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Please inform The Editor of any important errors or omissions.

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#### **Editorial**

#### **Travellers Season**

It is that time of year again, but the police advise that the only reason they come is for paid work. If you don't employ them, then they should not come. If you employ them to take away your waste cuttings, and they do not have the necessary licence, then you are liable to a hefty fine.

To be informed when travellers are in the neighbourhood then sign up for the Police Community Messaging Service by contacting PCSO Paul Martin using the details in the Community Police Newsletter. The message won't literally say that travellers are in the area, but just to be wary of cold callers.

## **Churston Library**

There is a questionnaire at the Library for you to feedback how you make use of its services to Torbay Council. This will be used to decide how best to reshape the Torbay Library Service into the future to save money. One option that seems to be contemplated is voluntary administration.

## Free Recycle

Do you have serviceable belongings that are superfluous to your needs? Have you considered offering them for free to anyone prepared to collect? If so, then I am happy to advertise them for free in *THE GAZETTE* with the proviso that I accept no responsibility for them whatsoever.

#### TQ Women's Institute

There is a "new kid on the block" ~ an alternative Women's Institute that meets at 7:30 pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at Caroline's Cafe in the Churston Traditional Farm Shop on Dartmouth Road.

For further details either go along to one of their meetings or contact the Secretary, Jo Walkom on 07850 055463 or President, Caroline Haddock on 01803 857826.

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Business advertising rate is £30 pro rata per page per issue.

**Entries in the Organisation Directory and Diary Dates are free.** 

## The Friends of Churston Library Events

#### Day Trip to Caerhays Castle & Gardens, Cornwall

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> May Depart Brixham 8:15 am & Churston 8:30 am

Day out to the beautiful Caerhays Castle and Gardens in South Cornwall. Not a trip to be missed. Look out for application forms in Churston Library.

#### **Coffee Morning in Churston Library**

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> May

11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Only Fair-trade coffee & tea are served as always. Everyone is welcome.

#### Day Trip to Falmouth, Cornwall

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> June

Depart Brixham 8:15 am & Churston 8:30 am

Day out to the picturesque and historic town of Falmouth in Cornwall. Application forms will be available in Churston Library from mid-May.

The Friends do not run any trips during July and August due to it being a busy holiday period. Trips will commence again in September.

## **BRIXHAM THEATRE**

**Brixham Operatic And Dramatic Society present** 

## The Vicar of Dibley

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May Nightly at 7:30 pm

Theatre Box-Office Open Daily Monday to Saturday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Box-Office Tel: 01803 882 717

or 01803 850 637 outside Box Office hours

Block bookings 1 seat free in 10

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## Galmpton Gooseberry Pie Fair

Chairman: Martin Ridge: 844927

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July ~ Programme of Events

The **Gooseberry Pie**, baked by **Hallett's The Bakers**, will travel by steam railway to **Churston Station**, arriving at around **12-noon**.

The usual procession will leave **Churston Station** about **12:30 pm**, follow **Greenway Road** to the village, and end **30** minutes later at the **Manor Inn**.

Here, the **Reverend Ian Blyde** will bless the **Gooseberry Pie**, and then **Lieutenant Steve Trepkowski** of the **US Navy** will declare the **Fair** open.

The events shown below are believed correct at the time of going to press.

#### In and around Stoke Gabriel Road and The Manor Inn:

- Slices of Gooseberry Pie
- The Manor Inn outside bar with local Real Ales
- Barbecue and Candy Floss
- Bouncy Castle and Face Painting
- Range of stalls and amusements
- Children's shows from Cosmo in The Manor Inn Pool Room
- Local food and drink market
- Refreshments and ice creams
- Brass band, local pipers, and other live music
- Morris dancing
- Devon Air Cadets and the popular ducking stool

#### In and around Greenway Road and the Village Halls:

- Village Institute Hall local art and History Group exhibitions
- Barn Chapel Hall cream teas
- Roundabout
- Music from local groups
- Galmpton Traditional & Swing Jazz Band
- Steam traction engine
- Falconry and birds of prey

The Fair will close around 5:00 pm but with music continuing in The Manor.











