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"Welcome to the 'new' V&V Magazine, hopefully you missed us popping through your door...

We've had a slight face-lift (nothing too serious) but I'm sure you'll still recognise us.

After our three months 'holiday', we are feeling refreshed and raring to go! We do need feeding, though - so please send us your tasty news items, your freshly baked 'Christmas Fairs' posters, your juicy stories and your... well you get the idea. We need building up again.

Basically we need 'stu ' from ALL four villages in the Parish to make us more ...well rounded!"

Ed.

NEWS & ARTICLES FOR THE V & V PARISH MAG

It would be much appreciated if copy is supplied electronically as a text doc. (Microsoft Word etc.) with any accompanying images as JPEG les to the address BELOW.

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THOUGHTS FROM THE DESK OF...

Rev. Jean Saddington

How wonderful it is to have our magazine once again! A huge 'thank you' to Graham, our Editor, who has stepped into the breach once again to provide for us a magazine of the highest quality. During the magazine's absence many people expressed how they missed it and how important it is to the four communities of The Winterbournes and Compton Valence. Thanks also go to the contributors, the distributors and, of course, to the advertisers, without whose support we would not get a free magazine dropping on our doormats each month. Welcome back Valley & Valence!

November is a month of remembrance. Good old Guy Fawkes on the 5th (though I suspect to most it's simply 'Bon re Night' and less so connected to the Gunpowder Plotter from 400 years ago). Then we have Remembrance Sunday on the 10th November (a day to commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later con icts) and on the 11th Remembrance or Armistice Day (the anniversary of the end of hostilities in the First world War at 11 am in 1918). On the rst of the month we celebrate All Saints' Day, which comes the day after the now widely popular Halloween (deriving its name from the eve of All Saints - All Hallows Eve) and on the 2nd All Souls' Day, commemorating all those who have died. All these are speci c, singled-out times for remembrance – some national, some in the Christian church. And yet remembrance means something different to us all and is important because it roots us in who we are. The memories of those we love but see no longer may be vivid and still raw, or may be fond but faded over time and as I preside at services of remembrance year after year I am mindful that each person in front of me has a different memory; their own story revived in that moment of remembrance.

In the Church we commemorate both All Saints and All Souls on Sunday, 3rd November. In addition to the usual morning services, there will be a special service for All Souls at 3 pm at St Martin's Church, Martinstown. During that service there will be time and space to remember loved ones now departed, to hear their name read out and to light a candle in commemoration. All are welcome.

Yours in Christ

Jean Saddington
Team Vicar

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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)
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PCC Hon. Treasurer – Bruce Robertson

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Churchwarden & Treasurer – Jeremy Russell (01308 482227)
Churchwarden & Secretary – Peter Steel (01308 482782)
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 th 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 involved is assured.

at **5pm**

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

All welcome...

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Sunday, 1st Decemb
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Taizé Worship

Sunday, 17th November at 6pm

Taizé Worship at St Michael's Church, Winterbourne Steepleton.

Come and experience Taizé chants and re ections in this very special place.

All Welcome

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CHURCH CALENDAR NOVEMBER 201

SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS DAY

10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abbas
11.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Steepleton
15.00	All Souls' Service	Martinstown

SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

08.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	Martinstown
09.30	Holy Communion	Compton Valence
10.55	Holy Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER – 2nd BEFORE ADVENT

10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abbas
11.00	Worship Together	Martinstown
18.00	Taizé	Winterbourne Steepleton

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER – CHRIST THE KING

11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown
17.00	Church@Five	Martinstown

NB. Please note that the main services on the 10th and 31st have been swapped around because of the Remembrance Sunday service which starts at 10.55 on the village green.

A group that meets fortnightly to sing music of many different kinds, both sacred and secular. If you'd like to try us out, please come along to one of the Friday evening sessions. We meet in St. Martin's church from 7 to 8.15 p.m.

Dates coming up are 1st & 15th November. Singers are invited to donate £1 each session towards church overheads, but music's provided. It probably helps if you can rea music a little, but that's certainly not an essential.

For any further information, please contact Peter Wilkinson (p_wilkinson@hotmail.com or 889077).

