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The Secretary writes....

As 'Valley and Valence', aka the 'Parish Mag', goes to print for this double June-July issue, it falls to me to tell you that we have not been successful in finding a voluntary replacement for our retiring Editor, Graham Herbert. Other avenues continue to be investigated and I feel sure that you, like the PCC, very much hope that this will not be the final issue of a magazine, that has been in print since 1970. I would urge anyone who feels they could step into the breach to contact me or Dick Corbett-Winder.



A far more pleasant task for me, on behalf of the PCC of The Winterbournes, is to thank Graham for the superb way in which he has fulfilled this role. Graham volunteered for the post 7 years ago – resulting in three score and ten issues of a thoroughly professional, accurate, beautifully illustrated and humorous guide to what's going on in the Winterbourne Valley and Compton Valence. He has consistently encouraged us all to contribute articles, news of events and photographs, even when some of us have been less than diligent in getting everything to him on time. All of this has been achieved while juggling his own business, extended family commitments and a love of travel.

The magazine is delivered by a volunteer team to every house in the district free of charge and this, understandably, makes it very popular with local advertisers, who provide the necessary funding. It is not simply a 'Church' Magazine; it is one for the whole community and has recently been recognised by the Bishop of Sherborne (who sees a lot of Parish Magazines) as "the best in Dorset"!

Who could ever forget Graham's superb photographs, not to mention the hidden jokes that accompanied the cover picture, reflecting his ready wit? A personal favourite among the latter was the Christmas-in-the-snow cover photo with credits to a mysterious local family, 'Dee P. & Chris P. & Ethan'! The publication of 'Along The Winterbournes', showed not only his incredible skill behind the camera, but also his skills in graphic design that have lain behind so many years of attractive magazines for us all.

Graham, we salute and thank you for so much unseen work bringing news and views to us all. And please, while enjoying your 'retirement', keep taking the photographs!

Alison Crawford

Secretary to the PCC of The Winterbournes

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The Parish of the Winterbournes

There is a single Parochial Church Council for Martinstown, Steepleton and Abbas but each parish church retains its own local church committee.

Churchwardens – Dick Corbett-Winder (889410), Ellie Sturrock (07980 089470), Joy Parsons (889611), Roddy Kilpatrick (889238) PCC Hon. Secretary – Alison Crawford (889377) PCC Hon. Treasurer – Bruce Robertson

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Dorchester and The Winterbournes Team Website: www.dorchesteranglican.info

Any of the above can be approached in the first instance for Baptism, Marriage, Home Communion or just a visit and they would welcome being told when anybody has been bereaved or is ill. They have answerphones for you to leave a message.

If you want us to remember anything or anyone in the public prayer of the Church, we would be glad to do this as long as permission of the person involved is assured.



Sun 23 June and Sun 28th Julyboth at 5pmAll welcomeSt Martin's Church, Martinstown

An informal service centred on worship, prayer and the bible. We will begin with light refreshments, followed by music led worship at **5.15**.

'It's Show Time' charity concert...

Many of you will have come to the recent fund-raising concert at St Martin's Church on 11th May and enjoyed the One Voice choir singing a selection of songs from popular musicals. It was a wonderful evening's entertainment and a great success as a fund-raiser for My Place Dorset, one of the parish's chosen charities for this year. After expenses we were able to send them £700, a real tribute to all the hard work of Dick, Alison, Sally and the many helpers who made it all happen.

Thank you very much to everyone who supported this event and made it such an enjoyable occasion.

John Crawford

CHURCH CALENDAR

10.00

11.00

SUNDAY 2 JUNE - 7th OF EASTER

Holy Communion

Holy Communion

SUNDAY 9 JUNE	- PENTECOST	
08.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	Martinstown
09.30	Holy Communion	Compton Valence
11.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Stee
SUNDAY 16 JUN	E – TRINITY SUNDAY	
10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abb
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown
18.00	Songs of Praise	Martinstown
SUNDAY 23 JUN	E – 1st AFTER TRINITY	
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown
17.00	Church@Five	Martinstown
SUNDAY 30 JUN	E – 2nd AFTER TRINITY	
11.00	Holy Communion	Compton Valence
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SUNDAY 7 JULY - 3rd AFTER TRINITY

10.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Holy Communion

SUNDAY 14 JULY - SEA SUNDAY

08.00	Holy Communion (BCP)
09.30	Holy Communion
11.00	Holy Communion

SUNDAY 21 JULY – 5th AFTER TRINITY

10.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Holy Communion

SUNDAY 28 JULY – 6th AFTER TRINITY

11.00 Holy Communion 17.00 Church@Five

> Find us on Facebook Did you know that the 3 churches in the Winterbournes Parish are now on Facebook? You can 'like' and 'follow' for news and photos from St Michael's, St Mary's and St Martin's.

