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SEPTEMBER 2024

There is a lot to look forward to in September so don't be depressed thinking that the summer has ended. Saturday, 7th September, sees the Ide Revel in Weir Meadow, with sports, entertainment, games, food and drink;



Sunday, 15th September, The Produce Show at Ide Primary School; Monday, 16th September, Jubilee Club outing to Exmouth with boat trip along part of the Jurassic coast; and Friday, 20th September the Community Shop AGM.

Articles for the October issue of the Ide Times should be sent to me Brenda Spivey at brendaspivey123@btinternet.com by the 20th September. It is always good to have some pictures too.

Brenda Spivey 01392 275784

USEFUL NUMBERS

Community Policeman: 101

The Parish Church - Rev Mike Partridge 01392 491476 and leave a message or 07751 725306, or email: rev.mike.partridge@gmail.com Congregational Church: Jackie Chadwick jacky.c@talktalk.net M.P. Mel Stride: 02072 197037 melstride.mp@parliament.uk

Community Shop Opening Hours: (Tel. 410035)

Monday – Friday 8am – 12 noon and 1pm – 6.30pm

Saturdays 8am – 1pm Sundays 9am - 12 noon Bank Holidays 9am - 12 noon



Post Office Opening Hours

Monday - Friday 9am - 11.45 am & 1pm - 5pm

Saturdays 9am - 12 noon

Bank Holidays CLOSED

IDE MEMORIAL HALL - to book the hall for your event/party please contact Carol Whitehart on 01392 213608.

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The 360 bus no longer goes along Queen Street – it now goes along Exeter High Street to Sidwell Street, and returns the same way.

IDE PARISH COUNCIL Idevillage.org.uk

COMMUNITY ORCHARD

Huge thanks to Richard Cottle for organising the Big Butterfly Count on 21 July in the Orchard. On a fine, warm day 39 butterflies from 8 different species were recorded. The grass has now been cut, and the areas beneath the trees strimmed, ready for harvest. Many of the mature trees are heavy with fruit, so we are looking forward to a bumper crop.

Some dates for your diary:

Apple Picking morning in the Orchard on Sunday 13 October, in preparation for - Apple Day on Saturday 19 October on The Green, to press the apples in a communal effort making juice. We now have our own pasteurizer machine, to preserve apple juice for up to a year.

A bulb planting session is planned for November and more wild flower areas will be identified and seeded.

WEIR MEADOW AND NORTHERN FIELDS

The installation of the artificial cricket wicket was delayed for two weeks, until the last week of August, by the knock on effect of the very wet spring. New fencing with two pedestrian access gates has been erected along the eastern border of Weir Meadow, by the brook. Otters have been reported in Fordland Brook over recent years, and the fencing is a planning permission condition to protect wildlife along that section of the watercourse.

Specimen trees will be delivered in the Autumn to be planted in the north eastern area of the Meadow. An interpretation board, explaining the history of the mill leat and sheep dip has been commissioned, to be sited by the footbridge entrance. Ten new picnic tables and a bench have been assembled and will be placed around the grounds. These items have been funded by a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund.

IDE REVEL - Saturday 7 September, 2024 - grand opening of the Meadow with music, games, food and celebratory cricket and football matches - see separate poster.

NOVEMBER 2023 FLOODS

Using reserve Parish Council funds, we have commissioned a commercial flood risk assessment report on the Ide Catchment from Teign Consult, following Storm Ciarán last November. We want to understand what alternatives there are, such as engineering works alongside natural methods of flood attenuation; what they might cost; and how feasible they might be, in order to reduce the risk of further damaging floods in the village.

The new agents for the Church Commissioners in Devon, Savills, have visited the site of the floods, and the Church Commissioners' field behind Fore Street. We are in discussions with them to determine what flood prevention measures could be made.

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TEIGNBRIDGE LOCAL PLAN 2020-2040

We submitted our final written statement, summarising Ide's concerns about the plan for a new 900 house development at Markham Village, to the Examiners on 23 August 2024. We expect to attend the hearing to speak to the points we have put between 5 -7 November 2024.

