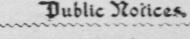


BIDEFORD BUZZ



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Bideford Races

May 1928

This advertisement comes from the Bideford Gazette for 1928 currently housed at the Bideford Archive. The archive is run by volunteers, and you will find it is a mine of information on Torridge district; not just births, marriages and deaths, but also a record is being made of everything of interest in the world of local trades and professions, local government, agriculture, religious groups, sports clubs, streets and villages, and much more, including the Census records for family history research.

There are photographs from the Bideford Gazette of sporting events, school and church celebrations, postcards of local village life and architecture. Source material comes mainly from the Bideford Gazette, from 1856 onwards, but they are sometimes able to provide information or documents of use to everyone. Recently Buzz donated all its bound back copies from 2000 onwards.

Donations are welcome, but a small charge is made for photocopying and postage is charged at the going rate. You are welcome to visit, free, every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9.30 to 12.00 (Closed on Bank Holidays). Tel: 01237 471714. First floor, Council Offices, Windmill Lane, Northam, Bideford.

See also page 9 and item on 100 years ago.

Shebbertown are the sweeping fields descending to the sea between Abbotsham Court and the old Bideford to Appledore railway line across the valley. Several race meetings featuring dogs, horses and motorcycles were held there in the late 20's.

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Appledore Instow ferry

On 25 June 2011 the new ferry service was launched with the help of qualified skippers and volunteers. A not for profit company was set up - estuary Appledore Instow Ferry Limited. The ferry fleet comprises Misty Blue and Lizzie M. Each boat can take up to twelve passengers, plus a skipper and a crew member and are equipped with all the necessary safety equipment. With two ferries operating during busy times and good weather over the summer school holidays, 2013 was a bumper year with over 19,000 passengers carried. In addition to normal cross river operations, the ferry is able to offer a taxi service on 01237 477238 or email to boat owners who have their boats moored in

The volunteers also act as tourist guides giving out maps of the two villages and general information about the area. More details available on www.appledoreinstowferry.org. Sara Mendosa.

Bideford Phoenix Morris

the estuary.

During this lovely summer Bideford Phoenix Morris will be dancing and playing all over North Devon. See the Diary for this month's events. If you are interested in seeing Morris, playing or dancing with us now is the time come along. We are a mixed side of 12 dancers and 3 musicians performing Morris dances from all over the country. We dance at fetes, weddings, and of course pubs, as well as raising monies for North Devon Hospice during the winter. A great way to meet people, keep fit, do something that is very different and have a great time. And why not? Hope to see you there. For details contact Frances on info@bidefordphoenix.co.uk or see our website on http://www.bidefordphoenix.co.uk/

Bradworthy Arts Festival

3,4,5 May. Various venues in and around the village of Bradworthy http://www.bradworthyartsfestival.co.uk/ Bradworthy Arts Festival takes place over 3 days at 9 different venues around Bradworthy, with dozens of local artists offering exhibitions, demonstrations and workshops. All venues and events are free to enter and you can explore a range of arts from textile and ceramic crafts, painting and sculpture to music and drama. Refreshments will be available to buy at several venues. You could easily pass a whole day enjoying the sights, sounds, and tastes of this celebration of North Devon's creativity, and all are welcome so please do and join us this May Bank Holiday

Northam Lodge will be cruising the

Our annual Jazz Cruise on the MS Oldenburg will be taking place on Friday 30th May sailing from Bideford Quay at 6.30pm for a 2 hour estuary cruise. The Alan Lewis All Stars Jazz Band will be providing some lively entertainment, and you are welcome to bring along a picnic to enjoy whilst taking in the views. Bring your own bottle, or there is a bar available on the boat. Tickets cost £15.00 per person and to reserve a place please contact Fiona White fionawhite@northamlodge.co.uk.

News from the Pannier Market



Hours 10.00 - 4.00 Admission £3 adult (accompanied child under 11 free, 12-16 year olds (£1.50) Food and drink available at the show in the Pannier Café. Many of the shops in Butchers Row will be open.

100% of the proceeds will be divided between the 2 charities (no expenses or overheads deducted) and made possible by use of the Pannier Market hall being generously donated by Bideford Town Council, all printing being provided free and all exhibitors waiving their expenses. A super prize raffle of train sets and other take a look at www.bradworthyartsfestival.co.uk fabulous prizes is being sponsored by the major manufacturers including Hornby. Over 25 layouts of all sizes on display

> Organised by Osborns Models, 7 Honestone St and Shady Lane Models. Contact 01237 423453

Holiday snaps!

As the holiday season approaches many will consider buying a new camera. However, with the advent of the all encompassing mobile telephone is one necessary? A similarly priced camera readily captures snow scenes, beach scenes, portraits, the family cat or dog and photographs friends only when they are smiling, all in brilliant colour. Little instruction is considered necessary. How different a hundred years ago.

"A traveller wishing to take photographs of scenery must first decide on the size of glass plate he intends to employ, be they $4 \frac{3}{4} \times 3 \frac{1}{4}$ or $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \frac{1}{2}$ inches, although one can more readily utilise 7×5 inch. In those countries where porters are cheap the largest format is preferred. Glass plates weigh in the region of 3 pounds per dozen and one should take at least half a gross (seventy-six, approximately 20 pounds). One might use gelatine film but glass is much to be preferred and film is not recommended for hot and humid climates.

