

SHORELINE

News and Views from Charmouth

AFFORDABLE HOUSING –the great debate

Is the District Council's proposal a boon to the community – or a blot on the landscape?

Passions ran high at the Parish Council meeting held on 12th August when those in the village both for and against the plan had their say, but a check on the dorsetforyou.com website revealed that although sixteen objections have been registered, there were no submissions in favour of the scheme. Rumour has it that some folk who are desperate to be housed were not very happy with the size of accommodation proposed, but were too nervous of rocking the boat to risk putting forward comments in writing.

On the face of it, Affordable Housing seems to be a Motherhood and Apple Pie issue – everybody's in favour. So what's the problem with this plan? The drawings show an attractive range of frontages in a 'cottage' style – not unlike those in nearby Wesley Close or the flats and houses in Hammonds Mead and they would certainly be an improvement over the existing clutter and unsightly recycling bins.



Elevation to St Andrews Drive (South Facing)



Elevation to Lower Sea Lane (East Facing)

However, many of the objectors have voiced concerns, including –

Loss of car and coach parking – with possible economic consequences for local traders and the whole community.

Poor access and lack of turning space for coaches and recycling lorries.

Overdevelopment – three houses and eight flats crammed into 875 square metres.

Cramped accommodation – too few bedrooms and car park spaces.

Tiny gardens and lack of outside storage space.

Plan only meets current needs –with no allowance for future increases in family sizes.

May be a cost-effective solution – providing affordable homes and a tidier appearance to the car park – but these are two separate issues and proposal is a poor compromise.

Several nearby properties would suffer overlooking, shadowing, increase in noise and loss of privacy.

Is there any guarantee that the housing will only go to local people and will not be sold on at a profit in the future?

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From the Editor

"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow"

– Melody Beattie.

We must certainly be grateful for this glorious Autumn weather, allowing us to appreciate the beautiful place in which we live. Charmouth feels so tranquil at this time of year – in stark contrast to the turbulent events unfolding elsewhere in the world.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the Shoreline team for all their hard work. – to Sarah Cooke, who undertook, very enthusiastically, the mammoth task of typesetting this issue. With no prior experience, and mastering it as she went along, she has done an absolutely stellar job. Thanks also to Colin Pring for his measured, balanced and well researched headline article on the Affordable Housing issue and his advertising skills, and to

Polly Wild for gathering all the information on the many diverse village events and collating it into the Diary pages.

We are delighted to be able to donate £200 to Charmouth Primary School which was raised through sponsorship by our advertisers of the Charmouth Challenge 2008. A big thanks to all of you.

I'm sure everyone will join me in wishing all the best to Jeff and Carol, who after 15 years of being the Hosts with the Most, are retiring from the Royal Oak. Happily, they are staying in the village, and no doubt will continue to be as actively involved in the community as they always have been

– particularly with the Christmas Day Swim which they have spearheaded for many years – raising £1000's for the local RNLI. A warm welcome is extended to Karen and Brian Prevett who as Inncomers (sorry – I couldn't resist !) will be taking over on October 7th.

Jane Morrow

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Affordable Housing

Planners and Affordable Housing Officers were quizzed by Shoreline to get answers to these issues and they said:-

The car park is under-utilised for most of the time and the proposal would still provide parking for 27 cars, 3 disabled spaces and 3 coaches.

Turning movements and access considerations for coaches and recycling lorries are still under discussion with the Highway Authority. The size of the recycling bins and frequency of disposal are factors under consideration.

The question of whether the proposal constitutes overdevelopment will be scrutinised as part of the planning approval process.

The types and sizes of accommodation, gardens and parking provision are based on the Charmouth Housing Needs Survey Report of April 2007, Housing Corporation stipulations and Government Planning Policy Guidelines.

Provision has to be based on identified need and Housing Corporation funding precludes allowance for 'spare rooms' against some possible future need. Existing social housing tenants wishing to downsize will be encouraged to do so, freeing up some larger housing for families.

There is an acute shortage of available land within the Charmouth development envelope. The proposed site offers minimal concerns over ground stability and the development would enhance the existing streetscape.

The impact on adjacent properties will receive scrutiny during the planning approval process: objectors will be notified and given the opportunity to voice their concerns to the planning committee when the application is considered – probably sometime in October.

Measures have been identified to ensure the housing would remain as affordable accommodation in the

future. Tenants' Right to Buy or Right to Acquire would be prevented by specific local stipulations or are already circumscribed because West Dorset has been designated under the Act as exempt to RTA offers.

Charmouth's population is less than 3,000, therefore Housing Corporation Funding restrictions will apply to any Shared Ownership (now called New Build Home Buy). However, availability of this type of mortgage is now very difficult due to the 'Credit Crunch', so it's likely to be an all rental development. In short, measures are in place for the planned development to provide affordable housing in perpetuity to Charmouth people only, (subject to any future changes in legislation).

Shoreline learned it was a lucky break that Housing Corporation funding became available to South Somerset Homes (due to a change in affordable housing provision in Dorchester). The car park site may not be ideal, but it's all there is. The proposed accommodation is hardly generous, but complies with Housing Corporation standards and those folk desperate for a place at an affordable rent in Charmouth may not get another chance for many years.

That said, the proposal certainly has drawbacks – but can they be overcome to the satisfaction of most in the community?

Submit your comments to Alex Sebbinger at West Dorset Planning Department as soon as possible. John Greenslade the Chief Planner, has confirmed to Shoreline that the Application is still very much under review and your written comments will still receive consideration.

For more information log on to www.dorsetforyou.com, follow the links to West Dorset Planning Applications, then enter the **Planning Application Number - 1/D/08/001225** to see full details.

Colin Pring

The 'Summer' of 2008

Charmouth Challenge and Fun Run

THERE were record entries for this year's Charmouth Challenge, despite gale force winds and pouring rain. The annual event is a tough eight-mile run - The Challenge, with an ascent of the Golden Cap, and a Fun Run, which follows a 2.5-mile course. The event on the 5th July saw record entries, with 260 entrants in the Challenge and 237 runners in the Fun Run. First to cross the finish line in the Challenge was Tom Fisher, with a time of 52mins and 52secs - almost two minutes under last year's winning time. The longstanding ladies course record was also beaten by 3 seconds by Emma Hitchins. First in the Fun Run was Chris Keefe, a competitor from the Axe Valley Runners, with a time of 17mins and 35secs. Those cheering on runners from the sidelines could enjoy stalls and activities at Charmouth Primary School's summer fete, and entertainment from the school's Taiko Drumming Group. The fete was opened and the races started by Pete Pritchard, Coastguard



Putting the Fun in Fun Run!

