

# Ugborough Parish Newsletter

## September 2022



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### **Ugborough Fair Week 2022 - Shelley Hutcheon on behalf of the Fair Committee.**

We've done it! A whole Fair Week has happened after 3 years and what an amazing week! We started with tracking moths and bats and then moved seamlessly into chilli con carne tasting. Onwards with a quiz, bingo and fun run and finished with breath-taking views at the Land Rover Rally. Fair Day dawned bright and HOT!! But like the rest of the week, the support, generosity and community spirit of everyone was astounding. We haven't finished counting the money and putting together the accounts yet, but our local charities will very much benefit from everyone's hard work and support.

If there are any charities outside of the village that you feel could benefit from additional funds, please let one of the committee know.

Thank you again to everyone, there are so many who made this week happen and it is just incredible that as a tiny village we continually pull out all the stops!

(New members who expressed an interest in joining have DEFINITELY been noted)

### **A New Era Garden Club - Anne Holway**

The club would like to appeal to a wider group of interests, not just gardening.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, or would just like to see other like-minded people, please come along to Shelley's at Oakenham, Hillhead on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7 p.m. This will be a very informal and friendly meeting in the hope of kick starting a new and vibrant village group.

### **The Gardening Club Produce, Flower and Craft Show -Shelley Hutcheon**

After a 3 year break the Produce Show is back on 3rd September at 2 p.m. (Entries in place by 11 a.m.) Cream teas will be available, and the prize giving will take place at 2.30 p.m., followed by the produce sale and raffle. Schedules are available in the bus shelter in the Square, alternatively can be obtained by emailing Shelley at [info@oakenham.com](mailto:info@oakenham.com)

### **Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays - Val Holman, 894973**

We are back! After a lovely summer break our producers are excited to be coming back.

We will be in the village hall this month on every other Saturday from 10 a.m. – 12 noon, selling all manner of delicious food and clever craft items. The ever-popular café, providing excellent coffee and other drinks, plus bacon butties, will be running alongside the stalls. The upcoming dates are Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

For more information email [ugboroughss@gmail.com](mailto:ugboroughss@gmail.com)

### **The Thursday Coffee Morning**

in St Peter's Church is BACK, hopefully alongside our continuing weekly Post Office (but please check for notices in the porch and in The Bugle about the Post Office service).

Pop along for a beverage and cake between 10 and 11.45 a.m.

Please make use of the hand gel and respect others' space. All are welcome!

**Ugborough and Bittaford Pre- School** (incorporating breakfast club and after school club)  
Charity Number 1043499 – *Tess Watkinson*  
Opening times: 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday – Friday during term time in Ugborough Village Hall.  
Contact: [admin@ugboroughandbittafordpre-school.org.uk](mailto:admin@ugboroughandbittafordpre-school.org.uk)  
Contact: 07763 215 455

We had a fantastic end to the last academic year. Sports Day was really high energy, and it was lovely to see the children supporting each other and celebrating each others' successes. A lot of the children also saw each other at Ugborough Fair which was a great occasion for all who made it along and another useful fundraiser for us. The Preloved Stall was inundated with huge amounts of donations, and it raised £218 so thank you to everyone who contributed items or came along and bought some clothes, toys or books or took part in our Decorate The Biscuit activity! Our Leavers' Party was a mixture of laughter and tears, but we are so excited to see our oldest little ones start the next phase of their education. They will be missed, and we wish them lots of luck.

Summer Holiday Club was a real success providing much needed childcare for local working parents and carers. We catered individually for the needs of children aged 2 to 11 and really made use of lots of use of the village resources like the Donkey Lane playpark. We ensured we spent a large proportion of the day outside playing big games such as ball games, air rockets, bouncy hoppers and boules in the field. There was much riding of bikes, scooters and tricycles by all ages, and we even did our own 'Commonwealth Games' of sporting events! When inside we did a range of activities including baking and fixing our own snacks. The included breakfast and tea went down very well too!

