

BIGBURY NEWS

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PLAN Consultation
Sat 2nd Feb 10 am - Noon

PARKDEAN JOBS FAIR Sat 2nd Feb 10 am - 3 pm

HOTSY TOTSY Jazz Fishermans Rest Tues 5th Feb 7.00 pm



FOOD & FILM NIGHT
Thur 7th Feb 7 pm

PATE & PUDS Fri 8th Feb 12.30 pm

MACMILLAN QUIZ Fri 22nd Feb 7.00pm

BPC meeting changed to 20th Feb

SNOW WARDEN needed

UP-COMING
BPC ELECTIONS
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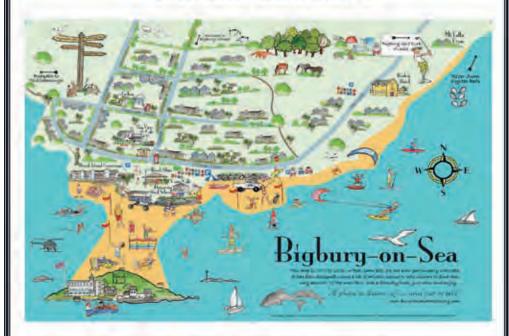




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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the first Bigbury News of 2019. Thank you for all the support and encouragement you gave the Bigbury News Team in 2018.

The objective of Bigbury News in 2019 is to inspire more people to engage in the local community and help to enrich the lives of others by doing so. Newcomers to the parish are beginning to come forward to offer their services and are indeed very welcome and valued. The definition of a 'newcomer' varies of course, and it could even mean someone who has been here for many years but not yet been involved very much in community activities.

We are pleased to welcome **Eamonn and Linda Byrnes** into the role of coordinating **Bigbury Watch**. **Marina Leadbetter**, who has lived here less than one year, is very busy helping out as Advertising Manager for Bigbury News.

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Louise Wainwright, Alice Taylor Marlene Johnson and Oyster Shack.

Volunteering or joining local clubs is a fun way of belonging to something. Bigbury News and the website, Bigbury Drums, will publish opportunities for volunteers. Please check it out.

bigburydrums.wixsite.com/bigburydrums

You could even come up with an idea for a new Club or a fund-raiser yourself! If you want to find out if anyone else would like to meet up to discuss this - you can use the **Bigbury Drums Facebook** page to raise these ideas.

www.facebook.com/bigburydrums
If you don't know how to do this, please
contact the Bigbury News Editor who will
be happy to assist.

Chairman of BPC, Bryan Carson, reminds us that there will be an Election for parish councilors in May. This is a great way of contributing to the community. Hannah Getley has recently resigned and we owe her a big thank you for all her hard work in the past. Our parish council consisits of a team of dedicated local residents who have been, most ably, representing us for the last four years. We hope that most of them will want to continue in this role. There will only be an election though, if there are more than the minimum number of volunteers who put themselves forward for election. If you want to know more about what happens at parish council meetings and what the role of a parish councillor involves - why not attend the next parish council meeting? Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month starting at 7.30 pm. The meetings prior to the Elections will be at the Memorial Hall in St Ann's Chapel on February 20th*, March 13th, April 10th and May 8th. (* note change of date from 13th Feb)

Nearly 300 Bigbury News readers have signed up to receive the weekly Bigbury Drums digest of local events. A gallery of local events posters will be delivered to your in-box on a weekly basis. Please help organisers to recruit higher attendances at events, by encouraging as many people as possible to join the Bigbury Drums list. Ask the Bigbury Drums editor to add your email address. If you are already on the list, please forward your email to people in your address book so that they can join in too. We are now also advertising events happening locally, in Ringmore, Modbury, Kingston, Aveton Gifford and Kingsbridge.

Henry Wainwright has volunteered as Treasurer and takes over from **Lucinda Ellis** who valiantly held the fort when I

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suddenly found myself without a Treasurer last year. Lucinda and Aidan Ellis will continue to help me with the Pre-Flight Checks and have been intrumental in the many improvements you have seen in the layout and proof reading. The earlier Copy date allows more checks to be completed. Please help us by trying harder to get your final posters and words to us as early as possible. {All errors this month are all my fault as due to a family emergency I have had to go to print quickly this month without checks! } Dane and Hilary Vanstone have kindly taken on the role of Distribution Managers and will ensure the valiant Distribution Team get their bundles each month. So - thanks to all contributors, advertisers, readers, subscribers and donors for making the midnight oil worth burning!

Louise Wainwright Bigbury News Editor

COPY DATE 15th of the preceding month

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BIGBURY LIFE



BIGBURY MEMORIAL HALL

Bringing the Community Together

It was good to see the Hall decorated so nicely before Christmas – our thanks go to Louise Pitt, Juliette Jackson and the Youth Club for doing this.

In the run up to Christmas we held a Wine Tasting Evening at which Kingsbridge wine merchants Barrel & Still gave an informative and entertaining presentation of eight great wines, attended by over 20 people. Tasty nibbles were supplied by the Committee.

Fifty-one people enjoyed our annual Quiz Night held on 11th January. A good mix of questions on the geography of the British Isles, food and drink, and well known sayings by TV entertainers, were read out by our question master Robbie and we also had to identify photos of food and drink labels and past TV shows. Welcome pasties were provided to give sustenance to our brains. The winners were Chris Curgunven and her table with Fiona Dukes and her team a close second. Well done to these Bigbury brains.

Our next event is the ever-popular series of Film and Food Nights on February 7th. The film this time is **Finding Your Feet**, an English romantic comedy with a great cast, including Emelda Staunton, Timothy Spall, Celia Imrie and Joanna Lumley. As usual the food will be supplied by **Kate** @ **Folly.** It should be a very entertaining evening. Tickets obtainable from Holywell Stores or Angie Bond (tel. 811131).

Our next Villages in Action sponsored event is **Science Adventures** – a **Coppice** Theatre production on Saturday 9th March at 11.00am. This should appeal to 5 – 12 year olds and their families and should be really entertaining – more details next month but do note the date now. National Science week begins on 9th March so this fits in really well.

Finally, news of a new regular group who have booked the Hall. Well, not new exactly in that the coffee morning that was held for many years at the Korniloff will now take place at the Hall. Its new title is the **Bigbury Community Coffee Morning** and it will meet on the first Wednesday morning of each month. We are very pleased to welcome them.

Charles Harrington

MEMORIAL HALL EVENTS (Feb 2019)

St Ann's Chapel TQ7 4HQ

	Day & Time	Activity	Organiser	Contact no.
MON	9.30 - 10.10	Aerobics	Jill Gubbins	810651
	10.15 - 11.15	Pilates	Jill Gubbins	810651
	11.20 - noon	Strong & Steady (plus tea)	Jill Gubbins	810651
TUES	13.30 15.30	(from Feb) Bridge	Jan Lucas	831244
	17.30 - 19.30	Youth Club	Juliette Jackson	810307
THUR	9.30 - 10.00	Fast Fit	Jill Gubbins	810651
	10.15 - 11.15	Pilates	Jill Gubbins	810651 N
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	19.30 - 21.30	South Hams	Gilbert Snook	810017
		Filling Station (3rd Thurs, of month		p
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NOT CORRECT IN MEMORIAL HALL ADVERT _ (due to late amendments) PLEASE CHECK THE

CALENDARS page 11 & p 26 and JILL'S ADVERT on page 10

NOTE: JILL GUBBIN'S CLASS TIMES

MEMORIAL HALL EVENTS changes

Dee Fitzgerald is looking for more people interested in joining an INDOOR BOWLS fun evening once a week (19.30

Contact Dee on 811191

South Hams Shrimps (toddler group) not currently running due to not enough 'shrimps'.

