

# THE COLDRIDGE CALENDAR

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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 **MAY** issue will be **Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> April**. 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 FURTHER INFORMATION ON PARISH EVENTS, PLEASE ALSO VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE AT:

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

**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

**DIARY FOR APRIL 2024:**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH (GOOD FRIDAY)**

9.30-11.30am: HALL: TODDLER GROUP'S COFFEE & CAKES  
2.00pm: CHURCH: 'STATIONS OF THE CROSS'

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH (EASTER SUNDAY)**

10.30am: CHURCH: EASTER COMMUNION

**Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL**

10.00am: HALL: THE GREAT COLDRIDGE EASTER EGG HUNT

**Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup>**

2.30pm: HALL: SUNSHINE SINGING

**Friday, 5<sup>th</sup>**

7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL: SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT: Film: "Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny" (Cert. 12)

**Monday, 8<sup>th</sup>**

2.30pm: CHURCH: CHURCH CAFÉ  
7.30pm: HALL: GARDENING CLUB

**Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup>:**

2.00pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE QUILTERS  
7.30pm: HALL: WOMEN'S INSTITUTE  
COLDRIDGE WI's 70<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

**Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup>**

7.00pm: HALL: ADULT TABLE TENNIS

**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup>:**

7.00pm: HALL: THE COLDRIDGE ARMS

**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am: CHURCH: MORNING PRAYER  
3.30pm: HALL: AFTERNOON TEA (PLEASE SEE DETAIL IN THE POSTER)

**Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup>**

10.30am CHURCH: HOLY COMMUNION

**Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup>**

2.30pm: HALL: SUNSHINE SINGING

**Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup>**

7.30pm: HALL: CRIB SCHOOL (PLEASE SEE POSTER & EDITORIAL)

**Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup>**

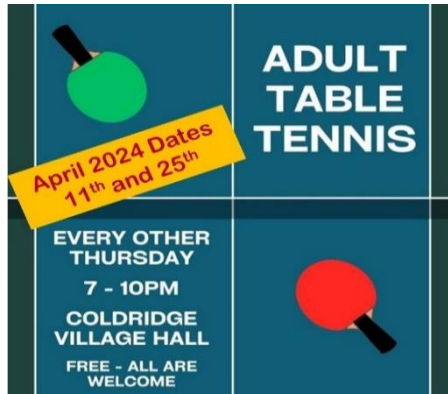
10.00 – 3.30pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE CAFÉ (Lunches from 12 to 2.00pm)

PLUS: CHURCH TOURS: 10.30am and 2.00pm  
7.00pm: HALL: ADULT TABLE TENNIS

AND FINALLY...ONE FOR MAY!

**Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> MAY**

9.30-12.30: HALL: BREAKFAST IN COLDRIDGE Please see Poster for details.



**ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH:**

Everyone is very welcome at our Easter Sunday service of Holy Communion. The Churchwarden and PCC would like to wish everyone a very Happy Easter.

**GARDENING CLUB:**

Our March meeting was, again, very well attended with more new members joining. Thanks again to Dr Susan Taheri who was so clearly passionate about the good it does for us to get out into nature and get our hands dirty. The next meeting is **Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**. Our guest speaker is Mike Follett, an Exeter-based grower and exhibitor of fuchsias and pelargoniums to give his talk, 'Back to the Fuchsia', about the history and horticulture of these diverse and delicate blooms and his journey into showing them. Mike will also be bringing some plants for sale, so bring your pennies.

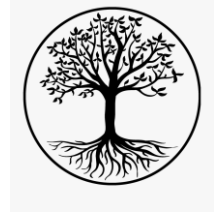
As ever, everyone is welcome to come and enjoy Mike's talk with the usual light refreshments (chocolate digestives). (To join is £10 per year and visitors welcome at £2pp - go on, you know you want to.) Tracy F



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**COLDRIDGE CAR POOL:**

Our Volunteer Driver Scheme has been operating very successfully for a number of years.

