

# BRIDGERUCE NEWSLETTER

3RD ISSUE



**Dear Readers,**

*May I wish everyone who receives 'The Buzz' a very Happy and Healthy New Year.*

*May 2010 be a year to be remembered for all the right reasons.*

*I'm thrilled that after the last bumper edition of 'The Buzz' the first issue of 2010 has worked out so well. It is of course down to you taking time out to forward your reports, pictures etc.*

*May our newsletter continue to be a very useful resource for the village.*

*You will see as you read through 'The Buzz' that we have 2 new classes to be held in the hall. I hope the take up is good for Jill and Sally.*

*Remember please the next deadline is 20th February.*

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**Congratulations**  
**Matthew**



Proud mum, Jo, took this photo of Matthew South at the Remembrance Day Parade in Holsworthy.

Matt recently gained his Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award; which he worked for through Holsworthy Army Cadets.

To gain the award Matthew needed to undertake activities in four sections. These were service, skills, physical recreation and expedition over a training period of six months.

For the service section he had to help members of the community on a voluntary basis.

For his skills section he learnt Army Radio use through Army Cadets and had to take a practical and written test.

For the physical recreation section Matt took years 3–6 boys and girls from Holsworthy Primary School for after school football training. This he still continues to do today.

The last section, that of expedition, Matthew had to prepare for and carry out an adventurous journey as part of a team. He completed two expeditions

both with overnight camps. The first was in the Fremington area and the second was a 5 mile walk around the Torrington area. Before he was allowed to take part in these expeditions Matthew had to complete certain tasks such as first aid and emergency training, map reading and route planning to name but a few.

Well done Matthew in gaining the coveted Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

**THANK YOU.**

**Marie, Derek and Melissa Field wish to thank everyone for their kind help and good wishes given when Derek had his recent road accident.**

**We could not have managed without the support of all our friends and it has been very much appreciated.**

**We send our very best wishes to all for the year 2010.**

**10. Southfields Bridgerule.**

**GRATEFUL THANKS from the Poppy Appeal Co-ordinator.**

Audrey Bewes, Poppy Appeal Co-ordinator for Bridgerule wishes to thank Rose, Julie, Amanda, Liz and The Post Office for their recent poppy collections. Audrey reports that the wonderful sum of £450 was raised in the parish. She thanks everyone who donated to the appeal.

**COUNTRY & WESTERN EVENING**

Les and Betty Slade were delighted with the response to their country and western evening, which was held in the Parish Hall in October and would like to thank everyone for making it so enjoyable. The great sum of £631.82 has been forwarded to The Devon and Cornwall Air Ambulance. Les & Betty would like to give a special thanks to the Cornish Hillbillies, Kath and her Bluegrass Boys and Graham Hocking for giving everyone great music and a good laugh.

Also thanks to John Vernon who worked tirelessly throughout the evening and to their family who worked as a team in order to make it happen..

**Picture shows the family handing over the cheque from the proceeds raised to Arthur Newton, area representative.**



**Christmas Table Top Sale at  
The Village Hall held  
recently.**

*The Piper Family in  
Father Christmas Grotto.*



*Whose most pleased with  
themselves - Father  
Christmas or  
Liz Seymour-Smith?*

*The Buzz has since learnt  
that Liz received exactly  
what she said she wanted  
from Father Christmas!!*

*Pupils from the local  
Primary School  
together with Father  
Chris Davidson  
entertained at the  
Table Top Sale.*



*Photos kindly sent in by Rose.*

## Bridgerule School News

Check at our website: [www.bridgerule.devon.sch.uk](http://www.bridgerule.devon.sch.uk)

As we draw near to the end of another exciting term we reflect on what a busy term we have had. We are pleased and proud to say that since our last report we have had an Ofsted Inspection led by David Edwards accompanied by Charlotte Robson. Under the new inspection regime which only came into force in September, the inspectors judged the school to be 'good' with 'outstanding' features. The full report can be seen on our website.

Many children have participated in the various after-school clubs this term they include: Art, Advent Club, Craft & Netball. As always we are grateful for all the support we have received from parents and volunteers. Thank you!

This term we welcomed Mrs Catherine Frith who has been leading our KS2 children with Violin lessons. Our younger children together with their peers from Bradford Primary School enjoyed a trip to Rosemoor Gardens where they enjoyed a workshop enhancing their curriculum topic work on 'The Senses'. A music workshop was enjoyed by the younger members of school at Black Torrington Primary School.

