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SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER 2011

Sunday November 6th

9.30 am	**Whitestone**	**Holy Communion**	**Revd Tim Gorringe**
9.30 am	Holcombe Burnell	Parish Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11.0 am	Tedburn St Mary	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3.0 pm	Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Canon Geoffrey Moore
6.0 pm	Cheriton Bishop	Evening Prayer	Lay led

Sunday November 13th Remembrance Sunday

9.30 am	**Whitestone**	**Parish Communion and Remembrance Service**	**Revd Martin Wood**
10.50 am	Holcombe Burnell	Remembrance Service	Revd Tim Gorringe
10.55 am	Tedburn St Mary	United Remembrance	Revd Martin Wood
11.0 am	Cheriton Bishop	War Memorial	Canon John Tutton
11.10 am	Cheriton Bishop	Remembrance Service	Canon John Tutton
3.0 pm	Pathfinder	Remembrance Service	Revd Martin Wood

Saturday November 19th

6.0 pm	**Whitestone**	**Saturday Surprise**	**Revd Martin Wood**

Sunday November 20th

8.0 am	Tedburn St Mary	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
9.30 am	Cheriton Bishop	Parish Communion	Revd Tim Gorringe
3.0 pm	Pathfinder	Evensong	Revd Martin Wood
6.0 pm	Holcombe Burnell	Evensong	Lay led

Sunday November 27th

8.0. am	Cheriton Bishop	Holy Communion	Canon John Tutton
9.30 am	Tedburn St Mary	Parish Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11.0 am	Holcombe Burnell	Family Service & Baptism	Revd Martin Wood
3.0 pm	Pathfinder	United Service	
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November 3rd	**Canon Geoffrey Moore**
November 10th	**Revd Martin Wood**
November 17th	**Canon Geoffrey Moore**
November 24th	**Canon Geoffrey Moore**

FROM THE RECTOR

Remembering

November is a month when we remember. On a light hearted level we remember the Guy Fawkes of 1605. Most of us have learnt at least the first line of the rhyme;

"Remember, remember the fifth of November, gunpowder treason and plot.
We see no reason why gunpowder treason should ever be forgot!"

On a more serious note we remember Armistice Day, 11th November 1918 and focus on an act of remembrance for those killed and wounded in the two world wars and in military conflicts since the Second World War. This has been brought into sharper focus with the deaths of service people in Afghanistan and Iraq. The words of the Kohima epitaph I still find haunting.

"When you go home, tell them of us and say, for their tomorrow, we gave our today"

The church also remembers on the 1st November, All the Saints and 2nd November, All Souls. The saints cover people singled out for their faith and witness. Whereas All Souls remembers those whom we love who are no longer with us and are separated from us by death.

We start to see how important November has become as an annual remembrance. It is worth remembering that grief is not a process that we can turn on in November and off for the rest of the year. People remember often on an hourly, daily or weekly basis in the early parts of the grieving process. There will never be a time when people really forget the people that they have loved. The act of remembering in November allows a collective remembering in which people feel supported and not forgotten in their grief.

The church has another dimension of remembering in November which is called the Kingdom season. This starts on All Saints on 1st November and ends on Christ the King on Sunday 20th November. This period marks the end of the church's year. In essence, our goal is heaven and the kingdom season celebrates that life long journey to heaven. It finishes with Jesus as our King in heaven. It is always important to know where we are going or else we can easily get lost. The Christian life aims for a relationship with God that transcends our earthly life into an eternal life in heaven. It is worth remembering the cost of this to Jesus. This was brought about through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We can draw several parallels by remembering those who have given so much for us. The need to use that gift wisely for the benefit of others and to keep focused on our aim in life. In God's economy peace and justice are central to establishing a sense of heaven on earth.

Rev. Martin Wood. The Rectory, Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop 01647 24119 (Tuesday to Sunday)

DAILY OFFICE (MATTINS AND EVENSONG)

Martin will be saying the Daily Office (Mattins and Evensong) in each of the churches once a week at 9.00 am and 3.00 pm as follows:

Tuesday:	**Holcombe Burnell**	**Wednesday:**	**Tedburn St. Mary**
Thursday:	**Cheriton Bishop**	**Friday:**	**Whitestone**

He will be very pleased to see anyone who wishes to join him or speak to him at these times as well.

