

CHIMES – Corscombe – January 2019

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A Happy New Year to all contributors and readers of this column - your support is greatly appreciated

Home Communion.

Do you find it difficult to get out? Would you like to have communion at home?
Please contact Paul Rendell (telephone numbers at front of Chimes) who would be glad to visit.

Flower and Cleaning rota for January 2019

5 th	Paula	Jenny W	Sue Kirk
12 th	Edna	Jenny D	Lesley
19 th	Rosie	Daphne	Margaret
26 th	Davina	Celia	Liz

We could really do with more volunteers on the rota. St Mary's has quite a few visitors calling in and a clean and welcoming church shows that we are a village that cares. Please contact me if you would like to help.

Sallie Else - Lower Farm - 891425

**Breakfast
CHURCH**
Part of Melbury Team Ministry

**We meet next on Sunday 27th January
In Halstock Village Hall
*A church for all the family***

Corscombe Coffee Morning



Our monthly coffee morning will be on Wednesday the 9th January, from 10.30 am to 12 noon. Lesley and Chris Chapman are hosting the event, at their home, Highridge House, 5 Pine Close. There may even be some home-

made mince pies and a glass of sherry!

Please bring a £1 for entry and a raffle prize worth around £1

If you do not generally attend, why not make a New Year Resolution to support the event. It is great way of meeting old friends and making new ones.

Lesley Chapman



The First Responder Team would welcome more volunteers to join the team - we are fully

trained by, and work with, the South West Ambulance Service. What we do is

easy to learn, and provides a valuable support to the community. What's more, you gain a valuable skill, knowing what to do in an emergency.

Contact:

Geoff Williams (01935 891575)

Chris Chapman (0781 66 55 278)

Dick Thorne (01935 891 847)

We would be pleased to give you more information - **without obligation.**

Corscombe and Halstock Community First Responders

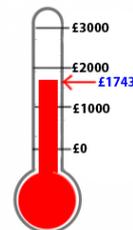


We are aiming to buy a Raizer Chair. Our total stands at £1743 raised so far - 58% of the £3000 we need. We have several funding sources to explore, and we

hope you will support us as we work towards raising the necessary funds. We will keep you informed on how we are doing.

To see the chair in action, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVrPcxLMF8I>

Or visit the Corscombe website to see it in action - www.Corscombe.org



Your Responder Team

Corscombe Website - www.corscombe.org

Keep up to date with what is happening and what is planned – all from the first page

Tuesday Club Annual General Meeting 2019

Tuesday Club's AGM will be in the Village Hall on Tuesday, January 8th at 2.30 pm.

This is when the current Committee, who have been working hard behind the scenes, will introduce the Programme of visits and speakers they have put together for the coming year.

A new Committee will be elected, and anyone interested in standing will be most welcome.

Membership of the Club is only £10 for the year. Members pay less than non members for most events so the annual fee is good value. **We would encourage people to join as this enables the Club to book a wider variety of speakers and visits.**

Newcomers to Corscombe and surrounding villages - please come along to see what we're all about!!

Chris Watson

Corscombe Big Breakfast

A Full English Breakfast (you can select what you want) is still only £6 for adults and £3 for children

Supporting the village hall – hope to see you there
All from 9 – 11 am at Corscombe Village Hall

Saturday 5 January	Big Breakfast
Saturday 2 February	Big Breakfast
Saturday 2 March	Big Breakfast
Saturday 6 April	Big Breakfast

Date for your diary

Saturday 9 February	Chinese New Year Party Corscombe Village Hall
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BABYLON

**In case you read this before January:
You are invited to join the**

New Year's Eve Party

Corscombe Village Hall

31st December 2018

8.30 pm. until gone midnight

LIVE MUSIC AND BARN DANCING

FREE ENTRY (but there will be a raffle)

Bring Your Own Drink and Food to Share

Hosted by Babylon Morris

More information from Rosemary 01935 891415 or
Andrea 01460 271208

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Corscombe Village Hall 300 - Plus Club



This now has over 300 numbers entered each month and disburses £760 in prizes each year, including a £100 prize in December. We would be very happy to receive applications for more numbers, increasing the prize fund proportionally.

