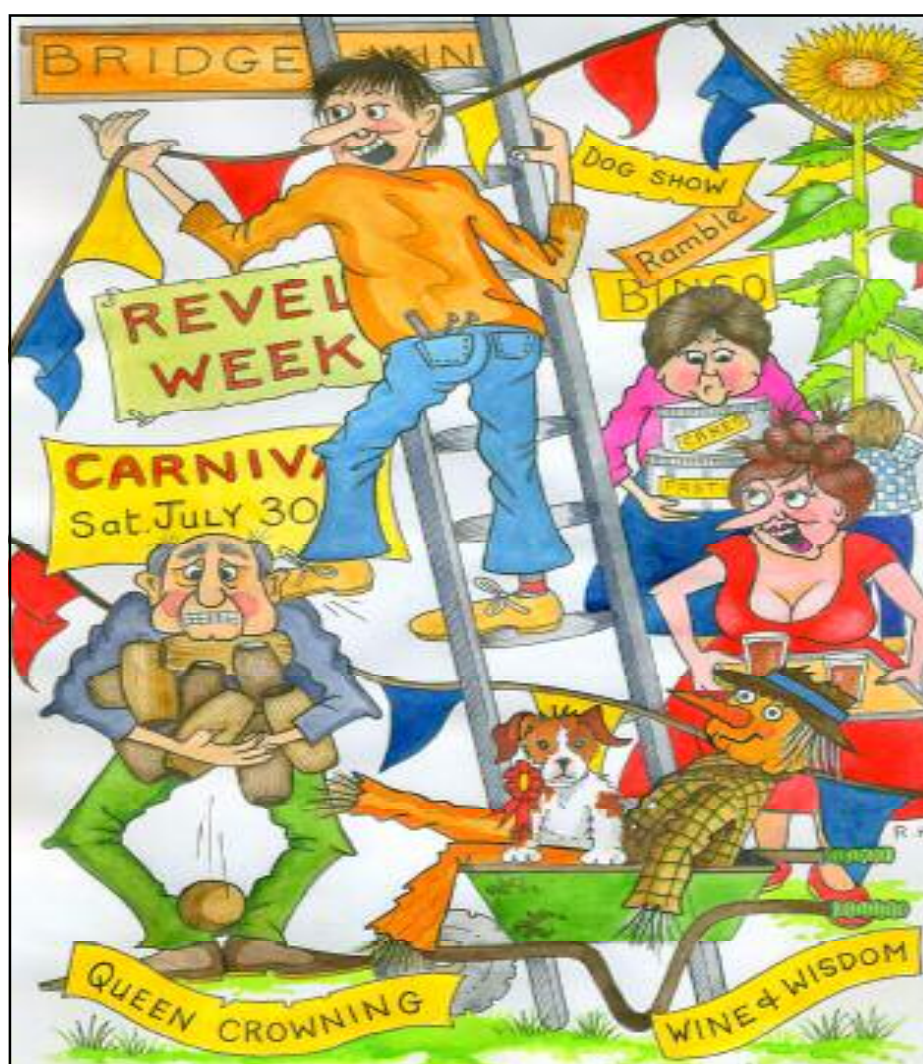


# THE BUZZ

## BRIDGERULE NEWSLETTER

12TH ISSUE

JULY/AUG 2011



**Dear Readers,**

This issue of The Buzz includes a centrefold of events taking place for the forthcoming Revel Week which commences on the 24th July. We hope this will help everyone to know what is happening during this very important week of our village.

Congratulations to those who opened their gardens recently in order that the Devon and Cornwall Air Ambulance could benefit. Also to those who supported them. What a result!

Congratulations to those who completed 'The Ruby Run' and raised money through each of their sponsorships.

If any more readers of 'The Buzz' feel that they would like to support the newsletter by sponsoring it, we would be very grateful. It will only cost you £5 a year! Any income received above the expenditure that we need to print further newsletters will be donated to our new hall fund. In the next issue of The Buzz we hope to bring our readers up to speed about this important project.

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Mrs. Steel who lives at Southfields, sadly lost a sister last Christmas at the age of 63 to meningitis. The late Hilary Lovell left behind a husband and a very young family.