BIGBURY LADIES

Ten of us met up for lunch in Bigbury Golf Club in January to decide on the proposed meetings for 2019. We usually meet on the third Wednesday of each month at Helen Smith's house before proceeding to that month's venue. Fixtures may be liable for alteration sometimes. The suggested calendar of meetings is as follows: -

20th Feb Darts Farm, Topsham 20th Mar IKEA, Exeter . 17th Apr Anthony House, Cornwall 15th May Dartington Hall 19th Jun River trip Totnes to Dartmouth 17th Jul Mt Edgcombe (via Cremyll Ferry) 21st Aug Helen Smith's: Bring a plate lunch 18th Sep Overbecks, Salcombe 16th Oct Avon Mill for lunch 20th Nov Sloop Inn, lunch 11th Dec Christmas lunch at St Elizabeth House.

We usually meet up at Helen's (about 10.30 a.m. - 11.15) and then proceed from there, having sorted out volunteer drivers. We welcome all ladies from the Bigbury area and are a very informal "bunch". We do not have a Chairman, Secretary, membership fee etc – we are just a group of ladies who like to meet up for a natter once a month. We usually visit somewhere not overly far away and often for a lunch according to your individual choice be it a sandwich, bowl of soup of fish and chips etc..

If you would like to join us, you are very welcome to make me the first point of contact or ask any of our usual members e.g. Helen Smith, Chrissy Curgenven, Rose Owen, Lynn Hiscock etc.

Pam Trundle Tel: 801 719

Saturday 9th March: 11,00am Science Adventures for 5-12 year olds and their families. A Villages in Action/Carn to Cove event. See poster next month for further details.

50/100 Club, Promoted by Dane Vanstone. Our first draw of 2019 was made at the Quiz Night on 11th January. The winners were Trish Bagley (£20) and Sally Watts (£10). Join now (£10 for the 10 months to October) to have a chance of winning the monthly draw. 50% of the money goes in prizes and 50% to the Hall. Tickets from Holywell Stores.

BIGBURY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

On Wednesday 5th December the Korniloff coffee morning raised £685 for St Lawrence Church Bell and Tower restoration fund.

Thank you to everybody who came and supported us so generously. Many thanks to all those people who made the festive goodies and manned the stalls. There was a wonderful selection of goods and a festive feel.

During 2018 we have raised £2211 mainly for local charities.

On **Wednesday 6th March** we will be supporting **Modbury Caring** and we look forward to seeing you between 10.30 and noon at the Memorial Hall in St Ann's Chapel.

Jean and Yvonne

CONGRATULATIONS to Jean & Yvonne and their dedicated team of helpers who bring their wares, set up the stalls and sell their goodies to raise money for local charities. £2,211 is an amazing amount to raise in 2019.

Please come and support them and enjoy getting together with other members of the community once per month. The coffee and cakes are amazing. Jean's Homity pies and savories are all home made and delicious.

Put it in your diaries now: FIRST Wednesday every month Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel 10.30 am to noon (no event in February)



BIGBURY BOOKWORMS

The January meeting of Bigbury Bookworms was cancelled due to illness and holidays.

We will next meet on February 6th when Liz Edwards will host the afternoon.

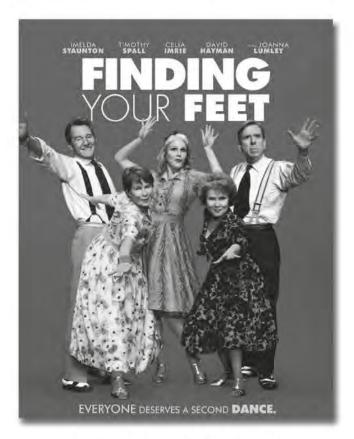
Hazel Osborne

BIGBURY LIFE



BIGBURY MEMORIAL HALL

Thursday 7th February 2019 from 7.00pm (film starts at 8pm)



SUPPER from Kate @Folly

Please bring your own drinks and glasses

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Weds 7.30 pm & Thurs 10.30 am
Visitors always welcome on payment of
£8 which includes tea/coffee.

February 2019 Weds 27th/Thurs 28th The Architecture of the British Raj is remarkable, 'Let's celebrate it.' Anthony Peers. Anthony will talk about Colonial Architecture in India, the buildings, their history and their future. Focusing initially on the work of George Gilbert Scott in Mumbai he will branch out to consider the broader historical, cultural and architectural context of the archaic true of the British Raj.

March 2019 Weds 27th/Thurs 28th Stories in Stained Glass Speaker Susie Harries. Susie's talk looks at the stories that stained glass can tell; that can be used to play politics, bribe bishops, recruit soldiers and tell jokes. She will include stories that relate to our area: our saints and our sinners!

April 2019 Weds 24th/Thurs 25th Zaha Hadid - Architectural Superstar Speaker Colin Davis Colin will tell the story of her career from the visionary projects of the 1980's, through the years of frustration when her designs were considered impossible to build, to the prolific crop of successful projects built all over the world in the last decade of her life.

Visitors always welcome on payment of £10 which includes tea/coffee. Further details from Gill Markham at gill.markham@talk21.com or 01548 724 364 or 07831 448 203

Gill Markham

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BIGBURY BOOKWORMS

Hazel Osborne (temporary contact)

BIGBURY LADIES

Pam Trundle 01548 810719

BRIDGE

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Charles Harrington 01548 810023

BIGBURY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

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MEMORIAL HALL CHAIRMAN

Charles Harrington charles_harri@yahoo.co.uk 01548 810023

COMMUNITY SPIRIT, CLUBS & SOCIETIES

The Winter Warmer Soups initiative didn't work out as well as hoped but it was a great idea. Thanks to **Gill Middleton**, **Sheridan Furber** and **Sally Watts for** getting behind Tristan to give it a 'go'.

A number of 'New Bees' have come forward to volunteer for roles in the community

We have some great clubs and societies that give us the opportunity to get together. Jill Gubbins runs some fun exercise classes at the Memorial Hall every week. Apart from the obvious health benefits, its also a way to meet other people. The Bigbury Golf Club welcomes non-members and invites you to join as a social member if you don't play golf. If you have not already joined in any of these groups, why don't you do this in 2019?

Perhaps you will be inspired to form a new Bigbury group and want to know if anyone would be interested in joining forces with you to organize this? You are welcome to use the Bigbury Drums Face book page to do this or ask the Bigbury News editor to post a letter from you in the March edition.

It's a great way for our community to tighten those bonds, both ways, and enjoy being together in the dark winter days.

Louise Wainwright



Why don't you consider whether you could spare a few hours per week in 2019 for the Modbury Caring Befriending Service? Or - perhaps you feel that you, yourself would benefit from a few hours a week from a Befriender? The giving and receiving of the gift of friendship is the fabric of a strong Community. It's equally important that Befrienders are invited into homes - as it is that people volunteer to be Befrienders. Both benefit. Find out more from the Befriending Coordinator, Sheila Harrison. Sheila's contacts: 07554 997140 or modburycaring@gmail.com. You can also drop in to see her on Wednesdays from 11.00 – 12 noon at the Modbury Parish Office by the Co-op in Galpin Street, Modbury.

http://modburycaring.org.uk

Louise Wainwright

BIGBURY NEWS TEAM

THANK YOU!!

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Dane and Hilary Vanstone have very kindly volunteered to oversee the Distribution of Bigbury News. They will collect the finished, bagged and labelled magazines and make sure they reach the much-valued

DISTRIBUTION TEAM.

Please see below more opportunities for you to contribute a little of your time every month to the much loved
Bigbury News.

SUB EDITOR for BEACH BANTER

Beach Banter brings together news and views from the island, beach, sea, and riverside. Do you live in Bigbury on Sea and like taking photographs of what is happening down there? You would be ideally placed to be the roving reporter and send me the information needed. Perhaps it could be a group of friends who do this for Bigbury News? What Fun!

