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The Mosaic

Hinton St. Mary

December 2019



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What's On – Dates for Your Diary

Date	Event	Venue	Co-ordinator	Telephone	
1 st Tues every month	Village Coffee Morning 10.30 – 12.00	Village Hall	Gina	471493	
Sat. 7 th Dec.	SNO Christmas Concert 11.00	The Exchange	John (see article)	471896	
Thurs. 12 th Dec.	Help setting up Christmas Party 2.00 p.m.	Tithe Barn	Anthea	471896	
Fri. 13 th Dec.	Village Christmas Party. 7.00 – 10.00 p.m.	“	“ (see article)	“	
Sat. 14 th Dec.	Help taking down Christmas Party 2.00 p.m.	“	“	“	
Tues 17 th Dec.	Village Carol Singing 6.00 p.m.		(see article)		

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Village Hall Charges 2020.

We are experiencing ever increasing cost and the VH insurances over the past few years have increased, we also have Business rates and Electricity cost increased .We try to keep our Hire rates very low to encourage more use but as from **1st January 2020. Villagers Hire Rate will be £5 per hour and Normal flat rate for outsiders with be £6 per hour.**

Many thanks for Supporting the Village Hall and we will continue to look after our Village asset.

Chris Hardiman. V H & V S Chairman.

Village Telephone Box

The telephone box at the junction with the main road has been disconnected by B.T. We are able to 'adopt' it for £1. If we do not wish to do this, BT will remove it.

We have agreed to adopt it and are now looking for a purpose for it.

Suggestions have included:-

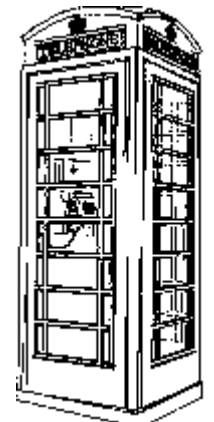
- Book exchange.
- Village information, including a map showing names of lanes, roads etc.

When the Hinton Mosaic returns to Dorset it will be in the perfect position to provide information about our link with the mosaic – it is very close to the site where it was discovered.

If we do not find a use for it, we will still be responsible for keeping it in good condition.

Any suggestions or ideas to

Janet Bolton. janetbolton24@hotmail.co.uk or 472300.



Village Hall Newsletter



Village Show 2019.

Village Show this year started with many entries (170) being entered placed throughout the Hall and changing rooms followed with Picnic at 12.30 pm, we were spoiled with a great Village gathering enjoying themselves with great sunny weather as added bonus.

The Dog Scurry being enjoyed by many and all those taking part, including the Dogs were all on great behaviour!! William keeping fit leading the Pony with children enjoying their Rides.

Side shows, Splat the Rat, Stocks with wet sponges, Buzzer Bar testing a steady hand and Decorate a plate being enjoyed by all. The Tombola and Cake stalls with many prizes and cakes all donated sold out by the time all entries had been judged and results given out.

The Show Prize giving by Mrs Pitt-Rivers took part 4pm followed by the Produce Auction.

Total profit for the event was £235.20p of which will be spent on Village Hall improvements. It was a great success bring the Village life back together, Thank you all for taking part and a **Special Thank You** for the Committee Members for all their help to make this all happen.

Village Show 2019 Cups results & date for 2020 Village Show can be seen on our Village web pages very soon.

Village Hall Improvements and Repairs.

At the V H committee meeting **24th Oct** it has been agreed that together with the donation from St Peters Church, profits from the Village Show and Village Hall funds we will in the new year renewing both Ladies and Gents WC toilet pans, seats and cisterns, renew Gents basin taps, also renew the Road side Main Hall front window with Double glazed easy opening, maintenance free Window and redecorate the exterior woodwork as needed complete with repairs to verandah decking as required.

Funds will allow us to carry out these works, some labour cost will be FOC but we will require some help with the Exterior redecorating, if anyone wishing to help please contact me in the new year.

