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The newsletter for Zeal Monachorum and St Peter's Parish



Tuckingmill in October.

EDITORIAL

Your Magazine Committee will be meeting shortly, to look at how we go forward. If you have suggestions or comments, please send them via the e-mail below. Deadline 7th October. In the meantime—

The Village Hall AGM is on 18th November, in the evening. There are no details as to time, but usually this is at 7pm. All villagers are welcome to attend: it is *your* village Hall and the AGM elects the next committee. This is your yearly opportunity to hear what Triumph and Disaster were treated as imposters just the same [apologies to Rudyard Kipling], vote for your candidate and afterwards, see the last 50 years of Zeal Monachorum in a photo slide show.

Mike

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NOTICES and EVENTS

Rainfall. The amateur rainfall reading for July was 87mm, for August 28mm.

Monday 28 October 7.15 for 7.30pm Bow & District Historical Society talk: Exeter: Lost buildings in the 1800s by Todd Gray. Bow Village Hall EX17 6HU Everyone welcome Annual Membership £15 visitors £4. Enquiries 01363 82468.

The photo group meets every second Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Please e-mail zmon.news for details.

VILLAGE WALKS

Meeting at the bus stop at 2 pm on Monday 14 October. The walks always take place on the second Monday of the month ie. Monday 11 November and Monday 9 December for the next two months thereafter etc. and on into 2025.

ST PETER'S

The service rotas show we are again holding our fourth Sunday service of each month during the winter at 3.00pm. Tea and cake will be served after the service for all to share in fellowship.

On Saturday 7th December from 2.00 - 4-00pm S^t Peter's is holding its Christmas Fayre. Please make a note in your diary,

VILLAGE HALL

Wednesday 9 October Village Hall Bingo doors 7pm eyes down 7.30 £5.00 Saturday 12 October Village Hall Market 10-11.30am Saturday 19 October Village Hall Harvest Supper 6.30 for 7.30pm start. £10

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CHRISTMAS PARTY

We hope all villagers will support our Christmas party on 6th December at the Waie Inn. This enables us all to enjoy an evening with excellent food and good music and a chance to catch up with good friends. We are trying to make it a yearly Christmas Party. The cost will be £25 per person which includes your food and band. The band supporting us this year is a new act and goes by the name of The Black Dog Boogie Do Dah Band.

Please let us have names asap to either Jane Hogg on 01363 82400, or Ruth Friend on 01363 82326 to book your place. Money to be collected laster by the end of November.

We look forward to seeing you all. As we live in a rural community it is good to sit down with our young and old farming friends and have a good old yarn and a drink. If we are lucky Peter Heal may oblige us with some of his good stories and a few jokes

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OCTOBER QUIZ

A quiz to test the knowledge of telly addicts.

- 1 Which American film star has recently been seen advertising a bread product?
- 2 Which specific product does he promote?
- In 'The Young Ones' which song is performed by Madness?
- In which Channel 4 comedy did David Mitchell and Robert Webb star as Mark and Jeremy?
- John Logie Baird gave the first public demonstration of live image transmission in which decade?
- Which educational establishment first aired programmes on BBC2 in 1971?
- 7 In a Doctor Who episode, Rose bets the Doctor £10 that she can make Pauline Collin's Queen Victoria utter which four words?
- 8 If Dan Castellaneta is Homer, Julie Kavner is Marge, and Nancy Cartwright is Bart, who is Lisa?
- 9 'Young Sheldon' is a spin-off of which American sitcom?
- 10 'Games without Borders' is the translated title of the French Game Show 'Jeux sans Frontiéres'. How was the show known when remade in the UK?
- 11 'Torchwood', the Doctor Who spin-off, starred which actress as Gwen Cooper?
- 12 'Race Across the World' is a travel competition narrated by which Scottish Actor?
- Which East Enders actress released the memoir 'Before the Year Dot' in 2013?
- 14 In adverts between 1980s and 2010s, which chocolate bar was "irresistibubble"?
- 15 'Barnacle Bill' was the original theme tune to which children's television programme?

Answers on Page 19

St PETER'S CHURCH

When you receive this copy, summer will have almost come to an end, the daylight hours are getting shorter, the darker evenings mean less time for outdoor activities. The last weekend in October sees the clocks going back by one hour.

From the registers—Baptism:

Charlotte Isabel Harris. The service was conducted by Prebendary Anthony Geering. Charlotte the daughter of Jeffery and Kirsten, sister of Poppy, was supported by her parents, godparents, grandparents and great grandmother as well as family friends. Her godmother Alicia read the lesson from Matthew 28. We welcome Charlotte into our church family as she journeys through her Christian life.