The camera itself should be of the bellows form constructed of the finest mahogany, particularly those made by Mr. Meagher of Southampton Row or Mr. Hare of Calthorpe Street. It should have a front capable of moving vertically and horizontally with a swing back. For normal photographs one may dispense with a tripod, However they can be useful under certain circumstances and readily purchased for 25 shillings (£1.25p). An appropriate socket will be provided in the camera along with a spirit level to ensure correct vertical and horizontal alingement.

In the field it will be necessary to have plates previously loaded in double backed holders, i.e. two plates per holder. A black light-proof bag is a necessity in which plates may be transferred

safely from their original light proof packaging into the slide holders.

For cameras using 7 ½ x 5 inch plates a 9 inch lens is recommended for most subjects, Messrs Dallmeyer, Ross or Zeiss lenses should be considered. All available from respectable dealers such as Messrs. Watson and Son of High Holborn, Mr. Morley of Upper Street or Hunter & Sands of Cranbourne Street. Gelatine sheets are made in various degrees of sensitivity but their cardboard boxes are insufficient protection against injury and damp. It is recommended to have each package of a dozen placed in fairly airtight light-proof wooden boxes, during construction screws are preferred to nails. After exposure Captain Abney recommends a cardboard frame be placed between each plate or film and placed in light wooden boxes prior to being packed in a tin box whereby the lid is soldered in place as protection against damp.



A reasonable expense would be a camera for 8 guineas (£8.40p), 12 double slides at a guinea each, three lens of varying focal length approximately 15 guineas (£15.75p), tripod 25 shillings (£1.25p). Gelatine sheets at three shillings (75p) a dozen. Chemicals 15/- (75p), A notebook in which to record each exposure, thereby to ensure correct development times later and a sturdy box or basket to contain the whole. Due to the flexible nature of a basket a basket is preferred. Total weight approximately 60 pounds." From *Hints to Travellers Volume II (Eighth Edition) published by The Royal Geographical Society in 1901. Edited for the Council of the Royal Geographical Society by John Coles F.R.G.S., F.R.A.S. Late Instructor in Surveying and Practical Astronomy to the Royal Geographical Society.*

Happy snapping everyone! **Roger Sugar**

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Book News

A Summer of Drowning by John Burnside.

Discussed by Bideford library Readers' Group.

Not an easy book, was the general consensus of the group. Certainly, non-one had come across one quite like it. For some it was boring and pretentious, for others beautifully written and well worth the effort, Liv, a 28 year old woman, looks back on a summer ten years before when extraordinary things happened on the remote island within the Arctic circle where she lives with her mother. Two brothers drown, one ten days after the other; then Martin, a summer visitor disappears (drowned?); and finally, the old man Kyrre and the young girl, Maia, also disappear. What is going on? Is Liv a reliable narrator? Maybe her isolation and the long white summer nights have distorted her vision. Her mother, an artist

and a recluse, concentrates solely on her painting. Liv is left to fend for herself. She is an observer of life rather than a participant, spying on people through her binoculars. Her only friend is Kyrre, who regales her with folktales about trolls and mermaids and, most significantly, the *huldra*, a beautiful woman in a red dress who lures men to their deaths. At

first she dismisses the idea of the *huldra*. But then, because of what she sees, she is not so sure. The meaning of the book seems to elude the grasp. Things shift and change. Perhaps it is about different ways of seeing things. As Liv says, "some days there are tiny, almost infinitesimal loopholes in the fabric of the given world". Letting the old gods in?

Hilary Aikman

Next meeting Wednesday May 7th 2.00 pm. *Discussing Midwich Cuckoos by John Wyndham*

Other events at Bideford Library.

Feel Better with a Book.

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Free Fridays

Every Friday 9:30-5

Free internet access for up to 2 hours. Help with getting online and finding information. Help with job seeking, CV writing and form filling.

Meditation and Relaxation Group

Wednesday May 21 2:15- 3:00 pm Guided meditation and relaxation group for adults with Nicola MacDonald

Reminiscence Session

Take a trip down memory lane
Wednesday May 14th 2:00-3:30 pm
Remember back... and look forward to sharing
your memories with others chatting, looking at old items, perhaps creating a
book of memories together.
For anyone aged 60+
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JOHN BURNSIDE A Summer of Drowning

For Kids.

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The libraries consultation will close on Thursday 17 July 2014. Have your say!

My travels with Gwenny Rose

'It's never too late to begin writing,' says 93 year old Molly Russell from Instow. Molly's first book, *My Travels with Gwenny Rose*, has been published this month by Lazarus Press of Bideford.Molly began to work on her wartime memoirs which she called 'Molly's War'. This document was snapped up last year by The Imperial War Museum as a research document for their archives. She decided to build on Molly's war and began writing in earnest. This resulted in her new book 'My travels with Gwenny Rose.'

It is available at £7.99 from the publishers Lazarus Press 01237 421195 and also Walter Henry's Book Shop, High street, Bideford Tel. 01237 425727 and other selected book stores.

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Sustainable Fish

Congratulations to Millie and Jack who attended the Family Fish Demonstration and Workshop at Bideford College. They both won 4 Fish the dish stickers for preparing Mackerel Pate and Fish Tagine and producing 4 lovely local fish coloured pictures and helping with the washing up! We also ate breakfast Kipper Cakes and Plaice and Witch Gorgons. All had great fun.