Mrs. Steel now quite naturally feels very passionate about raising awareness of this disease which has symptoms that can be difficult to spot and so she has become involved with 'Meningitis UK'.

The editor was told of this family loss last week when she visited Mrs Steel on another matter and thought that The Buzz could also show its support. So contact with Meningitis UK was made and asked if they could forward enough wallet size symptoms cards to be distributed with this issue of The Buzz.

Obviously as you can see they were delighted that we have made contact and forwarded 350 of these to us.

Meningitis UK was formed in 1999 by a Stephen Dayman, who some years earlier had lost his son, also Stephen, to this disease. This charity is devoted to searching for a vaccine against all forms of meningitis and helping to fund research and raise awareness.

The editor hopes that 'The Buzz' readers feel that these awareness information cards will be useful to have.

If you feel you would like more information on Meningitis UK. This charity can be contacted on 0117 3737373.



The Treasurer of Bridgerule Ladies Skittle Team, Kimberley Cann, is pictured to the left presenting a donation from the club to Sheila Cholwill representing 'The Buzz' Newsletter.

### **Spotlight on Rose Hitchings:**

Rose left school aged 16 and on the last day of term caught the bus into town with several other girls in the hope of getting a job. Their first port of call was at Boots the Chemist in Gloucester where all the girls were ushered into the manager's office at one go. Here they talked in general of home life and hobbies etc. When it was time to leave the manager pointed to four of them and said "You can start work next Monday" - luckily Rose became a member of the Boot's staff and stayed until she married. Rose remembered that jobs and especially shop work was very easy to come by in the 1960's - girls could walk out of one job and straight into another if they didn't like the conditions.

To begin with Rose started on the Chemist counter, moving later into the dispensary. Here she did a two year apprenticeship as a dispenser, learning how to mix up medicines ( in a mortar with pestle), make pills, suppositories, pessaries and ointments. Each item was then wrapped in paper, called white demi and sealed with a blob of red sealing wax. Corks were used in medicine bottles. Ointments mixed on heavy glass slabs. Bees wax and measures of paraffin etc. were melted over a Bunsen burner for powders to be added. Dangerous drugs were kept in a locked cupboard (as were bottles of gin used for dispensing strong drugs to cancer patients) and each time any dangerous drug was prescribed it had to be recorded in a huge leather bound book. Rose said it was really interesting work.

She said the much prescribed contraceptive pill wasn't invented in those early days - items that assisted with contraception were sold on the Surgical Counter (customers needed to approach the frightening Mrs. Pitt) and here too were elastic stockings, first aid items and specially made appliances for hernias (surgical truss) etc etc! Rose said exciting stuff!

After just a few years much of this training wasn't needed as manufactured tablets and capsules became popular and much easier. Rose and other members of staff were supplied with triangular tablet counters which lined the tablets up in rows and stopped the need for endless counting. As a dispenser ALL Rose's work had to be carefully checked by a Pharmacist.

One of the many funny things to happen to Rose during her 'Boots' days was when she was unpacking huge glass containers of Hydrochloric Acid...and unfortunately dropped one on the warehouse floor. With broken glass, unpleasant, choking fumes wafting around and a strange smoke rising she looked down to find her stockings (yes stockings) had melted. The lack of stockings was far more worrying than the dangerous acid all over the floor. Luckily no one came to any harm except Rose's pride!

Rose said her happiest working years were spent as a window dresser at Boots and later she became senior of the chemist counter.



Chris and Rose met at a dance at Cheltenham Town Hall and became engaged after just a few months. They were married in 1971 in the village of Hucclecote in Gloucester. The reception for 30 was held at Rose's parent's home. This cost her dad and mum the grand sum of £22.50. Rose still has the bill!

Their honeymoon was spent cleaning and decorating their Council owned Maisonette in Weymouth where Chris was a newly qualified Trading Standards Officer. In 1974 they moved back to Gloucester and set up their first owned home which received extensive DIY from Chris over the years that they lived there.

