

THE COLDRIDGE CALENDAR

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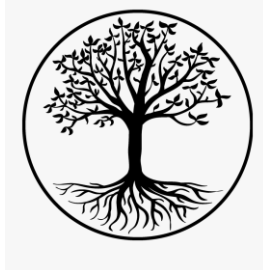


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EDITOR'S NOTES

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Thanks to those who have contributed items for this issue.

Please Note the deadline for items for the DECEMBER issue will be Sunday, 19th November. Please may I have all your copy, in WORD or JPEG format only, no later than this date. Sorry, NO PDFs, please!

Thank you;

John W Smith (Editor)

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FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION ON PARISH EVENTS, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE AT:

www.middevonparish.co.uk/coldridge AND OUR "WHAT'S ON IN COLDRIDGE, DEVON (WOICD)" FACEBOOK PAGE AT: www.facebook.com/groups/coldridge

DIARY FOR NOVEMBER 2023:

VILLAGE HALL 'REGULARS':

- TAI CHI:** CLASSES RUN FROM 5.00pm, EVERY MONDAY
- ART GROUP:** EVERY TUESDAY, FROM 10.30am
- PILATES:** EVERY TUESDAY, FROM APPROX 6.00PM
- TODDLER GROUP:** FRIDAYS: 10th, 17th & 24th, From 9.45am

Wednesday, 1st
2.30pm: HALL **SUNSHINE SINGING**

Friday, 3rd
7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL **SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT:**
Film: 'The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry'
Cert 12A

Saturday, 4th
From 7.00pm: HALL **'CASINO NIGHT'**

Monday, 6th
2.30pm: CHURCH: **CHURCH CAFÉ**

Wednesday, 8th
2.15pm: HALL: **COLDRIDGE QUILTERS**
7.30pm: HALL: **WOMEN'S INSTITUTE:**
Talk & Demo on 'Soap Making'

Thursday, 9th
7.00pm: HALL: **ADULT TABLE TENNIS**

Friday, 10th:
7 'till 11.00pm: HALL: **THE COLDRIDGE ARMS**

Sunday, 12th
10.45am: GREEN & CHURCH:
SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Monday, 13th
7.30pm: HALL: **GARDENING CLUB**

Wednesday, 15th
2.30pm: HALL **SUNSHINE SINGING**
7.30pm: HALL: **COLDRIDGE FETE & VINTAGE RALLY: OPEN MEETING**

Thursday, 16th
7.30pm: HALL: **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Sunday, 19th
10.30am: CHURCH: **HOLY COMMUNION**

Thursday 23rd
10.00am-3.30pm: HALL **COLDRIDGE CAFÉ**
10am-4pm: CHURCH **EDWARD V TOURS**
(Booking required – See advert)

2.15pm: GREEN: **MOBILE LIBRARY**
7.00pm: HALL: **ADULT TABLE TENNIS**

THE FUNERALS OF THE LATE JEFF BURROWS, EDWIN WEBBER AND FREDA LUXTON:

Jeff's funeral will take place on **Saturday, 4th November at 11.00am**

Freda's will take place on **Thursday, 9th November at 2.00pm**

Edwin's will take place on **Saturday, 18th November at 10.30am.**

All three services at Allerbridge. **ED.**



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GARDENING CLUB:

The November meeting will be on Monday, 13th, in the Hall, at 7.30pm. Our speaker will be Alan French on the subject of "Winter Planting". The 'Bangers & Mash Lunch' was a great success and we wish to thank all those

who attended and, especially, those members and friends who worked so hard to make it all happen. **JWS**

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COLDRIDGE SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Coldridge Remembers 2023

Sunday November 12th

War Memorial
10:45 am: Service of Remembrance at the Coldridge War Memorial

11:00 am: Two Minutes silence

St Matthew's
Following the Two Minutes Silence, a Church Service will be held in St. Matthew's

All are welcome.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them".

