** THE MOSAIC**

**HINTON ST MARY**

**February 2022**

**HM THE QUEEN’S PLATINUM JUBILEE**

**SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022**

Mr and Mrs Pitt-Rivers have kindly agreed that Hinton St Mary can hold its own Village Street Party – to be known as The Big Lunch - on Sunday 5th June, in common with very many other communities throughout the UK.

Weather permitting, we are hoping that this can be held along The Avenue, but if not the Tithe Barn will be available.

Please note this date in your diaries – we need to start planning, so if anyone would like to join me on an Ideas / Planning Committee, I would be truly grateful – it could be a lot of fun and all suggestions are welcome.

I look forward to hopefully hearing from some of you !!!

Susie Burbidge

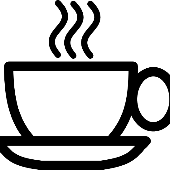
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**VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING – 8th February 2022**

**Village Hall 10.30**



For this month only the coffee morning will be held on the **2nd Tuesday of February** instead of the first. This is to make sure everybody has received their copy of The Mosaic and is aware that the coffee morning is on.

Everybody welcome for a coffee and a chat.

**News from the Millennium Garden**

Now that we are able to look forward to the Open Gardens in June, we are planning to devote some regular time on Wednesday afternoons to working in the garden. If anyone fancies a little gentle ( or even strenuous) exercise, we would welcome your company and help. We will aim to have a more organised push on a Saturday in the Spring, with details in next month’s Mosaic and on the village Facebook Page.

We have also been in contact with Dorset County Council about a more permanent solution to the disappearing chalk in the maze and are awaiting quotes from them. It is likely that we will need to apply for grants towards the funding and our case would be strengthened if we could demonstrate how the Garden is a benefit to the community. We did discuss last year running an after-school session for accompanied children either once a week or once a month, but need to know if there would be any interest in this. If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact either Gwyn James: [gmjames28@icloud.com](mailto:gmjames28@icloud.com) or Liz Collins: lizcollins50@gmail.com.

**Hinton St Mary Village Hall**

**News Letter for February 2022.**

**Covid-19 Government Guidance:**

Village Halls as from 27th Jan 2022 can reopen with no Covid restriction but we would like all to maintain keeping social distancing whilst inside the Hall, wash your hands and please use the hand sanitizer provided.

**Hall Bookings.** Please contact Chris Andrews to arrange your bookings. Tel; 473107 / email c.andrews989@btinternet.com

Village Hall AGM; 11th February @ 3pm.

**Maintenance Working Party**

Cricket Field Roadside fence needs to be repaired and hedge replanted, Car Park clean up, Entrance Gate re-stained.

Our thanks to the HSM Estate for the metal fencing to be repaired FOC and the Estate have agreed to supply the Hedging plants, guards, and support canes all we need is a working team of volunteers to help me to plant the hedging and clean up the Carparking area etc. We are looking at the later end of February early March to complete the works.

Please contact me if you are willing to give some time to help with the Planting etc.

Chris Hardiman 07775575238 / 471628

**THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF PEOPLE WOULD LIKE A VILLAGE SHOW COMBINED WITH A VILLAGE PICNIC AND BOULES COMPETITION THIS YEAR OR WOULD PREFER A STAND-ALONE PICNIC AND BOULES COMPETITION AS LAST YEAR. PLEASE LET YOUR PREFERENCE KNOWN TO EITHER CHRIS HARDIMAN, JO MARTIN OR JANET BOLTON.**

**THANK YOU**

Dick Pemberton

Jenny and family would like to thank everyone who sent cards and messages after Dick’s death.

Also thank you to those who attended his funeral. Your support and kindness has been much appreciated.

We shall miss him so much.

Jenny

**HINTON ST MARY’S GARDENS OPEN**

**18th AND 19th JUNE 2022**

**2-6 pm each day**

Subject to any worsening of the Covid 19 situation, we are determined to hold this event this year and with the kind permission of Mr & Mrs Pitt-Rivers, the Manor Gardens and the Tithe Barn will be again available for everyone to visit along with hopefully a wide range of village gardens. As in the past there will be delicious afternoon teas, stalls selling collectables and home decoration, plants and books. It is hoped we can stage a photographic exhibition in the Church, showing the village as it was in days gone-bye.

Please support this event, which is the sole fund-raising event for St Peter’s Church. There is a job available to suit everyone’s skills or availability; you only need be able to commit for a minimum of two hours over the weekend, although you are very welcome to help for longer.

Help will be needed for:

* Raising funds from sponsors
* Putting up signs advertising the event
* Setting up on the day and clearing up afterwards
* Baking cakes and scones
* Serving teas and washing up
* Helping out on the stalls or the exhibition
* Taking money at the gate
* Assisting with the parking.

