

# UGBOROUGH PARISH NEWSLETTER

September 2013



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Garden Club     *Anne Holway*



We hope you visited our Produce & Flower Show on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August and that you enjoyed the Cream Tea. The tubs in the square have been greatly admired this year and thanks go to Shelley for the planting and Heather and helpers for all the watering in such a dry summer.

Garden Club.

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September we have an OPEN MEETING at Oakenham, Hillhead. Shelley and Richard Hutcheon are kindly opening their Garden at 7.30 p.m. followed by a talk by Jo Stopher, a garden designer with extensive plant knowledge.

There will be drinks, nibbles and a warm WELCOME TO ALL.  
(£2 for non-members). Ring 941872 if you need a lift up the hill.

**Coffee Drop-In Centre**

**10.30 a.m.-Noon every Thursday morning in Ugborough Church**

**Post office available 10 a.m.-12 noon**

Why not meet up with friends and neighbours over coffee, tea, cake & biscuits?

Everyone welcome.

Ugborough and Bittaford Pre- School.     *Tania Barretto*

Our children return to pre-school on September 9<sup>th</sup> in line with the primary school, and we will welcome many new faces. Our extended opening hours 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. every day will no doubt prove very popular. The number of children who will enjoy our Forest School session, now on a Tuesday, and Mervyn, our Musikgarten specialist on a Thursday, have stayed high despite some of our friends going off to school. We are also in the process of bringing together a cookbook for the recipes which the children have enjoyed cooking on a Wednesday, and encourage all parents/carers to give us their contribution of well-loved recipes.

We have collaborated too with the Ugborough After-School club, and childcare is now provided until 6pm Monday-Thursday to help some of our working parents. Come and see what our children love about your local popular pre-school, which achieved an 'Outstanding' rating with Ofsted in March 2011. We take children from the age of 2 years, accepting 2 together funding accessed through a Devon Helpline 0845 155 1019, and offer 15 hours of funded childcare for 3 and 4 year olds.

We also host a busy Toddler Group on Mondays between 10 a.m. and 11.30 a.m., please telephone 07763 215455 and speak to Tania or Naomi about Pre-school, Toddler Group or After School Club enquiries.

The Beacon Federation      *Executive Headteacher - Mrs. Jane Byrne*  
Ugborough Primary School.

**We look forward to seeing you again on MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013**

**"Little Dresses for Africa"**

As part of her project on Africa, Ellie Smart in year 4 has started making pillowcase dresses for African children through the Charity Little Dresses for Africa. For more information visit [www.littledressesforafrica.org](http://www.littledressesforafrica.org) or e-mail [adrianjsmart@btinternet.com](mailto:adrianjsmart@btinternet.com) Please bring any dresses back to school by 23rd September 2013 and Ellie will send them off. Thank you.

**Anyone for Women's Football?**

The 'Beacon Belles' are a small group of mums who play football for fun. Our games are really friendly and laid back and they are suited for all abilities including those who have never kicked a football before! This is a fun, sociable way of keeping fit.

We meet on the Ugborough school playing field from 8.45 a.m. until 10 a.m. on Wednesday mornings during term time. If you do decide to join us please access the field from the 'side' entrance and not via the school.

If you would like to play but cannot make Wednesday mornings then please email [lisa.keay24@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.keay24@gmail.com) with available days/times as additional sessions may be possible if there is enough demand. We look forward to seeing you for our next kick off on Wednesday 11th September!

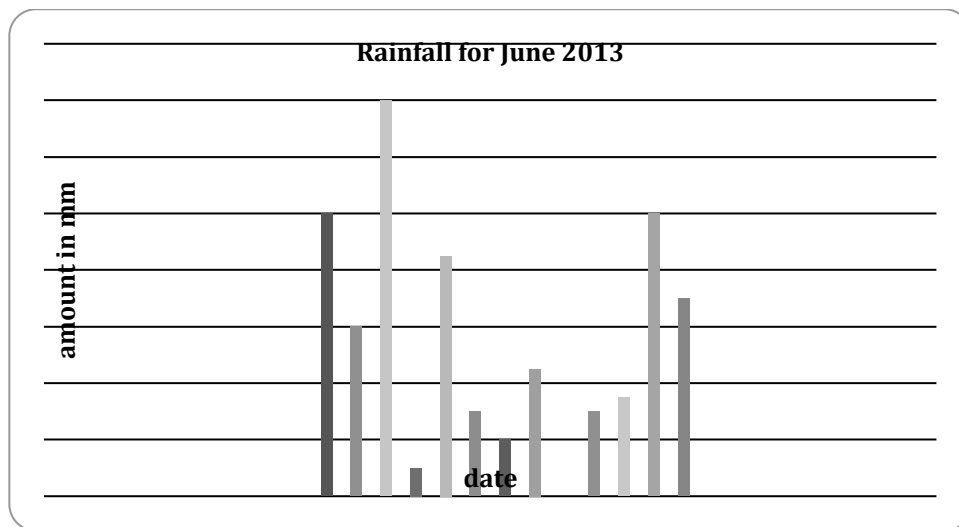
Ugborough Local History Group- *Merry! Docker*