Beach Banter needs about five photos per month with no more than 150 words to go with each photo. You would need to talk to the sponsors, **Venus, Burgh Island and Discovery**, each month to check if they want any news items posted. Otherwise, just keep your eyes and ears open and give people a flavour of what is happening out there! Hope to hear from you!

PRODUCTION MANAGER

The printer for Bigbury News is at Long Easton and needs to stay there. If someone was willing to help with the printing, they would have to come to Long Easton to oversee the printing operation - clearing jams, replacing ink cartridges, loading paper etc. Someone needs to be there all the time during the print run. This could take about 15 hours and can be done over three days. I can provide training and its' not that difficult - if I can do it!

Whilst you are supervising the printing. I would be writing the next Bigbury News, so I would be nearby if there was a problem.

We have a team who fold, staple, bag and label the magazines. Do you think you can help me with this? Please call me 01548 810991 / 07908 525663

Louise Wainwright

CREWS THAT KEEP US CRUISING







Local people at last year's training event in Ringmore run by our First Responder, Nigel Toms and Steve Comely.

LEARN HOW TO SAVE A LIFE!





BIGBURY PARISH DEFIBRILLATOR SCHEME

Bigbury Parish is part of the Community Public Access Defibrillator (cPAD) scheme, administered by the South-Western Ambulance Service. The cPAD scheme provides annual training, a 24hr support service to trained staff including a counseling service and full support for devices including replacement electrodes and batteries.

These defibrillators can be used by the general public with or without little training, nevertheless we are going to invest in South-Western Ambulance Service training sessions. The next CPR & Defib session will take place at the:

Memorial Hall St Ann's Chapel on Wed 6th February 2019 at 6.30 pm.

We encourage the community to attend. No need to book. Light refreshments provided. Further information contact: **Yvonne Klidjian** 810971, **Jeremy Gilbert** 810235 or **David Gay** 810146

LOCATIONS OF DEFIBRILLATORS

Outside **HOLYWELL STORES** near telephone box (St Ann's Chapel)

Outside the **UNWIND** beauty salon at BIGBURY

At BIGBURY GOLF COURSE

In the Bus shelter at **BIGBURY ON SEA**

Outside the NISA SHOP at CHALLABOROUGH

BIGBURY CARES CHARITY UPDATE to mid Jan

Please can all fund raisers provide Bigbury News with the total monies raised at their events for inclusion in the Bigbury Charity Barometer. Thank you.

HELPING HANDS NEEDED

More people are needed for cleaning the church at Bigbury. A few times per year would be much appreciated. Let Pat know if you're able and willing.

Pat Holness

810116

holness313@btinternet.com



FILLING STATION

In need of spiritual fuel? Top-up here.

Thursday 21st February 2019 at 7.30 to 9.00 pm

Speaker: Rachel Greenwell Topic: Love on Another

Our speaker this month is Rachel Greenwell. She is the regional representative for Open Doors, a charity that supports persecuted Christians worldwide.

The Filling Station is a new informal way of expressing the Christian faith using local mid-week monthly celebration meetings in a cafe-style setting. In a relaxed and friendly atmosphere with tea, coffee and cake. We have a worship time and a speaker. Prayer Ministry is always available.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Filling Station is an inter-denominational fellowship which hopes to benefit the local church.

Gil and Kate Snook 01548 810017



LETTER from MINISTER at ST LAWRENCE

SOWING SEEDS

February can be a time of looking ahead beyond the dark cold days of winter to the spring and summer, maybe planning or booking holidays or dreaming of those already booked. For gardeners it can be a time of planning and preparing for the plants and crops which are going to make their gardens burst into flower or produce the vegetables for their tables. It's a time for purchasing and maybe starting to plant the seeds that will enable these dreams and plans to come into being, as gradually over the months these lifeless dried up grains, watered by the rain and warmed by the sunshine, burst into life and grow into fine plants. Often all this happens without any further input from the person who planted them.

The Bible contains a number of Jesus parables in which he drew parallels between the growth process of seeds and plants and the development of faith. In one of these he tells us that the Word of God, like the seed, grows in God's good time, and this reminds us that we often never know what an effect the evidence of our faith in our lives is having on the people with whom we come into contact. Nor do we know what effect the experience of bringing a child to church for baptism will have on the child's parents, godparents or family members. It may well be that on that day a seed of faith is sown in someone's heart, which in God's good time will start to grow, and as Jesus reminds us, in another seed related parable, just as a minute seed can grow into a big bush, so that tiny seed of faith could grow into something big.

When we think about it, aren't we as individuals very similar to seeds and plants? Just as the growth of a seed is influenced by the things around it, so our development as individuals is influenced by the conditions and the people around us - starting from our childhood and continuing throughout the whole of our lives. So how important it is that we affirm, encourage and support one another! When we think that someone has done something well, why not tell them? When we know that someone is going through a rough time, why not offer help or support instead of assuming that their family is already supplying all their needs? Often it is the knowledge that people care that can make all the difference to the life of a lonely person, and can sow the seed of hope for the future in their hearts.

Joyce Howitt

Vicar: The **Revd Matt Rowland** (830260: every day except (normally) Saturday) Readers: **Joyce Howitt** (01364 73093), **Michael Tagent** (810520)

Website: www.modburyteam.org

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

	Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Bigbury 11.00 am	Kingston 9.30 am	Modbury 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
3rd	Sunday Worship	Communion*	Communion	Communion	Sunday Worship
1Q#	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion* (8 am) All Age Service	Sunday Worship
170	Lay led service	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion by Extension	Village Service
24h	Communion	Team Evensong (4 pm)	Village Service	Sunday Worship	Communion

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH

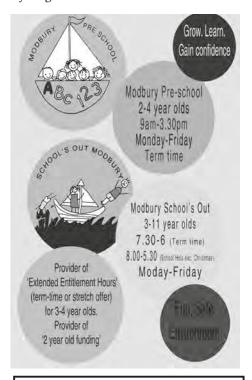
	Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Bigbury 11.00 am	Kingston 9,30 am	Modbury 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
3rd	Sunday Worship	Communion*	Communion	Communion	Sunday Worship
10m	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion* (8 am) All Age Service	Sunday Worship
57h	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion	Village Service
24 in	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship Living Room (6 pm)	Communion
31=	Team Communion (10.30 am)				

^{*} Service in traditional language

BIGBURY LIFE

CAROLS on the GREEN BIGBURY THANKS

An estimated 150 people assembled on Bigbury Green for 'Carols on the Green' which has now become a regular event. It began some years ago when Angie and Bryan Carson owned the nearby Royal Oak pub. It's a great time for visitors and the extended families of local people to get together. Our thanks go to Fiona Barker, Dane Vanstone, Hilary, Jeremy, Elaine, Keith, Mary and the musicians organsied by Angie and Fiona.





WELCOME

to any new youth from the village.

Come and join us!

Tuesday pm 5.30 -7.30 £1 entry. Ages 7 -13 Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel.

Louise Pitt 07786 860440 / 01548 810000



WHY not find the public footpath to TURTLE FARM and buy some WILD BIRD SEED for the Hungry Month for our hedgerow birds?



FRIDAY 22 FEBRUARY AT 7 PM BIGBURY MEMORIAL HALL QUIZ LOVER? A) YES B) YES B) YES E10 pp inc. pasty plus bottle of wine per team of 6.