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Poundbury Quiet Day at the Quiet Space in Poundbury on Saturday 22nd June 2019

Refreshments from 10.30am.

Sue will be leading on 'Walking with Ruth' The day will end with tea, coffee and cake at 3pm - 3.30pm.

Please bring a Bible, notebook, pen and packed lunch.

E-mail Caroline on carolineellerby@phonecoop.coop or ring 01305 459622 to book a place.

No charge but donations on the day welcome

Poundbury Quiet Day at the PUDDLETOWN CHURCH ROOMS on Saturday 13th July 2019

Refreshments from 10.30am.

Caroline will be leading on the topic of 'The Breath of God'.

The day will end with tea, coffee and cake at 3pm - 3.30pm.

Please bring a Bible, notebook, pen and packed lunch.

E-mail Caroline on carolineellerby@phonecoop.coop or ring 01305 459622 to book a place.

Charity Quiz Night

with Ploughman's Supper and Bar

Saturday, 20 July at 7pm • Martinstown Village Hall

in aid of **The Helwel Trust**

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Tickets cost £8 to include a ploughman's supper, up to eight people in a team. Tickets available from – Martinstown Village Store: 01305 889547

Celia Benson: 01305 889466 Cathie Siegal: 01305 889244





The MAR

GE HALL Notice Board

MONDAY		
Baby & Toddler Group	10.00am - 12noon	Contact: Lizzie Walden - Tel: 07949 639011
Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	5.30pm - 7.30pm	Contact: Sue Gower - Tel: 01305 889388
Valley Club (3rd Monday in month)	7.30pm - 10.00pm	Contact: Pat Willets - Tel: 01305 568458
TUESDAY		
Botanical Art Group (term times only)	9.30am - 12.30pm	Contact: Geoff Roberts - Tel: 01305 815735
Dance Group	2.30pm - 4.30pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248
Badminton	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Contact: Trevor Elliot - Tel: 01305 267897
WEDNESDAY		
Chair-based Exercise	11.15am - 12.30pm	Contact: Suzanne Fellows-Joyce - Tel: 01308 281882
W.I. (2nd Wednesday in month)	6.45pm - 9.00pm	Contact: Jan Griffiths - Tel: 01305 889738
Beginners Dance	8.00pm - 10.00pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248
THURSDAY		
Art Group	10.00pm - 1.00pm	Contact: Teresa Blades - Tel: 01305 889947
Dance Group	2.30pm - 4.30pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248
Strong by Zumba	6.30pm -	Contact: Henni - Tel: 07983 438388 Alex - Tel: 07377 095114
FRIDAY		
Keep Fit Class	10.15am - 11.30am	Contact: Suzanne Fellows-Joyce - Tel: 01308 281882
Bingo (Every other Friday)	7.00pm - 9.30pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248

Chairperson: Jane Jones – Tel: 01305 889202

Bookings: Ann Matthews – Tel: 889248 or email: ronann.matthews@btinternet.com

Martinstown Women's Institute



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At our meeting in May, Derek Marsh gave us a very interesting talk about the history of cheese which is one of the oldest foods in the world going right back to the Egyptians and Romans. In this country cheese was produced in the monastries. In the 16th century milk was contaminated with TB but with the invention of pasteurisation it is now a high tech operation and there are 700 different English cheeses. Following his talk we enjoyed sampling three of the best – Wensleydale, Stilton and Cheddar.

Our next meeting will be on 12th June at 7 pm in the Village Hall when we will be having a talk from Ian Williamson on Peru.

On 10th July there will be an Open Meeting when all are welcome to hear from Phil and Roelie Newman about their travels on the Silk Road in a talk entitled "The Three Stans".

