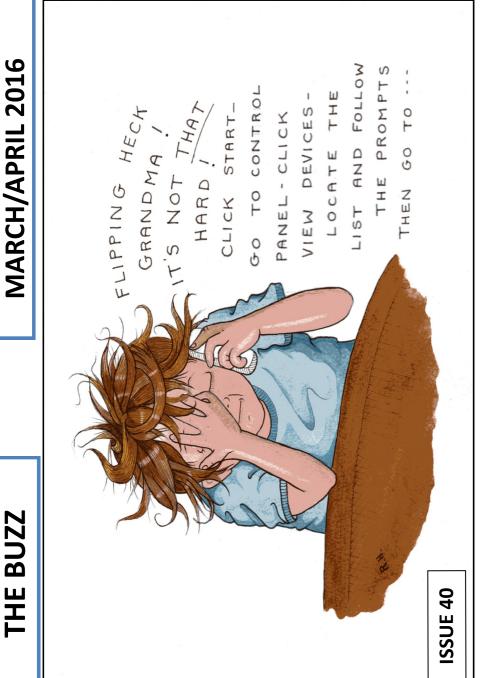
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Dear Buzz Readers,

Disappointingly it seems no matter how many times we request those dog owners who are resisting to comply with the law to pick up after their pet, it simply does not happen. The dog warden has been informed of the situation and in particular of the areas of our lovely village that is bad. He is now making regular visits and says fines are instant!

Your continued support to The Buzz has meant that I am now able to donate another £1000 to the hall. Many thanks.

Please remember that if you would like me to mention something in the next Buzz I would love to have it, but get it to me by 20th April.

Sheila Cholwill Editor sheilacholwill@btinternet.com Tel:01288 381350

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 Happening in our Village Hall.

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SATURDAY MARCH 19TH

Doors Open 7.15pm Eyes down 8.00pm

Meat Flyer - Cash Flyer - Raffle

Licensed Bar applied for

Proceeds for Tetcott Hunt



MONTHLY TABLE TOP SALE BRIDGERULE VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 5TH MARCH 2016 SATURDAY 2ND APRIL 2016

TRADERS £5 A TABLE - Can set up from 12.00 Noon

PLEASE show your support to this regular sale even if its just to browse and have a cup of tea/coffee and a piece of cake.

Enquiries to Sheila on 01288 381350

HOLSWORTHY HISTORY SOCIETY

Invite you to join them at their entertaining, interesting and varied meetings

Meetings are held at The Skills Centre Holsworthy 7.15pm on Second Thursday of each month. (Except Month of August)

March 10th Speaker Tom Soby
A Dartmoor Guide, talking on "Curious Cornwall"

April 14th Author Janet Few
Memories and how to write about "Remember then...."

Visitors £3.00 to include Tea/Coffee and Biscuits

WANTED PLEASE:

Maybe you have a supply of buttons in a button tin/box that you no longer make use of. Well, if you do, Christine Gee would very much like to hear from you for her craft project. Telephone: 01288 381033

Advance notice - Bridgerule Open Gardens 2016



Anne Swithinbank (Gardeners World and Gardeners Question TIme) and her husband John have kindly agreed to open the 10th Anniversary Open Gardens in our village this year at 11am on **Sunday 19th June** in aid of the Devon and Cornwall Alr Ambulance.

They will spend the day touring the gardens, meeting owners and visitors.

Entry to all gardens for the day (11am -5 pm) is only £4. Tea, coffee, light lunches and cream teas are available, alongside plants for sale, a prize draw and a cake stall.

More details nearer the time but make a note in your diaries now!

CAN YOU HELP US?

For the 10th Anniversary of Open Gardens the committee would like to make the village look really 'flowery'. They would like your help by planting up a container and displaying it outside of your house for Open Gardens Day.

A basket or planter would be great but maybe you have some old wellies or boots you could plant up. It really doesn't matter whether the container is unusual or not.

Sheila's Mentions:

Birthday Wishes to:

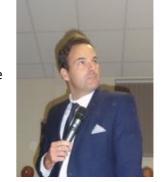
Peter Green for the 8th March
Mrs B. McDougall 94 on the 8th March . Congratulations.
Sarah Tomlin for the 10th March
Fi O'Reilly for the 12th March.
Freda Lacey for the 18th March A special one?
John McDougall for the 5th April
Rose Hitchings for the 7th April.... A special one?
Georgina Tomlin for the 20th April
Liz James for the 21st April
James Davey for the 22nd April
Jedd Peschke for the 22nd April
Hazel Cann for the 22nd April
Richard Keen 96 on the 22nd April Congratulations.