If you are interested in joining the Club, or increasing your holding at £5 a number, please contact Henry on 01935 891415 before 15th January.

Henry Lovegrove

It Is Back - and It's Irish!

Fete de la Soupe



**Saturday 16 March 4pm
Corscombe Village Hall**

12 Soups to taste and vote the best

Bowl, bread and spoon provided - what's not to enjoy!

Bar for buying drinks and a lovely folk music band

£5 entry fee - in support of First Responders

It is Saint Patrick's Day weekend

Fancy dress / dressed stall / perhaps with an Irish twist

Get into the groove - prizes to be won!

A Souper Event!

So get your thinking caps on and your pans and pinnies at the ready!

Only 12 competitor spaces available - same format as previously: competitors make 3 to 5 litres of soup (the more original the better)

A prize for best soup as voted for by a professional judging panel, a prize for best soup as voted for by the public and a prize for the most original decorated stall.

This year's Fete de la Soupe is to raise funds for a new piece of equipment: The Raizer Chair

Corscombe Local History

There will be a meeting of the Corscombe Local History Group on Tuesday 22nd January at 7.30 pm at Lindisfarne, High Street by kind invitation of Paula Denham.

Corscombe people past and present – and future?

Please contact me if you would like more information

Freda 01935 891448

2019 - The year of the Pig in the Chinese calendar!

Come along to the village hall [on SATURDAY 9th FEBRUARY](#) for Corscombe's very own Chinese New Year Party

There'll be eats, games and quirky quiz!

Plus a bar of course! We may even throw in some music for a bit of a boogie!

Put it in your calendar for a **SQUEALLY GOOD TIME**



Jan Williams

Big Breakfast and Craft Market 1st December.

WOW! That was some morning.

A good attendance for the main event created a great atmosphere at the Big Breakfast. I and my industrious elves, Heather and Olivia, were kept on our toes by attendees who splendidly supported the Julia's House cause.

My wooden items have never been more popular; Santas and Rudolfs sold out completely, along with Heather's marmalade and mincemeat.

There was a steady flow of people buying and even items leftover from other events were snapped up.

Without doubt a very rewarding morning; I cannot thank everyone enough for their superb support, and am very pleased to report that I will be sending Julia's House £210 for their Christmas Appeal.

Have a good New Year!

Brian Starkings

The Corscombe Charity of George Henry Hawkins

(George Hawkins Trust for Corscombe - charity number 232643)

George Henry Hawkins was born in Corscombe in 1860. His mother was a widow who remarried when George was young, and they moved from the village. He went to Sticklands School. On leaving school he ran away to sea and joined the Royal Navy where he served with distinction for some years. He 'retired' to live on a smallholding at East Stoke near Wareham with his wife and daughter.

George died in 1951 at the ripe old age of 90. His will included charity foundations for Corscombe, Sticklands and East Stoke. The arrangements took some time to set up. The first funds were received in 1964.

The aim of the charity is to relieve "either generally or individually persons resident in the Parish of Corscombe who are in condition of need, hardship or distress by making grants of money or providing or paying for items, services or facilities calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress of such persons".

Originally the funds were for "coal for old people, and outings for the poorer school children of the parish ['poor' was interpreted as 'not rich']".

Currently the Trust makes annual donations to Nordcat who run the village bus service.

The money invested is thousands of pounds, although interest rates are currently low. Please let one of the trustees know if you are aware of anybody who meets the criteria for receiving a grant from the Charity, particularly at this challenging time of the year.

Sallie is retiring in May 2019, so the Charity is looking for someone to replace her as trustee. There is very little work involved.

Trustees: Henry Lovegrove (891415), Mel Harper (892439), Sallie Else (891425).

Christmas Time - Wanted

In addition to the usual newspaper, magazines, catalogues, junk mail and scrap paper.....

