

# BIDEFORD BUZZ



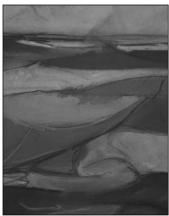
A free community newsletter for Bideford, Northam, Appledore, Westward Ho!, Lundy and villages west as far as Hartland



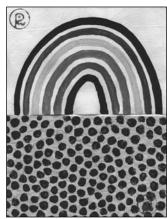
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June11 419 is by Laura Storr



Earth Rainbow is by Peter Ward

**The Culture Show** takes place during the months of September and 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, cafés, 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), Blazey's Café, Walter Henry's Bookshop and Victoria Park.

The opening of Culture Show is part of Bideford's 'First Fridays' on September 2nd. A short guided art trail will be led by a member of BBC – meet outside Gerties Café on Mill Street at 5.15pm. There will also be a trail map to follow, so you can visit all of the venues during September and October. 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.

### **ALSO INSIDE**

Places to visit, things to do, events for children and young people, local history, book reviews, shipping news, and lots more ...



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### Bideford Festival of Piping & Drumming - Friday 9th to Sunday 11th September 2011

Once a year Bideford Quay comes alive to the skirl of the pipes and the swing of the kilt as it becomes home to the biggest gathering of Pipers & Drummers in the South West of England as part of the Bideford Festival of Piping & Drumming.

The festival begins with a spectacular concert on Friday 9th September with "James Robertson and Friends" at the Pollyfield Centre. Doors open 7.30pm - Starts 8pm

(Tickets £6 (pre booked) £7.50 on the night from - Mike Harper on 01237 422477 ~ Email tickets@rockbymail.co.uk) and continues on the Saturday evening with Bideford Carnival

The Carnival procession starts at 6.00pm, followed by the Massed Pipes & Drums at approximately 7.45pm. Ending with a spectacular firework display at about 9.30pm.

#### Treacle Mines! Paint Mines! whatever next?

When I first heard of the famous "Paint Mines" of East the Water, I must admit I thought they were on a par with Ken Dodd's Treacle Mines manned by the Diddymen! However, I soon learned the error of my ways, and that the East the Water mines produced an odd sort of coal that was not much good for burning but made excellent paint for the bottoms of ships.

Then this year I heard for the first time of the "Kelly Mine" near Moretonhampstead where they used to dig up an odd sort of Iron Ore that was no use for smelting but made excellent protective paint for ironwork. Well, I'm prepared to believe anything now, so when the Rolle Canal Society asked me to write about it and invite folks to join them on an outing to Kelly Mine I agreed to risk ridicule and send in an article for the Buzz.

It seems that an enthusiastic restoration group have made a wonderful job of bringing all the above ground workings of the Kelly Mine back to life, with its sixteen



foot water wheel powering the machinery for grinding, washing, sifting and preparing the ore to make the paint. You can read about it and see photographs on their web-site: just enter Kelly Mine on Google if you have the facility.

If that arouses your interest, why not make a day of it and join the Rolle Canal Society on their outing to see the Kelly Mine and the Bovey Tracey Heritage Centre. The date is **Sunday 18th September** and for details of time, cost and transport etc. contact Adrian Wills on 01237 477705 or email Adrian@therollecanal.co.uk.

#### **Chris Hassall**

Yoga with Atsuko

Monday and Friday 10am-11.30am;
Tuesday 7pm-8.30pm
At Alwington Village Hall, Fairy Cross
Starts 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011

All welcome

Enquiries (01237) 451813; text 07500497162;

### **Appledore Maritime Museum**

Many local people say they haven't been to visit the North Devon Maritime Museum yet.

This Autumn you could discover its appeal - solely run by volunteers it is open Monday -Friday until 31st October 11am -12.30pm Saturdays and Sundays from 2pm- 4.15pm; (last admission half an hour before closing)

Appledore Maritime is housed in a fine listed building with

items from our local seafaring past, models and photographs of sail and steam vessels, shipbuilding, fishing wreck and rescue, World War2 Experimental Beach landings display, Victorian Kitchen Gift Shop, North Devon On Disk and Record Office Service Point. Victorian Schoolroom for educational visits.



Tel 01237 422064 Parties most welcome by appointment.

Wheelchair access to Ground Floor only.

Admission: Adults £1.50, Senior Citizens £1.00, Children (5 to 16) accompanied by an adult 30p. www.devonmuseuns.net/appledore. Follow the brown tourist signs to the Maritime Museum. Odun Road Appledore - Car Park opposite Museum.

### This year's visitors' comments show how much people from outside the area enjoyed it 'Lovely volunteers -brilliant Loads of good info!'

