# MALBOROUGH MESSENGER



### **OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2025**

For all in the Parish of Malborough

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### What's On in Malborough

### Weekly

Mondays Bible Study. 14:30. Malborough Baptist Church.

Hope Cove Table Tennis Club. 19:00. Cottage Hotel.

Tuesdays Coffee Morning. 10:30. Baptist Church.

Mat Pilates. 11:00-12:00. £10. Seated Pilates. 12:15-13:00. £8. Village Hall Annexe. Julie Wells,

juliehelenwells@icloud.com, 07760 764038.

Dance. 15:45-18:15. Faye Preston, faye@affinitydancesouthhams@cloud.com.

Mat Pilates. 09:30-10:30. £10. Pilates with Weights. 10:45-11:30. £8. Village Hall Annexe. Julie Wednesdays

Wells, juliehelenwell@icloud.com, 07760 764038.

Church Service. 10:00. St Peters & All Saints Church.

Pickleball. 17:15. Village Hall. Sarah Harvey, 07427 741858, sarahharvey66@gmail.com.

**Thursdays** Flexercise. 10:00. Village Hall. Val Chapman, val.chapman@icloud.com, 07584 885259.

Coffee Morning. 10:30. Baptist Church.

Pickleball. 14:00-15:30. Village Hall. Sarah Harvey, 07427 741858, sarahharvey66@gmail.com.

Karate. 16:30. Village Hall. Ash Hawkes, ash@chireakai.com.

Youth Club. 18:00-20:00. Village Hall Annexe. Sharon Anniss, 07711 314310. Fridays

**Saturdays** Yoga. 08:45.

Pickleball. 16:00. Village Hall. Sarah Harvey, 07427 741858, sarahharvey66@gmail.com.

Sundays Church Service. 10:00. St Peters & All Saints Church.

Church Service. 10:30. Malborough Baptist Church.

Remember to check the Village Hall Calendar during holiday periods as some activities are cancelled.

### October

Tue 7th Social Line Dancing. 19:00. Cottage Hotel.

Parish Council Meeting. 19:00. Malborough Village Hall Annexe. Wed 15th

Thu 16th Open Day. Malborough Pre-School. 09:30-11:00.

Sat 18th South Hams Energy Assembly. 09:30-15:30. Kingsbridge Community College.

Cream Tea Afternoon with Handbells. 14:00-16:00. St Peter's & All Saints' Church.

Wed 22nd Soup Lunch. The Leprosy Mission. 12:30. St Peter's & All Saints' Church. Coffee Morning. National Trust South Hams Centre. Kingsbridge Care Hub. Thu 23rd Annual Quiz. Hope Cove Lifeboat. 19:30. Malborough Village Hall. Sat 25th

Fri 31st Halloween Party. Malborough Pre-School. Malborough Village Hall.

### November

Thai Curry Night. RNLI Salcombe. Winking Prawn. Mon 3rd

Fri 7th Salcombe Community Gospel Choir. Kingsbridge & Saltstone Caring. 19:00. Baptist Church.

Sat 8th Bonfire Night. 18:30. Malborough Playing Fields.

History Fair. Hope Cove History Group. 10:30-16:30. Malborough Village Hall. Sat 15th

Remembrance Sunday Service. 10:45. War Memorial. Sun 9th

Wed 12th Shoebox Appeal deadline.

Wed 19th Parish Council Meeting. 19:00. Malborough Village Hall Annexe.

Christmas Market. Malborough Pre-School. 10:00-16:00. Malborough Village Hall. Sat 29th

### December

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Thu 4th-Wed 10th Christmas Tree Festival. St Peter's & All Saints' Church. Fri 5th Christmas Party. RNLI Salcombe. 20:00. Cliff House.

31st Resolution Fun Run. RNLI Salcombe. 09:00. Island Street, Salcombe.

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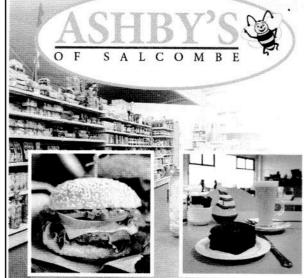
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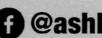
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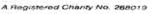
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lovely dog picture again for the cover – this time from Steve Pedrick, who goes to the Tuesday morning art session in the Church. They are a friendly bunch and are always happy to have new faces join them so do along if you want to know more.

We hope everyone had a good summer but now we are really getting into autumn with the evenings getting darker earlier and it's time to turn on the heating and maybe light the woodburner! There's been lots going on in the last few weeks. The MAD Kids Show was as good as ever and the two Horticultural Shows held in the Village Hall were popular afternoons out! KATS have just had another successful play and no doubt they are already planning their next production. We are lucky to have such a good village hall to have these events — remember new committee members for the Hall Committee are always welcome and thank you to those who already do this valuable job for the village.