Our thoughts are with **John Gillett of Southfields** on the sudden death of his wife Caroline.

We are also very grateful to John for donating a wheelchair to The Village Hall.

Best Wishes go to Rosie Beat of The Mill.

I'm disappointed to hear as I'm sure some of you will be too, that this young man won't be coming to Bridgerule until May 2017! He just can't fit us in!



Our last **Table Top** although not many tables were sold it was highly successful in raising money for our Hall Table Top and I would like to thank **Christine, Sheila, Brenda, Barry and Sarah** for the their continued help and support.

Please remember your donations to it are still required and we are very grateful for them.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

"We live in a virtually crime free village, thankfully. However... now the bad part—at the Table Top sale on February 6th someone took the money out of the Honesty Box which is there if you borrow or buy books or DVD's from the village library.

I hope they didn't get much—but what a low life is that? Honestly!

And the next day. Well! You wouldn't want someone tall and slight and hooded in their wet anorak walking in to your kitchen—offering to sell toys? No matter what else they were doing it wasn't selling toys.

I hesitate to say keep your doors locked even though you are in your own house. BUT consider your own property—can anyone walk in? Only you know. Thankfully, again, he just turned and left on being told to do so, but it could be very frightening.

101 is the phone number to contact the police to report incidents, not for emergencies. Now you can email 101 to report incidents and get a follow-up, its address is 101@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

Phone 999 in an emergency situation.

Do take care. Only you can.

John McDougall

Tel: 01288 381237



A senior lady consulted the doctor about her constipation.

'I haven't moved my bowels for ten days' she said.

'Oh dear', said the doctor, Yes, I can see why that would be a problem. Have you done anything about it? 'Yes', she replied, 'I sit in the toilet for three-quarters of an hour in the morning and then again in the evening'.

'No', said the doctor, 'I mean do you take anything?'
'Of course I do', she snapped, 'I take a book'.



A few weeks ago 19 readers of The Buzz travelled to The Barclaycard Arena to see one of their favourite television shows. Strictly Come Dancing Live tour had come to Birmingham. After an early start from Holsworthy our coach was in Birmingham in time for lunch. We did have a slight hiccup upon entering the city, when the coach broke down. Luckily for us the other coach driver was also a mechanic and we were soon on our way again.

After having lunch we made our way to the arena and began to take in the atmosphere, sitting amongst 7000 others all eagerly waiting to see the likes of Jay McGuiness and Aliona, Georgia Foote and Giovanni, Anita Rani and Gleb and Helen George and Alijaz.

The regular judges of Strictly were there too and the host was bake off presenter Mel, who's off the cuff humour was brilliant.

All too soon it was over with Jay and Aliona receiving The Glitter Ball for the afternoon's show.

Those that hadn't been before want to go again and those that had been a few times still want to go again so Strictly Live Tour 2016 HERE WE COME!!

ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH SERVICES



March 6th Mothering Sunday 11.15am Family Service

13th 11.15am Morning Prayer

20th 11.15am Eucharist

24th Maundy Thursday 6.30pm Stripping of Altar

27th Easter Day 11.15am Eucharist



On Thursday February 11th Mr David Fitzsimmons, Executive Head of the Holsworthy Federation of Schools visited Bridgerule C of E (VC) Primary School. The Rural Dean Rev'd Fr Christopher Penn was leading one of his regular Collective Worships at the school. in which the children participated in a very interactive session on the Anglican Creed and the meaning of Shrove Tuesday and the commencement of Lent.

Happy Mother's Day



To all Mums, Grandmas, Step-Mums, Foster Mums and those Mums in Heaven. Happy Mothering Sunday. X

March 6th

BRIDGERULE VILLAGE COFFEE CLUB

At the recent regular Coffee Club Morning Jenny Richardson was introduced and welcomed. Jenny is the Community and Events Fundraiser of the newly built Long House in Holsworthy and she came to give a short talk on her involvement with it.

She mentioned in her talk how The Long House can support a member of a family living with a life-limiting illness nearer to their home or how it can support a whole family when necessary. Jenny also confirmed that no medical treatment or overnight beds would be available at The Long House. A collection for The Long House was taken at the end of the







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BRIDGERULE SHORT MAT BOWLS WINNERS

Our Bridgerule Short Mat Bowls Club, now 2 years old ran its third Club competition in January.

