



BIDEFORD BUZZ



A free community newsletter for Bideford, Northam, Appledore, Westward Ho!, Lundy and villages west as far as Hartland



A New Chapter Begins ...

Many thanks for all your good wishes, pressies, flowers, cake, and cards on my retirement last month

A new chapter begins, but Bideford Buzz continues as before, so keep sending me your stories, poems, news items, photographs etc. - all will be gratefully received. Remember it is YOUR community newsletter.

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A sideways look at Bideford life

It's been a good summer (mostly). I say this because as usual the weather has been a bit downcast, like Bideford's mood some of the time, and there's the inevitable feeling that we'll do better next year

However Buzz is a moan free zone and I only want to emphasise the good points (in no particular order!)

The new **Blazeys cafe** in Mill Street by the Baptist Church

10 out of 10 to them for effort

The Saturday barbecues(whatever the weather) have been superb using lovely local meat .

Particularly good was their hog roast for Heritage Day. Last time I went they also had a brilliant saxophonist playing, which made everyone feel good.

The **Froot Loop** for its wonderful secret garden plus family of wild ducks! This has been a real discovery and a treat on sunny days. Delightfully peaceful, lovely plantings, an oasis just behind Mill St.

Lathwells for their continuous good service, friendly atmosphere, lovely food, and to John for his determination to make Cooper St look good for the tourists, even to the extent of clearing all the weeds himself!

Radfords Newsagent for friendly service and general helpfulness. And for helping me to find the missing rivet from my sunglasses!

More bouquets next month! Do you know anyone who deserves a mention?

Write to me, Rose, c/o Bideford Library New Rd Bideford Ex39 2hr tel 01237 476075 (messages taken) or email editor@bidefordbuzz.org.uk

The Culture Show continues during October in various places in Bideford. The project brings artworks into places where people go on a regular basis and as part of their normal day. For example shops, cafes, a bank or a supermarket. These places, in turn, are venues for hanging and placing creative artworks.

Culture Show is being organised by Bideford Bay Creatives (BBC), a group of creative practitioners based in Bideford and the surrounding area. One of our aims is to work in partnership with local businesses and this is being realised through this annual project. This year venues include ASDA at Atlantic Village, Gerties Café, Britannia, the steps on the Quay, The Apothecary, Complete Computing (Old Town), Blazeys Café, Walter Henrys Bookshop, Bideford Library, and Victoria Park.

There will be a trail map to follow, so you can visit all of the venues. These will be available at all participating venues. For all enquiries please contact Bideford Bay Creatives by email at info@bbcdevon.org, visit the website at www.bbcdevon.org for

details on venues and participating artists.

(see <http://www.bbcdevon.org/creatives/visual-arts/sarah-woolfenden/>)



Pen drawing

Hartland Farmers' Market Octoberfest

There will be a special event on October 2nd, with the first ever Octoberfest and Family Fayre. The event promises a fistful of family fun along with the traditional Octoberfest draws of beer and sausages. Plans are afoot for arm wrestling, duck racing, skittles, Punch & Judy, piñata, a doughnut eating competition, apple bobbing, orange racing, clog racing and more. There will also be all the usual Farmers' Market stalls, and the café will have a wide choice of sausages with three different mashies and gravies. Beer will be provided by village brewery, the Forge, including a festival brew. The Fayre will run from 10am – 3pm, with bacon butties, coffee and cakes available from 10am, and sausages and beer from 11am. If you want to find out more call Rod on 01237 441786.

Parkham Patchers' Quilting group

Parkham Patchers Quilting group are holding a Patchwork and Craft exhibition at Parkham Methodist Chapel on **Friday 14th and Saturday 15th October 10am- 5pm and Sunday 16th October 2pm -5pm**

Cats Protection does it for FREE!

Free neutering for cats is available in the Bideford/Holsworthy area from 1 October to 31 October courtesy of Cats Protection on a first come, first served basis.

Neutering offers cats of all ages some solid benefits:

- It stops unwanted kittens (one unneutered female cat can be responsible for 20,000 descendants in just five years)
- Your cat is less likely to fight, thus reducing the risk of catching life-threatening diseases transmitted by bites and saliva
- Neutered cats are less likely to wander and get run over (most cats killed on the road are unneutered toms)
- Neutered male cats are less likely to display territorial behaviour such as spraying

Cats Protection believes neutering is an essential part of responsible cat ownership and neuters over 176,000 cats and kittens each year.

The charity recommends the neutering of domestic cats from four months of age but you should seek advice from your vet for each individual cat. Please call the {branch} on 0845 3712717 for more details on eligibility and to obtain a voucher.

Cats Protection's Bideford/Holsworthy is part of the charity's nationwide network of 257 volunteer-run branches and 30 adoption centres that together help 230,000 cats and kittens in the UK each year.



Hartland Wildlife Rescue

Last week a baby gull landed in our back yard.



The gulls have taken to nesting in all the surrounding chimney pots believing they are on a cliff. The result is there's not much room for the family once they arrive, and they either fall down the chimney or out of the nest- this poor gull did both – was at first stuck in the chimney and then hauled itself out only to fall into the yard, miraculously surviving.

What to do with a gull who can't fly and whose mother had apparently abandoned it. Not being a great lover of seagulls the temptation was to open the gate and let it fend for itself. My neighbour did just that a year or so back with disastrous consequences for the gull. We spent some time on the internet trying to find a contact for Hartland Wildlife Rescue – fine if you can email them -but not so good if you want to contact them urgently. (However Beth has since told me that the local vets have her number so in an emergency you can track her down through them.)