Children have enjoyed participating in athletics and dance festivals organised by Holsworthy Community College. 'Children in Need' was celebrated by children and staff arriving at school wearing their pyjamas and 'whacky' hairstyles.



One of the highlights of the term was the Christmas Concert which this year was 'Where the wild things are'. The children had worked very hard in their Literacy lessons adapting the original 1963 text by Maurice Sendak to give it a festive feel. Despite a number of absentees the children gave a very good performance. Max a naughty child who sailed off to an island to be met by the

wild things was very ably played by Harry Dymond, Chloe Brawn played Max's mum, Coya Ingram and Tia Jenkin were good narrators. During art lessons the children had made some weird and wonderful enormous masks which the 'wild things' wore to great effect.



Following refreshments and a procession to St. Bridgets Church, where they were met by Father Chris Davidson and the story concluded with the nativity scene, when Mary (Angel Piercey) gave a lovely solo.

The following day children visited Southlands Home to share Christmas Carols with residents. Following the School Christmas party children and staff participated in the village carol

singing, the evening concluded at the school with some very welcome refreshments.

Father Christmas surprised the children with a fantastic visit to the Cinema at Barnstaple to watch a special showing of 'Where the wild things are'.

The last day of term took the form of a family workshop when parents joined children in various Christmas activities.

#### **Little Stars**

A new group run by the Holsworthy Area Children's Centre open to children under 5 and their families is held every Monday during term time from 1.30 – 3.00 in the school hall. Do come along and meet new friends and enjoy a cup of tea!!!



#### **Shooting Stars**

A play session for children ages 3-4 years three times a week – Monday, Wednesday and Fridays 1.30 – 3.00.

In a typical 90 minute session your child will be given the opportunity to choose between a variety of activities that cover the major areas of learning – language games / sand & water play/ creativity activity/ role play / mathematical activity / construction.

We encourage parents to stay with the under 4's (younger siblings may also attend). Please come along and see what we can offer you and your child in our outstanding early years foundation stage setting!!

**For further details please contact the school: 01288 381366**

***Sheila's Mentions:***

The Buzz understands that **Ron Cameron** will receive his free television license in January. Happy Birthday from us all including your Saturday Club.

**Welcome - Dave and Jan at The Forge.** We hope you have a long and happy time in Bridgerule.

**Welcome also to—Paul, Stacey, Harvey and Ella at 1 Littlebridge.**

Pauls granddad and nan together with his mum and his late auntie came to live in the original part of the house in 1957. We hope that you will be as happy as nan and gramp in your new home.  
Love Dad and Mum.

**Moving—** We understand that Arthur and Naomi Rowland of Kilmarnock will shortly be leaving Bridgerule after many years and going to live in Bude. We wish them well.

**Congratulations Kimberley** on scoring 92 in a recent Holsworthy and District Ladies Skittle League fixture.

**LINE DANCING—Parish Hall.**

**Line Dancing Beginners Classes begin on Tuesday January 5th.  
7.00—9.00pm. £3.00 per class.**

**The classes will be led by Jill Harris.**

*Do you know what a kick ball change, monterey turn, chasse or coaster step is? You don't—then why not come on Tuesday 5th January and find out!*

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**THE QUEEN OF HEARTS  
H.A.T.S. Pantomime**

**Monday—Saturday 25th—30th January.  
Monday—Saturday 1st—6th February.  
Tickets £8. (£6 concession)**

**Box Office opens 2nd January 2010—10.30am.**

*(Our very own Chris and Rose are assisting with the painting of the back drops).*

**ADVANCE NOTICE:**

**‘Bridgerule’s next Open Garden event will be held on  
Sunday June 6th 2010.**

IF YOU HAVE A SPECIAL GARDEN AND WOULD ENJOY  
OPENING IT TO THE PUBLIC—PLEASE PHONE ROSIE ON -  
01288 381 341.

*All profits will go to the Devon and Cornwall Air Ambulance.*

*Lunches will be served at one of the gardens, Cream Teas will be sold  
from the Church, plants and produce will be on sale from various  
gardens plus a Cake Stall and Raffle etc.*

The next Garden meeting will be on 9th March to  
start planning.

