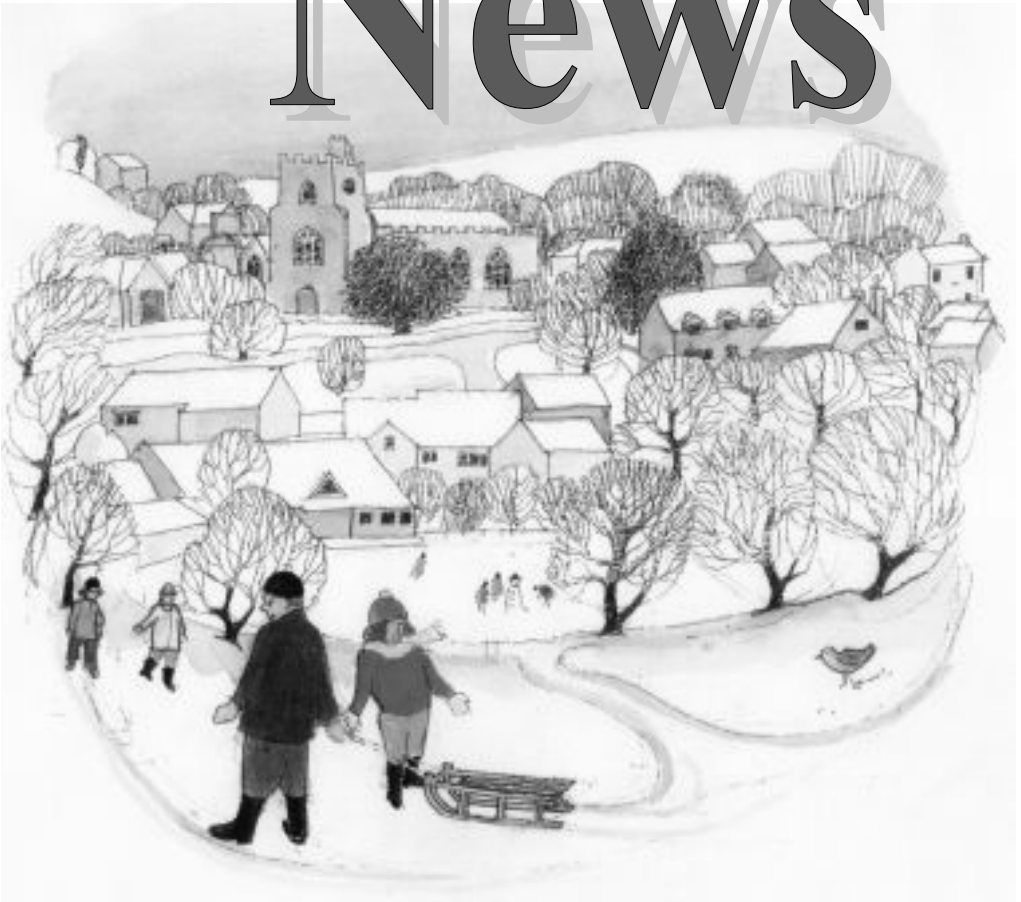


UPLYME CHURCH

# Parish

# News

December '10  
& January '11



**“More Tea Vicar - What about the Chinese”?.....!**

**“Harri Sowerby, girl on a mission”.....!**

**“News from your Local”.....!**

Production cost

**60p**

A voluntary contribution is gratefully received

## Gatherings in December, January and beginning of February

### December

Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Family Communion
	6pm	Evening Prayer
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Morning Worship <i>(Children's Groups 9.50am)</i>
	6pm	Holy Communion
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Family Communion
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Carols by Candlelight</b>
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>Christingle</b>
	<b>11pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Christmas Family Worship</b>
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>		- No planned gatherings -



### January

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10am	Family Communion
	6pm	Evening Prayer
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Morning Worship <i>(Children's Groups 9.50am)</i>
	6pm	Holy Communion
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Family Communion
	6pm	Evening Prayer
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10am	Morning Worship <i>(Children's Groups 9.50am)</i>
	6pm	Holy Communion
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Morning Worship
	6pm	Evening Prayer

### February

Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Family Communion
	6pm	Evening Prayer
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Morning Worship <i>(Children's Groups 9.50am)</i>
	6pm	Holy Communion



Details available on [www.uplymechurch.org.uk](http://www.uplymechurch.org.uk)

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## FROM THE REGISTERS

### Baptisms:

24<sup>th</sup> October      Sophia Radley

### Marriages:

23<sup>rd</sup> November      Fiona Corner and Maurice Dunster

### Funerals/Internment of Ashes:

27<sup>th</sup> October      Barbara Eileen Rice





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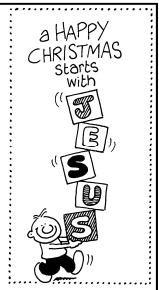


### Parish News Deadlines

Please remember the next issue of the magazine is for **FEBRUARY** and all articles up to and including things in early **MARCH** should be with us by the **10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY**.

**Email to - [parishnews@uplymechurch.org.uk](mailto:parishnews@uplymechurch.org.uk)**

*Robin Hodges*





## “More Tea Vicar”?

Gavin reflects on the nature of community.

Like many listeners to Radio 4, I was struck by a discussion between John Humphreys and several Chinese students studying here in England. In the wake of jailed Chinese activist Liu Xiaobo winning the Nobel Peace Prize, the topic was freedom. If you will excuse my clumsy redaction of the conversation, John asserted that it was a basic human right to be free to choose a political leader, whereas curiously to our Western ears, these Chinese students thought us democratic British were far from free. They had a different set of criteria for defining freedom. With our unemployment, bureaucratic red tape, and bickering politics, they humbly asserted that they had greater freedom under their current Chinese government. Although John disagreed with their definition of freedom, even he had to agree that they had greater stability.

In this clash of world-views, the Chinese focus on community was in stark contrast with our Western focus on the individual. The Chinese students could not define themselves apart from the community to which they belonged. To them, it didn't make sense to talk about a person in isolation, as if the sum of a person was simply themselves. They also defined themselves in terms of their relationships with each other, and to some extent, with preceding generations.

We find this clash of world-views in the Bible too. It appears that God sees us not just as individuals but also as a community connected to each other and with him. The biblical prophets rarely spoke to an individual, but to the whole people of God. The Gospel accounts of Jesus and Paul's letters were, for the most part, written to community and not to individuals. This community, called the church, is important to God. It should come as no surprise that God is interested in community when he himself is community – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

As a sign of wanting to embrace us in community, God became man in Jesus Christ. It was God's way of drawing us back into community; a way of saying, "I'm in this with you," and, "Come on, let's do this together." The story of Christmas is really the opening sentence of an invitation. We, at Uplyme Church, extend that invitation. Come and find a new identity as a child of God, connected to God and to each other through Jesus. Come and join in with the ongoing mission of God in the world.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.  
All my love and peace in Jesus.

**Gavin**



## From the Editor

Thank you to all the groups and individuals who have recently shown their support for the Parish News with financial donations, especially the Lym Valley Society who you will have read last month donated £500 to the magazine. We at Uplyme Church are very grateful for all your donations.

The Magazine is run by volunteers, delivered to every house in the village & funded by donation. We do not carry "commercial" advertising and therefore the main financial burden falls on Uplyme Church. Recent donations have been generous and will reduce the burden on the Church considerably. The Church feels that the Parish News is a very important magazine for the community, and the feedback we receive from you confirms this. So once again Thank you & keep your articles coming in!



Have a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year

**Ed**



Red Cross officer: "For bravery above and beyond the call of duty – extinguishing three oranges on fire at the Christingle service".