Reading what I have been given for the Messenger this week, many have been busy planning events for the next few weeks. November in particular looks like a busy month in the Village Hall, with a history fair and Christmas market to visit. Before that Bonfire Night will again be celebrated in Malborough style – hopefully on Saturday 8th November – weather permitting. Please note that in order to avoid the problems of fly tipping that have occurred in the past, bonfire material will be sourced by the committee only and no donations can left in advance.

There is a full programme of classes and activities in the Hall throughout the next few months plus the reopening of the MYC after their summer break. And by the time you read this the MAD Group will be hard at work preparing for their winter panto, Aladdin. Help with costumes and backstage is always welcomed, so do volunteer if you can.

Do note the poster in this Messenger about the Parish Council survey being carried out over the next few weeks about the traffic problems along Higher Town and at the Cumber Close junction with Collaton Road. Accessing the survey online is easiest through the Parish Council website – see address below or by filling in a Survey form in the Post Office.

Finally do remember that if you notice a faulty street light, full dog bin or pothole the easier way to tell the authorities and to get some action is to report it on line to SHDC or DCC – see the back page of this Messenger to see who does what. They really do action these requests swiftly and it is easier than hanging on the phone or writing an email. I reported a pothole one day last week, had a response less than 24 hours later and lo and behold the hole has already been visited, ringed with white paint and filled and sealed by a crew today!

Enjoy this Messenger and do go along to some of the events that we mention!

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### **National Trust South Hams Centre**

Towards the end of July we organised another enjoyable Cream Tea afternoon in Kingsbridge, helping to raise funds for local NT projects and for the Cookworthy Museum. Fortunately, the weather was fine for this event and also for a recent coach trip to Cornwall. At Kelly Bray, near Callington, we were given a very warm welcome by the owners of the garden, who had agreed our visit at very short notice — and what an impressive garden we found Firste Park to be!

Meanwhile, nearer to home, I understand from Ros Ryman, Overbeck's Property Manager, that they have welcomed more visitors so far this year than in any year since the pandemic. No doubt this has been helped by the decision to welcome dogs into the garden. Also, the Coach House Kiosk has been very successful, with visitors able to stop and eat more comfortably, with a wider choice of food. Keeping the garden maintained to a high standard is always challenging, but Head Gardener lan and his team remain dedicated to not only maintaining, but also to planning new planting, creating inspiring patio pots and sharing their knowledge.

South Hams Centre members will soon be receiving their programmes for the months of October to March. The first event to look forward to is a Coffee Morning on Thursday 23rd October at Kingsbridge Care Hub, a convenient and comfortable place, right in the town centre. In November there is a coach trip to Ashburton and the Christmas Market at Buckfast Abbey. As usual, we will be picking up passengers in Salcombe, Malborough and Kingsbridge.

Please contact me if you would like to know more about the local National Trust Supporter Group.

Joan Johnstone joan\_johnstone@btinternet.com

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# Festive Cheer & Community Fun at The Cottage Hotel

As autumn settles in, we've been truly blessed with the beautiful weather South Devon has enjoyed over the past few months. The sunshine has brought a wonderful energy to Hope Cove and it's been a pleasure welcoming so many familiar faces and new visitors alike.

Have you heard about the Days Out On Your Doorstep campaign, celebrating the beauty and diversity of Devon? This initiative, led by Visit South Devon, invites residents to rediscover the treasures right on their doorstep. As part of the campaign, The Cottage Hotel are offering a 2-course lunch (Monday–Saturday) from our special set menu for just £21 per person — exclusive to Devon residents. Booking is essential, so please call ahead to reserve your table on 561555. Take a look at www. visitsouthdevon.co.uk/explore/days-out-on-your-doorstep.

Did you know that Hope Cove Table Tennis Club meets every Monday evening at The Cottage Hotel from 19:00 for a game or three followed by a social drink. New members are always warmly welcomed — come along and join the fun!

Do you fancy a spot of "Social Line Dancing" with Ali of Better Bodies? Come along on Tuesday 7th October at 19:00 for a lively evening of dancing and community spirit. Just £5 per person. Pre-book your ticket by emailing alison@better-bodies.com.

Don't forget that we continue to serve our much-loved roast lunch every Sunday: 2 courses for £27.50 pp and 3 courses for £32.50 pp. Both include coffee and a chocolate mint to finish. Bookings are certainly advisable.

And finally, why not have a look at www.hopecove.com to see what we're offering this Christmas, including our festive menus perfect for community groups and family gatherings.

We look forward to welcoming you soon—whether it's for a festive feast, a midweek treat, or simply a moment to soak in the views.

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Warm wishes from Neil, William, Sarah and the Cottage Hotel Team

### **Christmas Tree Festival 2025**

The Seaside Parish Christmas Tree Festival is being held at St Peter's and All Saints Church Malborough from December 4th until December 10th.