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The service is now a victim of its own success. We now receive more requests than our available group of volunteers can really cope with.

Therefore, if you would like to join our little team, you will be made very welcome indeed. We make a small charge to clients, based upon 40p per mile (the old Civil Service rate), rounded down to the nearest £. You can see the Scale of Charges on the front page of The Calendar.

So, please consider joining our team and let me know at [biggles1047@gmail.com](mailto:biggles1047@gmail.com) or call me on 01363 83436. Thank you. **John Smith**

**SANDRA EASTLEY (No.1, SOUTH VIEW):**

Thank you to everyone in the village for asking after me since my stroke in February. I am doing very well, taking Life a lot slower (having to, I'm afraid), but I'm getting there. Thank you all, again. **Sandra**

**MOBILE LIBRARY:**

Our last visit by the 'Book Bus' took place at the end of February. Sadly missed by all. Our 'Whip-Round' of Mobile Library users produced a splendid sum of £57.99, with which we were able to present Julie, our Librarian, with a £50.00 National Garden Voucher and a horticulturally-themed tea mug. (Cont'd..)

Our legal representatives have lodged an Appeal against the High Court decision to drop the case against Devon County Council. Watch this space. In the meantime, it may be possible to order books (from Crediton Library) and for your choices to be delivered to a central point in Coldridge, by a 'Crediton Home Library Volunteer'. I am not entirely sure how this is going to work as it seems as though someone must be prepared to act as a sort of 'book repository', from where you can then collect your literary trove. You can contact **Crediton Library on 01363 772578** if you are interested in finding out more. **JWS**

**COLDRIDGE QUIZ NIGHT (24<sup>th</sup> February)  
The Scores are in!**

On behalf of the 2024 Coldridge Fete Committee, I would like to extend a huge thank you to all who took part in the Coldridge Quiz Night on Saturday 24th February and for the many donations of prizes for the Quiz night raffle.

Thanks to your generosity, I am pleased to announce that the event raised the sum of **£616.68** which will go towards preparations for our **2024 Coldridge Fete on 29th June 2024**.

What an amazing and special community we have here in Coldridge - thank you once again!!

**Ivan Kriznik, Chair 2024 Coldridge Fete & Vintage Rally**



**FREE CRIBBAGE TUTORIAL:**

The Village Hall social club will be holding a free one-off cribbage tutorial on the Thursday 18th April starting promptly, at 7:30pm in the Hall. The evening will commence with a brief introduction to the game's fundamentals, ie; card protocol, dealing, points scoring, use of the crib board and of course "one for his knob". We will then run through a few mock hands, when we will introduce some of the strategies and dos and don'ts of the game and touch on pairs playing (4 players). Finally, we will play a few hands.

We can't guarantee you will become a master in one evening, but you will certainly know how to play.

If you are already an accomplished player, you are welcome to attend, as help with instruction would be greatly appreciated. Or, if you 'play a bit' but want to brush up your skills, come along and enjoy the evening. And of course the bar will be open to provide the brain enhancing refreshment. Finally, if you possess a crib board, please can you bring it along. **Andy Fitch**

**Coldridge Village Hall**

**CRIB SCHOOL**

**HAVE YOU EVER HAD THE URGE TO LEARN HOW TO PLAY CRIBBAGE BUT NEVER GOT ROUND TO IT...? WELL NOW HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY.**

The Village Hall social club will be holding a free one-off cribbage tutorial on the Thursday 18th April starting promptly, at 7:30pm in the hall. If you can count to 15 and 31, spot two numbers the same or a run of 3 or more consecutive numbered cards, then you possess all the skills needed.

**Coldridge Village Hall**

**Toddler Group's Coffee and Cakes**

The Coldridge Toddler group invite everyone to join them for Tea, Coffee, Cakes, a Raffle and Games.

