



SEPTEMBER 2017

EDITOR'S NOTES

Welcome to the September Bugle and we apologise for the gap in the last two copies!

As you know the Bugle relies on volunteer input and this includes setting it out, printing, distribution and most importantly we need copy from the parisheners so it does not just end up as advertising. If you wish to include anything, be it poems, articles of general interest, village events etc then do let us know. You can email to bickleighbugle@outlook.com or drop off at the Old School. Don't forget we also love to receive photos of events and Bickleigh scenes so please send them in along with your text.

We see the Bickleigh website is progressing and more on this next month. In future the Bugle will also be available from the website. On the 7th October in the village hall the Castletown Boys will be performing. Do support the hall as this evening promises to be a real treat.

The Editors

Tim Scott
Calendar Cottage

Steve Batt
The Old School

NB Any outstanding subscriptions to Steve.

Cut off date for October issue - 22nd of September.

BICKLEIGH VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The BVH Committee would like to profusely thank resident Paul Sagar for painting the fence bordering the Village Hall Car Park and for clearing the weeds as he went along. We are very grateful to you Paul, as it has smartened up the area no end!

The new hall kitchen has been well tested in July. A large local Wedding reception took place in the hall at the beginning of the month and the kitchen was really put through its paces. The Bickleigh Yr 6 Leavers party (Indoor BBQ due to the poor weather!) finished off the month.

Date for your Diaries...Evening of **Saturday 7th October 2017**. The Castletown Boys from Bradninch will be playing "charged up folk songs about ships sinking, sailors drinking and ladies winking..." at the Village Hall. More info below, but the evening will involve local food and drink and a chance to have a good old fashioned knees up and catch up. For more details, please email kerry.peters3@btinternet.com

Many Thanks

Kerry Peters, Bickleigh Village Hall Chairperson

Kerry, Michelle, Robin, Matt, Chris, Derek and Richard

LIVE MUSIC AT BICKLEIGH VILLAGE HALL

**Saturday 7th October 2017
7.30pm**

Castletown Boys

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Please call Kerry on 855856 or 07968 889673 or
email kerry.peters3@btinternet.com to reserve tickets.

Organised by BVH Committee. Proceeds to hall funds to improve the stage
area/sound/lighting. Hope to see you!

ST MARY'S PEWS NEWS

SEPTEMBER

I think it worthwhile recalling some events of the recent summer months as the difficulties of sustaining the Bugle on a monthly routine are not to be underestimated. Perhaps it is time to replicate the Silverleigh with ten issues a year rather than attempting the very difficult task of a monthly issue.

Readers may recall an article I wrote some time ago on one of our hens which took to escaping from the coop to that part of the garden where the grass is certainly “greener”; hence her nickname “Brexit”. She was very adept at escaping and on occasion took “hop along” with her. Sadly, Brexit has died in nature’s way, quietly, unobtrusively and in a shady spot of the coop. Now we are six!

A big thank you to the Bickleigh School Association for allowing us a table at their Summer Fair and to Mr Steve Bosley for his help in calling out the raffle winners in order to raise funds towards the refurbishment and repair of the Parish Clock housed in St Mary’s Church clock. The sum of £175.00 was raised from the Church Council’s raffle and produce stall (another big thank you to all who contributed to the produce). Being in the midst of all that was going on was great fun.

The Sea Sunday evening service on Sunday 9th July at 6 pm in St Mary’s church raised £100.00 for the Mission to Seafarers. At the service we learnt something of the wide range of activities provided for seafarers from a welcome in warm friendly surroundings to helping those who find themselves out of work and many miles from their own country and families.