Tel: 01803 842382 Registered charity no. 205846 Email: greenway@nationaltrust.org.uk www.nationaltrust.org.uk/greenway

#### **Greenway Community News**

We are now officially open for the 2014 season, and we have been enjoying our magnificent magnolias and other delightful spring flowers. When the sun does shine, it is simply glorious at Greenway.

As many of you will be aware, we have been undertaking some consultation around increased access to Greenway for 2015. Plans being proposed mean the property would be open to visitors seven days a week during the core season which runs from February to October. The benefits of opening seven days a week at Greenway would mean that visitors would be spread throughout the week rather than condensed during peak times.

We held two drop-in sessions at Galmpton Village Institute and Dittisham Village Hall to find out what people think locally. This is prior to us making an application for changes. At the time of writing, we are still receiving responses to our questionnaire, so there are no results available. Once we have collated the information we will be making some decisions about the content of our application to make amendments to our planning agreement with South Hams District Council. The process is likely to take 2-3 months. We will endeavour to keep people informed of any progress.

If there is anything you would like to discuss further please feel free to contact me on **01803 661856** or E-mail **carly.mays@nationaltrust.org.uk**.

carly Mays ~ Community Involvement Officer

#### **Upcoming Events**

Booking required unless otherwise stated. Please call 01803 842382. (Please note - assistance dogs only for booked events)

Fairy Day: 25 May, 2 – 4 pm, £3 Child plus usual admission charges. No need to book but please reserve parking. Join the fairies for another fun filled afternoon. Those pesky pirates are causing trouble again!

Outdoor Theatre *Pride and Prejudice*: 31 Jul, 7 – 9:45 pm, £13 Adult, £10 Child (ages 7 to 17). With Heartbreak Productions.

Outdoor Theatre Peter Pan: 1 Aug, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, £13 Adult, £10 Child, £42 Family (2 Adult + 2 Child). Modern, rhyming adaptation of a classic.

Outdoor Cinema *Evil Under the Sun*: 16 Sep, 8 – 10 pm, £8 per person. As part of the Agatha Christie festival in the English Riviera, 'Evil Under the Sun', starring Peter Ustinov, on screen in the Walled Garden.

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## BRIXHAM BOWLING CLUB

Established 1913

**Nelson Road, Furzeham** 

www.brixhambowlingclub.co.uk



## NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

experienced or not.



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NEW TERM STARTS Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Tel: 01803 842839 or 07902 328922 carol@musicwithmummyandcarol.co.uk www.facebook.com/musicwithcarol

#### **Churston Ferrers Grammar School & PTA**

Head-teacher: Robert Owers School Reception: 01803 842289

#### After School Activities

Except half-term holiday  $26^{th} - 30^{th}$  May and Summer holiday  $24^{th}$  July  $-7^{th}$  Sept Scrapbooking Shelley French 07809 211911 Mon 4:30 - 6:30 pm Sth Devon Athletic Club Adrian Tucker 07786 077616 Mon 6:00 - 8:00 pm Sth Devon Taekwon-Do Jun. D.Brinham 07771 800912 Mon 6:00 - 7:30 pm Mon 7:30 - 9:00 pm Sth Devon Taekwon-Do Sen. S. Millis 07779 240865 Torbay Tigers Sen. Mon 8:00 - 9:30 pm Richard Morrison 01803 845867 Torbay Tigers Jun. Tues 6:00 - 9:00 pm Rick Wooldridge 01803 844757 Katie Parsons 07783 544014 FitSteps Classes £4 Mon 7:00 - 8:00 pm Zumba Classes £4 parsons katie@yahoo.co.uk Wed 7:00 - 8:00 pm **Bay Bouncers** Emily Gomez 07907 388066 Wed 4:00 - 5:00 pm Football Seniors Paul Lowe 07929 135462 Wed 7:00 - 8:00 pm **Torbay Judo Club** John Cole 01803 843928 Thur 6:00 - 7:00 pm Thur 7:00 - 9:30 pm South Devon Choir Jennifer Walker 01803 858076 Torbay Tigers Sen. Richard Morrison 01803 845867 Thur 8:00 - 10:00 pm