Now we are preparing for and looking forward to welcoming back the children for the new academic year on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September. We do still have some capacity for Preschool so let us know if you'd like your little one to join us.

**Ugborough Primary School** -*Headteacher Mrs. Lucy French*

Welcome back everyone on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Take a look at our new website!

**Update on playing field above the school** - *Rowan Martin*

Thanks to everyone who signed the letter from Ugborough residents to the school in May sharing how valued this field is to the community and the impact of its closure over the last year. Close to 100 people signed the letter, including many of the residents who helped to create this resource for the school and wider community originally. The school offered to meet with the Parish Council and representatives of the community to discuss the issue further and a meeting was held in July with Joan Fletcher, Henry Berriman and Rowan Martin, Lucy French and Kären Sims-Sterling in attendance. The meeting focused on how community access could be managed within the terms of the standard general letting agreement that is used by Westcountry Schools Trust for all their properties. Westcountry Schools Trust took over the running of the school from the local authority in January 2022.

The meeting was constructive, and it initially appeared a compromise that satisfied everyone could be found. However we've subsequently been told that there is no flexibility within the letting agreement which means that use is only possible if arranged in advance for specific purposes with individual users needing to hold public liability insurance, have a safeguarding policy and trained first aiders and adult supervision present.

It is now clear that a different agreement will need to be established with the school/Westcountry Schools Trust that brings us closer to the long-standing arrangement that existed between the Parish Council and Devon County Council for many years. Hopefully it won't be long until children in the village have a space to play again.

### **Ugborough Steepers**- *Graham Gilbert*

We're very pleased to announce that Devon Rural Skills Trust (DRST) will hold its annual hedge-laying competition this year at Hillhead Farm, Ugborough by kind permission of David and Jane Johns. It will take place on Saturday 1st October. There will be three classes in the event. Competitors in the Open Class will lay 10 yards, Intermediates/Veterans (Over 60) will lay 8 yards and Novices will lay 6 yards. Cups and prizes will be awarded to the winners in each class and there will be a cup for the best lady competitor. The Jack Connaber Memorial Cup will be presented to the best placed DRST non-prize winner. There is also a cup for the best regrowth on the previous competition hedge, which was held at Cutwellwalls near Avonwick in October 2019. The event has taken place since 1992 but due to Covid restrictions the competition did not take place in 2020 or 2021.

Briefing of competitors and drawing of lengths will take place at 9.15 a.m. and work will start at 9.30 and cease at 2.30 p.m.

Points are awarded for cutting and laying, crooking (securing the cut branches), tidiness of brash piles, safety, and stock proof quality. Prize winners are announced once the completed lengths have been marked by the Judges.

Hedges are laid to rejuvenate them, to increase their environmental diversity and to make them stock-proof. Material cut out during the competition (brash) provides firewood and coppice products (e.g. pea and bean sticks, thatching spars, wattle hurdle material). The rest will be chipped, burnt, made into biochar or used to provide wildlife habitats.

Spectators are most welcome, and it will be your chance to see how hedge-laying is done. You will also be able to see the hedge we laid last year along Northways Lane. This has grown back well despite the dry weather and shows a much wider variety of flora than was evident before it was laid. The individual "standard" trees we left are benefiting from less competition and more light.

Ugborough Steepers will be resuming their activities in late September / October. For more information about taking part (learning a new skill, keeping traditional rural practices alive, good for your health) please contact Graham Gilbert at [graham@artgilbert.co.uk](mailto:graham@artgilbert.co.uk)

For further information about the competition please contact Don Gaskins at [dongaskins@talktalk.net](mailto:dongaskins@talktalk.net) or see [www.drst.org.uk](http://www.drst.org.uk)

Devon Rural Skills Trust is a Charity which was set up in 1980 to keep alive the County's traditional rural skills which are essential to the maintenance of the Devon landscape.

### **Devon's Best Young Landscape Artist Competition**

#### **The search begins for Devon's Best Young Landscape Artist 2022**

Young artists aged 18 and under can now compete for the title of Devon's Best Young Landscape Artist 2022. We held the competition for the first-time last year and were really impressed with the quality and quantity of entries from across the county.