'All that a maritime museum should be'- MJ Gloucestershire

'First class exhibition' MR Salisbury

'Fascinating facts- learned a lot – will be back S 'very helpful staff- made visit more rewarding' HD family from Bridgewater and London

'Very nice interesting museum -Elly liked to ring

the 'ship's) bell BG Belaium

'Wonderful' RN South Africa 'It was cool' MT Vienna

'Very interesting' CB British Columbia, Canada Kent

'Amazing' MG Bristol

'Great value' MR Northampton

'Wonderful photographs and dioramas – well

worth a visit, CB York

'very detailed display -fascinating' SD

Lincolnshire

Warwickshire

'What a history lesson' RS Bristol

'We liked the (ships') engines Ma Frankfurt,

'So much to see and so interesting to read' ER

### One hundred years ago

#### Clovelly

An old minute book and papers has come into the possession of the Rector of Clovelly in respect of the relief to the sufferers of a great storm in 1821. On Octover 4th 1821 as a result of a storm in Bideford Bay thirty one fishermen perished leaving nineteen widows and sixty one children who had been their dependents. Eleven of the men were from Clovelly.

### **London and South Western Railway**

On certain days -to Barnstaple 1 shilling (5p) Ilfracombe 2 shillings (10p) Lynton and Lynmouth 3 shillings (15p) Exmouth 4 shillings (20p)

### **Bideford and District Horse Show**

Held in Moreton Park on Monday August 7<sup>th</sup> 1911. Prizes amounting to £160 and five silver cups. Opening by the Mayor accompanied by the Corporation. Excepting Peterborough the Bideford Show is claimed to be the oldest in England.

#### **Exhibition of pictures by H Percy Heard**

The annual exhibition of oil and water colour paintings and sketches took place in the School of Art. the work of H Percy Heard. (For certain some of his work may still be seen in homes in this area to this day) Mike Davy

### "Local Vocal" Combination

Two of North Devon's most popular choirs are combining their talents this autumn. The Appledore Singers and Torridge Male Voice Choir are providing an evening of music and song on Saturday 8th October 7.30pm at Woolsery Community Hall, raising funds for Marie Curie Cancer Care and The North Devon Hospice. Peter Miller hosts the show. Home made cakes are provided for the interval and the bar will be open. Tickets are just £5 from Hazel on 01237 431982 (not 6-7pm) from 1st October, and can be delivered. Your part? Just come along to this wonderful venue and enjoy the evening. It'll be a night to remember.

### **Family History**

The next meeting of the Bideford Group of the Devon Family History Society will be on **Saturday 17th Sept 2011** when the speaker will be Dr Todd Gray, the Exeter Historian and author and also president of the DFH Society.

His talk will be about " *Village strife and The Great War Remembrance in North Devon*". The meeting, at The Burton Art Museum, Bideford, will start at 2.0pm and finish 4.0pm. All are welcome, it is free and light refreshments will be on sale. Family History sessions at Bideford Library. start **in September**, booking only, via the library tel 476075

Any further enquiries, please contact me on 01237 472883. See you soon, Len Collum

### News from the Burton Art Gallery & Museum

The Westward Ho! & Bideford Art Society Annual Exhibition on show until the **4**<sup>th</sup> **September**, must be one of the best ever, and if you haven't yet seen it, make it a priority now. Artists from our own region are producing such excellent work, that an exhibition of this quality must rival any in the entire country. The whole range of media can be seen, from sculpture and carving in wood and stone, to textiles – embroidery, felt, batik and collage; you will see a range of woodcuts, engravings, etchings, and screenprints, and paintings



in every media. Ceramics, wood-turning, hand-spinning, stained glass, - all are represented in this magnificent exhibition.

Follow that! as we say – but the **80 drawings by 40 artists from the Drawing Gallery**, may well be good enough to satisfy our needs. Works by leading and emerging British artists. arrive on **10**<sup>th</sup> **September**, and stay until **17**<sup>th</sup> **October**. Michael Craig-Martin had his own exhibition in the Burton earlier this year. Peter Randall-Page is another familiar name, and among others, they are joined by Edward Allington, Jason Brooks, Tim Head, Adam Dant, Stephen Farthing, Michael Sandle, Alison Wilding and Bill Woodrow. On **10**<sup>th</sup> **September at 2pm**, come to the 'Talk and Tour' by Yvonne Crossley, Director of the Drawing Gallery.

**Trevor Price**, whose prints have adorned the Craft Gallery for many years, holds his own exhibition from 12<sup>th</sup> September to 10<sup>th</sup> October. Some of his works are humorously erotic, so be prepared! He was elected 'Printmaker of the Year' at Printfest, Britain's only artfair dedicated to printmaking. His free 'Talk and Tour' is on 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm.

On **10**<sup>th</sup> **September** there is another opportunity to 'Meet the Pots' on a Heritage Open Day, from 10-30 to 1.30, free, and handle some of the Gallery's unique Ceramic Collection. All ages welcome. On **8**<sup>th</sup> **October** you can join **The Big Draw.** Free. Pick up a pencil and get creative, helped by artist Miriam McCurdy. Fun for all the family, so come and have a go! Organisers are Bideford Library and Devon Family Learning. Also Murder at the Burton – Dinner & Murder Mystery **Friday 7th October** - 7pm £32 To book your place please contact the Burton (e)<u>burtonartgallery@torridge.gov.uk</u> (t) 01237 471455

A quick reminder to artists – are you getting ready for the Friends' Annual Christmas Exhibition? Handing-in days are 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November, and the exhibition dates are **19<sup>th</sup> November to 18<sup>th</sup> December.** You can collect the paperwork with all the Conditions of Entry from Reception from now on **Diana Warmington**, Secretary of the Friends.