Turtle Farm Produce

HOLYWELL STORES St. Ann's Chapel

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LIVE MUSIC

(Normally) first Tuesday every month

Fisherman's Rest AVETON GIFFORD

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NON-MEMBERS WELCOME

Tues 5th Feb HOTSY TOTSY all girls band

Tues 5th March HOT FINGERS with EMILY CAMPBELL



kingsbridgejazzclub



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Food available from 12.00-2.00 and 6.00-8.30 (No food Sunday evenings)

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GET YOURSELF

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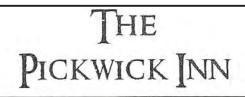
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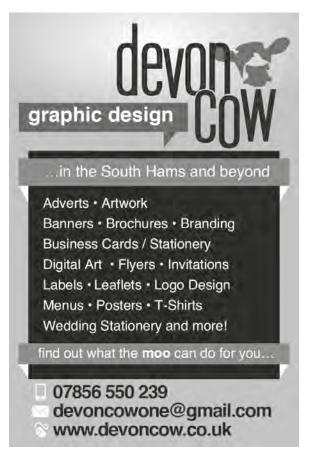
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WALK NOTES

A short walk to blow the cobwebs away after Christmas and New Year festivities. It is a walk which deliberately avoids both pub and food shop, so you will not need money but you will need waterproof or sturdy footwear.

- 1. Park the car, (664467) enter the field and follow the footpath (FP 14) around two sides of the field.
- 2. Straight through the first gate and take the footpath (FP 19) on the left immediately in front of the pond (663467). Follow it down through the delightful wood.
- 3. Leave the wood, hug the right hand side of the field until you find and cross the stile onto a farm track (660457). Turn left.
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TAKE A WALK on the WILDSIDE - view points.















RE-BIRTH of BURGH ISLAND

It is January and late afternoon so the skies are growing darker, but inside the Pilchard Inn on Burgh Island there is a wonderful 'safe haven' feeling emanating from the log fire. In a corner by the bar, a green parrot is perched forever in a glass display cabinet. His head is fixed in a jaunty, inquisitive angle and his eyes seem to beg an introduction from me. But I have not come to interview him, although I am sure he has many stories to tell. That discovery will have to wait.

The Pilchard Inn is said to date back to the 16th century when it was used in connection with the fish cellars on the island. Its thick, white walls are custodians of a rich social history dating back to the days when fishing for pilchards was an important activity for the folk that lived on the shores that cradle the island when the tides are out. The tides continue to dictate visits to the island as the causeway opens and closes the sand spit that connects the island to the shoreline. It is an adventure worth the effort, to venture across to the Pilchard Inn during the winter months. The migrant flocks that fill the bars in the summer months are not there and we have the Pilchard Inn to ourselves.

I am fascinated to find that there is a Pilchard Ale on offer. The Pilchard is open seven days a week over the winter and the island will soon be publishing a walker's guide to the best times to plan your winter walks over to Burgh Island. The guide will be available to be downloaded from the Bigbury Drums website. Weather updates and access information will also soon be posted by the barman on the Bigbury Drums Facebook page. Even when the tide is in, the trusty sea tractor to ferry visitors across. It is much easier than I thought to get over to the island. We know various events are being planned for the Pilchard Inn for us all over the next few months and into the summer. Keep an eye on Bigbury Drums. It is also open seven days a week - even now in the middle of winter!

A walk up to the top of the island to the Huer's Hut can be blustery and exhilarating in the winter. It is fascinating to muse about the real history of this building. It is often said to be a lookout tower to spot shoals of pilchards and arouse the fishermen with the huer's call. However, the Prideaux family of Kingsbridge say that they erected it in the early 20th century for use as a picnic hut when they sailed round from Salcombe. During the first and second world war, it was used as an observation post. The views up and down the coast are far-reaching and stormy winter seas make you aware of the bravery of sailors and fishermen. Crashing waves on the seaward side of the island resound along the cliffs where seagulls perch and cry into the wind. Leaving them behind, it's a quick walk back to the warmth of the Pilchard Inn and a pint by the fireside. The latch on the heavy wooden door clinks, as Duncan Gray, the co-owner of

the Burgh Island Hotel, enters. I have come to find out from Duncan what has been happening at Burgh Island Hotel this winter whilst the world-class Burgh Island Hotel has been closed for a major overhaul.

Less than a year ago, I had ventured over to Burgh Island to meet the new owners and find out who they were and learn about their vision for the future. Whilst it was certainly exciting to discover their plans to attract millionaires from all over the world, I was really more interested whether they wanted to forge new links with the local community. Of course, the answer to that direct question was bound to be positive. This could have been a platitude. But it wasn't. The Bigbury History Society was invited to the Ganges Restaurant at the hotel for a delightful luncheon and talk about the history of the hotel and the owners' plans going forward were revealed. Along with some sixty, local people, previous owners of the Hotel, Bee and Tony Porter, were there too, having not been back on the island for many years. They presented a Burgh Island flag to Duncan Gray and wished them well as they took on the challenges that running a hotel on an island can present. Not long after that, another 150 local residents joined forces with the island team to raise money for the local sea rescue services with a summer hog roast (a la John Tucker). The sun shone, the wine flowed, and the Burgh Island flag waved in the summer breeze. We raised £3,000 on that one occasion. This shows what

CONCEIT AND THE AVERAGE DOG

Vanity of vanities thy name is Rusty. Never did I think that one of the seven deadly sins, particularly this one, would strike me down. I have always considered myself a modest creature, born as I was in humble surroundings. (Actually I come from a village called Nasereth in North Wales (I am not making this up), but I have never allowed it to go to my head. Anyway, I digress.

I must admit that my ODA column in this organ has gone better than expected. I had no great expectations of fame or fortune. I'm content with my humble lot: nice basket near radiator, two meals a day, medical attention etc, so when I decided to share my views on cats and the world in general, I didn't think many would notice. Important as Bigbury seems to be, it's not exactly the world. (I know this to be true from a thing my master talks with in his car. Called a "satnav" it tells him to turn left or right, and he seems to be able to obey these instructions without having to be offered a gravy biscuit as a reward. Extraordinary really!)

But to return to my theme: It was the internet that did it. The organ manager here, a M/s Wainwright suggested to me that I should take a page on Facebook. Like some Chaunticleer (I need not explain I am sure), I borrowed my man's ipad (password "Rusty. ODA") and dispatched my details to a Mr Zuckerberg, whose name was in a newspaper in the bottom of my basket. Apparently he

is the manager there. With some trepidation, I posted a thought or two, sticking to simple themes like the question of closing our borders, post Brexit, to any more unwanted cats. I mean enough is enough. Our hardworking vets are being swamped with hordes of these furry, feline, fourfooted...(not you, Monty of course).....friends.

I did not have to wait long for a response. Letter after letter arrived, all from female admirers full of flattering remarks: "Most Darling Rusty you are so wise and handsome. I think about you all day long. I long to sniff you"...(Need I go on? I am sure you catch the drift gentle reader) "Will you be my Valentine". "Sealed with a kiss". Well, not knowing who Valentine is and realising that none of these admirers left so much as a microchip number let alone more, so I was a little foxed, if you will pardon my expression. But I was too flattered to be suspicious. It was apparent to me that I was, as they say, "going viral", and sadly it went to my head. I made arrangements for a fur-cut and a mild tint with the well known canine coiffeurist, Jane Russell, and, according to my mistress was often seen preening in her mirror. Imagine my chagrin and embarrassment when I discovered that all the letters came from the same dog, and not only that, she lives in the same kitchen as me. Even now she is in her basket, sniggering at my embarrassment. Pride cometh before a fall. But I am a resilient kelpie and I will rebound and regain my wounded pride. But, other creatures be warned: the internet is a dangerous place for us dogs. Who knows, it may soon imperil our very freedoms......
Yours as always Rusty.

we can achieve together. The Bigbury Burgh Bash could become an annual event. Since then many mainlanders have celebrated special occasions at the hotel and we have taken up the invitation to a charming afternoon tea party in the Grand Ballroom. Saving Warren Cottage in Bigbury - on Sea from the developers was a coup for the Burgh Island owners and we hear the plan is to reopen the Burgh View Cafe again for this summer - again so much happening...