Our charity is inviting budding young artists to showcase their creativity by capturing Devon's unique and precious landscapes in the medium of their choice. There are two entry categories – one for teenagers (aged 12-18) and one for younger children (age 7-11) – with cash prizes for the winners.

Exeter-based landscape artist Kath Hadden will again join our Director Penny Mills to judge the entries. We are hoping to receive as many original pictures and paintings as we did in 2021, when the winners were Christopher Moore with his mixed-media seascape and Matilda Baker with her verdant Dartmoor scene.

Anything goes as far as the choice of landscape is concerned – as long as it's in Devon. It could be a favourite beach or beauty spot, a local park or green space, somewhere visited on a day out or even the artist's own garden.

The competition is simple to enter with cash prizes for each age category. £100 for the winner in each age category. £25 runner up prizes. To enter, simply post us your entry which must be A3 or A4 size, with your name, age and contact details on the back and post to us at Devon CPRE, PO Box 26, Beaworthy, EX21 5XN. (If you would like your painting returned, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope (for the right postage please! – We regret we cannot post everybody's paintings back to them unless the postage is provided!). The deadline for entries is Friday, 30 September 2022.



#### **G-UP - Creating a community where it's easy to live sustainably**

It was great to meet so many people at Ugborough Fair and to share an “eco-corner” of the Square alongside Ivybridge's Refillability shop and Devon Wildlife Trust.

Thanks to everyone who entered the WildLink raffle

and shared all the amazing stuff they are doing on their patch to care for wildlife. It was very also very encouraging to get a large number of entries from Ugborough school children following a school visit by Faith and Su during fair week to share all about the WildLink project and iNaturalist. A new school wildlife pond is now in the planning! Well done to Julie Godfrey who won the adult draw and to Chloe Tingle who guessed the weight of the crisp packets recycled by Ugborough residents (13.6kg in case you were wondering). A massive thanks to Ivybridge's Refillability shop, Owens Coffee, Alex Pickstone of Little Otter Party supplies and Countryman's choice for providing prizes.

The first in-person G-Up meeting since COVID arrived was held in Vicci's garden and it was great to see some new faces. Among the topics discussed were ways to restructure the way we work as a group, how to start connecting with more people again now that in-person meetings are possible and identifying projects to focus on into the future. Several people offered to coordinate a series of monthly themed meetings throughout the autumn on the third Wednesday of each month (September 21<sup>st</sup>, October 19<sup>th</sup>, Nov 16<sup>th</sup>). Watch out for emails for more details. We look forward to seeing you there.

*Please find G-UP on Facebook or drop us a line if you would like to be added to our email circulation list and hear about future events directly: [greenerugp@gmail.com](mailto:greenerugp@gmail.com)*

### **Beryl's Bookworms – Katie Lloyd**

Slow Horses, by Mick Herron, was definitely a marmite book for Ugborough book club in July.



Located in Regent's Park, Slough House is the setting for Slow Horses and is a dingy realm, patrolled by Jackson Lamb, a shambling but brilliant spy presiding over his discredited MI5 team, the Slow horses.

The start of the book, several of our members found, was bewildering because of the number of characters involved. As the plot unfolds, the slow horses inevitably have a situation on their hands which is also rather confused.

This motley band of fools and failures need to rise to the occasion in the first of the Slough House series.

Those of us who did make our way through the tangle, really enjoyed the plot and the humour - particularly when it centred around Lamb himself.

The series is reminiscent of some of the novels by John Le Carré, who was a huge influence for Mick Herron. The complications and machinations of our political and security systems depicted in the book come very close, we felt, to reality. One of Herron's characters, a blond-haired, chaotic member of parliament seemed particularly recognisable.

Those of our group who don't enjoy the genre of spy thrillers found it a real chore to get through and several gave it a score of 2. Others really clicked with it and there were several scores of 4 and above, meaning the average score was just above 3 out of five.

(In August we enjoyed our Garden Party on a perfect summer's evening at Sue W's with great food and company. Our September book is The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman.)

