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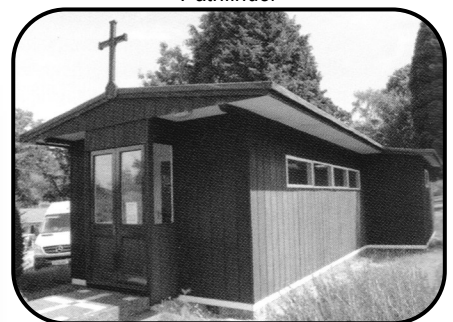
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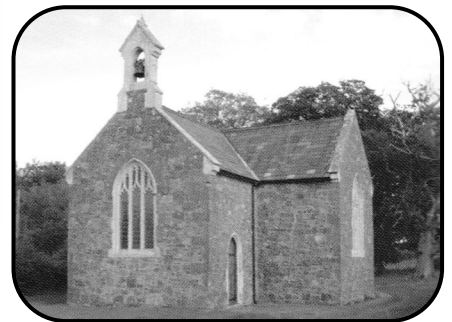
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SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday 2nd November

9:30 am	Holcombe Burnell	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
10:00 am	Whitestone	All Saints Day/Service of Light*	Lay led
11:00 am	Cheriton Bishop	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
6:00 pm	Tedburn St Mary	Evening Prayer	Revd Martin Wood

Sunday 9th November Remembrance Sunday

9:30 am	Whitestone	Communion with act of Remembrance	Revd Martin Wood
10:50 am	Holcombe Burnell	Remembrance Service	Revd V Lee
10:55 am	Tedburn St Mary	United Remembrance Service	Lay led
10:55 am	Cheriton Cross	United Remembrance Service	Revd Martin Wood
11:10 am	Cheriton Bishop	Remembrance Service	Revd Martin Wood
3:00 pm	Pathfinder	Remembrance Service	Revd Martin Wood

Thursday 13th November

10:30 am	Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
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Sunday 16th November

9:30 am	Cheriton Bishop	Parish Communion	Revd Martin Wood
11:00 am	Whitestone	Parish Worship	Revd Martin Wood
11:00 am	Holcombe Burnell	Morning Prayer	Lay led
3:00 pm	Pathfinder	Evening Prayer	Revd Martin Wood

Sunday 23rd November

9:30 am	Cheriton Bishop	Morning Prayer	Lay led
9:30 am	Tedburn St Mary	Parish Communion BCP	Revd Martin Wood
11:00 am	Holcombe Burnell	Family Service	Revd Martin Wood
3:00 pm	Pathfinder	United Service	
6:00 pm	Whitestone	Evening Prayer	Revd Martin Wood

Thursday 27th November

10:30 am	Pathfinder	Holy Communion	Revd Martin Wood
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Sunday 30th November

10:30 am	Cheriton Bishop	Team Communion	Revd Martin Wood
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***Our All Saints Day lay led service on November 2nd at 10am will include the opportunity to light a candle in memory of that "special person" who has died and we still miss very much.**

Remembering the end of the war

The national Remembrance Day on 11th November and Remembrance Sunday on 9th November will commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II. This year we looked back to 1945, VE Day in May and VJ Day in August. We have also remembered the eighty-fifth anniversary of the evacuation of troops from Dunkirk. These various remembrances highlight different aspects of war. A common thought is, "When will this end?" It was hoped by Christmas, sadly, it is many Christmases before that hope is realised. Wars start quickly but never seem to end as quickly as promised. As we remember World War I, where armies were entrenched against each other, we recall how we can become metaphorically entrenched and find it very hard to dislodge ourselves from a particular view or opinion.

The great sadness is that there are still wars and conflicts surrounding us now. The war continues between Russia and Ukraine. There are still tensions in the Middle East, particularly between Israel and Hamas. The recent ceasefire and the potential peace deal still appear to be very fragile. We think of all the people caught in these dangerous places. We hear of people being killed each day. The humanitarian conditions are really grave, and it is becoming very hard to bring in basic things like food and medicine. The pictures on the television show destruction, just piles of rubble. It is all too familiar and seemingly hopeless. However, there must come a time for rebuilding and the establishment of peace.

