

# Village Life

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## Harbertonford's newsletter

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**W**elcome to the September 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](http://www.harbertonford.com)
- [www.harbertondevon.co.uk](http://www.harbertondevon.co.uk)

**Sponsorship** – many thanks to Pauline and the Flower Club for sponsoring this month's edition. Their generosity has enabled us to print & distribute 450 free copies of the newsletter. Don't forget that the club meets fortnightly (see details below).

**Community shop** - this is now progressing and we are working with Gerry to make it happen. If you would like to get involved then please get in touch. Thanks! John McKay (732117).



### St Peter's Church

We are pleased to announce that St Peter's is now open every day.

Services: We have no details of September services at this time.

**Church website** – a reminder that the benefice's website address is:

[3rivers.org.uk](http://3rivers.org.uk)

**P.C.C. lottery** - a big "thank you" to the PO staff for continuing to help by making the monthly draw for us. We need just a few more members to get to 100.

August's winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Anita Rose, Woodland Road, £20

2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Parnell, Broadhempston, £10

3<sup>rd</sup> Linda Allen, Moreleigh Road, £5

If you would like to join (£12/year) contact Hazel (732672) or Frances (732297). Your support really helps the church.



### Cream teas in the churchyard

August's two cream teas were so successful (they raised £475!) that we have decided to have another. It's on **Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Sep. (2:30-4pm)**.

We hope the weather is kind and look forward to seeing you. Thanks to everyone who came to enjoy a cream tea/made cakes/scones/helped in any way. We could not have done it without you.

**Church clean** - we have a regular church clean. It's every fourth Thursday of the month, so this month it's **Thu. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep. (11am)**. Just for one hour. If you are able to join us that would be great. As ever, many hands make light work!

**Thank you to all** who are continuing to help with grass cutting/clearing etc, we do appreciate it so much and the churchyard is looking really good.

**Harvest Lunch: Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. (12:30/1pm)**. Tickets (£10) from Frances (732297) or Hazel (732672).

**Britannia Royal Naval College Volunteer Band** – concert in St Peter's. It's on **Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Dec**. Details to be confirmed.

**Village Hall bar** – a reminder that the weekly Village Hall bar has re-opened. It's **every Friday evening from 7:30pm**.

**Flower arranging** – it's so good to be back and it's great that so many of you are coming along! Three meetings this month (all Weds) - **1<sup>st</sup> Sep., 15<sup>th</sup> Sep. & 29<sup>th</sup> Sep.** It's in the Village Hall **from 10am**. No set charge. Apart from the flowers, equipment is available as is tuition, if needed. It's relaxed & fun (+ coffee). New members welcome. Thanks, Pauline Hancock (732393).



The Tour of Britain Devon stage passes through H/ford on **Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> Sep.** Approx. timings and logistics for H/ford:

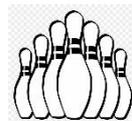
**11:44:** advance escort managing the race and rolling road closures should arrive.

**11:53-12:02:** the race should pass through. Spectators should try to be at the roadside 30-60 mins before this time.

**Clearway (09:30-12:30):** to ensure the safe passage of the race it has been necessary to implement a clearway (no waiting or parking) as the race passes through the village. A recovery vehicle will travel approximately 2hrs ahead of the race to remove any vehicles that are parked illegally within the clearway. The evening before the event a small number of cones may also be distributed along the clearway.

**Volunteers:** we would very much value the support of any volunteers in advance and on the day to help act as additional eyes and ears and inform people of the Clearway and approaching race. If you would like to help out please email me at [tourofbrampton-mailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:tourofbrampton-mailbox@devon.gov.uk)

Many thanks, Zsolt Schuller, Devon Tour of Britain Project Manager, 07980-015173



**Skittles** will re start on **Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> Sep.** 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).



**Totnes Rural Area Youth Engagement Project (TRAYE)** runs a fortnightly Youth Club in our Village Hall (**6:15-7:45pm**, £1, age 8-18) from **Thu. 9<sup>th</sup> Sep**. Info: [www.traye.org](http://www.traye.org)

**Football club (HFC)** – the Fords' first South Devon League match is at Kingsteignton on **Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> Sep**. They then have home fixtures on **Sat 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Sep**. As previously reported Andy Hartley & Jon Squires are the new management team.

**HFC Lottery** – £160 prize money/month. Cost: £5/month.

July's winners (£80/£40/£10/£10/£10/£10):

Carl Southcott/Pauline Overton/Linda Allen/Nigel Holmes/  
Matt Ghillyer/Jake Harmieson.

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

**Parish Council (PC)** – after months of Zoom meetings, the PC will have a physical meeting this month. It's on **Tue. 14<sup>th</sup> Sep. (7:30pm)**. The venue not yet finalised, but, in all likelihood, it will be at our village school. <https://www.harbertonparishcouncil.org/>

**Pam Briggs** – there is a memorial service for Pam at St. Peter's church on **Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Sep. (2:45pm)**. Everyone is very welcome to join us and our celebration of Pam's life.



### Village coffee morning Tue. 21<sup>st</sup> Sep. (10:30am)

As lockdown eases, a reminder that monthly get-togethers at the Village Hall have recommenced. It is so good to meet everyone again. If you are new to the village please come along; we are a friendly group and you will be very welcome. We often have marmalade, jams, cakes, plants for sale and welcome any contributions. Raffle, bring & buy. Everyone welcome.