### Good Age Page





This photo of a gathering outside the Swan Inn, East the Water, (now the 'Riverbank') was kindly donated by Hilda Bartlett a former Bidefordian now living away. Do you recognise anyone in the photo.?What was the occasion? Please email Buzz at <a href="mailto:editor@bidefordbuzz.org.uk">editor@bidefordbuzz.org.uk</a> or write to Rose Arno c/o Bidefod Library New Rd Bideford Ex39 2HR



Another photo donated by Hilda- this time of Brownies in the 1930s -again do you recognise anyone?

**Senior Council for Devon (local group)** Public Meeting Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2.15pm Bideford Town Hall **The Big Society?** MP Geoffrey Cox Questions /Answers? Refreshments/ All Welcome

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

I want to introduce myself. I am the Volunteer Co-ordinator at The Keystone Centre, in Bideford. TTS (Torridge Training Services) For further information on volunteer opportunities contact me on 01273 479491 / 0759523339 **Sue Musyoki** 



# BIDEFORD BAY CHILDREN'S CENTRE PAGE



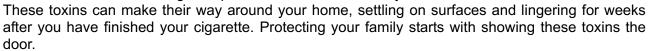
## Can you take the Smoke Free Homes Challenge, and take your smoke outside?

Bideford Bay Children's Centre is working with NHS colleagues and SmokeFree South West to promote awareness of the dangers to babies and children of smoking within the home. Did you know:

- that poisonous chemicals can stay in the home long after a cigarette has been extinguished?
- that 2 out of 10 households in the South West still have smoking within the home?

The Children's Centre, SmokeFree South West and others are encouraging smokers to take their smoke outside.

When you smoke inside your home, poisonous chemicals are left behind on everything your family comes into contact with. This includes furniture, walls, rugs, carpets and even children's toys.



#### Take the smoke outside.

Babies and children are even more sensitive to smoke than adults as their bodies are young and still developing.

Babies and children exposed to second hand smoke are:

- Twice as likely to have asthma attacks and chest infections
- More likely to need hospital care in their first year of life
- Off sick from school more often
- More likely to get more coughs, colds and wheezes.

### Helpful tips:

Always smoke outside well away from children

When out and about with the family, find non-smoking areas

On short car journeys smoke before you set off, rather than in the car

On longer journeys, stop and smoke outside away from the children.

Go to www.smokeoutside.co.uk or text OUTSIDE to 81025 to request your FREE Smoke Outside information pack and find out why smoking right outside is the best way to protect your family. If you would like support with giving up smoking, phone the NHS Smoking Helpline: 0800 169 0 169. Or if you are pregnant and would like support to give up smoking, call the NHS Pregnancy Smoking Helpline: 0800 169 9 169.

#### Jane Kivlin

### Victoria Park Play Project Extension Underway!

Work has started on the development of even more all inclusive play equipment for Bideford's Victoria Park. With nearly £50,000 of grant money from Community Spaces, a Big lottery funding grant secured by the Parent Carers Voice and Torridge District Council's Culture and Leisure Services team, this exciting extension to the existing play areas will expand and enhance the already fantastic facilities for children.

Torridge's Lead Member for Young People, Councillor John Lewis, said, it's great to see a new area under construction. Look out for a wheelchair friendly trampoline, a basket swing, an all inclusive sand pit and much more to keep the children happy and occupied!" It should be completed and ready for playtime within 6 weeks.

### The Tarka Child Contact Centre Annual General Meeting

Thursday October 6th Bideford Bay Children's Centre at 5.45pm. For details, contact Sally, Centre Co-ordinator, 07530 605681







### Do something worthwhile over the next year!

In July we asked you what you wanted to do with your summer, but more specifically, what was the one thing alone that you had a real desire to achieve this summer? This month, in a bid to help you on your way, we've picked out two of our favourite suggestions and applied them to the new academic year.

#### **Read More**

We all say it at some point, but never really end up achieving it. Our busy lives have become filled up with the ever present temptations of the internet, boasting instant newsfeeds and constant social networking, so much so it seems hard to find a spare five minutes to sit down and read a good old fashioned book. Especially if you've been out of the book circuit for a while it seems a little daunting where to start – there's a million and one books out there, but which would each of us enjoy reading? This is yet another place where your local library can help. Most libraries will have folders somewhere on their shelves of book reviews, giving you suggestions of what to read, depending on the kind of things you like, or if you'd prefer to speak to someone, the librarians spend a lot of time around the books so will be more than happy to give a helping hand!

Once you've started reading, it's like a treasure hunt, as one book almost invariably leads onto another. Look at the back page of books you've finished, as they normally contain ideas for similar things you may enjoy

### Junior Training at Bideford RFC

Many thanks to the young person who mentioned our training sessions on the Youth Page of the August edition of Buzz. Just to confirm- official training starts on Wednesday 7th September.

U7 to U12 6pm till 7pm U13 to U16 7pm till 8.30pm.

Boys and girls are welcome to our friendly club. Training is held at the rugby club by RFU qualified coaches. Come and give us a try!