The church has another dimension of remembering in November, which is called the Kingdom season. This starts on All Saints on 2nd November and ends on Christ the King on Sunday 23rd November. This period marks the end of the church's year. In essence, our goal is heaven, and the kingdom season celebrates that lifelong journey to heaven. It finishes with Jesus as our King in heaven. It is always important to know where we are going, or else we can easily get lost. The Christian life aims for a relationship with God that transcends our earthly life into an eternal life in heaven. It is worth remembering the cost of this to Jesus. This was brought about through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. There are strong similarities to the stories of destruction that we see around us. But there is always hope.

We can draw several parallels by remembering those who have given so much for us, the need to use that gift wisely for the benefit of others and to keep focused on our aim in life. In God's economy, peace and justice are central to establishing a sense of heaven on earth.



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On 21st September, over 30 people came along to our Harvest Supper held in the Parish Hall. A fantastic sum of £156.86 was sent to St. Petros from the sale of Jennifer Kellagher's butternut squashes and generous donations. In addition, £50 that was sent to Wateraid..

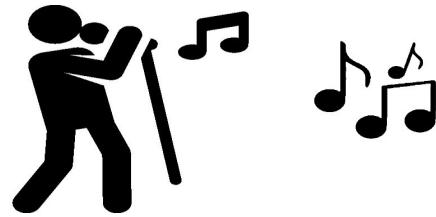
A huge thank you to all of you who purchased a butternut squash and made donations to these two worthy charities.

A presentation was also made to Margaret and Philip Nierop, who have sadly moved away from Whitestone, to say thank you for all their support and service to both the church and the wider community. We wish them all the best in their new home.



“Whitestone singers and friends”

**A concert in
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MESSAGE FROM PHILIP AND MARGARET NIEROP

On Thursday 9th November we left Hillcrest, our home for eighteen years, for the last time and headed East to live closer to our granddaughter and her as yet unborn sibling.

The process of moving, however well planned, seems to take up all the time allocated to it and more. We had intended to say a leisurely 'Good bye' to our many friends in the locality and to the wonderful community that is Whitestone village but the 'best laid plans of mice and men' meant we simply ran out of time.

So, to those of you whom we didn't say ' Good bye' to personally, our apologies but more especially our thanks for your friendship and support over the years.

Life like time is 'an ever rolling stream' and whilst we look forward to the next chapter of our lives, so we are grateful for the many pleasant memories of our time in Whitestone which will accompany us wherever we go. With our best wishes
Philip & Margaret Nierop

CHEST PAIN ADVICE

When you ring 999 for a patient with chest pain, there are two things they usually ask :

- Is there an available defibrillator?
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October started for members of Tedburn St Mary WI with a meeting on Tuesday 7th, held at Tedburn St Mary Village Hall, with 29 WI members and 2 visitors in attendance.

Following the business section of the meeting, Tedburn St Mary WI enjoyed an excellent presentation delivered by the speaker for the evening, speaker Tony Gale, entitled 'Patriotic Girls Are We.' Tony, a local historian, gave an educational and informative talk about the role women played working in agriculture during World War One. Women worked in the Forage Corps, Forestry Corps and Land Army. The presentation was illustrated with photographs of women working on farms in the local area. Tony gave Tedburn St Mary WI a detailed insight as to what life was like for these patriotic and dedicated women, at such a critical and complex time for our nation. A huge thank you to Tony, for sharing his extensive knowledge of this period of history with us.



There was also the opportunity to take part in the monthly competitions, a raffle, and enjoy tea, coffee and biscuits. Tedburn St Mary WI members have also participated in a visit to The Beer Engine in Newton St Cyres this month, to share time together over a delicious lunch. Other activities recently on offer Tedburn St Mary WI members have included playing skittles with Alphington WI, followed by tea, and time spent together walking in our beautiful Devon countryside.