## Uplyme Village Hall

The management committee of the Hall are looking for a willing volunteer to take on the job of secretary. The "position" requires somebody to take the minutes at our monthly meeting. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month (not August) at 7.30pm. Please phone Paula for details on 631919

## What has this gracious lady been doing for 60 years?



June Moulding born in Uplyme in 1935 started ringing the church bells officially in November 1950, but actually her grandfather had been teaching her to ring a few years before, and she has been ringing ever since. She has been Bell Ringing Captain for 55 of those 60 years and is just beginning to feel that it is time to wind down just a little – but I cannot see her giving up completely – it not only keeps her fit but you can see the

enjoyment she gets out of both ringing and the teaching others to enjoy the thrill of the Devonshire Changes.

During her time she has taught hundred's of children to ring, she says that they pick up and learn very quickly and many have gone on to ring in other churches and she is still recruiting today, encouraging the young and not so young to come along and have a go.

June was only the second Guide in the country to complete the Bell Ringers Badge when it first came into being! Now many Guides and Scouts have completed their Bell Ringers Badge having to write their own pattern of changes and whatever they write, June always gets the bell ringers to ring them, however odd they sound.

June married Bob, her husband, at Uplyme Church forty-nine years ago and they have two children and five grandchildren. Both their children were introduced to bell ringing from their pram, watching as June pulled the ropes and as they grew older, learned to ring and now when they visit they often join the ringers in the bell tower.

Recently June has started a new hobby, taking photos of local scenes, loading them onto her laptop, cropping and printing them and turning them into lovely greeting cards. And when you next meet her either out walking, ringing the bells or at Evening Worship, she will have a smile on her face looking as if butter wouldn't melt in her mouth.....BUT she has not always been good! Just mention the word "bats" to her and listen to a very amusing story!

June is just amazing, not only ringing the bells each Sunday, but practicing each week, helping others to learn the skills of bell ringing and ringing for Weddings too. I forgot to ask how many weddings but I guess there have

been many many happy couples starting out on their journey together with Uplyme Church bells ringing in their ears.....we just hope that there will be many more happy occasions with June around.

From all of us at Uplyme Church, we thank you June and congratulate you on serving God through your 60 years of Bell Ringing.

# Uplyme Church Bazaar

SATURDAY 11th DECEMBER

1.00 - 3.00

in the Village Hall



come and enjoy our special  
**"Christmas Lunch in a Bun!"**  
Turkey and all the trimmings!



Also...

Stalls: Christmas cards, cakes,  
Home produce, Christmas decorations, Fairtrade items, Plants,  
Clothes, High quality bric-a-brac, Raffle, Children's Activities,  
Carol Singing ETC!

**Lunch in a bun served from 1.00pm, Raffle drawn at 2.45**

**DO COME & JOIN US!**



Hi to one and all and a timely reminder now we have young lambs in the fields around here. **'Please Shut The Gate'**.

One Wednesday evening I had a call from a neighbour to say she had seen some of my sheep in Woodhouse Lane and had kindly ushered them into the nearest available field. So no real harm done this time, but Please

**Please Please** if you are out walking or riding through fields please take the time to ensure you have closed the gate properly. On this occasion apart from a couple of hours rounding up some lambs from a nearby copse and my farming neighbour now having to round up his flock in order to extricate mine, all's well. If however someone had driven up at that moment we could have had a nasty accident. So enjoy the countryside but please act responsibly.

**Thank you, Brian Hurst**



For many years Christmas celebrations at Uplyme Church have included a traditional carol service, with music led by choir and organ.

This year a *Carols by Candlelight* service will be held at **6.00 pm on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December** and include traditional congregational carols, contributions for choir and seasonal readings and poetry. We hope you will consider making the evening a special part of your Christmas worship this year.

Roger Grose and I, in agreement with Gavin and the P.C.C., are convening a choir specifically for the occasion. Rehearsals will take place in church at **7.30pm on Thursdays 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 9<sup>th</sup> December and 16<sup>th</sup> December: and at 4.30pm on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December.** The standard of difficulty will be moderate: our aim is quality rather than virtuosity. Adults and young people aged ten and over are invited to join us, even if they can attend only some of the rehearsals. Please ring me on 01297 442902 or email me on [pearsonxyz@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:pearsonxyz@dsl.pipex.com) with your name so that sufficient scores can be made available. It would be lovely to hope we can maintain this year the tradition of good quality choral music that Brian and the choir provided for so many years.

*Adrian Pearson*

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## **UPLYME YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB**

The Club have recently enjoyed two closely contested league fixtures against neighbours Colyton. The first match resulted in a 5-5 draw at Venlake with goals from Sam Jones (4) and Kyle Knight. Callum Taylor was Man of the Match. The return fixture at Colyton ended in a 4-3 defeat with goals from Sam Jones (2) and Kyle Knight. Jack Rumens was Man of the Match.

The Club held their annual Race Night at the Talbot Arms in November. This was a very enjoyable and successful evening, raising a total of £765. A big thank you to all our Race Sponsors whose support is greatly valued and appreciated:

**Morag Fox, Lyme Regis Amusement Arcade, The Salon Charmouth, Steve Montgomery, Hook Farm Camping and Caravan Park, Andrew & Wendy Turner, Terry Peadon, The Talbot Arms, The Royal Standard Lyme Regis and Scott & Rose Barton.**

### **Forthcoming fixtures:**

**05 DECEMBER (A) BEACON KNIGHTS (10.30)**

**12 DECEMBER (A) HONITON (10.30)**

**19 DECEMBER (H) CHARD (2.30)**

All games are played on Sundays. If you wish to check whether a game is on please ring or text **07979512616**.

*Phil James*



## News From The Pub

Steve and I have just returned from a fantastic holiday in Gran Canaria, Fourteen of us from the pub enjoyed great weather, great food, great accommodation and the occasional drink! Many thanks to Stuart for organising it all, it was great fun and we look forward to next year! Any rumours you hear of me singing into my hairbrush are of course untrue! Many thanks to Caryn and Fran for holding the fort.

Recently, out of the blue the ceiling fell down in the corner of the restaurant, pleased to say the pub was closed at the time, we were grateful to Terry and Scott who came to our rescue and sorted it all out.

Steve has been taking advantage of my good nature; and has been on quite a few away days! Along with thirty of our regulars, he made the annual trip to the Exeter Gold Cup, breakfast at Kilmington and supper on the way home at the newly refurbished Half Way Inn. Fortunes were won and lost but a good time was had by all. Next he was off to Twickers with our youngest son to watch England v All Blacks, a night spent in London then meeting up with fourteen of our regulars they attended the Arsenal v Newcastle match at the Emirates Stadium Thanks to Roger for organising the football tickets. Steve being a faithful Toon Army supporter was of course more than happy with the 1-0 result.

Our chimneys have been swept ready for our lovely open fires; we are minus our comfy sofa's as our son Jonathan has relocated them to his new flat in Cardiff! I am sure we will replace them with something at some point.

Over the festive season, there will be various entertainments, the dates and times will be displayed in the pub. Christmas Day we will be open from 11am until 2 pm.

Steve has been finalising plans for our first 'winter beer festival. This will be happening Boxing Day and Bank Holiday Monday. There will be a good choice of real ales and entertainment. This will be a smaller affair than the summer event and will be held in our pub garden. New Years Eve "Fluxey" will once again provide the music for what is always a great night and of course Steve will provide the food.

The years seem to be flying past, 2011 will be our 7th year at the pub, on behalf of Steve and myself, our family & staff, we would like to thank all our regular locals for their custom and support over the past year, without whom this pub would not survive.

