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EDITOR'S NOTES



Thanks to those who have contributed items for this issue.

Please Note the deadline for items for the MARCH issue will be <u>Sunday</u>, <u>18th FEBRUARY</u>. 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 FEBRUARY 2024:

VILLAGE HALL 'REGULARS':

TAI CHI: CLASSES RUN FROM 4.00pm, EVERY MONDAY

ART GROUP: EVERY TUESDAY, FROM 10.30am

PILATES: EVERY TUESDAY, FROM APPROX 6.00PM

TODDLER GROUP: ALTERNATE FRIDAYS: From 9.45am during **Term Time**

Thursday, 1st

ADULT TABLE TENNIS 7.00pm: HALL:

Friday, 2nd

7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT:

Film: "BARBIE" (Cert 12)

Saturday, 3rd:

From 2pm: HALL: 6-NATIONS RUGBY

Monday, 5th:

2.30pm: CHURCH: **CHURCH CAFÉ**

Wednesday, 7th

2.30pm: HALL **SUNSHINE SINGING**

Friday, 9th:

7 'till 11.00pm: HALL: THE COLDRIDGE ARMS

Saturday, 10th:

From 2pm: HALL: 6-NATIONS RUGBY

Sunday, 11th

10.30am: CHURCH MORNING PRAYER

Monday, 12th

7.30pm: HALL: GARDENING CLUB

Wednesday, 14th: (ASH WEDNESDAY) 2.00pm: HALL: **COLDRIDGE QUILTERS** 7.30pm: HALL: WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Thursday, 15th

ADULT TABLE TENNIS 7.00pm: HALL:

Sunday, 18th (Lent 1)

10.30am CHURCH HOLY COMMUNION

Wednesday, 21st

2.30pm: HALL SUNSHINE SINGING

Thursday, 22nd

10.00 - 3.30pm: HALL: **COLDRIDGE CAFÉ**

(Lunches from 12 to 2.00pm)

Saturday, 24th

10.30am; CHURCH: **FETE FLOWER FESTIVAL**

LAUNCH MEETING

6-NATIONS RUGBY From 2pm: HALL: **7.00pm:** HALL: **COLDRIDGE QUIZ NIGHT**

Thursday, 29th

7.00pm: HALL: **ADULT TABLE TENNIS**

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FOR YOUR DIARIES:

SOME ADVANCE DATES FOR MARCH:

Friday, 1st:

7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT:

Saturday, 2nd:

7.00pm: HALL: 'CURRY NIGHT' Menu TBC

Wednesday, 6th:

7.00pm: HALL: VILLAGE HALL AGM

THE MOBILE LIBRARY IN COLDRIDGE:

The next visits of our now-famous 'Book Bus' will be on Thursday, 1st and Thursday 29th February, from 2.15pm to 3.00pm at

The Village Green.

Please Note: If our recently-submitted Legal Challenge fails for any reason, the visit on the 29th may, very sadly, be the very last time that we will see Julie and the Mobile Library. Fingers Crossed!

GARDENING CLUB:

The AGM took place on Monday, 8th January in the Hall. The newly-elected

Committee is as follows: Chair: Tracy Forward Secretary: Teresa Kendall Treasurer: Nick Kendal

Village Hall Reps: Pat Allard and Teresa

Kendall

We are a lively, friendly bunch of gardening 'amateurs', with a large and enthusiastic membership. However, we are always pleased to welcome new members, so please feel free to come along to our February meeting on Monday, 12th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Our Guest Speaker will be Viv Hunt, a Coldridge-based Horticulturist.





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COLDRIDGE CAROL SINGERS:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Carol Singers who travelled around the Parish on 22 December 2023.

Your generous donations of £272 have been sent to Children's Hospice South West. Thanks also to those who joined us, for the hospitality provided after the event and for all the refreshments on the way round that kept us going on a very windy night!

Marion Born

(Thank you, too, to all those who turned out in the wind and drizzle, to sing a few carols around the Christmas Tree. The collection from this is going to the **Royal Devon Hospitals Charity**, including a generous donation from the Coldridge Carol Singers. **ED.**)

THE COLDRIDGE MEMORIAL CLOCK:

Coldridge Parish Council wishes to thank all of those who contributed to the Crowdfunding appeal, the ladies who organise the Coldridge Cafe and two anonymous donors for their generous support.

Thanks also to those in the community who gave their time to ensure the clock is now back and working again.

It really is the beating heart of the village, and those living near it have missed its reassuring chimes. It can also be seen, and sometimes heard, from many parts of the parish, especially whilst it is lit up over Christmas and New Year.

KF

ADULT TABLE TENNIS: FEBRUARY DATES:



FLOWER FESTIVAL 2024:

Our **Coldridge Fete & Flower Festival** will be taking place this year on 29th June and our thoughts will be turning to decorating the church with flowers & foliage for the Flower Festival. Our last one was a great success and the church was filled with beautiful displays. If you would like to be creative and 'have a go' at contributing please do get in touch.

This is not a competition and anyone is welcome to contribute, young or old, male or female, on your own or as part of a group or even as a family.

If you would like to take part or just find out more, please join us on **Saturday 24 February at 10.30am in the church** for a coffee & a chat. We will decide a theme and people can explore the nooks & crannies of the church and choose a spot for their creations! I am happy to help & will

go through a few ideas and tips. We hope that lots of people will take part!

I look forward to hearing from you. Lyn Green

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LIVE RUGBY '6 NATIONS 2024' IN THE VILLAGE HALL:

Not long now to wait before the **2024 Six Nations Rugby Union** tournament starts on **Saturday 3rd February** and we are hoping to show a number of the games live on the big screen in the Village Hall during February and March. Please have a look at the enclosed flyer which details the present screening plans (matches and timings). Any revisions required will be advised via **WOICD** and the Village Hall noticeboard. **IK**



Doors Open 7 pm, Main Event from 7:30pm Bar Refreshments and ice creams available

This Month's Main Feature...

Our heroine and friends are having the time of their lives in a colorful and seemingly perfect world - where every night is a "girls-night". But then one day things change, and a visit to the real world presents perils that could destroy their 'best day ever' feelings forever.





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MORE NEWS FOR 'THE COLDRIDGE CALENDAR':

As can be seen from recent editions of our newsletter, there is now a tremendous number of attractive and exciting events and activities taking place in our small yet highly vibrant community.

As editor, I have to report that there is a public demand for news from *all* of our various other clubs, groups and associations. It is important that we hear from you all because we do not want anyone to be left out of the wonderful community support that exists in this parish. So, if you are not already mentioned in The

So, if you are not already mentioned in The Calendar, please let me have a short piece telling us what your group is up to; what it has done and what it is planning for the future.

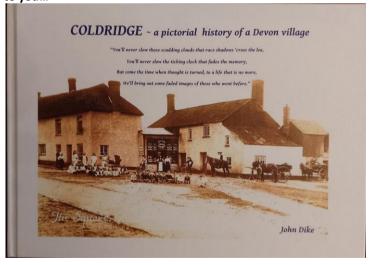
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