Hassina Saker, Lauren Coppel, Chantal Blackledge and Lydia Cooke ran the fun Run in pyjamas and three legged to raise £200 for Save The Children.

Photo courtesy of 'Whatgoat' Photography

Sector Manager for Lyme Bay. Despite the horrendous weather, the event contributed nearly £4,000 to the school PTA and this will be used to refurbish the school library and help pay for school trips and the invaluable swimming lessons. Organiser Nick Bale said: "It went very well considering the

weather. We had to restrict some of the stalls to inside but that didn't seem to dampen the enjoyment of it all. A job well done I think. "Recent landslips in the area meant the course had to be changed slightly to go further inland. Mr Bale would like to thank the National Trust and Robin Loosemore who allowed use of their fields as part of the course. Mr Bale added: "A very special thank you to all the marshals who braved the storm, often in the middle of nowhere, in atrocious weather. Without them all, the event simply wouldn't happen. Runner Simon Boast said "A huge thankyou to the marshalls who braved the horrendous weather of gale force winds and driving rain - I didn't realise rain could hurt so much! A real up and down run with some great scenery, a great shame about the weather, but it made it even more of an experience.

Well done to the organisers, I will be back next year."

Nick Bale

Was the Fayre a Complete wash out?

The day started well with a lively parade through the village and for the first time in a few years three special constables turned up to control the traffic!!!

We had a good turnout as the weather was pleasant but overcast, everything going well until 4pm when the heavens opened and low and behold - it rained!! We had to hurriedly finish the afternoon events and everybody rushed off home to dry out. At 5.30 we made the decision, as the weather had not improved, to move the evening 'do' to the Community Hall. This involved loading up the barbeques, gazebos, beer barrels and the rest down to the hall, where Ian Simpson and his crew manned the barbeque under the gazebos (not recommended to be done at home!). Considering the circumstances we had a good turnout, but ended up on the day with a lot of surplus food and beer, some of which we managed to get rid of at cost. Our turnover for the day was down by some £2,000 compared to past years.

We decided to try again on the 23rd August. This idea seemed to go down extremely well and with the usual helpful local traders, we put the "do" on.

Unfortunately the only time it rained that day was when we opened the gates at 7pm and it continued to rain on and off for the next hour and a half! The band held on and with the use of some scaffold poles we made a superb awning on the side of the lorry so they could play. This brought out a lot of people from the camps but by then they had eaten, so our income was again well below the normal. It turned out to be a very pleasant evening for everyone, culminating in a super firework display. We have over 100 Burgers sitting in a freezer and we are hoping that with other events in the village we will be able to get rid of all the beer and lager. As the evening 'do' is such a popular event we are planning to put on, in addition to the normal Fayre date, another evening event perhaps on the last Sunday in May 2009

We are always looking for new ideas and new committee members so why not come along to the AGM on 15th October at The Elms (7.30) and join in the fun!!!

Peter Noel 560078

Courting small businesses

The Court, an imposing Victorian building on The Street, originally comprised of three cottages. In 1868 Mrs Stuart converted them into a single dwelling, adding an inner and outer hall with porch, a drawing room and kitchen. The property remained in her family until 1932, when it was sold to Mr White. He converted it into a private hotel which was managed by his daughter, Mrs Buck, until 1968. Then it was sold to the Kohrings. The Court Hotel, with its 14 bedrooms, three lounges, cocktail bar, games room and croquet lawn, was purchased by Ken and Pat Stapleton in 1969. In 1984 it became a residential home for the elderly. Partners Jill Smith and Ross Tuck added a wing and restored the gardens.

Former house-builder Gordon Hathway and his Norwegian wife Bodil (Bo) had lived and worked from their home in Charmouth for 12 years when The Court was auctioned in late 2000. Conscious of the needs of small businesses, they made an inspired decision and purchased the property for their own use and that of prospective local businesses.

Soon after setting up home in the new wing with daughters Hazel and Synne, Gordon took over the maintenance of the building and ran the office while Bo, a Nutritional Therapist, proffered dietary advice to local clients. They also operated Norsc Holidays (enquiries@norsc.co.uk), a travel agency specialising in holidays to Norway. When the redecoration of the building was complete, Gordon advertised eight units with unusually flexible tenancy agreements to attract new and expanding small businesses (gordon@thecourtcharmouth.co.uk)

The Court's first tenant was the National Trust. With a complement of 13 full-time staff, including a Property Manager and several wardens, they manage over 2,000 hectares of Dorset countryside and coastline from Lyme Regis to Ringstead, as well as woodland, five hill forts and the Cerne Giant. Originally monitored from Wimborne, Charmouth-based staff now tend the largest concentration of National Trust properties in one area, of which the



Golden Cap Estate comprises a substantial part. They are also the first port of call for visitors to the Stonebarrow base camp with its low-cost hostel accommodation and wonderful views of Golden Cap.

The National Trust's Guardianship Scheme, in which partnerships are developed between schools, wardens and volunteers in support of practical curriculum-based activities such as pond or rock pool dipping, should soon be extending to Charmouth. Visitor Services Manager Caroline Richards plans to advertise for volunteers with an educational background or specific skills to help with this venture. In addition, she invites volunteers skilled in art, drama or poetry, or those interested in leading walks or giving talks to contact her (caroline.richards@nationaltrust.org.uk).

"Tell me what you'd like to do and I can organise resources; that's my role," she says. The National Trust office at The Court is open to the public between 1000 and 1630 Monday to Friday.

The Court is also home to a construction company, two accountants, a family property company, a media company, Lymelights Theatre School and Doodle Computers. Bernie Fallon, systems engineer and the Wessex proprietor of the Federation of Small Businesses and a retained fire-fighter at Charmouth Fire Brigade. Bernie originally worked from a spare room at his Lyme Regis home, but when business expanded he transferred to The Court. A former IT Manager in the City, he now works remotely to provide his primarily London-based television production and other clients with network security, network back-up, disaster recovery, website design and IT consultancy services, avoiding prohibitive London business rates. Bernie particularly enjoys the "brilliant" community spirit at The Court and the pool of friendly business people who provide a great resource for each other. More from the court in our winter issue.

Lesley Dunlop

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Home and Away

Wish you were here! A Postcard from our friends in the lakes



Many of us watched the search for a Maria last year on T.V for the new show in London about the Von Trapp family, and we saw a variety of Maria's tripping lightly around the Austrian fells, to the tune of 'The hills are alive with the sound of music.' Well, no one's been tripping lightly around our fells this summer, as the only sound has been the sound of driving rain, which didn't bother us as we have been busy painting every room of our new home!