Well that's it for this year; all that remains is for us to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda

Kind Regards  
Wendy



## ***Out & About With John Pennington***

It's finally starting to get colder after a couple of false starts. Rather unusually I have had the first of my fires in November, a good few weeks later than normal. Nothing beats an open fire - I love the warmth, light and smell. When Mrs P and I purchased our house it was new and was set to have a wood burner installed. I (despite the obvious benefits) prefer an open fire and instructed the estate agent to inform the developer of my request. Once we had moved in I had a grate made by a local blacksmith and lit my first real fire! We were completely smoked out as the fireplace had been designed for a wood burner and had a small flue. A little tinkering solved



the problem and 11 years plus many logs later I still love to sit down in the evening and light my fire. I am not alone. Demand for firewood and wood pellets is at an all time high as people look to try and cut their energy costs by installing wood burners or wood fired boilers. What I'm not so sure about is how environmentally friendly a real fire is? Plenty of carbon is generated and wood is not sustainable (or at least would not be if everyone wanted to burn it). But, despite what effect burning wood has on global warming, here are some interesting facts. The UK's woodland was depleted by the needs of industry, urbanization and agriculture and fell to little more than 6% of national land area in the early 1920s. Wood was virtually absent from many lowland areas in England. A recovery in the area given over to woodland means that about 12% of the UK is now forested. If another 1000000 hectares is forested UK carbon emissions will be reduced by 15% and our total forested area will have increased by another 4%. By about 2050 this should have happened. This is good news and will also transform the look of the landscape in certain areas. Also, the Forestry commission is selling off many thousands of hectares of their not so attractive conifer plantations. These will hopefully be replaced with deciduous forest which looks nicer - especially at this time of year.



The colours of the autumn leaves have been particularly good this year. Who needs to go to Vermont when Uplyme has plenty of trees to admire!!

Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year.

Until next time..... ***JP***

## DON'T PANIC by The Full Poodle - 443819

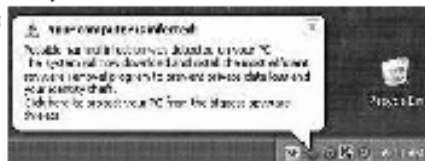
*(Think before you click)*



In the last issue, I wrote about the *Zeus* virus - this time it's the *Smitfraud* - not as bad but a serious nuisance all the same. To explain the difference ... *Zeus* is a hidden virus which lifts personal information, dredges accounts & 'zombies' your machine. The main purpose of the *Smitfraud* is to relieve you of your money with some versions also opening the door to other Trojans. It won't usually get into your computer unless you invite it in ... but it catches so many people because it arrives looking like a genuine warning, popping up from the bottom right of the screen.

The wording normally says something like

▲ **Your computer is infected!**



*Possible harmful infection was detected on your PC. To disinfect your computer, click on this message to protect your PC from spyware threats.\**

The warning itself is not a virus which is why it gets past most security programs. It usually comes directly from an innocent website which has unwittingly been infected. **DON'T PANIC!** Stop & think. Take your time.

At this stage almost anything you do on screen will download the full infection. **Aaaarrggggghhh!** What to do???

1. **DON'T** try to close the warning box or click on anything on the screen.
2. **DO** physically disconnect your computer from the internet by disconnecting the cable or switching off the router.
3. Now **RESTART** your computer and the fake warning should be gone.

If you have let the *Smitfraud* in, you'll get a warning screen with a bogus list of infections & directing you to a website demanding money for a fake service which does nothing (except seize your credit card details).

Eventually, it will stop you using your computer - it won't generally destroy your files, but does prevent you accessing them.



Please note ... there are many *Smitfraud* variants and we have found that this advice works for the most common. But be aware that the writers of the *Smitfraud* virus family are constantly developing it - advice that works now will probably change in the future.

**HERE'S TO A HEALTHY, WEALTHY & VIRUS-FREE NEW YEAR**

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**A BOY CALLED ROBERT**

**DIRTY VOLUME**

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**THE MARINE THEATRE, LYME REGIS**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR AND IN ADVANCE**

From: Lyme Regis Tourist Information Service: 01297 442138  
The Marine Theatre Box Office: 01297 442394 or [www.wegotickets.com](http://www.wegotickets.com)  
Mighty Shed: 07939 079 062

**£5** ADVANCE/DOOR  
**£3.50** CONCS/U16

# Brownies\*

In September we welcomed Clare Wiscombe to our unit. Clare has volunteered to train as a guider and used to be a Brownie at Uplyme, herself.

We've had a very busy term: on October the 20th, Axminster Division held a 'Finale Party' for our centenary, at the village hall. During the course of the evening over 160 girls, numerous guiders and members of the Trefoil Guild, from the Axe valley, Axminster and Uplyme all renewed their promises. This was happening all over the UK and the world at approximately the same time. The rest of the evening was filled with activities and refreshments and fun was had by all. The older girls have worked really hard to complete their '1st aid' badge, while the younger ones have done well and finished their 'home safety' badge. Evie Trafford, Rose Trafford and Molly Jillian's are all making their promise at the end of term, and Clare will also make her guider promise at the same time, Good luck.

We had a brilliant turnout for the Remembrance Service, more girls attended than any other year since I've been Brown Owl. Well done, as this is a very important date in our calendar.

At the Uplyme Church Christmas Fete, Brownies will be running a stall, selling their own, beautiful hand made Christmas decorations. Money raised this year will go to the Lyme Regis youth club fund. Please come and support your young people.

Brownies will end the term as usual, singing carols for the residents of Pin-hay House. I'd just like to thank everyone who has helped with Brownies this term and to wish you all a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

***Chris Edwards, Guider in charge.***

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## Whets New at Uplyme Post Office and Stores

Whats new at Uplyme Village Stores  
We have raised money for a good cause

We held a Pink Friday for charity  
All dressed in pink, we caused some hilarity

Pink feather boas, tights and even pink hair  
Raised £310 for Breast Cancer Care  
On offer: a raffle, pink cakes and coconut ice  
Our generous customers didn't think twice

All month they filled our collection pot  
We were delighted to raise such a lot  
We will be doing it again next year  
And hope to see all of Uplyme in pink gear

Word of the Week is a feature that's new  
Zumbooruk, ataraxia, carnaptious to name  
but a few  
Its a great talking point in Monday mornings  
queue  
Some ask for a hint, but we wont give a clue

Recipe of the week is something to try  
All the ingredients are available to buy  
Chicken in plums, banana curry and many  
more

Pick up the recipe sheets, free in our store

Looking for a gift, why not buy a book  
We have titles from local authors, well worth a  
look

Messers Gosling and Thomas have written  
about Uplyme in past time  
While David Ruffles book is a cracking Sher-  
lock Holmes tale, set in Lyme

We would like to say a really big thank  
you to everyone who supported our  
fundraising for Breast Cancer Care. We  
had great fun and raised £310 which  
exceeded all expectations.



## YOUTH WORK

Yeeeaahhhh Kaaaahuunaahhh! Well nobody actually said that, but they did say many other things about the end of October, Uplyme Parish Church Surf and Beach weekend! In the words of some of

the 23 young people who braved the weather to head up to Georgeham in North Devon: 'Awesome', 'The BEST weekend ever!', 'can we surf for much much longer please..?!', 'I really loved the food and friendship', 'I re-connected with God this weekend'. Great surf on Saturday morning meant energetic and adrenaline fuelled fun, followed by photo-treasure hunt, evening fun, a magic show and hanging out with buddies, was punctuated by challenging spiritual slots to fuel the mind and soul. Everyone loved it and enjoyed the chance to get off the conveyor belt for a weekend and, as one person put it, 'be themselves'. Last comment from one young person..., 'Thanks everyone for helping me find myself and God again this weekend'. We'll be going again next year..... *Irve Griffiths.*

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### Police Report

I am pleased to report that burglary figures are still showing a significant improvement year to date. Between 1st January 2010 and 30th September 2010 a total of 80 burglaries have been reported. Of these 15 have been detected. This compares with a reported 96 burglaries in the same period in 2009 with only 6 resulting in detections.

