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#### **SEPTEMBER 2018**

I am editing this edition of the Ide Times from Transylvania...No don't ask! It's a long and not very interesting story and my organisational skills don't come out of it that well!

Transylvania is of course well known as the home of the fictional character, an evil vampire,

Count Dracula (a name that means



son of the devil). This character was apparently partly based on a notorious real life15<sup>th</sup> century Transylvanian prince, Vlad Dracula the Impaler. Our guide tells us that Vlad is nowadays regarded as a champion of human rights but I'm not quite sure how this can be reconciled with the fact that he definitely did a lot of impaling! I think I have solved the problem of what happened to our normal British summer though. Romania, usually really hot and dry in the summer had one of its wettest Julys on record and lots of flooding......they obviously got all our rain! Enough of my holiday, I hope all of you are enjoying yours. Not long though before the children are back at school and there is much more to enjoy in September as you will see on the pages that follow.

Items for the October Ide Times should be sent to me, Ann Boyce email annboyce@talk21.com by the 20th September please. Ann Boyce (01392 213011)

#### **USEFUL NUMBERS**

Community Policeman: 101

The Parish Church - Rev Mike Partridge 01392 662280 and leave a message.

Congregational Church: Fiona Field 07736449790 mynameisfiona@hotmail.co.uk

M.P. Mel Stride: 02072 197037 melstride.mp@parliament.uk

Community Shop Opening Hours: (Tel. 410035)

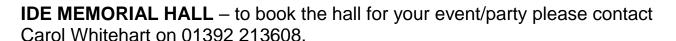
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**The Mobile Library** will be in the Huntsman car park, Ide, from 11.45am to 12.30pm on **Monday, 3rd Sept.** 1.



#### IDE PARISH COUNCIL Idevillage.org.uk

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in Ide Memorial Hall on Wednesday 19 September 2018 at 7.30pm.

If you have an issue you would like the council to discuss, please contact the chairman or another parish councillor. Requests for items to be considered for inclusion on the agenda should be made at least 14 days before the date of the meeting. The first ten minutes of a Parish Council meeting are open to the public to raise possible items for future meetings; or to comment on items on the agenda for that meeting.

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25 July 2018 are available on the website and on the noticeboard in Coronation Gardens <a href="www.ldevillage.org">www.ldevillage.org</a>.

A meeting of the Ide Parish Council Planning Committee was held on Monday 13 August 2018 at 7pm. Full minutes of this meeting are also available on the website and noticeboard.

The next meeting of the **Planning Committee** is on Wednesday 19 September 2018 at 6pm at The Hub unless otherwise advised. To view planning applications, go to <a href="https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/planning">www.teignbridge.gov.uk/planning</a> and search using the address or reference number.

Meetings of the Planning Committee are held in public and you are welcome to attend. There is time allocated at the start of the meetings for public participation. **Ide Neighbourhood Plan.** The result of the referendum held on 26 July 2018 was a clear vote for adopting the Neighbourhood Plan: 114 Yes, 15 No. This now goes forward to Teignbridge District Council's Executive Meeting on 4 September 2018 for adoption. The plan will then be "made". The Parish Council extended their warm thanks to the steering group and their delight with the Independent Examiner's report at their meeting on 25 July 2018. The plan appears on the village website.

Weir Meadow and Pynes Orchard. The two working groups are in detailed talks with the Church Commissioners, and their agents Strutt and Parker. The purchase price for each field has been agreed. For Weir Meadow, the issue of agricultural access to the fields to the north, adjacent to College Lane, is still under discussion. For Pynes Orchard, we are discussing terms for an annual licence to rent the land whilst funds are raised.

**Multi Use Games Area at Ide School**: A booking form is now available on the website <a href="www.idevillage.org.uk">www.idevillage.org.uk</a>., key holders have been appointed, and terms and conditions of use have been drawn up. The school has agreed that village residents may book the MUGA free of charge for personal or family use. There will be a charge for groups or clubs. We are very grateful to Ann Boyce, chairman of the school governors, for her assistance in reaching this point.

#### **Parish Council Contact Details:**

Chairman: Nick Bradley, Smallridge House, The Green, Ide, EX2 9RT 01392

420616 ncabradley@gmail.com

Part-time clerk: Mel Liversage, 20 Little Johns Cross Hill, EX2 9PJ 01392 259024

ideparishclerk@gmail.com

Cemetery administrator: Sarah Tiley 01392 217142 saraht61@btinternet.com



# IDE COMMUNITY SHOP AND POST OFFICE



The Shop and Post office continues to be busy with much going on behind the scenes.