Telephone: 07970205026 Steve Wonnacott

reading. Maybe look out for books by the same author or in the same genre. If you're feeling really adventurous, just pick a random book off the shelf and read it.

As you begin to read more, it's perhaps useful to keep a note of what you've read. It doesn't have to be much, a couple of lines on what you thought of it is easily enough to remind you of the book in future.

#### Get a Job

With the prospect of university and college looming for many, it's unsurprising that so many people are clamouring for some extra pennies to see them through the year ahead. But if you've never had a job before it can seem like an impossible task, even before you begin. Where to look? What to say? First things first, if you're

under sixteen it's important to check the rules, as the government put guidelines in place to make sure you're as safe as possible and not working too much.

Remember that job-hunting is a hard business, so don't be put down if people don't get back to you. Try as many different places as you can think of, just pop in, ask about any vacancies and remember to smile and be friendly! It's really useful to write up a CV- a document which contains your qualifications experience and perhaps a personal statement on why you think you'd be good at working. Having one to hand in shows you're committed to getting a job, and means that they can keep you on file if anything comes up later. Even if you don't seem to have any relevant work experience, don't panic- you can mention things you've been involved with, like the school council, or sports clubs, for instance - they all give you skills you could use while working. Also remember to keep your eye open online too, as many big companies now advertise online too. As for what to wear? We suggest that a comfortable smart-casual mix is good enough for most.

**Jemma Collins** 

### You write ......

### **West Country Blizzard**

I am currently clearing out the contents of my mother- in -law's loft. She and her late husband lived and worked in Ilfracombe 1968-1978. I have found a signed copy of a publication called - *The West Country Blizzard1978* by **John Foster and Dick Charteris**, published by Polypress Ltd of Bideford. It is of cartoon sketches with captions which depict scenes during the bad weather of 1978.

The foreword says: ..........'through the pages of this little book of ours shine the heroism and endurance of those who flew their helicopters in impossible conditions on their errands of mercy, the courage and determination of those who fought the elements to restore our light and heat ......we dedicate this little book.' Is it of any interest to you for your archives? Are the authors still in the area? (Does anyone know? **Ed)** 

#### Trish Rull

(Book now available to consult at Bideford Library RA)

#### **Metal Detection**

The purpose of this letter is two fold – to draw your attention to the Club's existence and to invite you (with no obligation to join) to come along to our monthly meetings at:-The Methodist Church Hall, Great Torrington on the **4th Monday of the Month 7pm for 7.30pm.** 

The second is SITES. We would like any landowner, large or small, to consider allowing us to metal detect on their property. Of particular interest is land with historical Interest – maybe a manor house, or site of, or an ancient building, mill or barn. Not everywhere is suitable and not everywhere is free from restriction (Historic Monuments and Sites of Scientific Interest often have legal limitations.)

Richard Holladay, 01409271256, (Holsworthy) folly.gate@virgin.net

#### **Bideford and District Christian Aid**

We would like to thank everyone who supported Christian Aid Week through door-to-door street or church collections You raised about £4000 which is excellent.

Our next event is a safari supper on **Weds 14<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm**. This is a five course mobile meal around Bideford costing around £6 per head. More details and tickets from Carol North on 07925 425311

Carol North

### Chemotherapy appeal

We would like to thank everyone who has helped us along so far, with our fund raising We had a massive success with the Tapeley Park House tour at the end of July. The Devon Girls Trek China Team would like to thank Daphne and Hector for their help and for kindly allowing us to be there. Hector Christie gave us a fascinating tour of his beautiful home, along with an insightful family history. A very good host thank you. It was a glorious day, enjoyed by all, and we raised a triumphant £340 for the Chemotherapy Appeal at the NDDH Thank you again for all your support. **Nikki Bellew** 

### Seed and plant swap 2011

Following on from the very successful swap in 2010, Northam Community Swaps are holding another event on **Saturday 17th September** at Northam Hall (junction of Atlantic Way and Fore Street – parking available) from 2pm to 4pm.

Once again the swap will be attended by the experts from RHS Rosemoor, who are donating some great raffle prizes and will be on hand to give help and advice. The event is sponsored by Value House Bideford, who are donating lots of seeds to swap.

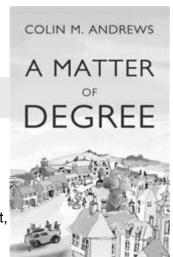
For each packet of seeds or plant you take you will be able to exchange it for another. If you don't have any to swap still go along as there will also be seeds and plants for sale.

Entrance will be 50p (children free) and all monies raised will be donated to local charities.

There will also be cream teas available, along with cakes and refreshments.

For further details telephone 01237 423292 or email northamswaps@fsmail.net.





### A Matter of Degree – Colin M Andrews

No mobile phones, no internet, no mixed sex accommodation and *definitely* no alcohol on Sundays - A Matter of Degree is set in the early 1970's and follows the comical and dramatic exploits of Robert Kiddecott, a farmer's son from Devon, and Jacob Moses, his folk singing friend, through the three years to graduation at a fictional teacher training college in mid-Wales.