This was a hugely popular event last year and we hope to build on that success to have even more trees entered this year.

We invite individuals, families, community groups, charities and businesses to enter a tree in the festival. There is no overall theme, each tree is entirely individual.

Last year's trees were a wonderful reflection of all the good things that happen in our community.

Some groups have already begun making decorations for their trees which is fantastic.

There is no fee to enter your tree but we do ask everyone to fill in a form with your contact details and some information about your tree. Knowing the size and theme of your tree helps us to plan ahead where best to place each tree in the festival. Forms will be available in the parish churches from Sunday 5th October or online from the parish office at seasideparish@gmail.com.

The tree Festival is becoming a bi-annual event from this year so don't miss this opportunity to enter a tree.

Thank you from the festival committee.

### **RNLI Salcombe Forthcoming Events**

RNLI Thai Curry Night: 3rd November. Cooked by Tannoi Oats and hosted by the Winking Prawn, North Sands. Tickets £47.50 with all proceeds to RNLI. For tickets contact repullan@aol.com. Tickets are selling fast!

Salcombe RNLI Christmas Party: 5th December. 20:00 to midnight. Cliff House, Salcombe. Music by The Busketeers. Tickets £10 from Lifeboat Station (£15 on the door.)

RNLI Resolution Fun Run: 31st December. 09:00 at Island St, Salcombe. Details and entries: www.letsgovelo.co.uk/ event/salcombe-rnli-resolution-fun-run or come down and support us.

David Dancox, RNLI Salcombe Press Officer 07720 772227, david.dancox@outlook.com

## Malborough Amateur Dramatic Group News

Rehearsals are just getting under way for our next production. This will be our annual pantomime which will be on in the Village Hall in January. Our 2026 panto will be Aladdin. As I write this, our read-through was last night and we were very encouraged to have several new men. Let's hope they come back to our auditions and stay with us, as men is something we are always very short of!

Aladdin will be on in Malborough Village Hall from Wednesday 21th to Saturday 24th January at 19:30 with a matinée on the Saturday afternoon. Tickets will go on sale

online at the beginning of December at www.madpanto.

If anyone is interested in joining the MAD Group, we are always happy to have more backstage/scenery painting help and currently are looking for help with costumes. Please contact me on 561825 or jillsmad52@gmail.com if you would like to join us.

Another date for your diary is the Annual Hope Cove Lifeboat quiz which will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday 25th October. This quiz is for teams of up to 6 and starts promptly at 19:30. Entry is £5 per person and please bring food and drink. There is also a raffle. All proceeds go to the independent Hope Cove Lifeboat. If you would like to book a table please contact me on 561825 or email jillsmad52@gmail.com.

Jill Clarke - MAD Chairman and Quizmaster

### **Leprosy Mission (TLM)**

For over 150 years, the Leprosy Mission (TLM) has worked tirelessly to defeat the ancient disease of leprosy and restore dignity to those affected. Despite being curable, leprosy still affects over 200,000 people annually, often in some of the world's poorest regions.

TLM continues to advocate for a Zero Leprosy Policy by working for the three global goals of Zero Transmission, Zero Disability, and Zero Discrimination.

In October 2024, a Soup Lunch, in aid of the Leprosy Mission (TLM), was held in the Parish Church of Saint Peters and All Saints, Malborough. Donations from the Lunch totalled £210 which, together with the £260 of TLM donations for 2024, went towards supporting Nepal's Heal Nepal campaign, Mozambique's Unconditional Appeal, Ethiopia's training of leprosy ambassadors and many more TLM projects.

Nepal is one of the world's most leprosy-affected regions. However, they have formed mobile outreach teams and trained health workers which has allowed thousands of leprosy affected people access to life-saving treatment.

Mozambique has established dozens of community "Hubs of Hope" which provide safe spaces for diagnosis, education, self-care and support. 1,300 people were cured of leprosy from this project.

Similarly, in Ethiopia, TLM held a four months leprosy awareness campaign, which included training "leprosy



# REDFERN HEALTH CENTRE UPDATES

<u>FLU & COVID VACCINES</u> – By now you should have had your invite to book your flu vaccine with us. Anyone aged 65 and over is eligible as well as other clinically at risk groups. The criteria for a Covid vaccine is stricter this year but you may be eligible for this too. Please contact reception to book if you haven't already.

ONLINE TRIAGE FORMS – Many of you, I'm sure, will have already experienced our new online triage forms. This initiative has been introduced by NHS England and will be compulsory by 1st October for all GP surgeries. We have bought the use of the forms in slowly & they are making a huge difference to the efficiency of GP appointments. The forms help how enquires are safely triaged and filtered as they come into the surgery and give bespoke, accurate information which means clinically urgent issues are highlighted. This means no long waits on the telephone as you can complete the form online anytime when we are open.

You can access this form for any routine need via our website or our reception staff are happy to complete the form with you over the telephone.