PLANNING MATTERS

New Applications None received

Applications awaiting a decision from TDC

23/00463/FUL - Stevens Farm, Ide, EX2 9FB

Change of use of agricultural building and land to commercial use for the sales and maintenance of tractors. Objected to by IPC Planning Committee.

24/00432/MAJ - Pynes Farm, High Street, Ide Demolition of existing buildings and the erection of ten dwellings, associated access, parking, and landscaping. Revised plans have been submitted to TDC proposing a housing mix of 4 x two bed, 4 x three bed and 2 x four bed homes.

THE NEXT MEETING of Ide Parish Council is on Wednesday 11 September 2024 at 7.30pm in Ide Memorial Hall.

CONTACT DETAILS

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Chair - Nick Bradley 01392 420616 nickbradley.ideparishcouncil@gmail.com

IDE PRODUCE SHOW Sunday, 15th September, 2.30pm, at Ide Primary School

You can expect all the usual categories – fruit and veg, baking, flowers and preserves and, of course, categories for children.

We will also have an **ART SHOW** celebrating the creativity of our village.



Bring along your entries between 10am and 12 noon. The Show will be open between 2.30pm and 4.30pm.

Watch out for the leaflet with all the details popping through your door closer to the date!

Ide Growers

IDE COMMUNITY SHOP & POST OFFICE

Don't forget to note the date and details of the shop's AGM elsewhere in the magazine. It is not too late to become a shareholder in the shop at only £10 a share. Call in and see us if you would like to know more. Please do try and make the AGM if you can as it is a good chance to catch up with all that is happening in the shop.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a very, very big thank you to Liz Bishop who has stepped down as the regular Wednesday night volunteer after being involved in the shop almost since the start. Liz has been a committee member, stock buyer as well as doing regular shifts and we shall miss her so much and her lovely personality and warmth but hope she will still fill in for the odd shift. The beautiful painting of a tree that you see as you leave the shop is Liz's incredible handiwork. She is not just a lovely lady she is also a very talented one – thank you Liz so much we really will miss you.

If you would like to get involved in the shop but don't fancy using the till or can only offer time out of working hours, Janice is looking for more super-duper people to join her fantastic cleaning team. The cleaners have a lot of fun and laughs when they are cleaning the shop. It is not a long job, an hour or so when you can offer it would be greatly appreciated and the more people we have willing to help the less time everyone has to do it. Cleaning is done lunchtimes or evenings. Again, please call in and see us for more details.

Several community shops have either lost or had their PO services seriously scaled back and some only get a few hours a week on an outreach service. We are really blessed to have a very busy PO, so please continue to use us as much as you can, so that we remain a strong PO force with full coverage. Every bit of business no matter how small you put our way really makes a difference. With more and more banks shutting, the PO is really upping the commission it pays PO's for banking services. This means we gain, and it helps us but costs you as a customer nothing at all. So, if you need to deposit or pay in cash especially, do please think of using us before you trek into town. Likewise, if you need change or float for an event, we can help with that.

We can also help with supplying items for your do's, parties or functions and most of our suppliers we can purchase from in bulk and again it is good to help local suppliers in these trying times especially when they sell such superb products. Orchardlea's full size gala Pie logs have made guest appearances at a few special village events lately and been thoroughly enjoyed as well. So do again come and chat to us if we can help in this way.

Last month you saw the various beautiful items that our talented Emma H can do and please do think of using her if you need new cushions or something for the home or a fantastic present for someone. We have some of her cushions for sale in the shop. We have another talented Emma in Emma W, and we have some of her children's aprons and baby cards on sale in the shop at the moment – what a lot of talented Emma's we have.

Thank you to all of you who joined in the Shop Olympic Medal fun -we love interactive things like this when we can give a little something back to our very special customers.

We want to say a publicly a very big thank you to our incredible volunteers who have been even more incredible over the holiday month of August and have really stepped up to the mark and done extra shifts and extra things to cover other volunteers who were on holiday – thank you one and all it really is appreciated. Also, a big thank you to Ivor who keeps us supplied with lovely cake every week. Ivor you are a star and so kind and again we appreciate you doing this lovely thing for us so regularly.