Luckily another wildlife organisation was able to supply their mobile number and I rang Beth Tyler-King.

She couldn't come out immediately, but was happy to come the next morning and 'rescue' the gull -absolutely brilliantly I have to say. She first lured it into a net, then put it quickly into a box and took it back to Hartland where it will be reared with seven other gulls of the same age. She lets them loose once they can fly in about a month's time.

I was so impressed I went straight down to the Hartland shop in Cooper St with a donation of clothes. Many thanks **RA**

Note

This non-profitable charity is run by Beth Tyler-King who started off by rescuing a few animals and now cares for dozens of mainly wild animals on a very full-time basis.

She relies entirely on donations of food, blankets etc and also spends time raising funds to feed and care for the animals. In addition Beth takes rescued animals to the vets to ensure their well-being and often re-homes them. Visit them on Facebook or go to the Hartland Wildlife Rescue shop in Cooper Street Bideford

One hundred years ago

Preparing for tramps

On the recommendation of the General purposes committee an order was given for a dozen new hammers for stone breaking

Long Day in London

The special day excursion by the London and South West railway will leave Bideford and Torrington for London on Friday night arriving at 5.55am and returns at midnight giving a fine opportunity of visiting places of interest. The return fare is 12 shillings.(rather a punishing schedule!)

The Mayor Elect

The Mayor Elect is Councillor WT Goaman JP who was born in Grenville St 46 years ago. He will be following in the steps of his father Alderman T Goaman. Mr Goaman carries on the business of Messrs Goaman and Son wholesale grocers of Bideford and Barnstaple.

Clovelly

Mr A Wickham of London and Clovelly has recently caught on Clovelly bay with a rod and line a skate weighing 162 lbs. It took him an hour and 45 minutes to land the fish in the boat. Twelve months ago he captured a skate of 160 lbs

Mike Davy

History on our doorstep

This is the slogan of TADHIS- Torrington and District Historical Society which has just published its Winter programme. They are an enthusiastic group of over 50 members who come from as far afield as Winkleigh, Littleham, Bideford, and Dolton.

Meetings are on the second Monday each month – in the Winter at Torrington Methodist Church.

During the summer there are expeditions to various historical locations.

All talks are by experts in their field. 'Farming yesteryear' is the title of October's meeting followed by a local Viking mystery 'The Hubberstone Project' in November. There is always an historical Christmas 'do' at the Torrington Arms in December and in January industrial archaeology is under review with the 'Tide Mills of the Taw and Torridge rivers'

Subscription is £10 a year for adults and £2.50 for juniors. Visitors may attend for a fee of £1. If you would like a copy of *Historyton*, our newsletter please ring Vic Webb on 0769 520428 or just turn up at the meetings. We look forward to seeing you!

Bideford Blind Club

Local people may not be aware that there is a social club run by volunteers in Bideford that caters for both blind and partially-sighted persons along with their carers/friends and relatives. The club, which has been operating for over 30 years, meets once every two weeks; usually on a Tuesday afternoon from 2.00pm – 4.00pm in the Community Room on the 1st Floor of Glebefields House, Glebefields Court in Northam. A mix of fun and games, activities and entertainment is provided at the centre, followed by tea and biscuits or sometimes a lovely cream tea. Members pay only £1-00 per meeting and bring any small items suitable for a 50p raffle each time. Outings and occasional lunches at local venues are also enjoyed by the members, with many such activities being grant-aided so free to members of the club. A spin-off group also enjoys volunteer-supported indoor bowls at the local bowling club in Bideford once a week. Some of the events currently being planned before Christmas include: an afternoon of home entertainment; a talk from a member of The Greyhound Trust; a musical afternoon with local group Mishmash and a Christmas outing. Transport can often be arranged to pick up and return members to their door and there is always a volunteer helper at the centre to guide them to the meeting area. We are really keen to welcome new members from the Bideford and Torridge areas; telephone our secretary Hilary Lewis on 01237 421723 for more details.



Good Age Page



Brownies

Re last month's photograph of the East the Water Brownie Group. Betty Stock (nee Wrey) has sent in some names

Back Row -left to right
Mary Bedlar ? Betty Wrey? ? ?
Second Row? ? Pat Bedlar, Rene Carter,
Jean Sherborne, Dorothy Bartlett ? ?
Valerie Rivers.
The photo was taken 1939/40.
Thankyou Betty (address supplied)



Bring Mother!

Chloe Bix, folk singer has started a weekly session at the ROYAL GEORGE in Appledore - every Wednesday 1-3pm - which is a sing-song of wartime and oldtime classics. You'll be pleased to know that people of all ages are enjoying it, but it is also a chance to entertain folk in our community that prefer something slightly more gentle than the hustle and bustle of night time entertainment, so I encourage you all to 'bring Mother' in for a sing-song and a sherry!! The pub is also offering a Special Traditional O.A.P. Lunch on a Wednesday.