We thank you for your continuing support and co-operation through this change.

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ambassadors" to help spread correct information and encourage early testing of the disease. Apart from this, the Leprosy Mission has been working within the leprosy communities, helping changemakers to restore dignity through the recognition of the disease, particularly from Myanmar to Bangladesh.

### Soup Lunch

On 22nd October at 12:30, the Parish Church is holding a joint churches Soup Lunch in aid of the Leprosy Mission, and Trevor Grant, from TLM, will be the speaker.

All are welcome.

Sandra Jones, Malborough Baptist Church

### **Shoebox Gift Appeal 2025**

### Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

First, a very big thank you to everybody who contributed to the Global Shoebox Gift Appeal in 2024. The goal of Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child is to send gift-filled shoeboxes to children in need around the world. All shoeboxes are processed and delivered to those countries where children are in great need of love and kindness. To the thousands of children who receive them, these gift-filled boxes are powerful symbols of hope and love.

In November 2024, we delivered 23 shoeboxes to a collection centre in Plymouth, from where they were sent to the Balkans. Due to ongoing political and religious sensitivities in some parts of the Balkans, Samaritan's Purse prioritised the safety of their partners who were operating in restricted areas. Therefore, they were unfortunately unable to disclose details about the specific country that our shoeboxes were sent to. However, wherever they were sent, we know that the precious child who received a gift was, and now again, will be truly blessed.

There is a Shoebox Gift Appeal again this year in 2025.

For some children, it could be the first time that they had ever seen and received such a gift. For inside each box would be things such as personal hygiene items, pencils, paper, practical school items, hat, gloves (and or scarf) and a small gift or gifts (not forgetting the cuddly toy!)

Should you wish to donate a shoebox, you can choose one of two ways to do it.

1) You can pack a shoebox yourself.

I have sent off for some ready-made shoeboxes and leaflets with labels, about how to fill a shoebox etc. If you would like one, please phone me on 561700.

Alternatively, you can use a medium sized shoe box. If you want to wrap it, cover the box and lid separately. Attach labels for either a boy or a girl. Include a special item, if possible (something that might be especially meaningful to a child.)

Mark the box by age category (2-4, 5-9, 10-14).

2) You can build a shoebox online.

You can select items digitally and Samaritan's Purse will pack and ship it for you.

Samaritans Purse has information online on how to pack a shoebox, which includes lists of suggested, suitable items to pack and those item which are not allowed.

N.B. soap is also now not allowed and must not go into shoeboxes.

Email info@samaritans-purse.org.uk or call 020 8559 1180.

The national collection week is 10-17th November 2025. All the shoeboxes will be taken to a collection point that week. If you would like us to do this for you, please could you get your shoebox to our house by Wednesday 12th November.

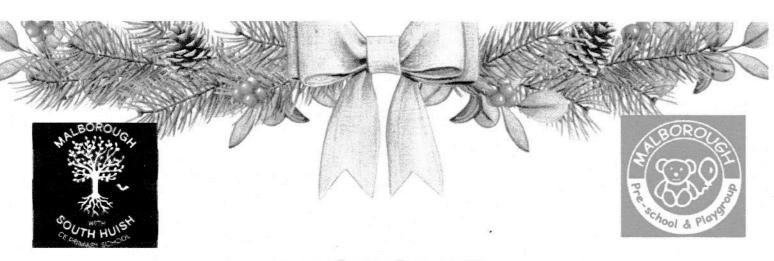
Sandra Jones, Malborough Baptist Church

### The MYC (Malborough Youth Club)

We have been busy trying to recruit new volunteers and have been successful in getting 2 but still would like more to help run it each week.

We have been successful in applying for some more funding. The Salcombe Rotary club have been fantastic in helping us purchase a new pool table and also we have applied for funding from South West Water and various community grants available, which we are still waiting to hear about.

We are looking forward trying out the new pool table when we reopen the doors next week and to welcoming the new year 5s & 6s as well as all our existing members of the MYC.

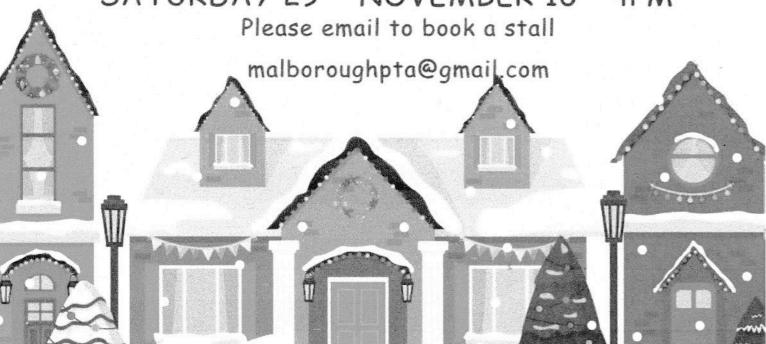


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SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 10 - 4PM



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### **Planning**

Applications received by the Parish Council for consideration:

2458/25/TPO. The Vicarage, Malborough TQ7 3RR. TPO 708; T1: Copper Beech - crown raise over driveway to provide 3.5m clearance, to provide space for tree to grow to its full potential. T2: Ash - fell and remove, damage to wall, short life expectancy, impacting neighbouring tree. G1: 7x Sycamore, 1x Ash - crown raise over driveway to 7m, up righting crown leaving a crown spread to the east of 4m, to provide clearance. T3: Beech - fell and remove, growing into garage and house. T4: Western Red Cedar - fell and remove, wrong species, 18/9.