To end on my least favourite subject and the one that I seem to be the world biggest nag on and even I with my imagination am running out of ideas to make it sound interesting or schemes to come up with to get them back. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE can you really have a good look around your house, car and outbuildings etc and see if you have any of our handmade cloth bags around that you could return to the shop. Janet and her team spent many many hours over several periods of time making these bags to enable the shop to eliminate plastic bags and to provide a service to our customers. All 350 bags are out somewhere alongside a whole lot of totes and nice other bags that people have kindly dropped in for us to use. Please can you have a good search and see if you have any around – as someone has – so that we can go back to offering this service in the shop. Thank you for your help on this.

Whilst I am nagging can we also put out a request that if you are away or don't need your reserved newspaper for any reason at any time you let us know – or that you let us know if you wish us to keep it back for you. Again, thank you for your help on this.

A little fun fact to end with – the Malteser Chocolate Bar has become the Village Chocolate Bar - 174 sold last quarter and 94 this quarter so far! Would have been more if we had not kept running out – whoops! But a box full every four days takes some keeping up with, but we've learnt and now carry a more extensive stock of them!

We are a small shop and we like to think we do the very best for our customers and stock a wide range of all sorts of products which is expanding all the time but there are limits as I pointed out to some customers we had to let down the other day as we did not have any frying pans, house paint brushes or Polyfilla for sale – even when they asked if we could check our other departments and floors in case they had them!

Zetta King



THE IDE COMMUNITY SHOP ASSOCIATION LIMITED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 20th September 2024 at 8.00pm

IDE MEMORIAL HALL

IDE COMMUNITY SHOP AGM

Please come and

- Support this event
- Find out more about your Community Shop
- Celebrate over a drink and refreshments with friends and neighbours

EVERYONE WELCOME

FILM NIGHT - Dunchideock Village Hall Friday, 20th September 2024 - 7:15 PM. The Fall Guy

"After 15 minutes of this film," says The *Telegraph*, "I thought I might be watching the antidote to everything that had gone wrong in popular cinema over the last 15 years."

The *Guardian* was almost more enthusiastic "Ryan Gosling and Emily Blunt, lead this loving and supremely entertaining ode to stunt work in the 80s. It is packed with action, the story of a stuntman (Gosling) who is trying to win back his novice director lover (Blunt) while, at the same time, fighting off becoming a scapegoat in a shifty Hollywood conspiracy.

Please note the earlier start time!

As usual there will be free tea, coffee and bites along with the opening bar at both arrival time and during the interval, and ice creams will be on sale during the interval. And naturally Tom and Jerry will start the program.

Peter Goodchild

IDE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH What's happening this month

Sunday Services are held at 11am each week. Our speakers this month are:

	11am
1 st	Church with a Difference – Pet Service is back
	(see below)
8 th	Adrian Dawe
15 th	Harvest Festival - Des Gardiner
22 nd	Sir Roy Sambles
29 th	Cat Seymour

Other activities

Sunday 1st September - Church with a Difference



Come and join us on the first Sunday of the month for Church with a Difference. Every first Sunday we meet at our normal time of 11am to explore our Spiritual Journeys. On **Sunday 1**st **September** we will be looking to hold our second **Pet Service**. If

you missed it last year, a great time was had by all with dogs, guineapigs, snails, a bear (dressed up one!) and even a real chicken making an appearance. Something for all ages. There will also be free tea, coffee and crumpets served during the service, so do come and join us with your pets.

On Thursday 5th September from 10am – 12pm we will be holding our usual Coffee Morning.



If you've never joined us before, do come along to our Coffee Morning on Thursday 5th September. It runs from 10am - 12pm, so just drop in any time.

We provide free teas, coffees and cakes with a lot of friendly chatter. Everyone welcome.

On Sunday 15th September at 11am we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival



Our service starts at 11am when we come together to give thanks for all that God has provided for us. Our speaker this year is Des Gardiner and there will even be a knitted farmyard for you to admire/discover, followed by tea, coffee and cakes. All are

welcome.