#### Commando Challenge - 23/10/2010

Police in Axminster have been working with young adults since June training to take part together in the Commando Challenge.

On the day of the challenge the fifteen very much fitter young adults, together with a group of three very much fitter Axminster police officers and two other adult helpers took on the 10K mud and tunnels multi terrain course with much vigour. All completed the course without incident or injury and all claimed to have had a thoroughly enjoyable time, although seeing some of their faces at the infamous sheep dip would suggest that wasn't strictly the case!

The young adults involved had to give an undertaking to raise personal sponsorship to a minimum of £40 each to take part. This was achieved and indeed exceeded by all and to date the figure raised is around the £1250 mark with more still to be collected. The final sum is estimated to be in excess of £1500 and this will be donated to the Commando Challenge organisers chosen charities, which are the Devon Air Ambulance and 'C Group' Royal Marines. A Big Thank You to Steve & Wendy at the Talbot Arms for putting a collection box on the bar which contributed to the money raised.

Thank you,

*Amanda - PCSO 30200 Amanda Jones, Axminster Police Station, 01297 34089*

## **An evening with Bethia Hourigan Mezzo Soprano**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 7.30 pm**



*Bethia grew up in Uplyme, moving here with her family when she was 11. She went to school in Taunton and from there to the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama. She is currently studying for a Masters in Music at Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance in London under Teresa Cahill. Her ambition is to work with leading opera companies. Many will remember the wonderful concert she gave in the church in 2007. She was a member of the National Youth Choir and currently a member by audition of Trinity College Chamber Choir.*

*Her repertoire includes classical, opera, folk and musical theatre. Highlights of her solo experience include singing in Barcelona Cathedral Purcell's When I am laid in the Earth with Queens College Chamber Orchestra, being selected for the Kathleen Ferrier Competition in Blackburn, Juliet in Britain's The Little Sweep and most recently Cherubino from Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro.*

*On 22<sup>nd</sup> of January she will be singing in church a lovely selection of classical and folk songs. Ashley Marshfield who until recently was at the Royal College of Music will be her accompanist. Ashley also accompanied her at the 2007 concert and the programme will include an organ recital by Ashley.*

*Saturday 22nd January will be a very special evening! Make sure that it's in your diary to come and support "one of our own". You may not be able to afford to do so in a few years to come! There is no admission charge but we hope that all you can make a very generous donation at the end of the concert! As with other Uplyme Church concerts, all the proceeds go to the performers after expenses have been met.*

## **THE MOUSEHOLE CAT**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**Uplyme Village Hall**

**Shadow Puppet Workshop – 2pm**

**Theatre Show 4pm.**



## United Voices

It seems we just can't get enough singing at Uplyme. The Gospel choir has been running for a term now and has played a positive role in the communion services at the beginning of each month. Meanwhile Adrian has gathered a group to swell the harmony in our Candlelight carol service and this choir will meet in the church on Thursdays at 7.30pm during advent. The great news is that this latter group is going to continue so that there will also be a slightly more traditional choir to contribute to worship in both morning and evening church gatherings. We don't have a name for this choir yet, so we call it the worship choir, which yields the amusing abbreviation WC. I think we'd better think of something fast! This choir will meet from January 12<sup>th</sup> on alternate Wednesday evenings at 7.30. If you would like to join, just turn up; if you'd like more information you can ring Andy on 01297 552436 or email him [hague161@btinternet.com](mailto:hague161@btinternet.com)



## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION—WOMENS SECTION

At our AGM on November 1<sup>st</sup>, new member Jane Garland had volunteered and was elected to the committee to replace Barbara Broughton, who resigned after many years committee service. All others on the committee were re-elected.

We enjoyed a quiz on dogs and short memories of some members of what they had been doing on a given date – several of them back in the 1940's.

The Jazz concert by the excellent "Sunset Café Stompers" attracted an enthusiastic crowd of about 50 – not as many as we had hoped – but enough with the sale of refreshments (hot dogs went down well) and a bar enabled us to donate a fair sum to Legion funds. The Stompers based mainly in Dorset (Mike Denham, the pianist is our Chairman's son) kept our feet tapping for a couple of hours. It was a pleasant evening, with a relaxed, friendly atmosphere. We are very grateful to all who contributed and helped in any way.

After our Christmas meeting on December 6<sup>th</sup> (*to which our neighbouring branches have been invited*) We look forward to Nigel Ball being our guest speaker at our 10<sup>th</sup> January meeting. Visitors are welcome to join us to hear "The Gardeners Year". On 21<sup>st</sup> January we hope to see many of our members at the lunch at Hunters Lodge. Advance booking with Pat Day (443401) is essential.

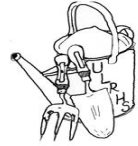
Our annual Jumble Sale at Uplyme Village Hall will be on Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup> from 2pm. Followed on the 7<sup>th</sup> by Trish Warren from Age U.K. who will be demonstrating "Seated Exercise", this should prove to be very helpful, and once again visitors are very welcome.

**Ursula Everett**





## **Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society**



As 2010 draws to its festive close the Society looks back on another excellent year of events and meetings, which many consider to be the most successful in recent years. Chairman (Jenny Harding) and the committee must be congratulated on providing such a varied and interesting programme culminating in a very enjoyable Christmas quiz and social evening.

## **Follow That! No Problem!**

Jenny and the sub-committee have come up with yet another challenging (twenty-one events so far) and interesting programme for 2011. A lot of the popular favourites are there plus several new innovations.

Wed. 26<sup>th</sup> January 7-30pm 2011 Uplyme Village Hall **“Secret World of Violets”** by Clive Grove of Groves Nurseries, Bridport. How to get the best display and enhance your garden with of these popular winter and early spring flowering plants. Members free. Non-Members £2.

Sat. 29<sup>th</sup> January 7-30 2011 to 11pm Uplyme Village Hall. **Barn Dance** with popular local group “Long Odds & Short Straws” back again following sell-out dances in 08 and 09. So book your tickets £7-50 (under 12s £3-75) at Uplyme Post Office, Ginger Beer, Broad St. Lyme Regis from 1<sup>st</sup> January or ring 444034. As usual there will be, included in the ticket price, a superb ploughman’s supper. Soft drinks, tea and coffee will be on sale **but bring your own alcoholic drinks and glasses.**



### **Details of all events and outing will be on your new 2011 membership cards**

During December and January we will be contacting you for your annual subscription which remains at £5 for single or £8 for family membership. Prospective members please contact our membership secretary Tony on 445598. So please support your local society and enjoy another fruitful, veg-full and flower-full 2011 gardening year.