Angela Barrett - Secretary

A reminder that our singing group meets on alternate Fridays in the church from 7 to 8.15 p.m. We'd be delighted to welcome new singers.

JUNE dates are the 7th & 21st. JULY dates are the 5th & 19th.

If you'd like to know more, please contact Peter - (either 889077 or p_wilkinson@hotmail.com).

FRIDAY LUNCH CLUB 2019 DATES:

All are very welcome to our monthly Community lunches in the Village Hall which are mostly held on the first Friday of the month.

Dates are: 7th June, 5th July, 6th September, 1st November, 6th December.

In October, there will be a Harvest Supper instead of village lunch, date TBC.

To book, please telephone **Ced on 889438**.

We are always pleased to hear from people who'd like to be involved in any way, from cooking to laying tables. Please contact Jan on 889738 if you'd like to be involved – we do enjoy ourselves as well as work!



To book the hall, contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248 Email: ronann.matthews@btinternet.com



By the time you read this we will have had our outing to Knightshayes Court & Gardens and Sheppy's House of Cider. We hope you all had a great time and enjoyed your day.

Our next event will be on Monday June 17th when we will welcome Peter Emery, who will give us a presentation on "Solving the Archaeological Mystery of Great Hill". Peter has carried out extensive archaeological investigations, uncovering remains from the Bronze Age to Roman times, in this area. Nonmembers will be very welcome to attend at a cost of £3.

We have no meetings in July or August, but don't forget to continue growing- on your geranium plug plant so that you can enter it in "The Valley Club Class" in the Garden and Craft Show in Martinstown Village Hall on Sunday 18th August. We had a record number of entries last year, with Denise Parmiter winning first prize, so please do enter this year.

This Summer the Gardens Group Garden Party will be on Thursday 27th June at 2.30pm at Castle Gardens, Sherborne. They are trying something different this year, with a "Gardener's Question Time" complete with a panel of experts, who will answer all your gardening questions. There will be the usual delicious canapés and drinks. Tickets will be available shortly.

On behalf of The Valley Club I would like to say a big "thank you" to Graham Herbert for all his hard work on the Valley & Valence Magazine over many years, he has continuously sent out reminders, published the articles we have submitted, and found additional relevant pictures to go alongside them. He will be a hard act to follow and we wish him a very happy retirement.

Have a great Summer everyone; we will look forward to seeing you all on

Monday September 16th when we will have a demonstration and talk by a member of the Gardens Group on "Winter Hanging Baskets".

Pat Willetts - Tel. 568458



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Martinstown FUN Dog Show

Sunday 23rd June on Martinstown Green

2.00pm (prompt start) . Entries taken from midday

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There will be a training talk (between classes 7 - 8) by Sarah Easterbrook, Master Trainer and Behaviourist with the Pet Experience. PLUS a tricks and training demo by Kimi Swindells, Dog Trainer and Behaviourist with Pet Experience.

SCHEDULE

Classes 1-7 (£2.50 per entry)

- 1. Golden Oldie (11yrs and over)
- 2. Veteran (8-10yrs incl.)
- 3. Pedigree DOG
- 4. Best Pedigree BITCH
- 5. Rescue/re-homed (dog or bitch)
- 6. Prettiest 'Heinz 57' (dog or bitch)
- 7. Best 'Local' dog (Winterborne Parish)

Winners of the above classes will be entered for BEST IN SHOW

Fun Classes (£1.50 per entry)

- 8. Best Condition
- 9. Waggiest Tail
- 10. Most Alike Brace of Dogs
- 11. Most Unalike Brace of Dogs
- 12. Junior Handler (8 yrs & under)
- 13. Junior Handler (9 15 years)
- 14. Dog Most Like Owner
- 15. Prettiest BITCH
- 16. Most Handsome DOG
- 17. Egg & Spoon Race
- 18. Fancy Dress

Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times. Please clean up after your dog. All entrants at owners risk.

Enquiries to: Antonia Cook - Tel: 07813 196958



...and its goodbye from me!

Well, after seven years of producing the Valley and Valence magazine, I have come to my last edition.

I haven't said much on here over the years, prefering to use the (very limited) space for all the news, articles and information that everyone expects from a Parish Newsletter - however, I'd like to take this opportunity to say that I have enjoyed producing every one of the 70 magazines over the years. It has sometimes been a challenge trying to fit everything in and still make it readable, but I've managed to crowbar it all in somehow!