Remembrance Sunday Service

Sunday, 10th November

10.55am on the green, St Martin's Church, Martinstown

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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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Serendipity Recorder Consort

Music and Readings on Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 10th November from 5 - 6pm

followed by tea

St Martin's Church, Martinstown

in aid of church funds and the Brain Injury Unit, Poole Hospital

Vigil for Refugees

on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6pm in St. Martin's Church

All Souls Service

Sunday, 3rd November • 3

St Martin's, Church

A Service of Remembranc

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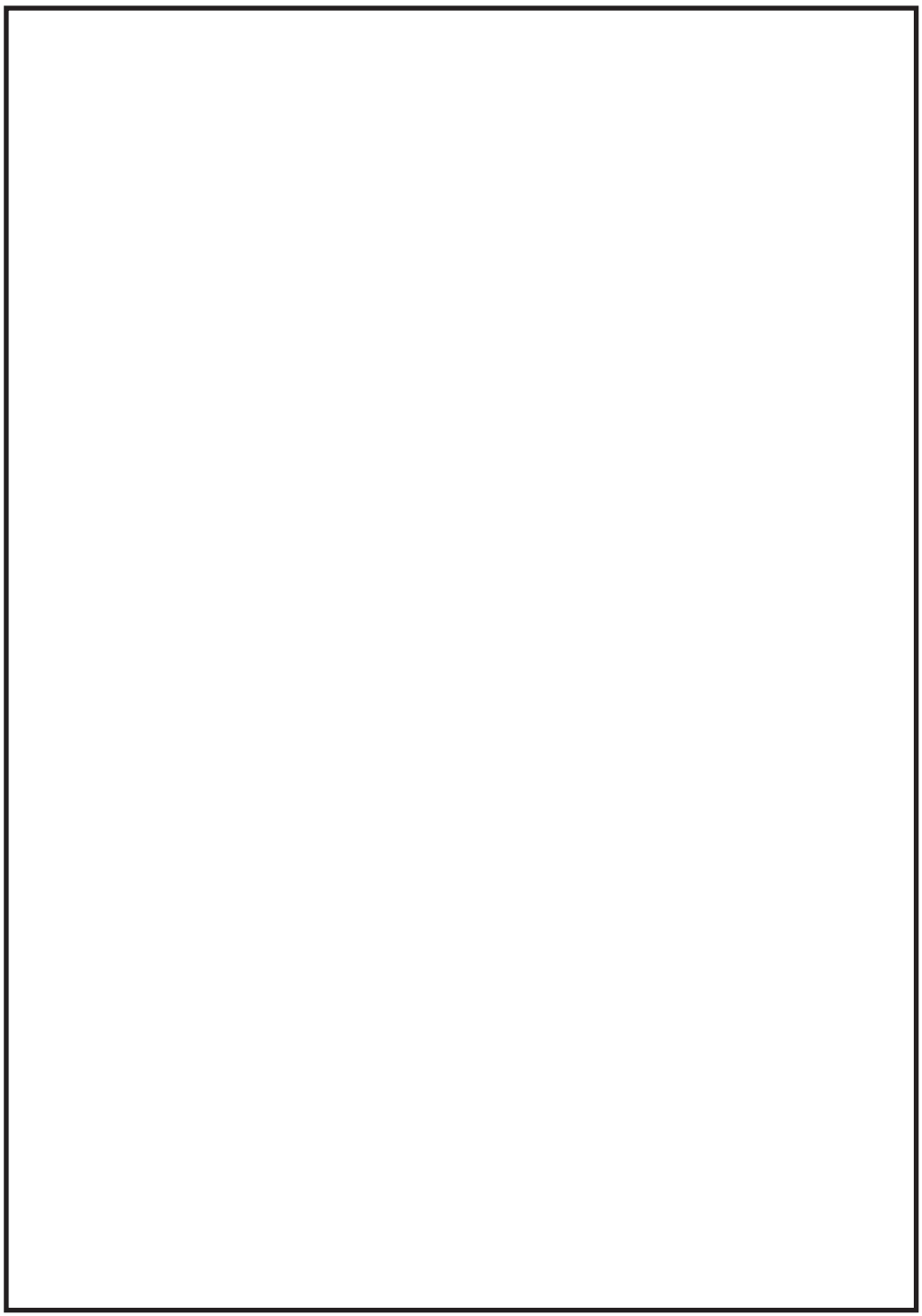

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November 1939...

by Terry Hearing

A funny sort of a war, or a 'phoney' war according to the Americans, who were not yet in it...