## **Churston Community Computer Club**

churstoncomputerclub@mypostoffice.co.uk Chairman: Mike Tate: 844901 Secretary: Mike O'Donnell: 844013 Treasurer: Brian Taylor: 844558

We meet at Churston Ferrers Grammar School from 4:30 to 6:30 pm on Thur 1<sup>st</sup> / Wed 21<sup>st</sup> May, Thur 5<sup>th</sup> / Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jun, Thur 3<sup>rd</sup> / Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Jul.

Enter through school **Main Reception**, go up the stairs on the left, and find **IT Suite Room 20** along the corridor to the left.

- Open to residents of Churston Parish and surrounding districts
- Help for all, especially newcomers, even before buying a PC or tablet
- Focussed mainly on Microsoft Windows 8 and 7 and Vista and XP
- Advice on good Free or Economy security software & office products
- Advice on family history research, digital photography, TV & audio
- Epson V500 Flatbed & 35-mm film & slide scanner to borrow
- Access to school PC Network, plus Online Classroom at home
- Only £10 joining fee per household that you'll probably soon recoup

Note: Churston Library offers free PC tutorials on some Tuesdays and free online access to Ancestry UK for family history researchers.

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## **Galmpton & Churston Local History Group**

Chairman: John Risdon: 844102 Treasurer: Gary Deare: 842148

E-mail: johnrisdon@heritage-southdevon.co.uk

#### Tuesday 27th May

#### Morning Guided Walk of Denbury Village & Hill Fort

led by John Risdon,

followed by pub lunch at the **Union Inn** (optional extra).

Meet at Manor Inn, Galmpton, car park at 9:30 am (car-share).

Please pre-book with John Risdon, especially if having pub lunch.

Telephone or E-mail as above.

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July

## Gooseberry Pie Fair History Exhibition

#### **Galmpton Village Institute**

Commemoration of the communities of Churston Ferrers & Galmpton during the First World War.

## **Dart Sailability**

Registered Charity: 1067831

## **Don't Throw it Away!**

**Local Charity** 

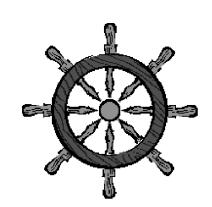
## **Dart Sailability**

Would like your old Boating Equipment to sell at Boat Jumbles
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David on 01803 843239
or
Bruce on 01803 842121

Thank you





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\*within two miles

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#### **OPENING TIMES**

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## Galmpton Floral Days 2014

#### **Please Note**

As sometimes happens, the best laid plans are unable to be realised. Such is the case with this year's Skills Pay planned for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Unfortunately **it will not run**, so you will just have to put on hold all those skills, crafts and talents until 2015! We expect twice the entries!

However, in the planning pipeline, a Words and Music event is being considered with a provisional date of October 4<sup>th</sup> and a theme of Harvest and Autumn. Confirmation is to be found in a future issue of *The Gazette*. These events have been popular in the past so WATCH THIS SPACE! Finally a comment on the real Welcome to Spring provided by the particularly good display of Spring flowers in the village's public spaces – what a way to banish winter blues!

## **Work Wanted**

- House cleaning
- Gardening work
- Dog walking and holiday sitting in her home
- Care work (had training by two local agencies)
   Call me, Ulrike, for a chat on 01803 843029

## **Galmpton Village Institute**

Chairman: John Risdon: 844102 Treasurer: Alan Knight: 844425

Hall Bookings & Secretary: June Symes: 842121

#### **AGM Report**

The Chairman reported another satisfactory year. There have been a few minor maintenance renewals & improvements, while the diverse community use of the Institute has continued unabated. Our saddest time of the past year was the untimely death of our trustee, Gordon Batten, who played an immensely important role in reflecting the views of his community. Finally, it seems that our objective of obtaining Charitable Incorporated Organisation status to provide limited liability for trustees is soon to be realised.