Rose then bought a camera and copied old photographs of Hucclecote she acquired from elderly residents. Together with newspaper cuttings etc she filled over 100 ring binder folders of information and also wrote 2 small books on the history of the village. Just before moving to Devon Rose and Chris handed over all the folders to the Gloucester Record Office. Rose said it was quite a sad day for her.

Since Rose has moved to Bridgerule she has begun to do similar recordings of our village events etc which will become a wonderful record in years to come.

James and daughter-in-law Lynsey said they were never going to have children. So with this in mind plus a strong longing to live in lovely Devon where they had spent some happy caravan holidays they moved to Bridgerule in 2004.

Rose and Chris now have a lovely Grandson, Finley aged 5, but say they couldn't move from the village they've got so settled in.

Rose is a member of our Carnival Committee and illustrates so cleverly the front cover of each issue of The Buzz. She paints wonderful pictures (she is too modest to say) cartoons mostly, which she then gets printed into greeting cards and are now being sold in local outlets. She also has some of her work on display in Hatherleigh and Holsworthy. Holsworthy Theatre soon became aware of Rose's talent and now she together with Chris help paint the scenery for their plays and pantomimes.

It appears Rose was never encouraged by her parents to pursue her enjoyment of drawing and painting and she is completely self taught. Her mother thought she might end up a Hippie or worse!

Rose is now a member of Pyworthy Art Group and plays skittles for the village ladies skittle team. Chris is a member of Launceston Male Voice

Choir and Rose says that he likes to play golf on occasions!

A rather special member of the Hitchings family is their Fiat 500 - now 40 years old which has been in the family since new. It was part owned by Chris and his mum. 'Marmaduke', named by Chris's mum has been a wedding car three times. (Rose says for small brides only!) and has also won some trophies.

On Bridgerule Rose says "what a super village; what lovely kind, friendly people" and that they both bless everyday they are here (except when the editor of The Buzz calls and give her and Chris another job to do!). Amongst the plus's that they love about the village are the narrow roads where you can only travel at the speed of the tractor in front. All the village activities that happen during the course of each year and the way that everyone gets together during Carnival Week.



Chris and Rose say that they have had two totally different lives ... Both Town and Country - and this is by far the best.

*As editor of The Buzz I wish to thank Rose most sincerely for all her input into each issue of the newsletter. On behalf of the village I thank both Chris and Rose for all their involvement and support of the village and its events since they came to live here.*

There that's got me a few more Brownie points - what job can I give them to do now!! I don't mean it really. Thank you Rose and Chris.



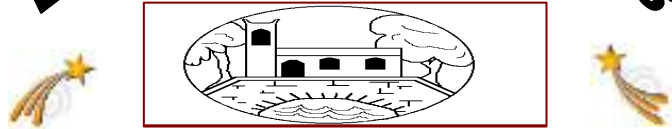
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## OPEN GARDENS What a result!!

What a wonderful day was had on Sunday 19th June. The sun shone and the kind generous people of Bridgerule and beyond came to look around the gardens of nine very charitable people with the help of Chris and Rose Hitchings and members of the Church and the Chapel.

**In total £2950 was collected for the Devon and Cornwall Air Ambulance Trusts and will be divided equally.** *(see photo back page)*

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**Newton Abbott Races**  
 Check Bridge Inn Notice Board for details

**St Bridget's Church, Bridgerule**  
**Priest-in-Charge: Revd Chris Davidson**  
**CALENDAR FOR JULY and AUGUST**  
**SUNDAY SERVICES**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO WORSHIP!**

*A service usually takes place at St Bridget's every Sunday at 11.00am.  
 (unless marked \*)*

**As this is Fr Chris's last month there are several changes.**

**3 July** Second Sunday after Trinity (*also St Thomas*) **11.00am**

**10 July\*** The service today will be at St Pancras, Pancrasweek,  
 at **5.00pm**

'Summer Songs of Praise' with Bishop Bob and the Commendation of  
 the Mission Community followed by a 'Bring and Share' Tea.  
 ALL WELCOME!

**17 July\*** **Benefice Eucharist at 10.30am**  
 the other Churches come to Bridgerule today.

**24 July\*** The service today will be at St Pancras, Pancrasweek, again.  
**Benefice Eucharist at 10.30am**  
 the other Churches will go to Pancrasweek today.

