

# Ugborough Parish Newsletter

## October 2024



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### **St Peter's Church** – Sue Johns

Great to welcome everyone back to Messy Church in September. We celebrated God's Wonderful World - and one of our craft activities was the creation of an altar front which we will display for the Harvest Season.

We plan (as I write) to take it to the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Service at Diptford at the end of September, where we will show it as an item representing St Peter's. The other churches of the Mission Community will similarly also bring something important to them. This will demonstrate the collective range of interests of our individual churches under the umbrella of the Three Rivers Mission Community.

In October we celebrate **Harvest at our All-Age Service on Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup> at 9.30 a.m.** In our rural community we are blessed to be able to appreciate the harvest season in the countryside around us - so let's give thanks!

If you'd like to help decorate the church with flowers or produce, then do bring it along on the morning of Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>.

We will be collecting suitable items of food for Ivybridge Food Bank, so do bring along anything you can spare. We will remember The Farm Community Network with our collection.

**Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** sees a return of the ever popular **Bring and Share Harvest Supper** in Ugborough Village Hall. A great community event! £2 per adult to cover the hiring costs. Do come along!

You may remember the fantastic Christmas Carol Service we held last year, when the community came together with local musicians and singers to start our Christmas Season .

Well this year we plan to do likewise - on **Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 4.30 p.m.** - **Save The Date!**

Anyone interested in joining the community choir for this event just let me know.

We practise on a Friday at 5:30 - and will be starting soon!

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Musicians of all ages and genres welcome to support the singing.... Rumour has it Ufolk have an original composition up their sleeve for us....

### **Ugborough Dramatic Society**

There have been rumblings, rumours and speculation ... but here are the facts!!

We have decided to ring the changes this year and not perform a pantomime, or indeed a play from WW2 featuring the French Resistance!

But do Save the Dates: November 22nd and 23rd at 7:30 in Ugborough Village Hall.

When we will proudly present a fun Pasty, Punch and Play evening.

Watch this space!!

### **USS- Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays - Juliet Collis**

We had a great market on our return last month, with superb produce for sale and a real buzz in the café, with people enjoying a drink (the best value coffee around at £1 a mug) and also the bacon butties.

**WANTED – Surplus vegetables for sale** – we are often being asked if there are vegetables to buy, so if you have any surplus vegetables that you have grown, then please bring them along to USS for sale. There will be no table charge for our local veg producers!

**Volunteers for helping set up USS** – we are looking for volunteers for about 30 minutes on a Saturday morning to help set up the hall for USS with the tables and chairs, so that everything is ready to go for when the doors open. If you are able to occasionally lend a hand, please either pop into USS or email us at [ugboroughss@gmail.com](mailto:ugboroughss@gmail.com) for more information.

This month's USS will be held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Erme Valley RDA- Peggy Douglas 07882 286421**

We are settled back into the Autumn Term, and it's looking exciting with a packed programme planned - which features:

The Changing Lives Programme, Horse Care and Equine Facilitated Therapy / Education alongside our regular riding sessions.

Looking ahead, the London Horse Show trip is on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Anyone interested please let me know.

Finlake Weekend is planned Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November to Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Always a popular event with activities and lots of Fun!

We have entered the National Virtual Competition again this year - which will be ongoing at Weekends until October 6<sup>th</sup> - featuring Show Jumping, Dressage and Countryside Challenge.

We are pleased to once again be able to run Hippotherapy Sessions with our own specialised instructor.

We are delighted to welcome new yard staff to look after the daily needs of our horses - which is so vital, particularly heading into winter.

Our next Dementia Friendly Tea with a Pony will be on October 1st. If anyone in the Community knows of someone who might benefit from this event, please let me know.

We are always very grateful for any of the following: Cleaning materials. Toilet Rolls. Sponges (for horses!). Biscuits. Hot chocolate, Tea & Coffee. Pop anything you can spare into The Brook - or leave at 22, Fore Street.

Thank you.

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**Ladies' Lunch** *Pat Stephens*

The date for the next lunch is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at The Ship, Ugborough for 12 noon.

Contact Pat Stephens 07704 113837 to book.

**Anniversary Concert - The Greenwood Consort at 30**

On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 p.m. in St Peter's Church, Ugborough, The Greenwood Consort will present a 30th anniversary programme.

Bach: Brandenburg Concerto no. 4      Monteverdi: Beatus Vir

Handel: Alpestre Monte      Telemann: Concerto for recorder and bassoon

Purcell: O dive custos      Vivaldi: Concerto in C for sopranino recorder, RV443.

Free entry - collection in aid of church funds and the charity Music for All Refreshments available.