2621/25/HHO. **Roosters, Higher Batson TQ8 8NG.** Householder application for alterations & extensions to dwelling with associated landscaping, 16/10.

South Hams District Council decisions:

0632/25/HHO. Little Maryknowle, Malborough, TQ7 3DB. 10/4. Approved.

1956/25/LBC. Cove Barn, Malborough TQ7 3DS. 14/8. Approved.

### Results of the Malborough Horticultural Society 91st Annual Show

Vereker Cup: Keith Steer, Runner up: Suzie Young, Overbeck Cup: Suzie Young, Runner up: Bill Powell, Croft Cup: Mike Hine, Yeoman Cup: Keith Steer, Runner up: Rosalie Harris, Hargreaves Cup: Keith Steer & Jane Vaughan, Runner up: Abi Marshall-Smith, Fairwinds Cup: Keith Steer, Joyce & Raymond Parsons Memorial Cup: Bob Gould, Doris Wood Centenary Memorial Cup: Mike Bowles, Hobby Cup: Abi Marshall-Smith, Pinhay Cup: Keith Steer, Runner up: Suzie Young, Society Sup: Keith Steer, Runner up: Lynn Satterley, Margaret Ayre Memorial Cup: Keith Steer, Runner up: Caroline Cuming, Jackson Cup: Keith Steer, The MSHHS Cup: Mike Hine, Runner up: Mike Bowles, The Pat & Stan Janes Perpetual Challenge Cup: Mike Hine, Minns Cup: Winner: Jackie Case, Runner up: Christine Collins, Malborough Bowl: Jackie Case, John Clements Cup: Bob Gould, Runner up: Terry Reeves, Albert Pepperell Memorial Bowl: Winner:

Mike Bowles, Runner up: Bob Gould, Steer Cup: Terry Reeves, Cumber Cup: Terry Reeves, Isabelle Countin Cup: Maisy Young, Bolberry Perpetual Challenge Cup: Maisy Young, Painting Cup: Rita Fairchild, Collaton Goblet: Maisy Young, Jack Yeoman Memorial Cup: Betsy Young, Stuffed Toy Cup: Margaret Moore, Fuchsia Cup: Nick Bowles

Blue Ribbons: Vegetables: Mike Hine (leeks) Flowers: Terry Reeves (Cactus dahlias), Domestic: Patsy Dunton (pate)

Certificates of Merit: Keith Steer, (2), Maisy Young, Betsy Young (2), Abi Marshall-Smith, Tara Barton, Jackie Case, Patsy Dunton, Terry Reeves & Mike Hine

First Prize Winners: KA Steer (32), M Hine (14), M Bowles, B Young & M Young (7), S Hine (5), J Case, L Satterley & T Reeves (4), N Bowles, R Gould, A Marshall Smith & S Young (3) C Collins & R Moore (2), T Barton, P Dunton, S Evans, J Fairbairn, R Fairchild, S Harvey, M Moore, S Morgan, B Powell, J Vaughan & N Veitch (1)

### Report

The Malborough Horticultural Society, incorporating South Huish, held its 91st annual show at the village hall last Saturday. "Exhibits were amazing across flowers, veg, homecraft, photography, floral art and the junior sections, raising £1,336 in just over 2 hours," said Secretary & Treasurer Keith Steer. There really were stunning displays of high-quality flowers, dahlias and pot plants of all colours creating a real focal point for visitors and exhibitors alike. The exhibitors triumphing in these classes were Bob Gould, Mike Bowles and Terry Reeves. They took several trophies, a blue ribbon and two certificates of merit between them

The overall local champion for 2025 winning the prestigious Vereker Cup, for most points in the entire show, was Keith Steer, who also secured trophies for cottagers' dahlias, photography, preserves, cookery handicrafts and wines with his 32 first prizes. The Overbeck Cup for cottagers vegetables was won by Suzie Young and the Open vegetable classes were dominated by Mike Hine from Loddiswell. In the handicraft section Rita Fairchild won the painting cup with an outstanding picture and the hobby cup was won by Abi Marshall-Smith with some incredible socks, whilst the overall winners were shared between Jane Vaughan and Keith. Another well-established exhibitor was Jackie Case who triumphed in the floral art classes with some delightful floral interpretations with Christine Collins hot on her heels as



# Malborough Playing Fields Sat 8th November

Bonfire lit at 6.30 Fireworks at 7.30

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runner up by 1 point. The junior sections were also attracting some very creative exhibits and the awards were won by sister Betsy and Maisie Young.