**Bittaford Methodist Chapel** *Chris Phillips 07899934743*

September 4<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.- Rev'd D Youngs

September 11<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.- D. Smart

September 18<sup>th</sup>- No service at Bittaford but meeting with other churches in Victoria Park Ivybridge at 10.30 a.m.

September 25<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. Rev'd A Roper

**Ladies' Lunch** *Pat Stephens*

The date for the next lunch is Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at The Ship, Ugborough for 12 noon.

Contact Pat Stephens 07704 113837 to book.

**Ivybridge u3a**

On September 19<sup>th</sup> Roger Brown takes everyone back to the time of mellow music with his 'History of Jazz Piano.'

And as summer finally gives way to autumn in October, John Lissan will be taking a close look at the issue of coin with his knowledgeable tour through 'English Coins and Variations'. The monthly general meetings, which are free to all members of Ivybridge u3a, usually take place at the Watermark on the third Monday of each month, starting at 2 p.m.

**Thank you from Sue Johns**

A huge thank you to all who supported the Open Garden & Cream Tea at Dunwell Farm. A really happy, social occasion where we were glad to have tea in the cool of the Wedding Barn.

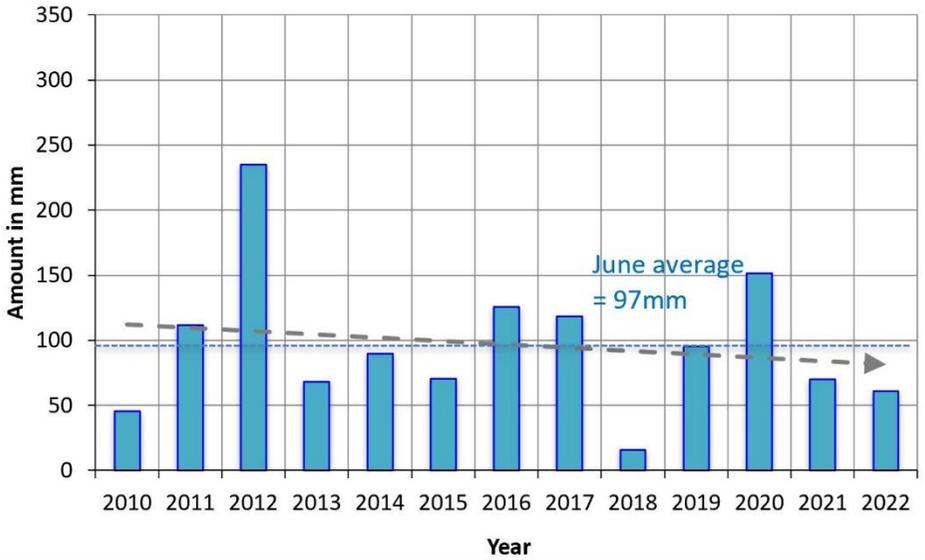
We raised a fantastic £500 for St Peter's Church!

