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Dates for Diaries:

BISTERNE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE # ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS # <t

Bisterne Village Hall was built in 1840 to house the local school and is adjacent to a thatched building which was once the old schoolhouse. Following its closure in 1946, the two buildings were given to Bisterne and Crow to be used as a Village Hall.

The Avon Valley Young Farmers Club meet weekly at the Hall as well as a local Folk club, Martial Arts club, Line Dancing and cycle club. The Hall is a Charity and is supported by a small committee of all ages.

Every two months on a Wednesday evening, for a few hours, we meet to discuss the up keep of this building. We arrange fundraising events such as the Barn Dance and Annual Scarecrow Festival amongst other things. We are looking for new members and would be extremely grateful if anyone reading this could spare their time to help keep this building running and organise some of the community events that we all enjoy.

Cake and a hot beverage are provided!

Please call Julia Brewer on 01425 837498 if you would like to join us



This time of year with the nights drawing in there is always an increase in unwanted visitors to Bisterne.

There has already been a spate of burglaries in the local area.

If you see any suspicious behaviour especially vehicles please try and take the number plate and report it to <u>101</u> (unless a crime is being committed then 999).

Please help your local community by reporting any suspicious behaviour.

RINGWOOD CARNIVAL

16 September

HARVEST FESTIVAL

I October

FIREWORKS

5 November

REMEMBRANCE DAY

12 November

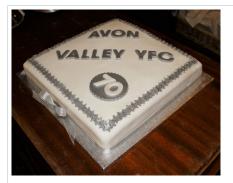
SERVICE OF NINE LES-SONS AND CAROLS

17 December

BARN DANCE

2018





On the evening of Saturday 12th August, the Avon Valley YFC held their 70th Anniversary celebrations at the Tyrrell's Ford Hotel at Avon.

Young farmers, old and new, gathered from 7:30pm onwards in readiness for a buffet meal followed by a presentation of cups. Over 120 people attended which included current members and their families. former members, other Hampshire young farmers as well as many other friends of the club. The awards were handed out by the clubs cur-

A FABULOUS NIGHT OF CELEBRATION

rent President, Scott Mitchell, and announced by the former Hampshire YFC's County Chairman, Stuart Morgan. A new cup was presented this year which was the Jo Hordle Memorial Cup which was awarded to the member who had made outstanding contributions to the club, with its first recipient being current chairman, Harry Button. Other Valley YFC's 70th in great style. awards that were presented includ-

ed to those who had gained the most points in Hampshire young farmer competitions, sports competitions and for best attendance at young farmer meetings over the last year · After the presentations, a speech was made by Harry thanking everyone for coming and those involved in helping organise the evening.

Following a delicious meal, it was time for some music by DJ Steve James with dancing and hilarities going on well into the evening. The evening was enjoyed by all and was a brilliant way to celebrate Avon



St Paul's Church Update

Some of you may be aware that as of 7th October, the Parish of Ringwood, which at present includes St John's Poulner and St Paul's Bisterne, will become the Benefice of Ringwood with Ellingham and Harbridge and St Leonard's and St Ives. This means there will be 6 churches in the benefice to be led by our new Rector Revd Matthew Trick, who joins us at the beginning of October with his wife Sarah and daughter Isabelle, and he will be assisted by a full time Associate Minister at St Leonards and St Ives, Revd Ian Whitham. This is an exciting time for the churches as they join together in the new Benefice with opportunities to get to know other parishioners in each of the churches and grow the church mission with the help of Matthew and Ian. There may be changes to the church services as they currently stand but notices of these

changes will be available on the Ringwood Parish website. St Paul's Bisterne welcome the other parishes into the Benefice and look forward to receiving other congregations into our church.

1st October - *Harvest Festival* 6.00pm This year it is intended to gather at Brixey's Farm, BH24 3BU during the afternoon to visit the farm, see the working practices of the milking parlour, enjoy a good tea and then finish with a Harvest Thanksgiving Service at the church. Further details of the day will be available nearer the time on the church notice board and in the Parish Magazine. All welcome. Do come and join us.

12th November - Remembrance Day Service 10.00am, a chance to pay our respects to all men and women killed in all wars but in particular WWI and WWII. A wreath will be laid and 2 minutes silence upheld at the

Memorial in the churchyard at the end of the service at 11.00am.

17th December - Service of Nine Lessons and Carols 11.00am sung by the Candlelight Singers from Christchurch. This is a beautiful and very popular service to get everyone well and truly into the Christmas spirit.

Currently there is a service at the church every Sunday at 10.00am except the 1st Sunday in the month when Evensong takes place at 6.00pm.

If you've never been before do come and join us. We have a mixture of services, the Book of Common Prayer and Service of the Word.

Although we only have an organist at Evensong services, we make a good sound singing unaccompanied but are always glad of more voices!

Successful Scarecrows and a Fabulous Festival

We had another great turn out for the Scarecrow Festival this year both in terms of the Scarecrows themselves and the visitors to see them.

We ranged from Pikachoos, Spiders, Lords and Power Rangers to Holidays, Trains, Weddings, Crows & Bee's.