We were asked by our lovely customers if we could stock some items and I am pleased to say that we have been able to source some. Set honey, soda crystals and small cartons of apple juice to name a few. If there is something you feel you would like to see stocked in the shop please do let us know.

With the wonderful weather we have been having of late some of our friends in the village have found that they have an abundance of home grown fruit and veg. They have very kindly donated any they can spare and you may sometimes find apples, courgettes and more all given to the shop. Thank you to those that have kindly donated.

Have you seen our handmade reusable cloth bags?

In an attempt to reduce plastic the shop decided to use reusable bags. These were lovingly made by some keen and talented volunteers. However, we are now running low on these bags, so if you have a collection at home could you please return them so that we can continue to use for all. Many thanks.



If you pop into the shop you will now find some wonderful postcards showing walks around Ide. They really do highlight what a wonderful place we live in. They are for sale and £1 each or 6 for £5.

Ide community shop and Post Office were delighted recently to be able to donate £1000 from its community fund to the Village Hall. I'm sure you will agree, the hall committee have done a wonderful job in updating the hall. I understand the donation made by the shop may go towards new tables and chairs. We look forward to seeing the finished hall.

Selena Morgan

A massive thank you to everyone who came and supported our first pop up café, it was a huge success! We hope you all enjoyed yourselves, whilst helping hugely with our fundraising for our volunteer trip to Cambodia. Hopefully we will be running another café later on in the year.

Selena and Freya Morgan

#### JUBILEE CLUB

The day was perfect for our trip along the Jurassic Coast. We set off with a bus almost full for King's Garden Centre where there was time for lunch and to browse the goodies for sale. Then down to the harbour at Exmouth and board a boat for a

cruise along the coast, there was a commentary pointing out the bird life and features of interest in the cliff formation, how the levels are gently sloping downwards as we travelled up the coast and where the sea is eroding the land with noticeable cliff falls. As we rounded the point where there is a firing range the signal for our safe passage was shown. We turned around just before Sidmouth and on the return journey sailed close to the many little bays some only accessible by boat .While on



board we were served with a cream tea. The sun shone, there was a pleasant breeze and it was a most enjoyable outing. Thank you for the support, it means we can keep the cost as low as possible and it is rewarding for us when organising outings.

I look forward to seeing our members when we meet up again in September.

#### **DIARY DATES**

September 3rd Bingo

September 17th Outing to The Donkey Sanctuary at Sidmouth. Leaving Ide at

10.30.

October 1st . A Talk by Frank Letch. A reminder subs are due £5.

October 15th Gordon Partridge Talking about his experiences as a

Lighthouse Keeper.

Jean Hoskin

#### VEGETABLES GALORE

Many in Ide will know of Shillingford Organics, but did you know that in a field on an adjacent farm you can find Exeter Growers Co-operative. We have about twenty members and a number of friends, but are always glad to welcome more. We grow vegetables and fruit for our own consumption and have great fun working together on Tuesdays and Saturdays – though each person comes when

they are able. It is a beautiful and peaceful place. Why not come and meet us at our **Open Day on Saturday 15**<sup>th</sup>

September between 2 & 5pm.

There will be tea and cakes, good company, and a chance to see what we do, and perhaps consider becoming a friend. The entrance is on the left at the top of the hill between Shillingford Abbot and Shillingford St George.

Getting involved was one of my best decisions on moving to Ide two years ago. If you can't come then but would like to know more get in touch.



Stephen Mosedale 01392 926127.

Shillingford Local History Society Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September

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3 College Lane & Scratch Face Lane - 1.6 Miles (2.6 km)
6 Polehouse Lane with scenic views - 15 Miles (2.5 km)

IDE WALKS

https://idewalks.co.uk/

#### The HUB@Ide - September

	11am	5pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	Traditional Service – Mr P Jenner	All-Age service
9 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Traditional Service – Mr M Trigg	Traditional Service - Mr M. Trigg
16 <sup>th</sup> Sep – HARVEST WEEKEND!	HARVEST Service – Mr Mark Field	NO ALL-AGE SERVICE - Mr D
		Bulley
23 <sup>rd</sup> Sep	Traditional Service – Mrs C Stott	Traditional Service – Mr A Willer
30 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Traditional Service – Mr P Willer	All-Age service

#### The HUB events

Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Sep	MACMILLAN Coffee morning	10-12AM					
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Sep	War Room film showing	7pm					
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Sep	War Room study session 1	7pm					
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Sep	Download Returns	6:30-8:30					
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep	War Room study session 2	7pm					



#### War Room!

We are starting a <u>6 week</u> study on prayer, based on the movie 'War Room'. It's a brilliant movie!

