

Village Life

This month's edition celebrates
Kath Pearson's
101st birthday!!!

Harbertonford's newsletter

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Welcome to the June 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

Kath Pearson celebrates her 101st birthday on **Sun. 12th Jun.** Kath, happy 101st from all of your friends and neighbours in Packs Close. We hope that you have a wonderful day.



St Peter's Church has a family service on **Sun. 19th Jun. (4:30pm)** – note the new time.

The church is open to all every day between 10.30am & 4pm. 3rivers.org.uk

P.C.C. lottery – please contact Frances or Hazel if you would like to join (£12/year). Our lottery is a vital source of church income. The three winners of the May draw were:

1. Linda Allen, Moreleigh Rd., £25
2. Ann Bowhay, Bow Rd., £15
3. Charlie O'Leary, Woodland Rd., £10

Thank you so much to all our faithful followers, still need a few more to join (£12 per year). If you would like to join or have been going to for a while, now is the time. Phone Frances (732297) or Hazel (732672). We would welcome your call.

There is a **Bingo evening** on **Fri. 1st Jul. (7:30pm)** at Moreleigh Village Hall. It's a fundraiser for the three churches.

Churchyard grass - a big thank you to Jonathan Legg for keeping the front of the churchyard looking so good. Is there anyone who could help with keeping the back part of the churchyard cut? Please contact Frances (732297)

The village food bank (in the shop) welcomes donations.

These are gratefully received and go to local people. Many thanks, in advance, to all donors.

May's plant sale at Poulston was a great success and each of the three churches received £600 as a result. A huge thank you to all the helpers from H/ford, the Flower Club and Rose & Neil Palmer for hosting such a lovely event.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, **Fri. 3rd Jun.** - the Old Dogs Band perform at the Village Hall, with Proper Moorish in attendance providing food! Come along and celebrate with friends and family, maybe even meet new friends! £10/person and under 18s free. Bar from 7:30pm.

Village School – what a lovely community celebration we had at school to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Thank you to all the parents, carers and community members who were able to join us to mark this very special event. Thank you also to everyone in the community who has supported us, whether it be volunteering to paint or donating to the fund to replace the Nursery's damaged equipment, following recent vandalism. We appreciate it very much. Anne Burns, Academy Head.

Harbertonford Primary School PFTA is fundraising to repair and replace items at the nursery following vandalism at the

school in May. Donations greatly appreciated via our GoFund Me page: <https://gofund.me/8237bc03>

Flower arranging – our next three meetings (**Wed. @ 10am**), Village Hall, are: • **8th Jun.** • **22nd Jun.** • **6th Jul.**

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).

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

Community Shop and Post Office - Share Offer

H/ford's Shop and Post Office will soon be community-owned.

We are holding a share offer to raise funds.

This starts on **Fri. 10th Jun.** and closes on **Mon. 25th Jul.**

Find out more at www.harbertonford.com or contact John McKay, (732117 or 07810-007760), john@mckay.sh

There will be a leaflet drop with **more info. in early June.**

Open Farm Sunday on **12th Jun (11am-4pm)** – it's at Daynes Farm, Harberton. Lots to do for everyone; tractor & trailer rides, farm tours, meet the animals, shearing & spinning demonstrations, children's crafts. Refreshments available all day.

Scams Awareness Fortnight, **13-26 June** - Citizens Advice South Hams is raising awareness of scams. Due to the cost of living crisis there are many new scams. For example:

- Scammers pretending to be energy companies, luring you with "too good to be true" deals
 - Fake sales reps. selling counterfeit shopping vouchers
 - Fraudsters sending out phishing emails pretending to offer an energy rebate/gov't support to steal your personal information
- If you think someone might be trying to scam you, it's important to act straight away. If you need advice and support you can call the Citizens Advice consumer service on 0808-223-1133 or visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk. You should also report scams or suspected scams to Action Fraud – 0300-123-2040 or www.actionfraud.police.uk

This month's **Parish Council (PC) meeting** is at H/ford Village Hall on **Tue. 14th Jun. (7:30pm).**

Neighbourhood Plan (NP) - work on the plan (to implement the wishes expressed by the community to shape the development and growth of their parish) was stalled during the pandemic. The NP committee is now resurrected and new members would be very welcome to help finalise the plan. Please contact the Clerk: clerk@harbertonparishcouncil.org

Two vacancies have arisen for the PC in the ward of Harberton. Are you passionate about your community? Do you have concerns about a specific issue and want to do something about it? If so, the PC needs you. We need people from all backgrounds and experiences to put themselves forward. No experience is necessary, training is available. If are interested in finding out more, contact the Parish Clerk (see above).

Volunteers needed!! Community Speed Watch is a national initiative to record details of speeding vehicles using approved detection devices. The Police has finally approved three locations in H/ford and we are now looking for volunteers join the Speed Watch team, learn how to use the equipment and be part of a rota for roadside monitoring. Contact the Parish Clerk (see

above) or John McKay to register your interest. Training will go ahead when at least six people have joined.



Skittles are on **Sunday evenings** in the Village Hall (7-9pm). Everyone is welcome. Sanitiser available and masks optional. A charge of £2 to include coffee/tea and biscuits. Enquiries to John (732588).