Next Committee Meeting 7:30 pm Monday 16th June 2014

## Flavel Chapel Newsletter

Pastor: lan Cameron: 559366 E-mail: flavelpastor@yahoo.com

Elders: Walford Catling: 559040

Written by Ian Cameron

John Young: 521125

Village Contact: 843446

Website: www.flavelchapel.blogspot.co.uk

#### 'So, what happened to the dinosaurs?'

This was a question put to me by an enquirer at a Christianity Explored course I was leading some years ago in London. It was a genuine question which reflected a deeper concern that many have about placing their confidence in the Bible as God's word. The problem basically is this: We are taught in school and by society at large that the world is millions of years old. However, one only needs to read the opening chapter of the Bible (Genesis 1) to see that the Biblical account of creation is much shorter and the world is described as being much younger than what we have been taught. So where do dinosaurs fit into the picture?

I was very glad the enquirer asked her question, because the Bible does provide an answer for it. In fact, the answer to that question was influential in my decision to become a pastor. So I was able to give the questioner an explanation which satisfied her intellect and meant that she was able to have confidence in the Bible as an authority that she could trust - both historically and morally. A few months later she became a Christian.

Most people don't realise that this problem of being able to trust the Bible, especially the Old Testament, is something that Jesus himself recognized people would struggle with. In John's gospel he says 'If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. But since you do not believe what he wrote, how are you going to believe what I say?' (John 5:46-48)

So if you'd like to know what the Bible says about dinosaurs, text DINOSAUR and your address to 07769-419-073, and I'll post you a free booklet. You won't be put on a mailing list, and nobody will call. But you will find out when God made them, and the Biblical answer to what happened to them.

Please refer to Page 23 for the times of our regular services.

Galmpton Congregational Evangelical Church

Main Church: Stoke Gabriel Road

Flavel Chapel Hall: The Roundings

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## Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Churston

Vicar Reverend Ian Blyde Tel: 851340

Churchwardens: Bob Brooke Tel: 857636 Ken Davies Tel: 854773

#### From BRIXHAM RECTORY

Holiday times are always special and it is hard not to see this time of year as holiday, even when we are working hard. God made us not just for work but to enjoy the world in which we live. Jesus said "My purpose is to give life in all its fullness." (John 10 10).

We have to sometimes learn to work to live not live to work.

And consider why we are *human beings* not *human doings*. Taking time out for ourselves and our families is important and so is taking time out to pray and say "thank you" for what a beautiful place God has given us to live in.

It is my prayer that over the next few months we make a little more time for ourselves, each other and for God.

#### Ian Blyde (Team Rector)

For the times of our regular church services please see Page 23.

If you would like more details about any services in either the **Barn Chapel** or **Churston Church** then please feel free to ring me on **01803 851 340**.

#### **Monthly Morning Music Recitals**

This year we are pleased to offer a programme that includes both well known recitalists as well as some new faces.

All programmes begin at 10:30 am with a break for coffee at 11:00 am before a second part at 11:30 am, concluding at 12 noon.

There is no charge, but recitalists choose a charity to which we send 25% of donations and the remainder gratefully put to church refurbishment.

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> May Michael Keast Organist at Churston Ferrers

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> June Mike & David Buley Local organist & Canadian relative

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> July Michael Parnell Mission Community organist

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Aug Mark Ekert Organist at Littlehempston

On **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July** the church folk will be serving teas in the Barn Hall as usual for the **Gooseberry Pie Fair**.



You honestly can't go wrong for an enjoyable and relaxed evening meal with good service.

and reasonably priced.

The service was outstanding and the descerts to die for.

These are just a few of the lovely customer comments we've received on **Tripadvisor**. Please visit and experience for yourself the delicious food and outstanding service; we'd love to offer you a warm Ploughman's welcome. Bookings are advised for weekends and you can find out more about our menu, which features some lovely local produce – on our website.