L. Binyon, 1914



COLDRIDGE CASINO NIGHT:

*** Casino Night Social Event – Date Change ***

Due to unforeseen circumstances, it has been necessary to re-schedule our Coldridge Casino Night event to **Saturday 11th November 2023**. All other details will remain the same (see flier). If you have previously booked to take part on 4th November, please can you contact Ivan Kriznik on 07711 146038 to confirm whether or not you can make the new date of 11th November.

The organisers apologise for any inconvenience caused by this change.

If you have always wanted to visit a casino but been too scared, then this is the ideal opportunity to experience the atmosphere safe in the knowledge that you won't lose your shirt!!!

For starters this is intended to be a fun/social event - no monetary gambling will take place.

Entry is £15/head, paid on the night, which will include a welcome drink, canapés, and your evening's playing chips. There will be a bar plus a raffle. Dress to Impress on the night! **IK**



Coldridge Village Hall Social Group Presents

CASINO Night

CARRIBEAN POKER

ROULETTE BLACK

**** Change of Date ****
Saturday 11th November

Coldridge Village Hall, EX17 6AX

Doors open 7pm
Gaming Brief at 7.30pm sharp!

£15 per head - includes a welcome drink, canapés and evening's playing chips

Dress to impress! Bar Raffle

Special prize for the night's most successful player

Numbers are limited so it is essential to reserve your place well in advance - c/o Ivan Kriznik, 07711 146038

NB: This is a fun/social event - no monetary gambling will be permitted

"SAVE DEVON'S MOBILE LIBRARIES" MOBILE LIBRARY CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

Our battle to save our Mobile Libraries continues apace, with ever more support coming in, including HM Queen Camilla, and children's authors Sir Lenny Henry and David Walliams as our latest additions to the ranks, both of whom are donating books to the library.

Thank you to those parishioners who took the time and trouble to submit questions to the Council. There were finally so many that they were forced to defer the debate from

October to November.

There is a gathering weight of evidence that maintaining the service is probably the most efficient, most economical and, certainly, by far the most socially-inclusive means of getting books to people in remote areas.

The suggested alternatives (Community Libraries and 'Good Neighbour Volunteers') are too reliant on teams of volunteer drivers and book-sorters and too costly, even if the volunteers and the secure storage spaces can be found.

The Scrutiny Committee voted to recommend DCC to completely re-visit the issue. I am delighted to record that our own County Councillor defied the party whip and voted to support the service. Thank you! The matter now goes before Cabinet on 8th November. I will be attending on your behalf.

I am now able to provide a brief list of the services that our 'Book Bus' offers, some of which you may not have been aware of:

1. Free to join.
2. Adult fiction and non-fiction books
3. Large print books,
4. Audiobooks/spoken word.
5. Children's fiction and non-fiction books and audio books
6. Mobile Library customers can reserve books online and collect from the van. We do charge £1.00 per item.
7. Children's books are free to reserve.
8. Large print books are free to reserve.
9. Browse Libraries Unlimited Catalogue and select books yourself to pick up from the library van @ £1.00 a book. (<https://www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/home>)
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11. Free audio and e-books books
12. Newspapers and magazines online are all free.

NB: The vans have on-board WiFi

I will continue to keep you informed of progress.

In the meantime, there is still a brief chance remaining to add your name to the Petition. There is a sheet on the noticeboard in the Village Hall.

The 'Book Bus' will next visit us on **Thursday, 23rd November at 2.15pm on The Green.**

John Smith

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING: RESULT!

A huge 'Thank You' to everyone who helped raise a fantastic £513.60 at my recent MacMillan Coffee Morning. Your

generosity is amazing – those who donated money and/or raffle prizes and cakes, our raffle ticket seller Beryl and, last but not least, everyone who came on the morning and enjoyed coffee, cakes and who bought raffle tickets. Thank you all, once again. Shall we do it again next year?? Hmmm?