Harberton & H/ford History Society - our next (Zoom) talk (about the Sharpham Est.) is on **Tue. 14th Jun.** It's also our AGM (7pm, Zoom) and we look forward to seeing you. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZUvceGoqj4tH9bHixlGS0skO2io3U2u7igv>

Also, we have an Archaeological Walk & Picnic on Dartmoor on **Sat. 18th Jun., 9am-6pm**, led by Andy Crabb, Archaeologist. We'll leave H/ford at 9am and visit three separate locations:

- Mardon Down: prehistoric cairn alignments, Dartmoor's largest stone circle, and WW2 military earthwork remains.
- Wooston Castle: picnic lunch & tour of the Iron Age earthworks.
- Chagford Common: Kestor Rock - Bronze Age hut circles and ancient reaves, later heading over to Shovel Down.

Numbers limited. Further details/booking will be available soon.

Thanks, Jill Powell, Jill.powell-redlion@outlook.com



Our next two visits are on **Thu. 16th Jun.** & **Thu. 14th Jul.** Info: phone 0345-155-1001. **PLEASE NOTE** that the library **NOW**

ALSO STOPS at the **VILLAGE SCHOOL** at these times:

12:30-12:50 – schoolchildren, **12:50-13:10** – all welcome

It then stops later on **AT THE CHURCH (15:20-15:40)**

Harberton Youth Project is a space for young people aged 8+ to get together and have fun. It's growing each week and is blossoming nicely. Adele Marshall & Laura Hamlyn run the sessions. These run (usually) every other **Thursday (6:15-7:45pm)** at the Village Hall. The sessions are free and include fun and engaging games, arts and crafts, drinks and snacks. Our meetings for the rest of the school year are on **16th & 30th Jun. & 14th Jul.** Contact 07426-290141 or Ishamlyn.traye@gmail.com

Argentinian Tango at H/ford Village Hall

Sat. 18th Jun. (11am – 1pm)

Only £7pp. Suitable for complete beginners to more experienced Tangueros. Teachers will be Anna and Ute We suggest that you perform a Covid test before coming to the class. For more info. and to check that the course is going

ahead please contact David 07732-687511.



Village coffee morning - Tue. 21st Jun. (10:30am) - you are very welcome. Bring/buy stall, raffle, most times jams, marmalade and produce. Cost: £1 (inc. coffee & biscuits).

Info: Hazel (732672) or Frances (732297).



Classic Car Show and Auto-Jumble

Sun. 26th Jun. (11am to 4pm)

Staverton Playing Field, TQ9 6PG

Info: <https://www.totnesrotary.co.uk>

Dashing Devon Dukes ukulele sessions restart in June, after half term. Village Hall on **Mons. (5-6pm)**. Aiming to cater for 7yrs and older, including Granny or Grandpa! Dust off your guitars, and give it a go! Next public appearance is Jun. 25th, Royal Avenue Gardens, Dartmouth. Thanks, Peter Beamish

Harberton Open Gardens and Craft Fair Weekend

Sat. 9th and Sun. 10th July

Save the dates! More details next month.

The Village Hall committee have sent out a questionnaire (q're) with this newsletter. We'd appreciate your honest feedback. The Hall is not currently used to its full potential, with a

kitchen, bar, stage and event parking all available. Running costs are rising and income doesn't always cover monthly outgoings. Please return your completed q're **no later than 25th June** to the Village Shop, our collection point. The q're is also available online: <https://forms.gle/ogQ1nDsVJgMriaKs9> Thank you very much for taking the time to complete it. It's much appreciated.

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



Harbertonford Allotment Society

Open Day

Sat. 23rd Jul. (11am - 3pm)



Lots growing this year - come and see. Tea/Cakes/Produce Stall. We look forward to welcoming you.

Village (Flower, Produce & Craft) Show – informal, friendly and there's something for everyone. Thinking ahead, grow a single potato in a bucket – see if yours produces the heaviest crop. Also, who can grow the tallest sunflower? Schedules available soon. The show is on **Sat. 6th Aug.**

Swifts - Helen and Robin of Brooklyn, Bow Road have a swift box on their house. They would love to make contact with other residents of H/ford who have swifts nesting in their house or nearby. Tel: 07769-688583.

Harberton Cricket Club (HCC) – a very enjoyable start to the season, inc. a fixture in the incredible Valley of the Rocks near Lynton. Club info: Angus (07738-731959) or www.harbertoncc.com and remember that HCC also offers.....

Children's cricket – ECB-sanctioned programmes, with qualified coaches. At HCC's ground on **Thursday evenings** (until July) – a **6pm start**. Our goal is to provide fun, inclusive cricket activities for **all** of the local community. Email kidscricket@harbertoncc.com or call Jamie Fitzpatrick (07798-631876) for more info.

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

Chloe Mills/Sam Johnston/Bob Monaghan/Mike Bishop/
Graham Clayton/Jordan Baggott

Apr's winners: Harry Gibbins/Matt Ghillyer/Stu Maller/
Robin Dart/Carl Southcott/Jack Hopkins

Info: John Mills (j.mills@nhs.net), Mike Bishop (07813-120390).

Summer bus timetable – copies of this timetable (on white card) are available in the shop.

What's On – a trimmed-down list of interest groups and regular village events, with contact details:

❖ **Parish Council:** www.harbertonparishcouncil.org or via Parish Clerk on 0845-557-8469 or clerk@harbertonparishcouncil.org

❖ **Police:** PCSO Russ Broadhurst 30534. Tel: 07703-886012 or russell.broadhurst2@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

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

Year Planner 2022

9/10 Jul., Harberton Open Gdns. **23 Jul.**, Allotment Open Day
6 Aug., Village (Flower) Show **2 Oct.**, River Dart Raft Race

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