

THE BUCKERELL BUGLE

AUTUMN 2011

THE BUCKERELL VILLAGE FETE AND B-B-Q

The Summer Fete and B-B-Q was once again the highlight of the Buckerell social calendar. Held in the gardens and Shed of Doug's Splatthayes it was as big and as popular as ever. Despite the inclement weather (it rained) on the Friday and Saturday morning the decision to proceed with the fete proved to be correct. In the event there was only one short shower in the afternoon, nothing that could deter the hardy folk of Buckerell from enjoying themselves. As always the success of the day is completely down to each of the stall-holders, helpers and generous contributors of prizes of every shape and size. It is always amazing how willingly members of our community volunteer to help in one way or another. It is not possible to list everyone involved but there must be a very large THANK YOU to everyone.

However, of particular note is the work involved in setting up, dismantling and cleaning up after the event. Assembling the gazebos is always an entertaining attraction at the best of times but the rain in the morning added to the challenge.



Thanks to the 27 supervisors for their input to the great gazebo challenge.

The B-B-Q hosted by Mike Carson and his team provided suitable sustenance for the evening revelries with the music for the disco being of the self service variety. This year the Community Association has purchased a portable PA and

music system and it was used for the first time during the day and then the evening of the fete. This very useful piece of kit can be borrowed by Buckerell residents for their own festivities.

Considering the weather caused the cancellation of a few stalls the final amount raised for the Church was £1837 - a great contribution from our village.

Roy Williams

Since the last edition of The Bugle we have lost two people who gave a lot to this community. Maurice and Beryl Dean died within a month of each other, Maurice was 88 and Beryl 84 years old. They had been married for almost 63 years.

Maurice was a churchwarden for a great many years and also held the position of Chairman of the Parish Council. Beryl was secretary to the Parochial Church Council for over 17 years.

They were involved in and supported many village activities during their time in Buckerell, Maurice was at the Go-Kart Race on 4th June just days before he died. Both will be sadly missed. They did everything together and now are together again.

NOTICEBOARD

- Decorating of the church for The Harvest Festival will take place on Friday & Saturday 23rd & 24th September, Valerie Pratt would appreciate any assistance on these days.
- Congratulations to Tammy and Andrew Wright, Jenirens, on the birth of their daughter, Xanthe Louise.
- The Annual Parish Breakfast with Awliscombe and Weston takes places at The Otter Inn on Saturday 15th October, price £5.50, please contact Mary Boulton on 44431 if you are going to attend.
- Thank you to all those who have left their surplus fruit and vegetables for people to help themselves.

I did my tandem skydive for Motability, part of the MS Trust, on Sat 30th July at Dunkeswell Airfield.

It was a complete bodyshock and my poor ears took 3 hours to settle down!

I did not feel right again for 4 or 5 days! Having said that... it was an amazing experience and I might do it again now that I know what to expect...watch this space!

I wanted to thank all the kind villagers who sponsored and therefore supported me so, THANK YOU ENORMOUSLY VERY MUCH!!

What with my Virgin Money Giving page and offline fundraising, I managed to raise over £1800, and think I am their highest fundraiser ever, so thank you everyone!

Diana Pullan, Well Cottage, Buckerell House.



HOLLYHAYES

"Easily the most thoughtful, stimulating, touching and enjoyable play I have seen for a long time....on a par with War Horse which I saw in London." When audience members compare a play to a National Theatre production, you can be sure it was a success. Hollyhayes, three years in the making and based on interviews with people involved in agriculture, took place at Victoria Dairy Farm Payhembury on 16, 17 and 18 June. An empty building was transformed into a performance space and six hundred tickets sold out in three weeks.

The story concerned the Craddocks, owners of Hollyhayes Farm, comprising father Jack (Richard Pulman), mother Mary (Ali Bazley), academic-minded daughter Rose (Tilley Vanstone, of Buckerell) and heavy-metal band member son Ben (James Wakefield) who is expected to run the farm when Jack retires. Post-performance evaluation revealed that a high proportion of audience members found Hollyhayes authentic in the ways it portrayed farming life. People admitted to being deeply moved by the violent argument between Ben and his father, a rift which was not healed before Jack's death.