I'd like to thank the members of the PCC for their support, Monica Ellis for organising her band of willing distributors, the printers - Weyprint and my wife, Elaine, for putting up with my moaning and for her encouragement when needed.

I would also like to thank ALL the people that have contributed to the magazine in one way or another, over the years.

Special mention should go to all those that have supplied **photographs** for the front covers, namely:

Arthur Westlake	Morris B. Dancing
Digby Chambers	Rose Budd
Maddie Trench	Joy Fulday
Crispin Eavern	Ethel Hampton
Teresa Green	Rufus Stone
Taff O'Dill	Carol Singer
Mason Ishining	Barbara Lamb (from Wool)
July Fields	Daphne O'Dill
Rose Gardener	Teresa Ann Whitehouse
Teresa Anne Fields	Flo N. Rivers
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P.S.

I will still be producing (and hopefully improving) the **Martinstown News** & Views website at: www.martinstown-news.co.uk - so, while there is no 'Parish' magazine as such (unless someone volunteers to take over between now and August) I would be happy to include all your NEWS, EVENTS, and other stories on the website - whether from Martinstown or anywhere else in the valley.

You can email your info (with pictures) to: info@martinstown-news.co.uk

Cheers to all - Graham Herbert

Winterbourne St Martin Parish Council 🤉 - Chairman's Annual Report



We are again at the end of another year, and also the end of the Council's four year term of office. I was enormously pleased that we got enough candidates with an interest in standing for the Parish Council to have an election. Especially in a year when few Parish Councils in Dorset had enough candidates for an election to place, and some had none at all. Thank you to all those that stood for election and a huge thank you to those that took the opportunity to cast their vote. The 54% turnout was one of the highest for a Dorset Parish this year and something we can all be very proud of.

Your newly elected Council will now serve for a term of five years and I hope you will get to know them and raise any issues of concern with them during that time. Contact details will be available on the Parish Council page of the village website.

It was also pleasing to have four or five other residents who expressed an interest in standing for the Council in the future so we know we have people to talk to in the event of any vacancies during this five year term.

Three vacancies occurred on the Parish Council during the last year, one as a result of the sudden death of our friend and fellow Councillor Ann Priddle. Ann had been a hard working Councillor since joining the Parish Council in 2015 and we miss Ann's valuable contributions to our meetings.

2018/19 has been a busy year and I have to start by mentioning Stephen Slade for very many years the clerk to the Council, who took the decision to retire from his post at the end of April. Stephen has been a very long serving clerk who has been by the side of many Chairmen over the years to offer advice on procedure and ensure consistency in the work of the Council however the Members change over the years. We will miss Stephen's input as our clerk however and thank him for his many years loyal service. Stephen will still update us at our regular meeting as the village flood warden and representative of the South Winterbourne Community Flood Action Group.

Following a recruitment process we have been very fortunate to appoint Michele Harding as our new Clerk to the Council. Michele is an experienced and qualified Local Council Clerk and is also clerk to both Burton Bradstock and Chesil Bank Parish Councils. We extend a very warm welcome to Michele.

During the last year the Parish Council has commented on 17 planning applications.

The Parish Council has been involved in discussions regarding the Washingpool and contributed a portion of the cost of some maintenance work undertaken by 'Land of Bone and Stone' to the stonework of the Washingpool. Discussions have also taken place with regard to the installation of an information panel which we are expecting to be completed soon.

As in previous years the Parish Council has received many complaints about the parking situation outside the McDonalds fast food outlet at Monkey's Jump roundabout with complainants regularly mentioning the unsightly appearance and danger to other road users caused by inconsiderate and dangerous parking on the Dorset Council owned highway verges. Although the premises is not within the Parish Council are this has a significant impact on the main entrance to our village and therefore the Parish Council has communicated with various stakeholders to try, so far unsuccessfully, to find a solution to the problems at this location. The Parish Council will continue with its efforts and has already agreed to engage with our new Dorset Councillor, Roland Tarr, in this respect.