This month sees the beginning of the summertime fish and below is a tasty Gurnard dish. Gurnards are plentiful and not often eaten and so are sustainable and low cost. Try the recipe or come along to the session. This will also be on the Summertime Fish Buffet at the Bideford Sustainability group evening event on 21st May at the Happy cafe, Westward Ho. Please contact Victoria, Petroc College to book (number below) but hurry as places are limited. Gurnard is available all year but needs to be well filleted because of its small pin bones. It has a good flavour and is quite firm, its pinky red skin looks good with this sauce. We will be demonstrating and practising this at "**Fish on a budget**" session on 7th May at Bideford College; please book with Victoria Mahoney 01271 852430 Serves 4

Ingredients

4 red gurnard filleted 3 celery sticks thinly sliced

2 apples chopped into small chunks

4 spring onions chopped

25g/1ož butter

275ml/10fl oz single cream

1 tbsp French flat leaf parsley chopped

1 tbsp chopped walnuts for decoration

Method

Preheat oven to 230C, Gas mark 8.

Butter an ovenproof dish. Place in it gurnard fillets, sprinkle with celery, apple and spring

Pour over single cream, cover with foil and put into oven.

Cook for 10 mins, uncover and cook for further 5 mins.

Decorate with parsley and walnuts.

Serve with broccoli and mashed potatoes sprinkled with parsley.

Next month: More about Local Shell ish and "Fish for the 5/2 diet."

Bideford Sustainability Group

On Saturday 31st May Fred Brown will be at Tricks Allotments in Clovelly Road for the last of our free gardening talks/demonstrations. Fred will be talking about and demonstrating 'Weeding, watering, liquid feeding and pest control'.

The session starts at 10 am and will take place on the Bideford Sustainability Group plot which is at the top of the Tricks site.

The gateway to this part of the site is running off the pathway that cuts between Clovelly Road and Capern Road.

Blacksmith's Arms

Bideford Sustainability Group's monthly informal get-together, on the first Tuesday of the month, will be on 6th May. Drop in any time from 7.30-9 pm to find out what is going on in the group and share ideas over a drink.

Local History

100 years ago from Bideford Archives

This month we have decided to focus on the perennially popular subject of fashion. The Gazette devoted a column each week to ladies clothing illustrated with drawings of the garments, some of which are shown here. Going by these pictures the women of 1914 seem to have had tiny waists and tall statuesque outlines. Note also one very masculine look!

Home dressmaking was in vogue and female readers were encouraged to make their own clothes, buying the recommended patterns and materials from local haberdashery shops, of which Bideford had several. This was more economical than buying ready-made clothing from the shops as you could use the pattern

several times and add your own personal touches. Clothing was showing some trends of the belle époque era; ladies spent their

afternoons going out to see and be seen. Fans of Downton Abbey may recognise some of these out its.









The life and times of Charles Kingsley

Charles Kingsley was born in 1819 in the village of Holne on the edge of Dartmoor, the son of the Rev. Charles Kingsley. His father was appointed rector of Clovelly in 1831 where Charles grew up very interested in flora, fauna and the secrets of the sea. He met his future wife, Frances Grenfell whilst on holiday from Cambridge University. They had two children Rose and Maurice. Charles then entered the Church of England and was given the curacy at Eversley in Hampshire. They moved to Bideford in 1854 staying first at the Royal Hotel and later in Northdown House. Charles met his good friend Dr WH Ackland. In 1855 he completed 'Westward Ho!' . Charles was not happy with the Company project which in time would create the new resort. The family left Bideford later that year and he continued to write many best sellers including the 'Water Babies' in 1863. he died at Eversley in 1876. The statue of Charles Kingsley now stands for all to see on the banks of the Torridge in the little white town he loved so well.

Mike Davy

The tobacco trade of Bideford Port

The principal port of foreign trade was to Maryland and Virginia for tobacco. For a little more than half a century, from 1700 to 1750 Bideford merchants imported in their own ships more tobacco than any other port in England except London.In 1735 the number of ships which entered the port, the cargoes of which were not to be re-exported was thirteen, the number of hogshead discharged from them was 3.337 and the duty paid for them at the Custom House was £!5,101 15s and 7d The number of ships rose to 15 in 1736 and 17 by 1742. Hogsheads originally contained about 300 lbs but later tobacco was packed much tighter which enabled a hogshead to contain 1,000 lbs . In the years 1722 – 31 nearly eight and a half million pounds of tobacco were landed at Bideford Quay of which several million pounds we re-exported chiefly to the warehouses of Amsterdam. The hogsheads of tobacco were mostly stored at East the water in the building formerly known as Colonial Buildings erected by John Davie, a wealthy merchant of the town.

Derek Barnes

News from the Burton art gallery & museum

The Gallery is alive with colour this month; in fact, right through into June, with 'New Works and Woodcuts' by **Gillian Ayres**. This artist is one of the leading contemporary British abstract painters and printmakers, and this collection of her work has been especially created for Bideford's Burton Art Gallery. Gillian has exhibited at London's Tate Gallery, and the Royal



Academy, where she is a Royal Academician, and in 2011 was appointed an O.B.E. She has also taught at St. Martin's School of Art, and the Royal College of Art, and if in London, you will find her work in the permanent collection at the British Museum, and the V. & A. Gillian's vibrant exhibition continues until 1st June.