Teams of three played each other over three weeks earning two points for a win and one point for a tie. It turned out to be the closest run competition to date with the teams being so closely matched that the winning margin was just one point. Most of all, it was tremendous fun.

The winning team comprised Sally Allison, Fiona O'Reilly and Alan Quilter - all first time winners.

The Club plans to run the next event in the summer after acquiring its second new mat.

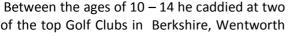
If you are Interested in becoming a member?

We play on Friday afternoons from 2 pm to 4.30pm and have space for two new members. In you are interested in joining us, you are welcome to come along and give it a try. We will supply all the woods and guarantee you a warm welcome.

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Spotlight onVictor Pickett

Victor was born on 23rd January 1942 at The Princess Christian Hospital in Windsor (opposite Windsor Castle). He attended Ascot Heath Church of England School where he played football for the Juniors and was the youngest boy to play for the Seniors. In 1953 Victor joined the All Saints Parish Church Choir and eventually became Head Choir Boy.





and Sunningdale. Caddying for the likes of Douglas Bader, the flying ace of the 2nd World War and Lord Brabazon. As a young lad he spent time working on a nearby farm picking up potatoes and milking cows. He also became a "runner" at the Royal Ascot Race Course. Here Vic was allocated a spectators box, where he would be responsible for getting food and drink for the race goers in his box.

In 1956 Victor passed an entrance exam to go to Wick Hill Secondary Modern in Bracknell where he studied for his Royal School of Arts. Whilst there he won the school Badminton Shield, played for the school football team and was selected alongside 64 boys from England to go on a football course under the supervision of Walter Winterbottom at Bisham Abbey in Marlow. Most of the boys were affiliated to professional football clubs and on the last day they played Wycombe Wanderers who were one of the top amateur football clubs. Victor was chosen as one of the 13 players to play but ended up as linesman. Wycombe Wanderers won 1-0 and the losing side decided to throw Victor into the River Thames, claiming he should have flagged an offside when the only goal was scored.

About three months before Victor was due to leave Wick Hill he was given a tip off, about an apprenticeship coming up for a Compositor at a local printing firm just behind the Royal Ascot Race Course. Victor applied and was fortunate enough to be offered the job and served his five year apprenticeship. During this time he also gained his City and Guilds at a nearby Technical College.

In 1959 Victor joined Bracknell Town Football Club and played for them for 6 years starting in The Great Western Combination League, followed by The Surrey Senior League.

After completing his apprenticeship in 1963 Victor started working as a Compositor with Windsor, Slough and Eton Express. Firstly on the jobbing side and then on the weekly paper and worked himself up to an Overseer. Victor was very much into football and together with his friend formed a team called Oxley Sports where they enjoyed much success including winning the Southern Area Cup, beating Kent in the final. Victor played centre half and enjoyed many games against Peter Osgood before Peter joined Chelsea.

Victor then re-joined Bracknell Football Club and it was whilst here he met his first wife. They moved to Staines in Middlesex where he joined the Staines Football Club. After one season Vic moved to Maidenhead into a new housing association flat where he joined Vandervale Football Club as a player manager. He applied for a job at George Pulman and Son's Limited Printers, based in Milton Keynes only coming home at weekends. Later he moved to be near his work and joined the firm's football club.

Vic then began golf lessons and it wasn't long before he showed an aptitude for the game by joining Windmill Hill Golf Club in 1974. In 1978 he was voted on to the committee, becoming Vice Captain in 1982 and playing off a 7 handicap. The following year he became captain and qualified for the Howson-Algraphy Pro-Am National Final after qualifying through Calcot Park Golf Club where he was drawn with Neil Coles. Together they finished with a net 60 and eventually found out that they had won the tournament.

Whilst Vic was
Captain at Windmill
he played golf all over
Berkshire and
Buckinghamshire with
The Captains Society.



Unfortunately Vic was made redundant in April 1985 but after a few months began working at another printing firm Kestrel Origination. It was here that he met Marilyn.