Dartmouth Road, Churston Ferrers, TQ5 0LL



01803 844702

www.wearyploughman.co.uk

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#### The White Horse Guesthouse

www.whitehorseguesthouse.co.uk

(01803) 842381







Dartmouth Road, Churston Ferrers, Brixham, Devon TQ5 0LL

#### 4 Stars Rated Guesthouse

The **White Horse** is a family run guesthouse, which is open all year round with room prices starting from £34.00 per person per night, which includes a full breakfast using local produce.

All our rooms are en-suite and tastefully decorated, with Tea/Coffee making facilities, TV's, DVD players, fluffy white towels, cosy dressing gowns, and many more personal touches.



We also cater for small functions and after funeral receptions, which are held in our dining room and lounge with bar facilities. If you would like any further information or would like to come and look around, please feel free to contact us and we can discuss any of your requirements with you.



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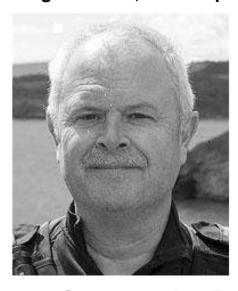
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## **Community Police News**

http://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk Non-Emergency: 101 brixham@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk Crime-Stoppers: 0800 555 111 Police Station, Rea Barn Road, Brixham TQ5 9EA 0845 6567857 Torbay Neighbourhood Watch www.torbaywatch.org.uk 01803 218701 Paignton Hub, c/o Torquay Police Station, South Street, Torquay TQ2 5AH



PCSO 30114
Paul Martin
0845 6567857

PCSO 30084 Lisa Vietch 07703 885627



#### Community Police Surgeries ~ Churston Library

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May & 4<sup>th</sup> June & 2<sup>nd</sup> July 10:00 – 11:00 am

## **Rotary Club of Paignton**

www.rotaryclubofpaignton.org Secretary: Richard Innes-Lumsden: 812654

Have you considered joining us? Why? For friendship, fun, and an opportunity to use your talents to help others in our local community, in the UK and abroad. Here are a few highlights:

#### **Rotary International**

polio nearly eliminated

#### **UK Rotarians**

founded "Shelter Box"

#### **Paignton Rotarians**

- support many local charities by funds and direct help
- fund many Shelter Boxes
- help local primary school children to become functionally literate
- fund water supply in African township

If you would like to consider joining us, do visit our website or contact our secretary. We welcome all ages of men and women who subscribe to the Rotary ideal of "service above self".

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## **Galmpton Residents' Association News**

**Protecting Village Life** 

www.galmptontorbay.org.uk

Chairman: position vacant

Secretary: Christine Batten E-mail: secretary@galmptontorbay.org.uk

Treasurer: Jonathan Collinge E-mail: GRATre@galmptontorbay.org.uk

Webmaster: Richard Boyles E-mail: webmaster@galmptontorbay.org.uk

#### **GRA Annual General Meeting**

The recent AGM was a productive event, opening with an address by General Manager of the National Trust English Riviera, Gary Calland, who informed everyone of the National Trust's proposal to extend the opening hours for Greenway House to include Monday and Tuesday. We were also informed of the educational initiatives, which would encourage the further involvement of local young people in Greenway. Gary's address was followed by a GRA meeting, which involved the reading of the Chairman's Annual Report, the Financial Report, and the re-election of the Committee.

#### **GRA Activities**

GRA continues to contribute to the formation of the local Neighbourhood Plan, in relationship to potentially threatening development proposals and with attention to the Local Plan, along with issues relating to traffic, transport, and the Common. Most annual resident subscriptions have also been collected.

#### **NT Greenway House**

We invite all who attended the National Trust consultation on March 27<sup>th</sup> to feed back to Committee members any comments or additional suggestions which the GRA can then pass on to the National Trust. Your GRA and the National Trust are equally keen to encourage and sustain constructive dialogue on issues affecting the village.