In particular, we hope that some of the volunteers will be willing to take over responsibility from our long-standing supporters for certain aspects of the next event planned for 2024.

Your garden does not have to be up to the standard or size of Monty Don’s to be of interest to our visitors. They come to this event to see the large, the small, the ones without a weed in sight and those created with the wildlife in mind.

Please let me know if, in principle you will be willing to open your garden or can help in the above.

Over the next few months, the Mosaic will be containing regular updates to the planning and including requests for donations of plants, good quality collectables, second-hand books and pledges for baking cakes and scones. We are also on the look-out for old photos of the village or local characters.

**Shane Johnstone (Co-ordinator)**

**Yew Tree Cottage**

[**johnstone.ytc@btinternet.com**](mailto:johnstone.ytc@btinternet.com) **or 01258 474670**

**The Estate Alice Fox-Pitt**

Work has started this month on the tithe barn. With the weddings becoming more regular we felt we should upgrade the washroom facilities. The Tithe barn was part of the farm before Anthony’s father George converted it into a theatre in 1930’s. It had a stand for a projector, an orchestra pit and he put in the upstairs and the racked seating. He also installed the fireplace that came from the old church at Cerne Abbas, once part of the estate.

The work is adding disabled facilities and upgrading the loos. It will be done by the middle of April. The first weddings are in May.

Interviews are busily going ahead for a tenant for the pub, the response has been amazing with such a range of people interested in getting involved.

The farm is ticking over, Dave has finished off the hedge cutting and Mark has been getting everything in order.

**This month’s profile is on such a key person here, Mark Harvey, farm manager.**

Mark was born in Dorchester.  His Grandmother had a small holding near Mappowder where he spent a lot of time on the Farm helping with the Cows, Pigs, Chickens and some tractor work.

He studied at Kingstone Maurward Agriculture College 3 years day release and 1 year residence and then milked cows in Michigan America for a Year on a 400 cow dairy. On returning from America he worked for Hanford Farms at Child Okeford and Piddletrenthide where he became a Manager in 1997. He started working for Velcourt in 2002 and moved to Hinton in October 2003.

Mark has always had a passion for cows from a very early age and loves all aspects of farming.

Mark is a keen cyclist and regularly rides with the Gillingham and district wheelers. He loves to ride Sportives which are normally in excess of 100 miles.

This year his family have been affected by cancer and it has inspired Mark to take up a challenge to raise money, this was his message.

*I have decided over the coming year to raise money for Prostate Cancer UK. With the loss of Bridget’s Brother last year, I felt I needed to do something. I also have good friends and family who are either undergoing treatment or recovered.*

*As you are all probably aware I am a keen cyclist with my moto being =****I ride to Eat and Drink***

*So I have set myself the following challenges throughout 2022*

1. *The tour of Wessex 3 days from the 2ndJune to the 4th June each day will consist of a ride of over 100 miles total miles covered 320.*
2. *The Etape Du Tour 10th July this is a ride of real concern for me as it will follow a route of the Tour de France 105 miles but the real challenge here is its over 3 mountains in the Alpes with 4700 meters of elevation gain.*
3. *Ride Across Britain 9 days from 10thSeptember to 18th September Lands’ End to John O Groats 980 miles in total.*

*Please have a look at my Just Giving page any donation will be gratefully received and will keep me motivated in those long hard miles over the next 12 months.*

[**Sturminster Newton Heritage Trust**](https://www.facebook.com/SNHeritageTrust/?__cft__%5b0%5d=AZUoi1HzjJ9xW8FPtajrX3bn4kCg17_zeRXicvy_JMsT5IG7ogTxD7tamSHZ8FrKSvwREE-lHAC6NgQUGHzEFB017E8PLl_NbdTxPnx-WLHpvcXxhoyzBNtLDqszPAJqTGGFoUX85MZIZKB9lzkb2WhH&__tn__=-UC%2CP-R)

Wednesday 9th February, 7.30pm @ The Exchange

A fascinating talk by Dr Richard Hobbs (Weston Curator of Roman Britain, British Museum) will focus on the new fieldwork and excavations that have recently taken place at Hinton St Mary.

Tickets £11 on the door, £10 in advance.

**The Yard Alice Fox-Pitt**

Now Christmas and new year are out of the way we are back in full swing, I am sure you have all noticed more horses hacking round the village, sorry for any hold ups!

Having had 8-10 weeks off the horses have to build back up to full fitness slowly. They start by just walking for an hour a day for two weeks and gradually build up to longer, adding in trot and then canter and jumping. Their first event is not until the middle of March so we use all of that time to build up their strength and fitness.