On Thursday 19th September at 7pm – it's time for Coffee Chat and Challenge

On Thursday 19th September at 7pm we will be meeting together for Coffee, Chat and Challenge. A time for discussions and reflections relating to the Christian faith. This month we're looking at Mark chapter 7 in the bible

Everyone welcome, and there's always food!

Church With A Difference - Sunday 4th August 2024 What Can Sport teach Us About Faith?

Team GB has won 14 Gold, 22 Silver and 29 Bronze medals and finished in 7th position ithe medal table with a total of **65** – what a fantastic achievement!

Sport is a perfect opportunity to offer God our talents and there are many Christians who do just that. Here are quotes from some world-famous Christians:

Lewis Hamilton:

'Anything can happen any day, but I feel God has His hand over me.'

Usain Bolt:

'I want to know more about Jesus' life and every time I read the Bible it makes me feel grateful.'

Tyson Fury:

'Every time I stray away from the Lord's word, I find emptiness and darkness.' Watch Famous Christian Athletes 2 on YouTube

to hear from other famous sporting Christians.

Working Together -For The Good Of All

Living a good life is not about being 'first' but about 'how we run the race' - what we do on an everyday basis for the benefit of others. Athletes, depending on their chosen field, compete individually or as part of a pair or team to achieve their goals. We discussed whether it was better for us 'lesser mortals' to work individually, or as part of a pair or team to achieve our goals. The general consensus was that in most cases it is better to work in pairs or in a team for the benefit of mutual support and encouragement. In our world today, there are lots of examples of teamwork for our benefit: healthcare, service industries, education and in any place of worship, a service would not happen without teamwork. Can you think of any other areas that depend on

teamwork to happen?

The Beautiful Game



Did you know that football has its roots in Christianity? In the late 19th/early 20th century, football was encouraged by the Church. It was noticed that when not at work, increasingly large numbers of young men were hanging around in groups drinking and getting into trouble. To distract them from this the Church organised football teams and established football leagues. One of the early teams was set up in St Mary's Church, Southampton and they became known as 'The Saints'. The team now plays in the Premier League. Other teams that began as church football teams are: Manchester City, Liverpool, Aston Villa and Everton. There are others find out which ones they are.

AND You ABSOLTUELY MUST WATCH this video on YouTube:

Derek Edmonds Epic International True Story 1992 Summer Olympics

I guarantee you will moved to tears!

The accompanying narrative and music to the video is just so emotional and moving.

Can you relate this event to a momentous event between a father and son in Christian history?

The Mission Of The Twelve

The Bible tells us that Jesus sent out his disciples in pairs. The reasons for this are set out in Mark 6: 7 - 13:





Tasty Treats!



Bacon baps and veggie sausage rolls were rustled up in the kitchen by our resident Chef Rob, ably assisted by his 'Kitchen Angel', Jacqui - great teamwork!

So get out there and do whatever it is you're good at.

Show off your talent to the glory of God.

And remember whatever it is you do always

Fight the good fight and

Fight the good fight and Run the straight race!

St Basil's Church at West Town Farm

St Basil's is a rural Anglican Church which began life in the summer of 2020 on a farm near Tedburn. Having outgrown the barn at this farm it spent a winter being generously hosted at The Orange Elephant. We have been gathering this summer at West Town Farm. All are welcome to our meetings on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month – café at 9.30am and service 10-11.30am. To find out more go to www.stbasils.church or get in touch with Dan Miles email dan@stbasils.church

IDE REVEL

Saturday, 7th September Midday till late on Weir Meadow

The Ide Revel will be the official launch of Weir Meadow; our amazing community facility for sport and recreational use. Come and enjoy the space, bring your own picnic or buy from our extensive BBQ and bar. There will be food to purchase all day and Exeter Brewery bar will be stocked and operational until 10pm. Tea and cakes also available.



FOR SAFETY REASONS PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN BBQ OR ANY GLASS WITH YOU.

Weir Meadow is the new home of Ide Cricket and Ide Green Rovers and you will see many of the Cricket Club and Football Club helping out on the day. We are now ready to play football and very nearly ready for the first cricket match, subject to the settlement of our amazing artificial wicket. Come and join in with some fun football and cricket games – no skill needed!!