Rotas for October

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October 6th at 10.00am	Trinity 19 (lay led)	Family Service	
Old Testament	Job 1:1; 2: 1-10	Mr Tony Brealy	
Gospel	Mark 10: 2-16	Miss Lynn Warren	
Sidesman		Mr Colin Crothers	
Altar flowers	6th & 13th	Mrs Sally Rowden	
Cleaner		Miss Margaret Harris	
October 13th at 6.30pm	Trinity 20	CWE	
Old Testament	Job 23: 1-9,16-17	Mrs Tina Young	
New Testament	Hebrews 4:12-16	Mr Graham Rounsley	
Gospel	Mark 10: 17-31	Celebrant	
Sidesman		Mr Tony Brealy	
Alter Flowers	20th & 27th	Mrs Marian Quick	
October 27th at 3.00pm	Trinity 22 Bible Sunday	BCP Evensong	
Old Testament	Job 42: 1-6, 10-17	Mrs Jane Hogg	
New Testament	Mark 10: 46-52	Mrs Becky Harvey	
Sidesman		Mr Colin Crothers	

The fourth Sunday service of each month during the winter will be at 3.00pm. Tea and cake is served after the service for all to share in fellowship.

BELL RINGING COMPETITION

On Saturday 24th August our annual bell ringing competition was held in conjunction with Bow. Teams rang at both towers. The Zeal placings and faults were: for the Zeal Monachorum Challenge Shield: 1st Down St Mary, with 3 faults; 2nd Kingsteignton, 3½; 3rd Bow, 5; 4th Swimbridge, 11; 5th Sampford Courtney, 12½.

St Peter's cup: 1st Widecombe in the Moor, 23; 2nd Broadhempston, 24; 3rd Alphington, 32; 4th Tiverton St Paul, 42; 5th East Anstey, 43; 6th North Tawton, 54.

The judge was Mr John Coulthirst. Thank you to everyone who helped in the success of the afternoon, especially Linda Steer from Bow who booked the teams in and sold raffle tickets at the church. Also, to Margaret Harris, Hannah Brown, Valerie Pennington and Margaret Down who served teas throughout the afternoon and Tony and Janet Brealy who hosted the judge. The competition was shared with Bow, each entrant ringing in both towers. Zeal Monachorum's share of the profit £256.50 has been donated to two charities, the British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research UK.

CHURCH CAR PARK

You will all be aware that this is a private car park and for church use only. However, we repeatedly find a number of cars in the car park on Sundays leaving no place for the clergy or our congregation to park. Arrangement can be made to park at other times with the treasurer on 07841 027617.

The Parochial Church Council would appreciate your cooperation to resolve this issue.

Best wishes Margaret (Churchwarden)







 $A\ late\ flowering\ knap weed\ in\ October\ ,\ seen\ in\ a\ Zeal\ hedgerow.$

CREDITON FOODBANK

October seems to have crept up on me, but it's a bit like the children's story the 'Hare and the Tortoise'. The Hare has definitely got the better of the Tortoise on this occasion. Which makes me think that Christmas is going to come up just as quickly. For those of you who live in the village will know that a Christmas house to house Collection takes place usually during the first week in December, and I anticipate it will be the same this year. For newcomers to Zeal Monachorum: welcome. Please keep the Newsletter and put it in a window or porch where it can be easily seen and we will know not knock at your home. (But not until December).

After the Tesco collection day some of the shelves are now starting to empty. The most needed at the moment are: tins of soup, cuppa soups, tinned fish (not tuna), pot noodles, instant hot chocolate, washing up liquid, sanitary pads (not liners, or tampons please). Also at the moment no biscuits please.

Thank you to all who donated food or money during September. As always it is very much appreciated by the volunteers and the recipients. Best wishes and God Bless you all.

Lois Hamilton

ZEAL MONACHORUM WI

Our speaker in September was educating us on the Dormice on North Dartmoor. Skittles at the Waie Inn for us in early October with a visit to North Tawton WI later in the month as they are hosting the Autumn Red Earth Group Meeting with BBC Spotlight presenter Victoria Graham as their speaker. Should be a good night. Please remember anyone is always welcome to come to our monthly meeting for the princely sum of £1. Please make a note in your diaries Sunday 8th December when we will be hosting an afternoon tea.

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Upper Yeo & Taw MDDC councillor's report. August 2024

The Waste collection team reported 99% results.

The data has identified around 10 households who have now left side waste out for collection more than 4 or 5 times in recent months. These issues will now be addressed by our Environment Enforcement team who are also aware of different hotspot areas where residents are bringing issues for attention and these are being looked into and actioned.

Street Scene is running a series of drop in surgeries to allow representations to be put forward to the service, on challenges and issues that are occurring in particular areas of the District. If you are aware of town and parish representatives who have issues that need to be raised please to encourage them to attend. Please do email Darren Beer or myself for an appointment time at DBeer@middevon.gov.uk or MPage@middevon.gov.uk .

A number of you requested an online social media video to educate residents on both our Waste and Recycling pathway but also guidance for residents on how to put out kerbside recycling. This has now been put together by our Communications team and our site operatives, link here.:—

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Neighbourhood Walkabouts.

