

Village Life

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Harbertonford's newsletter

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Welcome to the July edition of *Village Life*, in which we hope to keep you informed of local news and events. It is delivered to your door each month by volunteers.

HSSG – *Village Life* provides news and information to every household in the village, so get in touch if you have any information or events that you would like included.

A downloadable version (PDF file) of *Village Life* is available on these two village websites:

- www.harbertonford.com
- www.harbertondevon.co.uk

Sponsorship and wedding congratulations – our daughter Emma Norman is marrying Rob Eltham on **Sat. 15th Jul.** at Higher Holcombe, a lovely outdoor location in Ottery St Mary. Both families send them our best wishes for a happy & healthy life together. We love them very much and cannot wait to celebrate their special day with them. Xxxxxxx



St Peter's Church has a service on **Sun. 16th Jul. (3:30pm)** – everyone welcome. The church is open to all every day between 10:30am & 4pm. 3rivers.org.uk

P.C.C. lottery – why not join the lottery? £12/year, prizes as below. It's a vital source of church income. June winners:

1. Debbie Sinclair-Jones, Moreleigh Rd., £30
 2. Jan Finch, Moreleigh Rd., £20; 3. Sam Lavin, Packs Close, £10
- Thank you to all who support the lottery, it's much appreciated. To join, contact Frances (732297).


Church cleaning – if you have a little time to spare, we would welcome you to help our small band. Anytime from **10:30am** onwards on **Thu. 13th Jul.** An hour's cleaning. Coffee provided. If you would like to join in, you would be most welcome.

Church - brass polisher still wanted!! If you could help out please contact Frances (732297).

Cream Teas at the church – possibly on **Sat. 26th Aug.** More details next month.

Ploughmans & Puddings – thanks so much to all who came to June's Ploughman's lunch – we had an excellent turnout. Hope everyone had fun; we certainly enjoyed hosting it.

Thanks to everyone who helps keep the church open/running. We are all in it together, let's keep it thriving. Frances

 Our next two visits are: **Thu. 27th Jul. & Thu. 24th Aug.** Info: phone 0345-155-1001.

REMINDER: Mobile library timings:
School: **12:50-13:10** (all welcome) Church: **15:20-15:40**
Info: librariesunlimited.org.uk

Village Brunch – Sun. 2nd Jul. (10:30am to noon)
at the Village Hall. Helpers needed: contact Sue Groom (732462).
Meet up with friends & neighbours for anything from a coffee to a full English (veg. option also available)!!
We invite people to bring any spare plants for a plant table.

Would you like to be a volunteer for our community **PO & shop?** We are almost there with all the legalities and want to meet everyone who is interested to help out, in any capacity. Volunteering can include many different roles and tasks, often 'backstage'. There's a meeting on **Mon. 3rd Jul. (6:15pm)** at the

football clubhouse, next to our Village Hall. Please come if you can. If you can't make it, but want to help, ring me, Sue (732634).

Sustainable Harbourne Valley (SHV) - our next Green Gathering is in H/ford Village Hall on **Fri. 7th Jul. (7pm)**. It's a chance to meet informally with other locals interested in environmental matters, make practical connections and share ideas. Bar open.



Harbertonford Allotment Society
Annual Open Day

Sun. 9th Jul. (11am - 3pm)

See what's growing this year (despite no rain!!) and share gardening tales with friends & neighbours over tea and cake.

All welcome inc. friendly dogs on leads.

Info: has-sec@outlook.com



Harberton Parish Council's (PC) next ordinary meeting is at Harberton Parish Hall on **Tue. 11th Jul. (7:30pm)**. We're going back to the practice of alternating between villages. No meeting in August - unless something really urgent comes up - so we then meet on Tue. 12th Sep. also in Harberton. There has been interest in H/ford having a "20's Plenty" campaign but limited boots on the ground to get it going, so...