TorrAGE

Londonderry Neighbourhood Link

Londonderry Neighbourhood Link is a new community group that is being set up to provide support for older people who live on the Londonderry estate in Bideford. It is one of a number being set up within the Torrridge

area by the charity TorrAGE who are part of TTVS. The group is recruiting volunteers on the estate who can then help those residents over the age of 60 who may be living on their own and who are lonely and who need help with the direct services on offer, such as:

- Befriending/Home visiting** - someone to call round for a cup of tea and a chat from time to time
- Advocacy** - help with form-filling
- Helping Hand** - help with basic shopping & other small tasks (e.g. putting the rubbish out)
- Snow Patrol** -help in extreme weather, with emergency shopping/collection of prescriptions etc
- Gardening** - help with basic gardening for those in need (i.e. unable to afford a commercial gardener and no family /friends who can help)

If you would like further information on any of the above, either to receive help or to volunteer, please phone the TorrAGE office on 01805 622666

Can you help with our fundraising for our Canopy Appeal ?

Within Bideford Bay Children's Centre we are currently undergoing a fundraising appeal to raise money for a canopy to cover sections of our outside play area, in order that children can have play experiences in all types of weather. Since our fundraising campaign started we have held various events including sky dives, table top sales, fashion shows, celebrity cookery demonstrations, a large scale Ransom and Release event a dog show and many other activities.



In October we have the following events organised:

- **1st October 3-6pm– Sponsored High Ropes event at the Ultimate Adventure Centre**
Situating at 35ft, test your nerve and head for heights totalling 200 metres of aerial excitement incorporating 28 element challenges and ending with an 80m zip wire. Entry fee only £7.50 no minimum sponsorship required, however, raise over £100 and receive a gift voucher. Contact the Children's Centre for a fundraising pack.
- **7th October 6-8pm – Evening Play session at Atlantis Adventure Park**
Tickets can be purchased from the Children's Centre, and are priced at Adults £2, over 2's £3, under 2's £1 and under 1's free.
- **21st October 7-9pm – Ladies Pamper evening at the Children's Centre**
Tickets can be purchased from the Children's Centre, and are priced at £10 and include 2 15 minute beauty treatments. Plus there will be shopping, raffle and refreshments.

For more information on any of these events, to purchase tickets, offer services or information on our Canopy please contact Claire at the Children's Centre on 01237 425752 or email me on claire.gover@actionforchildren.org.uk.

ALL ABOARD" ..

A free monthly family event for parents and children (all ages).

Spend quality time doing and learning something new together!

Baptist Church Centre, Mill St.

Sunday, October 16th from 4.30 to 6.00 pm. (picnic tea provided)

Call Michelle on 01237 473195 or visit our website :www.bidefordbaptist.org.uk

Burton Art gallery and Museum – family events in October.

October is the month of The Big Draw, part of the Campaign for Drawing's initiative to get us all drawing. At the Burton we have teamed up with Bideford Library and Adult and Community Learning department at Devon County Council to host Bideford's Big Draw. Led by artist Miriam McCurdy, two sessions will run at the Burton amongst the '40 Artists: 80 drawings' exhibition involving a range of creative activities that blur the boundaries of drawing and mark making.

Drawings produced will be collated into Bideford's very own Book of Drawing, a concertina book which will be displayed in Bideford Library until the end of October. This free event is a fun day out for the whole family. So if you fancy trying your hand at some more unusual drawing activities then book your place now for the **8th October**. Just when you thought October couldn't get any busier at the Burton we are also hosting Bideford's Film Society on **Thursday 27th October, to show Horrid Henry, 7pm**, (Bideford Film Society's normal entry charge apply), as well as a chance to explore the Burton's own collections through the Burton Book of Brilliance.



The Campaign for Drawing
www.campaignfordrawing.org



All About October

Summer's all but gone, the nights are drawing in and it feels like you've been back at school for as long as you can remember. But it's not all doom and gloom this month and most importantly, you don't have to wait until October 31st to have a good time! We've gathered together a load of other things you should take note of this October, and what you can do to celebrate!

The whole month is **Black History Month**, aimed to highlight and share the rich cultural history of African and Caribbean heritage. You can find loads of resources and ideas of what to do at www.black-history-month.co.uk

3rd – World Habitat Day

Always the first Monday of October, the World Habitat Day was designed by the General Assembly and set aside by the UN for the world to reflect on the state of worldwide settlements and the basic rights we all have for adequate shelter, as well as our collective responsibility for the future of world habitat. Take some time today to find out how other people live in other parts of the world and think if there's anything you could do to help.

4th – World Animal Day

Every 4th of October is World Animal Day and charities all over the country will be pulling together to raise awareness of animal issues. Maybe take some time to research what your favourite charity is doing and what you can do to help and definitely make sure you give your pet a massive treat today!

Friday October 7th – Jeans for Genes / National Poetry Day / Smiley Day

So much goes on Friday 7th, it's like all your Christmases and birthdays have come at once! Jeans for Genes day is run every year to help raise money for children with genetic disorders – why not speak to your head teacher and see if you can get your school to take part? It's also National Poetry Day, so get your friends together and your pens out and see if you can come up with anything book-worthy!

Sunday October 9th – Seed Gathering Day

Get your coat and gloves on and get into the garden, as the Tree Council have decided to mark the second Sunday of October as Seed Gathering Day, to help secure the trees of the future. Why not plant some pips or seeds from different types of fruit you've eaten?

10th – Mental Health Awareness Day

Mental Health Awareness day is aimed to get people to understand and be more informed about mental health issues. You can find out more at www.mentalhealth.org.uk

11th – National Curry Week

The whole week is national curry week, so treat yourself (and your parents!) and cook yourself up a curry this evening! You can find loads of quick and easy recipes at www.bbcgoodfood.com

14th Pyjama Week

It pyjamas week, organised by Humphreys Children's trust, so don your pyjamas and get out of the house! For more information you can visit www.thechildrenstrust.org.uk/humphrey

21st – Everybody Writes Day

There's a writer in us all, so use today to find yours! You can write a story, poem or even a song or rap! If you're stuck for ideas, then there are plenty of writing games to help you along!