**Ugborough Chair Exercise Class** *Peter Povey*

The Class will take place each Friday in October, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>, in Ugborough Village Hall from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. We welcome new members to join us for exercises particularly suitable for older people, and for others who cannot manage conventional exercise classes. We will not be meeting on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November, as that is half-term week, but we will then resume on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> November. We would like to thank County Councillor Dan Thomas for supporting us in our successful bid for £300 from Devon County Council's Locality Budget towards the running costs of the Class.

Enquiries about the Class to 01752 691654 or [povey.ann@googlemail.com](mailto:povey.ann@googlemail.com) .

The Thursday Coffee Morning in St Peter's Church All are welcome! Pop along for a beverage and cake between 10 and 11.45 a.m. and support our continuing weekly Post Office.

Hand gel is available and respect others' space.

**Ivybridge u3a October meeting-** *Thomas Little*

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024 at the Watermark Centre

The speaker, Ian Gasper, will share his experience of Papua New Guinea : its tribes, cultures and birds of paradise.

The event is open to non-members and those no longer in full-time employment who wish to find out more of what u3a has to offer.

## **G-UP**

**Creating a community where it's easy to live sustainably**



**<https://www.ugborough.com/g-up>**

**Brown Hairstreak butterflies - Susan Williams**

Have you been lucky enough to see the elusive Brown Hairstreak butterfly? It can be found on woodland edges and along hedgerows in southern England from late July until September. It spends most of its time either high in the tops of large ash trees (where it feeds on aphid honeydew) or laying its eggs on blackthorn hedges. Eggs are laid on young growth of Blackthorn and other Prunus species so annual flailing and hedgerow removal along with Ash dieback have had a serious effect on populations. I have been volunteering with The Devon Wildlife Trust Saving Devon's Treescape Project surveying for Brown Hairstreak. Looking for the distinctive eggs during the winter is the easiest method. Eggs are laid singly on suckering Blackthorn shooting out from the ground at the edge of bushes and on fresh young 1–2-year-old blackthorn twigs. Let me know if you have seen suitable blackthorn habitat or have seen the adults in or near Ugborough parish.

More information is available on the Devon Wildlife Trust YouTube link below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ObriV1Csm5A&t=3s>

## **Beryl's Bookworms** – Val Holman

Our September book was Perfect by Rachel Joyce

The book centres around two interspersed narratives; the story of 11-year-old Byron in 1972 when 2 seconds were added to Universal Coordinated Time, and the present-day story of Jim who has spent much of his adult life in a psychiatric institution.



Two diverse narratives which eventually merge, a twist most of us saw coming! As usual at our bookworms evening, we were not all in agreement regarding this book. Some loved it, some found it pedestrian and disappointing, several preferred her earlier book The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry.

But the book made for a lively discussion and a great evening! We scored it 3.4 (Good Reads give it 3.7)

Our October book is The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles.

**Ugborough Parish At Your Convenience CIC-** [atyourconveniencecic@gmail.com](mailto:atyourconveniencecic@gmail.com)

(The local group of residents that are hoping to buy the public loos from the council. Our next general meeting to give a progress update/make some headway on funding bids/discuss community benefit will be on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 6 p.m.- location to be announced. Please email us at the above email if you want to know more about what we are up to/join us. We also have a WhatsApp group.

**Historical Nugget-** *Gareth 'Taff' Jones*

22<sup>nd</sup> October 1910 – Dr Hawley Harvey Crippen was an American who murdered his wife, Cora Henrietta. He had buried her torso under the brick floor of the basement where they lived in Camden Road, Holloway and started living openly with his mistress, Ethel Le Neve. Crippen was questioned and told police his wife had left him with one of her lovers and gone to live in America, this story satisfied the police.

However, Crippen panicked and fled with Ethel to Antwerp where they boarded the *SS Montrose* bound for Canada. The police conducted further searches of the property and found Cora's remains. The Captain of the *Montrose*, Henry Kendal, was suspicious of Ethel, dressed as a boy, and Crippen whom he suspected as the wanted murderer. He sent a message to the British authorities reporting his suspicions. As a result, Chief Inspector Dew boarded the faster transatlantic liner *SS Laurentic* and reached Quebec before the *Montrose* docked.

Dew boarded the *Montrose* 31 July 1910 disguised as a pilot and arrested Crippen and Ethel. On his return from Canada Crippen was tried at the Old Bailey 18 October, the proceedings lasted four days and after 27 minutes deliberation the jury found him guilty. Crippen was executed at Pentonville Prison at 09:00 Wednesday 23 November 1910. Crippen was the first criminal to be captured by the use of wireless... The case continues to be examined and fought over with many claiming Crippen did not receive a fair trial, that the torso found was not that of Cora, despite controversy over the case, in December 2009 the Criminal Review Commission declared that there was nothing warranting sending the case to the Court of Appeal.