Eighty years ago. I remember it well. I was nine years old and we had been at war with Germany for two months. Already I had been evacuated three times from North London – not of cially but by family arrangement. The great fear was that Hitler would drop poison gas and massacre the civilian population, and in anticipation gas masks had been issued the previous year. Everybody was supposed to carry their masks in cardboard boxes, which were also quite convenient for lunchtime sandwiches.

After two abortive forays to Wales and to Gloucestershire for nine of us in my uncle's Morris Cowley saloon car, a house in Surrey was rented for the two families. Lightwater was thought to be suf ciently rural to be safe – an optimistic judgement. The two men stayed at work in London during the week.

So in November we settled into this new, comfortable and interesting domestic situation, and waited for the real war to begin. Very little seemed to be happening. The British Expeditionary Force crossed the Channel to support the French, who were con dently waiting behind the massive forti cations of the Maginot Line. On their side of the border the Germans felt safe in their Siegfried Line. The air forces made occasional reconnaissances, but the weather was dreadful and Hitler's urgent demands for action were resisted by his generals. The only battles were at sea, where German warships and submarines were beginning their six-year campaign to destroy Allied commerce.

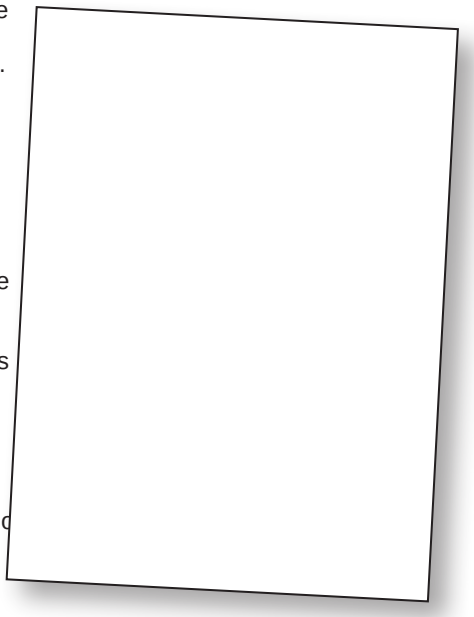
Glued to the radio (the wireless) the great British public had to wait until December for some really good news: the destruction of the German 'pocket' battleship 'Graf Spee' by a small British eet off the South American coast.

Meanwhile my father in London had installed an air raid shelter (known as an 'Anderson' after the Home Secretary). This involved digging a hole through London clay in our small lawn, seven feet long, ve feet wide and four feet deep. Corrugated iron sheets curved at one end were then inserted and bolted together and the excavated earth thrown back over the top. The Anderson was reckoned to withstand anything but a direct hit by a bomb. Unfortunately, the water table rose and the shelter ooded. Father had to dig it all out again, and then put a thick layer o concrete into the hole.

In Lightwater we knew nothing of this. We children went to the village school, which was new and had an enterprising headmaster. He introduced a system of 'Gold Stars' for good work, to be placed against our names on a noticeboard. My cousin Tony and I seized on this opportunity with a will – our schools in London had relied more on the stick than the carrot. In fact we had already covered much of the work anyway and the result was that our lines of gold stars soon reached the end of the board. Sadly, our teacher had to resort to a handicap plan….

The famous blackout had come into operation immediately war was declared, with severe penalties for showing lights which might help German bombers. Other signi cant features of wartime life appeared more gradually. In November 1939 the only rationing was of petrol – controls over food came in January 1940 as the German U-boats took their toll of our merchant shipping. Food prices increased, partially compensated by higher wages especially in munition factories.

The men came down to Lightwater for Christmas – it snowed, and we pelted the car with snowballs as they arrived. It was a good time, but my father was restless, and in January our part of the family went back to London. The others followed in the summer, just in time for the Blitz – but that's another story.