The house is also decorated with lots of pictures – our farewell gifts from various parishes in the Team. In pride of place in the sitting room is a photograph of Charmouth beach, with Golden Cap in the distance, and a wild sea splashing up against the rock falls. There's one of Lyme Bay painted by a talented parishioner; one of Conegar Hill just outside Bridport - which was such a landmark as we drove around our Team area, and upstairs the three donated by Monkton Wyld have

pride of place on the landing - so we're not likely to forget the overwhelming generosity, goodwill and kindness of all those who gave us such a wonderful send off, and it is mirrored by the warmth of our reception up here.

Some people did manage to travel up the 389 miles (one way!) to our installment up here and discovered that we too have a fantastic new Bishop who is witty and kind, lovely neighbours, and a job which is just right for us at our time of life!

So this is our swansong, as we must leave space now for our successor to fill. Our memories are of affection and friendships that will not fade, and if any of you feel up to the trip do let us know and come and share our views! With our very best wishes for the future,

Annmarie and Isabel.

School News



As we return from our long so-called "Summer break," we

welcomed 24 four year olds to our school community. We now have 189 children on roll, which is the

highest September figure we have had in my ten years here. We are classified as full as the school was

built for 175 children but our Local Authority do encourage us to take more if we possible can!

One major development in the life of our school this term will be the re – introduction of hot school meals. Following Jamie Oliver's revelations about the quality of school meals on television the government, in their wisdom, decided that it would be a statutory obligation on the part of schools to offer a hot meal at lunchtime to all primary aged children. All well and good one would think but when you consider that our school was built without a kitchen capable of producing food in any quantity you can see that there is a potential problem. Fortunately we have been able to link up with a local organisation called Local Food Links Ltd, a social enterprise group based at the Centre for Local Food in Bridport. They source food locally, prepare it in Bridport and then deliver it to us

awaiting the completion of our kitchen but I know that when we do start serving the meals they will be

infinitely better than the rock hard brussel sprouts, lumpy gravy and pink custard I remember from my own school days.

Many of you will have read in the press about the chaos that existed around the tests for 11 year old children in July. Lost papers, exam scripts being sent to America for marking and some children not even receiving their results until school resumed at the beginning of the month were all reported by the media. I am pleased to say that our school was relatively untouched by the mess and our Year 6 children achieved the school's best results ever with all children reaching the expected standard in English, Maths and Science. This is a great outcome for the children but is also a positive reflection on the work carried on during the past seven years by all the staff in our school, which has been backed up by parents.

There is one thing we can all be sure of in school and that is the fact that the Autumn Term is always the longest and most tiring of the year – we are already pacing ourselves in the run up to Christmas

Chris Vincent,

The Greenloft Project

A boost for our local wildlife

I spent my first two years at Whitcombe Farm, near Beaminster, and the next nine years at Becklands Farm, Whitchurch Canonorum. Then we moved to Hogchester Farm, Charmouth, which happened to coincide with my elevation from Whitchurch Junior School (where our entire year comprised of three girls, and me) to Lyme Regis Grammar (soon to become, the Woodroffe School).

All through those formative years I *loved* being in the fields and the woodlands associated with our various farms, but I was not destined to become a farmer. By the time I had left the school at Lyme Regis, I had developed aspirations for broad and distant horizons and, as things turned out, it was just fine that this was so. However, those woodlands and hedgerows had been beckoning relentlessly, and 40 years on I am lucky enough to have brought my own family back to a home in this gorgeous corner of West Dorset, once again. I have retired, and retrained to manage some family-owned farmland, and I am again having fun in the great outdoors, but this time, restoring some of the wildlife habitats that can be found just outside the village.

The central activity in the Autumn and Winter is hedge-laying. Since 2003, 1200 metres of hedgerow have been laid, and the plan is to continue with 300 metres or so annually as long as this is physically possible. I want to get some coppicing started too, and to clear the conifers at Fern Hill to replant a mixed, deciduous woodland there – when time permits.

In the Spring and Summer, one of the main activities is converting all the wood (that the winter work has generated) into something more interesting than just firewood. You may have seen the GREENLOFT Project labelling on the BBQ charcoal sold through the village stores, or you may even have seen the smoke rising from the kiln at Lily Farm (ten burns have been done this season). A little greenwood willow-weaving has been done and I am collecting wood stocks now for future wood-carving and wood-turning. So I am unlikely to ever run out of things to do.

A portion of the grassland is being brought back to a traditional hay meadow with an increased abundance of wild flowers, and two otter holts were constructed in 2004.



Kiln Startup

The best bit of the charcoal burn is at the start, before the lid gets sealed on, when there's a LOT of smoke.



Common Blue Butterfly

Common Blue butterflies will benefit when extra bird's foot trefoil arises amongst the grasses in our hay meadows.

The otters have not yet decided to take up residence in those holts, which is a disappointment, but dormice have been found in our hedgerows, and the wild flower population in the hay meadow appears to have increased.

If you want to know more about the project take a quick look at the web site www.thegreenloftproject.co.uk or if you e-mail me at jccalder@gmail.com, I will be glad to put you on the mailing list so I can let you know what specifically is happening this winter, and in each coming season. To see the charcoal kiln doing it's thing, or to hear more about dormice sightings, you would need to wait until next Spring, but in the months ahead there are hedges to lay – all visible from the Charmouth by-pass – but please don't look while you are driving!

John Calder (60 years this month).

Local Artist

The visual artist and composer Marc Yeats now resides in Charmouth



After living and working on the Isle of Skye for 25 years, Marc Yeats has moved to Dorset to create work in a new environment. Marc has had a close association with West Dorset since his teenage years and has finally realised his ambition of living here.

Marc Yeats is one of Britain's acclaimed contemporary classical

composers and visual artists, specialising in abstract landscape painting.

His initial painting technique was photo-realistic. Marc created imaginary rural idylls based on old images from books and magazines. Between the ages of sixteen and twenty-four, Marc's need for new subject material led him to want to paint real places rather than the imaginary rural composition he had formerly created.

In 1987 Marc moved to the Isle of Skye in Scotland. This change enabled Marc to make significant breakthroughs in his painting technique and gradually move away from representational painting into the world of abstraction.

From the late 1980s through to the present day, Marc has developed and explored his techniques of abstraction. Whilst his work is still based on landscape and the structures and atmospheres to be experienced within it, his paintings have become increasingly less reliant on familiar colour, textural and structural configurations.

Marc has exhibited widely in the UK and had a special relationship with An Tuireann Art Centre on the Isle of Skye where he was Chairman of

the Board of Directors for 4 years. Marc is now represented by the Swiss art dealers Stampfli and Turci.

Marc's music has been commissioned and performed across the world with notable orchestras such as the BBC Philharmonic, Tokyo City Philharmonic and the Grewaundhaus Radio Orchestra – he has been broadcast widely and enjoyed partnerships with a number of top international performers and ensembles.