The Craft Gallery and the Shop will continue to attract attention this month, while Anna Wiscombe's Decorative Wooden Creatures are on show; not far away is Chie Mannami's Jewellery, for which she uses several different media, including silver. Both craftswomen take their inspiration from nature, their love of animals and plants, and the shapes and features of landscape. Anna is based in London, but came from Dorset, a county to inspire any artist; Chie is Japanese, and is based in Bristol, having graduated from the Royal College of Art in 2002.

The Burton operates the 'Own Art Scheme', backed by the Arts Council: if you find an art or craft item rather costly just now, this scheme offers an interest free loan, payable over 10 months, to make buying a piece of artwork easy and affordable. The scheme has worked well to the advantage of both artists and purchasers for many years.

The Friends of the Burton Gallery welcome **Edward Wild**, local furniture maker, whose work can also be seen in the Craft Gallery. He is a member of the Devon Guild of Craftsmen, and learned his art at Bideford's David Savage Furniture School. Edward works with beautiful woods, such as damson and scented apple, and the rich tones of walnut. His designs combine the contemporary with the traditional, using tools he inherited from his grandfather. He will give his talk on *'The Art of Cabinet Making, from Forest to Furniture'*, which takes place on Wednesday, 28th May, at 7.30 p.m. Admission £5 at the door. All welcome.

The Cafe du Parc keeps its usual First Friday Late Night supper on 2nd May. Last orders, 9 p.m. Gallery opening hours: Monday to Friday: 10-5; Saturday: 10-4; Sunday: 11-4 Admission free.

Diana Warmington,

Friends of the Burton Art Gallery & Museum.

Bideford Community Archive (see front page)

A recent addition to the Archive's collection of local historical information, comes in the form of three accounts of the Archaeology of Westward Ho!'s prehistoric Kitchen Midden. It is appropriate to mention this just now, as the beach at Westward Ho! has been scoured of sand by the winter storms, and there is much of the original forest, peat and underlying blue clay exposed at low tide. The sand will return, of course, as it always does, but anyone interested in learning what was once down there, eight thousand years ago, might well care to peruse these documents. One detailed document is the Inkerman Rogers' examination of the artefacts he found there – flints, hazel nuts, antlers, etc. Another is by an Australian gentleman named Mr. D.M. Churchill, from Monash University, Melbourne, and the third, made by the Department of the Environment with Nick Balaam and 2 colleagues in 1987, is a very thorough analysis of everything that was discovered by taking away a slice of the midden. Every part of it was examined with the latest technology – radio carbon dating, dendochronology (tree rings), and includes analysis of tree and flower pollen, types of tree, and flints and tools left behind by prehistoric man.all those years ago. **DW**

Push the Boat out

SATURDAY MAY 17th 2014 12 noon – 4pm Upper Tamar Lake, Kilkhampton, Bude

Upper Tamar Lake Sailing Club, in conjunction with the South West Lakes Trust, invite you and all your family to join us at Upper Tamar Lake, Kilkhampton, between Bude and Holsworthy. Here's an opportunity to have a lot of fun trying various types of watersports in a safe inland water environment with all safety equipment provided at an affordable cost (activities from £2 per person). If being on the water doesn't "push your boat out" then take a stroll around the lake.

For more details, contact: secretary.utlsc@gmail.com or 01288 381288

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Friday 9 and Saturday 10 May at 7.30pm at Bideford College - Divergent (12A) - E1, 139 min

Friday 16 and Saturday 17 May at 7.30pm at Bideford College - Captain America: The Winter Soldier (12A) - Disney, 100 min

Saturday 24 May at 7.30pm at Bideford College - Noah (12A) - Paramount, 138 min

Friday 30 and Saturday 31 May at 7.30pm at Kingsley School - **The Amazing Spider-Man 2** (12A) Universal, 142 min Doors open 7pm film starts 7.30

PARKINSON'S UK CHANGE ATTITUDES, FIND A CURE, JOIN US.

Imagine someone else was in control of your movements, your voice, and relying on up to 30 tablets a day just to get through the next few hours – that is the reality for the thousands of people who have to live with Parkinson's Disease. The Torridge branch of Parkinson's UK brings local people with Parkinson's, their carers and families together. They run social events and a popular monthly coffee morning as well as a dedicated Carers' Group. A variety of therapy courses can be accessed and a specialist Keep Fit group is held at Weare Giffard Village Hall.

We have a stall at Hartland Farmers' market on **Sunday 4**th **May 10am – 1pm** and we are their chosen charity this month.

For more information and to find out about the support and friendship offered by Parkinson's UK Torridge Branch, as well as how you can help, make a donation or speak with volunteers – call Julie Jones on 01237 478128 or Anne Ward on 01288 331475.

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED

We urgently need families in Barnstaple, Bideford, Torrington and surrounding areas to host Spanish students from 1st – 24th July 2014

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10am Start Free Entry & Free Parking in Bonehill Car Park

Northam May Fair this year promises to be an even bigger and better Community event! This follows a revival by members of Northam Community Centre in 2012 and last year's highly successful day. Many Northam residents fondly remember the very popular May Day celebrations in the village of thirty years ago and were keen to see a revival. Support this year has been stronger than ever.

