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# THE COLDRIDGE CALENDAR

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#### **DIARY FOR JULY 2025:**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON PARISH EVENTS, PLEASE ALSO 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

#### **VILLAGE HALL 'REGULARS':**

TAI CHI: CLASSES RUN FROM 4.00pm, EVERY MONDAY

PILATES & CHAIR PILATES: EVERY TUESDAY, FROM 5.30PM

Wednesday, 2nd

2.30pm: HALL: SUNSHINE SINGING

Thursday, 3rd

7.30pm: HALL: VH SOCIAL GROUP MEETING

(All Welcome)

Friday, 4th

7.00 for 7.30pm: HALL **SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT: Film:** *This month's main feature is a family fantasy adventure concerning a boy, abook and* 

a crayon! (Cert PG/2024)

Sunday, 6th

3:30pm: HALL: The Coldridge Café serves AFTERNOON TEA. Limited spaces, Advance

Booking required.

Monday, 7th

2.30pm: CHURCH: CHURCH CAFÉ

Tuesday, 8th

2.00pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE QUILTERS

Wednesday, 9th

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE RIVER EXE CAFÉ LUNCH

FRIDAY, 11th

7:00pm: HALL THE COLDRIDGE ARMS Including team selections for the 2025/26 Village Hall Football Pontoon competition

Saturday, 12th

HALL: VILLAGE BREAKFAST (Details to follow)

Sunday, 13th

10.30am: CHURCH: MORNING PRAYER

Monday, 14th

7.30pm: HALL: GARDENING CLUB

Thursday, 17th

7.30pm: HALL: PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Starting with a Public Open Forum Session

Sunday, 20th

10.30am: CHURCH: HOLY COMMUNION 2:-4:00pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE CURIOSITY CAFE

Thursday, 24th

10.30am –3.30pm: HALL: COLDRIDGE CAFÉ
11.00am and 2.00pm: CHURCH TOURS

(Booking Required, please email coldridgeparishchurch81@gmail.com)

Thursday, 31st

7.00pm: HALL: CRIB CLUB

#### **AUGUST: ADVANCE NOTICES:**

Friday, 1st:

7: -7:30pm: HALL SOCIAL/FILM NIGHT:

Film: Main Feature to be advised

Thank you all for your Notices, News and Events for this issue.

The copy deadline for our AUGUST issue is <u>SUNDAY</u>, <u>20th JULY</u>. Please may I have all your items, in WORD or JPEG format, no later than then.

John W Smith

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#### COLDRIDGE CAR POOL

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To book a trip or to join the team (we urgently need to recruit new volunteer drivers) please contact:

John Smith on 01363 83436 or email: biggles1047@gmail.com

## NEWS FROM ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH: WORSHIP, SERVICES & EVENTS:

Our usual service pattern resumes this month: Morning Prayer (Lay-Led) at 10.30am on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July and Holy Communion, led by Rev. Peter Rapsey, at 10.30am on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> July. Both services are followed by Refreshments and Fellowship.

It was truly mind-blowing and heart-warming to witness the overwhelming love and support for little Josh and his family shown by the presence of so many at the 'Prayer Breakfast' in church last month. It is safe to assume that just about

everyone around here is now aware of the awfully difficult time that the whole family and their close friends are going through. Thank you to all those, close to Josh, who organised this very informal and friendly, yet devotional and inspirational 'coming together with God and each other' to support Josh and to add our own thoughts and prayers and love.

Time was also taken to pray for our Team Vicar, Rev. Janet May and her family who are also having to deal with the tremendous challenges of Janet's cancer diagnosis.

#### **CHURCH CAFÉ:**

The Cafe, this month, is on **Monday**, **July 7th starting at 2.30pm**. Everyone is very welcome to join us for Tea/Coffee, Cakes and Biscuits and, as usual, some very cheerful conversation.

John Smith & Andrew Green (Churchwardens)

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#### **GARDENING CLUB:**

June's meeting was the annual village gardens tour. Members and guests were treated to some lovely gardens and stunning floral displays which reflected the skill, dedication and love poured in by those kind enough to let us wander around. Thankfully, the weather was kind and we were able to round off the evening at 'the last stop'

where we were royally treated with fabulous nibbles and generous hospitality... Now, it has reached GCHQ (Gardening Club Headquarters) that there are whispers around the Village of a social gathering that may, or may not, have gone into the small hours. Suffice to say, what happens at Gardening Club, stays at Gardening Club - so I couldn't possibly comment!

High summer approaches and July's meeting is on **Monday, 14th July at 7.30pm**, when our speaker is Caradoc Doy, professional horticulturist and researcher. He will be talking about making the most of challenging areas in the garden to create areas of interest and beauty with a talk titled **'Solving Shady Problems'**. Keep an eye out on the socials for details. Guests/non-members very welcome (£3).



If you are not (yet!) a member of the Coldridge Gardening Club, and would like to see what it's all about, please drop us a line on <a href="mailto:coldridgegardeningclub@ecomail.uk">coldridgegardeningclub@ecomail.uk</a> for more details.