Future plans for Tedburn St Mary WI members in November include a visit to have lunch at Bernaville Garden Centre, walks and a craft session. Our regular meetings are held in Tedburn St Mary Village Hall on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7.30pm. As always, we love to meet prospective new members, and you will be warmly welcomed if you would like to attend. There are lots of activities on offer at Tedburn St Mary WI every month, including good speakers, walks, and knitting and craft sessions. Remember that the first meeting attended is free, to enable you to decide whether to join our W.I. Just contact either Jane or Rachel. Their details are listed below.

President Jane: Tel: 07814659526
Secretary Rachel: Tel: 01647 61868

NEWS FROM THE MOOR

Hi everyone, I hope that you are all keeping well.

As we race towards winter (EEEEK!), I have some late autumn activities to mention. Firstly, we have Drogo 10 taking place on Sunday 16 November. This is the 10 mile run through the Teign Valley which is not for the faint-hearted. We generally have over 500 people take part, and it is a lot of fun to host this great event at Castle Drogo. If you are planning a walk that weekend, watch out for runners that morning covered in mud.

At Finch Foundry in Sticklepath, plans are coming together for the annual St Clements Day celebration. This year, it is taking place on Saturday 22 November. There will be demonstrations of blacksmithing, firing of the anvil, performances by Cogs & Wheels and a chance to see the historic forge working. Fingers and toes crossed for kind weather please! Last year, the terrible storm in November meant that we very sadly had to cancel.

Back at Fingle Bridge, for those walking in the Teign Valley and Fingle Woods this winter, please note that the riverside track heading downstream from Fingle Bridge is closed weekdays whilst the Woodland Trust undertake some essential conservation work.

Coming up on Friday 5th December is a unique opportunity brought to us by the Two Moor Pine Marten project right on our doorstep in Fingle Woods. Renowned author and professional storyteller Chris Salisbury will be leading a special outdoor workshop in a woodland setting. It's a free experience, but places are limited. The idea behind the workshop is to learn from Chris and then co-create while exploring the woods. The details are just being finalised, but if this sounds interesting, then please do get in touch and we can signpost you to the booking page with our friends at Devon Wildlife Trust -paula.clarke@nationaltrust.org.uk.

Best wishes all,

Paula
Volunteering & Community Manager, Dartmoor
07826 945107, paula.clarke@nationaltrust.org.uk

EXETER FORUM

Meetings take place in the Mint Methodist Church, Fore Street, Exeter, EX4 3AT on Wednesday mornings. The talks start at 10:45am, while coffee is available from 10:15am. Full descriptions of talks and speakers appear on the Exeter Forum website www.exeterforum.org Visitors are welcome subject to a small charge for each talk.

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- Asbestos or environmental waste.

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- This includes: Guns (real or imitation), knives, axes, or parts thereof and ammunition of any type.
- Tobacco and smoking accessories.
- Illegal substances including drugs or unauthorised medication.

Counterfeit goods or contraband – That includes anything made illegally or under false branding.

Animal or human remains & organic Items

This includes medical samples

Other

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES - 9th October 2025

Minutes of Parish Council at Whitestone Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 9th October 2025.

Attendance:

Chair – Cllr M Belt

Councillors M Frankum, E Purser, P Stott

Mrs P Vaughan, Clerk to the Council.

County Councillor A Connett (left at 8pm)

District Councillor J Parrott

Mr Tom Cull

Apologies:- Councillors T Baird, C Lang, T Taylor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Cull stated that he was in attendance with regard to the planning application for Cross Park Farm which he and other parishioners were concerned about. Discussion took place with the Councillors in attendance and his objections were noted.

67. Cllr Belt opened the meeting and the minutes of the Council Meetings held on 11th September 2025 having been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chair

68. REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR / DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Both County Councillor Connett and District Councillor Parrott raised some items.

69. MATTERS RAISED BY THE CHAIR

Cllr Belt said that there has been little response for a community driver scheme to date. And she hoped that this would be advertised further.

70. PLANNING

Applications can be viewed on line by going into the public access system at Teignbridge Planning following the directions giving the application reference. The following applications having been received from Teignbridge District Council with a request for comments were examined and responses will sent which can be viewed on Teignbridge District Council Planning site.

70.1 25/01363/FUL Erection of two light industrial buildings and associated infrastructure at Cross Park Farm, Heath Cross.