Since last April not only has the local community remained a relevant consideration but local people have been employed to upgrade the art deco feel of this heritage asset. Duncan Gray the Hotel's, co-owner, gave the editor of Bigbury News an exclusive tour of the latest investment - a badly needed and extensive refurbishment of the Hotel which is being painstakingly achieved by a huge team of local craftsmen and builders working round the clock for the reopening on February 20th. The construction team, led by Plymouth based, Dave Garland, under of course the watchful eye of Danny Jordan who we all see normally either driving the Sea Tractor or the green tractor on the beach are all Devon based. Duncan made it clear it is important their investment is felt by the local community in particular. The work will ensure the Art Deco genre for which Burgh is so famous is retained and enhanced, and excitingly for us all in our local area and further afield.

Duncan was able to reveal that the hotel will be opening a new restaurant in late March open to non-residents. We understand the menu will have a local fish based bias. It won't be cheap though - but looking at the work that is going into creating state of the art kitchens we are quite sure the offering will be another great asset for our community as a whole. Watch this space as there is much to follow over the next month or so as the opening gets closer.

Louise Wainwright



BURGH ISLAND 2019 PRIVATE WINTER SPECIAL

Between January 3rd - February 20th take advantage of these never to be repeated room only rates, During the Burgh Island Hotel refurbishment you can still enjoy a memorable stay on the island in either our iconic Beach House or Artists Studio.



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ARTISTS STUDIO
£150 for one night and £120 for any consecutive nights

Beautifully cosy and located above the 13th century Pilchard Inn, the Artists Studio offers impressive views of the mainland, self-catering facilities, and also benefits from the amazing environment of the pub just downstairs where lunch and supper can be served in front of a roaring fire. Dogs are welcome in both rooms.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Pilchard Inn opening hours: I Iam - 9pm (reduced food offering of soup and baguettes only on Monday and Tuesdays)

Stays are self-catering, room services unavailable as hotel is closed due to active refurbishment work taking place. In the unlikely event you require urgent assistance the hotel reception will be open between 9am - 9pm. No guaranteed transport times.

Our new **sub-Editor for Culture Club** is **Dilys Doughty,** who is waiting to hear from you, if you are a local Creative and would like us to promote your works.

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An Ode to the Pub Cat

Shall I compare thee to a jungle cat All claws and teeth and ruffled fur Ferocious snarl instead of purr? Or wouldst thou like a softer look A kitten in a picture book?

We must decide on how we "seem" To be the creatures of our dreams Or accept conformity- and be What our owners like to see? Pets with often comic names Players in their human games!

So dear Monty - I send you greetings But not I fear, of New Year meetings And if perhaps you think of that Remember I'm not scared of cats Although that's how I like to seem Alas a figment of my dreams

As Shakespeare wrote: "Aye there's the rub" The only pussy in the pub - in you I will in truth confide
Forsooth i wouldn't go inside
And so, dear Monty in your bar
I send good wishes......but
From afar!

A Happy New Year to all Bigbury Pets The campaign begins anew!

Rusty ("Only Dogs Allowed")





Roaring fires and a hearty menu, The Pilchard Inn is the perfect place to stay warm this winter.

Open daily 11am - 10.30pm. Access subject to tides.

WINTER MENU

Starters

Seasonal Soup ~ £5.50

Pirates Pilchards on toast ~ £5.50

Cup of prawns with aioli ~ £7.00

Pate and toasted bread ~ £6.00

Deep fried mushirooms with garlic mayo ~ £5.00

Main Course

Grilled Steak and chips with herb butter ~ £16.00
Chicken curry, rice and poppadum, mango chutney ~ £14.00
Seasonal stew with fresh artisan bread ~ £12.00
Gammon, pineapple, egg and chips. ~ £12.00
Vegetable pie with mashed potato and peas ~ £11.50
Fish, chips and mushy peas ~ £12.00

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BIGBURY BIOBLOG

MUD, MUD, GLORIOUS MUD!!

Have you ever been up to your neck in that black, gluey and smelly mud which abounds in the upper reaches of the Avon Estuary and around the salt marsh areas - thinking you might never escape its clutches and, somehow, might have to call the Coastguard for rescue if only you could get your hands free of the stuff? If so, you might want to withdraw your curses and instead sing its praises, rather like the old Flanders and Swan song - "Mud, Mud, Glorious Mud" - because, with the recent renewed level of interest in global warming, that black goo has now been reinvented as 'Blue Carbon'.



According to the website at BlueCarbonPortal.org., 'Blue carbon' is the carbon stored and sequestered in coastal ecosystems such as mangrove forests, sea grass meadows or inter-tidal salt marshes. These valuable ecosystems hold vast carbon reservoirs; they sequester atmospheric CO2 through primary production, and then deposit it in their sediments. In fact, most blue carbon is found in the soils or sediments beneath the vegetation.

The rates of carbon sequestration and storage are comparable to (and often higher than) the sequestration rates in carbon-rich terrestrial ecosystems such as tropical rainforests or peatlands. Unlike most terrestrial systems, which reach soil carbon equilibrium within decades, deposition of carbon dioxide in coastal ecosystem sediment can continue over millennia. However, when these coastal ecosystems are degraded or destroyed they can become carbon dioxide sources due to the oxidization of biomass and organic soil.

Because coastal ecosystems do contain substantial amounts of carbon, and because this carbon is in danger of being released, they are important in mitigating climate change. Unfortunately, however, the rate of loss of mangroves, seagrasses and saltmarshes (driven mostly by human activities) is estimated to be among the highest of any ecosystem on the planet, prompting international interest in managing them more effectively for their carbon benefits.

Although the Avon Estuary's contribution to carbon sequestration may be small

on a planetary scale, that contribution to conservation strengthens the argument for its designation by Natural England as one of the new Marine Conservation Zones and for the inclusion of the embryonic salt marsh at South Efford within its boundary - NE's decision is awaited as I write! Those anaerobic bugs thriving in the mud, locking up carbon, could be the saviours of our planet. Disturb them at your peril!!! GLORIOUS MUD indeed!

Stuart Watts February 2018





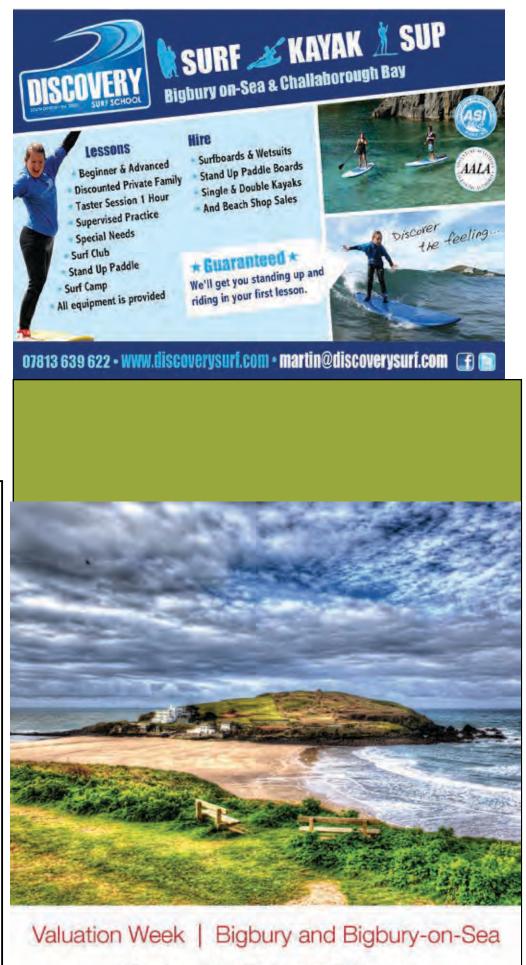
Stags are back in Bigbury on Sea again in February for one of their 'Valuation weeks'.

For the whole of the week commencing Monday 11th of February, they are offering free market appraisals, whether you are thinking of selling or not.