This is organised by MDDC twice yearly to meet with our social tenants, report repairs and any other issues on our estates. Our autumn walkabouts is scheduled on 9th October for the whole Upper Yeo & Taw Ward. Tenants can book in a door knock or attend the whole Walkabout. Please contact me, Natalia Letch nletch@middevon. gov.uk or Anthony Keller akeller@middevon.gov.uk

FISHING CLUB CHAT

Hi All

The lake is fishing very well, with many good fish being landed. We have had some concern regarding the green bloom on the surface of the lake. I have assured most people that when we have a long spell of warm, humid weather with no rain this appears. This is caused from willow pollen and nothing to be concerned about. We are trying to arrange a fishing competition for the younger members of the club in the next few weeks. We have our review coming up soon for a request for some Denbrook money as we need to renew, as you know, our damaged clubhouse. It has lasted us for 17 years and was secondhand. If successful we would like to use the old clubhouse as a boathouse. This year's fishing club calendar is now available. We have kept the price the same as last year at £8, with half of the profits going to M.S.Society and the fishing club. Please ring Ken or Jane on 07748329832, or 01363 8240K0 to order your copy.

Tight lines Ken and Jane





Rob Peck's Grandsons Harry and George with their catch.







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October Garden Advice from Bow Garden Centre



October brings beautiful autumnal colours and plenty on the to-do list for gardeners. Here is a look at what needs doing during the month, courtesy of Bow Garden Centre;

- 1. Cut back perennials that have gone over, this will help them to flourish next Spring.
- 2. Rake up fallen Autumn leaves and collect them with a garden vacuum or leaf grabber.
- 3. If you haven't already, now is a great time to invest in a compost tumbler or compost bin left over harvest, leaves and cuttings will get your compost off to a fantastic start!
- 4. Be prepared for the first frost and bring tender plants into your greenhouse, protecting others with fleece and frost jackets.
- 5. Divide herbaceous perennials to multiply your plants and encourage healthy growth next year.
- 6. Plant up seasonal bedding plants for a display of stunning colour, available in store now.
- 7. Plant Spring flowering bulbs now if you haven't already it's not too late! Bow have a range of bulbs and planting aids to help make the job easier. Don't forget to cover ground bulbs with bark mulch to protect against frost.
- 8. Use Autumn feed to treat and help protect your lawn against moss. It's also your last chance to mow the lawn before Winter sets in. Cut the lawn slightly higher than in Summer to help protect against frost. It's also a good time to trim hedges.
- 9. Protect garden furniture, BBQ's, chimineas, and water features with covers. A wide selection of covers are in store now.
- 10. Harvest any remaining fruit you have before it perishes. Use Kilner Jars and their accessories to make jams and chutneys to enjoy throughout the year.

Bow Garden & Aquatic Centre is a great place for all your garden essentials, including an expanded range of Devon-grown plants. Also, plenty of bulbs, seeds, gardening tools, garden buildings and everything you need for gardening, plus fish and pet supplies, an award-winning Waterside Cafe, and Post Office services too.

www.bowgardencentre.co.uk, 01363 82438.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Autumn Show was well-attended and raised over £200. Silver Cups for Vegetables were awarded jointly to Tony Edwards & Jeffrey Harris; Flowers went to Sue Down and Homecraft to Jean Peck. Best in Show rosettes went to Tony Edwards for his pears, Sue Down for her vase of flowers and Jean Peck for needlework. The winners of the potato grown in a bucket were Jan Brealy—with 1.91kg—with the Junior class going to Amelia Westcott, who produced 1.42kg. There were cream teas and homemade cakes well. The committee expressed its congratulations for all the hard work done by everyone and for the support of exhibitors and visitors which resulted in such a lovely afternoon.

OUR HARVEST SUPPER

This is on Saturday 19 October, 6.30 for 7pm, a £10 fee on the door—or book & pay by Monday 14 Oct only £9—phone 82571 or email reden@rocketmail.com.. The guest speaker is David Phillips, who recounts myths and legends and does ghost walks around Devon towns. He hopes that audience members might have a few stories of their own to share and who knows, perhaps he'll be adding a Zeal Monachorum Ghost Walk to his repertoire! The Hall will again be providing homemade food including savoury hotpots and delicious desserts. Drinks will be available for a donation.

RECYCLING & WASTE

The Council does not collect any waste or recycling from the Hall. When you're at the hall please help us by recycling your leftovers using the correct container, though if you are able to take your waste home yourself it will be much appreciated. Thanks very much.

Erica





QUIZ ANSWERS

1	Samuel L Jackson	9. 'The Big Bang Theory'
2	Warburton's Toastie Bread	10. 'It's a Knockout'
3	'Our House'	11. Eve Myles
4	Peep Show	12. John Hannah
5	1920's	13. June Brown
6	The Open University	(Who played Dot Cotton)
7	"We are not amused".	14. Aero
8	Yeardley Smith	15. Blue Peter (voices of the Simpsons)



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