Come and see our plans for Weir Meadow – the Parish Council will have a display in the tea tent.

We are hoping the Ide Revel will be a fantastic community event. There is no charge for entry as the event is not meant to be a fundraiser, more a gift to our community, and as long as we cover our costs and whet your appetite for another event next year, then we'll be happy.

There will be an auction during the evening where the prizes on offer are:

- Week's holiday in west coast Portugal villa and pool for 6 guests (not July and August)
- Jools Holland tickets x2 Friday 13th December Plymouth Pavilions
- Exeter City VIP tickets x4 for 21 Sept game vs Stevenage (near duggout)
- Voucher for The Jones Family Kitchen, London SW1W
- Bag of international rugby kit

Further details of auction prizes are available on Ide Revel Facebook page or will be available at the Shop.

We look forward to seeing you there.

IDE REVEL WEIR MEADON MIDDAY TILL LATE





SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

OFFICIAL OPENING WITH SPORTS, ENTERTAINMENT & GAMES

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SAINT IDA'S CHURCH

Sunday, 1st September 9.30am Holy Communion **Sunday, 8th September St Ida's Day** 9.30am Morning Praise Sunday, 15th September 9.30am Holy Communion Sunday, 22nd September 8am Holy Communion



Sunday, 29th September St Michael & All Angels

11am Joint Service at Alphington Church

Adrian Butland - A Thanksgiving Service for Adrian took place at a packed Alphington Church on Friday, 9th August. There were many tributes paid to his kindness and prayerfulness. Sarah, Adrian's eldest daughter, has written a beautiful piece about him, which you can find on page 16.

Mike Partridge is still on his sabbatical but we are enjoying other clergy taking our Services. The Archdeacon, who lives here in Ide, is taking our 8am Services, Dan, who also lives here, and is involved with St Basil's Church, has taken one of our Services and Ash, who was a curate here, has also taken a Service. He is now a Chaplain for the Exeter YMCA and it was interesting to hear about his work. However, we are looking forward to Mike's return in October.

St Ida's Day – We will be celebrating St Ida's Day on Sunday, 8th September. She is not a very well known Saint, but lived in Herzfeld in Germany and spent much of her life helping and feeding the poor.

Kenn Deanery Bell Ringing Competition will be held in Ide Church on Saturday, 28th September. This will start at approximately 2pm and will carry on during the afternoon and early evening. We hope that you will enjoy the sound of the bells and that the ringing won't be too intrusive.

Mothers' Union – It's hard to believe we're writing this for September - where have the weeks gone! I hope you have had a good summer, despite the mixed weather. In August, on Mary Sumner Day, Dawlish branch celebrated the Away From It All caravan, which was sited at the Warren for many years, and provided many families with a much needed holiday break. Unfortunately, most of us were unable to attend. We have planned to meet again on Wednesday, September 18th, 2.30pm as usual. Venue to be decided. Sue Campbell

Church Flowers – Our thanks to Sue Campbell and helpers who make sure that there are always flowers in the Church. During the hot weather it is not an easy task to keep them looking fresh. Visitor's to the Church often comment on the flowers.

Baptisms, Weddings, etc. - for enquiries about these please contact christenings@alphingtonstmichaels.org or weddings@alphingtonstmichaels.org

JUBILEE CLUB

Well where has the Summer gone, did I miss it? Oh yes I do remember a few hot sunny days.

One meeting to report on in July when Marge entertained the club to a feast of a tea at Longdown. Lorraine had been busy baking and with Sacha helping out in the kitchen we were well looked after, Di and Christine giving out multi choice answers to a quiz with sometimes debatable answers! All good fun, it was an afternoon to relax and enjoy.

We remembered Tricia, Ken and Sheila Stone for their birthdays, not able to be there but not forgotten. It's with sadness I report the passing away of Doreen Pook, a popular member of the club for many years. A message of condolence has been sent to the family.