September sees the start of our new season of talks, so our membership fees are due at £6 each ~ great value for a series of 9 talks and events. We have another varied season of talks planned ranging from very local with an in depth look at the roof bosses in Ugborough church to Drake and the Spanish Armada with many more topics of interest in between. We are not an academic group and welcome all, familiar faces and newcomers alike. We just share an interest in life in past times in the beautiful area we are fortunate to live!

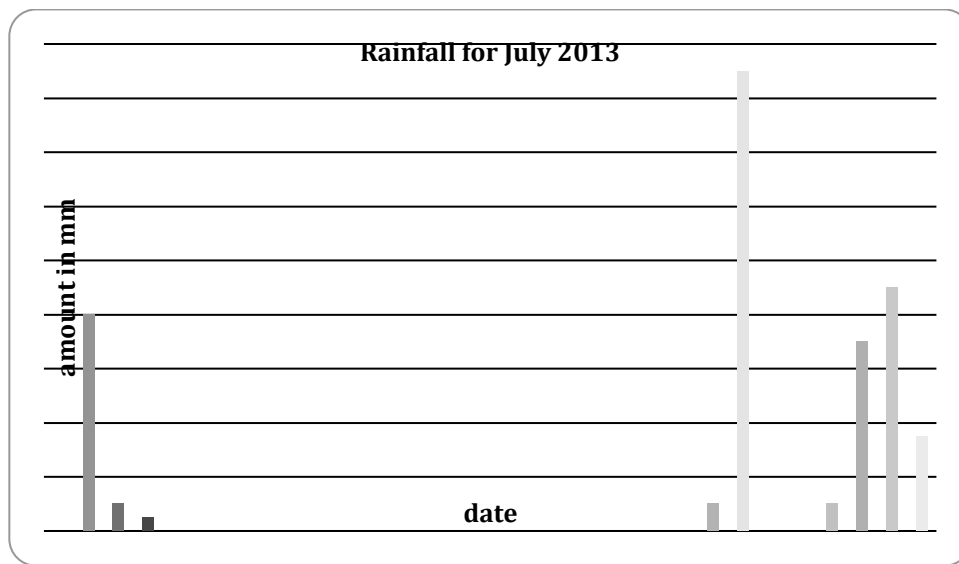
Our first talk of the season will be on **Wednesday 25th September ~ 8 p.m. in Ugborough Village Hall** when Roy and Leslie Adkins will be giving an illustrated talk entitled:

"Eavesdropping on Jane Austen's England." A revealing, spirited and fascinating account of what life was really like in England 200 years ago. We look forward to getting together again. See you soon.

Rainfall at West Cannamore, Ugborough, 510 ft. above sea level      Thanks to Len Wakeham  
for these valuable records.



Total for month = 72.5mm    2.85 ins.



Total for month = 49.5mm    1.95 ins.

What a difference a year made!

Total rainfall for June and July 2013= 122mm      4.80 ins

Total rainfall for June and July 2012= 449.5mm    17.69 ins!!

UGBOROUGH YOUTH GROUP-

**Two OPPORTUNITIES (Vacancies) have arisen in our Youth Group.**

**Youth Leader**

If you are interested in leading a small enthusiastic group of children ages 10-15 who meet monthly ~ this could be for you! This opportunity would ideally suit either - (a) Someone who is considering Youth Work/Teaching as a career as it would be valuable experience, plus good to include on your CV, OR

(b) Someone in the Community who has an interest in working with young people and would like to be involved with the Youth of our village.

Minimum age 17, PAY is according to age/experience, CRB requirement (can be arranged by Ugborough Youth Group),

**Chairperson**

Could you spare a few hours every quarter and help run our Youth Group?