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Saturday 19th November

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Your act of generosity in donating a box will give hope to a child caught in the midst of war, natural disaster or in extreme poverty and shows him or her they have not been forgotten. Your gift will make a child feel special, valued and cared for, and in fact it may well be the only gift they ever receive from anyone.

Please try to find your own box; most of the shoe shops in Exeter are happy to give you one or two. I have a limited number available, and if you would like to participate, please phone me at the number below for detailed instructions re contents and packing. It is important to know that there are certain items that should not be included. The boxes may be brought to the November "Saturday Surprise" in the Parish Hall between 5pm and 6pm on Saturday November 19th or left with me at Heath Barton, Heath Lane, Whitestone. Telephone 01647 61401 no later than the deadline date of November 24th. Any boxes brought after that date will be too late for this year's shipment. .

Please help us to beat last year's amazing achievement.

Ruth Hutchinson

PLEASE NOTE

SERVICES DURING THE WINTER MONTHS

From November, until the clocks go forward again in the Spring, the 8 am SAID Holy Communion Service on the 1st Sunday in the month will take place at 9.30 am.

Likewise, Evening Prayer on the 4th Sunday in the Month will be at 3 pm.

Early Warning ! Christingle and Carols will be on
Sunday December 18th at 11 am

STUDYING THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Wednesday Nights in the Autumn

We will be studying the letter to the Hebrews to see in what ways it has things to say to the twenty first century.

Bible Studies led by Rev. Prof. Tim Gorringe.

Discover more in the Bible, meet with other people. Everybody welcome.

7:30pm 26th Oct. Spalding Hall, Cheriton Bishop
7:30pm 2nd Nov. Spalding Hall, Cheriton Bishop

The series of Bible studies we had during lent was very popular, so, hopefully, even more of you will join us.

DIOCESAN NEWS

We are planning to discontinue the inclusion of a copy of the Diocesan News in the Parish magazine from the 1st January 2012.

A number of copies of the Diocesan News will be made available at your local church but, if you wish to receive a personal copy, please contact Jennifer Kellagher on 01392 273864 and she will arrange for a copy to be delivered to you.

PATHFINDER VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 12th November 10:30am

PATHFINDER VILLAGE CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

Many items for sale
Fund raising events
Everybody welcomed

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

This has been the Centenary year of MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT.

To end this special anniversary year in Devon and Cornwall, a Service of Thanks Giving is being given in EXETER CATHEDRAL.

The Service is to be held on Sunday the 20th November starting at 3 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME.

The Sermon is to be given by Mr Stephen Richards, the Director of Macmillan Cancer Support for England and it is hoped that dignitaries including the Lord Mayors of Exeter and Plymouth, the Lord Lieutenants of Devon and of Cornwall and past and present High Sheriffs will attend.

The Service will be supported by the Cathedral Organist and Choir and there is to be music from Roger Hendy and his Orchestra before and during the Service. The Service will last about one hour after which you will be invited to take tea.

In order to get some idea of numbers you are asked to apply for tickets which are of course free. Applications for any number of tickets may be made to:
Mrs Grafton – Grattan, tel. 01364 621518, or from Liz Trowbridge at Hindcross tel. 01392 811375.

We hope you will come to this special event and help to fill our lovely Cathedral.

THE SOCIETY OF MARY AND MARTHA

The Soul of Psychiatry
Friday 4th November

Friday Fringe with Dr Roger Moss. Soul is the mysterious place where we hold opposites in tension". Roger explores soul in our work and working lives with particular reference to psychiatry. Talk and discussion. Bar open. £7 in the jar on the bar on the night towards speakers expenses and sandwiches.

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Autumn is really here. The high winds, residues of American hurricanes, have let us know summer has gone. Now the gathering dark in the mornings & evenings shows we are on the long switchback journey down to the shortest day. The consolation prize is those bright autumn days of colourful leaves vivid in the sunshine, every sunlit detail highlighted by the shadows as the sun gets lower in the sky.