The Parish Council undertook possibly one of its largest consultations ever in respect of a proposed term time only, week day bus service to Dorchester in the early afternoon. Over 100 residents responded to the consultation and helped Councillors come to an informed decision about whether to fund this proposal. As approximately 85% of respondents did not consider the proposal as good value for money the Council came to the decision not to financially support the proposal. It is recognised that the offer from the bus company came after many years of hard work from the Winterbourne Valley Transport Group and the Parish Council thanks the group for their contributions to this work in recent years.

The Speed Indicator Device installed by the Parish Council in the Mallards Green area continues to receive positive feedback especially since the upgrade to the model displaying the 'Thank You' message to drivers who are complying with the speed limit. Residents in this area of the village still have no safe footpath to walk to the centre of the village and we will continue to work with Dorset Council to do what we can to improve pedestrian safety in this area as well as the rest of the village. The SID serves as a visual reminder to drivers of their speed. It can be seen by looking at the data over the year that the impact is most noticeable on the drivers who were previously travelling between 30 and 40 mph. These are the drivers most likely to reduce their speed to within the speed limit – especially to achieve the 'Thank' You' message. Drivers significantly exceeding the speed limit do not get a display – a protocol advised by the highways team. Every data download from the SID includes a number of vehicles exceeding 60mph - surprisingly some of these are in the daytime. The regular visits from the Dorset Safety Partnership Camera Van are more likely to impact on these drivers.

The Parish Council receives regular feedback regarding footpaths and bridleways within the village and first attempts to resolve issues with landowners or, if necessary refer any issues to the Dorset Council who are the responsible authority in relation to footpaths and bridleways. There are many comments received about uncollected dog excrement and it is worth reminding dog owners that when walking our field and farm footpaths it is still necessary to pick up after your dogs. Dog faeces are a danger to farm animals and unpleasant for everyone. Please remember to always clear up after your dog, wherever you are walking them.

Residents joined some Members of the Parish Council in April to take part in the Great British Spring Clean – and it was pleasing to report that the main part of the village had only limited amount of litter to collect – I am sure due mainly to people picking it up and disposing of it rather than it not being deposited in the first place.

The formation in April of this year of the new Dorset Council replaces the previous West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council and we must thank our elected representatives to each of these authorities. Jean Dunseith, previously our Dorset County Councillor and Robert Freeman, previously our West Dorset District Councillor, were regular attendees at our Parish Council meetings and took up resident's issues with their respective Councils. We thank them very much for their support over recent years.

Winterborne St Martin is now part of a much larger ward of Winterborne and Broadmayne and our newly elected representative to the Dorset Council is Roland Tarr.

The formation of the new Dorset Council as a unitary authority will undoubtedly bring about many changes to what we as a Parish Council have to consider doing – some of which are as yet unknown – but the Parish Council hopes to ensure it is well prepared for these changes and willing to consider taking on new responsibilities, even though this will also bring financial implications.

We welcome our two newly elected Councillors, Ben Carter and Valerie Cardall and hope to see many more of you at our Parish Council meetings in the future.

Debbie Wiltshire - Chairman

Parish Council Meetings

It was decided at the most recent Parish Council meeting to change the day of the week on which the Parish Council meets. In future the Parish Council will meet on the last Wednesday of each month - excluding September, December and April. In April of each year the regular Parish Council meeting will be replaced by the Annual Parish Meeting.

Dates of the monthly Parish Council meetings will be published on the Parish Council page of the Martinstown News Website.

I'm the King of the Castle...

If you go down to Weymouth you can hardly miss George III. His statue dominates the southern end of the Esplanade, and he is looking towards his seaside residence, Gloucester Lodge. From 1789 until 1805 the Royal Family often took their summer holidays in Dorset, and gave a huge boost to the local tourist industry. Fashionable people came from afar to attend the splendid social events graced by the royal presence, and they required a substantial number of services, as well as suitable accommodation. Oh how the money rolled in......no wonder the King's statue records the loyalty of the 'grateful inhabitants' of Weymouth.

The King was always restless, and after his morning sea-bathe would look for interest beyond the borough bounds. Sometimes he went for a sail in one of the warships anchored off-shore, and was accompanied reluctantly by the Queen and the Princesses. Sometimes they all drove out for tea in Upwey. George always enjoyed reviewing his troops, and the county authorities looked for suitable sites for spectacular parades and exercises. One obvious choice was Maiden Castle, which provided an enormous arena with convenient ridges for spectators: and so King George visited the Winterborne Valley.