Looking forward to meeting up again on September 2nd when we will have bingo. Also, we will be taking names for our next outing, a boat trip from Exmouth to view the Jurassic Coast - remember Chris Woodward 's informative talk and films on the subject? The cost is £22.00 to cover the bus and boat trip.

DIARY DATES

September 2nd Bingo

September 16th Outing to Exmouth and boat trip along

the Jurassic Coast. Leaving Ide at 10.30. All welcome – we are grateful for support.

September 30th RAF Exeter 1937 to 1945 Chris Wiseman

October 14th TBC

October 28th A talk by Mike Long on Beekeeping.

Jean Hoskin (Any enquiries ring me on 07447622479)

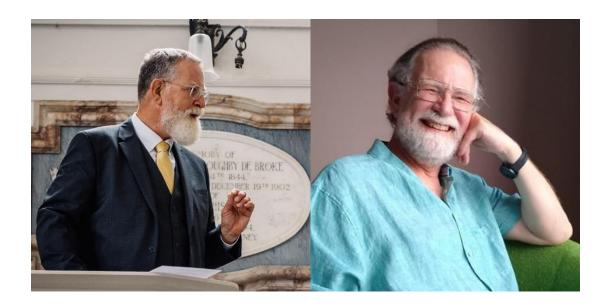
Kenn Deanery Bell Ringing Competition Saturday 28th September

St Ida's Church is delighted to be the host venue for this years. Kenn Deanery ringing competition. We will be welcoming some top ringing teams from the Kenn Deanery group of churches.

It will take place in the afternoon from about 2 pm. Anyone interested in seeing and hearing some definitive campanology is welcome to visit us at St Ida's church.

Mark Armitage

Adrian Philip Butland 19.04.1960 – 16.07.2024



My father passed away suddenly and unexpectedly last month, he was resting at home after a good day, and the last time I saw him he was laughing at me as I was dancing around the garden watering the plants. Papa's memorial service was held in St Michael's, Alphington, on the 9th of August, where we were surrounded by family, friends, and the congregation, who all came together to celebrate and share in remembering and honouring him. We're so grateful to Sue and Roger, Marjorie and her team of lovely helpers, Imo for her beautiful flower arranging, everyone who contributed their flowers and cake and time, the bell ringers, and Dan, Vron, and Mike, who we could not have done this without. Thank you to you all.







Adrian was a man who worked in deeds and actions and effort. From bringing my mama a cup of tea to her in bed every morning and learning how to make the proper green tea that she likes, to turning up at the Weir Meadow project with all his tools ready to help, to watching and commenting on all of Susannah's fashion shows after every shopping trip even when he jokingly complained about it the whole time, to turning up at my grand-parents' house with some of his toolkit 'just in case'. If you needed support papa would offer it, with an unwavering steadiness and a willingness to do things for you without a need for recognition. It was simply enough to be with you and help as he could.



He didn't need much, we were always jet setting and having adventures, video calling from wonderful places in the world, but he was so content with the knowledge that we were safe and happy and pursuing our own paths. He was happiest with his own feet on Devon soil, loudly and joyously laughing with us in a home that he helped to build, with people he loved.

~ Sarah Butland

Ide Congregational Church - 'Holiday at Home'

Hi-de-Hi! Ho-de-Ho!

Delicious 2 Course Lunch £00.00

Beef Casserole

Vegetarian Crumble

Very-Buttery Mashed Potatoes

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Banoffee Pie

Apricot Tart

Trifle

Lemon Layer Cake

Tea, coffee and cake available all day. Lunch menu changes each week.







It really felt like being on holiday - relaxing, fun and enjoyable!

A VERY BIG thank you to our 'Holiday Hosts' - Ruth, Roy, Des and Bev.

THANK YOU TO ALL YOU VOLUNTEERS

There are so many volunteers here in Ide that I apologise in advance if I have left any of you out!

First of all, a big 'thank you' to all who serve on the **Parish Council** and all its sub-committees. You keep a watchful eye on planning permissions, set up a sub committee to try and prevent any further flooding in the village, and found the finance to purchase the **Orchard** and the **Green Spaces**. Thank you to all the fund raisers and form fillers who have made these things happen and are continuing with the hard work. We are looking forward to the opening of Weir Meadow and the Ide Revel.