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MARTINSTOWN VILLAGE HALL Regular Group Meetings

MONDAY		
Baby & Toddler Group	10.00am - 12noon	Contact: Claire Benson - Tel: 07859 849094
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: Rosie Duke - Tel: 01305 889555
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
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

For BOOKING information, contact: Ann Matthews – Tel: 889248 or email: ronann.matthews@btinternet.com

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THIS MONTH'S NEWS FRO

Martinstown Women's Institute

Welcome back to the Valley and Valence – we've missed you!

At our meeting last month we heard 'Tales from Dorset County Prison' from Brian Bates. He told us of the severe punishments given for stealing articles worth as little as 5 shillings and the gruesome murders which had taken place In the county with thousands turning out to witness public executions (no TV in those days!). The fascinating history of Dorchester assizes included the infamous Judge Jefferies and later the Tolpuddle Martyrs.

On Friday 25th October we are hosting the Bride Valley Group meeting in the Village Hall. This will be a 60s themed evening with musical entertainment and a quiz. We will be serving a hot meal at 6 for 6.30pm and hope that all our members will come along to support this event.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th November at 7 pm in the Village Hall - "The 12 Days of Christmas".

Angela Barrett - Secretary

HARVEST TIME AND THE FOOD BANK

A big 'Thank you' to everybody who supported the Harvest Supper at the Village Hall on the 12th October b most particularly to Jan Grif ths and her galley crew who organised, cooked, served and cleared away the meal. Without her and those who supported her it could not have happened. After expenses we made £270 which, together with the proceeds from auctioning the Harvest loaf, kindly donated by Karen in the shop, mean we can send a cheque for £341 to the Weymouth Food Bank. This is in addition to the very generous donations of tinned and dried foods, nappies, toiletries etc which were taken there from the last two Sunday church services and a baptism.

John Crawford

FRIDAY LUNCH •CLUB•

2019 DATES:

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

Dates are: 1st November, 6th December.

To book, please telephone Cedric 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!

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The MILEATERS out and about.

...even the weather was kind to us – eventually

As the old saying goes, if you don't like the weather – just wait. Having been forced to abandon our planned walk on the Monday as squalls, storms, and darkness gripped Dorset, on Tuesday we were presented with bright blue skies and sunshine.

Fourteen walkers and two dogs set off from the Poachers' Inn at Piddletrenthide and made our talkative way over ve miles of gorgeous rolling farmland scenery, up the steady but not overly-steep inclines, and with most of it on farm tracks, which helped avoid the mud caused by the previous day's storms. Of course, if the humans did manage to avoid the mud, the dogs most decidedly chose not to.

Other than walking, the prime activity on Mileaters walks is typically a constant level of friendly chat. Not this time. On this walk the prime activity for some of the group at least (Lesley, Lesley and Barbara – we're particularly looking at you here) was blackberrying. Bush after bush laden with berries proved too much of a temptation, and the foraging trio fell further and further behind, only to catch up when we all reached the pub for lunch. There we were also reunited with Richard and Arend who had taken one minor wrong turning whilst deep in conversation – a near inevitable occupational hazard on such walks.

Service and food at the Poacher's Inn were generally great. The management had been really friendly and supportive when we were planning the walk – even if the publican did say, "I take it that you stop for lunch halfway through your walks." You can be assured that I soon put her right on that one.

We happily covered the miles, and we ate, which is everything that a Mileater needs on a sunny Tuesday. Thank Heavens that we postponed it from the previous day.

David Haslam

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Our next event will be our Social Evening on Friday 22nd November at 8.00pm in Martinstown Village Hall. We will have our usual mulled wine and mince pies with entertainment by “MUGS” – the Martinstown Ukulele Group plus “The Winterbourne Singers”. This will be a very jolly evening so do come along and support us. Visitors are very welcome to join us at a cost of £5.

Pat Willetts - Tel. 568458

Meet the...

Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at 7pm (see p17)
Venue: Grove community meeting room
27th November 2019 • 29th January 2020 • 26th February 2020 25th March 2020 • April 2020 - Annual Parish Meeting date and time to be con rmed and held at the Village Hall • 27th May 2020 - Annual Parish Council meeting

Parish Councillors:

Debbie Wiltshire (Chair)
Ann Bennett (Vice Chair)
Ben Carter
Dave Read
Karen Dela eld
Martin Usherwood
Neil Hallett
Patrick Jeffery
Val Cardall

Mrs Michele Harding (Clerk to the Council)
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Tel: 07814 016971

www.martinstown-news.co.uk/the-parish-council

Cllr Roland Tarr (Dorset Council)
cllrroland.tarr@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
MOB: 07543 288636

If you wish to raise anything with the Council please contact the clerk in the rst instance using the contact details above or come along to the next Parish Council meeting.

Meeting agenda’s will be displayed on notice boards and on the website, 3 clear days before the meeting. All welcome!

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Recycling, Rubbish & Garden Waste Collection Dates

NOVEMBER 2019 For more info contact: www.dorsetforyou.com/recycle

7th (Thurs)	- recycling and food	14th (Thurs)	- rubbish and food
21st (Thurs)	- recycling and food	28th (Thurs)	- rubbish and food
13th (Weds)	- garden waste	27th (Weds)	- garden waste

A-LINE TAXI SHUTTLESERVICE

Mondays & Fridays ONLY

A-Line Taxis: 01305 264747 to book

10.00am - TO DORCHESTER
1st Pickup - Mallards Green
2nd Pickup - Manor Grove
3rd Pickup - Village Shop
Finish - A-Line Office, Dorchester

13.00pm - TO MARTINSTOWN
Start - A-Line Office
1st Drop-off - Mallards Green
2nd Drop-off - Manor Grove
3rd Drop-off - Village Shop

– USEFUL CONTACT ADDRESSES & PHONE NUM

West Dorset General Hospital
Williams Avenue, Dorchester, DT1 2JY
Tel: 01305 251150 • www.dch.org

Dorset Police
Emergency: 999 • Non-emergency: 101
www.dorset.police.uk

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service
Emergency: 999 • Non-emergency: 01722 691000

Dorset 'Out of Hours' Medical Service
Tel: 0845 600 1013

Bus Timetables
Tel: First 0333 014 3490 • www. rstgroup.com

Train Timetables
Tel: South Western Railway 0345 6000 650
Web: www.southwesternrailway.com

Electricity Emergencies
Tel: 0800 072 7282

TO REPORT A POWERCUT
Tel: FREEFONE 105
www.powercut105.com

Gas Emergencies
Tel: 0800 111999

Drains/Water Emergencies
Tel: 0845 7300600

Flooding Enquiries
Local Flood Warden (S.Slade) Tel: 01305 889411
Environmental Agency Tel: 0800 807060

RSPCA West Dorset Branch
PO BOX 5460, Weymouth, DT3 6WH
Tel: 01305 259672 • www.westdorsetrspca.org

Age UK Dorchester
4 Prince of Wales Road, DORCHESTER DT1 1PW
Tel: 01305 269444 • www.ageuk.org.uk

Plaza Cinema
Trinity Street, Dorchester, DT1 1TT
Tel: 01305 262488
www.plazadorchester.com

Dorchester Odeon Cinema
Filmline: 0871 22 44 007
www.odeon.co.uk

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Last Weds of the month at 7pm

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on:

Weds 27 November 2019

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

FURTHER MEETINGS:
29 JANUARY 2020
26 FEBRUARY 2020
25 MARCH 2020
27 MAY 2020 (AGM)

April 2020 - Annual Parish Meeting
date and time to be con rmed and held
at the Village Hall

Be sure to visit the Parish Council website: • • ••

Dorset Police - Safer Neighbourhood Team

Meet your local Neighbourhood Policing Team 2018

at **Martinstown Shop & Post Office 2nd Wed every month • 11.00 -11.30**

If you cannot make this but would still like to speak with us please contact:

101 or email: @ • • ••

Dorchester Rural Neighbour Hood Policing Team

Sgt 1824 Ged Want • PC 0229 Pete Moore • PCSO 6230 Dan Gent • PCSO 5410 Sarah Pilcher