William has been working with some racehorses this month. Local trainers Robert Walford and Colin Tizzard have sent horses to Woodlane for intensive jumping training. The horses have either been young or have had problems. William has really enjoyed the challenge of thinking in a different way to help the horses. Georgia Bennet, who joined the team last year from Lincolnshire has a background of working with racehorses so has been brilliant alongside William in getting the best out of them. They are now back with their trainers and we are looking forward to following their progress on the track.

James Lewis has been busy painting and power hosing the stables whilst things are quieter.

Kazu is back from Japan, he has two horses for the season and is looking for a third This year his big aim is the World Equestrian Games in Italy in September.

The new team are really settling in and we are looking forward to another fun and exciting season.

**NORTH DORSET FEFUGE**

A heartfelt “Thank You” to everyone who so generously donated Christmas gifts for the women and children in the North Dorset Refuge; the photo was taken on Christmas Eve before loading was actually complete and the message below is for you all.

(Re “ the bears “; the ladies involved will understand!)

***Dear Robin,***

***Thank you so much for the very generous gifts and for their delivery this morning***

***Please also pass on our thanks to all those who contributed items to an impressive total which will make a real difference to those at the Refuge during difficult times.***

***My best wishes to you all for a safe and peaceful Christmas and New Year***

***PS: big thank you for the bears!***

***Regards, Richard***

**St Peter’s Services**

**February 2022**

All Services will be held at 9.30 am during the month

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| **Date** | **Service** |
| Sunday 6th February | Holy Communion |
| Sunday 13th February | Matins – BCP - Lay Led |
| Sunday 20th February | Holy Communion |
| Sunday 27th February | Holy Communion |

Due to recent increases in cases of COVID-19 certain precautions are in place until further notice. The Church continues to be open for prayer each day, hand sanitiser will remain in use and everyone is encouraged to use this and the doors will remain open during services to aid ventilation. Face masks are again required to be worn, and everyone should be socially distant during services. Coffee will not be served until further notice. On the positive side, we have now returned to receiving bread and wine at Communion.  For those who have not yet experienced this, it is being done without drinking from a common cup and we are confident that it is as safe as it can be in the circumstances. However, if this feels like a step too far, please do feel able to continue to receive in one kind only for now.

Full details of all the current precautions are available in the Church entrance.

All queries relating to Church-related support and services should be directed to the Church wardens in the first instance:

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| Robin Gibbs  Tele: 01258 471493  Churchwarden  [robin@aviaconsult.uk](mailto:robin@aviaconsult.uk) | Kevin Peto-Bostick  Tele: 01258 475469  Churchwarden  [kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com) |

St Peter’s Church Keys

As you will see from a separate article in this month’s edition, we have a lovely new external door to the Vestry of the Church. As a consequence, the locks have now been changed and unless you have a new key, you will not have access as the old key will no longer work.

It has been agreed that this was an opportune time to ask any villagers who hold any keys to the Church and or the Vestry itself to return them to Robin Gibbs, one of our Church Wardens. As you will understand, for the matter of security, it is best to know who holds any keys and to limit the numbers in circulation.

If you need one for any reason in the future, Robin will be happy to lend one to you.

Many thanks

Mrs Shane Johnstone, Secretary to St Peter’s PCC

**NEW VESTRY DOOR ON THE CHURCH**

Some of you will have seen the lovely new Vestry door on the Church.  It replaces a very old door which was riddled with rot.

It is made of Iroko, which is a teak type hardwood, by Nigel Bastable.  A lot of the excellent work being done by Max.

It has an excellent new frame and the rotten parquet floor inside the door has also been replaced.

A door in a stone building

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Energy in challenging times

Last month I outlined how rising energy costs could be combatted in some way by considering installing PV solar on our homes.

Since then, I can report that 4 households have come forward with interest and have been given a detailed advice update from my good friend Keith Wheaton Green.

If anybody else in interested in receiving this advice, please contact me.

[vince.adams@me.com](mailto:vince.adams@me.com)

*Please let us have any articles, notices, celebrations,, information, items for sale, trusted traders etc you would like to have included in next month’s Mosaic. Deadline 24th of the Month. Thank you. Janet, Jo & Nigel.*

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*Keep abreast of all things ‘HSM’ on the village facebook page: Hinton St Mary Village Group and the Hinton St Mary Website:*

[*http://www.hintonstmary.com*](http://www.hintonstmary.com) *where all previous copies of The Mosaic are also available.*

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**FEBRUARY QUICK QUIZ**

Dingbat: Dr. do Ditloid: N 10 DS Riddle: What goes from Z to A

ANSWERS TO JANUARY QUICK QUIZ

Dingbat: No U Turn Ditloid: *168 Hours in a Week* Riddle: A Tongue

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**Trusted Traders**

These are tradesman/workers who have been personally recommended by villagers. Please let us have details of anybody who has done a great job for you. Thank you.

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