**31 July\*** The service today will be at St Swithun's, Pyworthy.  
**Benefice Eucharist at 10.30am**  
 the other Churches will go to Pyworthy today and the  
 service will be followed by the Summer Picnic in the  
 Rectory Garden.

**7 August** Morning Prayer **11.00am**

**14 August** Parish Eucharist (*Visiting Priest*) **11.00am**

**21 August** Parish Eucharist (*Visiting Priest*) **11.00am**

**28 August** Parish Eucharist (*Visiting Priest*) **11.00am**



## SOUTH WEST WATER - Our Bills!!

**Mrs. Cameron recently found this website re our water charges and if we sign the petition it seems the government may take more notice!!**

**The website is <http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/cut-south-west-water-bills.html>**

***Background so far:-***

The high water bills in the South West, compared to the rest of the UK, has been one of the biggest issues in the region for the last 20 years. It is something many in Devon and Cornwall have been campaigning on all our careers. We are now within touching distance of solving this injustice.

The proposal is to provide £40million every year to reduce the average bill by £50 a year. All that needs to happen for the Government to adopt this proposal fully is to pass through the consultation process, which is currently underway. From there new legislation can be introduced to finalise the change. The more people who respond to the consultation, the more likely it is that the plans will be introduced.

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Saturday	9.00am - 12.30pm.

### **Chris and Rachel continue on their journey.....**

Whilst in Vancouver we cycled around an untouched part of the city called Stanley Park, full of cedar trees and gurgling streams. Rachel described it as the prettiest place she had ever seen. From Vancouver we travelled north to Whistler and met up with Tim Martin, an old friend from Pyworthy. Tim is working and very much enjoying the ski season there and we readily received two days of heavily discounted snowboarding and sightseeing.

We then moved south back into the USA without any trouble from border control to check out a Jimi Hendrix exhibition in Seattle. We were then on the road again driving through Montana ranches and prairies shaped by historic roaming buffalo herds, potato fields of Idaho to the Salt Lakes at Salt Lake City, Utah. We really enjoyed Salt Lake City with extravagant Mormon temples. We visited the salt plains which after losing a bet Rachel licked and confirmed it was salt. To leave Utah we drove the 'loneliest road in America' across Nevada to California. It took two days and should have been a lovely hot desert but unfortunately it was cold and snowy. At one point the condensation was freezing on the inside of the car. On the road we met a beef ranch owner who couldn't answer my questions on stock size or acreage of his ranch. I concluded it was so many it wasn't worth remembering. His comments of dairy farming were 'we could keep it as it was too much work. When we dropped into California we left the snow behind us and we worked out it had been snow and cold for two months straight (not including the English winter). We went straight to the beach before driving through the redwoods. The redwood forest were a humbling feat of nature, some being over 2000 years old, 300 ft tall and 8ft wide. My scale of large changed when on the west coast, so many views were so incredible



it boggled the mind to think that they could exist. The redwoods were definitely one of these. We drove a coastal road, route 1, all the way down and over the Golden Gate Bridge to San Francisco where we met up with Rachel's twin sister and boyfriend who had planned a ten day holiday visit. San Francisco was good but after ten days we were eager to get on the road again. Driving the coast again we visited Mavericks, a famous big wave spot before getting to Santa Cruz. I was surfing a spot called Steamer Lane here with Rachel watching from the cliffs above. From her view point she luckily saw two humpback whales migrating north to feeding grounds in British Columbia. Then was Monterey, a great place to see marine wild-life. Sitting on the pier watching sea otters and listening to noisy sea lions we saw a seagull flying past with a starfish in its mouth. Here we also spent a lot of time watching seals and pups on the beach..