#### **Committee Membership**

We warmly invite all who would like to make a more active contribution to protecting and enhancing village life to offer their services on our rather depleted committee. The post of Chairman remains vacant for any energetic, public-spirited person to fill. Richard Boyles would also be glad to hand over the responsibility for Webmaster if any IT pros should be happy to take over, or offer assistance. Offers for these posts and general committee members gratefully accepted!

# Public Inquiry: Churston Golf Course joint text by the Rule 6 Party:

Over the last few weeks Churston, Galmpton & Broadsands Community Partnership; RAGS; and Richard Haddock (known as the Rule 6 Party) and supported by many golf club members who are against the plans as well as Torbay Council, have been engaged in a public inquiry against the house builder Bloor Homes and the management board of the Golf Club (known as the Appellants).

<u>Background</u>: In order to develop part of the golf course into a housing estate and relocate the Clubhouse, the Council as freeholder was required to approve a change in the lease. Despite Councillors voting 36 to 2 not to approve this, the former Mayor Mr Nick Bye did just that, only hours before he lost office in 2011. This contract is due to expire on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 (3 years after it was signed).

<u>The Proposal</u>: The Appellants wish to build a large golf club house on the 3<sup>rd</sup> fairway immediately in front of Bridge Road. It would be almost 11m higher than adjacent houses and approx. 60% larger than the current clubhouse. As well as a golf clubhouse it will provide conference facilities. However, the car park would be smaller than present and all traffic would go down Bridge Rd. The Appellants own traffic models show Bridge Rd would fail from too much traffic. The course would be extended into important wildlife habitat now comprising farmland. All of this is to allow Bloor Homes to build 132 units at the current clubhouse site.

<u>Tactical Delays by the Appellants</u>: The Appellants left it until the last minute to submit their Appeal. After their planning application had been refused by the Council in March 2013 it took over 12 months before they brought their case before an Inspector in March 2014.

Despite this, just days before the inquiry, the Appellants were still seeking additional deferments as they had not apparently had sufficient time to prepare. However they did find time to launch, we say, a diversionary tactic calling on the Inspector to require us to submit our case on Environmental Impact into a lengthy written submission to be heard on day 1 of the Inquiry. This was rejected.

Once the inquiry began, and it became apparent that the Inquiry could not be railroaded through and hence the 2<sup>nd</sup> May contract date referred to above would be missed, the Appellants, we say, did everything they could to drag out the Inquiry. This was, we say, in the expectation that the Rule 6 Party would find their financial resources exhausted. So for example, Mr Haddock was cross examined by the Appellants for a day and so was Mr Billings, with the result that in 6 days of the Inquiry only 6 witnesses were heard.

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The Appellants have requested a further 8 Inquiry days for the remaining 7 witnesses thus making what was a 6 day inquiry a 14 day Inquiry – the Inquiry is now adjourned until 4<sup>th</sup> November. To quote the Inspector on the last day of the Inquiry 'Planning Appeals for a Nuclear Power Station take less time than this'.

<u>Divisive Approach</u>: One of the biggest shames in this whole process is that the Community and Local businesses were not able to sit down with the board of the Golf Club in the beginning. We asked. There was no response. Councillors asked. There was no response. The Deputy Mayor asked. There was no response.

No-one we know of is in any way against the golf club. No one wants to see it fail, which is all the more reason why it is such a shame that none of the golf club board wished to enter into discussions. And yet this is the <u>only</u> reason we are now at a full public Inquiry rather than having seen progress on a scheme everyone could live with years ago.

Indeed, not one single golf club member or board director spoke for the scheme and not one stayed to listen to the many members of the public (and indeed many golf club members) speak about why it should be refused.

Instead, the interventions of a house builder and their lawyers have served to push the parties further away from each other, rather than recognising that the amicable way of progressing this matter of everyone sitting round a table is what is best for all concerned and ultimately Torbay as a whole.

Should the position change we would of course be delighted to hear from the golf club board, or whoever else from the golf club who would like to speak to us.