To contact us please either:

tel: 999 – emergency • tel: 101 – non emergency number

email – Dorchester-Rural-NPT@Dorset.Police.uk

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB DRAW

Martinstown Draw

AUGUST 2019
£25 Julie Lines
£10 Joan Read
£5 Debbie Follett

SEPTEMBER 2019
£25 Katie Wilkinson
£10 Sue & Martin Reeves
£5 Dick Corbett-Winder

Compton Valence Draw

SEPTEMBER 2019
£25 Rachael Clarke
£10 Emma Jane Shelton
£5 Alex Tweed

OCTOBER 2019
£25 Penny Tweed
£10 Tessa Eames
£5 Leslie Buckland

WANTED! • WANTED! • WANTED!

DOMESTIC HELP required in Martinstown for two hours per week.
For details ring: 01305 880084

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In aid of Julia's House Children's Hospice

Saturday 30th November

7 pm start

£10 per person (6 people per team)

Fish & Chip supper & desserts

Bring your own drinks

Prizes for the winners!!

EXCELLENT RAFFLE PRIZES

Tickets to be purchased from the Village Store or Jane Jones: 01305 889202

As I am sure many of you are aware, Julia's House is the only children's hospice in Dorset offering care to children with life-limiting illnesses, both in their homes and at our hospice. In addition they give support to the siblings and the parents in much needed ways. In order to supplement the very small income they receive from the government annually, JH has to raise £3,456 per day. This is no mean feat, and requires an ongoing effort and uphill struggle for all involved.

I would be very grateful if you would come along and support us on the 30th November, by joining in our fun quiz evening, and helping to raise some much-needed funding.

Thank you (in anticipation)

Jane Jones (a volunteer on Julia's House Dorchester Friends' Group)

Special anks...

I would like to thank everyone for all the support they have given me, and for all the sympathy cards that I received a er the death of my wife, Elaine on 19th July.

I am extremely fortunate to live in such a caring and friendly village.

Roger Hall • Martinstown

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...send us YOUR news and views!

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Tentacle Tribe – ‘Origami Mami’ & ‘Nobody Likes a

Sun 10 November, 7:30pm. Martinstown Villa

£10, £6 u18s, £25 family • Tel: 01305 889738.

Hailing from Montreal in Canada, this contemporary hip hop troupe present an award-winning double bill, which comes to Dorset, for one night only in Martinstown!

In Origami Mami, three exceptional female dancers perform a routine that unfolds from simple to complex geometry, looking like the interlocking parts of a machine with bending, folding steps as intricate as origami.

Nobody Likes a Pixelated Squid is a stunning urban hip-hop duet, inspired by the uid movements of diverse land and sea creatures. In a delectable fusion of music and movement, they invent a geometry of harmonious urban contemporary dance that they call ‘conceptual hip-hop’ or ‘deconstructed street dance’.

Choreographers Emmanuelle and Elon have worked together since 2005, forming Tentacle Tribe in 2012 after their rst performance for Cirque Du Soleil in Quebec City. Expect a relentlessly athletic and hugely impressive performance as the company arrives in the UK this autumn. Touring Dorset with Artsreach, the counties touring arts charity.

www.artsreach.co.uk
www.tentacletribe.com

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FRAN'S BLOG ...for November

The 'Ticket to Ride' cast..

Welcome back to our Parish Magazine and a huge 'thank you' to Graham for agreeing to take on the responsibility of editing this essential provider of news, views and trade advertisements, which are distributed throughout the Winterbourne Valley.

So how much have we missed it?

One elderly resident stated that due to limited mobility she relied on the magazine to keep her informed about what was happening in the area. Without it she felt somewhat isolated. Another resident commented that she had missed the church calendar, news from the cricket pitch and Terry Hearing's anecdotes.

I can concur with that. For example during the run up to the Martinstown Players production of 'Ticket to Ride', ticket sales were worryingly slow. Many people were in complete ignorance of this event in spite of iers and posters which had been scattered around the neighbourhood. However the show carried on with two full houses and was well received by a rapturous audience. All takings after expenses have been shared between the Winterbourne Valley Trust and the Village Hall.