(Please let Rosie know before this date if you  
would like to be part of this very friendly group).



**BRIDGERULE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH  
CO-ORDINATORS**

John McDougall	Furze	01288 381237
Shirley Abbott	Mill Road	01288 381564
Alan Bryant	Hedley Wood	01288 381404
Paul Dymond	Borough Cross	01288 381309
Ken James	Merrifield	01288 381279
Alex Johnston	Southfields	01288 381054
Sid Parnell	Jewells Cross	01288 381770
Cliff Seymour-Smith	Bevills Hill	01288 381690

You will notice a few gaps in the village. I am looking for co-ordinators for the areas of Littlebridge Meadow; Newacott Cross; The Green; Bridge Park and for any area where a volunteer co-ordinator would like to operate. Neighbourhood Watch is not a vigilante type scheme! A co-ordinator helps to promote crime prevention, encourages neighbours to look after each other and inform police of suspicious incidents. Anyone wishing to know more please telephone John McDougall or any of the other names above. Thank you.

Many of you already receive community messages from the police on the phone. For those who would like their Community Messaging Scheme via e-mail please contact Angela Lovering, e-mail address [angela.jl@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:angela.jl@tiscali.co.uk) giving your name and your telephone number.

The police are anxious for the village to have a team trained to use a 'speed gun' to identify those drivers who will persist in driving too fast. If anyone wishes to be part of that team, ready for when we have the gun to use please contact John McDougall or P.C.S.O. Beverley Harvey at Holsworthy Police Station.

You will need to be checked under the Criminal Records Bureau—but at no cost to yourself!

John McDougall—Uplands Bridgerule.

**BRIDGERULE KINGSLEY LEAGUE FOOTBALL FIXTURES**

January 3rd	Bradworthy	v	Bridgerule	
9th	Bridgerule	v	Kilkhampton	
16th	Bridgerule	v	Bradworthy	
23rd	Tarka	v	Bridgerule	
30th	Bridgerule	v	Morwenstow	
February 6th	Bridgerule	v	Holsworthy (Pickard Cup)	
14th	Phoenix Rising	v	Bridgerule	
20th	<i>(to be arranged)</i>			
27th	Bridgerule	v	Merton	

**DUCHY LEAGUE FOOTBALL FIXTURES (Division 5)**

January 2nd	Bridgerule	v	North Hill
9th	St Newlyn East Reserves	v	Bridgerule
16th	Charlestown Saints	v	Bridgerule
23rd	Bridgerule	v	St Mawgan Reserves <i>(Provisional)</i>
30th	Pelynt Reserves	v	Bridgerule

**BRIDGERULE VILLAGE STORE AND POST OFFICE****Telephone: 01288 381137****Shop Opening Times:**

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	7.00 am - 7.00pm.
Wednesday	7.00 am - 5.00pm.
Saturday	8.00 am - 5.00pm.
Sunday	8.00 am - 1.00pm

**Post Office Times:**

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	9.00am - 5.00pm
Wednesday	9.00am - 2.30pm.
Saturday	9.00am - 12.30pm.

### **BRIDGERULE OVER 50'S COFFEE CLUB**

The highlight of the coffee morning held on 1<sup>st</sup> December was the delicious anniversary cake and wine supplied by Mavis and Vivian D'praser in celebration of their recent Golden Wedding anniversary.



On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December the coffee club held its annual Christmas lunch, this year at The Molesworth Arms, Pyworthy. 30 members enjoyed an excellent 3-course lunch which was followed by coffee and truffles.

The Christmas lunch became a double celebration when a pot plant and card were presented to Rene Nan who was 86 on the day. (see picture below)

At the final coffee morning of 2009, held on 15<sup>th</sup> December, we welcomed PCSO Beverley Harvey and Father Chris and Mrs Midge Davison. We were also pleased to welcome newcomers to Bridgerule, Eddie and Margaret. A happy group of 36, including both regular and new members, enjoyed the now traditional homemade mince pies and hot mulled wine.



The Coffee Club wishes all members a Happy Christmas and healthy and prosperous New Year, and look forward to seeing all old and new members on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January.