This year's May Fair opens with the crowning of the May Fair King and Queen, from St George's School by local TV Celebrity and professional performer Merlin. The children from St George's School will then demonstrate traditional May Pole dancing, around the May Pole which was donated by the Community Centre to St. George's School in 2012 to mark the revival of the fete. Events throughout the day offer something for everyone with activities and live shows for all ages, including a return performance and display by the Devon Medieval Combat Association. St Margaret's Church expects to be full of stalls by local crafters keen to share and sell crafty goods and gifts, whilst the newly created Community Centre car park sees the addition of a Food Market where local produce can be sampled and bought. In the Rectory grounds guests can be entertained by interactive stalls and a mini steam traction engine giving rides to all! This has always been very popular with all ages and quite a sight!

Music and dancing is guaranteed by Appledore Band, Appledore Singers and by the lively Phoenix Morris Dancers, There is face painting, children's mini fair ground rides, a bouncy castle and an award winning musical activity group by Jiggy Wrigglers for toddlers. North Devon Model Railway Club and model boat exhibitions will be there.

With so much to see and do for absolutely everyone, please come and join us to celebrate our May Day and the start of the Summer!

More information can be found at www.northammayfair.com, and in our Programme available at shops in Appledore, Northam and Westward Ho!

Bideford Inner Wheel Club

On the 1st April Hilary Corless set off on her 200 mile charity walk around Devon. Hilary departed from Bideford and walking in an anticlockwise direction visited Okehampton, Dartmouth, Lyme Regis, Okehampton, Tiverton, Braunton and many others in between before arriving back in Bideford on Good Friday. The reason for her walk was twofold, to raise money for "School in a Bag" and to raise the profile of the Inner Wheel.

"School in a Bag" is a charity that was set up under the Piers Simon Foundation umbrella to provide a backpack full of stationery and resources to poor, orphan, vulnerable and disaster affected children. To date the charity has managed to send 45721 bags to children in 13 countries around the world. As a retired teacher Hilary was very impressed with how the charity allows children to access education. Further details can be found on www.schoolinabag.org

Hilary is a member of Bideford Inner Wheel Club and is being helped in her efforts by the organisation. Originally set up for the wives of Rotarians the Inner Wheel has three aims "To promote true friendship, to encourage the ideals of personal service and to foster International understanding." The organisation is now open to all women. For further information please call the membership secretary on 01237 420830.If you wish to sponsor Hilary **please go to www.virginmoneygiving.com/aprilfoolery**

Did you go to Bideford College?

Right now, there are students in the assembly hall where you once sat, maybe not exactly where you sat thanks to the amazing new build, but still facing similar challenges and opportunities that you did. Being connected to you could really help them.

The college in Abbotsham Road, Bideford, is one of more than 450 state schools across Britain

The college in Abbotsham Road, Bideford, is one of more than 450 state schools across Britain which have registered with the charity Future First to set up networks of former students or alumni. For further information about Future First,log onto www.futurefirst.org.uk. Alternatively contact our Press and Publicity Officer Sue Crabtree on sue@futurefirst.org.uk, our Programme Director, Megan Clatworthy onmegan@futurefirst.org.uk or call one of the team on 0207 239 8933



THE SHIPPING NEWS



Ship (Loaded and discharged at Yelland)	Registered Flag Owners	From	То	Arrived	Sailed	Crew	Cargo
Clavigo Built 1992	St Johns Antigua and Barbuda German	Glensanda	Birdport	15/04/14	15/04/14	Russian Hungarian Polish Ukrainian	3000 tons chippings

Welsh Piper 16/3/14; 21/3/14

No shipping movements at Bideford since last edition at Bideford.

Oldenburg returned to service 1st April.

Arco Dart at Appledore 16/3/14; 18/3/14; 30.3.14; 14/4/14;

The Irish patrol vessel **LE Samuel Beckett** being built at Appledore did not sail on the **15/3/14** as per my previous report I do apologise for the mistake. She sailed on her first trials on the **29.3.14** at **04.10** and returned on the **3**rd **April at 07.30** she; was also seen off Ilfracombe and quite a bit of time was spent in Bideford Bay. She sailed again on second sea trials on the **14th at 05.40** returning 0n Thursday 17th prior to leaving for her home base at Cork.

According to the Journal website the cruise ship **Prisendam** is due off Ilfracombe **26**th **July** for a visit; has been here before. Visit subject to weather conditions.

A report in the Gazette that the **Kathleen & May** is to make a visit to Bideford in August; will give further details when known.

The tug **Goliath** sailed for Southampton on the 16th **March pm** with the barge with **Southern Beaver** on board

Bristol Channel Observations

15/4/14 09.40 container ship **Endeavour** 9612 tons d.w. owners J.r. Shipping Netherland, inward bound for Avonmouth, returned to her normal weekend arrival.

21/3/14 at 08.45 cargo vessel **Hertfordshire** 2489 tons d.w owners Bibby Line Liverpool inward bound for Avonmouth. At 1200 cargo vessel **RMS Wedau** 1708 tons d.w owners Rhein Maas -Und See Schiffahrtskontor GMBH Germany, outward bound from Swansea, having sailed at 06.06.