Anyone is welcome whether you have ever wondered about prayer, tried praying, or is an experienced prayer warrior. We'll watch the movie and the weeks that follow are based on clips from the movie. Starts Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Sep 7pm

#### Summer memory:









We had a wonderful time on Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Aug at our HUB/church outing. We took over 50 people on a scenic trip to Dartmoor to see the 10 Commandments carved onto granite stones. The children all did a 'treasure hunt' looking for clues to the stones. Then after an eventful journey we arrived at Ruth and Roy's for a wonderful BBQ lunch. The kids swam in the Hot tub and the adults enjoyed each other's company, before heading home with satisfied tummies and full hearts. We are so happy that everyone enjoyed themselves and we thank God for His unconditional love for us, which inspires us to love others selflessly.



Email: <a href="mailto:thehubidecc@outlook.com">thehubidecc@outlook.com</a> or call 07736449790 for more information...



#### SAINT IDA'S CHURCH

2nd September St Ida's Day 9.30am Holy Communion 9th September Trinity 15 9.30am Morning Praise 16th September We will join the Congregational Church

at 11am for their Harvest Thanksgiving

23rd September Triinity 17 8 am Holy Communion

10am ALL AGE SERVICE

30th September Joint Service at Alphington Church at 10am

Baptisms (Christenings), Weddings & Banns of Marriage - If you wish to make any enquiries about these please email weddings@alphingtonstmichaels.org for weddings and banns of marriage at Ide, and christenings@alphingtonstmichaels.org for baptisms at Ide, or you can ring 01392 662280.

By the time you read this we will have had the Memorial Service for Luke Taborn and we are expecting a large number of people who will wish to celebrate his life, which was so tragically cut short due to a road accident. We offer all the family our deepest sympathy.

On Tuesday, 28th August, at 2.30pm, we will be having the Funeral Service for Sylvia Bragg, the mother of Andy and Martin, and we offer them our deepest sympathy. Sylvia, and her husband Roy, lived at West Town Farm for many years but retired to the Barton at Shillingford.

On Saturday, 8th September, the wedding of Olivia Bailey and Joseph Priestley will take place at 2pm. We wish them both a long and happy marriage.

You will see from the above that there will be no Service in Ide Church on the 16th September as we will be joining the Congregational Church for their Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 11am that day. They, in turn, will be joining us for our Harvest on 14th October, which will be followed by a lunch.

On the 30th September there will be no Service in Ide Church but we will be joining Alphington Church at 10am to celebrate their Patronal Festival.

**Brenda Spivey** 

#### MOTHERS' UNION

I do hope you have had a good summer, I have been busy with the family in and out, and we enjoyed the service in the Cathedral, always a joy to be in such a beautiful building with our friends!

Now it's time to think about the coming months.

On Tuesday 4th September, there is a quiet day, it's down at South Brent, but I do hope to go, so if anyone would like to join me, please let me know. From 10.0am - 3.00 pm.

We will also meet as a branch, here at my home, on Wednesday Sept 19th at 2.30pm. How about coming with an idea for a discussion/ activity? Sue Campbell



#### IDE MEMORIAL HALL

It is hard to believe that 12 months ago we had not even started work on the Memorial Hall refurbishment. The roofing contractors came in during the last week in August 2017 with the annex work starting in early September.

It gave the development team much pleasure to see the Hall in full use during last Saturday's very successful pop-up café and to hear appreciative comments about the 'new' Hall . We were pleased to have the curtains fitted for this event and fortunately everyone seems to think that the material was a good choice.





The curtains are fitted with blackout linings so most external light can now be excluded from the Hall if appropriate for a particular use. A huge thank you to Janet and David Williams, Lynne, Jane, Karen and Janice for choosing the material and then organising a couple of 'sweatshops' in the Hall to make it up into curtains. Definitely a first-class job.

The installation of a new oak engineered floor is due to start on 4th September. This will be the end of a huge amount of refurbishment work that has taken place over the past year. We have still not finished, however, and we are working hard on a further funding application to enable us to buy new tables and chairs, a demountable stage and paint the outside of the building and complete a few other bits and pieces.

We are concerned about the level of resonance in the building which can make it difficult to have conversations when the building is fairly full. The new curtains have helped to some degree and if we are able to buy new upholstered chairs then this will also help. We have started to research the use of acoustic panels to bring the resonance down to a comfortable level. Building acoustics is a very tricky science!