The committee, judges and honoured guests celebrated their show at the Cottage Hotel for luncheon, before the show was opened, and all stood, beforehand, to observe a minute's silence in memory of a huge supporter the late Clive Parsons. The trophies were awarded, at the end of the day, by President Pat Janes.

The society was very grateful to the many volunteers, who are not committee members, who help stage and dismantle the show and man sideshows during the day. The judges who also gave their time and efforts free of charge and were Ricky Hoskin, Bill Radmore & Ian Jenkins (flowers), Sheila Glanville & Joe Wallis (vegetables), Cynthia Morgan (floral art and Juniors), Angela Hickman (homecraft), Jeremy Willcocks (photography), Adrienne Blake (handicrafts) and Luis Hernaiz (wines).

# Malborough Village Hall & Playing Fields Association

The Village Hall has had a busy summer, and we are excited to see the range of clubs and activities now taking place — details are on our website. Why not have a look and see if there is something new that you could get involved with? Or maybe you have a new group that you are thinking of setting up, in which case, please do get in touch!

For many years the keys to the Village Hall have been in a key safe in our lovely neighbour's garden. We are very grateful to them for their tolerance of this arrangement but feel we need a more secure solution. Those individuals and organisations who have regular bookings of the Hall, Annexe or Playing Fields and anyone making a new booking, will be informed of the new arrangements by Steve, our Bookings Officer. The new arrangements will be operational from October 1st.

Preparations for Bonfire Night are underway; fireworks are ready, and plans are being made to ensure a brilliant evening. To avoid issues from last year's fly-tipping, we will source bonfire materials ourselves and store them offsite. If we need more, we'll ask on Facebook — please do not leave any rubbish at the site. CCTV will monitor for safety.

We are as ever looking for new members for the Committee to help ensure the Village Hall continues to thrive. Please do get in touch if you are able to help – we only meet once a month but there are lots of things that need doing outside of the meeting and we desperately need your help.

Janet Rowse, Secretary, MVH&PFA 07890 708535, www.malboroughvillagehall.org.uk

### **Malborough Pre-School**

What a start we have had to the new school year. We have welcomed many faces, both old and new. As we continue to enjoy the autumn term, the children have been fully engaged in exploring the changing season. We have spent lots of time in the garden treasure hunting, with the children eagerly collecting colourful leaves, conkers, and acorns to use in craft activities and sensory play. We've talked about the changes we can see around us — why the leaves fall, how the weather is getting cooler, and what animals might be doing to get ready for winter.

The abundance of acorns has sparked lots of interest and has been incorporated into our learning through counting games, sorting activities, and even some imaginative play. We've created little woodland scenes using natural materials, and the children have enjoyed building tiny homes for hedgehogs and squirrels using sticks, leaves, and acorns.

The apples we received have added another layer of fun to our activities. The children loved helping to prepare the ingredients for apple crumble and muffins, taking turns to stir, pour, and measure. Baking gave us a chance to talk about numbers, textures, and even changes in state when cooking. The apple printing was a big hit too — everyone enjoyed seeing the different shapes and patterns they could make.

In addition to all of this, we've been singing autumn songs, reading seasonal stories, and incorporating autumn themes into our role play and small world areas. The children are becoming increasingly confident in expressing themselves and sharing their ideas, and it's been lovely to see their creativity blossom as we embrace all that this beautiful season has to offer.

We have a few dates for your diary:

Open Day: Thursday 16th October, 09:30 to 11:00.

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We are offering 30 hours' funding to working parents for 3 and 4 year olds. This is proving very popular and our sessions are busy with limited availability, book now to avoid disappointment. Please contact the pre-school on 562301 for details or message us on our Facebook page. Working parents can check their eligibility online at www. childcarechoices.gov.uk. All 3 & 4 years will receive 15 funded hours per week. Also some children are entitled to 2 year funding: contact the pre-school for details.

Jayne Brodie

### **The National Trust**

We have replaced many of the chestnut posts around the Bolberry Down car park that had rotted out and also installed some fresh signage on the disabled parking bays.

The volunteers also replaced the timber steps on the path down to Soar Mill Cove and we've carried out further work to try to keep the slipway dry and algae free where it can become very slippery. Ranger Ricky has also installed a new memorial bench at the top of the slipway which has a fantastic view.

Our fantastic volunteers and Rangers also cleared ragwort from the donor field at Southdown Farm to enable us to take a hay cut from it. The site has just been cut and the green hay spread around a field behind Soar Mill Cove to increase the diversity of the wildflowers in the grassland. We have also harvested some seed with a brush harvester which will be used at Overbecks garden and Prawle Point.