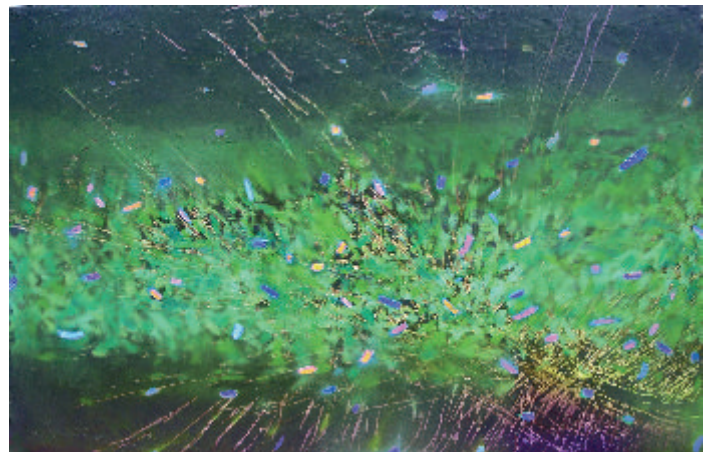
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From The Doctor

The shape of things to come



We are changing shape.

Look around and you will find more and more people in Britain putting on weight around their middles, - we are losing our waistlines.

Unfortunately, this fat which bathes our vital organs actively changes our metabolism, the way our bodies work. Blood pressure increases, the quality of fats in the blood deteriorates risking heart disease and diabetes. Check yourself: measure your waist and if your waist is more than 35in as a woman or 40in as a man, regardless of your height, you could be heading towards this so-called "metabolic syndrome".

Why is this happening? We evolved over 2 ½ million years as a hunter-gatherer eating leaves, nuts, seeds, berries, roots, insects, fish and the occasional meat kill, but we were always active. There were no dairy or cultivated grains until agriculture took off 10,000 years ago. Is it so strange that many people in the world find milk and wheat hard to digest? And even harder for our bodies to cope with are the abundance of pressed oils, refined sugars and processed foods, which have only been available in the last 2-300 years. The further we get from the way our body evolved to be used, the more difficult it is to keep it running as it should.

Luckily we can choose more whole food: food cooked simply with their skins on, not always mashed, milled, flaked, juiced, pureed and processed. Food which releases its sugar slowly and keeps our body insulin low, so called low "Glycaemic Index" or low GI. Unfortunately alcohol is the quickest release sugar around. If we add oils, we can add neutral ones, mono-unsaturated fats, (MUFAs), like olive oil or rapeseed (sold as cheap vegetable oil, but check the label) or rely on the natural healthy oils in the whole seeds, nuts, eggs, fish and good quality lean meats. We can eat plenty of , stems and roots, English fruits berries and beans and fortunately we have shops right here in Charmouth which supply an abundance of all these on our doorstep.

We can de-stress. Adrenalin puts the body into a state of emergency where it thinks you need active fat around the middle and poor sleep does not allow us to restore and repair. We can keep active and enjoy the beautiful hills, beaches and countryside.

So, the good news is that while the nation heads for an obesity disaster, at least here we do have everything we need to choose our shape.

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Fitness

Not Just for Fat Dads!

Studio Cycling has arrived, also known as 'Spinning' it is the newest endurance exercise programme to reach Charmouth and Lyme Regis, if you haven't yet sat in the saddle your missing out! Spinning is taking the U.K by storm, leaving those who've tried it feeling healthier, after only one 45-minute workout!

Spinning brings outdoor endurance cycling indoors at the Youth Club Sports Hall in Charmouth on Monday evenings and the Power Boat Club in Lyme on Wednesday evenings. It is suitable for all levels of fitness, from the beginner to the athlete, not just for the fat dads. Spinning is conducted to music with no impact on the joints and variable intensities, so everyone can enjoy the benefits of staying fit, losing weight, recovering from injury or just being part of a motivated group.

The classes are becoming very popular since they started in June this year by Chris Horsfield who has two daughters that attend Charmouth Primary School. Chris says 'I wanted deliver the most suitable indoor exercise class to the local community, Spinning is usually only found in larger towns, cities or exclusive fitness clubs that cost the earth'. Now we have it here to enjoy, bring on the next Olympics!

Chris Horsfield.

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Food and Drink

The Old Bank Cafe

The Old Bank Café (previously called The Piggy Bank Cafe), located in The Street, was re-named in recognition of the building's original purpose as Lloyds Bank. Established in February 2007, owners Frank and Bev always intended to present a traditional café to Charmouth and after listening to customers, experimenting with different items on their menu and maintaining regular opening hours, it appears to have worked. Frank says, "It's all about trying to please most of the people most of the time, it's our aspiration for each day that we are open".

Perhaps the most popular aspect is not just the home cooked, value for money meals available but the more personal service that Frank and Bev give to all their customers. "Each customer is important to us and we particularly value the 'locals' patronage as a very special part of our business",

Recipe from The Old Bank

FRANK'S FAMOUS FISH PIE

Serves 4

8oz skinned, salmon fillets
8oz skinned, white fish fillets
4oz peeled, cooked prawns
Fish stock
1pt water Juice of 1 lemon
1 medium, chopped onion
1 tbsp mixed herbs
Salt and pepper to taste

For Fish sauce

¼pt double cream
Yolk of 1 egg

Topping

1lb creamy, fluffy mashed potato
4-6oz grated cheddar cheese
2oz white breadcrumbs

Poach the white fish and salmon for 10 minutes in the stock, remove fish and drain well
For the fish sauce make a 4oz roux (2oz butter and 2oz flour) in a saucepan.
Add the stock to the roux, including the onions, a little at a time. Stir until smooth.
Mix cream and egg together and add to the sauce. Stir whilst heating. Put to one side.
In a bowl flake the fish and add the prawns. Gently fold in the fish sauce.
Place the mixture in an ovenproof dish.
Top with the mashed potato and fluff up slightly with a fork.
Cover with grated cheese and top with breadcrumbs.
Bake in a pre-heated oven at 220c for approx 10 minutes or until the top is crisp and golden.
Serve with buttered carrots and perhaps broccoli.

explains Frank. "We did not come to Charmouth to rock the 'gastronomic boat,' customers want value, clean surroundings and above all a friendly atmosphere where they can share some pleasure time with their friends. What better way to do this than by sitting around a table eating good food, chatting about local issues and feeling relaxed?"