**Brian Cursley**

## Was Shakespeare an Atheist or a Christian?



Let the trial open. I call my first witness, King Lear. Lear is of course the eponymous hero of a pre-Christian period which is therefore bound to be pagan. What does Lear say when he curses his youngest daughter, Cordelia? He invokes *the mysteries of Hecate and the night*. Hecate was the Goddess of the lower world and patroness of witchcraft and magic. And what does Edmund pronounce in the second scene of the play? *Thou, Nature, art my goddess, to thy law my services are bound*. Edmund here is specifically rejecting Christ's command that we should love our neighbour as ourself. Edmund intends by this vow to follow his own selfish appetites. Blind Gloucester can assert *As flies to wanton boys are we to th' Gods, They kill us for their sport*. That is a bleak, dark, Satanic anti-Christian philosophy of life. There is no doubt that in King Lear and in other plays Shakespeare appears to be expressing agnostic views. And yet, and yet, in Hamlet Marcellus speaks with conviction about Christmas Day:

*Some say that ever 'gainst that season comes  
Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated,  
The bird of dawn singeth all night long;  
So hallow'd and so gracious is that time.*

Hamlet remembers the Sixth Commandment when he says *Or that the Everlasting had not fix'd His canon 'gainst self-slaughter. O God! God!*

Note what Hamlet says when he first sees the Ghost of his murdered father: *Angels and ministers of grace defend us!* In the great prayer scene (Act III.iii) Hamlet draws his sword and says over the unsuspecting Claudius who is on his knees praying for forgiveness: *Now might I do it, now he is a-praying*. But then he thinks he would not be truly revenged since Claudius would go straight to heaven. So he resolves to kill his uncle when Claudius is *about some act that has no relish of salvation in't*. Meanwhile, ironically, Claudius who is desperately trying to pray and show remorse, says: *My words fly up, my thoughts remain below. Words without thoughts never to heaven go*. Then in the last scene of the play Hamlet who is facing imminent death quotes directly from St Matthew's Gospel where Jesus says to his disciples, "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows." Hamlet says: *Not a whit. We defy augury. There is special providence in the fall of a sparrow. If it be now, 'tis not to come; if it be not to come, it will be now; if it be not now, yet it will come. The readiness is all*. Hamlet (and Shakespeare) knew his bible well. St Matthew says: Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. St Luke says almost identical words in his Gospel.

Hamlet's last words are: *The rest is silence*, an echo perhaps of Psalm 115 where the psalmist says: The dead praise not the Lord, neither any that go down into silence.

Yes, there is no doubt of it. Shakespeare undoubtedly knew his Bible very well. I could quote extensively from his plays for biblical references but it might be tedious.

Yet Hamlet redresses the balance when he proclaims triumphantly in Christian terms *What a piece of work is a man, in action how like an angel*. Horatio speaks a beautiful and Christian epitaph over the dead body of Hamlet. *Goodnight, sweet Prince, and flights of angels sing thee to thy rest*. Oh yes, our wonderful Bard of Avon was a Christian all right.

**Jack Thomas**

(Next time – Tell It Knot In Gath)

## 1st Lym Valley Scout Group



We have now all recovered from our weekend camp and looking forward to the new skills we have gained next year. Last month we had the Rev Gavin Tyte come and chat to the Scouts about belief and how to pray. This was a good short session where the Scouts had quite a few searching questions about the existence of God, we will carry on next year to see if we can come up with some more good questions for Gavin to answer. The Remembrance Parade was well attended as this was our first one for the troop in quite a few years, we felt proud to be at the church representing the Scouting Association and being able to parade our troop flag.

This month we will be making Christmas table decorations and having a Christmas campfire and games and handing out badges.

Next year we start back on the 12th January 2011 at 7.30pm in the Scout Hut with cubs that are coming up to Scouts joining us.

If you would like to join or thinking about it come along for a couple of sessions to begin with and have some fun, Contact

Bruce Kahn Scout Leader tel: 443202

Karen Yelland Asst Scout Leader tel: 442072

Merry Christmas and have a great New Year

Yours in Scouting

***Bruce Kahn and Karen Yelland***

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## 1st Lym Valley Beavers



The Beaver colony has been getting bigger with 4 new Beavers starting after half term, this has brought us back up to full capacity. Exciting things have been happening with the bonfire and fireworks at Pinhay house (thank you Robin) which we all thoroughly enjoyed and the weather was dry, to the good turn out at the Remembrance Service at Uplyme church where the Beavers were smartly turned out and behaved and marched in the rain to the memorial. We have a new young leader helping us for 6 months Hannah Simpson who is doing this as part of her Duke of Edinburgh award. This month is a short month for Beavers as there is so much going on in the build up to Christmas with school we will be finishing a week before the end of school. Before then though we have our yearly carol singing for the residents at Shire House and the Christmas party with games and food and of course Father Christmas!

Next year we are celebrating 25 years of Beaver Scouts so hopefully there will be extra activities to go to. We start back after New Year on the 12th January 2011 at 6pm in the Scout Hut.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Yours in Scouting

***Penny Coplestone and Karen Yelland***



## Harriet Sowerby (known as Harri)

Harriet has been helping our Uplyme Church Youth Minister, Irve Griffiths, with a variety of activities during the summer months while she gathers together enough finances to fund part of her Gap year.

She has always lived in Dorset or Devon, having been born in Dorchester and moved to Uplyme when she was twelve years old. Harriet is talented in the arts and drama department and won a drama

scholarship to Queen's College Taunton; she went on to Sixth Form College at The Thomas Hardy School Dorchester where she gained three A Levels in Politics, History and Art and she is planning on doing a Foundation Course in Art and Design in London after her Gap year.

God has always played an important part in her life starting early on with the Bridport Christian Fellowship and upon moving to Uplyme she became involved with "Xplosion" (youth group for years 6-9) run by Irve and with Junior Church and "Mighty Shed" at St Peter & St Pauls. For several years she has played a part in the running of the annual Church Holiday Club in the Village Hall and she has just returned from helping twenty-four children enjoy a fantastic "Surf" weekend in North Devon. She says she has found friendship and has been accepted for who she is with no judgement and enjoys the spiritual moments in church.

Harri thought long and hard about what she wanted to do during her Gap year and realised that it would involve "doing something for God". She attended an OMF conference - OMF is a Christian mission agency that serves the church and seeks to bring the gospel to all the peoples of East Asia. She listened and talked and it was Thailand that seemed to be calling out to her. Since leaving school she has spent the summer months raising funds to enable her to travel out and keep herself during her stay in Lopburi, Central Thailand. She will be living with an English lady and will play a part in student ministry, teaching English in the mornings and creative arts in the afternoons. She will be taking her guitar and looks forward to playing and singing worship songs with the young Thai people.

Uplyme Parish Church has also supported Harriet with her fund raising and we look forward to hearing about her new experiences, the challenges and the joys when she returns in the new year.



*Good Luck Harri!*



WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER meet 9.30am  
Lyme Regis Holmbush car park – return  
around 5pm

### **VISIT TO COTEHELE**

A trip by coach to the National Trust's Cotehele House in Cornwall to see the Grand Hall's traditional 60-foot long Christmas garland made from thousands of dried flowers. Time for lunch, then on to Tavistock for the market. Organised by Museum Friends: please contact Sylvia Oliver to reserve a seat 01297 445537.

SATURDAY 11 DECEMBER 2.30pm

### **TEA TIME – A MOMENT OF CALM**

Felicity Hebditch talks about the history of tea drinking, from China in 1000BC to Victorian teatime with cakes and pastries. Plus tastings and a display of kitchen utensils and china tea sets.

ALSO from 2pm a sale of home-made cakes, biscuits and teatime preserves.

SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER 2.30pm

### **KNOW YOUR FOSSILS**

A talk on how fossils lived, and how to find, identify and handle, with the museum's fossil experts Paddy and Chris.

SATURDAY 18 DECEMBER 2.30pm

### **THE FASCINATING STORY OF TEDDY BEARS**

Rikey Austin and Jo Farmer of Alice's Bear Shop talk teddy bears, and demonstrate how to make their cuddly collectables.

SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2.30pm

### **KNOW YOUR FOSSILS**

A talk on how fossils lived, and how to find, identify and handle, with the museum's fossil experts Paddy and Chris.

WEDNESDAY 29 DECEMBER

### **CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN DAY**

Drop in any time between 11am and 3pm and get creative with museum curator Mary Godwin.