We slowly headed down route 1 camping on beaches before getting to Santa Barbara. Americans love the Royal Family and we got swept up with it all. So, it was here we woke at three in the morning dressed in our best clothes and walked to the English pub to watch the Royal wedding live with a group of fellow British patriots. We enjoyed Pimms and full English breakfast before blearily going back to bed cursing the eight hour time difference. Los Angeles was our next stop. We saw the Thor Premier with stars walking down the red carpet before heading to a Dodgers baseball game. We went up to the Hollywood sign and annoyed the stars by driving around Beverley Hills nosing at all the big houses. Ending LA with a tour around Warner Brothers Studios where we sat on the actual 'Friends' sofa in Central Park.



Leaving LA we went to Sin City and I'm afraid what happens in Las Vegas stays in Vegas! Our route took a change when we realised it was straight through tornado alley and the tornado season was just starting. So we drove to south Utah for a camping trip around the National parks starting with Bryce Canyon, again being blown away by the power of nature, an old Indian Settlement in Arizona and then Zion Park in Utah before heading back to Las Vegas where we flew to Austin, Texas. These parks displayed the red rock formations famous in Western films and were amazing to see and try to fathom earth's long history.

Austin was a music party town similar to Nashville and as we were now making the route up as we went along we stayed a long time before dragging ourselves off to Houston. We visited NASA and took a bus trip to New Orleans. The locals on the bus were still discussing Katrina and even though New Orleans was rebuilt, the hurricane had effected so many people and changed their lives in a very quick time you could still hear and see the aftermath in them. We went to a festival in New Orleans before again getting lost in the night life that was very lively.

Sadly we realised we were on the home stretch after New Orleans and we were driving our last two weeks back to Miami. We camped on beaches along the gulf of Mexico taking night walks to try and spot nesting turtles. We stopped in Tampa to go on roller coasters in Bush Gardens, a theme park my parents had taken my brother, James, and I 15 years ago. Also a Salvador Dali museum in St. Petersburg, as one of our favourite artists this was a great treat. Then that was it, we drove back across the everglades to our return flight from Miami. We had had a great time in the last four and a half months and were sad to leave. It was nothing to what we expected, from the friendliness of the people to the outstanding displays of nature. It was a trip, and now we had to look forward to the brief break in the UK before heading off again ..... soon.



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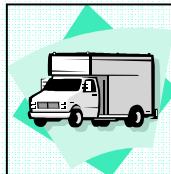
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- **18TH AUGUST 2011**

***Sheila's Mentions:***

Congratulations to **Abigail Cottier**. She will be our new Carnival Queen for 2011. Abigail has chosen **Holly Trayford** to be her attendant.

Our best wishes go to the following pupils of **Bridgerule Primary School** who will be leaving at the end of the Summer term to commence Holsworthy Community College. They are **Abi Cottier, Tia Jenkin, Luke Ingram and Shane Toms**.

Birthday Wishes to **Michael Moore** for the 8th July.

Birthday wishes to **Audrey Bewes** for the 1st August and to Raymond for the 15th August.

Congratulations to **Grant Lathem** on the occasion of his 18th Birthday on the 17th August and Happy Birthday to **Paul**, his dad, on the same day.

Happy Birthday also to **Janet Hallett** on 26th August (think this could be a special one!)

Happy 60th Birthday to **Linda Goodman** on the 29th August

We welcome **Victor and Marilyn Pickett** into Southfields and hope that they will have a happy time living in our village.

Best wishes to **Richard Chidley and his wife Tara and their two children Olivia and Charlotte** who are coming over from Australia to visit Richard's family and friends. Some catching up to do!!

Best Wishes from the Bridgerule ladies skittle teams go to **Katherine Wells** for the 16th July on the occasion of her marriage to **Graham** at Pyworthy Church.

**Bridgerule Cancer Committee** recently held a collection and over three days when customers of Morrisons Bude donated the sum of £1567. Shirley Youldon, Sue Bowden, Clarice and Valerie Harris, Joyce Hammond, Christine Gee and volunteers Ann, Eileen and Sheila were the collectors. New committee members are welcomed please contact Shirley Youldon.

Our thoughts are with **Christine Gee** on the recent death of her husband Reg. We also remember the family of the late **Mrs Ames** who has also passed away and lived at Southfields.

**Cat Palmer**, daughter of John and Carol Palmer, together with her partner, **Hippy**, emigrated to New Zealand 2 years ago. Deciding this was the place where they would like to live permanently they applied for residency and have recently heard that they have been successful. Our best wishes go to both of them.