Many visitors and holidaymakers regard Charmouth as a 'traditional' British seaside resort and some have been coming here for many years. By choosing to eat at the Old Bank, you have breakfast at breakfast time, lunch at lunchtime and afternoon teas in the afternoon! Each day alongside the Lunch menu, Frank prepares a daily 'special' and a homemade soup. One of the most popular specials is Fish Pie, served on Fridays. (See Frank's recipe below). How much more traditional could it get? Sunday Lunch? Yes that too. The Sunday Roast is so popular, that during the main season it's essential to book and Frank will advise that even in the 'off-season' booking is a good idea to ensure your table at one of the 2 sittings.

The menu is displayed in the window and the opening times are always shown on the front door. Apart from a few short holiday break periods, The Old Bank Café is open all year round including Christmas Day!

Frank and Bev would like to thank all their customers for making their first 18 months in business a success. If you have yet to make your first visit to The Old Bank Café, you will find it a friendly, welcoming experience that will make you want to return.

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The Charmouth Traders Association

The inaugural meeting of The Charmouth Traders Association took place at

The Hensleigh Hotel on Monday 8th September and was attended by virtually all the village traders. Those who could not be present have been informed about the proceedings and we look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting on September 30th.

We are hopeful that Charmouth will have its very own Christmas lights and decorations this year. Two meetings have already taken place and plans should be sufficiently advanced to be ratified at the next meeting. Both Charmouth Fayre and the Parish Council are very supportive of the idea. Also planned is a special Christmas evening with late night shopping and other activities.

Other issues that affect the village were also discussed, including parking, recycling and advertising/tourism.

Overall it was a very well attended and positive meeting which should lead to exciting developments in Charmouth starting this December!

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'Shop Press'

Ida's Ideals and Ideas

We're delighted that Val Hatcher is back at Ida's and making good progress health-wise. Jim is now employed elsewhere, but for much of the summer he still found time to work at the shop in Lower Sea Lane. However, 14-hour days cannot be sustained and the shop has been remodelled to accommodate Val and Jim's new circumstances.

Their commitment to local produce, whole foods, special dietary needs, wines and beers, eco-friendly/recyclable products and Fairtrade will continue and improve, as will their popular deli and coffee and sandwich bar. Only cigarettes and general items already available elsewhere in the village will no longer be stocked.

Val and her good friend and new working partner, Megan, had a similar upbringing in which waste was unheard of, good (but not necessarily expensive) food was a way of life and fair play was all-important, and they have formulated these values into their buying strategy. Megan is transferring her successful soap-making business to Ida's (now Val can have a go!) and her son Matthew – who you'll know if you shop on Saturday mornings – and daughter Rachel will join Val and Jim's children in the new two-family business.

Local artists, craftspeople or small businesses wishing to sell through Ida's are invited to phone 01297 560252.

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We Remember....

Dear Readers,

I expect like me you were sorry to hear of the death of **Mrs Ruth Moore**, on 3rd September 2008.

Ruth was well known in the village for organising day trips from the Holland room in Bridge Road, she also ran the monthly bingo sessions at the Holland Room.

I have known Ruth for 11 years, since I came to Charmouth. She had a large family of eight children and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren.

Her family was her life and I can remember going to her 80th birthday party at Manor Farm. She was like a mother hen with all her chicks gathered around her.

Ruth will be greatly missed not only by her family but by the numerous friends she made during her life here in Charmouth.

Gone but not forgotten.

Betty Diamond



Poems

THE CHARMOUTH BOOKSHOP

If you would like your knowledge to advance
And concentrating puts you in a trance
I know a nice man who comes from France
Every time he sells a book - he does a little dance
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War and Peace, The Golden Fleece, fairy tales or law?
Fact or fiction, correct edition, romantic sagas galore ?
You won't know what you're missing - til you have a little peek
It has been known you may also find - perhaps the rare antique
There are lots of little corners with hidden nooks and crannies -
That cater to men, women, children and other peoples grannies
If you have an empty shelf or rack
I forgot to mention there's also bric-a-brac.
So if you can't find a special book on your list
A visit to this unique shop surely can't be missed !

Kath Kingsley

VIEW FROM CHARMOUTH

The hillside twinkles with shining light
Precious jewels in the sky at night
Viewing from the beach in Charmouth
Marvelling at this wondrous sight
The moonlight forms a silver pathway
Shimmering far across the bay
Sad to think this magic scene
Disappears in the light of day
The purple shadows of dawn tells us
There'll be another time
When this sight will be re-captured
Of the nighttime view of Lyme

Kath Kingsley

Kath's wonderful poem 'Browsers Welcome', in the Summer issue, was of course about Rock Follies. Apologies for the omission !. Ed

When Cancer Came To Call

There was no sign or warning
No writing on the wall
A day like any other ...
When cancer came to call

It grew inside your body
A tumour, starting small
In time the doctor told you
That cancer came to call

I fight against the knowing
"It can't be true," I bawl
But I can't mend you, though I try
For cancer came to call

The things I thought were certain
Seen in my "crystal ball"
Now lay, hopes dashed and broken
Since cancer came to call

I let go of my feelings
Let all my barriers fall
I must make my own journey
As cancer came to call

I work with my emotions,
The message from them all
Allows me my own healing,
Glad cancer came to call

A sense of peace comes on me
I am as one with all
My love for you is deeper
Now cancer came to call

And as my life moves forward
I find I'm standing tall
My days are filled with meaning
Since cancer came to call



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Send us your poems and short stories to be published in the next issue of SHORELINE.

Literary Corner

The Elms Reading group

What a busy summer we've had with plenty of new and challenging books to read.

Lady Chatterley's Lover was a great success, nearly all the members saying it was a joy to read and very descriptive of the times in which it was written.

Mr Pip was our May book - about a young girl growing up in Papua New Guinea during a revolution. A great thought-provoking read enjoyed by many of us. The story included lots of extracts from **Great Expectations** which we have chosen for our September read.

Our book for August was **The Sea Houses** by Esther Freud, which examined the relationships between people when placed in new situations and the repercussions when things start to go wrong. The book is set in coastal Suffolk so we held our meeting at Charmouth beach so we could hear the sea and the seagulls, which helped to bring the book alive.

We meet in The Elms once a month. If you would like more information, please ring Pam Berry 561656 or Liz Scott 561662



Pam Berry

Who Killed Cock Robin?

Charmouth Companions will be presenting a Murder mystery evening on Saturday the 18th October in the Community Hall, Lower Sea Lane, Charmouth.

The play, to be performed in short scenes on stage live, has been written specially for this occasion by Mike Whatmore. Everyone is familiar by now with Mike's writing and productions, which have ranged from a street play to commemorate Charles the 2nd, several pantomimes and the 200th anniversary of The Battle of Trafalgar night.

Sir Robin Cocker is dead. His death, rather sudden and apparently unexplained.