Associate Partner **Christopher Kivell** said "It's something we have done for a while now, focusing on different villages across the area throughout the year. We live in uncertain times and for homeowners, it's just a way to get an up-to-date valuation, totally in confidence without any charge or obligation".

"We really enjoy the Village Valuation weeks not least because it gives us the opportunity to spend longer in them and perhaps on a somewhat "less formal" basis." Christopher went on to say that "Stags are doing similar Valuation weeks in nearby Kingston and Ringmore in April"

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BIGBURY WATCH

Allow me to introduce a local couple from Bigbury on Sea, who have volunteered to be our Bigbury Watch Keepers - Eamonn and Linda Byrnes. They will be a local point of contact for us and help to direct us to the right professional services in a range of situations. They will not replace the local police but will of course be in regular contact with the Kingsbridge Team.

If you have any concerns about unusual vehicles, telephone calls, emails, cold callers, odd behaviour etc. - don't be afraid to call our Bigbury Watch Keepers and ask their advice about whether it should be reported. Contacts: 01548 811104 or 07790 485102

Introduction

Eamonn & Linda Byrnes were both serving police officers at Notting Hill police station when they met in 1981. Linda retired in 1985 to raise their family (3 children) with Eamonn leaving the Metropolitan Police in 1989. As a result of Eamonn joining a local



LOCAL POLICE CONTACTS

Police Community Support officer (PCSO) 30383 Paul O'Dwyer who is responsible for liaising with local communities.

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Our local Beat Team consists of the *Beat Manager* **PC 6486 Ryan Hayhurst** and *Police Community Support Officer* **30080 Warren Palmer**. They can be contacted via the Kingsbridge email page

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security services company based in Kingsbridge, they relocated to East Allington in December 1992. They have remained living in the Kingsbridge area since that time with spells in Thurlestone, and latterly Torcross before moving to Bigbury on Sea in 2016.

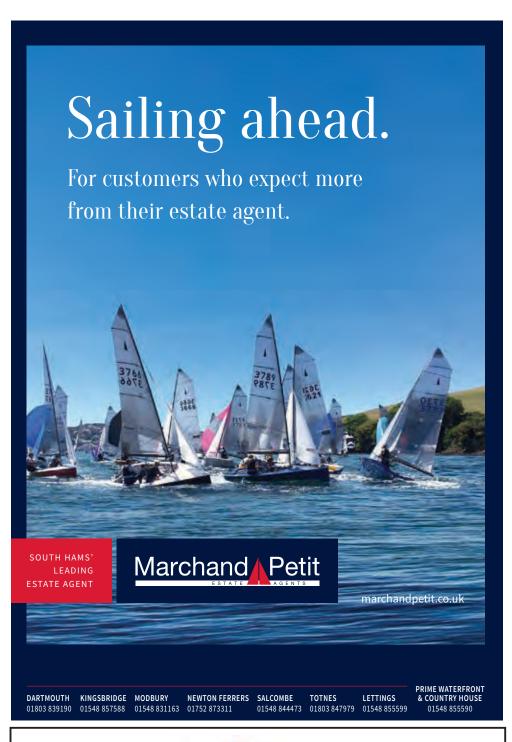
After leaving the police services in the late 80's Eamonn pursued a career in sales whilst Linda juggled raising 3 young children as well as always having a part time job in sales! She had a variety of jobs from working for most new house builders in the area to being the local rep for Cadburys!

After heart surgery in April 2014 Eamonn decided that his time travelling the country as a sales director were at an end, at which time they decided to move across from Torcross to Bigbury on Sea where they have settled. Eamonn is an enthusiastic golfer playing at Bigbury and they both enjoy using the causeway pool and facilities and can often be found on the beach with their 2 small dogs and their 5 grandchildren who are regular visitors.

Eamonn & Linda Byrnes (above)



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THE PUB CAT **SPEAKS**

Xnnián kuàilè - Pussypots!

Happy Mew Year, Pussypots! My friend Bruce, a very fine Persian Blue, bought me a lovely present for Pussmass. A gorgeous three piece suit in blue stripey fabric – so summery, with a lovely waistcoat and a special little pocket for my 'Tracker' fob watch. I feel it's summer already, darlings.

And a very special Happy Mew Year to Rusty, the confused canine. Bruce and I found Rusty's poem in the last Bigbury News very amewsing! We cannot imagine a simple-minded pooch ever picking up a cat in its mouth. What most dogs would do is give the poor creature an entirely unwanted sniffing, before running around in circles, and barking for ten minutes. It was a lovely thought though, Rusty!

I do hope you were watching Sky Mews when that charming policeman knocked on the door of 10 Downing Street so that Larry the Cat could be allowed in to join our Prime Minister, Teezer Maybot, who was on her own, toasting her toes by the fire with a glass of sherry but without the company of her beloved mouser. Well done Pawfficer Tibbles for taking the initiative! It just goes to show the truly superior status of cats.

This is an exciting time for cats – we are nearing the Chinese New Year of the Tiger – tiger is the collective term for all felines! Yes, in 2022 the great day will arrive, and I am sure there will be a special celebration on Purrr Island!

In Chinese culture, cats and tigers are seen as the guardians of children. Infants and babies wear shoes and hats with tiger designs

to protect against evil spirits. The Tiger is also associated with the Earthly Branch (**—dì zh*) yín (*) and the hours 3.00–5.00 in the morning – the hours when, as you all know - cats like to be at large in their territories, warding off warlocks and witches, and protecting children and dogs! In the terms of yin and yang (**—y*n yáng), the cat is yang – the bright and the positive force in the world, symbolised by the rays of the sun showering the earth with light.

In 2022 the element of water will be most significant in the Year of the Tiger – isn't it wonderful that we will be by the sea at this time?! This means that if we cats and humans work hard, our lives will be full of fortune! So much to look forward to.

Oh, I nearly forgot! I expect you have all started your New Year's resolutions? Here at The Artful Dodger Inn, Nancy and Fagin have promised to say 'I love you!' to each other every day. Isn't that purrrfect?!

My New Year's Resolution? To teach Rusty, the old dog, a new trick! Hah, ha!

My other resolution?
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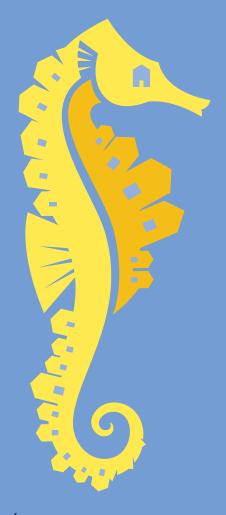
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Cup of prawns with aloli ~ E7.00

Pate and toasted bread ~ E6.00

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Main Course

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Chicken curry, rice and poppadum, mango chutney ~ £14.00

Seasonal stew with fresh artisan bread ~ £12.00

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Vegetable pie with mashed potato and peas ~ £11.50

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BIGBURY BAKERS

No-one can have failed to clock that **John Tucker's** cauliflowers are in full 'bloom'. Whilst the flowers will not go down too well in a Valentine's bouquet, they make a great base for a winter warmer soup!

Here are some ideas about fun things to do with caulifowers which I have put together from the internet whilst the real chefs are catching their breath after the Christmas rush! You will get the professionals back on the case in the March issue. If anyone else also has some favourite recipes using local produce - you are welcome to send them into Bigbury News. We may produce a **Bigbury Bakers booklet** in the future with all your contributions.

CAULIFLOWER RICE

Pulse cauliflower florets 2 cups at a time in a food processor until chopped into rice-size pieces.

Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add garlic (to taste) and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add the cauliflower rice, sprinkle with salt and cook, stirring, until softened, 3 to 5 minutes.

As you all appreciate, the weather for the early part of 2019 has been mixed. However, the four 2019 Captains were blessed with a dry, albeit very cold, day for their 2019 Drive In. A lot of fun was enjoyed on the first tee, with tricky embellishments for their first drive.