**Rainfall at Shellwood Hill** *George Arnison*

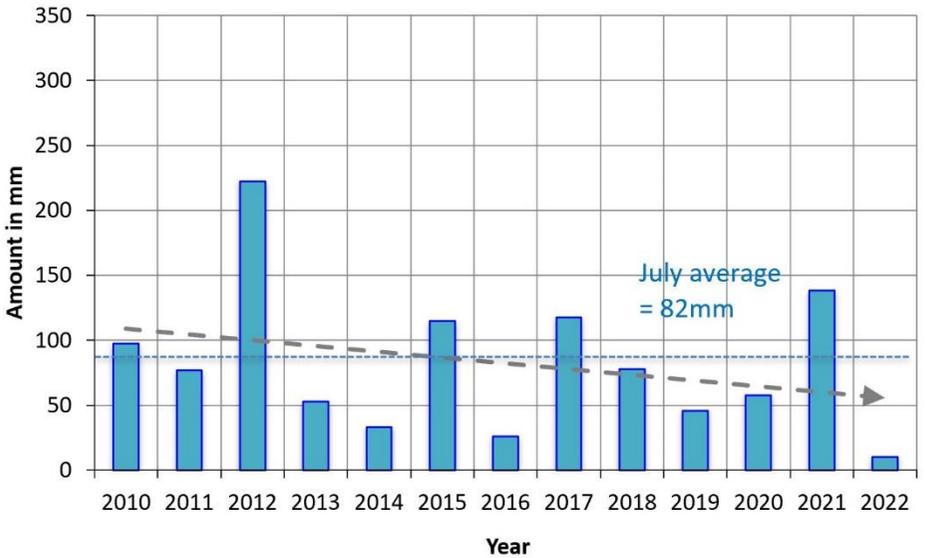
The very dry year continued through June and July, both of which had significantly below average rainfall – July spectacularly so. At Shellwood Hill I recorded 61mm (a bit less than 2½") of rain in June (compared to the monthly average of 97mm), whilst in July we had just 10mm (less than ½") which was a long, long way below the monthly average of 82mm.

It was the driest July since I started recording – and nationally went down as the driest since 1935. We had a national three-day heat-wave mid-month which saw the hottest temperature ever recorded in the UK (a hardly imaginable 40.3°C at Coningsby in Lincolnshire). My garden thermometer topped here at 32°C (in the shade) which was quite hot enough.

### June rainfalls and Trend



### July rainfalls and Trend





**Your Stars Tonight.** Several times in the last few blistering weeks (but who knows what the weather will be when you are reading this) I have looked up to the skies hoping for a few dark clouds to obscure the sun. In their absence I had to make do with what I could find in the cool of the night while hunting the dark clouds of interstellar dust which stand out against the starry background of the Milky Way. This now arches across the heavens as soon as darkness falls and

one of these dust clouds can be seen by the naked eye. It divides the Milky Way into two faint ribbons of light from almost directly above and then they shimmer down to the constellation of Sagittarius just above southern horizon. And pause for a moment - for you are looking at the heart of our galaxy where a gigantic black hole sits browsing on nearby stars and dust clouds which are falling into it as a result of its enormous gravitational pull.

Now move your eyes up and to the left following the faint light of the Milky Way and almost due south you come to Altair, the brightest star in the constellation of Aquila, the eagle. Just above Altair is a fainter star and with binoculars on a clear moonlit night to the right of it you should just glimpse a dark patch looking a bit like a capital "E" on its side. This dark cloud is officially designated Barnard 143 and is about the size of the moon and completely blacks out the hundreds of stars behind it. Over the years I failed many times to spot Barnard 143 until I realised it is too faint to see with the naked eye, but a telescope magnifies it too much - binoculars are the ideal way to glimpse it. The American astronomer, Edward Barnard catalogued 350 dark clouds when he was not pursuing his other enthusiasm (or perhaps obsession?) of comet hunting. Back in the 1880's there was a \$200 financial incentive for each new comet sighting and after his initial five discoveries he was able to pay for his first house.

Late one night I was fooling around with my telescope and took some photographs of the sky directly above, which currently has the constellation of Cygnus the Swan embedded in the Milky Way. When I developed the photographs, they showed dazzling thousands of stars crammed together like a spilt bag of sugar. This area is also rich in interstellar gas and glows with a ghostly pink light as it is irradiated by new stars being born inside the dozens of dark sinuous rivulets of dust that criss-cross the area.

All this led me to thinking of cool dark pools of water and the delights of wild swimming as a way of escaping the heat. Unfortunately a few weeks ago I was reading about sewage treatment - the sort of thing one does when there is little else happening in the world (or perhaps as a relief from what is happening in the world) when I came across the *River Trust* website which publishes the results reported by the English water companies for each of their sewage outlets. It is easy to use - you start with a map of the UK and can then zoom in to Ugborough and click on our own little "Water Treatment Works" down the bottom of the hill. It's sobering reading.

