking paths, and marking the ½ plots, this new community is born!

The focus of the committee now remains with fundraising. A successful May Fayre has helped us on our way and several grant applications are in progress which we hope will help us over the next hurdle – mains water to the site. It is great to see the community of allotment holders growing. And we look forward to welcoming more with plots and half plots still available!

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## Milton Abbas Under 11's cricket

UNDER 11's had their first game of the season on a very cold night at home against Kilmington. They did really well considering it was the first game for many of them, however they did lose.

The highlight was that we actually got more wickets than Kilmington and even two run outs, but just did not score enough runs. William Jeffery getting three wickets was the stand out.

UNDER 11's cricket second game was away at Mere. WOW what a game, Milton Abbas won on the last ball!!

Milton Abbas batted first and scored a very good 277 for three wickets.

In under 11 games you start at 200 as a team and lose six runs if you lose a wicket. Oscar Kelly and William Jeffery top scored with eight each.

The bowling was good as a team and an improvement on the first game, William Jeffery had a wicket maiden, Joe Handley got a wicket.

It all came down to the last over though, Oscar Kelly was bowling and Mere needed seven runs to win, after the first three balls they had got six runs, the next two balls there were no runs, so the final ball, Oscar bowls, it is hit well by the Mere batsmen but straight to Oscar and he holds on to the catch to win the game for Milton Abbas.

*Colin Chastey Milton Abbas Sports Club*



## Cheselbourne Theatre Club



THE programme with the dates of our visits to The Playhouse Salisbury for the Autumn season should be with members this week.

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### Main Aims

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- Give local players club sessions throughout the week for social play.
- Interclub competition

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11.00–12.00am	Free Junior Coaching 7–10 Year olds (all equipment provided, trainers essential)
12.00–1.00pm	Free Adults Beginners/Developers coaching session (max 10 call to register for this session)
2.15–2.45pm	Kids Tennis Team competitions and Fun Games!
2.45–3.15 pm	Tennis Aerobics Demo – call to participate!
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