*Thanks to all who responded to the PC's survey asking for comments on plans for moving the zebra crossing. All comments returned through the online survey/by email have been put to the engineers. For those who don't use the internet and would prefer to make comments directly to the clerk or in writing, please contact the clerk on 0845-557-8469 by **Sun. 9th Jul.** Traffic speed was a major concern for many who filled out the questionnaire. If you'd be interested in joining a "20's Plenty for Us" campaign and have time to offer to collect signatures for a petition to DCC, please contact the clerk, Cat Radford, on the number above, or by email: clerk@harbertonparishcouncil.org*

Harberton & H/ford History Society – we're delighted to welcome Dr Ian Mortimer on **Tue. 11th Jul. (7:30pm)**. Venue: St Andrews Church, Harberton. His talk is entitled 'The Time Traveller's Guide to Regency Britain'. This 70-minute talk will focus on an A-Z of Regency Britain. All welcome and the talk will be followed by refreshments. Members: free. Non-members: £3. Contact: Jill.powell-redlion@outlook.com www.bit.ly/hahhs.

Flower arranging – just one meeting this month (Village Hall and always **Weds. @ 10am**): • **12th Jul.**

The Village Show is on Sat 5th Aug. We will be resuming in Sept. No set charge. Apart from flowers, equipment (& tuition) is available, if needed. Relaxed, fun (& coffee). New members always very welcome. Many thanks, Pauline Hancock (732393).

Harbertonford Youth Project (Thursdays, 6-7:30pm) – just one meeting before the summer recess: • **13th Jul.**

Contact: Adele (07915-228154) or amarshall.traye@gmail.com

Wanted!! Three-bed house with garden in or near H/ford. Please contact lucy.p.mannion@gmail.com or 07815-698690 if you want to sell (or if you might want to buy our two-bed cottage on Moreleigh Rd!).



Village coffee morning - monthly raffle, jams, marmalade etc. for sale. **Tue. 18th Jul. (10:30am)**. Coffee & biscuits £1. Frances (732297).

Village Hall Bar - a reminder that the Village Hall bar is open every Friday evening from **7:30pm**

Village Hall Quiz - Fri. 21st Jul. (8pm)

- What was "made in Scotland from girders"?
- Whose nickname is "The Modfather"??

If you can answer these (and even if you can't) come to this quiz!! A light-hearted, raucous, brain-stretching fundraiser for the hall. Cost £1/head, payable on the night. No pre-reg. - just turn up. Max. 6/team. Info: Vicki Taylor, vct.wrns@yahoo.com



Argentinian Tango at H/ford Village Hall

Suitable for beginners to more experienced Tangueros. The teachers are Anna and Ute. We meet next on **Sat. 22nd Jul. (11am - 1pm)** Only £8pp. Info: David (07732-687511).

Ashprington Tractor Fest

Vintage tractors & other vehicles on show. It's at Ash Meadow (TQ9 7UR) on **Sat. 22nd Jul. (11am-4pm)**. Food, bar, children's play area. Adults £3, juniors £1.50, family £8.



Baby-sitting service - I am a very responsible 16yo seeking baby-sitting jobs to raise money for a conservation expedition to Madagascar. My charge varies but is about £6/hour. If you are interested please text to 07517-286696. Jema Skinner



H/ford Village Show

(The 53rd!!)

Sat. 5th Aug.

Doors open at 2:30pm



Main categories: (1) vegetables & fruit (2) flowers

(3) cookery & preserves (4) handicrafts (5) young people

plus: • photography • floral art • SHV colouring competition

plus: Sunflower competition and Potato In A Bucket

As ever, the committee is hoping for a bumper year of entries.

Contact Jean Blackler (732588) or jean801@btinternet.com

We'd love more entries from children so please look at the schedule - now in the shop or via Jean.

Fordfiesta -H/ford's Music & Arts festival is on **Sat. 9th Sep.**

Local music, art, stalls, food & drink. For more info:

Helpers/artists - contact Helen at helensutton@mac.com.