St Peter's Services for December 2019



You are warmly invited to our

Advent and Christmas Services

Date	Service
Sunday 1 st at 9.30 am	Holy Communion - Traditional Prayer Book
Sunday 8 th at 9.30 am	Family Service
Sunday 15 th at 9.30 am	Holy Communion - Modern Language
Sunday 22 nd at 9.30 am	Holy Communion - Modern Language
Christmas Eve 24 th at 6.00 pm	Christingle Crib & Carol Service - Family Service
Christmas Day 25 th at 10.00 am	Holy Communion - Modern Language
Sunday 29 th at 11.00 am	No Service at St Peter's - Joint Benefice Service at St Thomas, Lydlinch

All queries relating to Church-related support and services should be directed to the Church Wardens

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robin@aviaconsult.uk

Kevin Peto-Bostick
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kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com

or:

The Rev Philippa Sargent, The Vicarage, Sturminster Newton

Tel: 01258 473905

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Village Carol Singing

Inviting all—young, old and those slightly-out-of-tune singers of Hinton St Mary



You know the festive season is well and truly upon us when you hear carol singing and wassailing in the streets!

If you feel like raising your voices and tramping around the village in the cold, lanterns in hand, then please join us for some carol singing on the **Tuesday 17th December at 6.00 pm** meeting outside the White Horse.

We will again be collecting for "Julia's House" so not only is this a worthwhile event, but you may even enjoy the Christmas Spirit of neighbours with the odd hot-sausage or glass of mulled wine.

We are planning to finish off around 8.00 pm inside the pub, to entertain those who thought they could escape all the merriment of Christmas by going there for a quiet drink and also for the singers to warm themselves besides the fire before they go home!

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For more information please call **Trish Bright**

on 07789 244285 or e-mail:

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The county of Dorset is fortunate to be home to around 45 of the 59 species of butterflies that can be found in the UK and we had seen 22 of them in our own garden - a good tally bearing in mind the very different and wide-ranging habitat and breeding requirements of the various species.

We were fortunate to be able to use a moth trap in the garden on a couple of occasions in July and were amazed with the number and variety of moths caught (all later released unharmed). These included Poplar Hawkmoth, Privet Hawkmoth, Elephant Hawkmoth, Muslin Moth, Buff Tip, Buff Ermine, Riband Wave, Small Chocolate, Rosy Footman, Burnished Brass, Small Magpie, Blood Vein, Common Footman, Clouded Border, Treble Brown Spot, Lachey and many others, some of which have still to be identified from the photos we took (this could take some time as there are around 2,500 species of moths in the UK). Three day-flying moth species, Humming Bird hawkmoth, Garden Tiger and Silver Y were also regular visitors together with various pollinating insects, bees and hoverflies. Bee-flies were regularly seen in the earlier part of summer and these were followed by several species of dragonflies. The new wildflower area was a particular attraction to all insects throughout the summer and did so much to enhance the garden for wildlife.

It really has been a glorious butterfly summer for us. What could be better than spending an afternoon relaxing in the garden on a warm sunny afternoon with a cup of tea and slice of cake to hand listening to the sound of buzzing insects and watching the butterflies as they move from flower to flower in search of nectar or soaring high into the air to warn off another butterfly that has dared to venture into their territory. We have witnessed many remarkable "aerial dogfights" between butterflies defending "their territory" as they recreated their version of the Battle of Britain.

John and Sue East



Our Butterfly Summer in Hinton St Mary

It has been a glorious “Butterfly Summer” in our garden this year. We moved to the village in July 2018 and the number of butterfly species we recorded in our modest patch for the remainder of that summer was a disappointing 9 so we started to plan on how to improve this.

We had already begun work on a wildflower area in one part of the garden and planned to extend this using wild flower seeds including some obtained from the Dorset Wildlife Trust as part of their “Get Dorset Buzzing” campaign.

A lot of time was spent planning what plants to put in the garden that would attract butterflies and wildlife which was for Sue the enjoyable and relatively easy part leaving us with just the hard work of preparing the ground and planting.

Spring 2019 arrived and in April we were rewarded with good numbers of the first early butterflies – Brimstones and Small Whites followed shortly by Orange Tips which were attracted to the Cuckoo Flower/Lady’s Smock we had added to one corner of the garden.

Other species soon followed as the weather improved – Holly Blue, Red Admiral, Large White, Green- veined White, Common Blue and Peacock. There was then a bit of a lull before we got to the real summer in July and August with continuing good numbers of some of the species previously seen and also new ones including Marbled White, Small Copper, Small Heath, Small Skipper, Speckled Wood, Comma, Meadow Brown, Gatekeeper, Ringlet, Small Tortoiseshell and Painted Lady.