30th – National Sleep in Day

The clocks go back, which means it's National Sleep in Day . . . Basically you get an extra hour in bed!

31st – Halloween

So it's the one you've been waiting for, get ready with your brooms and dustsheets for some apple bobbing and other treats. Just remember to stay safe and always respect other people!

Jem Collins

Send your contributions for next month's Youth Page to editor@bidefordbuzz.org.uk

You write

Jaw Bone

For very many years there was a large jaw bone at Westward Ho! at the entrance to Kipling Tors at the bottom of Stanwell Hill. I assume it came from a whale, and I wonder if anyone knows what kind of whale had jaws of this size and whether the species was common off North Devon.

With thanks,

Tony Sanders Bridport

Questionnaire

I am a Geography student at the University of Gloucestershire, originally from North Devon, currently undertaking a study of migrants to the area. I am interested in the motivations for moving to North Devon amongst other issues. I have devised a very short online questionnaire aimed at gathering data on in-migration to North Devon. If you have moved to North Devon from outside the region in the last 10 years I would be interested in hearing from you. The link for the survey is given below. If you are interested in taking part, please type this into your browser window. The survey will only take a few minutes.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3PCZJGS>

The information collected as part of the research will be confidential and all responses treated anonymously. If you would like to know more about this research or are interested in the topic please email victoriawithecombe@connect.glos.ac.uk and I would be happy to discuss it further with you.

Victoria Withecombe,

Appledore Maritime Museum

Apologies for a slight mistake re the opening times for the Museum in last month's Buzz.

From October 1st the museum will be open from 2pm - 4.30pm every day; after October 31st it will be closed until Easter.

Quiz for Mencap

I work at Britannia in Bideford and we receive your Buzz magazine every month. It is enjoyed by a lot of our customers who sit and wait for appointments etc.

We are part of the Co-Operative Banking Group and our registered charity for the year is Mencap. We are having a Quiz night to be held in Torridge Vale Social Club, South Street, Torrington, teams of up to 6 people £10.00 per team. Charity Raffle with lots of prizes on Saturday October 22nd at 7.30pm with all proceeds going to Mencap. With so many Bideford people reading Buzz we would be glad of the opportunity to get as many quiz teams as possible. Phone Valerie on 01805 623858 for details and an entry form.

Valerie Slatter

Volunteers needed

Buzz is urgently seeking a treasurer. The position is not onerous as most of the day to day business is already in hand, but we need someone to help prepare quarterly accounts

If you feel this could be you please get in touch with Rose Arno either by email at editor@bidefordbuzz.org.uk, telephone 01237 476075 (messages taken) or by post c/o Bideford Library New Rd Bideford Ex39 2HR. We also need volunteers to help with collating information and general help.- again get in touch if you can help. Thank you.

Devonmade Christmas

A warm welcome awaits you in the Old School Rooms, North Molton. An exclusive three day event featuring a variety of local handmade products. A chance to fill your stockings with more original gifts than can be found on the high street. The very best of local handmade, contemporary products all under one roof.

Festive refreshments, disabled access and free parking.

Free Admission Friday 4th November 12-8pm ;Saturday 5th November 10.30 – 4.30pm; Sunday 6th November 10 .30 - 4.30pm

60 years at the Burton

October is a big month for the Burton as we turn 60! Celebrating this illustrious occasion we have planned several events and activities that we hope you'll all join in.

To mark the anniversary, a giant lantern in the shape of a ship will lead a dusk procession of over 60 lanterns made by local children, young people, volunteers and community groups, around Victoria Park and the Burton on the 28th October. This should prove to be a spellbinding event, with the parade starting at 7pm, and music and refreshments from 6.30pm. All are welcome and the event is free. In the lead up to the parade, why not join in one of the lantern making workshops – either a full day helping to make the giant ship (£12) or a drop in session (£2.50) making your own lantern for the parade, on the 24th, and 28th October.

The Friends of the Burton are also celebrating the Burtons 60th, with an event on Saturday 29th October – canapés and wine with a 1950's dress code and special surprise guest, tickets are £5 and doors open at 7pm.

Alongside these events, the Burton will also host two outstanding exhibitions commemorating the significance of this occasion. The first is drawn from the Burtons own collection, an exhibition of works by one of the founders of the Burton - Hubert Coop - including never exhibited sketchbooks and works on loan from local collectors. A truly unique opportunity to see these works together. The exhibition opens from 14th October – 11th November.

Opening on the 27th October, In Camera: Snowdon and the World of British Art, a touring exhibition from Pallant House Gallery, consists of around sixty-five iconic photographs by Snowdon, capturing some of the most important figures in recent art history including Frank Auerbach, Peter Blake, William Coldstream, John Piper, Graham Sutherland, Joe Tilson, David Hockney, Damien Hirst, Mark Wallinger, the Chapman Brothers, Chris Ofili and Rachel Whiteread.

More Burton events on page 14, and on Bideford Bay Childrens' Centre page.

The next meeting of the North Devon Group of the Devon Family History Society will be on Saturday 15th October, 2-4pm, at the Burton Art Museum, Bideford. All are welcome and it is free to attend. The speaker this month will be Senior Archivist at North Devon Record Office, Tim Wormleighton, who will be talking about discovering Parish Records. Not to be missed. A reminder to drivers that the parking opposite the Burton is now free on Saturdays after 12.00 lunch time.