All sorts of wrapping paper off-cuts, used wrapping paper (except foil), envelopes, paper tableware, cracker bits, paper-back books, boxes (unless they are brown & fibrous), Christmas cards, out of date calendars (no need to dismember them as the bindings drop off during pulping)

All wanted at the village hall shed!

Our Waste Paper is classified as "**Newspaper and Magazine Grade**" and is worth about **£400 per year**.....

But we would receive considerably more if those who currently put paper in the Council Recycling took it to the Shed in the Village Hall Car Park.

By contrast, the Council probably makes a loss from paper because they have staff and transport costs and must also collect cardboard. Separating paper from cardboard is not a viable option so it is classified as "Mixed Waste Grade", which has less value than "Newspaper and Magazine" grade.

So this is a plea to all - make a New Year's resolution to contribute your paper waste to the village hall - it raises funds that subsidise the running of the hall.

Used Stamp Collection

Thank you to everyone who has given their used stamps during the year - quite a collection!

Please would you keep on saving them for the local hospice.

Stamps may be left in the paper collection shed in the village hall car park, at Lower Farm or at 1 Woodfold view.

It does help if a small margin of paper is left around each stamp. Thank you

Sallie Else

Rights Of Way Care

It is proposed to have groups of concerned local residents to look after the footpaths and bridleways of our parishes.

Do you walk a dog? Ride the bridleways? Ramble the fields? Own a right of way?

There will be one group for Corscombe, one for Halstock and the Chelboroughs.

You would meet with friends, monitor the local network of paths and lanes and report to the Parish Council so that maintenance can be arranged. You wouldn't necessarily be doing the maintenance work – just keeping an eye on access.

To find out more and to volunteer for the groups contact:

Diana Staines for Halstock 891076

Mel Harper for Corscombe 892439

Halstock Community Room

The perfect small space for:

- Children's or adults' craft & art
- Mother & toddler meetings
- Club committees
- Storytelling and Poetry Readings
- Table-top Sales
- Foreign language groups
- Wine appreciation
-and much more

From £5 per 4-hour session!

To find out how we can meet your needs

(up to 15 people) contact:

Maggie on 01935 891002 /

margaretrickards@hotmail.co.uk

Or come and see for yourself at Halstock Shop

Weekly Minibus

Travel and meet friends. Our Nordcat bus to Yeovil on a Friday and to Dorchester on a Wednesday.

Telephone **01258 473154** to book a place on the bus between 9 am and 4 pm the day before you travel. Friday is a market day in Yeovil and Dorchester has an even bigger market on a Wednesday.

Birthdays

Many happy returns and birthday good wishes to:

Henry Stanley - 7 years old on 7th January

Isaak Harrington - 15 years old on 25th January

Rowan Harrington - 13 years old on 26th January

If you would like a birthday announced, please contact Chris Chapman (891015). Email chris@passedit.com **It is nice to see your child's name in print!**

Rainfall in November 2018

November rainfall for Corscombe was 222.5 mm,

There were some exceptionally wet days especially between 4th and 10th - and at the end of the month with a drier period in the middle.

November is often a wet month with an average rainfall of 200 mm over SW England.

Refuse Collection

Monday 7 th January	Rubbish and Food Waste
Tuesday 8 th January	Garden Waste
Saturday 12 th January	Recycling and Food Waste
Friday 18 th January	Rubbish and Food Waste
Tuesday 22 nd January	Garden Waste
Friday 25 th January	Recycling and Food Waste
Friday 1 st February	Rubbish and Food Waste

All are invited to the

'SNOWDROP' SERVICE

for the Melbury Team villages

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10th

4.0pm

St. Mary's Church, Corscombe



**A quiet reflective service to remember and give thanks
for our loved ones, family or friends, who have died.**

Corscombe Village Hall Extraordinary General Meeting

To elect Village Hall Management Committee

Wednesday 6 February 2019 7.30 p.m.

Corscombe Village Hall