SATURDAY 1 JANUARY – NEW YEAR'S DAY – walk departs museum 2.00pm

### **MILLS OF THE LIM VALLEY**

A 1½-hour walk to discover the old cloth, silk and oil mills tucked away along the River Lim, with Richard Bull.

### **FOSSIL HUNTING WALKS**

Find your own 190-million-year-old fossil with museum geologist Paddy Howe and fossil expert Chris Andrew.

Saturday 4 December 9.00am

Sunday 5 December 9.00am

Monday 6 December 10.00am

Tuesday 7 December 10.30am

Thursday 9 December 12.00noon

Tuesday 21 December 9.30am

Thursday 23 December 11.00am

### **MARY ANNING WALKS**

Explore the paths and streets of Old Lyme as Mary knew them with expert guide Natalie Manifold.

Saturday 4 December 3.30pm

Sunday 5 December 3.30pm

Saturday 11 December 3.30pm

Sunday 12 December 3.30pm

Saturday 18 December 3.30pm

Sunday 19 December 3.30pm

booking advisable for walks:

telephone: 01297 443370

email [info@lymeregismuseum.co.uk](mailto:info@lymeregismuseum.co.uk)

or call in at Lyme Regis Museum, Bridge Street, Lyme Regis DT7 3QA

press contact:

Carole Halden

Lyme Regis Museum, Bridge Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QA

tel: museum 01297 443370 and 444463;

home 01297 443475

email [lymeregismuseum@talktalk.ne](mailto:lymeregismuseum@talktalk.ne)

## VILLAGE HALL DATES FOR DECEMBER 2010, JANUARY & early FEB 2011

### DECEMBER 2010

**Wednesday 1 December**  
 8.30am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 1.30am-4.30pm Patchwork Group  
 5.00pm-6.00pm School  
 6.00pm-8.30pm Pre-School Parents  
**Thursday 2 December**  
 9.00am-4.30pm School  
 4.30pm-7.00pm Ballet  
**Friday 3 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-4.30pm School  
**Saturday 4 December**  
 6.30pm-11.30pm Mainly Ballroom  
**Sunday 5 December**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
 12.00pm-6.30pm V.I.A. performance  
**Monday 6 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 2.00pm-4.30pm Royal British Legion  
 5.30pm-7.00pm Brownies  
 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls  
**Tuesday 7 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 12.15pm-3.30pm Toddlers  
 4.00pm-6.00pm Tai Chi  
 7.30pm Social Club  
 Meeting Room  
 7.30pm VH Committee  
**Wednesday 8 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 5.00pm-6.00pm School  
 7.00pm-10.00pm Parish Council  
**Thursday 9 December**  
 9.30am-4.30pm School  
 7.00pm-10.00pm Prayer Meeting  
**Friday 10 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-9.00pm School  
**Saturday 11 December**  
 9.00am-4.00pm Church Bazaar  
**Sunday 12 December**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 13 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls  
**Tuesday 14 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club

12.15pm-3.30pm Toddlers  
 4.00pm-6.00pm Tai Chi  
 7.30pm Social Club  
**Wednesday 15 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
**Thursday 16 December**  
 9.00am-4.30pm School  
**Friday 17 December**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-4.30pm School  
**Saturday 18 December**  
 6.30pm-11.30pm Mainly Ballroom  
**Sunday 19 December**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 20 December**  
 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls  
**Tuesday 21 December**  
 7.30pm Social Club  
**Weds 22 to Sat 25 Dec:** No bookings  
**Sunday 26 December**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Mon 27 to Thurs 30 Dec:** No bookings  
**Friday 31 December**  
 5.00pm-midnight Sequence Dance  
  
**JANUARY 2011**  
**Saturday 1 January** No bookings  
**Sunday 2 January**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 3 January** : no bookings  
**Tuesday 4 January**  
 7.30pm Social Club  
 Meeting Room  
 7.30pm VH Committee  
**Wednesday 5 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 1.30pm-4.30pm Patchwork Group  
**Thursday 6 January**  
 9.30am-4.30pm School  
**Friday 7 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-4.30pm School  
**Saturday 8 January**  
 6.30pm-11.00pm Mainly Ballroom  
**Sunday 9 January**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 10 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 2.00pm-4.30pm Royal British Legion  
 5.30pm-7.00pm Brownies

7.30pm Short Mat Bowls  
 Meeting Room  
 7.30pm Horticultural Society  
**Tuesday 11 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 12.15pm-3.30pm Toddlers  
 4.00pm-6.00pm Tai Chi?  
 7.30pm Social Club  
**Wednesday 12 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 2.00pm-4.30pm WI  
 7.00pm-10.00pm Parish Council  
**Thursday 13 January**  
 9.30am-4.30pm School  
 4.30pm-7.00pm Ballet  
**Friday 14 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-4.30pm School  
**Saturday 15 January**  
 6.30pm-midnight Private hire  
**Sunday 16 January**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 17 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 5.30pm-7.00pm Brownies  
 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls  
**Tuesday 18 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 12.15pm-3.30pm Toddlers  
 4.00pm-6.00pm Tai Chi ?  
 7.30pm Social Club  
**Wednesday 19 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
**Thursday 20 January**  
 9.30am-4.30pm School  
 4.30pm-6.30pm Ballet  
**Friday 21 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-4.30pm School  
**Saturday 22 January**  
 10am-4.00pm JUMBLE SALE  
 6.30pm-11.00pm Mainly Ballroom  
**Sunday 23 January**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 24 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 5.30pm-7.00pm Brownies  
 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls

**Tuesday 25 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 12.15pm-3.30pm Toddlers  
 4.00pm-6.00pm Tai Chi ?  
 7.30pm Social Club  
**Wednesday 26 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 6.30pm-9.00pm Hort.Soc. Talk  
 Meeting Room  
 1.30pm-4.30pm Chilcotts  
**Thursday 27 January**  
 9.30am-4.30pm School  
 4.30pm-7.00pm Ballet  
**Friday 28 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 1.30pm-4.30pm School  
**Saturday 29 January**  
 8.00am-midday Big Breakfast Bap  
 6.30pm-midnight Barn Dance  
**Sunday 30 January**  
 9.30am-11.30am Quakers  
**Monday 31 January**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 5.30pm-7.00pm Brownies  
 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls

## FEBRUARY 2011

**Tuesday 1 February**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 12.15pm-1.30pm Lunch Club  
 12.15pm-3.30pm Toddlers  
 4.00pm-6.00pm Tai Chi?  
 7.30pm Social Club  
 Meeting Room  
 7.30pm VH Committee  
**Wednesday 2 February**  
 9.00am-12.15pm Pre-School  
 1.30pm-4.30pm Patchwork Group  
**Thursday 3 February**  
 9.30am-4.30pm School  
 4.30pm-7.00pm Ballet

To book the Village Hall, phone Margaret Wiscombe on **01297 443819**. These booking times are not necessarily the start times of events - please check with the individual organisations for event times

# The Family page - organised by Iris Cox

## Coconut Tarts

Shortcrust pastry - thinly rolled  
3 oz butter  
4 oz castor sugar  
2 large eggs  
4 oz dessicated coconut  
Apricot or Plum jam



1. Line tartlet tins with pastry
2. Cream butter & sugar, add well beaten eggs, finally add coconut
3. Place a little jam in each pastry case, and well cover with a heaped tea-spoonful of coconut mixture
4. Bake just above centre of oven at Mark 6 (gas)/ 400deg (electric) for 15 minutes

## Mistletoe

Lord, I am like to mistletoe  
Which has no root and cannot grow or prosper,  
But by that same tree it clings about,  
So I by Thee.  
What need I fear at all  
so long as I about Thee crawl?  
But if that tree should fall and die  
"Tumble shall Heaven  
and so down will I".



