



The BUGLE



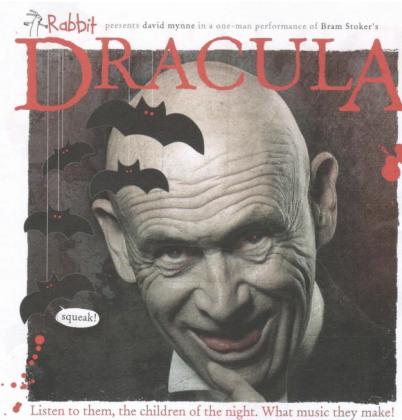
EASTER - BUSHY KNAPP WALK

There was 16 of us who turned up for the walk. We set off a little after 11.00a.m. and quickly found that summer had arrived as various top layers were removed. The fields were reasonably dry and there was no problem with any cows.

The photo was taken just before getting up to the Knapp. The walk along Weston Lane was very pleasant with only a few cars passing us on the way. We arrived at the Otter Inn at about 12.30p.m. The service at the pub was very good and the food was up to their usual high standard.

Thanks to all who turned up.

Malcom Routh



DRACULA

What an event! Villages in action again came up with an great evening's entertainment. With the characters of Count Dracula, Jonathan Harker, Miss Mina Murray, Miss Lucy Westenra, Mrs Westenra, Arthur Holmwood, Dr John Seward, Quincey P Morris, Dr Abraham Wan Hesing, R.M. Renfield and Mr Swales all unbelievably played by one actor David Munne.

As well as the expected chilling moments there were many hilarious passages that contributed to a riveting and most enjoyable evening. Many thanks to Ron Galling for organising the event.



THE BUCKERELL VILLAGE FETE AND B-B-Q

Once again the SUMMER FETE was held in the customary sunshine and hosted by Doug and Adrian generously allowing us the use of the gardens and Shed of Splatthayes. This year the opening was performed by the Rev. Philip Butcher.

As always the success of the day was completely down to each of the stall-holders, helpers and generous contributors of prizes of every shape and size. It is not possible to list everyone involved but there must be a very large THANK YOU to everyone.



It is amazing that with so many people involved how little effort is needed by the organiser and even when there is a last minute hitch how there is always someone able to fill a gap. Thanks to Sue Routh and her helpers who manned and served the refreshments with very little notice. However as usual special mention must be made of the work involved behind the scenes and in setting up, dismantling and cleaning up after the event, David Wayne transporting the equipment, the team of helpers assembling the gazeboes, Will Pratt and Geoff Wright setting up and running the skittles, Richard Reeve managing the publicity and Crispin Denny and Val Pratt organising the raffle. How could we hold such an event without Doug providing the venue and Will allowing his field to be used as a car-park.

The B-B-Q and evening reveilles lasted well into the evening with everyone enjoying a fine evening. It almost goes without saying that the B-B-Q was organised and run very successfully by Jackie Carson and her team of helpers. And finally, the proceeds for the day, £2653 was raised for the Church. So, once again, a huge thank you to everyone involved and to everyone who spent their money on the day.



News from the Church

The weather in April seems to have been much better than that in August and on Sunday April 19th William Goodall was baptized at St. Mary and St. Giles. Afterwards we were all invited to Treaslake for a BBQ – the sun shone all day!

On April 20th the annual Parishioners Church Meeting was held, this is an opportunity for all who live in the village to attend and vote for the churchwardens. This year Penelope Mear and Patricia Craig-MacQuaide were the only nominees and agreed to serve for another year. Patricia indicated that she would not seek re-election next April having served for fourteen years.

During the year Family services have been held on the second Sunday of each month except when there are special festivals, which also include the children's participation, such as Easter and Harvest. We also have a break in August.

Each family service has a theme; in May it was caring for the environment, June was 'time' and July was Sea Sunday. We have various activities for the children who also do the readings and prayers.

The church clock featured strongly in June when we were all asked to go outside to look carefully at the clock and answer some questions.

At the Fete in July, as part of the ongoing maintenance of the church, villagers were given the opportunity to sponsor seconds, minutes or the hands to help towards the cost of restoration of the clock face all the 74 sponsors will see their names are marked beside the clock part they chose, on the chart in the back of the church. Thank you everyone.

On 30th August to celebrate our Patron Saint Giles day we had a tea party in Doug's Shed for the village and the other churches in the team. Thank you for everyone who helped and provided food etc. Following the tea there was a service of Songs of Praise in church.

On Sunday 27th September we are holding our Harvest Festival with a service of Songs of Praise at 6.30pm, followed by a buffet supper and auction of produce at Armoury Cottage.

Remembrance Sunday is on Sunday 8th November starting at the War Memorial at 10.55am and afterwards in church.

Are there any bidding flower arrangers out there who I haven't already spoken to ?. Anyone who would like to help decorate church for Harvest Festival will be very welcome to join Penny and team on Saturday 26 September from around 10 am. (or time to suit). Or maybe you could donate some flowers from the garden. Help of any kind is appreciated, Please contact Penny Mear 850048 or pennymear32@btinternet.com

OUR NEXT CHAMPIONS



Georgina Pratt at two local shows, at her last show at Plymtree she won two cups.



Move over Auntie -

Edward Pratt in the Grand Parade at Honiton Show after finishing 4th in the young handlers class. Edward is coached by Nicky Bishop (pictured with Edward), herself a past winner at the Honiton show.

News from the Buckerell Community Association (BCA)

14 Buckerell residents attended the BCA meeting on Thurs 27th August. In lieu of the last meeting being postponed, it was decided that a vice chair is needed. Richard Reeve kindly volunteered and was voted in by all present. Our most recent event was back in May when the Wine and Cheese evening was held at Doug's Shed. This was well supported and a great time enjoyed by all who were there!