22/3/14 at 13.23 cargo vessel **Ciudad de Cadiz** 3500 tons d.w, owners Anita 2 SNC France; usual cargoes are aircraft parts for Airbus Ltd, - this occasion carrying motor vehicles.

23/4/14 At 11.13 vehicle carrier **Viking Chance** 33863 tons d.w, owners Gram Car Carriers A.S. Norway inward bound for Portbury. At 17.20 container vessel **Njord** 8001 tons d.w owners Njord Shipping B.V Netherlands inward bound for Newport. At 17.24 vehicle carrier **Autosun** 6670 tons d.w owners United European Car Carriers Norway, outward bound from Portbury.

24/3/14 At 08.39 cargo vessel **Shuya** 3148 tons d.w owners Orion Shipping Co Russia, outward bound from Newport having sailed at 01.06, later went to shelter off Clovelly. At 16.54 vehicle carrier **Sapphire Ace** 15204 tons d.w owners Mitsui OSK Lines Japan, inward bound for Portbury.

30/3/14 at 18.06 vehicle carrier **Grande Scandinavia** 18440 tons d.w owners Grimaldi Line of Italy inward bound for Portbury.

31/3/14 at 18.27 cargo vessel **Frisum** 2355 tons d.w owners Boomsma Shipping B.V Netherlands inward bound for Avonmouth

7/4/14 at 16.00 cargo vessel **Muammer Vagci** 2481 tons d.w owners Yagci Denizcilik Istanbul inward bound for Cardiff.

11.4.14 at 08.50 container vessel **Andrea** 11285 tons Owners Bergen Box Carriers AS Norway rs inward bound from Portbury having sailed at 03.43. Regards **Norman**

Buzz Word Send us your Buzzes. (Address on front page.)

May Bank Holiday.

My father, Percy Reed, took 8 photographs of the Appledore Silver Jubilee Parade on Monday, the 6th May, 1935 – nearly 80 years ago! I have recently been down to Appledore with my camera and successfully identified where those photos were taken. The most difficult one was 'Churchfield Road' as the high wall no longer exists. But the old black and white photos are in sequence in an old album so I knew that it had to have been taken between Irsha Street and The Seagate Hotel and back then there was no play area or car park - just a sheer drop from the wall opposite the church, I think.

Cynthia Snowden

My sister, Enid, and I were wearing red, white and blue crepe paper dresses (a good thing it didn't rain!), see 'THE QUAY - near the Seagate' As this historic year unfolds news of the various photo. Mum (Irene Reed) has a Union Jack in her hand.



150 years of golf

The year 2014 will see Royal North Devon Golf Club celebrating 150 years of golf on Northam Burrows. The course is situated on the coastline between Westward Ho! and the estuary shared by the rivers Taw and Torridge. It is the oldest club in England to be playing on its original

A number of events marking this milestone in the club's history have been arranged for the year. The first, an Anniversary Dinner, took place on Friday, 4th April - this being the actual birth date of the Club. The evening was oversubscribed with the focal point being a talk on the Club's history by Club historian and former Secretary, Robert Fowler.

events, golfing and social, will be made available. J E Hoskin

Support a Group of Street Children in Mombasa this May

North Devon based literacy charity BookRelief UK is teaming up with UK and Kenya based charity and NGO Glad's House - who have been providing support to street children in Mombasa since 2006 – to run a Literacy through Football programme with them, using football - which all these kids love - to get them hooked on reading. To fund the initial part of the programme, BookRelief have been selected to join the online fundraising platform GlobalGiving UK's Gateway Challenge - which means - to earn a permanent place on GlobalGiving - they have to raise minimum £2,000 towards this project from at least 50 unique donors over 5 weeks - between 1st May and 5th June 2014.

Project details go live on the GlobalGiving UK website at www.GlobalGiving.co.uk on Thursday 1st May, where you will find it listed with full information under the title Literacy thru Football for Mombasa Street Children, (note: We have used the American spelling of 'through' in order to fit the title in the maximum 50 character space we are allowed).

You are invited to check it all out and if you would like to make a donation, the minimum GlobalGiving can process is £5.00. You can do this online or alternatively through PayPal - or mail a cheque made out to GlobalGiving UK to: GlobalGiving UK, 1st Floor 12A, Elizabeth House, York Road, London, SE1 7NQ. Gift aid can be claimed on all forms of donations. Importantly, if you are sending a cheque, please endorse it on the back with 'Literacy Thru Football for Mombasa Street Children -Project # 16803' so that it is credited to the right account. Barry Evetts

Buzz Subscription

For sometime now my old friend Joyce Webb (nee Gifford) has been sending me Bideford Buzz/ I was very pleased to find in the current issue an application for Buzz to be sent direct. Prior to my marriage in 1948 I lived on Torridge Mount; my best friends were Jean Ireland and Ruth Kivell. I attended the infant / junior school and would like to correct a small error. Miss Braddick's name was infact Hilda, the and lunches. headmistress, Mrs Anderson was a widow with two small children. There was a Miss Huxtable, but during my time there. 1930-39, Miss Moase was teaching at Geneva School.