Rob's relationships with the fairer sex and Jake's penchant for involving Rob in well-meaning projects lead to bizarre yet utterly believable and amusing scenarios. Will unexpected turns of fate always thwart Rob's amorous inclinations? Why is Jake obsessed with an abandoned observatory? Whatever inspires Jake to get Rob and their fellow students in the folk traditions of Mumming and Morris dancing? In what other directions does Jake's persuasive enthusiasm lead his friends? And what key part does Jessica play in their lives?

The answers to all these questions are revealed in this warm-hearted and entertaining novel as Colin Andrews draws on his long experience as a teacher, folk performer and Morris dancer to give a tantalising glimpse into student life of the seventies

Available from Walter Henry's Bookshop, 12 High St, Bideford 01237 425727. You can also visit us on line

### KINGSLEY INDOOR BOWLING CLUB, WESTWARD HO!

Earlier this year I attended a meeting in Exeter which had been called to persuade bowling clubs to introduce over 60s to the sport of bowls. From that meeting the following statistic has stayed with me. Did you know there are over 45 different sports that a young person can take up, but when you reach 60 there are only about 4. And one of these is bowls!

There is a move afoot to encourage us older adults to play a sport for our health, so why not try bowls. Apart from the physical exercise the bonus is to make new friends and enjoy the social side of the game.

At Kingsley Indoor Bowling Club we can help. Every Autumn we hold our taster day, everybody welcome. No booking needed, just walk in,introduce yourselves, you will be loaned shoes and bowls, go on the rink with a coach and have a go. If you have enjoyed the experience and would like to learn more we give you three more coaching sessions before asking you to become a member of the club. Now you can't say fairer than that.

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I look forward to seeing you on Saturday 24th September

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### Life of a stone mason

An occasional series on local craftspeople Tim Harvey is a stonemason living in Bideford..here he describes the kind of work he undertakes.

I was born in Weston- Super-Mare and started my apprenticeship in Portland, Dorset, famous for its hard limestone.

I then worked on Wells Cathedral in Somerset restoring and replacing the stone work on the Chapter House, where I became foreman.

After leaving Wells I became a journeyman travelling all over the world working on historic buildings, in fact wherever the work was happening.

I returned to England and found myself travelling to Hereford Cathedral, carving stone for the restoration of the Lady Chapel. During this time I set up stone carving workshops at festivals.

One of my proudest moments was this year at Glastonbury Festival, when my apprentice, Haden who worked for me at Hereford Cathedral visited me and told me he had become 'Master mason' on York Minster.

My wife and I were tired of travelling and settled down with a dog,cat, and workshop in the back yard. I have been busy since living here and am currently carving two tombs in Portland Stone. I have recently been to the North Devon Show to demonstrate my skills and erase the myth that stone-carving is a dying trade.

Tim Harvey

### Three gardens near Barnstaple open on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

**Gorwell House** Barnstaple EX32 7JP opens on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September from 2.00pm to 6.00pm. Admission is £3.50, children free. Mostly created by John Marston since 1979, this four acre garden overlooking the Taw estuary has a benign microclimate which allows many rare and tender plants to grow and thrive, both in the open and in the walled garden. **The garden is located 1 mile east of** Barnstaple centre on the Bratton Fleming Road. Plants usually for Sale.

**32 Allenstyle Drive**, Yelland, Barnstaple EX31 3DZ is also open on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September and again on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September form 10.30am to 6.00pm. The subtropical planting in this 50 x 100ft garden includes bananas, hedychiums (gingers), palms, and an exotic collection of passionflowers and more. Cream teas available and also plants for sale.

**The Old Rectory, Ashford, Barnstaple EX31 4BY** is open on Sunday 11th September from 11am to 5pm. One and a half acres of south facing garden, with superb views of Taw estuary. Top garden: large pond with lilies, borders show interesting planting. Lower garden: wide variety of unusual plants and shrubs. Plenty of seating, tea is served on the terrace

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Organisations within the Parish of Bideford who wish to apply for a grant from the Town Council must apply on a form obtainable from the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Bideford, EX39 2HS,

Tel: (01237) 428817/8 or E Mail: admin@bideford-tc.gov.uk

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### FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER 2011

Grants will be paid in May/June 2012

### Velvet & Vanilla

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### Try a new bar!

Did you know we are also open as a cool and funky cocktail & wine bar every Friday & Saturday night 7 till midnight?

- ♥ Pre- and post-dinner drinks
- ♥ Pizzas & Mediterranean mezze
- ♥ Birthdays, hen-nights etc a speciality!
- ♥ Booking recommended

### BIDEFORD FILM SOCIETY

Bridesmaids (15) Friday 2 September; Larry Crowne (12A) Friday 16 September; Super 8 (12A)Friday 23 September Saturday 24 September; The Rise of the Planets of the Apes (12A)Friday 30 September Saturday 1 October

All of the above films are at the Edgehill Theatre, Kingsley Schoo I Doors open at 7.00pm, film starts at 7.30pm.

Tickets: General £5.50 Concessions £5.00 Members £4.00 Group (up to 3 children & 2 adults) £12.00 DOORS 7.00pm for film at 7.30pm

To avoid disappointment please check local press for confirmation of above programme or or visit our web site www.bidefordfilmsociety.co.uk

### ♥ £2 Off ♥ £2 Off ♥

Any cocktail jug or bottle of wine Friday & Saturday 7-9pm one voucher per customer not valid for private parties

Land with development potential? Planning application?