## EXPLORE THE MEANING OF LIFE

**Uplyme Church** is planning to run another Alpha course. The first evening of nine will be on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2011**. Each evening will start at 7:00 pm with a meal and end promptly at 9.30 pm.

**Alpha**

We'll be talking about such topics as 'Who is Jesus?', 'Why did Jesus die?' and 'How can I be sure of my faith?' You do not have to commit to coming to the whole course. Come to one, or better two, and see if this is for you. It is not a study course; the evenings are relaxed and fun. We have a meal together, watch a DVD and then chat. Comments from local people have been, "It was never, never boring", "I came to the first purely out of curiosity - I certainly didn't expect to go with it!", "It awakened something I felt was there but hadn't made time to find out about." It doesn't matter if you are not at all sure about Christianity. On Alpha no one minds if you express your doubts or your own opinions. So why not come along and give it a try.

**For more information please contact Uplyme Church Office on 01297 444499.**





## **GARDENING TIPS FROM NIGEL BALL**

December is the month when we are all gearing up for the festive season but still take a few moments to think about the gardening year. There are many events and moments that have been in my mind this year one in particular was doing the show garden at the Axe Valley

Show. Raising the money for Help The Heroes has got to be a good thing so I think that we should pray for the armed forces, and thank all gardening folk for donating so money for the cause. It is great that we can link hobbies to raising money for good causes a great gift that god has given us.

Hear are few jobs and chores that are needed through December and January

1. Please feed the birds this winter they are great. Remember all summer they look after us eating aphids etc so we must look after them.
2. Check all seed and sundry stock if you are short on anything put it on your Christmas list.
3. Remember to cover all tender plants or take them in from the cold where you can cover with horticultural fleece.
4. This is a good time to check on the grit salt situation for those garden paths and drives locally they do have grit salt in stock.
5. Spend those garden vouchers in spring when weather warms up. Christmas presents that are unwanted can be swapped or given to your chosen charity

Have a good Christmas and lets thank God for looking after us all this year and keeping us safe.

Good Gardening

God Bless you all

*Nigel Ball*

### **Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society**

#### **Barn Dance**

*Dancing to*

*'Long Odds & Short Straws'*

**Saturday January 29th**

Uplyme Village Hall

7.30pm – 11pm

*Tickets 7.50 (Children under 12 3.75)*

*to include ploughman's supper*

*from Uplyme Post Office (from January 1st)*

*or Tel 01297 444034*

Soft drinks on sale

Bring your own alcohol

## Notes from the monthly council meeting, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2010

An audience of 10 was able to take part in the open forum before the meeting, so Councillors could take their views into account later. They also heard a short presentation about the move of the Post Office to the filling station site, which is scheduled for January. Mr Holmes was thanked for his efforts in saving this valuable village facility for everyone.

### Applications dealt with by Planning Committee

**Woodcote, Charmouth Road.** T1 oak - reduce stem by 3m; T2 ash - reduce lowest limb over garden by 3m; T3 ash - fell. *The Parish Tree Warden recommends: no objections to the proposed work on T1 - oak and T2 – ash, but objection to the proposed felling of T3.*

**Hillside Farm Harcombe** (amended plans – full and LBC). Construction of 2 storey rear extension and alterations to dwelling and construction of wall. *The Parish Council does not object to this application, and wishes to leave the Listed Buildings officer to comment on the LBC aspect.*

**Coachmans Cottage Woodhouse Fields.** One and a half storey front extension with dormers and alterations including removal of existing garage. *The Parish Council objects to this application.*

### Applications considered during the meeting

**Coachmans Cottage Woodhouse Fields** (amended plans) *The Parish Council objects to this application.*

**14 Glebelands.** T1 and T2 - Ash - fell. *The Parish Council objects to the felling of the larger ash tree but not the smaller diseased one.*

**Smoky Hole Cathole Lane.** Construction of garage. *The Parish Council does not object to this application.*

No applications were granted or refused by EDDC since last meeting.

**Other planning.** Affordable housing – draft of planning application to EDDC has been seen by some Councillors; the main concern is that the roundabout seems very small.

**Finance:** the Council agreed donations for next year, viz. Fields in Trust (KGV field) £500, East Devon Citizens Advice Bureau £162, Axe Valley Ring & Ride £250, Red Cross £50, and Royal British Legion Women’s Section (for Armistice Day wreath) £16.50. The Clerk explained that Council funds were quite healthy, mostly because cemetery income had been higher than usual. The Council adopted financial regulations and an expenses policy.

**Footpaths:** Cllr Whiting has agreed with the Parish Paths Partnership the funding for a number of works to local footpaths and bridleways. The Council is pressing for progress over the Barnes Meadow footpath diversion, so that the Millennium

Copse can be taken over and maintained, but so far without success.

**Salt bins:** the 8 promised by Devon County Council have been cut to 4, as they are twice as expensive as the Council was originally told. Some residents will inevitably be disappointed, but the Council will try to get further funding for the rest next year.

**Benefits advice:** Cllr Clarke-Irons has information from Age UK about benefits for elderly and disabled people, which he is happy to pass on to residents. Please call 32697.

**Mobile Library:** there will be a revised timetable from January 2011, viz: 20 minutes at Rocombe Cross as before, and 1 hour at the Village Hall – the latter replacing 4 shorter stops in Uplyme.

**Furzehill Plantation:** the Woodland Trust is looking to lease out this broadleaf woodland at the top of Gore Lane. If you are interested, please call Justin Milward on 01761 463434.

### Who does what?

Here are some of the commoner requests for assistance from the Parish Council. The Clerk and Councillors are always willing to help if they can, but you may save a phone call if you can get through to the right person first time.

<i>Parish Council</i> <i>01297 444707</i>	<i>East Devon District Council</i> <i>01395 571500</i>	<i>Devon County Council</i> <i>0845 155 1015</i>
Footpaths Cemetery Playground Stafford Mount Grass cutting in the village Bus shelters	Planning applications Waste collection (domestic) Licensing Elections Environmental health (bonfires, noise, roadkill, flytipping, pollution etc.) Tree preservation Standards in public office	Highways (inc. drains, verges, gritting, road signs) Bus stops Lighting Housing (via Devon Home Choice) Schools Registration of births marriages & deaths Libraries Care Direct

The next meeting's report will be published on the Council web site, since there is no January edition of this magazine. See you in February.

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**Government Spending Review - what does it hold for EDDC?**

On 20<sup>th</sup> October the Government duly announced its Spending Review, for the period to 2014/5.

As expected, the review requires major savings in government funding of Central Departments, and Local Government. Central Government support of Local Government funding will be cut by a **full 28%** over the period 2010/11 to 2014/5, in real terms – (removing the effects of inflation and considering all funding in ‘2010 money’). An additional challenge for EDDC, is the ‘front loading’ of required savings. A greater reduction is required in the first year. In contrast funding reductions for Fire and Rescue Authorities will reduce by 25%, but the reductions are weighted toward the later part of the period, to allow authorities time to prepare.

East Devon District Council, in common with other Local Government bodies, will be required to make major savings on current spending levels. The overall figure will be less than 28%, as in addition to Central Funding, EDDC also raises finance itself, primarily through Council Tax, sale of assets, contributions from developers and parking charges etc. Coupled with this major challenge of a large reduction in Central Funding, is a freeze on Council Tax for the year 2011/2. The effect of this on EDDC funding is mitigated by Central Government funding the equivalent of a 2.5% increase, if EDDC chooses to apply a freeze, which I personally believe is inevitable.