Our weekly help sessions at the Bideford Library are now in progress again and as from 1st October they will move to Friday mornings, 9.45am, 10.30am, 11.15am. If you require any help with your research or would just like some guidance, then ring and book a session. 01237 476075.

Lions Club of Bideford

Grand Jumble Sale
20th October at 2pm
Venue Northam hall

The lions Club of Bideford members are holding the above Jumble sale to raise money to help fellow residents and local organisations in need.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

Donations will be welcome on the day between 1 and 2pm.



Aiki Jo
(Art of the
Japanese Short Staff)
Bideford Methodist Church
Hall



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Book news

'Snow Flower and the Secret Fan' by Lisa See

In August, the Readers' Group at Bideford Library discussed 'Snow Flower and the Secret Fan' by Lisa See. For once we were all united in lavishing praise on the novel. Admittedly, it was a select few of our usual number, but the conversation was lively and interesting.

The book is fascinating in its recreation of rural China in the nineteenth century where women were regarded as little more than chattels; they were not well educated, had marriages arranged for them and spent most of their lives indoors. Sons were prized, daughters were worthless. Worst of all, in my opinion, girls had their feet bound at the age of five or six, which virtually condemned them to a life spent indoors, unable to walk very far. I found it difficult to read the vivid description of how this was done. In one small area of the country, the women developed a secret written language in order to communicate privately with female friends.

The story focuses on the lives of two girls, Lily and Snow Flower, who are 'twinned' by a matchmaker when young in order to enhance their chances of making better marriages when older. They record the major events of their lives in the secret language of Nu shu, written on a fan which is passed between them over the years. Lily and Snow Flower grow very close, experiencing joy and heartache on their journey.

Lisa See must have researched the minutiae of Chinese life in great depth in order to transport her readers there so effectively. She writes lyrically throughout and the central relationship of the two girls is explored and developed sympathetically. Those of us who read the book would all like to experience more of her work.

There followed a thought provoking debate about what makes women beautiful in a particular epoch. How could people possibly find bound feet attractive? But then why were tiny waists nipped in by corsets considered pleasing on the eye? In the fairy tale, 'Cinderella', the girl with the smallest feet gets the handsome prince, perpetuating the supposed attraction of size 3s! Perhaps an author in the future researching a novel set in Britain in the twenty-first century will wonder at the fashions for body piercings, tattoos or six inch heels. Beauty is, as they say, in the eye of the beholder

Elizabeth Scott

If you are interested in joining the group please contact Peter Evans via Bideford Library 01237 476075

Ronald Duncan. *Poetry, plays, opera and exploding pigs – a life in Devon*

Wordquest Devon presents this free public lecture at the Burton Art Gallery and Museum.

Ronald Duncan was a writer, farmer and landowner who lived at Welcombe from the mid 1930s to 1982. During that time his visitors included composer Benjamin Britten and singer Kathleen Ferrier, Lord Harewood, and the glamorous actresses Virginia Maskell and Anna Proclemer. During the Second World War he set up a pacifist community working land between Hartland and Welcombe. After the war he wrote plays that made him prominent on the London stage. He established the Devon Festival in the 1950s, and later founded the Royal Court Theatre in London. His tangled personal life is described in his autobiographies. He died in Bideford hospital.



In this lecture, Dr Alan Munton draws on Duncan's books about Devon life, and the writer's extensive literary archive at Exeter University, to describe a fascinating experiment in culture and rural living. The writer's books available for consultation at Bideford Library include. *The Blue Fox* 1951 *Jan at the blue fox*, 1952 *Journal of a husbandman*, Faber, 1944, but visit www.devon.gov.uk/library/catalogue for other titles and locations **Thursday 13th October 1pm at Burton Art Gallery and Museum – free, advance booking essential. Tel 01392 725879 or email artsandculture@exeter.ac.uk**

Bideford Centre of Light
18 Hart Street
Divine Service – Sundays 6.30
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All of the above films are at the Edgehill Theatre, Kingsley School (apart from **Here Comes Trouble**) Doors open at 7.00pm, film starts at 7.30pm.

Tickets: **General** £5.50 **Concessions** £5.00 **Members** £4.00 **Family** (up to 3 children & 2 adults) £12.00
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Bideford Music Club's first concert of new season

Courtlye Musick is a trio of musicians who specialise in mediaeval and Tudor music. They have a huge array of 15th and 16th century instruments including the sackbut, curtal, crumhorn, cornetto, rackett and shawm which they will play to Bideford Music Club for the first concert of their new season.

They perform their songs and music in colourful Tudor costumes and will take the audience back to the days of Shakespeare.

The concert will be on Wednesday, 5th October at 7.30 p.m. in the Methodist Church Hall. Tickets are £11 and are available at the door. To become a member with a reduction in concert prices or to receive a copy of the new season's brochure, please contact **Lindy Johnson on 01237 423112.**

A Chaired taste in local vocal

The Appledore Singers Ladies Choir and The Torridge Male Voice Choir are offering a wonderful opportunity to hear some 60 voices singing a wide variety of choral songs, including music from the shows, romantic era, pop, jazz, all - time favourites, and many more, with each choir singing their own specialities. Their "Local Vocal" Concert hosted by Peter Miller **at 7.30pm at**

Woolsey Community Hall on Saturday

13th October supports The North Devon Hospice and Marie Curie Cancer Care, in an extravaganza of song, for a great evening's entertainment. Tickets are on sale for £5

from 1st October, from Hazel on 01237 431982 and can be delivered. Both choirs have other planned concerts for this autumn, as well as openings for new members. Call Pam Beechey on 01769 560034 for information on The Appledore Singers, and Mervyn Langmead on 01237 476453 to find out more about The Torridge'.