In 2021 there were seventeen storm overflows of sewage totally more than 160 hours which raises a little niggles about swimming in the Erme estuary. And thoughts of plunging into the cool water of the Avon near Gara Bridge were definitely taken off the agenda on finding that South Brent achieved sixty-one overflows, totally 1122 hours last year. If this is the best SW Water can achieve in the 21st century perhaps some of us should be chaining ourselves to the local sewage works gates, or super glueing ourselves to the SW Water Chief Executive, to shame them into improving their dismal environmental record, so that we can swim in stream, river, estuary and sea, knowing that the water is clean.

## Ugborough Parish Council

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

**The 20mph speed limit for Ugborough.** Our failure to be included in the list for the top four 'most in need' communities for the scheme, was a bitter disappointment. DCC Cllr Dan Thomas is now investigating alternative possibilities of the Parish Council providing funding towards its introduction. A request had also been received from a resident for a 40mph speed limit along the A3121, where there had recently been a very dramatic speed-related accident – sadly, the response from DCC Highways does not look at all positive.

**The community use of the school field** was also discussed, and members of the public attended the August Parish Council Meeting to voice their disappointment at the arrangement currently offered by the school. The next steps will be to set up a Working Party and ask WeST for a meeting to discuss the possibility of a more flexible letting agreement.

**Dangerous trees along the highways** were highlighted, especially with the prevalence of ash dieback. DCC Highways are inspecting trees along A&B roads, and you can report hazardous trees on the [DCC website](#).

**SHDC news:** Currently, there are 120 Ukrainians in the South Hams, and steps are being taken to rehouse those where existing placements have broken down. The recycling & waste collections and brown bin collections will be taken back in-house from October, with a six-month handover. Community Land Trusts were making a significant entry to deliver affordable housing, including the South Dartmoor Community Energy's application for 30 affordable homes – have a look at <https://www.sdce.org.uk/community-housing.html>. Finally, 'My Place, My Views' is an online pilot scheme to identify residents' views on local places and services, <https://pshwd.commonplace.is/>

**Planning applications** considered at the Meeting (with the Parish Council recommendation in **bold**):

1. [2084/22/OPA](#) Outline application (all matters reserved) for the provision of new 120 Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH) School including new two storey teaching block with associated hard & soft landscaping at Land at SX 648 561 Rutt Lane Ivybridge **Support. The £20k S106 funding was inadequate in the light of the crossing proposals and improved cycleway from Ivybridge to Bittaford: £100k S106 funding was needed. A crossing to the East of Godwell Lane would be preferred**
2. [0295/22](#) Retention of mobile home for rural worker at Old Pony Paddock, land to east of Ugborough Road, Bittaford **Object. More details were needed**

**The Bittaford playpark** footpath is being laid as I type. Access to the playpark will be much smoother, and the improvements will enable those with disabilities to access a new picnic bench. Eagle-eyed villagers will also have noticed the new plaque displayed on the flagpole in Ugborough Square.

### Correspondence received:

- [The Growing Communities Fund](#), offering grants from £500-£3000 for projects which directly benefit communities.
- Guidance & information for Devon residents struggling to pay for essential items: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/cost-of-living/> & <https://costoflivingsupport.campaign.gov.uk>
- Lower-income householders can apply for free energy efficiency improvements to their homes. Go to <https://www.cosydevon.com/>
- Help for households on means-tested benefits: those receiving tax credits and no other eligible benefits will receive their first payment from HMRC in autumn and the second in winter. For more detail, go to <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/cost-of-living-payment>

**Goodbye from your Clerk.** This is my last Newsletter, as I will be leaving the Parish Council to enjoy a well-earned retirement. The new Clerk is Sally Smale – I will leave it to her to introduce herself in the October Newsletter. I have been Ugborough Parish Clerk for 17 years and have really enjoyed my time here – the Parish Councillors have been great to work with, and I shall miss them.

**The next Meeting** will be held in the Committee Room at Ugborough Village Hall from 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September. You are welcome to join the meeting and ask questions about local issues.