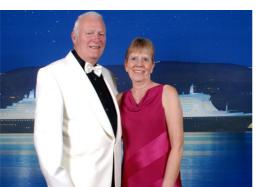
They moved to Towcester and Marilyn gave up her job in order to provide 24 hour care for Vic's mum. Sadly she passed away later in the year. Vic and Marilyn married but in 1995 Vic found himself redundant again but a friend fortunately offered him franchise on a Video Shop. The following year Vic had a phone call from an old boss asking him to work for him at The Northants Herald and Post. He accepted and after just six months he was offered the position of full-time Composing Room Overseer .Later he retrained as a Mac Operator and took charge of the Property Paper which consisted of about 60 pages and was printed weekly. In 2004 he was made redundant and decided to take early retirement but began a successful

cleaning business with Marilyn.
In 2009 Vic appeared on "Who
Wants to be a Millionaire" with
Chris Tarrant but did not make it to
the chair. Vic and Marilyn spent a
wonderful day at Elmstree Studios
and saw one lucky person from
Torquay win £125,000!



In 2011 the couple decided on an easier life style moving to the West Country. They spent a week in Bradworthy viewing 30 houses and bungalows before deciding on their present home in Southfields.

Victor and Marilyn have 3 daughters and 7 grandchildren who live in Milton



Keynes and Nottingham. They have enjoyed 4 cruises, travelling to New York, Canada, St. Petersburg and The Canaries. Both Vic and Marilyn are members of the village Short Mat Bowls Club. Victor is also a member of Holsworthy Golf Club and is trying very hard to get his

handicap down but says this is not proving successful at the moment. Victor says that they are enjoying living in the village and have met some lovely people and made many friends. *The Editor thanks Victor for his Spotlight and thanks both him and Marilyn for their support to our village.*

BRIDGERULE METHODIST CHAPEL



March 6th	Mr and Mrs J. Turner	11.00am
13th	Mrs. S. Risdon	11.00am
20th	Rev. Neal Street Sac	11.00am
27th	Mr. J. Guy	11.00am
April 3rd	Mr. C. Parish	11.00am
10th	Mrs D. Stokes	11.00am
17th	Mr. M. Reeves Sac	11.00am
24th	M. Street	11.00am

THANK YOU

John Gillett of Southfields wishes to thank those who attended Caroline's funeral service held at Barnstaple. He also wishes to thank all those who made donations to the Guide Dogs for the Blind (Caroline's Charity). The total amount raised was £600 which John has now forwarded to the charity.

Ladies do you fancy a night out?

Now I may have your attention I will continue

It looks like Bridgerule Ladies Skittle Club after being in the Holsworthy and District League for many years will be folding at the end of this season.

Why? Well, we are short of players.

Interested?

You do not have to drive. Some of us get lost travelling around the countryside sometimes but we always get home and that adds to the adventure! It won't cost you much, free light refreshments most weeks and it's a bit of fun. So come on girls why not give it a go and call Audrey on 381402 or Angela on 381437 and join us!

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Wild March by Marie Field

With lashing, icy, biting, winds.
March like a lion comes roaring in.
Folks hasten to batten down the hatches,
And fasten swinging doors upon their latches.
Great gusts of wind tearing hats from heads,
Folks fearing for the roofs of their garden sheds.
And livestock hating the strong cold winds,
And in their homes, pets a preference to stay in.
Disdainful cats with ruffled fur,
And dogs their unpleasant walks demur.

But with stoic patience folk await a change,
Surely no more gales and rain.
Hopes of yellow daffodils to appear,
A golden blessing to cheer Winter's drear.
And knowing wild March the harbinger of Spring,
A herald of the lovely gift it brings.
Restless birds with thoughts of building nests,
For from young chicks they will have no rest.
Tempestuous March now slows its pace,
With the green of nature now showing its face.
And wild life emerging to greet the day,
For an air of promise now holds sway.

Contented cows now grazing on lush young grass,
And folks steps lighter as they pass.
With heartening thoughts of sunny days ahead,
Rising no longer in darkness from warm beds
March, destined to lose cold winters chill,
To meet the soft sweet air of fresh April.
A magical month of sparkling showers and sun.
The delicate green of leaves, wild life with their young.

A new wondrous, bright, shining, countryside,
A fresh lovely creation for our Eastertide.
And true the old saying handed down man to man,
'March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb'.



Bridgerule Table Tennis Club (BTTC)

We are a friendly group of people who meet every Tuesday afternoon to play table tennis under the expert guidance of Jill Knightley. The club started just over two years ago and has been going from strength to strength with typically between ten and sixteen people now playing each week.