Advice and assistance on planning issues

### Paul Green MRTPI

Bideford based, qualified town planner with extensive local experience

Initial free consultation on all planning issues

01237 471104 or info@paulgreenplanning.co.uk

### **Quaker Meetings for Worship**

are held at 17 Honestone St, Bideford (near Pannier market)

10.30am on Sunday mornings
All are welcome

Enquiries tel 01237 421549

### Scene and Heard at your local library.

This is just a small selection of DVDs and CDs that are available from your library. And remember, if there is something special you would like, we can always order it in for you.

### The Eagle (DVD)

A film with many different sides to it. The story is a classic search for a lost eagle standard, Then there is the search for the fate of the main character's father. For history lovers there is a great battle scene showing costume and weapons of the period. The plot is a little different from the book, but enjoyable none-the-less, with strong acting from Jamie Bell..

### Country Strong (DVD)

An uplifting film about a depressed country singer, relationships, and the problems that arise. Some amazing vocals from the leading actors, and even if you are not a "country" fan, this film will entertain.

### Emmylou Harris – Hard Bargain (CD)

Another "country" acquisition. Emmylou at her very best with a variety of songs with beautiful, poetic lyrics. A superb album in every sense.

### Caro Emerald – Deleted scenes from the cutting room floor (CD)

An amazing singer from the Netherlands, not your average pop artist, and her songs are just brilliant. Although unusual, she has a massive commercial appeal and deserves her place in the charts. The perfect album for summer days and nights.......

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### **Introducing Bideford Music Club**

It has been said that Bideford Music Club is one international artists who have played in top of the best kept secrets of Bideford - it is now introducing its fifty-fourth season. Not only does Festival Hall etc. and also abroad. it invite superb classical artists for its concerts but the audience is not much more than 20 feet from them which gives a great feeling of intimacy and rapport, ideal for chamber music. The club holds six concerts a year during the winter months and tries to have as wide a variety of instrumentalists as possible; it usually includes a solo concert pianist, which is always very popular. Programmes, chosen by the artists, are always interesting for the audience no matter what their level of musical knowledge. There are many musical competitions from the car park in Honestone Street. New for young musicians; the coveted prizes include sponsorship for them to gain concert experience: the club takes full advantage of these discounted fees in order to invite topquality players, some already experienced

venues in this country such as Wigmore Hall,

Professional artists with a local connection are always popular; the club has hosted many of today's top artists before they became better known, Bobby Chen (pianist), Emma Kirkby (soprano) to name just two.

You do not have to be a member to come to concerts. Members buy entry to either six or four concerts per season in advance at reduced rates, but the option of paying at the door is always available. Concerts are held in the Methodist Hall in Bideford High Street, entry programmes are now available and the season starts on October 5th with a concert by Courtlye Musick. They will perform Tudor music with colourful costumes and an extensive range of 15th and 16th century instruments.

For brochures please contact Lindy Johnson on 01237 423112.

### **Book news**

### Cloud Atlas by David Mitchell

This book was a Man Booker Prize finalist and has gained much critical acclaim. It has a very unusual structure in that it comprises six separate stories, five of which are split in two. Each of the first halves ends on a cliff hanger and is completed after the sixth entire story, which is in the middle.

The subject matter of each tale varies greatly and each one is written in a completely different voice and style. The first deals with an American lawyer voyaging across the Pacific in the nineteenth century; the second concerns an impecunious composer in the 1930s; then comes a thriller set in America in the 1970s; next an elderly publisher owes money in 1980s Britain. The final two stories take place in the world of the future.



Members of the Book Group had different reactions to this book, which is usually the case! Some found it confusing and annoying. They disliked its structure and felt it was pretentious rather than clever. Although admitting that David Mitchell had managed to write in six different genres, they thought this made it more difficult to read.

Others enjoyed the book, believing that it was cleverly written, even though it was acknowledged that it had been a challenging read. Having read it from beginning to end, a couple of us had then cheated and read each story as a complete unit. We felt we had made more connections this way, and gained more from it. The trouble with its layout is that one forgets what happened at the start of the book. I am not advocating that one ignores David Mitchell's chosen format, but it is an alternative option to consider.

There are links between the stories, but not overpowering ones. The stories explore the themes of power, imprisonment and enslavement, and do not always show humanity at its best.

### **Elizabeth Scott Bideford Library Readers' Group**

The Book group meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 2pm. Contact Bideford Library for details on 01237 476075 or bideford.library@devon.gov.uk

### **Dr. Todd Gray**

(see page 4 'Family History)

Todd has written more than 45 books on the history of Devon and Cornwall and more than a dozen scholarly articles.

He has his own publishing business and has successfully published 48 titles mainly written by him, and some, by other writers. Two of them were awarded `Devon Book of the Year' by the Devon History Society. All the books published cover a wide range of aspects relating to the South West and particularly Devon and Exeter.