Would you like to join the Committee of Ugborough Youth Group and 'Chair' the quarterly meetings?

If you are interested in either of these opportunities and would like more details please contact ~ Judith Rundle-Jones on 07870 632 146 by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September**.

**Ugborough Youth Group AGM** COME ALONG, GET INVOLVED!

7.00 - 8.00 p.m. Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013, Ugborough Village Hall

All nominations for Youth Leader, Chairperson and Committee members must be received by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September to Judith Rundle-Jones Honeysuckle Cottage, 17 Lutterburn St, Ugborough [judith.rundle-jones@sky.com](mailto:judith.rundle-jones@sky.com)

Ivybridge U3A - Doreen Flood

The general meeting of Ivybridge U3A for September 2013 will be on Monday September 23rd at 2 p.m. in the Methodist Church, Ivybridge. The speaker will be Jackie Smith whose subject will be 'Life on the Moor'.

To find out more about the many interest groups provided by the U3A in this area you would be very welcome to attend this meeting. You will be able to meet group leaders and find out more about our constantly expanding range of activities and you will be offered free tea and biscuits as our guest.

If you are unable to attend please visit our website <http://www.ivybridge-U3A.org.uk> or call the chairman Cliff Bennett 01752 894978.

Ugborough Parish Walking Group- Merryl Docker

Our next walk will be on **Sunday September 1st ~ meet in Ugborough Square at 10.45 a.m.** Come along dressed for whatever the weather decides and bring you doggie friends too. Our walks are leisurely affairs, nothing arduous, a gentle stroll around our beautiful countryside. Come and join us to find out just where our parish paths are! For more information contact Tom Holway (01752 941872) or Merryl Docker (01752 893651).

Beryl's Bookworms -Sue Johns

As ever lively discussion for this month's meeting for August's book 'Old Filth' by Jane Gardam. The unlikely title of this novel, (Filth means 'Failed in London Try Hong Kong'), follows the life of a distinguished judge, from his childhood in Malaya to his old age in Dorset. Well written, the tale traversed back and forth in time ever working towards the truth of the unhappy childhood which shaped Old Filth's life. We all agreed that the characters were well drawn and that the story captured the essence of the Raj orphan debacle. However, whilst most felt the story touched a chord with its tragic, poignant yet sometimes comic rhetoric, a minority felt the entire story attempted to touch on too many unresolved issues, left too many cliff hangers and incorporated too many contrivances.

Gardam's subsequent sequels following different characters from this novel will possibly satisfy the sceptics and thrill the converted...The overall scoring was 3.8 out of 5. September's Book will be Rose Tremain's Restoration.

Operation Henry is showing the film 'The Way' (with Martin Sheen) as part of a charity evening at the Watermark, Ivybridge on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September starting at 7.30 p.m. Tapas, canapés and wine are included and tickets cost £9. For more information phone 01752 892220

The Community Council of Devon is holding its Annual Conference, entitled 'A Sense of Place', at Exeter Racecourse on 12<sup>th</sup> September. For more information ring 01392 248919 or visit [www.devonrec.org.uk/c/95/a-sense-of-place](http://www.devonrec.org.uk/c/95/a-sense-of-place)

RDA FUNDRAISER.

Devon Fit Camp are hosting a Hog Roast with ' Out to Grass'

Date; 28<sup>th</sup> September    Venue; Dunwell Farm Ugborough

Start time; 7.30 p.m.    Tickets; £7.00 pp

Hog Roast from Gribbles and bar.

Camping available (Please give prior notice.) Free parking available.

Contact [info@devonfitcamp.co.uk](mailto:info@devonfitcamp.co.uk) or tel. 01752 426223.

**Your Stars Tonight.** "This puts the Ugborough Fair Concert in the shade," I chortle as I look at the programme for the Green Man Festival, "I fancy the Swans with their hard core, proto industrial rock soundscapes, followed by Darkstar who have made their mark on London's nascent grime and dubstep music scene". The steamed dieter winces and looks out of the camper van window and declaims "Black, black, black are the Black Mountains of Abergavenny and dark the clouds bearing rain". "And that reminds me of my star gazing search for Barnard 143 - the renowned dark interstellar cloud." I exclaim. With a sigh the steamed dieter opens the camper van door and points into the rain sodden gloom and indicates she wishes to be alone.