Is it MURDER? If so who is responsible? There are a number of suspects

His mistreated wife perhaps? His scorned mistress? Does the Rector know anything?

Then again it could be any member of his household staff, the butler, gardener, cook, or the two maids? And there's the weird old woman that lives in the woods!

Then event will be presented together with a three-course meal cooked by Marilyn Waterson and Pauline Hayter. And of course to help the 'little grey cells' keep working there will be a licensed bar open from 7 p.m.

Tickets will be limited and are expected to sell out quickly.

Tickets £15 per head to include the meal with waitress service from

Keith Waterson 01297 560531 or Mike Whatmore 01297 561018

All proceeds for the benefit of The Community Hall Fund

Charmouth Library

This is a potted history for newcomers to Charmouth to let them know how much we value this facility.

In 2006, our community took on the powers-that-be that proposed to close one of our most precious resources - the library. Young and old turned out to make their protest, and those in-between led the charge. The battle, certainly for now, has been won. We retain our library.

You can order your books online from the service's vast catalogue from your home. On-site, as well as a selection of books for adults

and children, it offers internet connection, DVDs and music to hire, talking books for adults and children, current magazines and the local newspapers. More details are available

from dorsetforyou.com

We are lucky to have a Parish Council who backed us 100%. And so with their help, we keep our 10 hours opening per week. Six hours paid for by Dorset Council and the remaining four paid for by the Parish.

Four reading groups meet regularly in the village and access their books through

the library.

It may well be that there are suggestions of further uses for the library out there. Please let the librarians know - it is your library, after all.

Joy Eagling

Charmouth Library opening hours

**Wednesday : 10.30 - 12.30
3.00 - 5.00**

**Friday : 10.30 - 12.30
3.00 - 5.00**

Saturday : 10.30 - 12.00

Our Heritage Coast

What's Happening at the Coast Centre?

The Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre's Art and Ceramics selling exhibition is back again for its fourth year. We are confident that we can build on our success and offer our many visitors an enjoyable experience with over 200 paintings and much ceramic work for sale too.

If you are looking for a present, perhaps a visual reminder of how fortunate we are to enjoy this part of the Dorset Coast, you may well find it here.

Last year we sold sufficient work to provide over 40 unique Christmas gifts, all created by locally based artists and potters.

In addition most of the Centre's exhibits will be on view, so, there is much to see and do.

Every penny of our profits will contribute towards the running costs of the Centre., which will be open during the exhibition.

For further information about exhibiting contact Bob Hughes (01297 560487)

Those who love fossilling are not being neglected. The week before the Art Exhibition there is a Fossil Fantastic weekend and the following week features a Jurassic Rocks and Fossils Weekend. Booking for these is essential.

Details are available from the Centre.
(01297 560772)

Finally, our recent appeal for volunteers to help with a range of activities has borne fruit. We have a volunteer who will work with the Warden team to further improve our successful web site, with the prospect of selling books and our other publications directly to the public. We are always ready to welcome more volunteers to work behind the desk, to help with walks, or to offer their specialist skills.

If you are interested please ring Meirel, our senior warden, on 01297 560772

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News from the friends of the Heritage coast Centre

Volunteer members of The Friends have been very busy at The Centre during the summer months. Although the weather has been so bad during that time many visitors came in to see the displays and, hopefully, learn more about our coast and the rocks and fossils for which Charmouth is famous.

We do not, unfortunately, have as many volunteers as we would like and, although I asked for help in my last contribution to "Shoreline", nobody came forward. This is a serious problem and help really is needed. This is a good time to make a start as, with fewer visitors during the winter, you can become familiar with the routine while it is not too busy. Please contact one of the Wardens at the Centre (560772) to have a chat about the system. A regular day or time is not required - you can be fitted in at a time which is convenient to you. During the winter we have lectures of general interest. On Thursday October 16th. there is a talk by Brian Phelps, with excellent models, outlining the history and development of the "Romany" or "Gypsy" caravan and on Thursday November 27th. Emma Rowe, from The Fine Foundation Marine Centre at Kimmeridge, will talk about her Centre and various items of local marine interest. Both of these meetings will be in the Centre at 4p.m. and anyone is welcome to attend.

Chris Horton (Chairman)

Loan boxes

One of the projects the Coast Centre has been working on this year is the production of six Jurassic Coast Fossil Loan Boxes. These are a school resource for key stage one and two and are intended to give pupils the chance to handle real fossils from the Jurassic Coast of the kind they would normally see in a museum case or next to a sign saying 'Don't touch!'. As well as the collection of fossil specimens there is a large resource folder packed with various activities and additional resources so that the class can explore all sorts of different topics associated with the World Heritage Site. These include more on the geology, history and management. All the activities are linked to QCA units of work so they can be easily tied in with the curriculum. Three of the boxes will be launched in the next few weeks and we hope to make them available for collection from local libraries so teachers don't have to drive miles to collect a box. They will be hired out for two weeks at a time for a cost of £30.

If you are a teacher interested in hiring this resource (or know any that might be interested) then give the Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre a call on 01297 560772.

Sam Scrivens

Maritime News

The Coastguards



Rory Bale next to his dad's work vehicle!

Her Majesty's Coastguard Search and Rescue teams are ready to respond to any emergency on the coastline. Responding to people either in distress at sea or at risk of injury or death on the cliffs or shoreline, requires organisation and tasking of adequate resources.

This is a small insight in to the equipment which is carried and used by the Lyme Regis Coastguard Team to undertake searches and rescues throughout our area. The majority of teams are equipped with a four wheel drive vehicle. This is the work horse in the team, being used as a base during most incidents. It is fitted with a V.H.F. radio base set, which will be used to relay communications from the operations room to the search teams and vice versa, if the area

they are working in is known to be poor for communications - i.e. St Gabriel's to the west of Golden Cap. The VHF radios are specially tuned to allow access to the coastguard and marine rescue channels.

The vehicle is also equipped with a public address system used for making contact with people; for example if they are cut off by the tide, or for passing information to members of the public on busy beaches regarding missing children (or parents). Personal protective equipment i.e. boots, overalls, waterproofs and helmets are issued to all team members. This equipment is issued for the safety of the individual as well as identifying the coastguard to members of the public, especially important when arriving at an incident in our own vehicles.

Remember - if you think you see someone in difficulty around the UK coast or at sea to dial **999** and ask for **COASTGUARD**.

Next Issue more resources available to the Coastguard

Nick Bale



HM Coastguard

Mackerel Madness!

Me and my family went fishing at Burton Bradstock beach. First we caught nothing, then Dad pulled in four mackerel! We kept pulling them in like that for about 1½ hours, when loads of whitebait got washed up onto the beach. We spent 4-5 hours fishing and caught 105 mackerel! (we chucked the whitebait back because they were too small!)