## BRIDGERULE CARNIVAL WEEK

Sunday 24th - Saturday 30th July

### Sunday 24th July

#### *Crowning of Carnival Queen*

Miss Abigail Cottier

Attendant - Miss Holly Trayford

Parish Hall 3.00pm

Followed by Cream Teas, Cake Stall,  
Sideshowes etc.

United Service 6.30pm Methodist Chapel.



### Monday 25th July

#### *Wine and Wisdom*

Parish Hall - Teams of 6 - Start 7.30pm

Please enter team to Mrs. C. Harris Tel: 01288 381329

### Tuesday 26th July

*Skittle Tournament* - Parish Hall - Licensed Bar applied for.  
Teams of 6 to include 2 ladies.

Enter your team on either 01288 381279 or 01288 381402

### Wednesday 27th July

*Ramble* - Assemble Parish Hall 6.30pm

Tractor/Trailer ride back. BBQ and sideshows to follow.

### Thursday 28th July

*Family Dog Show* - The Ham - 7.00pm (various classes)

The Burger Bar in attendance including teas & coffees.

### Friday 29th July

*Prize Bingo* - Parish Hall - Eyes down 8.00pm

### Saturday 30th July

**CARNIVAL DAY** - Procession leaves the Ham 7.30pm

Followed by Luke's Disco 8.30pm. Licensed bar applied for.

Lions Duck Race during the evening.

**BIDEFORD PIPES AND DRUMS LEAD THE PROCESSION**

## **FAMILY SCARECROW COMPETITION**

**Entry forms from the Post Office**

***Judging begins from Monday 25th July***



## **CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION**

**Any subject - No larger than A3  
(Can use paints, crayons or pencils)**

**Classes 2 - 5 years    6 - 8 years    9 - 11 years**

**Please take completed art work to The Hall  
between 10.00—12 Noon on Wednesday July 27th  
for judging.**

*Entry forms available from the Post Office /Rose Hitchings*

## **TALLEST SUNFLOWER COMPETITION**

**Entry forms available from  
Post Office / Rose Hitchings**



## **FAMILY DECORATED WELLY BOOT / TRAINER**

**Entry forms available  
from Post Office / Rose Hitchings**

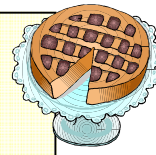
**COOKERY COMPETITION****VICTORIA SANDWICH**

Please take your sponge to The Hall for  
Judging on Wednesday 27th July between  
10.00 - 12 Noon.

**WHEN YOUR BAKING!**

We would be very grateful if you would  
donate a homemade cake, sponge or biscuits  
etc to the **Cake Stall on Sunday 24th July.**  
(Crowning of Carnival Queen)

These can be given to Mrs. C. Harris before or  
taken to the hall after 11.00am on Sunday

**TOMBOLA**

Our Tombola Stall on Carnival night has always  
been well supported by donations of bottles, jars,  
etc from everyone.

Once again we are requesting your gifts which will  
be collected from the 25th July.

*Thank you in anticipation*

**Your Carnival Committee should you require some help are:-**

Sheila Cholwill - Secretary Cindy Neep - Treasurer

**Committee Members** - Rose Hitchings, Audrey Bewes,  
Tanya Peschke, Amanda Linney and Rachel Cann.



**PLEASE SUPPORT THE CARNIVAL  
BY ENTERING A TABLEAUX**

*Tractors can be made available in order that you may enter a float.  
Just contact Sheila on 01288 381350.*

**CARNIVAL DAY**

**TABLEAUX AND FANCY DRESS TO FORM IN THE HAM FROM  
6.00PM**

**LINE DANCE DEMONSTRATION TO TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE  
THE BRIDGE INN**

When the carnival procession have passed the pub and  
before it returns.