Edward Edmund Barnard - known to his fellow astronomers as "the man who never slept" - was obsessed by the black areas of the night sky where no stars are visible. Not for him the faint glow of distant galaxies, or soft light haze of star clusters, nor was he an enthusiast for the glowing gas clouds like Orion's nebula or the ethereal light from the remnants of exploded stars such as the Crab nebula. He was looking for really black black sky - as Zaphod Beeblebrox was later to enthuse about space ship upholstery. Eventually he catalogued 370 of these and showed they were enormous interstellar clouds of cold dust blocking out light from the stars beyond - they were dark nebula.

The largest of these is the Coal Sack dark nebula which is easily visible to the naked eye but unfortunately requires residence in the Antipodes and an Australian Visa. Star gazers closer to Ugborough need ocular magnification to see our biggest dark nebula - the afore mentioned Barnard 143 - also known as Barnard's E nebula for its distinct resemblance to the capital E. Finding it requires a honing of your celestial navigation skills.

Start by finding the "Summer Triangle" of bright stars made up by Vega, Deneb and Altair. Vega is currently almost directly overhead and by far the brightest star in the summer sky, Deneb is a little to the East (see if you can then see the kite like shape of fairly bright stars of the constellation Cygnus, the Swan). Altair is the bright star below them in the southern sky and forms a distinctive line with two other stars making up the wings of Aquila, the Eagle. This is where Barnard 143 resides. I have been trying to catch a glimpse of Barnard 143 for the last two years with no success - trying to see a black cloud against a background of night sky is difficult, particularly as my aging eyes seem to be perpetually clouded by black floaters and other optical noise. But on a moonless night in early August I turned the binoculars in that direction one more time - and there it was - no mistaking the E shape. It raised the question why I had never seen it before - as always with visual astronomy one never can be quite sure that what you are seeing is real - until you see it.

#### SPORTS REPORT - Janner Motson

What a thrilling summer of cricket Ugborough has seen. With crowds enjoying the sunshine and spectacle the village played a full season of 10 games, winning 5 and coming excitingly close in 3 of the others. There will be many contenders for the awards this year, but hotly tipped is Paul Stewart who scored over 200 runs and ended with a Bradman-esque average of more than 100 thanks to the retirement system employed in the T20 matches. Other contenders include Peter Williams and Dan Clayden for their tight bowling, but it was notable how this year's team were able to bowl sides out, getting the wickets needed to push games tight. However, the key difference could well be the excellent standard of fielding in most of the games, where the exploits of Andy MacMillan, Simon Weir and even John Parham provided many magic moments.

The team continues to look for the home talent and is active in its youth policy by including no less than 6 U15s in the ranks this year. The selectors will have a tough choice next season with some of the 'older' players due to come back from injury.....although it won't be long before they will be out again with their next pulled muscle.

Elsewhere, the football is looming and the Ugborough Football youth teams will be hoping to emulate their heroes from the Ugborough Legends squad. Following this year's near miss in the 6-a-side tournament President of the Legends, Steve Hughes, told SPORTS REPORT; "We showed that we can still score goals, sometimes even in the opposition net." When quizzed about management he said; "If a manager isn't fired with enthusiasm, he'll be fired with enthusiasm." - Fighting words from a management fighting for its life.

All the scores and more next month right here on SPORTS REPORT.

#### UGBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL- Stafford Williams

The best news of the summer was the introduction of not one, but possibly 2 new members to the committee, which should ease the load on the existing group. Whilst the summer is traditionally quiet, activity includes electrical certificates, Health and Safety Review, chasing of outstanding hire fees, changes to the bank accounts and hire conditions, deep cleaning of the premises and a plethora of minor administrative tasks. Hiring levels have been topped up with the hugely successful Sustainable Ugborough events every other Saturday morning and it has been great to see the new ovens being well used and working so well. There are some building fabric tasks to be completed this autumn, but otherwise the Hall is ready for another busy year.



### Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays

After only three months in the planning Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays was launched on the 27th July. Twenty producers set up in the Village Hall selling everything from flowers and plants to cakes and sticky buns. A huge thank you to Ermington Sustainable Saturdays, our inspiration, and particularly to Ro Hughes who opened our first Ugborough Sustainable Saturday. Also thank you to the continuous flow of people who came to buy, have coffee and chat with friends and neighbours. And of course thank you to the sellers who, between them, took just over £600 which is money that has stayed in the local community. We also spotted some enterprising individuals bartering; cake for flowers!