Live Jazz at North Devon Club

Performed at The Beaver, Irsha Street, Appledore. 10 October. Just East. Led by reedsman Jeremy Shoham and piano virtuoso Neil Angilley this lively quartet incorporates world, folk, Middle Eastern and classical influences into music which seamlessly links composition and improvisation.

24 Oct Swedish singer **Emilia Martensson, Gigs at The Beaver start at 8.30 p.m. Entry is free but a collection is taken for the band. For meal bookings telephone 01237 474822 and for more details about the Club, phone 01237 421065.**



The Exmoor Pony Centre was set up by the Moorland Mousie Trust in 2006 to further their work to preserve and promote the endangered Exmoor Pony, our oldest native breed. It is a very small enterprise within Exmoor National Park and during the better months of the year we arrange Exmoor Experience Rides on the moor or Taster sessions on site to enable people to meet Exmoor ponies at close quarters. The Centre is open to visitors all year round and free to visit although we hope that visitors will want to contribute to our work with donations or by buying something from our small onsite shop.

In the winter months we handle wild foals, born on the moor, to gain their trust and give them a future that they would not otherwise have had – in past years they would have been sold off for pet-food. The Centre only employs two full-time staff along with some part-timers in the summer holidays and one administrator so it is also quite dependent on the goodwill of volunteers from all around the country to help out with the work. Many young ponies go to foster homes, either on a short-term or long-term basis and they really benefit from this personal attention. Many others go out to Conservation grazing sites where they are highly valued, as they will eat the invasive plants that threaten the rare species.

This Summer has proved particularly difficult for keeping the ponies weight down. Normally they come in at Easter looking slim and fit after their Winter holidays on the moor. Unfortunately this year, that didn't happen. There was obviously a lot more keep about than usual, and coupled with this Summer's weather, we now have some very fat (but reasonably fit) ponies. We think that it might be a good idea to look for temporary homes for some of them over the winter months so that they continue to get regular riding exercise. If you think you could offer to keep and exercise a pony whilst we are busy handling wild foals, it would be a tremendous help. They are usually away on their holidays from November till March, but some of them could really do with a continuing exercise regime.

Please look at our website www.moorlandmousietrust.org.uk , visit our blog at <http://exmoor-pony.blogspot.com/> or find Moorland Mousie on Facebook. The Moorland Mousie Trust Exmoor Pony Centre Dulverton, Somerset TA22 9QE Tel: 01398 323093 Email: volunteers@moorlandmousietrust.org.uk

Dinner and a Murder Mystery at the Burton Art Gallery & Museum

Friday 7 October 2011, 7pm Tickets £32 per person to include an evening meal.

1940s Bideford revived but with an unwanted guest.....

Mystery, Murder, and War Time Britain - A unique way of learning about Bideford's heritage and the Burton's collections. Prompted by Information Assistant Emily Paine's love of whodunits, the Burton is opening its doors to intrigue and mystery as it sets the scene for a murder most foul.

Bideford played a very important role during World War II activities. A busy port town it thrived under the responsibility and significance of such a role. The community pulled together and a degree of normality was able to be maintained including still attending social celebrations. Set in World War II the Murder Mystery Dinner Evening uses a wedding – as the starting point for a crime. Emily said, 'the local community tries to forget the troubles of war and joins together to celebrate. . But the celebration soon turns sour due to the arrival of an uninvited guest - and murder!' The evening will be devised by experienced actors from local company "Playing Dead Murder Mystery Entertainment" and guests are encouraged to dig out their 1940s fancy dress to enter into the spirit of things. Audience members can either sit back and watch the drama unfold or get involved as much as they like, including questioning characters and investigating theories - but beware – as in real life - people don't always tell the truth... Emily added, "I can't wait to see the audience's reaction as something like this has never been done at the Burton before." Please contact the Burton Art Gallery for further details or to book your place (e) burtonartgallery@torridge.gov.uk 01237 471455





THE SHIPPING NEWS



Ship	Registered Flag	From	To	Date arrived	Date sailed	Crew	Cargo loaded
Jan v Built 1985	St John Antigua & Barbuda German Capt	Kilroot	Cardiff	28/8/11	31/8/11	German Russian	2200 rock * salt
Baltiyskiy 202 Built 1994	Valletta Malta Russian	Sharpness	Wismar	1/9/11	2/9/11	Russian	2216 tons timber
Baltiyskiy 201 Built 1994	Valletta Malta Russian	Honfleur	Lovissia	08/09/11	13/09/11	Russian	2820 tons clay
Konstantin Paustovskiy Built 1996	Valletta Malta Russian	Rochefort	Wismar	09/09/11	14/09/11	Russian	2412 tons timber

Arco Dart 15.8.2011

*This cargo for Devon County Council was delivered to South Molton and Parracombe

Bristol Channel Observations.