"Driving in" were **Rob Luckens**, the Men's Captain. Rob has been a stalwart Bigbury member for many years, and was also a Board Member for several years. Rob has nominated the Triangle Outreach Drop in Cancer Support Centre Kingsbridge as his Charity.

Jane Wain, the Ladies Captain. Again, Jane has also been a member for several years, and has been a member of the Ladies Section Committee. Jane is also a qualified England Golf Rules Referee, and has contributed very useful Rules sessions over the recent years. Jane has nominated Macmillan Cancer Support as her Charity, which links well with the Kingsbridge Triangle Centre.

Dave Bogue, Seniors Captain. Dave is also a long standing member of the Club and has contributed to the Club is many ways. He is following in the footsteps of his son, James Bogue, who was the Juniors Captain in 1999. Dave has nominated Devon Air Ambulance as his main Charity, but says that the Seniors will also



John Tucker's cauilfower harvest in full swing.

ROASTED CAULIFLOWER

Heat oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6. Place the cauliflower, garlic and bay leaves in a large bowl, toss with the oil, zest and juice and season generously. Spread evenly onto a baking sheet (use 2 if you need to). Roast for 20 mins, turning halfway, until al dente and caramelised.

Better check the Internet for quantities of ingredients!

NINETEENTH HOLE

contribute to both Rob and Jane's Charities, as well as the NSPCC. The Bigbury Seniors have supported the Devon Air Ambulance over many years.

Jessica Leach, Juniors Captain. Jess was appointed the Juniors Captain for a two year period, and 2019 is her second year. Jess says she has many ambitions, but one is for the Junior's to have fun during the year. Jess is a member of the Devon County Juniors Squad and all at Bigbury are very proud of her.

All the Captains confirmed they are looking forward to their year and have ambitions to continue working together and to contribute to the Club's ongoing success.

Bigbury members were out in force for the Drive In, welcoming the new Captains and wishing them all good luck and a most successful year. The Clubhouse and first tee were packed and, as well as enjoying the day, more than £130 was raised to kick-start the Charities fund raising, as well as a contribution to be made to the Bigbury Course Development Fund.

The drive in was followed by an 11 hole pairs competition, with a shot gun start. Fifty six players took to the course, who all appreciated that the weather had improved and it was not so bitterly cold.

CAULIFLOWER SOUP

Heat a little oil in a deep, heavy-based pan over a medium heat. Add chopped onion and garlic to taste and fry for 2-3 minutes, or until just softened. Add a little ground cumin and ground coriander and fry for a further 1-2 minutes, or until fragrant. Add chopped cauliflower and chicken stock.

Louise Wainwright

There were excellent scores over the 11 holes, and in first place with 29 points were Matt Smallridge (11) and Hamish Maclachlan (17). Just one shot behind with 28 were the Wain brothers, David (10) and Nigel (22); in third place with 27 points were Tony Messenger (19) and Keith Naylor (10).

All in all this was a super day at the Club, alongside some good golf, and a great start to 2019.

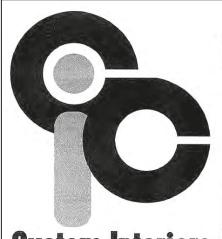
Finally, one date for **Bigbury Golf Club** - a quiz and meal night is to be held on **Friday 15th February**, tickets available from the Club £11, 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Everyone welcome.

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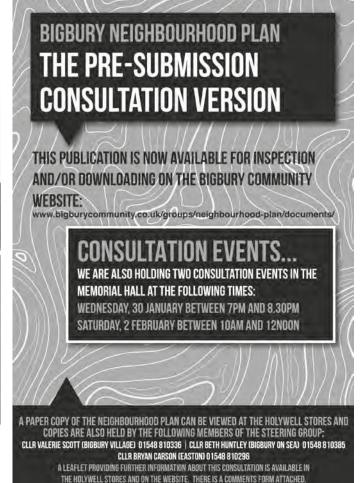
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BIGBURY PARISH COUNCIL - minutes of meeting 9th Jan 2019 at Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel

Present: Cllr **Bryan Carson** - Chair BC; Cllr **Sharon Smith** SS, Cllr **Beth Huntley** BH, Cllr **Cathy Case** (arrived 7.40) CC; Cllr **Valerie Scott** (arrived 8.00) VS Cllr **George Rosevear** – Vice chair GR Acting Clerk: Cllr George Rosevear 18 Members of the Public present. DCC Cllr **Rufus Gilbert** RG

Note: Cllr **Hannah Getley** [HG] has resigned from the Council and her resignation letter is on file.

Chairman Bryan welcomed everyone, noting that our Clerk Richard Matthews was on holiday, as well as the fact that there will be both **Parish elections on 2nd May 2019** and expressed a hope that residents other than sitting councillors would put themselves forward to serve the new Council. Also, there would be elections for the South Hams District Council on the same day.

1 /DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST The chairman BC declared an interest in matters related to application 3681/18/FUL, but this had already been resolved and the Parish response lodged with SHDC. No other Councillors declared an interest at this juncture, but declarations could have been taken during the course of the meeting.

2 / APOLOGIES - None

3 /APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – 14th NOVEMBER 2018

The minutes having been previously circulated were taken as read. Proposed GR, seconded by SS and approved unanimously for the Chairman to sign.

4 /MATTERS ARISING

Several matters were raised, as follows: Minute 4b: the **VAS speed monitoring** had taken place on 8th October 2018 and the mean speeds were North 27.6 and South 28.6 and there had been no recorded incidents in the last five years.

Minute 4d: the **DAA opening ceremony** was pending rather than postponed. BC commented that a joint opening ceremony with Ringmore might be possible.

Minute 6: following resident A's enquiry, BT had responded to the Clerk that they would be **refurbishing** their **phones boxes** in the spring of 2019.

Minute 6: following resident B's concerns, action had been taken to ensure that any site traffic would use the site entrance itself and not the short cut over the Holywell Stores Right of Way.

Minute 6 following resident F's concerns about the **dissemination of information** within the Community, it was noted that there would be a formal **Communications**

Coordination Committee during March 2019, date to be advised.

Minute 11: It was reported that the **damage** raised previously on the **playpark** had now been **repaired**.

5 /DEVON COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – RG

Although RG joined the meeting part way through, his comments are placed in the order of the Agenda. RG reported as follows:

- (i) He noted the **SCARF results** (VAS reported under matters arising 4b.
- (ii) He confirmed that all DCC **grit bins** either had been or would be filled shortly.
- (iii) The permanent deviation of footpath
- **4.** Noted that this was generally supported.

SHDC REPORT In the absence of a sitting District Councillor RG gave the following report:

- (i) It was noted that **HG** had resigned from the council and sold her shop on the beach front of Bigbury on Sea. Therefore SHDC had agreed with Mike Smith of Venus they can hold cash to dispense for car parking and toilet purposes, resurrecting a practice they previously engaged in up until about two years ago.
- (ii) There will be no charge for the toilets per se the charge will be integrated into the Car Park charge itself, which what had been negotiated by BH when a DC.
 (iii) The beach shower unit has not, as such been closed. Simply, the water has
- been turned-off. The annual cost to SHDC of the Legionnaires Test had driven this decision. Also it was noted that more use of the shower units had been to wash beach clothes and equipment rather than beachgoers themselves. It was decided to enquire as to whether Discovery Surf School might be persuaded to adopt and maintain the shower units.
- (iv) Privatisation of Waste Disposal (Management) Service. It was confirmed that existing SHDC staff would be transferred under TUPE regulations to the private company. This would also release SHDC from additional contributions to the Pension fund of the existing staff being transferred. There would be a saving to the SHDC over eight (8) years of £3,200.00 with savings in the first eight months of £286,000. Brown Bins for the "time being" will remain FOC. A new Council may review and change this post 2nd May 2019. Included in the service would be collection from public toilets, street cleaning, street waste bins and dog bins. Complaints and comments would still be channeled through SHDC, giving them direct oversight as to the quality of the service in the minds of the public. The contractor was the same as that used by West Devon Borough Council. RG confirmed that the decision had been approved by 80% of the

SHDC. [If all voted this would be 24/31 Councillors].