**Ugborough Parish Council**

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Website: <https://ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk> - where you can view the Newsletter to use the weblinks

The Combined County Authority Deal is no longer necessarily guaranteed in its current iteration, as the new Government is asking Local Authorities to consider working across wider geographic areas. Tudor Evans, Leader of Plymouth City Council, has expressed fresh interest in a deal involving Plymouth, Devon, Cornwall and Torbay, uniting around 1.82 million residents and 74,500 businesses.

**Report from SHDC Councillors Vic Abbott and Alison Dewynter (Alison had sent apologies for not being able to attend the meeting.)**

**The full report can be seen on our website.**

**Summary:**

- Polling station consultation
- Gambling consultation
- South Hams Festival
- Funding for cricket clubs
- Citizen’s Advice South Hams are appealing for new board members
- Grants for charities and organisations that help to make transport accessible for disabled people
- Funding opportunity to support drop-in hubs that offer mental health support to young people aged 11-25
- Grants for projects that improve understanding of dementia
- Hidden homelessness survey
- Help shape adult education in the district

**2024 79 Planning**

1. We supported three applications:

1992/24/FUL Brackenhill Glamping Ltd Ugborough - Application for a single storey 41.25 square meter glamping lodge with square meter decking area, 1324/24/FUL Turtley Corn Mill - Alterations & extension to existing canopy area & side extension, 0339/24 Single-storey side extension with a pitched roof, inclusive of a wrap around extension to the rear of the property with a flat roof Grove Villa, Bittaford.

2. Bittaford Wood Caravan Park had applied for a certificate of lawfulness to install 3 more mobile homes ([0337/24](#)) and we have submitted the following comments:

- The site licence gives consent for 55 homes, and this cannot be exceeded
- The licence stipulates that no mobile home or combustible structure should be within 3 metres of the boundary. This would be a breach of the 1960 Act.
- The view of the parish council is that a mobile home is more in the nature of a residential site than a touring caravan site.
- Previous application was refused with reference to Highways access.

We summarised by objecting to the addition of 3 homes due to the location of one on the boundary of the site and supporting the addition of 2 homes

3. We are pleased that Dartmoor National Park had agreed to the replacement of windows with double glazed units at the Horse And Groom in Bittaford.

**Ugborough West**

1. We have been pursuing the possibility of the installation of a bus shelter at Filham for over a year now. Devon County Council have said they might be able to consider installing one once the 2025-2026 budget is known. Meantime we have asked Cllr

Abbott to take the matter to Ivybridge Town Council in the light of further development to the west of the estate that falls within their Council boundary. We hope that they might have an opportunity (if it arises) to claim funding from the developers.

2. We are disappointed that Plymouth City Bus has cut the 28 service to Ivybridge and will be pursuing this

### **Audit**

Our clerk is very pleased that we have now received the notice of conclusion of audit. Apart from needing to update our assets register (which has been done and can be seen on our website) and changing the description of one of our regular expenses we have a clean bill of health!

### **Highways and Public Footpaths**

#### **Speed Limit on the B3213 approaching David's Lane**

We have raised this matter many times over the last year or so with Devon County Highways and, despite advice from them that it is not a priority matter at the moment, we have decided to take it forward and are seeking advice from Cllr Dan Thomas regarding the best course of action.

### **Bittaford Play Area**

We have appointed a contractor to undertake a tree survey in the play area and, if required, will be undertaking any work identified from that. We are also looking forward to the installation of a new seesaw, toddler spring rocker and surrounding safe surface area and gate – watch this space!

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm in Ugborough Village Hall.**

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*Litter picking equipment is available to local volunteers. To borrow, please contact the Parish Clerk Tel 07814849131 [parishclerk@ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk)*

[Bittaford Methodist Chapel](#) Chris Phillips 07899934743

All services start at 11 a.m.