*Privacy policy – visit [ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk)*

*Litter picking equipment is available to local volunteers. To borrow, please contact the Parish Clerk Tel 01364 661127 [ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk)*

### **Erme Valley RDA - Peggy Douglas.**

A huge thanks to all who supported our week-long coffee morning in July. We hope you enjoyed your visit and seeing the Group In Action! We raised over £1000 as a bonus! Our Autumn Term starts week beginning 5th September. As ever we would welcome any volunteer - we have a diverse range of tasks we need help with. Please ring: 07882 286421 if you need more information.

Messy Church is back!  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 4.30- 6 p.m.  
Stories, crafts, messy activities, songs, food and fun at  
St Peter's Church, Ugborough,  
All Ages welcome. Children to be accompanied by an  
adult



## **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 4 <sup>th</sup> September	All Age Worship- an informal service for everyone with children's activities. Led by Local Worship Leaders
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Holy Communion- a more traditional service
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Morning Praise- an informal service led by Local Worship Leaders
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Holy Communion- a more traditional service Messy Church (see below)

**Please use the hand gel provided and respect others' space.**

**You may continue to use a face covering if you wish.**

The **Three Rivers Mission Community** covers the parishes of Diptford, 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)

**For all church business and parish matters, please contact**

Rev'd David Sayle, The Rectory Diptford Totnes Devon TQ9 7NY

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

### **A message from the Captain of the Bell Tower- Anthony Luggier**

You will be glad to hear that the church bell ringing at Ugborough has now returned to normal after the Covid upheavals, with all our novices, and more experienced ringers, returned to their pre-covid break abilities.

We have now re-started our novice training sessions, with silenced bells, on Tuesday evenings 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This is open to all ages and provides the best introduction to ringing at Ugborough. If you would like to give bell ringing a try, in the first instance, please contact me at [anthonyluggier64@gmail.com](mailto:anthonyluggier64@gmail.com) or on 07836 624588. Otherwise any one is most welcome at our Thursday night practice, 7p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

We have one visiting team in September

Saturday 10th September 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - a team from the South West Branch of the Devon Guild of Ringers

I hope you can take time to sit in your garden and enjoy the best bells in Devon being rung by some of the best ringers in Devon. Thank you for your support,

## **St Peter's Church Gift Day.** *Sue Johns*

With thanks to all our generous supporters who donated to Gift Day. This has provided a much-needed boost to our funds. Thank You.



### **Devon Historic Churches Trust**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Ermington Church to Ugborough Church eBike, Bike, Walk, Drive.  
Return for drinks and picnic and open garden at Sheephams Mill,  
or come straight to Sheephams Mill

Everybody of all ages and ability welcome

Those biking or walking will meet up at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday 10th September at Ermington Church and set out. We will stop at Ugborough Church and then return to Sheephams Mill.

A lift, at any stage, is available. We will go via Ludbrook and Windy Ridge and return along the Ridge Road. The picnic will be from 12 noon in the garden, or house if wet.

Wonderful views, great biking and walking, easy access and plenty of room for parking

Free Drinks. Bring your own picnic

Suggested donation of £10 per person

50% for the church and 50% for the DHCT

If you want further details, please phone or email Mary Burnell-Nugent

01548 830397 [sheephams@btinternet.com](mailto:sheephams@btinternet.com)

### **Ermington church news**

We are holding a Barn Dance in church on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September from 7 p.m. Tickets only available from Judith and Rob Owen telephone 07815437568, in advance please, £15 for adults includes a pasty £5 for children. Proceeds to the church.

### **Village services.**

We hope that the Post Office will resume its service at Ugborough Church on Thursday mornings but in any event, 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.

A reminder that you can visit the Devon Libraries Mobile Library Service at Ugborough Square, Tuesdays from 9.30 a.m.-10 a.m., normally every 4 weeks. The next date is September 13<sup>th</sup>.

And you may notice something different when you next visit.....

A new mobile library bringing books to rural communities has launched this year.

Libraries Unlimited bought the vehicle with the help of Devon County Council and launched a successful fundraising campaign to refurbish it.