There's still plenty in the hedgerows and orchards. The summer birds left late, our house martins chattering, endlessly discussing the coming journey in the warmth, darting around harvesting flies, but they've finally gone. The little fox cubs in the lane are now bold young foxy gentlemen, confident and deadly, fattening on the ever-daft rabbits. The woods echo to fallow bucks' roaring pursuit of does. I'm glad our badgers are looking healthy, even chubby. We welcome the government's resolution to deal with the scourge of TB in wild and farmed animals and will look to vaccinate to keep our badgers healthy, as we can't vaccinate our cows. Healthy badgers police their territory and keep out unhealthy badgers, outcast from their setts.

CROPS - We have sown oilseed rape, the first time for a while, it's up and growing in the moist warm soil. Now we've got to keep the deer off it, as they love the whole cabbage family. We are growing more winter barley, as Adam noticed that while our ripening wheat was hammered by deer grazing, the barley seemed untouched - they don't like those hard whiskery awns that stick in the back of your throat if you've ever tried nibbling barley ears. Most wheat ears are soft and papery, just the thing for a deer snack.

Grass grows fast in the last of the warmth, stocking up the grass that will keep the cows grazing as late into the winter as we can manage. It'll keep growing until frosts come and chill the ground, giving fresh grass to flavour the milk and keep the cows out. We work out which are the first fields to stop grazing , which will be the first fields to turn the cows out to graze in February. So oddly enough, we shut up the driest fields first, because those will be the easiest to use at that difficult time of year, so important to getting the cows out early and getting the grazed grass flavour into the milk.

COWS - The autumn calved cows are settling into milking, just at that frisky stage where they've recovered from calving and are letting us and their herd mates know that they are in to gentlemen callers, please. They practice on each other this month. We watch to make sure everyone is ready for serving next month. Left to themselves, they would try to get back in calf immediately, but we wait until at least 6 weeks to let their innards settle down.

The calves come in first out of the wet and cold, then each group of animals by age. We'll sort them out by size and how fast we want them to grow - we can let a few of the smaller heifers coast on to calve at nearly two and a half, rather than having them calve under two years. They need to be big enough, or the calf can damage them, so we check who will make the correct weight for serving, and feed accordingly. Our animals are fertile as they are cross-bred, and we don't push them too hard, so we also have some to spare to sell.

CHEESE - Milk tends to rise in cream at this time of year, so we work the curd to keep the fat and the moisture down to keep the richest and most complex flavours. The temperature is not too hot for the cheese or the people, and not too cold to chill the curd. Our cheese stores stay a good steady temperature, so cheese can get on with the good steady job of maturing. With a lot of hard work, our stores are looking perfect - just the right mould growing on the rinds, the right humidity and cheese mite free. I'm proud of how the cheese looks, and proud of the flavours as we send them off on their travels across the world.

PRIZES - September was a classic month for prizes - we won the prestigious Best Speciality Producer in the Great Taste Awards, showing that we have consistently over the years put award winning cheese in over and over again. At the Frome Cheese Show, we also won the Best Traditional Cheddar for our Mature Cheddar, and our Extra Mature also won a Gold, and the Best Goats, Buffalo and Ewes Milk Cheese for our Hard Goats Cheese. Our Ewe's milk cheese won a Gold. At the British Cheese Awards, Stuart Dowle won Cheese Personality of the Year, Mild Cheddar won Best Cheddar, Goats won Best Export Cheese, as well Gold for Vintage, Silvers for Mature Cheddar and Double Gloucester and Bronzes for Ewes Milk Cheese and Extra Mature Cheddar.

RECIPE - I met the gorgeous Madam Fromage at the American Cheese Society Festival, who does wonderful cheese blog. She sent me this sandwich made with our cheese in the Wedge and Fig in Philadelphia: http://madamefromage.blogspot.com/2011/08/wedge-and-fig.html. She said: *"I am not the sort of person who can walk by a cheese shop without going in. That's what led me through a red door to discover the perfect sandwich: Quickes Cheddar, Marmite, avocado, and watercress pressed into a crusty baguette. At Wedge and Fig, a new cheese shop and cafe in Philadelphia's Old City, this is called The Ex-Pat. It could also be called The Diary of Mary Quicke, after the British cheesemaker who makes this gorgeous clothbound cheese on her family's 450-year-old farm and blogs about it."*

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WHITESTONE PARISH COUNCIL
13th October 2011

Minutes of Whitestone Parish Council meeting held at Whitestone Parish Hall on Thursday 13th October 2011 to be ratified at the Council meeting on Thursday 10th November 2011.