The play, staged by the Tale Valley Community Theatre under Director John Somers, had a strong Buckerell flavour as several local people were interviewed for the verbatim extracts that were woven into the action. Hollyhayes was co-written by Trevor Vanstone who lives in the village and came up with the original idea for the story.

A good number of people from Buckerell saw the play – and if you missed it there is now a second chance! The play was professionally filmed by Ben Vallack of Phototropic (<http://filmmaking.phototropic.co.uk/>) and the entire production is on DVD, on sale now for £12. Contact Trevor Vanstone on 851008 to order a copy.

Further details on TVCT www.tvctheatre.org

2 BUTTS COTTAGE

East Devon District Council are still progressing this matter and are aware of the frustrations within the village that nothing appears to be happening. They are taking positive action but because of the legal complexities involved, they have to proceed very carefully to ensure every action conforms exactly to the letter of the law.

BUCKERELL WEATHER FACTS

The rainfall (with 11 year average in brackets) has been June 83ml (60.6), July 34ml (77) and August 95ml (69.5). The rainfall for the first 8 months of this year is 491ml compared with 597ml for the 11 year average. The gap between actual and average is closing! Will it have closed by the end of the year?

David Steele-Perkins - Glebe Farm

VILLAGE EQUIPMENT

As most people are aware, the village has a certain amount of equipment such as tables, benches, gazebos etc. which are available for people from the village to use. This equipment is stored in the BCA Shed in the churchyard. In order to avoid any confusion, the procedures for the borrowing of the equipment are set out below:

1. Equipment must be booked a minimum of 72 hours before it is required with either Richard Reeve(850593) or Penny Mear(850048).
2. A time will be agreed for when the equipment can be collected and returned.
3. At the time of collection a deposit of £25.00 will be required. A form detailing exactly what has been borrowed will be completed by the person borrowing and someone from the BCA.
4. The equipment can only be returned at a pre-arranged time and "the borrower" will remain responsible for the equipment until the form has been signed by someone from the BCA confirming its safe return. **Under no circumstances should the equipment be passed to a third party without the appropriate paperwork being completed.**
5. In lieu of a "hire charge", anyone borrowing equipment will be expected to give a donation to Buckerell Church. This is to cover the "rent" for locating the BCA Shed on church land.
6. Anyone, failing to abide by these rules will have the facility to borrow equipment permanently withdrawn.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCH

The Church Fete on Saturday 16th July was once again well supported, and our thanks to everyone involved, in particular Roy Williams, for organising the event, Doug and Adrian, for providing such a superb venue, and Jackie and Michael Carson for the BBQ. The fete wouldn't be the same without a "Mick's Filler"!

The Family Service on July 17th was based on the story of the house on the rock and the house on the sand. The children drew pictures to illustrate the story and there was also a model created by Madeleine Knight with the assistance of her mother, Jo. We all sang the song "The wise man built his house on the rock and the rain came down" led by a small choir of children.



The children will be much in evidence at our Harvest Festival on Sunday 25th September. The unavailability of a regular priest to take our services means there have been more lay-led services than in the past, and the Harvest Festival will also be lay-led. On Sunday 4th September, we celebrated our Patronal Festival, it being the closest date to St. Giles' Day, 1st September. We were delighted, when Bishop Bob Evens, Bishop of Crediton offered to come and take the service and Gwen Martin came to play the organ. It was a very happy occasion. Following the service, we served coffee, tea and gingerbread.

We hope to see you all at our Harvest Festival on 25th September at 6.30 p.m. which will be followed by the usual auction of produce and supper at Armoury Cottage.

A clear up of the churchyard is planned for October, details will be issued via the Village e-mail. At some point we hope to hold an Open Day to raise money for church repairs. We would also like to thank the Parish Council for contributing to the recent repairs to the church clock. Hopefully you will have noticed that the chime is working again.

There is no news of a replacement for Father Allan as yet, so please continue to refer to the church noticeboards for service times. We try to get accurate information included in the Parish Magazine but sometimes changes occur after publication.