The pressure will intensify for EDDC and other Local Authorities to secure funds from other sources. The Government New Homes Bonus, confirmed by Housing Minister, Grant Shapps, promises that Council Tax receipts from new houses will be matched for six years, plus an additional £350 per ‘affordable home’. This is a clear encouragement for Councils to ‘go for growth’ – but how does that sit in an area like Trinity, where a modest requirement for affordable housing is required, and can be accommodated, but major development proposals could place pressure on the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, which underpins the underlying character of the Ward?

This further reinforces the importance of a conclusion to the Local Development Framework, with which we are all comfortable, coupled with a proper understanding of the implications for funding of services in our area.

The need is crystal clear; to protect those most vulnerable through frontline services of EDDC, a fundamental review of policies and activities is required. Services need to be delivered in new, innovative ways, waste eliminated and communication revolutionised, to ensure a much wider understanding of the challenges we all face.

Simple, if you say it quickly – but the heat is on, and time is short!

**Local Development Framework**

Initial consultation on the “Local Development Framework (LDF), Core Strategy Preferred Approach” has now ended on 30<sup>th</sup> November. I thank all the numerous residents who have sent copies of their views to me personally, as well as submitting to EDDC. It is heartening that several were in a direct response to my articles in this magazine!

Whilst the results are not yet published, I received a response from Jim Stacey regarding the proposed loss of a **Built Up Area Boundary around Raymonds Hill**;

*“I was disturbed to find that EDDC propose to remove Raymond's Hill's*

*Built-Up Area Boundary. On the basis of what is said in section 6.16 of the full consultation document, I can well believe that the intention in removing BUABs is to signal that the villages affected are NOT targeted for development. However, this leaves the question of windfall sites, which Policy CS2 on page 31 states might provide 560 additional homes in villages without BUABs and in the countryside. Where better/easier to place these homes than on the edge of such villages?"*

I have queried this with EDDC Planners, as it was certainly not my understanding of the intention. I have been advised that the proposed removal of the BUAB from Raymonds Hill would put it, in policy terms, in the open countryside. This would place significant constraints on development potential. The absence of a BUAB around Raymonds Hill, should make it *more* difficult to obtain consent rather than easier.

Under current policy, windfalls in the open countryside are likely to be through occasional conversions, exception site affordable housing, possibly some building sub-division, agricultural development or other limited cases where other 'material considerations' are argued to outweigh policy constraints.

It seems therefore that concern is founded in 'drafting' rather than policy change. However I have noted the issue, and will aim to ensure that the drafting is clear and explicit at the next stage.

My first year as your EDDC elected member for Trinity Ward draws to a close, as the dark nights close in. I hope that you are comfortable with the new style of communication, and feel more confident that we will all be better informed, properly consulted, and truly able to participate in the activities of our Council.

A super Christmas to everyone, with a safe, prosperous and Happy New Year to follow!

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**Saturday 22nd January**  
**Uplyme Village Hall - 2pm**

In aid of 1st Lym Valley Scout  
Group  
Tel 678 351



The redecoration scheme in church certainly made attendance into a special occasion.



**Teddies for Tragedies  
Knitting Pattern**  
Helping to bring smiles all  
over the world

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families

Could you spare an hour or two to knit a teddy? Doctors who treat children in Third World or war-torn countries are asking for them as children who have teddies to cuddle get better more quickly. Each teddy becomes the personal property of one child. A continuous supply is needed. The teddies made here will be transported free of charge to Shelter Box [www.shelterbox.org.uk](http://www.shelterbox.org.uk) in Cornwall and will be placed inside each box to be sent when they respond to a disaster somewhere in our world.

For more information and to download the knitting pattern please look at the website at [www.teddiesfortragedies.org.uk](http://www.teddiesfortragedies.org.uk)

**You will need:** double knitting wool. Main colour for head and paws. Trouser colour. Jumper colour. Scarf colour. Size 10 (3 1/4) needles (Avoid the use of white wool, which is associated with funerals in some countries.)

Cast on 10 stitches in main colour. Knit 10 rows. Change to trouser colour and knit 30 rows.

Measure the length of the leg if it's 3 1/2 " then you'll knit a perfect teddy if it's more/less adjust your needle size.

Knit another leg Then knit across all 20 stitches and work a further 15 rows.

Change to jumper colour and knit 24 rows.

Change to main colour and stocking stitch (one row knit one row purl) for 5 1/2 " (14 cm)

Change to jumper colour and continue to knit in the reverse order. Stitch down the sides of the head. Make arms: with jumper colour pick up 8 stitches each side of the neck join (16 stitches). Knit 20 rows then change to main colour and knit 10 rows for paws, repeat for the other arm.

Scarf: Cast on 75 stitches, knit 4 rows. Cast off loosely.

Weave in all loose ends and sew up the teddy leaving an opening in the crotch for stuffing.

Sew across the top corners of the head to make ears before stuffing. Stuff your teddy with clean, new polyester stuffing (BS1425 or BS5852). Run a thread through the knitting to make a neck and draw it in, knot the ends and weave the in the excess. Embroider a smiley face. Use small stitches, (back-stitch and stem-stitch) and ensure all the ends are firmly finished. Sew the scarf to the back of the neck of the teddy so it won't get lost, but only at the back to increase the possibilities for play.

**Optional - Make a simple drawstring bag**

The bag should be big enough for a teddy (12 - 13" long and 9 - 10" wide). Turn over and stitch a casing at the top leaving a gap at the side, for the drawstring. Use only one drawstring.

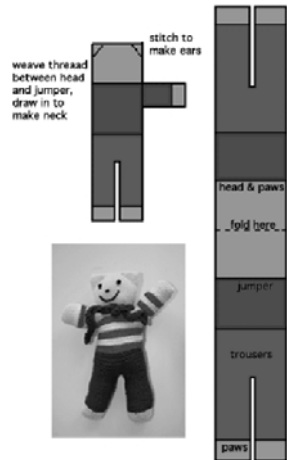
**The Mothers' Union Branch in Uplyme are also continuing to knit squares**

for an orphanage in Ndola, Zambia. Over 1500 orphans and other vulnerable children are cared for and the guardians and other helpers sort and sew the squares into blankets for the orphans.

**Instructions:** 40 stitches using double knitting wool on No 10 needles and enough rows to make a square. When casting off leave a length of wool which will be used to sew the squares together.

**When completed please give the squares/teddies to**

**Audrey Coussens or Sue Wells or leave in church marked MU.**



## PARISH NEWS DISTRIBUTION

After many years of much appreciated service, Audrey Corby is retiring as a distributor for the central Uplyme section - From The Old Devon Hotel (Rohayes Court) to the large pink house at the top of Tappers Knapp & three houses in Crogg Lane; a total of 24 houses on one side of the road. There are 10 distributions a year. If you feel you could undertake this valuable service, please contact David Coates on 01297 445283. Thank you.

### Bethany Chapel, Coombe St, Lyme Regis.

Our monthly **coffee morning in December** will be a week earlier than usual. So, Fridays **17/12/10** and **28/1/11**, 10am till noon; no charge but any donations go to Air Ambulance and Lifeboat.

#### **Monthly tea meetings at 4pm.**

Sunday **19/12/10**; our annual Carols by Candlelight followed by a full, traditional, Christmas tea.

Sunday **30/1/11**. There will be a presentation about Plants of the Bible by Tom Ratcliffe, who was with Suttons Seeds for many years, and has written a book covering every common named plant, fruit and plant product listed in the Bible. This will be followed by a full, delicious tea.



*Cottage to rent in hilltop village in Provence. Well furnished with lovely views and sleeps 4. Price (fully inclusive) from £250 to £350 per week. For every booking we give 20% to church funds. Details can be found at [www.rosanscottage.com](http://www.rosanscottage.com) or ask the editor who has been a couple of times. Contact Samantha Pennington on **444432** if you are interested.*

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