Friday 29 March 9:30 - 11:30 At the Coldridge Village Hall

Refreshments are being organised by Brooke and Noah, two of the Group's graduates, and now pupils at Winkleigh school. Brooke and Noah have joined forces, working on a school project where they have been given £2 each. The project is to make this money grow by entrepreneurial means.

Any profits are on behalf The Friends of Winkleigh School.

Entry - £1 per child

**The Great Coldridge EASTER EGG Hunt**

**Monday 1st April**  
10am at Coldridge Village Hall

To enter please ring or text Keeley on 07841 015440 by 20th March leaving your name, no. of children and ages.

Children upto and including 12yrs of age can take part. 8 years and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

**Coldridge Village Hall**

**POTHOLE(S) OF THE MONTH:**

Goldilocks is all grown up now and has a job inspecting roads for Devon County Council. She's been issued with her own hard hat, hi vis and a tape measure, and off she skips every day to measure potholes.

This one is too small

This one is too

This one is the wrong shape

But this one is just right, so Goldilocks tips a bucket of stones into the hole and goes home for tea.

Please feel free to submit photos of your favourite pothole, lagoon, broken gully or landslide. I will publish the most dramatic!  
**John (Editor)**

Coldridge Village Hall Social Group Presents

**MEET THE SOCIAL NIGHT**

**Friday 5th April**  
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...**

Experience the return of a legendary hero and archaeologist, hat and whip ready, as he races against time to rescue an ancient artifact from the grasp of an all too familiar evil party.

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D\_st\_ny" (7,5,3,3,4,2,7)

Starring Harrison Ford, Phoebe Waller-Bridge, ...

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Coldridge Village Hall Social Group Presents

**The Coldridge Arms**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**  
**7 - 11pm**

**Coldridge Village Hall, EX17 6AX**

**Bar Refreshments & Snacks Available**

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

**Coldridge Village Hall**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR



*Afternoon Tea*  
**Sunday 14th April, 3.30pm**  
 Coldridge Village Hall, EX17 6AX  
**£10/head (or £13/head with a Glass of Prosecco)**  
 Sandwiches, Scones with Cream & Jam,  
 Cakes and Petit Fours served with  
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**Limited Spaces – Booking Essential**  
 Please contact Margaret Burrows (07740 782059)  
 to reserve your place before 7th April



....AND, NEXT MONTH (4<sup>th</sup> MAY)  
 COLDRIDGE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE, IN  
 THEIR 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR, ARE  
 PROUD TO BRING YOU.....  
**BREAKFAST IN COLDRIDGE!**

Join us for

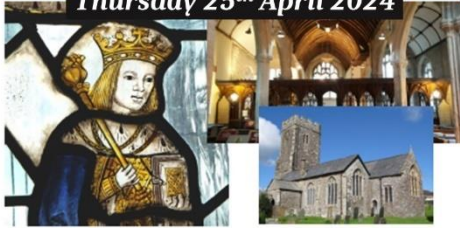
*Breakfast in Coldridge!*  
**Saturday 4th May**  
**9.30 am to 12.30 pm**  
 Coldridge Village Hall, EX17 6AX



**Full English Breakfast - £9**  
 Smaller breakfast plus extra portions available  
 Sausage or Bacon Sandwiches  
 Tea, Coffee & Toast  
 Vegetarian option available by prior request

*Organised by Coldridge WI*

Visit Coldridge for a Guided Tour.  
 Discover the Mystery of Edward V  
 & The Princes in the Tower.  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024**



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 historic church. On each open day visitors can enjoy refreshments in the village hall, adjacent to the church, served from 10am, and light lunches. To make a booking, or for enquiries, please use the website:

St Matthew's Church (middlesexparish.co.uk)  
 or email: coldridgeparishchurch81@gmail.com

**Coldridge Café**  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April**  
**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

**April Lunch Menu to be  
 advised**

Hope to see you there!  
 Takeaway Service Available