15.8.2011 at 16.45 hrs container ship **Euro Storm** 7992 tons d.w, owners Euro Storm GMBH & Co Germany, inward bound for Newport

19.8.2011 at 08.45 hrs cargo vessel **Flex Darwin** 4928 tons d.w. owners Nordica MS Dresden German, inward for Birdport; at 12.51 hrs cargo vessel **Ardita** 15023 tons d.w, Setremar Navigazione Italy, inward bound for Newport; at 15.32 hrs container vessel **Magnus F** 13760 tons d.w. owners Magnus F Kai Freese GMBH German, outward bound from Portbury, having sailed at 11.54 hrs; at 18.55 hrs cargo vessel **Suderau** 3670 tons d.w, owners Reederei Erwin Strahlmann Germany, inward bound for Cardiff; at 1930 hrs cargo vessel **Antonia B** 4646 tons d.w, owners Guido Buck Schiffahrt KG Germany, inward bound for Newport.

22.8.2011 at 17.10 hours bulk carrier **Aasheim** 5826 tons d.w owners Hans Martin Torkelsen Norway inward bound for Briton Ferry.

23.8.2011 at 06.15 hrs vehicle carrier **Grande Portugallo** 12594 tons d.w, owners Grimaldi Line of Italy, inward bound for Portbury.

24.8.2011 at 14.50 hrs bulk carrier **Frontier Mirage** 181592 tons d.w, owners Ima Line Co SA Japan, inward bound for Port Talbot. Vessel had cargo coal from Australia. This was the ship's maiden voyage.

26.8.2011 at 20.17 hrs bulk carrier **Great Talent** 76773 tons d.w, owners Great Talent Shipping Hong Kong, inward bound for Portbury.

27.8.2011 at 05.40 hrs cargo vessel **Lion** 6930 tons d.w, owners Lion Shipping GMBH Germany, inward bound for Portbury; at 08.37 hrs container vessel **Magnus F** 13760 tons d.w, owners Magnus F Kai Freese GMBH Germany, outward bound from Portbury, having sailed at 05.07 hrs; at 13.22 hrs vehicle carrier **Grande Napoli** 14900 tons d.w. Grimaldi Line of Italy outward bound from Portbury, having sailed at 10.05 hrs

28.8.2011 T 15.45 HRS Heavy lift cargo vessel **Annegret** 9359 tons d.w owners HLL Heavy Lift Annegret Germany, inward bound for Barry; at 11.20 hrs bulk carrier **Emu Arrow** 51419 tons d.w. owners Gearbulk Holding Ltd of Hamilton Bermuda, inward bound for Portbury.

30.8.2011 at 13.00 hrs bulk carrier **Aasli** 4310 tons d.w owners Hans Martin Torkelsen Norway inward bound for Port Talbot; at 13.33 hrs vehicle carrier **Themis Leader** 20037 tons d.w, owners FPG Shipholding Panama SA Japan in the colours of Nippon Yusen Kaisha of Japan inward bound for Portbury; at 14.45 hrs dredger **UKD Orca** 3775 tons d.w. Owners Associated British Ports London inward bound for South Wales.

2.9.2011 at 15.08 hrs cargo vessel **Poprad** 1750 tons d.w owners Baltramp Shipping SP Zoo Poland outward bound from Cardiff.

3.9.2011 at 17.45 hrs bulk carrier **Rodlo** 33742 tons d.w, owners Polish Steamship Co Poland, inward bound for Port Talbot.

5.9.2011 at 07.15 hrs bulk carrier **Berge Atlantic** 172704 tons d.w, owners BW Shipping Group Norway, inward bound for Port Talbot.

7.9.2011 at 10.30 hrs tanker **Omega Duke** 46093 tons d.w, owners Blizzard Navigation Ltd Greece outward bound for Portbury, having sailed at 05.53hrs.

October Diary 2011

Saturday 1st

8pm Tawstock Village hall Bideford Ceilidh club barn dance 476632

Sunday 2nd

3pm Bideford Salvation Army Baptist Church for service of Praise and Worship

7.30pm Appledore Singers practise at Appledore School 7.30pm

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Tuesday 4th

10am Lavington Church coffee morning and lunches (-1.15pm)

2pm Bideford Salvation Army Fun and Fellowship Club; Upper Hall Bideford Baptist Church

7.15pm Bideford Camera Club Bideford Youth Centre Carol 423242

Palladium Club – Open Mic Jam night 478860

8pm Tarka Morris at Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Wednesday 5th

7.30pm Bideford Music Club Methodist Church Hall tel 423112

Bideford Folk Dance Club meets in Northam Hall. Tel: 475138

8pm Phoenix Morris practise at Baptist Church info@bidefordphoenix.co.uk or contact Neil or Carolyn on 01237 473798.

Thursday 6th

7.30pm Eyes Down Bingo at Robins' nest (Football club)

8pm Bideford Folk Club Joiners' Arms

Friday 7th

10am-1pm Lundy art group at St Mary's Church hall Appledore 01237 423884

Friday 7th

8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Sunday 8th

3pm Bideford Salvation Army Baptist Church for service of Praise and Worship

Monday 10th

7.30pm Bideford Stamp Club meet at Bideford Youth centre tel 472101

Appledore Singers practise at Appledore School 7.30pm

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8.30pm North Devon Jazz Club at Beaver Inn Appledore tel [01237 421065](tel:01237421065).