Enormous preparation was made for the Review. Each regiment taking part was allocated a marquee, where soldiers in their colourful best uniforms served elaborate from Hanover) found little difficulty in attracting the attention of Dorset ladies.

A battle was carefully planned and rehearsed, with those soldiers whose turn it was to play the French trained to fall over when the British fired a volley (powder only – no musket-balls). The climax was always a thunderous cavalry charge which sent the 'French' running for their lives, while the massed crowds cheered themselves voiceless.

The King, wreathed in smiles as he watched from his special dais, would declare the time had come for country games: sack races, catching greasy pigs, women racing in their underclothes, cheeserolling, cudgelling and many more. Traditionally the King would always buy a ticket in a penny raffle, and extraordinarily would always win.

No Review would be complete without a feu de joi in which a squad of infantry would fire their muskets into the air in a final salute. Sometimes there would be a troop of the newly-formed Royal Horse Artillery, and they too would give a dashing performance with the guns bumping and leaping behind the limbers and snorting steeds : concluding with a crashing discharge.

And then the King and his family would drive back to Weymouth, the soldiers to their camps and barracks and the multitude to their villages. The King's German Legion were housed in the Dorchester Barracks, and on at least one occasion

refreshments to the 'quality', though lessrefined provision was made for the ordinary people. No mention was made of interregimental rivalry. but it clearly played a part. Outstanding in their height, formidable in their grey trousers and white crossbelts, and positively scarv in their fashion for huge moustaches and bushy whiskers, the King's German Legion (mainly



caused great concern to the townspeople. The Barracks caught fire, and the flames threatened to spread to the streets. The local newspaper. The Dorchester and Sherborne Journal' recorded the event with some critical comment. The fire was blamed on the German troopers who would persist in the dangerous habit of smoking their meerschaum pipes in bed. Sadly the Journal advised them to desist. but it seems unlikely that the soldiers read the Journal, and if they did, even more unlikely that they took the advice

MARTINSTOWN Open Gardens

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd June 2019 2pm - 6pm

Over 14 Open Gardens to visit...

Plant Sales • Displays • Fun Dog Show ...and much more

£3.50 adult • under 14s FREE

Proceeds towards repainting interior and repairing exterior of Village Hall

GARDEN AND CRAFT SHOW SUNDAY 18th August 2019 at Martinstown Village Hall.

August 18th seems a long way off, but the annual Garden & Craft show will soon be upon us. You should all have received a copy of the show schedule and an entry form with last month's edition of Valley and Valence. Thanks to Monica for her help, to the stalwart deliverers and of course, to Graham, who has done such a wonderful job of editing these last few years.

Do read the schedule carefully to avoid a 'not as schedule' ruling by the judges. If you have any questions about the classes, show day itself or anything at all, especially if you're new to the show, don't hesitate to check with one of the committee members – Richard Benson, Rosie Duke, Jan Griffiths, Anne Pusey, Anne Tate or Sally Webb.

How are your gardens growing? Has your potato needed much earthing up yet – let's hope it wasn't been nipped by the May frosts. How about giving your perennials a 'Chelsea chop' to encourage bushier growth and prolong the flowering season; amongst other things, I tried it last year on sedum spectabile (the basic variety) and it made for much less flopping about.

Have you been practising tea-time fancies? This new cookery class has certainly got some valley folk talking. Many will have tasted Ann Priddle's famous passion cake from the Village stores: as the specified recipe this year, it has to have the topping given, but you can let your creative side devise additional decoration if desired – have fun.

We've made a change to the craft classes this year, including a specific needlework class, – making judging (we hope), more straightforward. To make things fairer for our youngest exhibitors, we've added under 5s classes. We hope this will encourage even more entries for the children's classes.

Whatever you decide to grow, cook, photograph, arrange, create... or even if you do none of these and just come along to marvel at others' skills and enjoy a cup of tea and some delicious W.I. Cake, we look forward to seeing you in August.