Attendance: Chairman – Councillor P Nierop
Councillors Mrs M Belt, Mrs P Fisher, S Heathcote, D Munro, Mrs B Netherway, R Phillips, A Reed, A Skeet, M Quinn.
County Councillor J Brook (for part of the meeting)
Mrs P Vaughan, Clerk to the Council
Mr B Varker, Mr and Mrs Robinson, Mr and Mrs Oatway, Mr C Hodge, Mr and Mrs Greenfield,
Apologies: District Councillor P Bromell

The meeting was preceded by the two Draws for the 100 Club in support of the Parish Hall Development Fund The first draw was the last of the 2010/11 draws. The second was the first of the 2011/12 draws which will be drawn each month up to and including September 2012. The numbers drawn were 53 (Mike Quinn) and 67 (David Gill).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Minutes of the Council Meetings held on 9th and 22nd September 2011 having been circulated were taken as read and signed as a true copy by the Chairman.

The Chairman then asked County Councillor Brook if he had a report and he gave some information applicable to the grant which had been applied for by the Hall Management Committee. He also said that Devon County Council would be arranging workshops in the Central Library, Exeter, at 6.30pm on 27th October and The Boniface Centre, Crediton at 6.30pm on 7th November where Councillor John Hart (Leader of Devon County Council) would be addressing the way in which Devon County would endeavour to cut their budget requirements by £40 million.

PLANNING
Planning Applications
11/02955/AGR Barn for storage of hay and agricultural machinery at Oakfield, Heath Lane. The Clerk reported that the previous application had been refused by Teignbridge owing to the need for protection of the hedgerow and this new application had altered the positioning of the barn. As the Parish Council had no objections to the previous application she assumed that this new application had met with their approval. As this was an agricultural application it had only needed a 14 day turnaround and indeed approval was given to the applicant on the 6th October.

11/02084/FUL Retention of car port at Oak Cottage, Nadderwater. The plans and application were examined and the meeting was opened to allow comment from Mr Robinson. The meeting was then closed to the public and there were no objections to the application.

11/03050/FUL Side, rear and first floor extensions with rear terrace at 25 Merrymeet. The plans and application were examined and the meeting was opened to allow comment from Mr Oatway. The meeting was then closed to the public and there were no objections to the application.

11/03176/FUL Use of land for the siting of 2 mobile homes and 3 touring caravans for residential use as a single gypsy family group at Springdale, Longdown. The Planning Statement had been circulated to Councillors and discussion took place regarding this application which had been downgraded from the previous application in January 2011 which had been refused by Teignbridge District Council. Concern was raised and the Clerk was instructed to request that the site be monitored to ensure that any permissions are complied with. Councillors felt that the Parish already have two other gypsy sites and hoped that further sites would not be considered appropriate. The Chairman then asked for Councillors to vote on this application and five were against and five abstained.

Grant of Conditional Planning
11/02087/COU Change of use of stable building to cattery at Glebe Farm
11/02461/FUL Single storey front extension at Fursdon,Tedburn Road

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
The Clerk reported on the successful conclusion of the Annual Audit by the Audit Commission for the year ended 31st March 2011, with no matters giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. Notices have been posted on notice boards within the Parish. The account for £342 was submitted for approval in the expenditure section of the agenda. A vote of thanks was passed to the Clerk for her work in regard to this.

The Chairman had requested guidance from Teignbridge District Council on siting of caravans/mobile homes and this information was distributed to Councillors for their information.

The initial Public Meeting to discuss the setting up of a Parish Plan for Whitestone has now been confirmed for 2.30pm on Saturday 12th November when a member of the Community Council of Devon will attend and make a Presentation on this subject.