The Parish Council also made sure that we had a village shop, which only operates because of the enormous number of volunteers, who 'man' the till, keep the shop clean, check sell by dates and organise rotas. Not to mention the Treasurer who keeps the accounts in order.

Thank you too to the Village Hall committee who make sure that it is kept in good order and available for the various organisations which use it, as well as one off events such as children's parties and pancake breakfasts. The treasurer

again is an important part of the committee, making sure that bills are paid and keeping a watchful eye on the expenses. Thank you too to the singing groups who entertain us with concerts during the year – an evening out right on our doorsteps.

Ide Growers provide us with seeds and plants for next to nothing and also challenge us to enter our home grown fruit and vegetables in the annual **Produce**Show together with a chance to show off our artistic and creative talents.

The Congregational Church members provide us with coffee mornings and entertainment for all during the holidays as well as Sunday Services. The Parish Church is always open providing a quiet space as well as Sunday Services. It organises various annual events such as the **Village Fete**, **Harvest Lunch** and **Christmas Tea**. One of the Christmas highlights is the gathering round the Huntsman on Boxng Day for the **Duck Race**, which is organised by the Cricket Club. Thank you to all involved in the various village sporting activities.

The Ide School Governors also deserve a big Thank you. Not an easy task these days. If you are new to the village – Welcome – and we hope that you too will become a volunteer but meanwhile just enjoy all that goes on here!



IDE MEMORIAL HALL

Your village hall is flourishing with plenty of activities starting up again after the summer break – although, in fact some did continue all through August.

Here are some of the activities taking place:-

Mondays: Alternate Monday afternoons - The Jubilee Club (for over 60's) 2pm.

Entertainment and regular coach outings. See further details p.13.

Monday evenings, 7pm, Ide Aloud, a singing group run by Jane

Rottinoff.

Tuesdays Art Group 10am to 12 noon. Bella acappella (singing group) 7.30pm

Wed. Keep Fit at 10am. Pilates at 6.30pm (see advert below)

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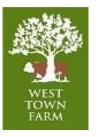
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It's a beautiful day, the pumpkins are beginning to show their faces amongst the wild and tangled growth, the sheep are laying low under the shade of the apple trees and there's a buzz building for a private barn-party, with a Dolly Parton impersonator and Bucking Bronco. (It never gets boring here!)

However we seem to have cultivated an abundance of Ragwort this year, a biannual plant that flowers and spreads. If when pulling the weed, the roots break off, they fight back by becoming a perennial. How's that for resilience!? Unfortunately it's highly poisonous to livestock, so Kate has been up with the larks carefully pulling them up by hand before they go to seed. Yet also safely leaving some to flourish for the Cinnabar Moth and Flea Beetle.

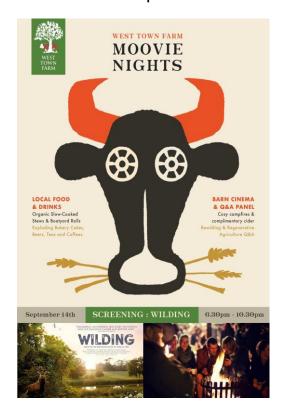
After the sad departure of Billy the Bull, we were incredibly grateful to be introduced to Big Trev, thanks to the generosity of Cat Frampton. Trev casually wandered into the field to be met by our herd of ladies who hoofed it up the hill to

meet him. Trev had some lengthy nails, so after a quick manicure, he's back in business and making himself very much at home.

It's our last wedding of the season, and the team were intent on making it one to remember for the lovely couple, Eddie and Emma. It was a beautiful day and has us all inspired whilst discussing upcoming weddings for 2025.

We're excited to announce a new event at the farm, Moovie Nights! We'll be stoking the campfires, raising the festoon lighting and gathering in the newly renovated barn for an evening's film, a hearty Q&A and some tasty food. Thanks to those who've already purchased tickets. With over half sold, if you'd like to join us, please visit the events page on our website for more details. See you soon!

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