After a while, the mackerel had eaten the feathers from the hooks, and Dad caught the last 15 on the hooks alone! Then he couldn't catch any more so we went home.

The Mackerel were so heavy that I couldn't lift the ruck sack they were in.

I wanted sausages for tea that night, not mackerel!

Now we have a freezer full of mackerel. Dad says we are going to eat them all!



Written and illustrated by Abi O'Leary, age 9.

Charmouth School.

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Clubs and Societies

Charmouth WI

In June, members spent a delightful afternoon in Hilary Cleden's garden, enjoying a delicious strawberries and cream tea that she provided. Thankfully the rain held off and we were able to relax and also take part in a treasure hunt organised by Joan Randall. In July our speaker was Mr R Hall who gave an entertaining talk on "The Adventures of a meter reader" and kept us all amused with stories of his various encounters with dogs, pigs, goats etc. In August we ran the bric-a-brac stall at Charmouth Fayre and were able to hand over £100 to the organisers. Some of us also met for a picnic on the beach but no-one was prepared to swim in the rough seas! Our September speaker was Steve Lamb talking about "Life at River Cottage" and for the October meeting we have Mrs Gale, explaining all about the Dorset Button industry.

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the Village Hall and we welcome any new members and visitors. For further information please ring Ann Jones 560242 or Pam Berry 561656

Ann Jones

Charmouth & Wooton Fitzpaine Conservatives.

Over 60 members and friends attended a successful fundraising Barbecue on the 9th August...successful despite the torrential rain which has afflicted every outdoor event in August. We moved inside and occupied bedrooms, hall and lounge in order to shoehorn everyone in. Our gallant chefs barbecued in the garage, and a good time was

had by all.

Following the grilling of Oliver Letwin M.P. last year at our public meeting in the Village Hall, we are inviting local residents to meet and question Geoffrey Brierley and David Newson, our Conservative County, and Independent District, Councillors. It is not a 'Conservative' function as such. We just feel that it is right to organise an occasion when the audience asks the questions and gets answers.

(Village Hall, 7.30 p.m. 31st October.)

The following day, by kind permission of Peter Hurst, we are having a Shepherd's Pie & Bubbly Lunch. There are only 48 tickets available, price £10 for two courses and including a glass of bubbly, so tickets are limited. If you are interested give me, or our Chairman a ring.

We welcome visitors to all our functions, whatever their politics, in the hope that, one day, they might join us!

Bob Hughes Treasurer (560487)

Gardeners

On Saturday 16th. August our two Halls were transformed when Charmouth Gardeners held their Annual Flower Show. Despite the bad weather there was a very high standard of entries and this created a very impressive display. The Community Hall was most colourful with the flowers, fruit and vegetables while the Village Hall had the bread, cakes and jars of preserves to whet the appetite and the photographic classes showed a wide range of subjects.

The winners of the various cups and trophies will receive them at the Presentation Evening on Wednesday 8th. October. This is the first of the winter lecture evenings when the topic will be

"Growing and Exhibiting

Vegetables". It will be in the Village Hall at 7p.m.

Further lectures are **"Wild Orchids of Britain, Europe and North America"** at 2.30p.m. on 12th November and **"Wildlife in Combpyne Manor Gardens"** on 14th. January.

There will also be a Christmas Lunch and, in March, a Buffet Supper. For anyone wishing to join the subscription is £3 (contact Kay Churchman 560960). If any further incentive is needed members get reduced prices on gardening items - a 10% discount at both Morgans and The Dorset Garden Party throughout the year and 15% at Groves on the day of the Annual General Meeting.

Charmouth Senior Citizens Lunch Fund

Our group of volunteers has had another busy year fund raising and organising events for the elderly of Charmouth. We held several coffee mornings at the Royal Oak during the Spring and Summer months - these not only raise much needed money, but are also a social event where old friends meet and catch up. A cream tea was held in July, followed by the Annual Harvest Auction at the Royal Oak on September 6th where an impressive £401 was raised !

The Christmas Lunch is held at the beginning of January each year. A delicious 3 course meal with mince pies and cheese and biscuits is served, alongside copious amounts of wine, ensuring, along with the entertainment, that a good time is had by all!

This June we hired a coach for a trip to Exmouth, travelling on to Topsham by boat and then back to Exmouth by train. The highlights of the day were the lovely weather and the sight of fit young marines climbing a scramble net at Lympstone.

Thanks very much to the committee for all their hard work, and a very special Thank You to Jeff Stork our treasurer, who has just stepped down after 45 years.

Chris Gordon

Sport

Charmouth Football club starts the season in new colours.



Photo provided by 'View from Lyme Regis.'

The photo was taken at our first match when a new set of kit as being worn was presented by our main sponsors Frampton Smith & Partners Chartered Certified Accountants of West Street Bridport represented by Mike Smith (far right)
Our new manager Tommy O'Hare is far left.

As our new season gets underway, we have had quite a few changes at the Club. This season Tommy O'Hare, last season's Reserve Team Manager, has taken over from Nick Pomeroy as First Team Manager and Andy Tipping has stepped in as Reserve Team Manager - both are optimistic for a good season.
We have quite a few new faces among the players this season and the first team got off to a good win against Chard Rangers, with the Reserves putting up a good show but losing to Fivehead United.

The First Team looked very smart in their new kit for this season, kindly provided by our Sponsors Frampton Smith.

Sadly, both matches of the second season were a wash out, hopefully things will improve.

The end of the season Presentation Night proved a lively affair with many thanks going to Nick Pomeroy who stood down as First Team Manager and Alec Aldworth who stood down as Treasurer. Thanks to Mike Smith who steps into Alec's shoes.

As always any help or support would be gratefully appreciated by the Club, especially joining our fund-raising 100 Club which is drawn every month. If anyone would like to join give me a ring on 01297 560942.

Steve Pratt

Sat 4/10/08
2.30pm Kick off
Dorset Junior Cup Round 1
Stourpaine v Charmouth

Letter to the tennis club

We would like to thank the committee and members of Charmouth Tennis Club for being so welcoming this summer to our boys and to all the children.

We feel it is so important for youngsters to have access to local sporting facilities.

Since the Open day, when our boys signed up, they have spent many happy hours playing there and dodging the showers.

They look forward to continue playing for years to come and are grateful for the adult members for being so accepting and considerate.

They particularly enjoyed the tournament this past week and the efforts put in by the organisers.