FINANCE
Income 2nd Half Year Precept £3,500
As reported at the September meeting there had been a request for a replacement shower unit at No 2 School Houses which had been priced at £240 which had been agreed. However after investigation it had been found that this was not necessary as an isolation switch had burnt out and the repair had amounted to £111.98. The Portable Appliance Test at No 2 School Houses had been carried out at a cost of £35. These amounts had been deducted from the rental.

It was reported that there is a problem with the ride on mower used at Crossway Park and the Clerk has asked for some indication as to the cost of repairs as with both the Chair and Vice Chair being away when she was approached to authorise this she did not feel able to do so without knowing the extent of the expenditure.

Expenditure The following accounts were proposed and seconded for payment. All in favour.
Whitestone Parish Hall Management Committee (Oct donation) - £125
Clerk's expenses/quarterly salary £254.04
Audit Commission – Annual Audit fee £342.00
British Legion (Poppy Wreath) £17

Crossway Park/Bus Stop maintenance £562.52
Devon Association of Local Councils – attendance for 2 Councillor at AGM £30

Pre-Budget Submissions and draft proposals
Councillor Quinn submitted an updated statement regarding Budget Proposals for 2012/13 and this was distributed and he went through the items with the Council.

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations (June 2012)
Councillor Belt declared an interest in this item as she is serving on the Whitestone Sports and Social Committee which is organising events for the celebrations.
An application was read from this Committee requesting that the Parish Council assist in the funding of the purchase of a Queen's Diamond Jubilee Royal Mint £5 coin for children in the Parish who are 16 years or younger. On the occasion of the Golden Jubilee 100 such medals were purchased with all 'spare' medals being sold to parishioners for their other children/grand-children. This action was supported and it was proposed and seconded that a cheque for the sum of £250 be passed to the Sports and Social Committee so that they could initiate the purchase of the coins. All in favour. Councillor Belt then gave some information regarding events which will be arranged over that weekend.

Whitestone Churchyard
A request had been received from the Parochial Church Council for consideration to be given to a grant of 50% towards the costs of felling trees on the north border of the burial ground and repairing to the fence. The PCC has obtained an estimate of £4,320 for felling the trees and the fence will probably add a further £300. It was agreed that Councillor Belt would ask the PCC to obtain a further two quotes before this could be considered when arranging the budget for 2012/13.

CORRESPONDENCE
Notes from Newton St Cyres Parish Council on the meeting held on 14th September on the wild boar situation in the area were distributed to the Councillors.

A request from Mr Brett Varker of Rowhorne Farm regarding installation of grit bins at Eastern Plateau had been received by the Clerk and she has written to Devon County Council but as yet received no response but in view of the approaching winter months will be chasing this up.

Boundary Commission for England are consulting on initial proposals for new Parliamentary constituencies in England and will be conducting public hearings. Information is available on line at: www.independent.gov.uk/boundarycommissionforengland

REPORTS
Devon Association of Local Councils and Community Council of Devon Conference – Councillors Belt and Quinn had attended this day on 8th October and Councillor Quinn provided his written account which was distributed to Councillors. Both Councillors noted disappointment with the Conference which this year, because of the 50th Birthday of the CCD, had been a joint venture.

Councillor Belt reported on attending the Teignbridge Association of Local Council meeting which had included information regarding the appointment of snow wardens which did not seem to be supported by the smaller parishes as they would not have the organisation in place to facilitate the process.

District Councillor Bromell had been in touch with Councillor Belt as residents of Crossways had been concerned by the report in the September minutes that Devon County Council would be turning off their street lighting from 12.30am for 5 hours as some of the occupants are elderly. He has investigated this and reports that he has been assured that this would not be instigated.

The state of the two telephone boxes was raised again as they are sadly in need of painting and cleaning. Although the Clerk has written on several occasions regarding these no response has been received. It was suggested that she write again and inform BT that the Council will instigate the responsibility for painting these if they receive no response.

It was noted that the Devon Driving Centre are going to organise workshops for older drivers and Councillor Belt suggested that if enough interest could be raised the Parish Council might be asked to fund the hiring of the Parish Hall for such a workshop. It was suggested that the Parish Hall Committee be asked to provide accommodation for this event on a no charge basis. This matter to be discussed when the interest has been determined.