In the meantime, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for all the support, assistance and encouragement from members of the local community in particular the eloquent speakers at the Inquiry and from numerous well-wishers.

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## **Diary Dates & Regular Amenities**

ВН	l=Barn Hal	I CC=Churston Church CL=Churston Library CP=Churston Pa	avilion
FH=Flavel Hall GS=Grammar School NT=National Trust VH=Village Institute Hall			
Ma	ay 2014	Se	e Page
1	4:30 pm	GS Room 20 Churston Community Computer Club	8
7	10:00 am	CL Community Police Surgery	18
7	7:15 pm	VH Women's Institute Resolutions & Annual Meeting	
12	8:30 am	CL Friends of Churston Library day trip to Caerhays Castle	4
14	10:30 am	CC Morning Music Recital by organist Michael Keast	13
15	7:30 pm	BH Ladies Club Secrets of the Magic Circle by Dr R Rawlins	
19	11:00 am	CL Friends of Churston Library Coffee Morning	4
21	4:30 pm	<b>GS</b> Room 20 Churston Community Computer Club AGM	8
27	9:30 am	Manor Inn History Group Guided Walk of Denbury	9
28	7:30 pm	Caroline's Cafe, Churston Farm Shop TQ Women's Institute	3
28-	317:30 pm	Brixham Theatre BOADS The Vicar of Dibley	4
Ju	ne 2014	Se	e Page
3	10:30 am	CC Morning Music Recital by organist Mike & David Buley	13
4	10:00 am	CL Community Police Surgery	18
4	7:15 pm	VH Women's Institute Devon Freewheelers by Les May	
5	4:30 pm	GS Room 20 Churston Community Computer Club	8
14	2:00 pm	Compass House Medical Centre Garden Party (VH if wet)	
16	7:30 pm	VH Galmpton Village Institute Committee Meeting	11
18	4:30 pm	GS Room 20 Churston Community Computer Club	8
19	7:30 pm	BH Ladies Club <i>Nurse to Health Visitor</i> by Margaret Parsons	
20	8:30 am	CL Friends of Churston Library day trip to Falmouth	4
25	7:30 pm	Caroline's Cafe, Churston Farm Shop TQ Women's Institute	3
Ju	ly 2014	Se	e Page
2	10:00 am	CL Community Police Surgery	18
2	7:15 pm	VH Women's Institute Summer Party	
3	4:30 pm	GS Room 20 Churston Community Computer Club	8
6	12 - 5 pm	Galmpton Gooseberry Pie Fair 2014	5
15	10:30 am	CC Morning Music Recital by organist Michael Parnell	13
16	4:30 pm	GS Room 20 Churston Community Computer Club	8
17	7:30 pm	BH Ladies Club Summer Gardens by John Harvey (open mee	eting)
23	7:30 pm	Caroline's Cafe, Churston Farm Shop TQ Women's Institute	3