We are always glad of feedback:

*"I've never known the Village Hall so buzzing. I did all my shopping, took it home and came back for coffee."*

*"I have just finished a meal of lamb from USS and a Greek salad with really tasty lettuce from USS. On my return home I packed my husband off camping with a slice of sausage and red onion tart which he assures me was delicious."*

Please do come and join us every other Saturday from 10 to 12 in the Village Hall. Dates for September are 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Further information can be found at [www.ugborough.com/uss](http://www.ugborough.com/uss). If you are interested in being a producer and seller or volunteer please contact either Charlott on 07730 767694 or Vici on 01752 898799. We are still looking for a local cheese maker!

Ugborough Sustainable Saturday Committee

### Ashley Tod has sent this item

New sports club to meet every Thursday on the school playing field at 7 p.m.

The aim of Ugborough Ultimate Frisbee club is to meet weekly, train, have a laugh, & Ultimately (pun intended) compete with other teams from across the county. This is a 16+ club and is a mixed game with all abilities welcomed. So come along for a session and try it out.

Contact Ashley for more information on 07921023178 or check out our facebook page [www.facebook.com/Ugboroughultimate](https://www.facebook.com/Ugboroughultimate)

Ugborough Parish Council Clerk: Sarah Woodman 01364 661127

email: [ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk) Website: [www.ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk)

As there was no Newsletter in August, this report covers both the July Parish Council Meeting and the extra meeting in August (which is held only to consider planning applications and any other urgent matters).

Planning applications were the main discussion in both the July and August meetings, and the Parish Council comments (*given in italics*) were:

- Demolition of wooden bungalow at Moorside, Bittaford Ref 0327/13 *Request that the orange plastic fencing, which has been in place for 2 years, be replaced with a more sympathetic enclosure*
- Stowford Mill Planning Brief *Links with Ivybridge Community College should be explored. A mixed office and residential use would be preferred. Any development should include a hydroelectric scheme*
- Appeal against failure to notify of decision on Erection of single wind turbine (0.5megawatt) hub height 50m, tip height 79m and associated electrical structure and access improvements at Dunwell Farm, Ugborough Ref 57/0963/13/F *Object. Potential conflict with the emerging Neighbourhood Plan, adverse effect on the landscape*
- Householder application for the replacement of existing timber windows with pvc-u windows at Crofter's Court, Filham Ref 57/1609/13/F *Prefer natural timber windows. Support a change of colour to white or pastel shades*
- A wind energy development comprising of the erection, up to 25 years operation and subsequent decommissioning of 1 no. wind turbine (estimated output of 0.85megawatts) with 60 metres hub height, 86.5 metres tip height together with access tracks, temporary works, hardstanding areas, electricity substation and cabling and alterations to the existing vehicular access off the junction at Ley Green, at Land SX6170 5363 Luson Farm, Near Westlake Ref 21/1640/13/F *No comment*
- Full planning application for the extension of cricket club pavilion/clubhouse to create annexe for storage, garaging, and club facilities at Ivybridge Cricket Club, Filham Park, Godwell Lane, Ivybridge Ref 57/1654/13/F *Support*
- Retention of field shelter, commercial sand school, new track and associated works at land at Cheston, Wrangaton Ref 0365/13 *Object. Inappropriate location for commercial use. Contrary to original planning permission*
- Erection of barn (13m x 9m) at 1 Leigh Close, Bittaford Ref 0358/13 *No objection*

The Neighbourhood Plan has reached its next phase, with the findings of the questionnaire and the identification of options for the future. See the Newsletter Report from the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group - and come along to one of the roadshows!

Where you Live Following on from the very successful webpage at [southhams.gov.uk](http://southhams.gov.uk), South Hams District Council is considering extended the service to businesses - feedback is requested on the services to be provided. Looking at the SHDC website, I note there is currently a consultation on the Council Tax Reduction Scheme, which has arisen as the Council's overall budget has been cut by Government - your comments are invited on a number of options.

The next Parish Council Meeting is to be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September, and you are welcome to attend. Agenda and minutes are displayed on the Council's noticeboards and website.

#### Ugborough Neighbourhood Plan

On 24<sup>th</sup> July Ugborough Parish Neighbourhood Planning Working Group (UPNPWG) met planning advisor Greg Davies of the Community Council of Devon to consider his report on the results from the Neighbourhood Planning questionnaire. The Group selected the following development proposals that had attracted sufficient support to warrant further research, investigation and consultation in the process of producing options for the Neighbourhood Plan.