Musicians - contact Guy: guy@metcalfe5.co.uk

Harberton Parish Community Conversation - **find out what people said!** Tell us if you agree! June's parish Community

Conversation event, part of the Neighbourhood Plan process, was lively and well attended. A series of main priorities for our community emerged, along with ideas for they could be taken forward. If you couldn't make it to the event, you can still let us know your views on the main questions discussed. Also, anyone can comment on the priorities and ideas that emerged. Go to <https://www.harbertonparishcouncil.org/hnp-consultation/> for a short summary of the event, more details, and your comments.

Community Speedwatch - we now have a 4th police-approved site from which to operate. This is outside Harbourne Villa, monitoring traffic coming down the hill from Halwell. Many thanks to Lennie for his approval. We hope to organise an inaugural session from here w/b 26th Jun. Until a site is surveyed, risk assessed & approved by the police for location and direction of travel, safe retreat paths etc, it isn't enabled on their very comprehensive *Speedwatch* website and we can't input any speeders. I'm happy to say we are there now and ready to try it out. Thanks, Phil Dixon laurence.phil.dixon@btinternet.com

Skittles is every **Sunday** (V. Hall, (7-9pm). All are welcome. Cost: £2 (inc. coffee/tea & biscuits). Info: John (732588).

Harbertonford C of E Primary School

The school held its annual sports week in June and it was, as ever, busy. Part of the school's Sports Grant money funded a community sports day - the children tried a range of activities including yoga, fitness, martial arts & tennis. Plus, a whole-school trip to *Go Ape* - navigating the high ropes course. The first ever Nursery sports day gave the children the opportunity to take part in races. This was followed by the annual sports day for the rest of the school. Children ended the week exhausted, but excited about the sporting possibilities they had explored. For school news - see our Facebook page. Anne Burns, Academy Head

Citizens Advice South Hams is encouraging people to use a special advice service for the 220 Ukrainian guests and their hosts in the area. The *Ukrainian Guests Support Scheme* provides free, independent and confidential advice on a wide range of subjects such as employment, housing, childcare, education and benefits. This holistic support can cover any area where help is needed. Our aim is to help people adjust to their lives in the UK by supporting them to feel at home in the community. Our goal is to help people find a way forward, whatever the problems they're facing. Our work is also to help maintain good relations between the host individuals/families and their guests. The one-to-one support service can be contacted on a dedicated phone number: 01803-659744, or by email: ukrainiansupport@southhamscab.org.uk

Soup, a Cuppa & a Chat in a Warm Space (H/ford FC). Not July or August. Sept. resumption. Nigel Holmes (732592).

Kids cricket, Harberton CC - Fri. eves. (ends in July). Jamie Fitzpatrick (07798-631876) or kidscricket@harbertoncc.com

The current H/ford bus timetable (on white card) is available in the shop.

Harbertonford FC - pre-season training (at the ground) starts on **Wed. 19th Jul. (6:30pm)**. New players always very welcome! The club is planning a memorial match (**Sat. 26th Aug., 3pm**) for Bob Monaghan, past President of HFC. Info: John Mills (j.mills@nhs.net), Mike Bishop (07813-120390). For results, fixtures & news go to: www.bit.ly/hf-fc

Football club lottery: £160 prize money/month. Cost: £5/mth. May's winners (£80/£40/£10/£10/£10/£10):

Matt Ghillyer/Gina Bovey/Carl Southcott/Matt Monaghan/Jordan Baggott/Matt Ghillyer.

Village contacts

❖ **Police:** PCSO Russ Broadhurst 30534. Tel: 07703-886012 or russell.broadhurst@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

❖ **Village Hall bookings:** Jean Blackler (732588)

Year Planner 2023:

2 Jul., Village brunch

5 Aug., Village Show

26 Aug?? Cream Teas @ church

9 Sep., Fordfiesta

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Please phone Melanie Allday (867655) for details of MAP's services

Next issue - contributions to Graham Clayton (732603 or g1clayton78@outlook.com). The copy deadline for the August newsletter is 20th July.