COLDRIDGE CALENDAR

SUPPLEMENT No.2

18th January 2023

Hello, Everyone;

Here are a few more notices for you, Please make sure that any friends and neighbours, without internet access, get to know of important dates, etc.

As well as the Public Notices (from Devon County Council and from John Harris of Walking in England), I also attach two 'fliers' for your information. One is from Moira Monument, advertising her new "Dermanaturell" business and one from Rachel Arnold giving details of her new initiative called "Sunshine Singing"! Please support both of our neighbours in their new enterprises.

I hope that you are all collecting any used postage stamps? Please place them in the little red pillar box in the **Village Hall porch**, or drop them into me at Rockfield. I will take them all over to the Children's Hospice South West at Fremington. The Hospice can raise useful amounts of money from these.

The deadline for the February issue of The Calendar will be **Sunday, 22nd January**. Please may I have all your news, views, dates and events, etc., no later than that. Thank You. **John S.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Thursday, 19th: 2.15 to 3.00pm: Mobile Library (on the Green)

Friday, 20th: 7.00 for 7.30pm: Hall: Quiz Night

Thursday, 26th: 10.00am to 3.00pm: Hall Coldridge Cafe

Saturday, 28th: 10.00am: Coldridge Village Hall W.I. Coffee Morning – all welcome

Sunday, 29th January: Group Eucharist |: Time and Venue TBC

Wednesday, 1st February: 2.30pm: HALL: "Sunshine Singing"..the 1st session

Friday, 3rd February: 7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL: Social & Film Night

Saturday, 4th February: From 2.00pm:HALL: 6 Nations Rugby (Wales v Ireland/England v Scotland)

COLDRIDGE PARISH CAROL SINGERS:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Carol Singers who travelled around the Parish on 23rd December 2022. Your generous donations raised a fantastic **£400.00**, which has been sent to Children's Hospice South West. Thanks also for the hospitality provided before and after the event, and for the chocolates on the way around that kept us going! Well done and thanks to all those that took part!

Marion Born

TIME TO GET WALKING AGAIN!

Hi, Everyone!

With Spring on its way, we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Devon https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/devon has loads of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (who maintains the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Devon (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So, home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

John Harris

www.walkinginengland.co.uk john@walkinginengland.co.uk From: Devon County Council Sent: 17 January 2023 12:33

To: coldridgepcclerk@btinternet.com

Subject: Highways information for your community during severe weather:





Important updates

January 2023

Information for your communities

The recent spells of very wet weather and prolonged freezing temperatures are having a significant effect on our road network. Please could you share the messages contained in this newsletter with your communities. Thank you for your help.

Tony Matthews

Neighbourhood Highways Group Manager

Potholes

We are currently dealing with a very high number of pothole reports due to the cold and wet weather. Approximately a third of the reports we are receiving are duplicates and are already waiting to be assessed or repaired.

On our Report a Problem page you can:

- report potholes for assessment
- provide an email address to receive automatic updates
- see where potholes have already been reported
- see where we have asked our contractor to carry out repairs

Where a report already exists you do not need to create a new report to receive updates. Select the report (as shown in the example on the right) and click 'Add me to this pothole'.

Your help in reducing the number of duplicate reports we receive will enable our inspection team to work as efficiently as possible during these challenging conditions.



If you report a pothole and we don't repair it straight away this could be because:

- the pothole was inspected and is not deemed to be a safety defect
- there is a problem with the surface of the road which needs to be investigated as a repair will not solve the underlying problem
- traffic management is needed to carry out repairs safely

Flooding and drainage



If it's an emergency and there is danger to life as a result of flooding call **999**. The number one cause of death during flooding is driving through flood water so please prioritise your safety.

If a river is flooding contact the Environment Agency on **0345 988 1188**. The Environment Agency also has a range of <u>information about flood</u> warnings and precautions.

Internal property flooding can be reported on our webpage.

Standing water or running water

On our <u>Report a Problem</u> page you can report standing water, flooding and blocked drains.

Standing/running water will not be investigated during prolonged heavy rain. Please ensure that you have checked that an issue is still present 24 hours after the rain has stopped before reporting it.



Where water is still present 24 hours after the rain has stopped we will attempt to clear it if:

- the road is impassable
- the water is forcing vehicles, cyclists or pedestrians away from the nearside of the road by more than one metre
- vehicles have to cross the centreline marking
- there is a risk of aquaplaning where the speed limit of the road is 40mph or above, and vehicles could reasonably be expected to travel at that speed

If we are unable to clear the water, we will use a flood sign or guard the area or close the road to make the location safe and then investigate a permanent solution.

Useful links

Our Report a Problem page can also be used to report storm damage such as hazardous or fallen trees and debris.

The MetOffice provides <u>excellent guidance</u> to people travelling in poor weather which you may like to share with your communities.



Here's a golden opportunity for you to sing for the joy of singing - not the hard work of a choir but singing for sheer enjoyment. With many great benefits, both mental health and physical, not to mention the social engagement with others, these informal singing sessions are aimed at keeping your brain active in a lighthearted, enjoyable way.

For just £3 per session, come along to Sunshine Singing sessions in the Village Hall, on the first Wednesday of each month at 2.30 to enjoy singing for fun and community spirit. No standard required and the price includes afternoon refreshments. Please contact Rachel on 07795 511685 or at sunshinesinging23@gmail.com if you would like more information or would like to register to come along. **Our first session will be on the 1st of February.** (Please see full Poster, attached)