Now the mobile library will make 80 stops around the South Hams and West Devon each week, joining the four others in the Libraries Unlimited fleet.

The vehicle hit the road this March, and now travels over 800 miles every month.

“We bring 2,000 books for people to browse or order, including large print and audio books. Just as importantly, our mobile library will bring a smile, a chat, a chance to talk to other local people, and contact with the wider world in Devon and beyond. Many of the villages we visit have no public transport, so regular visits to our library buildings could be impossible for many. It is much more than a book delivery van though. The mobile library is an educational, social, wellbeing, and cultural service.”

The new mobile library has replaced a much-loved vehicle nicknamed Gertie, following many thousands of miles service in the area. Last year customers borrowed over 11,300 books from Gertie.

For further information and full contact details please visit our web page [librariesunlimited.org.uk](http://librariesunlimited.org.uk).

### **Big bike revival, Ivybridge**

To empower people to use bikes as part for leisure or as part of their active travel routines, PL:21 Transition Town are hosting The Big Bike Revival to run a series of **‘Fix’ and ‘Lean’ sessions**. The sessions will be run at the **Erme Court car park, Leonards Road, Ivybridge, PL21 0SZ**

**‘Fix’** are two events where people can get their bicycles checked for mechanical faults, **free** of charge. Simple problems can be fixed, and adjustments made there and then, whilst bigger problems will need referring on to local bike servicing workshops. Any minor repairs made are at the discretion of Big Bike Revival.

**‘Learn’** are three events where people can be trained to maintain your own bikes, also **free** of charge.

The sessions will be run by experienced bike mechanic and Ivybridge resident, Mark Wilson. To book your place(s) you should register by sending an email to [mmarkwilson@live.co.uk](mailto:mmarkwilson@live.co.uk)

Detailing:

1. The date of the session you wish to book.
2. How many bikes you would like to book in.

Please bring your bike(s) to Erme Court car park from 10 a.m. and pick them up at 2 p.m. on the day of your selected session

These are the choice of dates:

- 11<sup>th</sup> Sept **Fix**
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sept **Learn**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> October **Learn**
- 23<sup>rd</sup> October **Learn**

The events are delivered by Cycling UK and PL:21 Transition Town Initiative. They are supported by Ivybridge Town Council and the Watermark Centre

### **A saint's visit**

*Relic of St Bernadette of Lourdes to visit Plymouth Roman Catholic Cathedral in September.  
The Sanctuary at Lourdes has witnessed 70 miraculous cures...*

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC Cathedral in Plymouth will be the venue for a once-in-a-lifetime visit early in September. It is here that the relic of St Bernadette of Lourdes will reside for the two days of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Please contact, Canon Mark O'Keeffe, Cathedral Administrator on 01752 662537 or Adrian Wardle, MIPR (Ret'd) Media Services, on 01752 830113 e-mail [adrian.wardle33@gmail.com](mailto:adrian.wardle33@gmail.com) or Visit the Relic Tour website at [St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022](http://St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022)  
[www.plymouthcathedral.co.uk](http://www.plymouthcathedral.co.uk)

### **Introducing: Bedroom to Business, 10 Weeks of Free Support for Entrepreneurs**

You've discovered something you love to do, and it has the potential to grow and support you financially. But what is your next move? How can you take your passion from the kitchen table or bedroom and turn it into a business?

The Business & Intellectual Property Centre (BIPC Devon) is staging a free 10 week 'Bedroom to Business' course designed to help you make sense of the entrepreneurial journey ahead.

The course will run in person and online every Thursday at 10am and also uploaded to the BIPC website <https://bipc.librariesunlimited.org.uk/> to watch again. There will also be additional webinars and workshops alongside this training.

The content will cover everything from negative self-talk, goal setting and time management, to intellectual property, sales, marketing, research and accounting basics.

The course, like everything from the BIPC, is absolutely free and starts on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September**. And if you can't attend, you can watch all of the webinars on the BIPC website.

For more information and to book go to <https://bipc.librariesunlimited.org.uk/>

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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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