HELEN SMITH

SEAN, THE COLDRIDGE POSTIE:

As I write this (Saturday, 28th), Sean, our wonderful Postie of some 20 years, has just knocked on our front door for the last time. Sean has been a fantastic postman: always friendly, with time for a chat, always happy to leave our parcel in the greenhouse for us if we were out (thus saving huge amounts of fuel by not having to go into Crediton to collect them), keeping a caring eye on our more 'vulnerable' neighbours and generally being a 'jolly good bloke'.

We all join in wishing him well in his new job at Dolphin Stairlifts (where he will be based in my old office on Lords Meadow Industrial Estate.) **GOOD LUCK, SEAN! JWS**



Coldridge Village Hall Social Group Presents

SOCIAL NIGHT

Friday 3rd November

Coldridge Village Hall

Free Entry - All are welcome

Doors Open 7 pm, Main Event from 7:30pm


Bar Refreshments and ice creams available

This month's Main Feature Brief:
An 'ordinary man' has passed through life living on the side lines until one day he goes to post a letter... and then just keeps walking!!

Stars Jim Broadbent, Penelope Wilton, Earl Cave, ...

"Th_ _nl_k_ly P_lgr_m_g_ _f H_r_ld Fry"
(3, 8, 10, 2, 6, 3)

Drama Release 2023



November Dates:
9th & 23rd

ADULT TABLE TENNIS

EVERY OTHER THURSDAY
7 - 10PM
COLDRIDGE VILLAGE HALL
FREE - ALL ARE WELCOME

Coldridge Village Hall Social Group Presents

The Coldridge Arms

Friday 10th November

7 pm – 11 pm

Coldridge Village Hall
EX17 6AX

Bar Refreshments & Snacks Available

Pop-in anytime on the night for a drink and a friendly chat



Visit Coldridge for a Guided Tour.
Discover the Mystery of Edward V
& The Princes in the Tower.

Thursday 23rd November 2023



Currently researchers are investigating the link between St Matthew's Church, Coldridge, Devon, and the mystery of The Missing Princes in the Tower. This lovely church contains a remarkable and very rare stained glass image of Edward V, one of the Princes, as well as other related artifacts. Each month an open day is held when individuals or larger groups can enjoy a slide show and guided tour of the church. There is no entry charge for this but we are very pleased to receive donations towards the preservation of this nationally important stained glass. On each open day visitors can enjoy refreshments and light lunches in the village hall, adjacent to the church. These are served between 10am and 3.30pm.



To make a booking, or for enquiries, please contact us via the
website: [St Matthew's Church Coldridge parish.co.uk](http://StMatthewsChurchColdridgeparish.co.uk)
and email: coldridgeparishchurch81@gmail.com

Coldridge Café

Thursday 23rd November

10 am – 3.30pm

Coldridge Village Hall

You are invited to join us for
tea, coffee, hot chocolate &
home-made cake...

PLUS

...a selection of lunchtime dishes

served between 12 and 2pm

November Lunch Menu

to be advised

Hope to see you there!

Takeaway Service Available



PARISH COUNCIL:

Our next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Thursday, 16th November in the Village Hall.

As usual, the meeting will start, at 7.30pm, with our customary 'Open Forum', where members of the public are very welcome to bring their comments and concerns to the attention of the Council. You are welcome to stay for the rest of the meeting if you wish to, but you would not be permitted to speak (unless invited, by the Chair, to comment or reply to a question). **JWS**

FIRE SERVICE SURVEY:



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STEVE CARPENTER:

I have just heard (from Sean the Postman) that Steve Carpenter, formerly of The Forge, Coldridge, has recently died.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Sandra and their family at this difficult time. **JWS**

THE COLDRIDGE CALENDAR DECEMBER ISSUE:

Please can I have all your Dates, Fliers, Reports, News and Views in plenty of time and certainly no later than the 'cut-off' date of 19th November.

I am expecting a lot of events to take place in the parish, leading up to Christmas, and so I will need more time to get everything into The Calendar and to make it all look 'nice and seasonal'!

Please don't forget that I can't use anything in PDF format. Just WORD and JPEG please! Thank you in advance. **John Smith (Editor)**