Councillor Netherway wished to give thanks for the repair of the gate latch at Crossway Park which the Chairman said has been carried out by Councillor Munro.

Councillor Phillips gave a reminder to all property owners that now is the time for them to cut back their hedges as some within the Parish are very overgrown and it is their responsibility to do this.

Councillor Quinn noted a Training Event on Budgets and Precepts which was being organised by the Devon Association of Local Councils on 8th November at a cost of £25 plus VAT and requested that he be nominated to attend. It was proposed and seconded that the Clerk should make the necessary application.

Councillor Nierop requested that the Asset Group which had been set up in July should convene a meeting. Owing to the resignation of Councillor Munro from the group Councillor Heathcote volunteered to fill the vacant place and Councillor Phillips agreed to co-ordinate the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Mr Hodges said that at the September meeting a request had been made for clarification regarding the portable appliance testing carried out at School Houses. The Clerk reported that she had investigated this and it has been ascertained that it is testing that is required for anything electrical supplied by the Landlord including showers, night storage heaters etc, and anything which has to be plugged into the electrical supply.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

PROGRESS AT THE PARISH HALL

Thank you to all those who have donated time or money to the hall refurbishment project - particularly to Peter Hanson and Jock Kirkpatrick who have been volunteering their time on plumbing and electrics - and to the Social Club, the Gardening Club and Annie Hanson who have all made financial donations recently. Thanks also to all those who have bought 100 club tickets for the new club - the first draw of which took place at the council meeting in October.

So far we have managed to raise £37,771 (after all expenses etc) and have another £16,900 promised in grants, and have spent £36,985 on the work to date (including the re-roofing).

By the time you read this, the new lobby should be more or less complete apart from the flooring and we hope you'll agree it's looking good and is a vast improvement.

Work is continuing on the new male and female toilets (which are where the kitchen used to be) and these may also have been plastered and painted by now and be ready for fitting out. With a bit of luck and a lot of hard work by parishioners, we may be able to have them in full working order before the start of the pantomime.

Once that happens, we intend, money permitting, to start gutting the existing toilets and extending out to make a nice big sunlit kitchen with a store room next door.

It's very exciting to see things taking shape at last but there's a long way to go yet. Help is always required and, if you feel you can offer any assistance (practical, financial or otherwise) please get in touch with anyone on the Hall Committee.

QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

To mark the 60th year of the reign of the Queen, an extra bank holiday will mean that celebrations can take place over the four days of 2nd- 5th June 2012 (Sat/Sun/Mon/Tue).

A draft calendar of events over the four days includes the Whitestone Fete, Evening Review with a Ploughman's Lunch, Fun 'vegetable' Olympics, BBQ, and Children's Tea Party,

Additionally, it is planned to give all children in the Parish, who are 16 or under before the 6th June 2012, an **Official Queen's Diamond Jubilee £5 Coin** from the Royal Mint. We are extremely grateful to the Parish Council for their support in granting £250 towards this venture.

*** IMPORTANT ***

If you would like your child to receive this gift, or would like to buy some for other children/grand-children, please let us know so that sufficient coins can be ordered.

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Please note that classes are on Thursday in the Parish Hall at 6:30 pm.

Classes are £5 each or £24 for a block of 6.

See you there!

THANKS FROM THE ROYAL OAK

The Charity Family Funday on the 3rd October at the Royal Oak was a great success and raised a fantastic £189.50 to go towards new equipment for Whitestone PlayPark. It was a lovely day, blessed with wonderful weather.

A Big thank you to Mary Belt, Belle Netherway and Jane Netherway for all their help in putting this event together. The pork was donated by DBC and other food was donated by Mr & Mrs Frankum. Music supplied by The Toe.

So many thanks for all the help, donations and, most of all, joining in on the fun and making this day such a success.

Many thanks
Tracey from The Royal Oak

PUBLIC MEETING ADVANCE NOTICE

A meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday 12th November at 2.30 pm to investigate public support for developing a Parish Plan for Whitestone.

Parish Plans are a statement of how the community sees itself developing over the next few years. They are a community consultation exercise and an opportunity for the community to look at its own concerns through a structured consultation process.