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Autumn

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What's on this Autumn

<p>Saturday 4th October 2008 7.30 start</p> <p>Talk by Eric Harwood, TV and film producer</p> <p>Charmouth Community Hall Tickets £6.00 from pharmacy. Ann Mac Nair 560611</p>	<p>Friday 10th October 2008 10.00am to 12.00noon</p> <p>Save The Children Coffee Morning</p> <p>Sale of Christmas gifts and cards pashminas, jewellery and more 25 Double Common, Raffle. Entrance includes coffee</p> <p>Pamela Hollis 560694</p>	<p>Sunday 12th October 2008 9.30am</p> <p>Harvest Service.</p> <p>St. Andrews Church, The Street,</p> <p>Pauline Berridge 560957</p>
<p>Sunday 19th October 2008 12.30pm</p> <p>Harvest Lunch.</p> <p>Talk from the Samaritans Purse. All welcome</p> <p>St. Andrews Church</p> <p>Pauline Berridge 560957</p>	<p>Sunday 26th October 10am – 4pm</p> <p>Grand Books and Textiles Sale</p> <p>Charmouth Village Hall, Wesley Close,</p> <p>Free Entrance</p>	<p>Wednesday 29th October 3pm</p> <p>Farm Tour and BBQ at a small cost as part Dorset Food Week. Five penny farm Wooton Fitzpaine</p> <p>Jyoti Fernandes 560755</p>
<p>Friday 31st October 6.30 - 10.00pm</p> <p>Halloween Disco</p> <p>Youth Club Hall Wesley Close £2 entry</p> <p>Ken 561450</p>	<p>Saturday 1st November 2008</p> <p>The tribute band "Alike Cooper" with a local support band plus late bar</p> <p>St. Andrews Community Hall</p> <p>Tickets £12 in advance (£14 on door) from the Royal Oak or The Chemist Nick Beardwood 07802 476649</p>	<p>Saturday 15th November 2008 10.30am</p> <p>Coffee Morning in aid of Leukaemia Research Fund</p> <p>Charmouth Village Hall, Wesley Close,</p> <p>Ann Nacnair 560611</p>
<p>Saturday 29th November 2008 10am – 12noon</p> <p>Xmas Bazaar</p> <p>St. Andrews Church The Street</p> <p>Pauline Berridge 560957</p>	<p>Saturday 29th November 10am-12noon</p> <p>Charmouth School Christmas Fayre</p> <p>Charmouth school Lower sea lane</p> <p>School 560591</p>	<p>Tuesday 9th December 10am – 12noon</p> <p>Christmas Coffee Morning</p> <p>United Reformed Church, Charmouth</p> <p>Reverend Ian Kirby 631117</p>
<p>Monday 15th December 9.30am</p> <p>Charmouth School Christmas production Dress rehearsal All welcome</p> <p>School 560591</p>	<p>If you would like to advertise your local event please contact:</p> <p>editor@shoreline-charmouth.co.uk</p> <p>Or post to: The Moorings, Higher sea lane, Charmouth DT6 6BD</p>	<p>Thursday 18th December 7pm</p> <p>Candlelit Carol Service</p> <p>United Reformed Church, Charmouth</p> <p>Reverend Ian Kirby 631117</p>

Village Diary

Every Mon 4.15-6.00	Charmouth Brownies	Charmouth Community Hall, lower sea lane	Caroline Davis 560207
Every Mon 6.30 to 8pm	Charmouth Cubs	The Scout Hut, The Recreation Ground, Barr's Lane,	Toni Green 560778
Every Mon 8pm - 10pm	Charmouth Badminton Club (League Standard)	Charmouth Community Hall, Lower Sea Lane	Trish Evans 442136
Every Tues 10 am - 12 noon	Pavey Group (Open to all interested in village history)	The Elms, The Street	Peter Press 561270
Every Tues 10.00am - 12.30	Monkton Wyld Kindergarten (age 3 plus)	Monkton Wyld Court	Caroline 444940
Every Tues 2.30pm -6pm	Bowls Club	The Playing Fields, Barr's Lane	Bob Just 560557
Every Tues 7pm - 9pm	Seniors Youth Club	Youth Club, Wesley Close	Ken Darling 561004
Every Tues 7pm til late	Charmouth Badminton (Friendly Club) - until April 2009	Charmouth Community Hall, Lower Sea Lane	Pauline Bonner 560251
Every 2nd Tues of each month	United Reformed Church Coffee Morning	The Street, Charmouth	Reverend Ian Kirby (01297) 631117
Every 3rd Tuesday of each month	Parish Council Meeting	The Elms, The Street	Lisa Tuck 560826
Every Weds 7.15pm- 9.00pm	1st Charmouth Scouts	The Scout Hut, The Recreation Ground Barr's Lane, Charmouth	Trev Jarvis 07702 408 455
Every Weds 10am -12noon	Charmouth Cherubs (term time only)	Charmouth Village Hall, Wesley Close	Kate Bonner 561603
Every Weds 10.30 am - 12.30	Monkton Wyld Kindergarten (age 3 plus)	Monkton Wyld Court	Caroline 444940
Every Weds 2.30pm -6pm	Bowls Club	The Playing Fields, Barrs Lane	Bob Just 560557
Every Weds 7.00 to 8.45pm	Girl Guides	for more info call Davina Pennels 560965.	
1st Weds of each month 2.30pm	The British Legion (Women's section)	The Elms, The Street, Charmouth	Pat Stapleton 560255
4th Weds of each month 2.15pm	Wrens Association	The Elms The Street, Charmouth	Pat Stapleton 560255
Every Thurs 6.30pm-8.30pm	Junior Youth Club,	Youth Club, Wesley Close	Toni Green 560778
Every Thurs 7pm	Bridge Club	Wood Farm, Charmouth	Vincent Pielesz 560738
2nd Thurs of each month 2.15pm	W.I. Meetings	Charmouth Village Hall, Wesley Close	Anne Jones 560242
Every Thurs 7pm - 9pm	Pavey Group (Open to all interested in village history)	The Elms, The Street	Peter Press 561270
3rd Fri of each month 7.30pm	Bingo (fund raising)	Charmouth Community Hall Lower Sea Lane	Trish Evans 442136

If you would like to book an
event at one of our
Communal Halls,
Here are the contact details.

Community Hall, Lower Sea Lane **560572**
The Elms, The Street **560826**
Village Hall, Wesley Close **560223**
Youth Club Hall, Wesley Close **561004**

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	Electric Palace, South Street, Bridport	01308 426336
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	Arts Centre, South Street, Bridport	01308 424204
	Guildhall, West Street, Axminster	01297 33595
	Manor Pavilion, Manor Road, Sidmouth	01395 514413
WEBSITES		
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www.saynoto0870	Cheaper equivalent geographical phone numbers (ie those beginning with 01... or 02...)	