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For contact details see (entry) in the **Organisation Directory** on the next page. Village Institute Hall, Greenway Road Bookings: June Symes 842121 **Monday Club** (24) Alternate Mondays 2:00 - 4:00 pm entry £1.50 **Trad & Swing Jazz** (30) Alternate Mondays 7:30 pm (33) Tuesdays and Saturdays 7:30 pm **Whist Drives Club** entry £1.80 (17) 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month 7:15 pm Women's Institute visitors 50p (27) Monday to Friday 9:15 am – 12:15 pm **Pre-School Ltd** Tue, Wed, Thur 12:15 pm - 3:15 pm **Bookings: Lynn Milner 843677** Barn Chapel Hall, Greenway Road (41) Mondays 3:45 - 4:45 pm **Stars Group** (44) Mondays 7:30 - 8:30 pm all abilities £6.00 (19) 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Tue of month 9:15 am fully subscribed Yoga Meditation **Art Group Embroidery Group** (44) 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month 10:00 am - Noon (10) Tues 5:00 pm Beavers and 6:30 - 8:00 pm Cubs **Beavers & Cubs** (10) Wednesdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm **Scouts** (2) 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of month 7:30 pm Ladies Club visitors 50p Parent & Toddler (26) Term-time Fridays 9:30 - 11:30 am entry £2.50 W.I. Circle Dance (18) Alternate Fridays 7:30 - 9:30 pm entry £2.00 **Churston Pavilion, Greenway Road** Stewart Hallam 845651 Churston Ferrers Grammar, Brixham Adult Education 853302 **Churston Ferrers Grammar, Greenway Road** (see Page 8) 842289 For the After School Activities see Page 8 Except half-term holiday 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> May and Summer holiday 24<sup>th</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> Sept **Churston Golf Club, Dartmouth Road** 842751 **Bridge Section** Thursdays 7:30 pm Members only **Churston Library, Churston Broadway** (see Page 4) 843757 Monday, Friday 9:30 am - 5:00 pm**Library Open** Tues, Wed, Saturday 9:30 am - 1:00 pm 9:30 am - 6:00 pm Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tues monthly 10:00 am - Noon please book Free PC taster sessions (7&8) 1st Sat of month except May 10:00 am - Noon **Councillor Surgery Compass House Medical Centre, Langdon Lane** Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm & 2:00 - 5:00 pm **Surgery Open** Galmpton Congregational Evangelical Church (see Page 12) 843446 (21) Sunday Worship 10:30 am and 6:30 pm Flavel Chapel Flavel Chapel Hall Monday 3:45 pm Junior Homework Club Wed 10:00 am Prayer Meeting alternates with Flavel Chapel Hall **54 Marldon Road** Wed 7:30 pm Bible Study Details: **07810 476105** Thur 8:40 am Drop-in Café, 3:40 pm Senior Homework Club Flavel Chapel Hall St Mary the Virgin C of E Church, Churston (see Page 13) Vicar 851340

Sung Eucharist (41) 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 9:30 am and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sun 11:00 am

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6 Churston Pavilion War Memorial Playing Fiel	•
7 Churston with Galmpton Ward	Councillor: Derek A Mills 843412
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9 Churston, Galmpton & Broadsands Community Pa	
10 Churston, Galmpton & Kingswear Scouts & Cubs	
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12 Friends of Galmpton Warborough Common	Secretary: Judy Perrett 842703
13 Friends of Rowcroft, Churston & Galmpton B	
14 Friends Support Group, Compass House	Contact: Margaret Rogers 843425
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16 Galmpton & Churston Tennis Club	Contact: Stewart Hallam 845651
•	resident: Maggie Goldsmith 845251
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19 Galmpton Barn Hall Art Group	Contact: Diane Richards 842738
20 Galmpton C of E Primary School & PTA	School Reception 842628
21 Galmpton Congregational Evangelical Churc	h 559040 / 521125 / 843446
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27 Galmpton Pre-School Ltd	Tina Canning at Village Hall 845547
28 Galmpton Residents' Association	See Page 19
29 Galmpton Snooker Club	Chairman: Stan Bentley 842775
30 Galmpton Traditional & Swing Jazz Group	Leader: Tom Davies 607675
31 Galmpton United & Torbay Gents Youth AFC	Contact: Stewart Hallam 845651
32 Galmpton Village Institute	Chairman: John Risdon 844102
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"The West Country is for life – not just for holidays" was one of the headlines in the Daily Telegraph's West Country Property Special published on 29<sup>th</sup> March. Included in the list of their top twenty highlights was Galmpton Village nestling on the banks of the river Dart mid-way between Brixham and Paignton. To quote from the paper "Galmpton Quay is where keen sailors join the River Dart. The village shop is called the Galleon Stores and mariners can stock up on provisions both here and at the village butcher's, then take a tot of rum at the Manor Inn." Their insider tip stated "there is not just a preschool and primary school within walking distance but a grammar school as well." These few column inches in the paper just scratch the surface of life in the village. Eric Lloyd & Co's director, Jonathan Bye, has lived in the village for most of his life and can heartily endorse these comments.

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