#### Titles by him include:-

Devon country houses and gardens engraved; Devon household accounts, 1627-59, ; Elizabethan Devon; Devon and the slave trade; Early-Stuart mariners and shipping: Looting in wartime Britain; Lost Devon: creation, change and destruction

For a full list of titles available at Devon Libraries visit www.devon.gov.uk/library/catalogue/



### THE SHIPPING NEWS



Ship	Registered flag owners	From	То	Date arrived	Date sailed	Crew	Cargo loaded
<b>Leonid Leonov</b> Built 1994	Valletta Malta Russian	Sharpness	Wismar	30/7/11	2/8/11	Russian	2300 tons timber

The crane used by the shippers Euroforest did not arrive until 1000 hrs on the 1.8.2011 and with assistance of the Torridge Harbour crane managed to complete loading at 19.00 hrs.

There are 5 further timber shipments due out of Bideford up to the end of 2011

There should have been a shipment of Clay from Bideford to Castellon; however due to major road works in Torrington the cargo had to be transported to Plymouth by road for shipment on the **Celtic Voyager** 

Arco Dart 15.7.2011; 13.8.2011;14.8.2011;Oldenburg continues her sailings to Lundy.

#### **Bristol Channel Observations.**

20.7.2011 at 18.34 hrs vehicle carrier **Autosun** 6670 tons d.w. owners UECC Unipessoal Ltda Funchal Maderia, inward bound for Portbury.

**21.7.2011** at 16.10 hrs cargo vessel **Jia Xing** 22109 tons d.w. owners Polish Ocean Line Poland , outward bound from Newport.

**22.7.2011** at 16.50 hrs cruise ship **Prinsendam** 37,983 tons gross tons owners Holland America Line, Holland, outward bound from Ilfracombe to St Peter Port C.I, having sailed at 15.45 hrs; at 19.17 hrs vehicle carrier **Grande Colonia** 12292 tons d.w, owners Grimaldi Line of Italy, outward bound from Portbury, having sailed at 16.03 hrs.

**23.7.2011** at 0834 hrs container ship **Elevation** 6649 tons d.w, owners Elevation Shipping B.V Netherlands inward bound for Avonmouth; 18.41 hours cargo vessel **Jevenau** 3702 tons d.w, owners E. Strahlmann Reederei EK Germany, outward bound from Newport.

**25.7.2011** at 17.47 hrs cargo vessel **Kento** 2300 tons d.w owners Baltasar Shipping S.A Russia, inward bound for Sharpness.

**26.7.2011** at 09.57 hrs chemical tanker **Stolt Kingfisher** 5860tons d.w owners Stolt Kingfisher B.V. Rotterdam, inward bound for Barry.

**27.7.2011** at 10.35 hrs container ship **Euro Storm** 7992 tons d.w, owners Euro Storm GMBH & Co KG Germany, inward bound for Newport; at 11.35 hrs cargo vessel **St Gregory** 32688 tons d.w owners Harvana Shipping Co Ltd Glasgow, inward bound for Newport,

**30.7.2011** at 21.45 cargo vessel **Rodau** 3712 tons d.w, owners E. Strahlmann Reederei EK Germany, inward bound for Newport.

**1.8.11** at 17.15 hrs vehicle carrier **Grande Ellade** 18440 tons d. owners Grimaldi Line of Italy, inward bound for Portbury; at 18.05 dredger **Sospandau** 2134 tons d.w, owners Sosban CV Netherlands outward bound from South Wales; at 19.45 hrs cargo vessel **African Zebra** 38623 tons d.w. owners Enterprises Shipping & Trading Greece, inward bound for Newport.

**6.8.2011** at 16.28 hrs vehicle carrier **Asian Vision** 21421 tons d.w. owners Eukor Shipping Singapore, inward bound for Portbury. Seen again **7.8.2011** at 19.46 hrs outward bound, having sailed at 16.34 hrs

**10.8.2011** at 13.50 hrs cargo vessel **River Pride** 1394 tons d.w., owners Riverline Trading Rochester, inward bound for Avonmouth.

**12.8.2011** at 15.36 hrs tanker **Mersey Fisher** owners J. Fisher Everard Ltd Barrow in Furness, outward bound from Avonmouth, having sailed at 10.38 hrs.

**13.8.2011** at 13.06 hrs bulk carrier **Asian Dream** 7448 tons d.w. owners Asian Dream Shipping Ltd Liberia, outward bound from Avonmouth having sailed at 08.56 hrs..

#### **Norman**

### September Diary 2011

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

4pm-7pm Bideford Bay Creatives First Friday events in Mill street and Culture show evening and talk Bideford Youth Centre artworks (see page1)

Palladium Club Basil's Ballsup band

Saturday 3<sup>rc</sup>

Torridge Ramblers 'Day walk tel 01805 622183

1.30pm Bideford Cricket Club v Kingsbridge 478860

1.30pm Aiko Jo(Japanese short staff) at Methodist Church Hall 01271 345513 www.aikijo.weebly.com

2pm (sellers) Car boot sale Buyers.(2.30pnm ) Westward Ho! Tennis Club, Avon Lane. Free tennis for under 16's. Palladium Club 'Charlie don't surf '478860 Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