**ALSO**

**BBQ - BOTTLE TOMBOLA - GRAND RAFFLE**

**BRING AND BUY—Plants, Produce, Books etc.**

**LUKE'S DISCO FROM 8.30PM**



**FUN DOG SHOW CLASSES  
Thursday 28th July 2011**

**Best Pedigree.**

**Best movement.**

**Dog that looks most like its owner.**

**Prettiest bitch**

**Best short coat.**

**Best condition.**

**The dog the judge would most like to take home.**

**Best child handler.**

**Best crossbred.**

**Most handsome dog.**

**Waggiest tail.**

**Best long coat.**

**Best veteran (7 years and over)**

**Best rescue dog.**

**Best Fancy Dress.**

**The Burger Bar will be selling hot refreshments during the night.**

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

**By**

**John McDougall Tel: 01288 381237 Co-ordinator**

I have had recently three txt messages to my mobile telephone. Each one claims I can be paid for the accident I haven't had. Just delete these txt messages. Do not respond. Unsolicited telephone calls are being received from 'Smart Home Protection'. This firm has no connection with the Police—nor has it their endorsement.

Fly Tipping - anyone seeing someone fly tipping should call the Police on 08452777444 and report it. If you see stuff that has been tipped you can report it to Torridge District Council for collection, eventually, on 01237 428890 or the switchboard on 01237 428700.

Bude is now our nearest Police Station with a front desk. Its opening hours are Tuesday to Friday 10.00 - 2.00pm. and 3.00 -7.00pm.  
Saturday 9.00am - 2.00pm. (not Sunday and Monday)  
Holsworthy Police Station may be available but there is no front desk. Each has a free phone—but that is to their headquarters.

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## **BRIDGERULE** **FOOTBALL CLUB**

At the recent annual dinner of Bridgerule Football Club held at The Bridge Inn presentations were made to the following members:-

Players Player	-	Mark Barlow
Runner Up	-	Chris Pearce
Supporters Player	-	Jedd Peschke
Most Improved	-	Rob Bowden
Club Person	-	Chris Bell
Young Player	-	Jedd Peschke
Trevor Tucker Cup	-	Mark Barlow

As a team they won the Pickard Cup - Quarter finalists in Hutchings Cup and Sub Cup and finished Mid Table in League.  
Top Goal Scorer for season - Todd Peschke.

**The village celebrated the Wedding of Prince William and Katharine on 29th April by holding a Tea Party in the hall which had been appropriately decorated.**

150 residents joined in the celebrations with dads, mums and children playing games and children taking part in karaoke provided by Luke Davy. Everyone then sat down to tea which had been kindly donated by the community. Father Chris and his wife Midge then presented commemorative mugs to those who had requested them.



The event was organised by the Revel Committee with the help of Betty, Pauline, Freda, Chris and Colin.

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### COFFEE CLUB

A presentation was made at the Coffee Club recently on the History and Identification of Fingerprints. It was given by Miss Emily Johnston, youngest daughter of Alec and Pat Johnston of Southfields. She is Trainee Fingerprint Officer of the Wiltshire Police. It was an extremely interesting talk and there was quite a lively question and answer session after the presentation. It was hosted by Gwyneth and Ron Cameron.

Miss Johnston pointed out that identical twins have the same DNA but they do not have the same fingerprints. She also told those present about a drugs bust where the person had taken off his socks to prevent him leaving his fingerprints but that he had left very identifiable footprints!

Miss Johnston & PCSO Beverley Harvey



Mr & Mrs. Cameron with Emily



**BRIDGERULE METHODIST CHAPEL  
PREACHING APPOINTMENTS**

<b>3rd July</b>	<b>- Mr. B. Bryne</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>
<b>10th July</b>	<b>- No Service</b>	
<b>17th July</b>	<b>- Mrs. S. Cholwill</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>
<b>24th July</b>	<b>- Rev. John Henry</b>	<b>9.30am.</b>
	<b>(sacrament)</b>	
	<b>UNITED REVEL SERVICE</b>	<b>6.30pm.</b>
	<b>Rev. Beth McDowell</b>	
<b>31st July</b>	<b>- No Service</b>	
<b>7th August</b>	<b>- Mr. M. Symons</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>
<b>14th August</b>	<b>- Mrs. Squire</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>
<b>21st August</b>	<b>- No Service</b>	
<b>28th August</b>	<b>- Mr. P. Craig</b>	<b>11.00am.</b>



At a recent united service at the Methodist Chapel Mrs. Sheila Cholwill thanked both Rev. Beth McDowell and Father Chris for the helpfulness and support which they had shown not only to the church but to the parish of Bridgerule.