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

**T**he Village Hall committee will hold the Annual General Meeting at 7:30pm on Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep. in the hall. All villagers will be most welcome to attend to hear reports on the last year and discuss plans for the future. The committee for next year will also be elected; new members are very, very welcome. Contact Rob Summers (732004) or [robert.summers13@btinternet.com](mailto:robert.summers13@btinternet.com) for a chat if interested.



**The mobile library service's** next two H/ford visits - at the church (ONLY!) from 3:05pm to 4pm - are on:

**Thu. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep. and Thu. 21<sup>st</sup> Oct.** We hope to see you at the mobile library soon! Info: phone 0345-155-1001.



**Totnes Plant Fair on the Totnes Market Square** - a wide range of plants from specialist nurseries. It's on **Sun. 26<sup>th</sup> Sep. (10am to 2pm.)**

**H**arberton & H/ford History Society – we are looking forward to our next talk which we expect to be online:

**Tue. 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. (7:30pm - Zoom Meeting)**, Dr Todd Gray, "Uncle Tom Cobley and Widecombe Fair and Harberton"

Thanks, Jill Powell, Secretary (07759-578496).

**A** quick update on the A381. Over the week beginning 29/7/21 we had an automatic traffic survey unit monitoring the traffic. The data from that reveals that on one day there were over 13,500 vehicles through the village. During the week over 4,000 cars exceeded the speed limit of 30mph and of those over 480 exceeded the limit by more than 10% and therefore would have been fined had there been cameras. This is just in one week. It is clear that the cost of speed cameras would soon be recouped and so I will be lobbying for them as well as much better signage. There will be comprehensive analysis of the data available on <https://harbertonford.com> in a few days' time. If you have any questions or would like to write something in support please do contact me. [john@liburne.com](mailto:john@liburne.com) or phone 732117.

Thanks, John McKay (SHDC Councillor)



**Harbertonford Allotment Society** has plots available for immediate take-up. So if you'd like to join us, please contact [has-sec@outlook.com](mailto:has-sec@outlook.com) to arrange a viewing.

**W**hat a wonderful return of the Village Show! Numerous entries of lovely vegetables, flowers, cakes, handicrafts, floral art and from the children. A big Thank You to all the exhibitors for their hard work and support – without you there is no show. It was lovely to see new faces both as entrants and visitors in the afternoon. To all those who helped to make the day such a success, those who did the draw, took the collection on the door and especially those in the kitchen serving lovely cream teas, and to those who stayed and helped with the clearing after, your help was much appreciated. Hope we can do it all again next year - the date for your diary is 6<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2022. Thank You, Jean.

**Village Brunch** – regarding September, we're still not sure whether (i) we can get a full team of helpers together or

(ii) there is sufficient (post-Covid) demand for a brunch. So we're looking at early October..... Contact: Sue Groom (732462).



Don't forget that **Citizens Advice** has trained volunteers available to help with all sorts of issues. They specialise in benefits claims,

managing debt & finance issues, employment concerns, housing matters and consumer issues - but can help with any problem. Just get in touch. Adviceline 0808-278-79-48, email us via our website: <https://southhamscab.org.uk/contact/>, or WhatsApp us your contact details on 07497-758779.



Devon CPRE, the local branch of the countryside charity, recently launched a new competition to find Devon's Best Young Landscape Artist 2021. Exeter-based landscape artist Kath Hadden will be giving us the benefit of her expertise to help find Devon's most talented young landscape artists. Artists up to the age of 18 can now compete for the prestigious title. Anything goes as far as the choice of landscape is concerned - as long as it's in Devon. Full details of how to enter can be found on the Devon CPRE website. The entry deadline has recently been extended to 30th September.

[www.cpredevon.org.uk/devons-best-young-landscape-artist-2021/](http://www.cpredevon.org.uk/devons-best-young-landscape-artist-2021/)

### **B**edroom to Business (BtB) Programme Sep. – Nov. 2021

The Business & IP Centre Devon (BIPC) is excited to announce the Bedroom to Business programme. Do you want to make your business idea a reality? Not sure where to start? Our BtB programme includes a Growth Accelerator course. Also, our team of 30 experts provide supplementary workshops covering topics including: mindset, visioning, profit/loss forecasting and writing a business plan. All the webinars are delivered online and all are FREE to access! The 13-week programme includes all the steps and tools you need to make your dream a reality. For more details including the full programme see the BIPC Devon website: [Business & IP Centre Devon \(librariesunlimited.org.uk\)](http://Business & IP Centre Devon (librariesunlimited.org.uk)) In addition, we have partnered with NatWest to provide Start-Up grants and support for female founders. For more details on how to apply for a 'She Started It' grant check out: [Startup Grant for Female Founders - Business & IP Centre Devon \(librariesunlimited.org.uk\)](#)

### Year Planner 2021

<b>tbc</b> Village brunch <b>15 Dec.</b> , BRNC Volunteer Band	<b>24 Oct.</b> , Harvest lunch
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**W**hat's On – a trimmed-down list of interest groups and regular village events, with contact details:

- ❖ **Parish Council:** [www.harbertonparishcouncil.org](http://www.harbertonparishcouncil.org) or via Parish Clerk on 0845-557-8469 or [clerk@harbertonparishcouncil.org](mailto:clerk@harbertonparishcouncil.org)
- ❖ **Police:** PCSO Russ Broadhurst 30534. Tel: 07703-886012 or [russell.broadhurst@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:russell.broadhurst@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk)
- ❖ **Village Hall bookings:** Jean Blackler (732588).

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**N**ext issue – contributions to Graham Clayton (732603 or [g1clayton78@outlook.com](mailto:g1clayton78@outlook.com)). The copy deadline for the October newsletter is 20<sup>th</sup> September.