Events planned for the rest of 2015 are:-

Buckerell Boules Championship on Sunday 13th September from midday to 4pm. You can bring your own chairs and drink if you wish. Tea, coffee, pate and cheese with French bread will be available. Always good fun, so please come along to Deer Park Farm on the day.

Apple Day sometime in October; subject to availability of the apple press. Details to follow asap. Venue will be Malcolm and Sue Routh's garden at Glebe Farm House. We are hoping to repeat the success of previous year's events.

Quiz night at Doug's Shed on Friday 30th October. Tickets will be £5 to include a bowl of chilli before the quiz starts. Teams of up to 6 people (£1 per person on the team) can take part. Numbers are limited, so keep a look out for details of when the tickets go on sale soon.

Buckerell's Christmas Fayre will again be held on the first Sunday in December (6th). Mulled wine, mince pies, Christmassy crafts and goodies will all be there to tempt you. As last year, half of all the proceeds made on the day will be donated to a local charity.

Events currently being planned for 2016 include:-

A vintage high tea on Mother's Day (Sunday March 6th). Proceeds to charity. If you are, or have (or had) a mum then you're very welcome!

Villages in Action presents comedian and magician - Oliver Meech. Great entertainment for all ages. We've been trying for the last 3 years to get him to the village as he's so well sought after. Should be a fun evening on Saturday 6th February.

A Street Party to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday planned for Sunday 12th June.

Return of the popular **Whist drive** sometime in March. Never played? – doesn't matter. Learn on the night.

An evening of 'Famous Speeches' in the New Year. Confirmed for Saturday 20th February in Doug's Shed. There will be 12 x 8 minute slots for residents to perform a famous speech. This can be real, fictitious, or imaginary.

Details to follow.

Skittles match tbc.

Open Garden event across the summer weekends. Details to follow.

Please note that our next meeting is planned for Thursday 12th November (tbc) starting at 7pm in Doug's Shed.

ALL VILLAGE RESIDENTS are very welcome. It's great to see new faces and listen to new ideas.

Soo Sims (BCA Chair)

Buckerell Weather Facts

To say that the weather this Spring* and Summer** has been mixed is an understatement. Spring was drier than average with rainfall 25% less than the average over the past 15 years, whereas Summer was 34% wetter. June's rainfall was 55% below average but August was 124% above average.

The August rainfall figure of 176.5mm was the highest since the records began in 2000, beating the previous record of 165mm in 2008. Surprisingly there were 16 rain free days during the month.

The total rainfall for the year to date is 642 mm which is 6.8% higher than the 15 year average but substantially less than the 899mm we had received by this time last year.

It has also been colder this year than last year, the average maximum day time temperature during Spring at 13.8°C was 9% down on last year and during the Summer it was 18.6°C down 16.6%. The average minimum temperatures were also down by 31.1% and 11.0% respectively at 5.2°C and 11.6°C.

* (March to May), ** (June to August)

Buckerell Book Club

After a break for summer holidays the Book Club will meet again at 8pm on Thursday 17th September.

If you would like to join us we would be very pleased to see you, men and women, both are welcome.

At this first meeting it has been suggested that everyone brings along one book for consideration and then a vote be taken to choose one for our next meeting. To make it easier to complete a book in five or six weeks volumes should not be longer than 300/350 pages.

We are not a highbrow group but like to read something worth discussing so no Mills and Boon please. On September 17th the meeting will be a social occasion with wine and nibbles at Armoury Cottage to give everyone a chance to meet each other. Please ring Patricia on 850593 if you would like to join us.

DIARY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Time</u>
13th September	Village Boules Championship	Deer Park	12.00 noon
27th September	Harvest Festival	Church	6.30 p.m.
	Auction of produce and buffet supper	Armoury Cottage	
October	Apple Day	details to be confirmed	
30th October	Quiz Evening	Doug's Shed	TBC
8th November	Remembrance Sunday	War Memorial	10.55 a.m.
12th November	BCA Meeting	Doug's Shed	7.00 p.m.
6th December	Christmas Fayre	Doug's Shed	TBC
16th December	Carol Service	Church	6.30 p.m.
6th February 2016	Villages in Action	Doug's Shed	TBC
20th February 16	Famous Speeches	Doug's Shed	TBC
6th March 16	Vintage High Tea	Doug's shed	TBC
12th June 16	Street Party - The Queen's 90th Birthday	TBC	

Congratulations



Tilley Vanstone was married to Adam Martin on Saturday, August 1st with the reception and evening event held in a marquee at The Old Barn, Buckerell.

The service was held at Ottery St Mary Parish Church and included a contingent of the VoiceWorx choir led by Alan Boxer. One surprise for Tilley, a primary teacher, was to be met outside the church by a number of her pupils from Year 1 at Exminster School.

The following day the marquee was in the hands of Hospiscare who staged a cream tea in aid of the local hospice in memory of Tilley's grandfather. Great help was given by Honiton Young Farmers, and, with a good turnout from Buckerell, the event made £836 profit for this brilliant cause.

A huge thanks from Tilley, Adam and family for the best wishes and support over both these very special days.

Happy Birthday

Belated —'Squid' Galantree on his 50th Birthday earlier this year

Crispin Denny—60th Birthday on 26 October.

New Arrivals

Lottie Spiller born on 16th June. Congratulations to Jemma, Richard and Joshua (Yew Tree Cottage).

Welcome to Brian and Veronica Jones recently moved into Well Cottage. Both are well known to many Buckerell residents through their teaching days at Kings.

Welcome to Juliana Flobodian recently moved into 2 Hillside.

Welcome to Meryl Toogood and Luke Chalmers recently moved into 2 Glebe Cottages