The visitor's book once again had lots of nice comments left in it.....

"We are from Chrischurch – Dorset, look forward to the Scarecrow Show every year. Well Done to everyone for all your hard work. Many Thanks"

"The Harris family from Christchurch. We come every year love searching for the wonderful Scarecrows. Thank you all involved"

"Jill & Molly. Love finding Scarecrows, surfing the web and I'm just cheese made us laugh so far still more to find"

"Lin a Childminder from Poole. The kids love this treat, every year!! Picnic in the church, use the toilet and have a great 3-4 hours exploring. Many Thanks"

"Gets better every year. Thank you for a lovely show and all your time and effort. Joan from Highcliffe"

"The Scarecrows are fab we look forward to next year, we've been coming for 10 years, it improves every time. Family from Hillingdon"

"Love going around looking for Scarecrows, we are from Newport South Wales and this is our 3rd time and we love it, well done everyone!"

Comments like these show us it is worth our efforts and time that we all put into making and putting on the show. Pennies are still being counted but on first count we have made over $\pounds1,000$ again which is great for the upkeep and maintenance of the Village Hall.

The Tea's and Coffee's at the Village Hall also proved popular again

making over £200 across the 3 Sunday afternoons.



Juliet Manners was our judge this year who did a very thorough job and kindly came to the Village Hall on the evening to announce the winners and deliver the certificates & rosettes for us.

Thank you to Tyrells Ford and Little Banks Nursery for their kind sponsoring of the Festival.

The next plan is to get all the Scarecrows onto the carnival float for the Bisterne Scarecrows Day Out in the afternoon and evening procession on 16th September.

Thank you to everyone for your participation.

Tina Haughton



<u>Bisterne Scarecrow</u> <u>Results 2017</u>



Class One - Single Scarecrow

1st - Country Life is in the Jeans 2nd - Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson 3rd - Surfing the Web Highly Commended - Roll Up Roll Up

<u>Class Two - Pair of Scare-</u> <u>crows</u>

1st - The Scarecrows Wedding 2nd - We have gone to Pot

<u>Class Three - Group of</u> <u>Scarecrows</u>

1st - Hive of Activity 2nd - Blue Planet 3rd - We're all going on a Summer Holiday Highly Commended - 3 Little Pigs

Champion Scarecrow

Country File

Public's Favourite Scarecrow

Roll Up, Roll Up

DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE

18TH NOVEMBER. ANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

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Bisterne Village Hall Charity No 301747

The Hall is available for private parties, clubs, meetings and organized functions. It has an entertainment license for 100 people and is the ideal venue for a number of events at a reasonable price. For viewing and booking, please telephone 01425 476703



Look out for blackberries in hedgerows from July to October.

Thick hedgerows bursting with blackberries are surely nature's way of sweetening up the end of our summer.

One of the first signs of autumn, these sweet but pleasantly sharp fruits can lend themselves to comforting puddings and stews, or light and refreshing summer salads and ice lollies. So if you're out foraging and can refrain from scoffing the lot before you get home, here's a few ideas you should try:

summer pudding, trifle, blackberry jam, blackberry and apple pie, plum and blackberry crumble, blackberry coulis and blackberry custard tarts. Blackberry sauce tastes great with venison, or serve the berries whole with pigeon and other game birds.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE STABLE FAMILY HOME TRUST

mile stone in his life!

For many years Ben Lale with winning the medals. has been preparing for this He wants to continue with special moment, a real his passion for badminton and hopes to win more medals in the future. Well

Ben developed an interest done Ben! in badminton and has been training for a good number of years. He has competed in many tournaments within the UK and always comes home with gold, silver and bronze medals. He always strives for gold and has achieved many but none so important and special as his latest success.

Ben's achievements over the years enabled him to compete in the Special Olympics Badminton Tour- For more information on nament in Sheffield in Au- how you can support peogust and he came home ple with a learning disabilwith 2 medals - Gold for ity to live more independmen's singles and a Silver ent lives please contact for mixed doubles. This Marion Davies on 01425 was an achievement for Ben and www.sfht.org.uk he

has made many people proud, especially his Mum. Ben said he had an awesome time and is so happy



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The time of year that Keats called the 'Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness', Autumn is a season famous for its harvest time, turning leaves, cooling temperatures and darkening nights.

Autumn as defined by the Earth's orbit around the sun, begins on the The Equinox and Solstice which falls on 22 or 23 September.

The word equinox comes from the Latin equi (meaning equal) and nox (meaning night) accounting for the equinox marking the time when day and night are of equal length.

We often notice the nights begin to draw in from this point as after the Autumn equinox, the night longer than the day, until this is reversed at the Spring equinox.

One of the most stunning signs of Autumn is the turning of the leaves. The shorter days are a sign to trees to begin to prepare for winter.

We typically think of 'Fall' as the North American version of the word 'Autumn', but it was in fact in widespread usage in England until relatively recently.

Originally a shortening of the phrase fall of the leaf, the phrase was common in England in the 17th centurv.

The word Autumn entered English from the French automne and didn't become common usage until the 18th century.