The Community Council of Devon will give a presentation on the benefits of a Parish Plan, followed by a Question & Answers session.

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WHITESTONE FUN QUIZ

Please come along to a great General Knowledge quiz in the Parish Hall at 7:30pm on Friday,11 November.

Tables of up to four people at £8 per table.

BYOB - Please bring along your own refreshments for the night.

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Can you help change many lives across the world by sponsoring me on my challenge? Every donation spurs me on with my daily trek and will change the lives of those who have lost everything.

I have set up a special account with Lloyds Bank solely for donations and this account will be kept open until the end of November. LloydsTSB have a giant blank cheque waiting for me and I hope (with your help) to write a very large number on it to present to SHELTERBOX.

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Andy Mathieson, Whitestone

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A simple way to check is to pull a room door shut quickly. If you can feel an air resistance as it shuts it means the room is well sealed (for the same reason, the early VW Beetles were apparently so well sealed you couldn't slam the door shut unless the window was open). Also go round the outside doors and windows when it's windy and put your cheek or a wet finger up against them,- especially below doors. You'll soon tell if you've got draughts coming in and where they are worst.

Remember also that cold air can't really get in unless warm air is getting out somewhere in equal measure. Check if you've got a chimney not being used. If you have, seal it up with a chimney balloon - or a plastic bag stuffed with newspaper.

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10.	Sick squid	£	s	d
11.	Pony	£	s	d

Add up all your answers, and if the total is £543 - 7 - 8¼, there is a good chance you answered all the questions correctly.

QUOTE

As you get older three things happen. The first is your memory goes, and I can't remember the other two...

Sir Norman Wisdom

WHITESTONE PLAYERS PANTOMINE 2012

We are looking for children aged over 5 who would like to dance in the pantomime. You would need to commit to rehearsals <u>every</u> Saturday at 2:00 pm and <u>every</u> Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm.

Our first rehearsal will be on 16th November.

If you would like to take part, please phone me a.s.a.p. as we need to know the number of dancers in order to plan the dance routines before we meet on the 16th November.

WHITESTONE WEBSITE

www,whitestone-devon.org.uk

This is your website for all matters relevant to Whitestone.

Latest addition to the site is a current listing of all the planning applications for Whitestone that have been submitted to Teignbridge District Council. (visit the site, click Parish Council and select Planning Applications)

If you think that other items should be included, please contact us.

The last date for contributions to the October 2011 Parish Magazine is

<u>Wednesday 16th November</u>

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New members are always welcome. Join us for £12 for the year or come for the evening for only £2.00.

WHITESTONE BOOK CLUB

We meet in the Parish Hall from 2 to 4pm on the second Monday of each month. Cost is only £1.50.
For our next meeting, November 14th, we are reading "84 Charing Cross Road" by Helen Hanff. Whether you have read it or not, you will be welcome at the Book Club where we enjoy discussing the books we have read.

WHITESTONE PLAYERS

Here we go again! The pantomime for 2012 is going to be 'Little Red Riding Hood'. If you would be interested in taking part, please do come and join us for rehearsals on Wedneday evenings at 7:30 in the Parish Hall.
If you are not keen to be on stage but wish to be involved there are lots of opportunities to do so. Please come along and see us.
Now that we have chosen the pantomime, the fun and hard work starts here.

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As the weather can change dramatically at this time of year, the walk may have to be changed on the day, but will still be of a similar distance over the open moor.

In either case, suitable clothing and footwear will be essential as will a pack containing extra clothing and refreshments.
The walk to the memorial is described on the internet as strenuous and suitable for experienced walkers only.

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If you would like to learn, find out more, or are a visiting ringer, we would be very pleased to see you. To confirm that we are practising on a particular Thursday, please telephone Nigel Bateman on 01392 811677

WHITESTONE HANDBELL RINGERS

(for information, contact Mrs Chris Piper 01392 811365)
If anyone would like to join us, we welcome both experienced and learners alike. At present we practice every Wednesday afternoon between 2 and 3 p.m.
If you would like to know more, please contact Mrs. Chris Piper.