Penny Mear & Patricia Craig-Macquaide, Churchwardens



PARISH COUNCIL

The deteriorating condition of the main Parish noticeboard was highlighted at the last meeting, it was agreed that quotes would be obtained for a new noticeboard and also for the refurbishment of the existing one. The quotes will be discussed at the next meeting on 3rd November to decide which course of action to take.

The minutes of all Parish Council Meetings are displayed on the Parish Noticeboard, if you would like to receive your own copy via e-mail, please let Richard Reeve (richard@reeve-consultancy.co.uk) know. If you do not have access to e-mail and would like a copy please ring Richard on 850593.

David Wayne

BUCKERELL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The BCA are offering a chance for more people to become involved in organising events and taking some responsibility for one of the community activities. We have held a varied number of events up to now and we hope that new blood will feel able to help out in the future. If you feel able to help please contact me within the next week.

The events we have held before are:

Christmas Bazaar in December, Quiz night in February, Plant Sale in May, Boules tournament in May.

Can you help organise any of these ?

We shall organise a Diamond Jubilee Celebration in June 2012 at which we hope to welcome back to Buckerell, 'Big Bill and the Write-Offs', who you will remember from our previous celebrations. The BCA will meet in due course and decide the final events list. In the meantime, if you would like to organise an event please contact me on 850048.

Many thanks

Steve Mear & Donovan Galling

BUCKERELL GO KART RACE

Peter Summers of Orchards Farm has produced a short video of this event which is now available on DVD, if you would like a copy, please contact Steve Mear on 850048

NEWSPAPERS

A number of people have been looking into the possibility of getting Newspapers delivered to Buckerell. The PaperShop in New Street is willing to consider taking on the deliveries provided sufficient people are interested. One suggestion is that the papers could be delivered to one point in the village under cover, such as a shed or garage, from which people could collect their own papers and/or take it in turns to take them to their neighbours. If you are interested, could you please contact Prue Pinsent on 850080 or e-mail prudence.pinsent@btinternet.com

NEW NATIONAL POLICE NON-EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

The introduction of 101, the new telephone number for reporting **non urgent crimes** to Devon and Cornwall Police went live on 5 September. All South West forces have begun to use 101 and the number will be standard across the whole of England and Wales by January 2012. 101 replaces the 08452 777444 number, and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

People who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired will be able to use the new textphone number 18001 101. People will also be able to email: 101@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk.

When a member of the public calls 101, the system determines their location and connects them to the police force in their area. If a caller is located on a boundary between two or more forces, they are given a choice of which one to speak to. If you are anywhere in the UK you can still dial 101 and have the option to speak to Devon and Cornwall Police or any force. There is no change to the way the police respond to non-urgent enquiries; the public will still speak to call handlers in the control rooms in Plymouth and Exeter. This will ensure that staff with local knowledge deal with public enquiries in a way that best meets the needs of our communities. 101 is much easier to remember and costs 15p per call, irrespective of how long it lasts, and whether from a landline or mobile.

"Thinking About Moving House?"

Red Homes Estate Agents Director Richard Spiller has lived in Buckerell (Yew Tree Cottage) for over 4 years now! If anyone would like any advice with reference to the housing market, valuations or the great service Red Homes can provide please do not hesitate to knock on the door or call the office on 01404 43355. Alternatively visit our website www.redhomes.co.uk or email on info@redhomes.co.uk

Red Homes have sold more houses than any other Estate Agent in the Honiton area over the last 5 years! We also save you £'000's of pounds because of our fee of only 0.75%! Not only that if I can't sell the location I'm in big trouble!!



COMING SOON

Buckerell Events

SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER - HARVEST FESTIVAL

6.30 p.m. in the church followed by an auction of produce and supper at Armoury Cottage

SATURDAY 15th OCTOBER - PARISH BREAKFAST

9.00 a.m. The Otter Inn, Weston. Price £5.50. Please contact Mary Boulton on 44431

THURSDAY 3RD NOVEMBER - PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7.30 p.m. - Doug's Shed, Splatthayes

COMING LATER

CAROL SERVICE

If you have anything you would like included in our next edition, please either send to or drop items in at Armoury Cottage, by December 1st or alternatively e-mail to: richard@reeve-consultancy.co.uk

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