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VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB DRAW

Martinstown Draw APRIL 2019 £25 Ann Robertson

£10 Roger Berry £5 Mrs Hawkes Compton Valence Draw MAY 2019

> £25 Timothy Chick £10 Fi Brookes £5 Zoe Gray



The next meeting of the Parish Council is on:

Weds 26 June 2019

The Magna Housing Community Room, Manor Grove, Martinstown, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 9JD

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31 JULY 2019 28 AUGUST 2019 30 OCTOBER 2019 27 NOVEMBER 2019

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Be sure to visit the Parish Council website: www.martinstown-news.co.uk/the-parish-council



Explorer Scouts Kenya Expedition - UPDATE



When you begin to receive your June edition of this magazine, it will be less than six weeks until I depart for Kenya – hasn't time flown by?

My last fundraising went very well, and I would like to

thank all who purchased an Easter goodie which my Granny Jan kindly knitted for me to sell at the village shop in Martinstown. Thanks also to Karen for letting me have the space to do this. It raised over £100!

I would also like to thank the Circle Suppers Group for allowing me to sell a handmade quilt that was gifted to me. This raised £80, which I shared with the Marfan Trust, so thank you for allowing me this opportunity.

As part of my ongoing training for this expedition, I have enrolled onto the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. Over the Easter weekend (in all that lovely sunshine!) we planned and took part in a two day hike around Cranborne Chase. My next hike will be this month in the Isle of Purbeck, not quite the dizzy heights of Mount Kenya, but I'm getting there ... slowly!

I am now beginning to start the lengthy process of packing my 80 kg ruck sack – no mean feat, as all weathers have to be accounted for over there!

'Til next time – Charlie Dovey • Tel 01305 889250 or email bdovey@hotmail.co.uk

Sat 27th Jul 2019 • 2:30pm Martinstown Village Hall

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Using simple materials and card templates, you can create a moving, articulated puppet to take home. This is your chance to make one of the animals from 'Curious Creatures' or invent your own never-seen-before, mixed-up crazy creature! This workshop develops design skills, use of different tools and materials, and encourages thinking about shape, texture, size and scale.

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10th (Weds)	- garden waste	24th (Weds)	- garden waste

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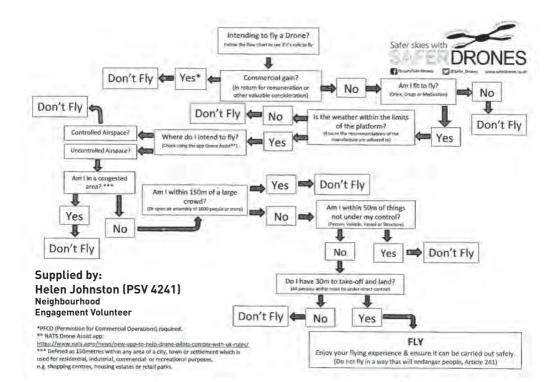
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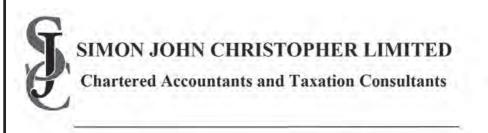
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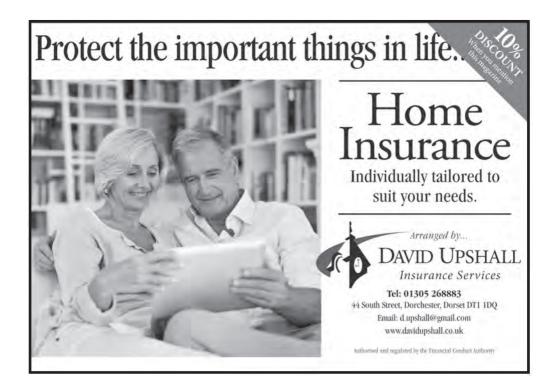


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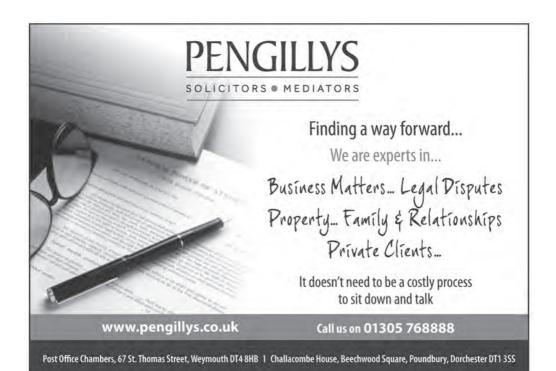
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