#### HOSPICECARE EVENTS

#### **Opera at Cadhay**



Hospiscare is hosting an exclusive evening of live opera and supper in the beautiful surroundings of Cadhay, on **25 September 2018**. After a champagne reception, renowned tenor Anando Mukerjee and internationally acclaimed soprano Justine Viani will perform.

Ticket price: £75 Start time: 6:30pm

For further information please visit www.hospiscare.co.uk or call 01392 688020.

#### **Open Gardens**

In its 14<sup>th</sup> year, Hospiscare Open Gardens has become a popular annual event where gardeners throughout Exeter, Mid and East Devon share their gardens, large and small, with like-minded people. Visitors enjoy coffee and cake, explore amazing private gardens and share gardening tips and ideas. Over the years Hospiscare Open Gardens have raised over £200000, and our services could not continue without such generous and reliable support.

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#### Ide's Roman Signal Station

Thanks to the glorious summer we're having there's been a lot in the press and on-line regarding the appearance of rarely seen archaeological crop marks in fields and gardens across the UK. Crop marks, which are notoriously difficult to see at ground level, appear in grass or crops, thanks to subtle changes in the underlying earth, usually the result of historic disturbance of the ground. They're great therefore, if the conditions are right, for showing up shadows of past buildings, ditches and earthworks.

With this in mind, Simon Rice and I took a trip up to the site of the Roman signal station on the boundary of the village, hoping that the long spell of dry weather would mean that we could see markings in the field relating to the station. Thanks to Simon's drone and his flying skills, we were amazed to see the crop marks so clearly: as the picture here shows, you can clearly see the inner site of the signal tower as well as the outer ditch. The site has been excavated archaeologically and is believed to date from the first century AD. Unfortunately, a later road cuts through the site.

To put the site in context, the signal station at Ide was one of two known stations that served the Roman city of Exeter (Isca Dumnoniorum); the other being at Stoke Hill. Roman signal stations were rectangular towers of stone or wood situated within ditched, embanked, palisaded or walled enclosures. The station at Ide measured approximately 32 by 34m. They were built by the Roman army for military observation and signalling

by means of fire or smoke. They normally formed an element of a wider system of defence and signalling between military sites such as forts and camps and towns, generally as part of a chain of stations to cover long distances. In northern England stations were used in particular to augment the main frontier formed by Hadrian's Wall, but elsewhere stations were constructed along the coast to keep lookout over the sea and to signal information both along the coast and to inland sites.

As one of a small group of Roman military monuments, which are important in representing army strategy, government policy and the pattern of military control, signal stations are of importance to our understanding of the period. All Roman signal stations with surviving archaeological remains are considered to be



nationally important. Please note that the site is a designated protected monument, is on privately owned land and is not accessible by the public. Colin Chapman

**English Heritage** 

Reconstruction of a Roman signal station probably a bit larger and more complex than the one at Ide.

#### **SEPTEMBER 2018**



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**A WARM WELCOME** to the new Artistic & Executive Director Daniel Buckroyd, who started work on 20<sup>th</sup> August.

Daniel comes from co-running the Mercury Theatre Colchester, which was nominated for Best Regional Theatre of the Year 2017, and his last pantomime received 5 nominations for Best British Pantomime 2018. He has adapted Michael Morpurgo's books, brought new musicals and plays to the stage, worked extensively with schools, young people and young creatives, and has wide experience of rural, national and international touring.

See website for more.

#### THE GRUFFALO'S CHILD

7-9 September

Tall Stories Theatre Company make a welcome return with the follow up to the sell-out tour and West End success of The Gruffalo – "Everything a good children's theatre should be". Perfect for all the family.

#### THE WIPERS TIME by Ian Hislop & Nick Newman

10-15 September

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21 September

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#### AN EVENING OF ERIC AND ERN

22 September

Olivier nominated Jonty Stephens and Ian Ashpitel bring 'sunshine' for everyone that ever saw and loved the irrepressible Morecombe and Wise – full of those brilliant sketches, songs – oh and a musical guest!

#### HORRIBLE HISTORIES

27-30 September

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#### BENEDICT ALLEN – ULTIMATE EXPLORER

1 October

The unvarnished truth of what happened when he failed to turn up for a flight out of Papua New Guinea.

#### LOOKING AHEAD

**DON CARLOS** by Friedrich Schiller Director Gadi Roll

11-20 October

An Exeter Northcott, Nuffield Southampton Theatres, Rose Theatre Kingston coproduction in association with ARA Theatre Company - a major new revival starring **Tom Burke** (BBC's *Strike*, *War and Peace* and *The Musketeers*) as the Marquis of Posa, and forming part of Exeter Northcott Theatre's 50th anniversary season.