1. Affordable Housing (8 homes)
2. Open Market Housing (maximum 25 homes additional to affordable by 2040)
3. Car Parking (may not just be a car park)
4. Community Shop
5. Pre-School Play Group facility
6. Public Open Space
7. Renewable energy policy (substantial opposition to wind farms and wind turbines)

Ideas which are shelved due to lack of support are; a multi-purpose community building to replace the village hall; the provision of office facilities; an hotel adjoining Wrangaton Golf Course (the hotel received majority support from residents in the Wrangaton, Bittaford and Moorhaven areas and this may be pursued by other means). The Report on the questionnaire and the Notes of the Meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> July 2013 are now available on the Parish Council website [www.ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk) for your information.

The UPNPWG now propose to form five Focus Groups to consider viability, funding, location options and wider constraints and opportunities for these development possibilities. Expressions of interest are invited from members of the community with suitable skills to join the Focus Groups. Stakeholders may also be invited to participate. Please apply to the Parish Clerk Sarah Woodman by e-mail on [ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk) or telephone (01364) 661127. There is a display in the bus shelter explaining a little more about the Neighbourhood Planning process and the stage we have reached. With a view to getting more people involved in the Neighbourhood Planning Process the UPNPWG are holding a series of Road Shows as follows.

Please come and join us on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September and learn more about our Parish Neighbourhood Plan. We will be holding a series of road shows around Ugborough Village to which all are invited at the following times;

Undertown - 10.00 am	The Church side of the Square-	11.15 am
Seldons Close- 2.00 pm	Fore Street -	3.15 pm

Where-ever you live please attend the most convenient meeting. This is your opportunity to:

- learn more about the neighbourhood planning process
- find out where we have got to in the process
- learn how you can be involved
- ask questions

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

#### erme- Remind Lindsay Ward

Firstly, if you haven't heard, erme-Remind is the new name for Dementia Friendly Parishes Around the Erme. The name was thought up by Diane Webley of Ermington Parish Council with **Remind** standing for **Remembering Everyone Matters in Dementia** (with 'erme' helping to distinguish our local identity). The name also sums up our aim which is to create a community where people living with dementia and their families feel included.

Achieving our aim will always be a work in progress but we hope to take the parishes involved some way on this vital journey. Our recent coffee morning at the White Hart helped us to take another step forward. The atmosphere was really good thanks to the range of people who gave up their time to attend, plenty of cake and some super raffle prizes thanks to Diane (as before), Judy Alloway from Kingston Parish Council and Nicholas Hair and Beauty.. Those in attendance included representatives from across the business community, education, health, the clergy, parish councils and a whole range of community groups. Special guests included Cllr Bryan Carson, the Chairman of South Hams District Council and Ian Sherriff from the Prime Minister's National Steering Group on the dementia challenge. Ian gave us an entertaining talk which helped to understand the seriousness of the challenge and yet the many positive things that can be achieved for the good of all.

As well as a fund raising raffle we used the coffee morning to pilot a questionnaire as part of an on-going survey to help in developing understanding of what good dementia friendly communities should be like and provide us with information that can help us take our parishes along this route. The first section of the questionnaire is designed for anyone to complete, whilst section two is for those living with dementia and section three is for carers and family members.

At the moment copies of the questionnaire can be obtained from the lead parish - Modbury Parish Council - with wider access developing over the coming months.

We keep researching, learning and making new contacts to help with this work and there are many more events and initiatives coming up this Autumn and Winter.

So please keep watching this space and tell people who you think would benefit from knowing about erme-Remind!.

#### Help for homeowners, landlords and park home owners from South Hams District Council!

South Hams District Council, in partnership with not-for-profit organisation Wessex Home Improvement Loans, may be able to provide homeowners, park home owners and landlords with subsidised finance to carry out essential repair works to their homes. Works are assessed by the council and include boiler repair, replacement or heating installation, damp repair, structural works including roof/thatch repair, electrical and plumbing works, rotten windows replacement, or upgrades to bathrooms and kitchens over 15 years old and in need of repair. Eligibility is wide to include people who own their own homes who may have savings and/or an income but who wouldn't be able to afford repairs or access finance elsewhere. Call South Hams District Council on 01803 861234 for more information or visit [www.wrcic.org.uk](http://www.wrcic.org.uk).