In September we decided to put a team into the North Cornwall league (division 3) and to our great surprise we have more than held our own. Currently we are lying in second place in the league and also are through to the semi-finals of the league cup which we play this Friday (19th February). What an achievement it would be if we could get through to the final in our first year! The three players who have played for in the league are Audrey Bewes, Jimmy Rickett and Alan Quilter.



Alan and Jimmy won the semi-final 4-1 and so are through to the Final due to be held on March 7th. Congratulations and Good Luck from us all!



RALLY AND OBEDIENCE

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Or Margaret on Tel: 01288 352427

DONATION TO LITTLE HARBOUR



Sheila is seen presenting a cheque for £4000 to Mary Murfin, Community Fund Raiser for Little Harbour Children's Hospice St Austell on behalf of the Cholwill family. This was money raised from the sale of reindeers grandad Colin made this Christmas to support their favourite charity.

ROSE AND CHRIS ACKNOWLEDGED FOR THEIR HARD WORK

Once again Rose and Chris Hitchings got Involved with painting scenery at the Holsworthy theatre. This time for the Panto Dick Whittington. Rose is given a scrip to read in October and then designs some of the scenes on paper, presenting her ideas to the Producer at a meeting just before the work begins Oct/Nov. This year there were more scenes than usual and



Rose and Chris completed 7 while the other team of 3 ladies did 3. Rose also designs the posters and programme covers.

After the final performance on the Saturday (14 performances in all) there was a party on stage where everyone involved is asked along. Bouquets and gifts are given out and the chairman gives a speech of thanks. It was here that Rose and Chris learned that they were to be presented with the 'Wonnacott Trophy' which is given out each year – by votes from members – to people they feel have given an 'Outstanding Contribution to the Society'.

Rose and Chris are to have their own engraved trophy in the near future. They also learned that evening that some of Roses' programme designs have been submitted for an amateur theatre competition. Rose wishes it to be known that she couldn't do it without Chris's help – he does the hard work with a 16" roller, helps



with measuring and getting levels right, paints the easy bits, cleans the



brushes and makes the coffee etc. All members give their time and skills voluntarily.

2 of the scenes Rose created for this years Panto.



TWO NEW READERS OF THE BUZZ WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THEMSELVES!

Ray has been practicing the skill, known as lampworking since the 1960's and is an acknowledged master of his craft

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Hello!

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I have been a self employed gardener for 18 years, specializing in plants for places, small landscaping projects and general maintenance.

Roger Paget

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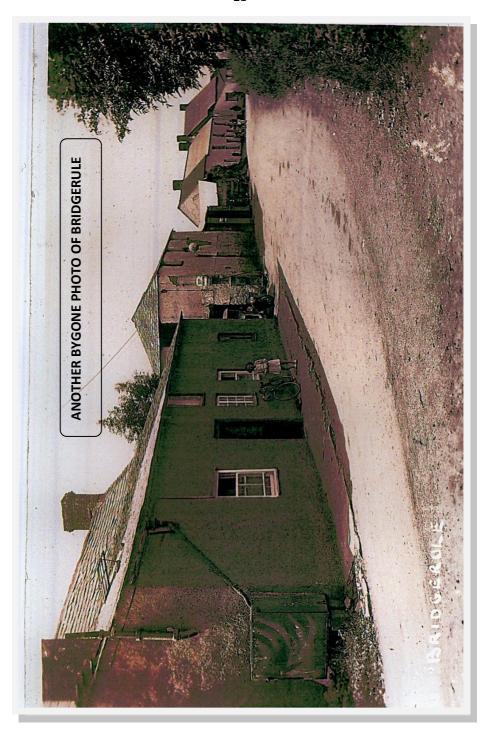
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A meeting of Bridgerule Parish Council was held on Wednesday 17th February.

The following plans were discussed:

Re-apply due to time lapse -

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Extension to Existing Agricultural Engineers Business

Messrs. Short and Abbott Limited

Discharge of Section 106 1/0167/2016/SEC106

Brigia, Bridgerule

Members of the Council showed their support to both applications.

The matter of the state of the road surface at **Littlebridge Hill** was discussed and the Clerk was requested to make a report to DCC Highways.

It was reported that the dog warden is now making regular visits to the village.

Key Concerns!

A senior couple were arguing about the wife's habit of leaving her car keys in the ignition. 'But if I take them out of the ignition, darling, I can never find then again', she explained. 'That's as may be', said the husband, 'but what happens if someone steals the car?'

'No problem', the wife replied. 'I keep a spare set of keys in the glove compartment'.

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