And **JACK AND THE BEANSTALK** for Christmas – book now to see Exeter's very own Dame, Steve Bennett – oh yes he is!

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#### SAFE ROUTES FOR IDE

It has been most heartening that the police have been supportive of villager's efforts to make Ball's Farm Road the safe route it should be for those using sustainable methods of transport to and from Exeter. They recently paid another visit, with a total of 10 or so police personnel handing our fines to those entering Doctor's Walk from the C50 during the proscribed 7am until 9.30am period, and checking that those accessing Ball's Farm Road and Little John's Cross Hill from other directions were legally entitled to do so. Once the police have carried out however many visits they plan to make, our understanding is that they will then compose a report to the powers that be, giving recommendations as to how a long-term solution to the current 'danger to life and limb' suffered by pedestrians, cyclists, horseyhorsey types and other legitimate users of Ball's Farm Road can be arrived at.

Of course, Ball's Farm Road is not the only route into Exeter; there's also Little John's Cross Hill . . . . puff pant, puff pant, not ideal.

A third route, for cyclists, is along the C50 to the big A30 Alphington interchange roundabout, then onto the short piece of cyclepath that leads into the Alphington end of Ide Lane, from which, via Clapperbrook Lane it's easy by bike to access the excellent cycle routes that run up and down alongside the river and canal and beyond. Unfortunately the C50 is very busy (there is a pavement, but it's rough, intended only for pedestrians, and only 18 inches wide in places due to

undergrowth) and the roundabout very dangerous, especially as the access for cyclists and pedestrians into Ide Lane Alphington is on the inside of a blind bend, on the A30 slip road, just as vehicles are accelerating up to the A30! What brilliant road planning!

As many of you will know, a new and grandiose garden centre on the site of the previous and modest 'Springwell Nursery' is currently under discussion as a planning proposal, for which Teignbridge District Council may or may not give planning permission. The Highways Authority, as a statutory consultee, have stated that, in the interests of sustainability, "the walking and cycle route to this development would need to be upgraded between the roundabout at the A30 junction to the entrance of Springwell. The footway would need to be widened to 3m to ensure a safe and suitable access for all users." Interesting, very interesting, regardless of whether you are for or against the planning proposal.

Pete Bishop

#### Ide Aloud News

Ide Aloud meets again after the Summer break on SEPTEMBER 3rd- 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. The following week we are moving to St Ida's for ONE SESSION while the new floor is being put down, then back to enjoy the Hall again. Our next concert is in Feb 2019 so we our working hard towards that and are excited about our new songs.

If you'd like to join us, call Jane on 01392 276243 or email mjrotinoff@hotmail.com

We are a friendly little outfit and welcome new members.

Jane Rotinoff

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# It's bigger than ever!



# Ide Village Show Ide Primary School Hall Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Entries should be brought to the School between 10am and 12 noon on the 16th September

Doors open at 2:30pm (Presentation of prizes at 4:00pm)

## **Free Admission**

Tea and cakes served all afternoon.

Everyone welcome to take part or just come along to view the exhibits.

### **Exhibition of Arts, Crafts and Photography**

There will a display of arts, crafts and photography celebrating the talents of the people of Ide and surrounding area. (No judging in this category this year – possibly in the future!) Please label your art, craft and photography exhibits with your name. You are welcome to display a price if your exhibit is for sale.

#### WEST TOWN FARM NEWS

September brings with it the last two weddings of the year, a few more birthday parties and lots of educational visits. Plus all the pumpkins and apples seems to be ahead of themselves and ready to harvest! There's squash and crown prince in the shop already and some of the apples are ready to eat.



Andy came home with a new ram for the ewes. The ram got to work straight away and if successful will mean we're likely to have our first lamb on Christmas day.

More new tenants have come in the shape of slow worms. Hundreds are being released on the land here as their old home is being built on. Another habitat destroyed but hopefully they can survive here.

The farm is as busy as ever with calving, dehorning, and castrations. Plus trying to move the cows in this heat is impossible.



They're incredibly stubborn, so we try to move them first thing in the morning. Next month we'll have fresh meat so if you would like to order any cuts please do get in touch.

Grace Barrington- Events and Meat Sales West Town Farm, Ide, Exeter, EX2 9TG T: (01392) 811257 www.westtownfarm.co.uk

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#### **360 BUS TIMETABLE**

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Exeter Bus Station	8.13	3 10.20	12.58	14.53	
Exeter Bus Station	0.00	11.15		16.15	17.55
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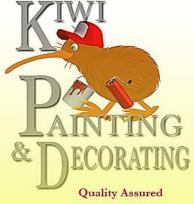
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