Whilst staying at the Royal recently I was sad to see the school boarded up and the slipway where we had to dodge the swell quite silted up. I Baptist Church Upper Hall. remember Tony Sanders quite well, his aunt Doris Skinner was a great friend of my mother's. 475653

Mary Cliff

Food Bank

I'm pleased to be able to tell you that the Northern Devon Foodbank, Bideford Branch, is operating from new premises from 1 May 2014 and our new address will be Unit 2, Supreme House, Pitt Lane Bideford. We can be contacted on 07542175785. Duncan Withall, one of the Trustees of the charity, says "This is an exciting development. The new premises will provide a stable base for our operation and provide opportunities to give a better, more personalised, du Parc. 421528 service."Ginette Berry

May Diary.

Thursday 1st

5.30am Bideford Phoenix Morris dance on Bideford Quay. 10.15am Northam Men's Forum. End of season lunch. 478123

10.30am Walking for Health along Tarka Trail. Meet Clarence Wharf Car Park. 421528

2-4pm See Hear on Wheels (SHoW) bus at Pill Car Park. Mobile service with wide range of sensory equipment to try/borrow. 01271 373236

Rocke 'The Narnia Sensory Garden'. 421956

7pm Hartland Aikido Club for over 18s at Bucks Cross Village Hall.

7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653

Friday 2nd

7.45pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Kingsley Hall, Westward Ho!

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8pm Ceilidh Club, Northam Hall. 476632

Saturday 3rd

9am-2pm Farmers' Market at Atlantic Village

10am-3pm Northam May Fair

11am-2pm Meddon Village Hall Spring Fayre. Proceeds to Village Hall.

1-4pm MS Cake Break Family Event Day at Bideford Football Club.

Scarecrow Trail at Instow. Profits to playground equipment. 7.30pm Film 'Saving Mr Banks' at Littleham Village Hall. 473707

Sunday 4th

10am-1pm Hartland Farmers' Market in Parish Hall. Scarecrow Trail at Instow. Profits to playground equipment. Hartland Heartbreak - charity 13 mile run from Hartland Abbey. 01271 831498

Bank Holiday Monday 5th

Scarecrow Trail at Instow.

Tuesday 6th.

10am-1pm Lavington Church coffee

10.30am Jubilee Fountain nr Clovelly Visitor Centre to be officially opened by HRH The Princess Royal

10.30am Walking for Health – rotation of 5 walks in Northam, Torrington & Westward Ho!. 421528

2pm Bideford WI meet at new Sea Cadet Building, Victoria

2-3.30pm Salvation Army 'Fun & Fellowship' Club meets at

6.30pm Bideford Band Beginner's Group at Band Room.

7.30pm Bideford Keyboard & Organ Club at Bideford Methodist Church Hall.. 475914

7.30-9pm Bideford Sustainability Group at Blacksmith's Arms. 07783384982

7.30-9pm Samba Baia Rehearsal at Community Arts Network, 13 Rope Walk. New members welcome. Palladium Club Jam Night

Wednesday 7th

10am-12pm Bideford Healing Group at Sea Cadets Bldg in Victoria Park.

10.30am Parkinson's UK meets at Ethelwynne Brown Close. 478128

10.30am Walking for Health in Victoria Park. Meet at Cafe

11am-1pm Creative (Memory) Café at Quay Meeting Rm, 5 Danver Court, Clovelly Rd Ind Estate. 07817976053

2pm Bideford Library Readers' Group. 476075

7pm Torridge Ramblers walk 451508

7.30pm Bideford Folk Dance Club meets at Northam Hall. 423554

7.30pm The Two Rivers Wind Ensemble rehearsal at Bideford Band Room 01271 860061

Thursday 8th

10.30am Walking for Health on Tarka Trail from Clarence Wharf Car Park. 421528

2.15pm Thursday Fellowship, Northam Methodist Hall. Terry 2.15pm Thursday Fellowship, Northam Methodist Hall. Dolly Mixtures singalong. 421956

> 7pm Hartland Aikido Club for over 18s at Bucks Cross Village Hall.

7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653

Friday 9th

7.30pm Abbotsham WI meets at Abbotsham Village Hall. 474711

7.45pm Modern Sequence Dancing Kingsley Hall, Westward Ho! 01769 540309

8pm Ceilidh Club, Northam Hall 476632

Saturday 10th

10am-12pm Families for Children Adoption Info Meeting at Buckfast. 01364 645480

9.30am Torridge Ramblers Day Walk 429080

Sunday 11th

10am-1pm Antiques & Collectors Fair at Instow Parish Hall supporting RNIB. Admission 20p. 01271 812711