6/OPEN SESSION

The following were raised in open session: **Stuart Watts** gave a report on the current funding dilemma for the **Aune Patrol.** He asked whether the Parish Council would consider a contribution, either directly or indirectly with others. After some discussion it was agreed to bring the matter formally onto the Agenda for the February BPC meeting, by which time more information as to the funds needed, the commitments to date, in order to allow the BPC to make a decision in respect of a contribution.,

Resident B reported that, not only were the **BT telephone boxes in poor condition,** noting the comment in matters arising, but also they were being **used in the distribution of daily newspapers.** Therefore, was it possible for them to be **used for books** too? Since it seems that some are in the **ownership of the Defibrillator Charity,** could they be approached for use of their boxes for newspapers, books and tourist information literature?

Resident C reported that the **bus shelter boards needed to be refurbished**. Also, the road lines were obscured and faded at Sedgewell, partly because of overhanging shrubbery. RG suggested a note to Highways Adam Keayes to utilise the white line team when next in the vicinity. In addition can the **current roadworks in and around the Royal Oak** be explained, in particular the heavy plant in the adjacent field. It was confirmed that this was to install the treatment plant for the houses being built on the Royal Oak site.

Resident D sought assurances that not only would the large stones that have been removed would be re-installed, but that the area would be generally reconstituted. Resident D also asked could the works be properly lit at night.

Resident E requested that in respect of **Waves Edge**, precaution be taken and assurances given that the new dwelling would not exceed the ridge height agreed by the Inspector at Appeal. Can an external agent be used to ensure before any work is started a suitable reference point is established against which to measure the work and the new ridge height. Kate Cantwell of SHDC Building Control is to be contacted. Action GR.

Resident F it was noted that spoil had over spilled onto the roadway at the **Bay Café**. RG advised to contact Adam Keayes and request that the **Lengthsman** be sent out to deal with the matter.

Resident G mused as to whether there was a possibility of a **Post Office being provided in Bigbury on Sea**. GR commented that since rural Post Offices did not generally receive salary, but only commissions, this

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may prove an unsurmountable obstacle to any applicant.

Resident H noted that **Wide Load** [usually Mobile Homes for Park Dean] **escort vehicles**, quite often recently and at night were too close to the load and did not have their header board lit, causing confusion amongst other road users.

7 PLANNING RELATED MATTERS (APPLICATIONS AND UP-DATES).

The first three of the following items have already been dealt with and where necessary the BPC responses lodged with SHDC

- (a) 3681/18/FUL The Byre Challons Combe to Bowls Cross TQ7 4AN.
- (b) 3743/18/FUL Land at SX 652 442 adjacent to Southway.
- (c) 3833/18/FUL Nantucket Parker Road B on S TQ7 4AT.
- (d) 4119/18/FUL Little Court Bigbury TQ7 4AP. After discussion it was agreed to support with the following condition(s) that cladding be with natural timber and not artificial materials. Proposed VS seconded SS approved unanimously.GR to submit.
- (e) Neighbourhood Plan [NHP] up-date: VS reported that SHDC had advised on 21.12.18 that the St Ann's Chapel site would have affordable Housing content of (i) four for rent, (ii) four right to Buy. All eight with a proven local connection. (iii) three open market and (iv) two to the landowner; one for the family and one an agricultural worker. VS also confirmed that resolution. 9 amendments were included in the SHDC document, arising from the open meeting held in the Community during November. Devon Home Choice are the "Housing Association" involved and interested parties should register with them. The project has been allocated application number 4214/18/FUL. However the application has not been submitted as awaiting of all green spaces. The detailed document is available for Parishioners to read. VS responded to CC in respect of the Powers attributed to Green Spaces are similar to those attributed to Green Belt.

Bantham Estates and the Bigbury Golf Club. This was discussed as the whole area fell within the Parish and any developments on or near to it, ought to be considered when preparing the Neighbourhood Plan, but not included within it. VS said that her understanding was that Bantham Estates wished to build a development of five houses on land adjacent to the Golf Club. This may have a beneficial effect on the issues between Bantham Estates and their tenant the Bigbury Golf Club.

It was agreed to approve the latest Neighbourhood Planning document as it related

to the adoption of Green Spaces. Proposed GR, seconded BH with five voting for one abstention CC [arising from a personal interest].

8 /FINANCE PAYMENTS

The payments presented for approval were read out and agreed. Proposed SS seconded BC and approved unanimously. SS presented and read out the bank reconciliation and the balances of Restricted, Designated and unrestricted funds.

9 / PRECEPT FOR THE YEAR APRIL 2019 TO MARCH 2020.

BC reported that the Finance committee had met on the 3rd December 2018 to set the Precept. It was recommended to Council that the Precept be held at the same level as 2018/19 of £16,500. Proposed GR seconded VS and approved unanimously.

10 / PLAY PARK UP-DATE - CC

CC recommended that there be a children's with parents' consultation on the final scope of the equipment and layout of the Play Park. This was agreed. Action CC CC reported that we had, not only Parish Reserves, but also funds available from the Section 106 monies held by SHDC.

A possible extension of the Play Park was considered, which would mean reducing the size of the current football pitch, which, in fairness is not used that extensively. It was agreed to place this on the BPC February Agenda for discussion and resolution.

11 /REPLACEMENT of DEFIRILLATORS.

The cost of replacing the current three (3) defibrillators is £3,800.00. As at 5th December 2018 funds in hand were £2,709.42, leaving a shortfall of £1,090.58. It is expected that we will make a joint application with Ringmore and the shortfall will be eliminated by additional contributions or a further Grant. This application will be made 02.02.2019 to SHDC.

12 /SNOW WARDEN VACANCY AND OVERVIEW OF THE STATUS OF THE GRIT BINS

Grit Bins - Previously RG of DCC had said that DCC's grit bins had been filled. BC stated that BPC's will be filled shortly. Where SHDC were involved they were to be prompted.

Snow Warden – invitations were invited to fill the vacancy.

13 / CORRESPONDENCE

- (I) The **Royal British Legion** had sent a thank you letter for the funds raised, together with a Certificate.
- (II) **George Luckcraft's** complaint about the absence of a Wreath on the War Me-

morial in November. BC confirmed that it had been placed at Kingston for the joint three villages Service. However BC would send a letter of explanation and apology. Action BC.

(III) New residents in Bigbury (lower Bigbury) had expressed concerns about the level of traffic on the roads, SHDC had not been sympathetic in their reply.

14 / ITEMS FOR THE FEBRUARY AGENDA

- (I) Play Park and Consultation
- (II) Church Gateway Scheme Schedule of works from PCC
- (III) Footpath Memorial Hall to Easton access.
- (IV) The next meeting to be 20th February 2019.
- (V) The March meeting remains the second Wednesday 13th.
- (VI) NHP Group Six week Consultation commences Saturday 2nd February 2019.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.43 pm.

Minutes Signed by Cllr Bryan Carson - Chair

MEETING CHANGE of DATE

20th FEBRUARY (not 13th February)

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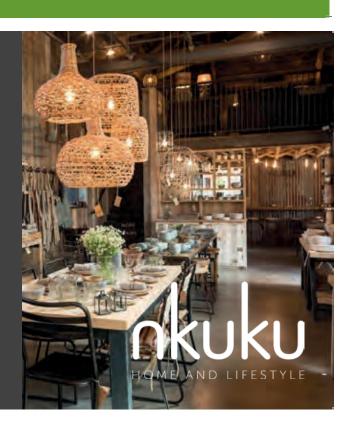
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