Our survey volunteers have been monitoring arable plants at Southdown Farm; these are plants that need disturbed ground to grow. Southdown has many rare species so we leave cultivated areas around the farm for them. These plants have had a fantastic season – they seem to have thrived in the warm conditions with enough rain to stop them burning off. They also provide an important winter food source for invertebrates and farmland birds.

This winter we will be carrying out fencing work in the fields behind Bolberry which will be planted up with hardy hedging plants such as blackthorn and hawthorn. This is to create smaller field parcels offering more shelter and

shade for livestock and also creating more habitat for wildlife to nest and feed in the new hedges.

For information regarding the work of the South Devon National Trust team please call Emma Reece on 562344 or email emma.reece@nationaltrust.org.uk.

Emma Reece, Area Ranger

# Malborough with South Huish Primary School

It was lovely to see so many happy, smiley faces when we returned to school at the beginning of September for the start of the new academic year.

We have lots of fun-filled activities planned for the children this term, including a visit from Clive Pig the Storyteller, the annual Swimarathon, the Junior Life Skills event at Quayside Leisure Centre, our Christmas productions, and our Christingle service.

Our PTFA is back up and running and is looking forward to organising some fantastic fundraising events, starting with the Halloween disco in October.

We were delighted to welcome nine new children into our Reception class, as well as new members of staff: Mrs Miller and Mrs Martin-Jones have joined our teaching team, and Mrs Jackson is our new school administrator. We hope they will all be very happy here with us at Malborough with South Huish Primary School.

We also have a wonderful range of after-school clubs this term, including art, gymnastics & dance, board games, maths ninjas, and choir club.

We held our Harvest Festival on Friday. The children sang beautifully, and we were very grateful for the generous donations brought in for the Kingsbridge Food Bank.

Following the Harvest Festival, our PTFA hosted a Macmillan Coffee Morning. Thanks to the support of everyone who contributed and attended. We raised a fabulous total of £60.40.

We are all looking forward to a busy and exciting autumn term ahead.

### **Saint Peters And All Saints Church**

The seasons are changing and as I write this article, I'm sitting and enjoying the glorious September sunshine. This



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morning in our church, the school celebrated Harvest, bringing in their donations for the local foodbank. The children did really well and we all enjoyed being part of the Harvest Festival. The church also looks so beautiful, adorned with flowers and the season's produce... please do visit and enjoy.

As well as the season, there are other changes in our church and parish. After seventeen years, Father Daniel said goodbye and is now working in London, as Chaplain for the University of Greenwich. We thank him for all he has done in this Parish, and wish him well for the future. With no current Vicar we are doing our best to maintain services, and are still able to have a weekly Sunday service at 10:00 and most of our Wednesday services as well. There will be some all-Parish services and we will sometimes need to join either Galmpton or Salcombe, but all the services are displayed on our noticeboards or on the Seaside Parish website.

I'm also pleased to say that we have been able to start work on the Malborough church bells. Initially, to repair and strengthen the bell frame, and, following a further inspection from Taylor Bells, the bell hangers, we are soon going to have the gudgeon pins replaced on some of the bells. There is also ongoing maintenance work, but in fact, we are able to ring the bells within certain restrictions. It has been hard work and a huge amount of fundraising, but the end is in sight! Thank you so much to Maggie Berndt, who as Tower Captain has spent much time and effort on fundraising and grants. Maggie has now stepped down as Tower Captain, but we are hoping that our team of bell ringers will soon be able to start again. We are also keeping the Bell Fund as a restricted fund within our finances and will continue to collect for the bells, for ongoing maintenance and repairs as needed. Thank you also to all of you who have supported our fundraising events and donated... a great team effort!

### **Events for October and November**

Cream Tea Afternoon with music from our handbells team: Saturday 18th October, 14:00 to 16:00. Donations to the Bell Fund.

Soup Lunch with presentation for the Leprosy Mission: Wednesday 22nd October, 12:30.

Remembrance Service: Sunday 9th November 10:45 at the War Memorial (10:30 at the Village Hall for the procession.)

Christmas Tree Festival: Thursday 4th December to Wednesday 10th December.

Sandra Price. Churchwarden

### **Parish Council Notes**

Early in September a number of Councillors met for a walkabout with our County Councillor Louise Wainwright and a representative from DCC Roads Department. Both Higher Town and Cumber Close entrance on Collaton Road have had many complaints principally about bad or illegal parking over last few weeks. As a result of this meeting we have been asked to canvas the options of our parishioners and all who use our village roads. The result is a survey which is published in this Messenger. We urge everyone to take part online or by filling in a survey form in the Post Office. Already we have had over 50 replies, but the survey is open till 24th October so there is plenty of time to give us your views.