Mrs. Marion Abbott presented each of them with a gift and a signed card from the members and friends of the chapel.

Rev. Beth McDowell is moving to be in charge of four chapels in Exmouth and Father Chris is due to retire and will be moving with his wife Midge to East Sussex.

*On behalf of the Buzz readers we wish them well.*

### **WATCH OUT WATCH OUT .....JIMMY CROW COULD BE ABOUT!**

Some weeks ago Stephen and Sandie of No.26 couldn't believe what they were witnessing Mr. Jimmy Crow at 7.00 in the morning was perched on the car parked outside of their window pecking off bits of its windscreen wipers and littering the road! Sandie's brother, whose car was being 'decrowed' decided enough was enough and wrapped the wipers in bubble wrap. Undeterred Jimmy Crow then moved on to No.18 and did the same to Jim's car. Jim quickly covered up his windscreen wipers and thought that would be the end of that. Well ... it was for Jim but Mr. Crow decided he would go next door to No.16 and try out Terry's windscreen wipers. Terry too, soon got the better of Jimmy Crow but it appears unknown to Stephen and Gloria at No.8 this very persistent bird has been seeing nibbling at their wipers too. Although this kind of nibbling appears to have stopped it seems when Jimmy crow gets 'peckish' he doesn't go to 'Tree Tops Restaurant' he goes to No. 24 where Pat lives and when she's not practicing her 'Line Dancing' she loves to feed the birds, allowing plenty of food for all. But not grateful for what's put out for him, Jimmy Crow goes and taps on Pat's kitchen window telling her that all the food has gone and its about time she did a top up!! Sometimes he overshoots his normal landing strip and gives John and Jean over the hedge a very early call with all the sound effects and acting skills as if he is going for best 'scare crow'!

The moral of this tale is that when Jimmy Crow gets fed up with Southfields although he does seem quite persistent, he may well come visiting you!

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The ringers practising their round.  
Or maybe ringing a new change,  
To extend their present range.  
They concentrate with arms so strong,  
To play the bells melodious song.

The bells once needed much repair,  
And empty silence filled the air.  
Village folk gave generously to fill,  
The money coffers to pay the bill.  
So that once again the bells could chime  
As they had pealed for countless times.

The long slow solemn funeral toll,  
Death of a dear departed soul.  
Or the sudden joyous surge,  
As the bride and groom emerge.  
And the summons to quiet prayer,  
To know that God is always there.  
So in this little church which stands,  
In this lovely Devon land,  
The bells, high in the tower above,  
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We would also like to thank Freda & Pauline for organizing the raffle, John Vernon Door & Security, The Crown & Sceptre Holsworthy and a huge thank you to High Tide for a fantastic show & lowering their fee due to the poor turn out.

Lastly to our family and friends who never let us down.

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 Stephen and Sandie - Southfields  
 John - The Fish and Chip Van

**Also those who did not wish to be named**

**REMINDER:**

Anything you wish to be printed in the next issue of The Buzz must be with the editor by 20th August. Many thanks.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 5th July **Over 50's Coffee Morning** Parish Hall 10.30am.

Tuesday 19th July **Over 50's Coffee Morning** Parish Hall 10.30am.

Wednesday 20th July **Parish Council Meeting** Parish Hall 8.00pm.

Sunday 24th July **CARNIVAL WEEK BEGINS**  
*See centrefold of Buzz for all details*

Tuesday August 2nd **Over 50's Coffee Morning** Parish Hall 10.30am.

Sunday August 14th **CASH BINGO Hedley Wood Caravan Park**  
*All proceeds for new Bridgerule Hall Project. 8.00pm.*

Tuesday August 16th **Over 50's Coffee Morning** Parish Hall 10.30am

Wednesday 17th August **Parish Council Meeting** Parish Hall 8.00pm

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