In addition to the above and a real bonus for us were two “standout species” – the first was in late July when we saw Silver-washed Fritillary on two occasions on Honeysuckle and the second was Clouded Yellow which we saw in late August.

Sturminster Newton Orchestra

What are you planning to do on the morning of

Saturday 7th December at 11.00 a.m.?

Why not give the shopping and chores a miss for an hour or so and join us for a musical kick-off for the Festivities at our

Christmas Concert Party at “The Exchange”

We are holding this a little earlier than usual but will still be playing a wide range of pieces including, of course, some seasonal ones.

Not only is the entrance free, but you are warmly invited to complimentary drinks and a few nibbles in the Bow Room after the performance.

This concert will be in support of music at our local

William Barnes Primary School

The hall doors will be open at 10.45 and the Exchange Cafe will be open from 9.00 so you have plenty of time for a warming cup of coffee and a bacon butty beforehand.

How could you possibly turn such an opportunity down?

We look forward to seeing you!

<https://sturminsternewtono.wixsite.com/snorch>



Hinton St. Mary Village Christmas Party 2019 Friday 13th December at 7.00pm in the Tithe Barn

Please support this village event and come along to the Tithe Barn on 13th December – there will be many of the usual things including:

A Giant Christmas Raffle – please bring a raffle prize to go on the prize table. Last year the prizes you donated together with those bought with party funds made a splendid array of super prizes, but this year with your help, we could make it even bigger and better. You can either bring the prize on the evening or if it is easier, you can drop it to me or I can collect from you in the week before the party. Each year I am asked how much should be spent on the prize and what sort of thing? As to “how much” – that is entirely up to you. “What sort of thing” – something you would be pleased to win yourself is always a good guideline!

Complimentary Drinks – as usual, there will be a complimentary glass of wine or soft drink on arrival plus once again, the extra bonus of two complimentary bottles of wine on each table (soft drinks also available) and a cold meat platter on the Buffet Table – all possible due to funds raised in last year’s Christmas Party Raffle.

Lucky Dip Christmas Sack for the children attending the party.

The barn will be decorated for Christmas with trees and lights, a log fire burning, delicious food and drink and a great opportunity to meet up with old friends and make new ones.

If you haven’t been for a few years or have never been before, you will be made most welcome – so please come along on December 13th, we would love to see you.

If you can spare a little time to help set up the party on Thursday 12th December at 2.00pm or clear up on Saturday 14th at 2.00pm, please come along to the Tithe Barn – all help is very much appreciated.

Your Party Invitation is printed in the centrefold of this magazine.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me, Anthea on 471 896 or email AntheaCHarding@gmail.com



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From the Editors

We would like to express our sincere thanks to our eight distributors for your help during 2019. We very much appreciate your time in distributing "The Mosaic" so promptly every month! Unless we hear from you, we very much hope that you can continue.

It would not be possible to publish this without the very kind financial support of our sponsors and advertisers. Over the year we have managed (just about!) to cover our outlay, but we would greatly value your on-going support. We are beginning to accept funds for next year and if you are still willing to continue we would be pleased to accept cash or cheques (payable to Pauline). If you need a reminder of your commitment for this year, please let us know. Receipts will be issued, of course.

Our thanks also to all those who have taken the time and trouble to submit notices, articles and for the positive comments we receive from time to time. This does make all the effort worthwhile.

Although this little publication may not be as ‘posh’ as in other larger villages we do feel it is great way of, not only keeping everybody informed as to what is going on, but also a useful vehicle to share stories, express opinions and bring new ideas about village life.


Wishing all the villagers of Hinton St Mary a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year !

Pauline Sherwood and John Harding

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*Hinton St Mary
Village Christmas Party*





*by kind permission of
Mr. and Mrs. Pitt-Rivers*

*You are warmly invited to the
Hinton St Mary
Village Christmas Party
on
Friday 13th December
7.00 pm
In the Tithe Barn*

Please bring to the party:

- *A plate of savoury food to share (it would be most helpful if you could please plate and cut or slice anything that needs cutting or slicing beforehand at home as this speeds up the traffic as people go round the buffet table!)*
- *A dessert to share.*
- *Wine or soft drinks (to top up the complimentary wine on your table!) to drink with your meal. (Glasses are provided).*
- *A plate, bowl and cutlery (napkins are provided)*
- *A raffle prize.*
- *A CLEARLY NAMED gift for each child in your group for the Children's sack.*