Clovelly lobster and crab feast www,clovelly.co.uk

3pm Salvation Army meeting at Bideford **Baptist Church** 

Monday 5<sup>t</sup>

7.30pm Appledore Singers practice at Appledore School 7.30pm www.theappledoresingers.co.uk

Tuesday 6

10am Lavington Church coffee morningl lunches (-1.15pm)

2pm Bideford Salvation Army Fun and Fellowship Club; Upper Hall Bideford Baptist 8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Bideford Youth Centre 472101. Church

Palladium Club - Open Mic jam night 478860

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>

2pm Bideford Readers' group at Bideford Library tel 476075

7.30pm Bideford Regatta Week Quiz BAAC 622108 hall tel 478194 to book **Thursday 8**<sup>th</sup>

8pm Bideford Folk Club Bill Whaley and Dave Fletcher Joiners' Arms Friday 9<sup>t</sup>

Palladium Club ' Wendy May's Boom Boom Room' 478860

7.30pm Bideford Regatta Week Prize Bingo BAAC hall The Pill

Abbotsham WI meet at Abbotsham Village Hall 01237 474711

8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Tuesday 20th Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club Pipes and Drums Festival concert at Pollyfield 422477 tickets@rockbymail.co.uk Saturday 10th

6pm Bideford Carnival starts from Bideford Quay www.bidefordmassedbands.co.uk/ Palladium Club 'Reverend Hammer/Chloe Bix' - folk Celtic Rock

Sunday 11th

3pm Bideford Salvation Army North Devon Harmony choir in Baptist Church

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>

7.30pm Appledore Singers practice at Appledore School 7.30pm

www.theappledoresingers.c0.uk

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

Bideford Stamp Club meet at Bideford Youth centre tel 472101

Tuesday 13th

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

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

7.15pm Bideford Camera Club enrolment Carol 423242

Northam Choral Soc commence rehearsals School Room Methodist Church Northam 429080.

Palladium Club - Open Mic Jam night

Wednesday 14th

10.15am Bideford Probus meets at Royal Hotel tel 423153

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

2pm Bideford Library Group tel 476075 for details/ transport

Thursday 15<sup>t</sup>

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

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

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

7.30pm Quiz Night Alverdiscott Village hall in Brown Close tel 01392 457300 aid of chemotherapy appeal tel 01271 858493

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

Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Saturday 17th

Palladium Club 'The men they couldn't hang' www.theappledoresingers.co.uk rare chance to see Celtic war legends **Sunday 18**<sup>th</sup>

Torridge Ramblers' afternoon walk 01805

Monday 19th

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 practice at Appledore School 7.30pm Further information www.theappledoresingers.c 8.30pm North Devon Jazz Club at Beaver

Inn Appledore tel 01237 421065.

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

10.30am Macular Disease Society at Burton 476075 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 7.30pm North Devon Humanists meet in Church

7.30pm Bideford Camera Club meets Bideford Youth Centre 423242 Palladium Club - Open Mic jJm night 478860

Wednesday 21st

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

10.15 Bideford Probus at Royal Hotel tel 423153

2.15pm Meditation at Bideford Library 476075 entrance via town hall.

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

Burton Art Gallery -a talk by Deri Rundle 'My work in Rwanda' £5

Friday 23rd

7.30pm Abbotsham WI at Abbotsham Village Hall

7.45pm Sequence dancing at Kingsley Hall Westward Ho! Tel 01769 540309 Palladium Club Black Hole promotions 8pm Bideford Ceilidh Club. Folk Dancing for Fun, Bideford Amateur Athletic Club

Saturday 24th

Torridge Ramblers' day walk tel 01237 479473

Start of Appledore Book Festival-until October 2<sup>nd</sup> www.appledorebookfestival.co.uk tel 01237 424949

Palladium Club Chigago Music Explosion

Sunday 25th

10.00am. Coastal walk from Clovelly to Hartland Quay.01271 347224 for North Devon Hospice

3pm Salvation Army meeting at Bideford **Baptist Church** 

Monday 26th

10am Lip reading classes at Ethelwynne

heather@trelay.org

7pm Carers' Link Communal Hall Marlborough Court tel 01271 372811 7.30pm Bideford Stamp Club meet at

7.30pm Appledore Singers practise at Appledore School

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

Tuesday 27th

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

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

7.30pm Bideford Camera Club Bideford Youth Centre423242

7.30pm Northam Choral Society at Methodist Church Hall Northam tel 429080 Palladium Club - Open Mic jam night 478860

Wednesday 28th

10.15am Bideford Probus meets at Royal Hotel tel 423153

2pm Job Search help at Bideford Library tel

2.15pm Senior Council public meeting with Geoffrey Cox Bideford Town Hall 7.30pm Bideford Folk Dance Club at

Northam Hall. Tel: 475138

annex Fremington Hall 8pm Bideford Phoenix Morris dancers weekly practicee info@bidefordphoenix.co. Neil or Carolyn on 01237 473798.

Thursday 29th

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

2.15pm Thursday Fellowship tel 421956 Friday 30th

Palladium Club ifunk – funk soul covers

7.45pm Sequence dancing at KingsleyHall Westward Ho! Tel 01769 540309

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

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