Don't miss the fun: Join Gardening Club for £15.00 per year per household. Tracy Forward

#### **WOMEN'S INSTITUTE:**

There was a real buzz at our recent Beauty Therapy and Cocktails' evening. Abi from **Abi's Beauty Retreat** in Lapford talked to us about the importance of a good skin care routine and Teresa was lucky enough to have a luxurious facial from Abi. This was followed by an informative make up demonstration by Kate and this time Claire was the lucky recipient! Everyone enjoyed the lovely cocktails from Andy at the bar. Thank you to Abi, Kate and Andy for a delightful evening.

July's meeting will see our members take to the high seas! OK, not quite. We have booked a group lunch at the **River Exe Café**, a custom-built restaurant barge floating offshore in the Exe estuary. It promises to be a delightful afternoon of great food and company. Members, please keep an eye out for more details soon.

Meetings are held (with the odd exception) on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Subjects range from charities and local interest groups, cookery demonstrations and craft workshops to the arts and wellbeing. Look out for more information on the village socials. New members are always welcome or come as a guest (£3). Hope to see you soon.

Lyn Green (WI Secretary)



Next Meeting

#### 7.30pm, Thursday 3rd July

Coldridge Village Hall, EX17 6AX

Do you enjoy the many and varied social events held in Coldridge Village Hall?

Would you like to share your ideas for future events, or can you spare some time to help prepare or lend a hand 'on the night'?

If yes, we are keen to hear from you.

The Coldridge Village Hall Social Group is a small band of 'entertainment activists' who devise and deliver social activities that appeal to all ages in the Parish.

All are welcome. Feel free to join us on 3<sup>rd</sup> July to help us plan and prepare our future event calendar for 2025.

For further information contact Lyn Green.

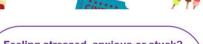


Doors Open 7 pm, Main Event from 7:30pm Licensed Bar, snacks and ice creams available

This Month's Main Feature...

Inside his book, our adventurous hero can make anything come to life simply by drawing it. After he grows up he draws himself off the book's pages and into the physical world he finds he has a lot to learn about real life!





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Village Hall







We invite you to a special fundraising breakfast event in support of little Joshua Ridge.

Join us on 12<sup>th</sup> July 9:30 - 12:30 for a Coldridge Big Breakfast with all proceeds going to Joshua's care fund, supporting him while he bravely fights his long battle with cancer.



FULL ENGLISH
BREAKFAST
ONLY £ 9
(Breakfast sandwich
menu also available)

Vegetarian option by prior request

#### FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST FOR JOSH:

12th JULY, from 9:30am-12:30pm in The Hall:

You are probably all aware by now that our young friend and neighbour, Joshua, is undergoing 18 months of treatment for stage 4 cancer in Bristol Children's Hospital.

As a community we have pledged to support his family in any way that we can. The breakfast items have all been donated by members of our community, so that every penny that we take at this event will go towards helping his parents navigate Joshua's complex treatment and ongoing care. Please come along, bring your friends and enjoy our famous Coldridge hospitality. **KATE** 

ANOTHER VILLAGE HALL FREE EVENT! **COLDRIDGE CURIOSITY CAFE** SUNDAY, 20th JULY; 2:00pm in the Hall



As you've probably noticed, Coldridge isn't afraid to try new ideas, and this is one of them...

Winkleigh occasionally hosts a 'Curiosity Café' on a Sunday afternoon. It's a sort of 'show and tell' where folks bring along their hobbies and interests to show off. All very informal, no presentations, no selling, just a chance to wander around, ask questions and explore! For example, Richard Clarke, (who runs the Winkleigh event) will be attending: Richard has four Victorian Stereoscopes and a 100+ historic photo images. (The Stereoscope turns twodimensional photos into three-dimensional images. The effect is amazing and is similar to modern VR virtual reality headsets.) Myself and Cliff (Little Merryfield) are Ofcomlicensed radio hams so we'll be setting up a radio station in the Village Hall where you might get a chance to chat to radio hams all over the world. We're hoping one or more of the local research team who have been involved with the monthly church tours might pop along and tell us about the churches connection to Edward V and the Missing Princes project; perhaps one or more of our local Quilters may join us and I'm told there's a possibility of some unusual vehicles on show as well.

So, if you have an interesting/unusual/strange pastime or hobby, please consider joining us 2-

4pm on Sunday 20th July and sharing with us what you get up to, we'd love to know! drop me philbridges@coldridgevillagehall.org.uk or call me on 07990 563147. There will be tea, coffee and cakes available to buy, to help cover the hall hire costs as it's a free event. **Phil Bridges** 

## Coldridge Café

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 10 am - 3.30pm Coldridge Village Hall

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

...a selection of lunchtime dishes served between 12 and 2pm

July's Lunch Menu to be advised nearer the date

Hope to see you there!

Takeaway Service Available Village Hall

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The Winkleigh Singers directed by Roland Smith with recorders, harpsichord & cello

Saturday 12th July 2025 at 7:30pm **Umberleigh Village Hall** 

d soft drinks (Temporary Event Notice applied for)