October

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October      Revd D Youngs

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October     Bev Smerdon

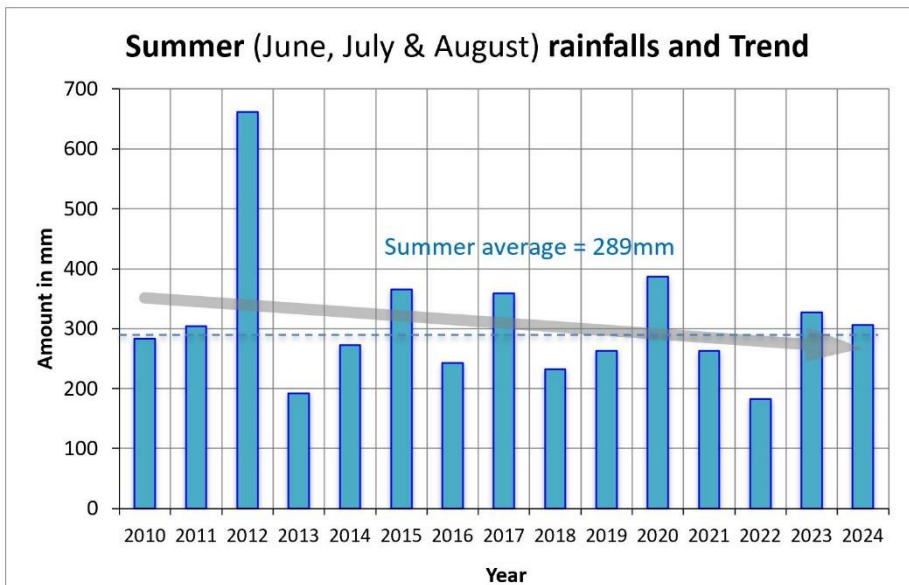
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October     Sue Bolt

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October     Nigel Norris



### Rainfall at Shellwood Hill *George Arnison*

This summer was the warmest on record - globally and across Europe. But not in the UK - where it was decidedly cooler than in recent years....which just goes to prove something or other. In terms of rainfall, it was also pretty run of the mill: over the three summer months I recorded 306.5mm (just over 12") of rainfall at Shellwood Hill, slightly above the 289mm average of the last 15 years. The average does mask some monthly fluctuations - June's rainfall (48.5mm vs 89mm average) was well below the norm, and the driest month of the year so far by some distance. July (162.5mm vs 99mm average) was unseasonably wet. August (95.5mm vs 122mm average) was slightly drier than normal. Overall, I think it was a fairly unmemorable summer weatherwise.



## Services at St Peter's Church, Ugborough

Services start at 9.30 a.m. unless otherwise shown.

We have a variety of services, traditional and informal, so please check below to see what is available.

Date	Service
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest All Age Celebration
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Holy Communion
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Morning Praise Messy Church from 4.30- 6 p.m.
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Holy Communion

Hand gel is available and please respect others' space.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October from 4.30- 6 p.m.  
Stories, craft activities, songs, food and fun  
at  
St Peter's Church, Ugborough,  
All Ages welcome.  
Children to be accompanied by an adult



The Three Rivers Mission Community covers the parishes of Diptford with North Huish, Ermington, Halwell, Harberton, Harbertonford, Moreleigh, North Huish and Ugborough.

You can find out about everything that's going on across all the parishes at its website, [www.3rivers.org.uk](http://www.3rivers.org.uk)

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01548 821199 email [parish\\_sayle@me.com](mailto:parish_sayle@me.com).

### **Village services.**

The Post Office continues its service at Ugborough Church on Thursday mornings and coffee and cake will be available from 10 – 11.45 a.m. Do pop in for a chat. Look out for notices in the church porch and in The Bugle for news of the Post Office service.

### **Contributions**

Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to this Newsletter and to Colourbridge in Ivybridge for printing them so efficiently.

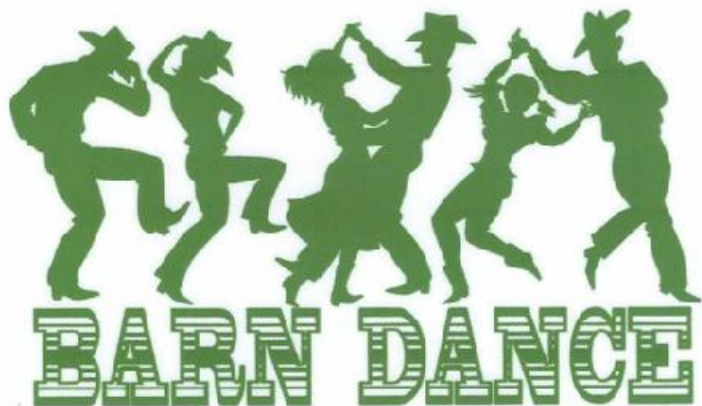
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The deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> of the month please. Thank you for keeping to this.  
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<https://ugboroughparishcouncil.org>  
and at the village website <https://ugborough.com>

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# ERMINGTON'S 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

Doors open 6.30pm Music and Dancing  
from 7.00pm with return of LIVE BAND

## Amber Fire

At Ermington Church  
Each ticket includes a pasty

£15 Adults

£5 Children age 3 to 16

Advanced booking only

Licensed bar

Tickets from—

Judith Owens  
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1 Bakery Cottages  
The Square  
Ermington

Come and dance your clogs off!