TABLE TENNIS

As usual, we meet for Table Tennis on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month and, this month, these will be on November 7th and November 21st. Please make a note in your diary for an evening's entertainment and fitness workout for only £1.50.

WHITESTONE SOCIAL CLUB
(Coordinator Pauline Fisher, tel. 01392 811979)

Forthcoming Events:

Oct 24th	Hedgehogs in your Garden
Nov 28th	Murder Mystery Evening
Dec 12th	"Comedy Magic" Christmas fun with a Magician
Jan 19th	Barn dance with Redwing
Feb 27th	Talk on Castle Drogo
March 24th	Social Club's 6th Anniversary meal
April 23rd	Talk by Shelterbox
May 21st	Talk by Devon Fire and Rescue. Fire Prevention help for those most at risk.
June 25th	Music evening in Community Garden

The next meeting of the club will be on Monday 24th October. Elizabeth Dyas from the Devon Wildlife Hospital will be giving us an insight into "Hedgehogs in your Garden".

The 'Bring & Share' food & drink evenings are a great way to meet other people in the village. In particular newcomers to the village can get to know people, make new friends and find out what is going on. There's also a book swap club. Meetings start 7:30 pm in the Parish hall.

Why not join, it's only £12 per year or try one of our 'Bring & Share' food & drink evenings to see if you like it; it's free for a first visit and then only £2.00 a time if you prefer to just come occasionally.

TEA AND A CHAT
The next Tea and a Chat will be at 3.30pm on Thursday, 24th November in the Parish Hall. Please contact either Jennifer Kellagher (273864) or Ros Hanson (811878) if you would like to come.

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(Secretary Liz Watkins 01392 811285)
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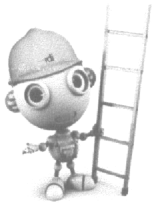

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24 October 2011	Social Club - Hedgehogs in your Garden - 7:30pm
26 October 2011	Studying the letters of the Hebrews - Spalding Hall, Cheriton Bishop - 7:30pm
27 October 2011	DCC public meeting on Future Expenditure - Exeter Central Library - 6:30pm
31 October 2011	Church House Educational Fund - Last date for grant applications
02 November 2011	Studying the letters of the Hebrews - Spalding Hall, Cheriton Bishop - 7:30pm
03 November 2011	Patchwork and Quilting group - Parish Hall - 2 to 4pm
06 November 2011	Whitestone Walkers - Meet at Parish Hall - 9:30am
07 November 2011	Table Tennis - Whitestone Parish Hall - 7:30pm
10 November 2011	Parish Council Meeting - Billiard Room of the Parish Hall - 7:30pm
11 November 2011	Whitestone Fun Quiz - Parish Hall - 7:30pm
12 November 2011	Coffee Morning - Pathfinder Village Hall - 10:30 am
12 November 2011	Sustainable Whitestone - Visit to the Randall's log cabin - 11:00 am
12 November 2011	Public Meeting on Parish Plan for Whitestone - Parish Hall - 2:30pm
14 November 2011	Whitestone Book Club - Parish Hall - 2 to 4pm
15 November 2011	Come and sing - Royal Oak - 8pm
16 November 2011	LAST DAY FOR SUBMISSIONS OF ITEMS TO THE MAGAZINE
19 November 2011	Saturday Surprise - Whitestone Parish Hall - 6:00 to 6:45pm
21 November 2011	Gardening Club - Garden Design - 7:30pm
21 November 2011	Table Tennis - Whitestone Parish Hall - 7:30pm
24 November 2011	Tea and a Chat - Parish Hall Extension - 3:30pm
24 November 2011	Christmas Shoe Box Appeal - Last date for boxes to Ruth Hutchinson
28 November 2011	Social Club - Murder Mystery Evening
01 December 2011	Patchwork and Quilting group - Parish Hall - 2 to 4pm
05 December 2011	Table Tennis - Whitestone Parish Hall - 7:30pm
08 December 2011	Parish Council Meeting - Billiard Room of the Parish Hall - 7:30pm
12 December 2011	Social Club - Comedy Magic - Christmas Fun with a magician - Hall - 7:30 pm
19 December 2011	Table Tennis - Whitestone Parish Hall - 7:30pm