Tuesday 11th

10am Lavington Church coffee morning/lunches (-1.15pm)

10.30am Macular Disease society meets at Burton Art Gallery Peter Ellis 01409 231309

2pm Bideford Salvation Army Fun and Fellowship Club; Upper Hall Bideford Baptist Church

7.15pm Bideford Camera Club Bideford Youth Centre Carol 423242

Northam Choral Soc School Room Methodist Church Northam 429080. Palladium Club – Open Mic Jam night 478860

8pm Tarka Morris at Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Wednesday 12th

10.15am Bideford Probus meets at Royal Hotel tel 423153

10.30am Epilepsy North Devon meet at Barnstaple Library Henry Williamson Room tel 07875574428

7.30pm Bideford Folk Dance Club meets Northam Hall. Tel: 475138

8pm Phoenix Morris practise at Baptist Church info@bidefordphoenix.co.uk or contact Neil or Carolyn on 01237 473798.

Thursday 13th

7.30pm Eyes down Bingo at Robins' nest (Football club)

7.30pm North Devon Fuchsia Society at Springfield Centre Chanters Rd tel 01271 831292

8pm Bideford Folk Club Joiners' Arms Crealock Arms Holy Karaoke

Friday 14th

10am Memory cafe at Northam tel 420136 Palladium Club 'Spaced Invaders' (80s covers)

7.45pm Sequence dancing at Kingsley Hall Westward Ho! Tel 01769 540309

Abbotsham WI meet at Abbotsham Village Hall 01237 474711

8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Saturday 15th

Sunday 16th

3pm Bideford Salvation Army Baptist Church for service of Praise and Worship

7.30pm Massed band concert Durrant House Hotel Appledore - Bideford - Hartland Bands Ticket available on the door.

Monday 17th

10am Lip reading classes at Ethelwynne Brown Close tel 01392 457300

heather@trelay.org

7pm Carers' Link Communal Hall Marlborough Court tel 01271 372811

7.30pm Appledore Singers practise at Appledore School 7.30pm Further information www.theappledoresingers.c

8.30pm North Devon Jazz Club at Beaver Inn Appledore tel 01237 421065.

Tuesday 18th

10am Lavington Church coffee morning// lunches (-1.15pm)

10.30am Macular Disease Society at Burton Art Gallery Peter Ellis 01409 231309 Parkinsons' Society UK coffee morning at Youth Centre Bideford Pill

2pm Bideford Salvation Army Fun and Fellowship Club; Upper Hall Bideford Baptist Church

7.15 pm Bideford Camera Club meets Bideford Youth Centre 423242

Northam Choral Soc School Room Methodist Church Northam 429080.

Palladium Club – Open Mic jJm night 478860

8pm Tarka Morris at Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Wednesday 19th

10.30am Epilepsy North Devon meet at Barnstaple Library Henry Williamson Room tel 07875577428

10.15 Bideford Probus at Royal Hotel tel 423153

7.30pm Bideford Folk Dance Club at Northam Hall. Tel: 475138

8pm Phoenix Morris practise at Baptist Church info@bidefordphoenix.co.uk or contact Neil or Carolyn on 01237 473798.

Thursday 20th

7.30pm Eyes down Bingo at Robins' nest

8pm Bideford Folk Club Joiners' Arms

Friday 21st

10am-12pm Memory cafe at Northam tel 420136

2pm Devonshire Association at Burton Art Gallery 'Dartmoor Prison' tel 477701

7.30pm Abbotsham WI at Abbotsham Village Hall

7.45pm Sequence dancing at Kingsley Hall Westward Ho! Tel 01769 540309

8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Sunday 23rd

3pm Bideford Salvation Army Baptist Church for service of Praise and Worship

Monday 24th

10am Lip reading classes at Ethelwynne Brown Close tel 01392 457300

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7pm Carers' Link Communal Hall Marlborough Court tel 01271 372811

7.30pm Appledore Singers practise at Appledore School

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8.30pm North Devon Jazz Club at Beaver Inn Appledore tel 01237 421065.

Tuesday 25th

10am Lavington Church coffee morning lunches 10am-1.15pm

2pm Bideford Salvation Army Fun and Fellowship Club; Upper Hall Bideford Baptist Church

7.15pm Bideford Camera Club Bideford Youth Centre 423242

7.30pm Northam Choral Society at Methodist Church Hall Northam tel 429080

Palladium Club – Open Mic jam night 478860

8pm Tarka Morris at Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Wednesday 26th

10.15am Bideford Probus meets at Royal Hotel tel 423153

7.30pm Bideford Folk Dance Club at Northam Hall. Tel: 475138

7.30pm North Devon Humanists meet in annex Fremington Hall

8pm Bideford Phoenix Morris dancers weekly practice info@bidefordphoenix.co. Neil or Carolyn on 01237 473798.

Thursday 27th

11am Carers' Support group at Rosehill Northam tel 420137 for details

2.15pm Thursday Fellowship tel 421956

Friday 28th

10am-5pm Hartland Art and Crafts Autumn Fayre at Hartland Parish Hall

10am-1pm Lundy art group at St Mary's Church hall Appledore 01237 423884

7.45pm Sequence dancing at Kingsley Hall Westward Ho! Tel 01769 540309

8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Bideford Folk Club Joiners' Arms

Saturday 29th

10am-5pm Hartland Art and Crafts Autumn Fayre at Hartland Parish Hall

7pm at Bethel The Quay Appledore 474466. Bible meeting

Sunday 30th

10am-5pm Hartland Art and Crafts Autumn Fayre at Hartland Parish Hall

3pm Bideford Salvation Army Baptist Church for service of Praise and Worship

Everyone Welcome!

Monday 31st

10am-5pm Hartland Art and Crafts Autumn Fayre at Hartland Parish Hall

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