In Higher Town not all the double yellow lines were replaced after the resurfacing some months ago, and we hope to get this done soon, but we have other recommendations. Double yellows at the Cumber entrance are also on our wish list. This is another area where there has been a big increase in antisocial parking recently. Inconsiderate parking is not only annoying to other drivers but also for pedestrians and in particular those using mobility aids and pushing buggies. Having to go out into the road to go round a car parked on a footway is just plain dangerous for all.

Another road concern is the speeding of cars going toward Salcombe. We have registered a Scarf request and information from the VAS camera is being passed to Traffic Department - we look forward to hearing their

Another meeting we attended recently was a "Chat with a Cop" held with Tom Earby of Kingsbridge Police in the Annexe of the Village Hall when we were able to share our concerns about antisocial behaviour, speeding and other police matters with him. Since then he has already attended a Parish Council meeting so he was able to hear more about the village. "Chat with a Cop" meetings when anyone can come along will take place every month or so - a good way to share your concerns about police matters - dates will be on social media.

A date for defibrillator training is being organised for November so please watch for more details on our Facebook page or on our noticeboards. The course will be on a Tuesday evening and lasts about 2 hours. To book please email our Parish Clerk – details on the back page of this Messenger.

We have been asked for extra dog bins and are looking into this, but in the meantime remember that dog poo bags can be placed in the normal Council rubbish bins – just don't leave them hanging on a fence or bush please.

Finally thanks to those who have cut back their hedges overhanging footpaths and roadways and hopefully those of you who have bushes and trees hanging over these areas will be able to organising trimming now the growing season is over. We are aware that in many areas of the parish there is a build-up of mud and debris at the side of roads and we are planning to tackle this on your behalf. There used to be a regular Parish lengthman visit but no more due to budget cuts. Meanwhile anything you can do outside your home to keep your area of the parish tidy is helpful!

### **New Eating place in Malborough!**

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### Two more eating paces in Malborough

Up on Bolberry Down, Thirty Three by the Sea opened earlier this summer. Check out their Facebook page or call for their autumn opening hours and to book on 562267.

More recently The Old Inn have started serving meals again. They are open every day; to book call 288261.

### Malborough Baptist Church

Following the pattern of every year, our congregation has fluctuated over the summer months as our regular members holiday elsewhere or visit distant relatives.

Summer brings a welcome increase in families holidaying locally and several of them join us for Sunday service.

Inevitably, with the onset of the Autumn school term, our numbers have diminished and we now have a few empty chairs, but there's always one reserved for you! Seriously, should you ever seek company or feel at a loose end, you will find a warm welcome either here, or in the Parish Church.

Looming large in our coming Chapel program will be our harvest festival, when once again we praise the Lord for all his wonderful gifts. Following our thanksgiving we will be passing on all donated produce to the local food bank.

Our twice-weekly coffee mornings (Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30) continue to be a popular meeting place, with local friends attending regularly, and often in double figures.

Following our usual pattern, our Sunday worship begins at 10:30, followed by refreshments, and we celebrate Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. We are particularly pleased to re-institute our weekly Bible study. This happens at 14:30 every Monday. Currently we are halfway through Mark's Gospel which we study and prayerfully discuss, relating the Scriptures to our daily lives. You would be most welcome to join us and share your insights.

Details of our Advent studies and our Christmas events will appear in the next issue of the Messenger.

Denis King

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Councillors have reviewed the issues, visited the sites with Devon Highways and Cllr Louise Wainwright, and are planning improvements.

We'd like your views on the proposals below.

The survey takes only a few minutes and closes at 12pm on 24th October 2025.

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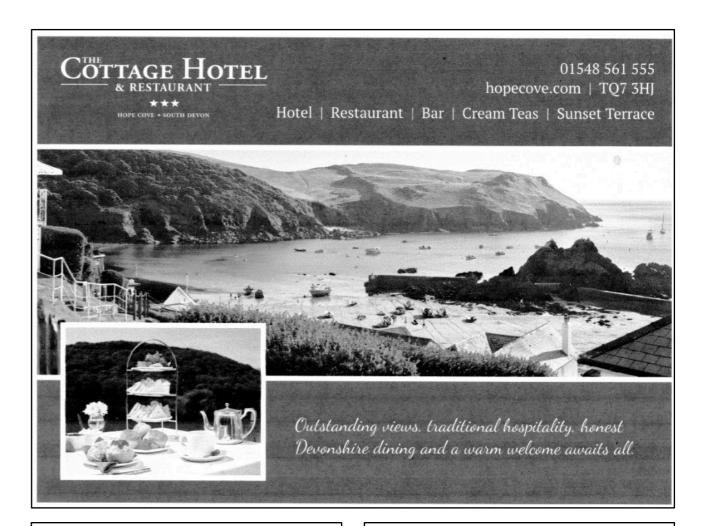
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