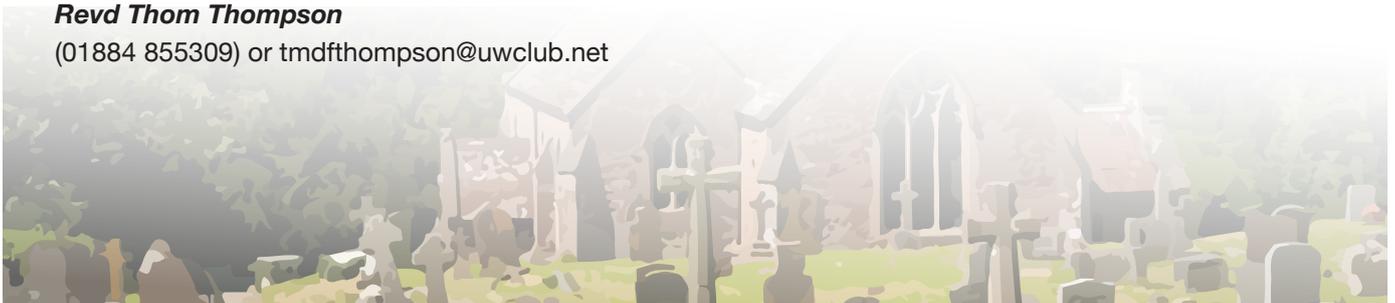
HARVEST 2017 – The focus for our Family Harvest service on **Sunday 17th September** will be the “Mustard Seed Appeal”. In one of his teachings, Jesus of Nazareth said that the Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.’(Mark 4:31-32). This appeal, initiated by the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby and now in its second year, seeks to establish a fairer financial system which includes everyone. Our aim is to support the appeal as it has as one of its practical objectives to reach out to children of primary school age with ideas of how to manage money. The foundation for the appeal acknowledges that some 8 million people in the UK struggle with debt. The phrase “Look after the pennies and the pounds will look after themselves” is a practical outworking of the teaching of Jesus in which we seek your support. All are welcome to the service.

Car Boot Sale - The next sale takes place at the Trout Inn car park on **Saturday 2nd September**, 9 am to 12 noon. (The setting up of stalls at 8 am. Private cars £5, vans and trailers £10). All proceeds go towards the cost of maintaining the changing rooms and the Bickleigh Recreation Field.

The Gospel According to St John – The topic for study and discussion as the House Group continues to meet at 7.30 pm on Thursday evenings at Gable Cottage from **21st September**. Please see the Mission Community weekly newsletters for confirmation of days when we meet.

Revd Thom Thompson

(01884 855309) or tmdfthompson@uwclub.net



NEW BICKLEIGH WEBSITE

A chance conversation with a new village resident (with IT experience) at a Church coffee morning will hopefully lead to the setting up of a web site for Bickleigh. Anxious that this would not be seen as a rival or alternative to the monthly 'Bugle' newsletter, a small group met at the Trout Inn to clarify respective roles and determine how each could help the other. At the same time the Parish Council asked to be involved and offered money to help set up and running costs. To date, a development site has been created and the group have met recently to be shown how to upload information under 3 main sections of 'News' 'Groups' and 'Events.' Once this is seen to be working well, the site will go live. Anyone with items of interest about the Bickleigh community, businesses and charities who would like to include information on the site should contact me, David Meredith, in the first instance.

The new web site for the Bickleigh Community is about to go live. We would like your business or service to be included for FREE in a Directory listing all local services. Paid adverts at special introductory rates are also available. Information and photos will be posted regularly with news, events, and activities of local groups and organisations.

Please let me know by return (email or telephone) your entry details;

Name of business/ service with contact tel. number/ web/ email address. Your support for this non profit community initiative will be appreciated.

David Meredith (Web volunteer planning group).

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BALANCE CLASSES

Balance Classes are for people who are unsteady on their feet and at risk of falling. The aim of these sessions is to improve balance, coordination, leg strength and help to prevent falls. This is a venture sponsored by The Friends of Wyndham House Surgery and is fully supervised by Margaret Clough, a trained instructor who is helped by some very experienced volunteer assistants. It is hoped that the participants will find the activities sociable, enjoyable and notice an improvement in their balance, co-ordination and confidence as a result.

The Balance Classes are held on Thursday mornings in the Silverton Community Hall (Millennium Hall), starting on **Thursday 28th September** and run for

6 weeks with a further 6 week course at a slightly more advanced level. Although they are paid for by The Friends of Wyndham House Surgery, they are open to anyone living in Silverton or neighbouring villages who would benefit from attending. There is no charge but donations may be made to the Friends of Wyndham House Surgery at the classes, and are always welcome. Places are limited, so participants would be expected to attend the whole course unless they became unwell.

Surveys from previous participants have rated the classes as excellent, enjoyable and of great benefit. If you would like to join the classes or would like further information, please leave a message at Wyndham

Trish Jones - Balance Class Volunteer and Co-ordinator

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As if the weather, illness and holidays weren't enough for members to contend with on the day of the Annual Show, South West Water had a major problem in Bickleigh on Exe on Saturday 19th August! Members arriving at the Hall before 8am found the taps dry – and that's the way they stayed! Everyone rallied round and brought water from far and wide to enable the Show to go on.