Monday 12th

1.30pm Headlands Art Group, Westward Ho! Baptist Church Hall. 478223

7.15pm Appledore Singers rehearse at Appledore Primary School. 420652

May Diary 2014 continued 7.30pm Bideford Stamp Club, Kingsley Hall, Westward Ho! 'Cyprus 1878 to Independence.' 472101 Sands 7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at Mary's Church Hall, Appledore. 472158 Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653 Sunday 18th 7.45pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Tuesday 13th 8.30am Devon Bird Group annual trip to Kingsley Hall, Westward Ho! 10am Macular Society meets at Burton Lundy. £29 adults,£16 under 16. 01769 540309 Art Gallery. 474128 459679 8pm Ceilidh Club, Northam Hall. 10am-1pm Lavington Church coffee 10.30am Table Top Sale at 3 The Quay, 476632 Appledore, in aid of David Rundle Saturday 24th and lunches **10.30am** Walking for Health – rotation Trust. 477470 Live music 'Revolvin Door' at Union Inn, 11am-3pm Buckland Brewer Plant Sale Stibb Cross. of 5 walks in Northam. Torrington & Westward Ho!. 421528 12.30 & 1pm Safari Lunch £8 at Sunday 25th Buckland Brewer. Book on 451050 2-3.30pm Salvation Army 'Fun & 10am-4pm Charity Model Railway Fellowship' Club meets at Baptist 2pm Torridge Ramblers walk. 429080 Show at Bideford Pannier Market. Church Upper Hall. Monday 19th Tuesday 27th 1.30pm Headlands Art Group, Westward 10am-1pm Lavington Church coffee 6.30pm Bideford Band Beginner's Group at Band Room. 475653 Ho! Baptist Church Hall. 478223 and lunches 7pm CAP Money Course at Torrington **2pm** Bideford Ladies Club, Marlborough **10.30am** Walking for Health – rotation Methodist Church. Book on 01271 Court. 421925 of 5 walks in Northam, Torrington & 7.15pm Appledore Singers rehearse Westward Ho!. 421528 858534 7.30pm Bideford & District Cacti & Pot at Appledore Primary School. 420652 2-3.30pm Salvation Army 'Fun & Plant Club at Bideford Methodist Church 7.30pm Appledore Amateur Radio Club Fellowship' Club meets at Baptist Hall. 475914 at Appledore Football Social Club. Church Upper Hall. 7.30-9pm Samba Baia Rehearsal at 6.30pm Bideford Band Beginner's 7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at Group at Band Room. 475653 Community Arts Network, 13 Rope Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653 7pm CAP Money Course at Torrington Walk. New members welcome. Palladium Club Jam Night 8.30pm North Devon Jazz Club at the Methodist Church. Book on 01271 Wednesday 14th Beaver, Appledore. Gilad Atzmon & 858534 10am-12pm Bideford Healing Group at Craig Milverton Trio. 421065 7.30-9pm Samba Baia Rehearsal at Sea Cadets Bldg in Victoria Park. Tuesday 20th Community Arts Network, 13 Rope 10.30am Walking for Health in Victoria 10am-1pm Lavington Church coffee Walk. New members welcome. Park. Meet at Cafe du Parc. 421528 Palladium Club Jam Night and lunches 7.30pm Bideford Folk Dance Club 10.30am Walking for Health – rotation Wednesday 28th meets at Northam Hall. 423554 of 5 walks in Northam, Torrington & 10am-12pm Bideford Healing Group at 7.30pm The Two Rivers Wind Westward Ho!. 421528 Sea Cadets Bldg in Victoria Park. Ensemble Rehearsal at Bideford Band 2-3.30pm Salvation Army 'Fun & 10.30am Walking for Health in Victoria Fellowship' Club meets at Baptist Park. Meet at Cafe du Parc. 421528 8pm Charity Fashion Show by EWM at Church Upper Hall. 7.30pm The Two Rivers Wind Durrant House Hotel in aid of Cancer 3pm Grief & Loss Group at St Mary's Ensemble Rehearsal at Bideford Band Research UK. Tickets £5 from EWM or Church. 475765 Room 6.30pm Bideford Band Beginner's 01271 860061 on door. 421461 8pm Bideford Phoenix Morris & Exmoor Group at Band Room. 475653 8pm Bideford Phoenix Morris at Border at Crealock Arms, Littleham. 7.30-9pm Samba Baia Rehearsal at Thatched Inn, Abbotsham. 473798 Thursday 15th Community Arts Network, 13 Rope Thursday 29th 10am-12pm Coffee Morning & Table Walk. New members welcome. 10.30am Walking for Health along Tarka Palladium Club Jam Night Top Sale at RND Yacht Club in aid of Trail. Meet Clarence Wharf Car Park. North Devon Hospice. Wednesday 21st 421528 10.30am Walking for Health along Tarka10am-12pm Bideford Healing Group at 2.15pm Thursday Fellowship, Northam Trail. Meet Clarence Wharf Car Park. Sea Cadets Bldg in Victoria Park. Methodist Hall. AGM 421956 7pm Hartland Aikido Club for over 18s

Methodist Hall. Maureen Curtis & friends - Open Book. 421956 7pm Hartland Aikido Club for over 18s at Bucks Cross Village Hall.

7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653 Friday 16th

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8pm Ceilidh Club, Northam Hall. 476632

Saturday 17th

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9am-2pm Farmers' Market at Atlantic Village

10am-3pm Buckland Brewer Plant Sale Night Walk in aid of North Devon Hospice on Tarka Trail & Saunton

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at Bucks Cross Village Hall.

Kingsley Hall, Westward Ho!

Friday 30th

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Saturday 31st

Church. 472558

7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at

Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653

Mary's Church Hall, Appledore. 472158

10am-1pm Lundy Art Group at St

8pm Ceilidh Club, Northam Hall.

Night Walk in aid of North Devon

10am-4pm Craft Fair at Lavington UR

Hospice at Tamar Lakes

10.30am Walking for Health along Tarka 476632 Trail. Meet Clarence Wharf Car Park.

Thursday Fellowship Outing. 421956 7pm Hartland Aikido Club for over 18s at Bucks Cross Village Hall.

7.45pm Bideford Band rehearses at Band Room nr Victoria Park. 475653

Friday 23rd

10am-1pm Lundy Art Group at St

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