So what else has been missing? Graham's fabulous photos including the front covers.

Information about Artsreach productions, such as the wonderful story-telling and puppetry skills of Craig Johnson and later, the children's 3D workshop led by Darrell Wakelan; all came and went without comment. Some fundraising activities had to be cancelled due to lack of publicity.

However, all is not lost. The magazine is back in time for me to promote our next Artsreach sensation. On Saturday 10th November Tentacle Tribe, hailing all the way from Montreal in Canada will be here to present an award winning fusion of music and contemporary dance that they call Conceptual Hip Hop.

Tickets available from Jan Grif ths on: 1305 889738. An experience not to be missed.

Finally, a request from me to save your washed plastic milk bottle tops! For some time Les Scarth has been collecting these for me to send on to be re-cycled and re-used. The money raised goes to support the Air Ambulance. Who would have thought that saving your bottle tops could help to save the planet and lives?

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Do you remember when…?

...there was a fair on the Village Green in Martinstown?

I think this photo was taken in late 1982, but I don't remember it happening since.

Research on the Martinstown Website (www.martinstown-news.co.uk) reveals that "Henry lll granted a charter to Winterborne St Martin which allowed the village to hold an annual fair within ve days of St Martin's Day". This falls on 11th November. Certainly that would t with the wintry trees and warm jackets in the picture.

Alison Crawford

Editor's note:
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I would like to thank all of the people that have helped propel me forward on this wonderful adventure that I have been on; it would have been a lot harder without your support.

I have had a great time over there and have made memories that I'll never forget thanks to new friends here in England and of course over in Kenya. Upon getting to Kenya there was a lot of work to be done in the local community in order to create a better standard of living, which all the locals found brilliant especially the children, and by doing this we made many friends that we will keep in touch with.

A lot of the work that had to be done was at the local schools, although the majority of the work was painting on which we all now are very good at!

One of the highlights of the trip was the mountain expedition, Mount Kenya, all 17,000 feet of it! There were some in our party that didn't make it up and others that did it easily. I however suffered from rather bad altitude sickness, but it was my own fault, because I didn't drink enough water; this made it even more of a challenge but I made it in the end, which is all that really matters.

Once completing the mountain stage of our trip we had a couple more days in the community helping out the locals. This was when I celebrated my fteenth birthday – Kenyan style!

Finally the 'rest days' of the trip came, which included our safari trip. This was one of the most stunning three days I've spent within a national reserve and it was indescribable. A highlight of it was when we all saw a lioness hunt; there was a young family of warthog that the lion chased and within 30 seconds it had bagged its prize - a young warthog! There were mixed emotions from within our party after seeing this, but everyone agreed that it was a once in a lifetime sight that we all had just witnessed.

To follow up that brilliant experience was the white water rafting trip we undertook. The only way to describe this to you, would be brilliant but VERY cold … and of course WET!

So, that is a brief summary of my unforgettable experience and thank you all once again for helping me get there and do it. ... I'd love to go again!

Charlie Dovey – Dorchester Explorer Scout

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Martinstown Post Office	07:31	07:31	07:53		10:10	10:15	13:15	
Mallard Green	**	**	**			**	**	
Poundbury QM Square	07:39	07:39	08:01			**	**	
Poundbury Mansell Square	**	**	**			**	**	
Dorchester Hospital	07:43	07:43	08:06			**	**	
A-Line taxi office/Trinity Street	**	**	**		**	10:30	13:30	
Brewery Square	**	**	08:13			**	**	
Dorchester South Station	07:52	07:52	**			**	**	

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A-Line taxi office		13:00		**	**	**	**	
Trinity Street	13:00	**		16:03	16:14	17:22	18:22	
Dorchester Hospital		**		16:10	16:21	17:27	18:27	
Thomas Hardye School		**		**	**	**	**	
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Poundbury QM Square		**		16:15	16:26	17:31	18:31	
Mallard Green		**		**	**	**	**	
Martinstown Post Office	**	13:15		16:22	16:33	17:38	18:38	
Winterbourne Steepleton	**	**		**	**	**	**	
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