Janette Greenslade performed miracles, providing coffees in the morning, a delicious Lunch for the judges and committee and cream teas in the afternoon, leaving a spotless kitchen!

The Gurney Perpetual Challenge Shield for the most points overall was awarded to Wendy Baker. The Crediton Perpetual Cup for best exhibit in the Floral Art Section went to Ingrid Chetham. Sylvia Goff won the Salver for the most points in the Domestic Section. The Ridd Perpetual Cup for the best Domestic Exhibit went to Janette Greenslade. The cup for Best entry in the fruit and vegetable sections

went to Wendy Baker. The two children's shields went to Siya Magassa for her Poem and to Leyla Buttifant for her photograph.

The awards were followed by the Raffle Draw, organised by Marilyn Pope, and finally Farmer John conducted the Auction of Produce with the help of Gerald Loch and "runner" Leyla.

A reminder to all about the next coach outing on **Thursday 7th September** - to ROSEMOOR (the RHS gardens). The cost of the day's trip (coach fare and entry fee) is just £10. ' Phone Judi now if you want to join the trip - leaving Bickleigh Mill at 9am, returning to Bickleigh on Exe about 6pm.

The next evening meeting in the Village Hall is on **Monday 11th September** at 7.30pm. The talk is "Shady Ladies and Sun Seekers". The speaker will be bringing plants for sale. There will be the usual raffle/draw, refreshments and "Flower of the Month Competition". Hope to see you there.... all welcome!

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SHELTERBOX

We are delighted to report that at the beginning of June, we were able to send £600 to ShelterBox which funded our 14th box.

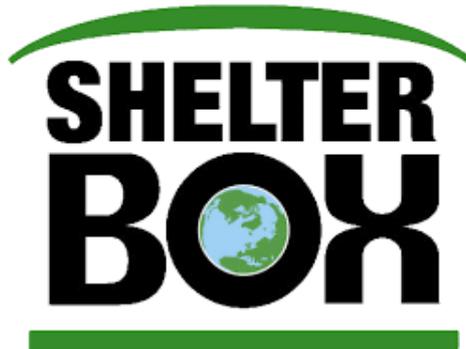
It was back in 2004 when Bickleigh International Disaster fund was set up in response to various disasters around the world. To raise money we did car boot sales, staged "Call My Bluff" and received generous donations and the money was sent to the Red Cross. Then in 2005 it was suggested that we support ShelterBox, a West country charity started by the Rotary in Helston, Cornwall. We felt it was good to support a local charity and see where the money was going. ShelterBox always informs us where the box is destined and we receive regular

news letters from the organisation. Over the years the total amount to fund the boxes is £8,260 and in addition to this, we have responded to appeals by donating smaller amounts when we felt the money was needed urgently.

ShelterBox is such a worthy charity which has not become too big and impersonal. It is relatively local and as many of you have seen on Spotlight, volunteers packing up and delivering the boxes which make it all the more real.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the charity over the years.

Olive



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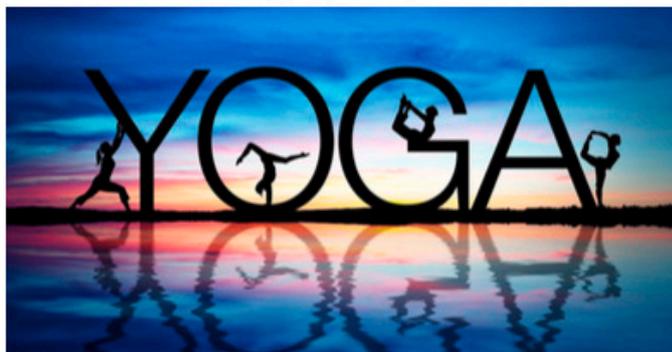
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September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 <i>Holy Communion – 8am</i>	4	5	6	7 <i>Gardening Club Rosemoor visit – 9 am Bickleigh Mill</i>	8	9 <i>Car Boot Sale – Trout Inn 9-12 noon</i>
10 <i>Patronal Songs of Praise – 6pm</i>	11 <i>Gardening Club evening meeting – Village Hall 7:30pm</i>	12	13	14	15	16
17 <i>Harvest Family Service – 11am</i>	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 <i>Holy Communion – 8am</i>	25	26	27	28	29	30

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