**ANOTHER NEW EVENING CLASS IN BRIDGERULE**

**‘BODYBALANCE’**

**A terrific power yoga class, Tai Chi, Pilates and  
Yoga all set to beautiful music!**

**Suitable for all levels.**

***Give it a go and you’ll be hooked!!***

***Starts Wednesday 20th January 6.30—7.30pm  
Bridgerule Parish Hall—£4.50.***

***Please bring a mat and a blanket for relaxation  
More details available from***

***Sally on 01288 381653/07737600424.***

**BRIDGERULE METHODIST CHAPEL  
Preaching Appointments January and February 2010**

<b>January</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<i>No Service - Circuit Service Bodmin Street</i>
	<b>10th</b>	Mr. C. Drew
	<b>17th</b>	Mrs. S. Cholwill
	<b>24th</b>	Rev A. Merritt - Sacrament
	<b>31st</b>	Mrs. L. Bowden
<b>February</b>	<b>7th</b>	Mrs. M. Elliott
	<b>14th</b>	Mr. J. Hawkins
	<b>21st</b>	Mr. J. Guy
	<b>28th</b>	Mr. P. Cole

***All are very Welcome***

**All services 11.00am.**

## St Bridget's Church Bridgerule

### CALENDAR FOR JANUARY and FEBRUARY

#### January 3rd The Epiphany

We will worship at Pyworthy at 10.30am. Bishop Bob will lead the service and preach. Out two school headteachers, Matthew Barnes of Bridgerule and Stephanie Olliffe, about to take over at Pyworthy, will be commissioned by Bishop Bob.

#### January 10th Plough Sunday - St Pancras Church Pancrasweek. *Blessing of the Ploughs 10.30am.*

*Following services will be held at St. Bridgets at 11.00am.*

<b>January 17th</b>	The Second Sunday of Epiphany	Parish Eucharist
<b>24th</b>	The Third Sunday of Epiphany	Morning Prayer
<b>31st</b>	Candlemass	Parish Eucharist
<b>February 7th</b>	The Second Sunday before Lent	Parish Eucharist
<b>14th</b>	The Sunday next before Lent	Parish Eucharist
<b>21st</b>	The First Sunday of Lent	Morning Prayer
<b>28th</b>	The Second Sunday of Lent	Parish Eucharist

Priest in Charge: Fr Chris Davidson 01409 253547  
Churchwardens: Trevor Bowden 01288 381247  
Peter Harris 01288 381329

#### Bude Community Cinema The Parkhouse Centre Bude

Friday 8th January 2010

*Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince (Cert 12A)*

Friday 29th January 2010

*Coraline (Cert PG)*

*Magical Adventure for the whole family*

*Commences 7.30pm.*

*Admission £4.*



#### DON'T FORGET YOUR MOBILE LIBRARY

**Tuesday January 12th and 26th.**

**Tuesday February 9th and 23rd.**

**Bailey Gardens 10:10**

**Uplands 10:50**

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## CAROL SINGING

Parents, grandparents and children recently went out singing carols around the village. The amount raised was £142.03 which will be distributed between the church, chapel and the school.



The carollers were invited to the school after the second night of singing to some refreshments.

After the carollers had left the school the children enjoyed a sleep over.

They wish to thank everyone who gave a donation.





## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**



<b>Tuesday 12th January</b>	<b>Over 50's Coffee Morning Parish Hall—10.30am.</b>
<b>Wednesday 20th January</b>	<b>Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall - 8.00pm.</b>
<b>Tuesday 26th January</b>	<b>Over 50's Coffee Morning Parish Hall—10.30am.</b>
<b>Tuesday 9th February</b>	<b>Over 50's Coffee Morning Parish Hall 10.30am.</b>
<b>Wednesday 17th February</b>	<b>Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall - 8.00pm.</b>
<b>Saturday 20th February</b>	<b>Litter Pick-Up 2.00pm. Parish Hall.</b>
<b>Tuesday 23rd February</b>	<b>Over 50's Coffee Morning Parish Hall 10.30am.</b>

**The following parishioners and local businesses have kindly agreed to sponsor 'The Buzz'.**

Mr & Mrs. McDougall—Uplands.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ames - 20 Southfields.  
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 St. Bridget's Church - Bridgerule  
 Mr. & Mrs. C. Hitchings  
 Mr. & Mrs. T. Brock.

We are always looking for more sponsorship and remember any monies collected in excess of printing expenses will be donated to a charity.