Bittaford Methodist Chapel Services- Jutta Berger 01752 698381

Please come and join us - we look forward to welcoming you.

Our services start at 10.30 a.m. unless otherwise shown.

1st September	Rev. David Youngs	Sacrament of Holy Communion
8th September	Mrs. Gillian Mills	
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Rev. Ralph Ward	Sacrament of Holy Communion - 2.30 pm
22nd September	Mr. Peter Goodfellow	
29th September	Rev. Ambrose Wright	

Our Hall is available for hire. We have a small Tea Kitchen. All enquiries contact: Jutta Berger as above or e-Mail to: [juttaberger@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:juttaberger@tiscali.co.uk)

Green Pastures Coffee Bar for families with small children.

Open every Friday from 10.00am 'til 12 noon including School Holidays!

### St. Peter's Church, Ugborough

Dear friends,

I am looking forward to baptising four babies this coming weekend, having already baptised two adults and another baby two weeks ago. I believe that baptising people into the church is the start, hopefully, of a lifelong living commitment to follow Christ. It is therefore the beginning, rather than the end.

Many of our fonts are hundreds of years old, and must have been used to baptise so many over the years. The font at Halwell has no stopper in the bottom, and a large dish is placed in to hold the water. At Moreleigh the water flows out of the door when the water is released. In Ermington, this week, I met a gentleman who gave a presentation book to the Church with the names of those who had subscribed to Rev. Pinwell's leaving present, after he had served the parish for forty years, starting in 1880. The gentleman's father had carved the beautiful font cover in the Church, when he worked for the Pinwell sisters, renowned for their carving skills. The font at Diptford is striking for the noise it makes as the water is released!

Ugborough's font is interesting as it is cut out of sand stone, and just as the water flows out of a pool dug on a sandy beach, the water leaks out in St. Peter's. So, when I left the water in after baptising my last baby in the church, half of it had disappeared before the baptising of the two adults on the following day. The font had also changed colour with the water seeping through.

It seemed to me that the water wanted to be released into the world outside of the church. In Baptism, we all promise to be Christ's faithful soldiers and servants on active service in the world, bringing in others to be baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, till the end of our lives. Some of us are often to be caught half asleep in our Christian lives. May God stir us up by His Spirit, in order to bring in others into God's Kingdom, so that in turn they may go out to live to his glory in the world. This is the duty of all the baptised.

**So may the love of God sparkle in your eyes, as you meet others on their journey, and may your joy give glory to God in Jesus' name.**

Yours Rev John

### 3 reminders and a warning.

Devon Historic Churches ride & stride charity fund raising day is 14th September. Taff, George and Steve are going to be raising money once more for this excellent charity. Should you want to play a part in raising funds then contact Taff for a sponsorship form. Funds are split 50 / 50 between St Peter's Ugborough and DHC.

A prayer board is available in church (in the side chapel) where you can request prayers for anyone who has need of some extra support.

If you take advantage of the Buy one get one free offers, then you can donate any surplus to the Shekinah Mission in the Church using the box at the back of the church. All donations, Food, Cleaning Gear and Toiletries are distributed to local needy families.

Theft of Rood Screen from a Devon Church (alert from Taff.)

In August, 2 decorative oak panels from a beautiful Medieval rood screen in a 15<sup>th</sup> century church were hacked out by thieves leaving only holes. It is feared that they will be sold abroad. Whilst it is important that we keep our own fine church open to the public so they can enjoy its peace and beauty, please keep an eye on any unusual activity. Thanks.

St Peter's Church Services in September 2013

Date your	Date and time	Service	for
	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 10.30 a.m.	***Mission Community service at St.Peter and St. Paul, Ermington***	
	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> September 11 a.m.	Sung Eucharist	
	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 9.30 a.m.	Family Communion	
	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 11 a.m.	Sung Eucharist (we will be joined by Ermington church at this service which will be held here.)	
	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 9.30 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Matins Bishop of Plymouth's Farewell Service at St. Mary's, Plympton	
	Tuesdays at 9 a.m.	Celtic Prayer	
	Thursdays at 8.30a.m. 5.30 p.m.	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	

diary- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 7 p.m.- Harvest Praise (more details in next month's Newsletter).

It's wonderful to have the Church clock now back in position- how we missed it whilst it was being repaired and restored!

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