Whitestone Parish Council has discussed and considered this planning application. We have several concerns which have been reflected by comments from the community near Cross Park Farm:

- a) Lighting – there is already a significant issue with local light pollution given the spotlights onsite. Additional builds will require additional lighting which will impact local wildlife.
- b) Noise – for an agricultural community, there is likely to be a significant increase in the overall noise from more cars being serviced, with particular concerns around “performance vehicles”

with bigger engines and louder exhausts which is the focus for the new units.

c) Visual impact – the impact from what is now becoming a significant industrial unit is stark on the farming landscape. The site is visible from nearly all roads through the village and is clearly out of keeping with the local character and tone.

d) Employment – the new units are supposed to be for business growth and offering new services but there isn't any information of increases in employment on the application – in fact, there is no mention that anyone is currently employed on the site.

The current application is the latest in number of developments on the site and we would suggest that the planning officer makes an in-person visit to the site as part of their review of this application.

70.2 Grant of conditional planning permission 25/00654/FUL Retention of access track and erection of storage building at Cherry Trees.

70.3 Grant of conditional planning permission 25/00649/FUL Retention of widening of existing access. construction of entrance piers and creation of new access drive at Hackworthy Farm.

70.4 Dismissed Appeal

Appeal against the refusal of planning application 24/02099/FUL Demolition of agricultural building for change of use to residential and construction of self build detached house with detached double garage and annexe and associated groundworks following Class Q consent under application 23/0101001/NPA on land south east of Hill Farm, Pound Lane.

70.5 Appeal Allowed

25/00019/REF Appeal against the refusal of planning application 24/01777/NPA Application for Prior Approval under Part 3 Class Q (a) and (b) paragraph W of the GPDO change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling at The Store, Three Corners.

71. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Improvements at bus stop area

Cllr Belt raised some issues regarding the trees at the bus stop and this is being investigated further.

Parish Online

To be brought forward at the November meeting.

Crossway Park

A report had been received from Cllr Taylor indicating that she has been in touch with Sovereign regarding issues with the equipment at the Park.

72. FINANCE

72.1 Conclusion of Annual Audit

Notices regarding the satisfactory conclusion of the Annual Audit by external auditors PKF Littlejohn together with comment raised will be displayed on Parish notice boards and the Whitestone website

and can be viewed on application to the Parish Clerk.

Income

72.2	Teignbridge District Council (2nd Half Year Precept)	£3,141.50
73.3	1 School Houses rental to 2nd November £950.00 - £114.00 (includes £19.00 VAT) =	£836.00

The following expenditure was proposed and seconded for payment. All in favour and the cheques were signed by Councillor Belt and Mrs Vaughan as Responsible Financial Officer

Expenditure

72.4	L Blades – Lengthsman £244.44, Grass Cutting £170.00)	£414.44
72.5	PFK Littlejohn (Annual Governance Return Charge) (includes £63.00 VAT)	£378.00
72.6	Whitestone Parish Hall (hire of rooms for meetings/Park facilities)	£122.10
72.7	T W Woodley £64.00 + £160.00 (weekly cleaning of Whitestone Park Toilets)	£224.00
73.8	A & E Chimney Sweeps (for 1 School House paid through Winkworth)	£75.00

73. CORRESPONDENCE

Concerns had been raised from the community that drones were being used to take pictures and spy on developments on private land. The Parish Council would like to remind parishioners that flying drones over people's land for the purpose of taking pictures is a violation of privacy and should only be done with the consent of the land owner.

74. REPORTS

74.1 Devolution Deal for Devon
Link to Devon County Council event on 20th
November from 2pm to 3pm – booking (<https://devonalc.org.uk/events/connect-event-lgr-briefing>
with devon county council)

74.2 Cllr Belt reported that there will be a Remembrance Service held at the Memorial Stone at the Whitestone Bus Stop at 10.45am on Tuesday 11th November.

74.3 Mrs Vaughan reminded the Council that the date for the November meeting has been changed to **Thursday 6th November 2025**.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm



YOUNG PEOPLE ON BIKES AT NIGHT WITHOUT LIGHTS

Members of the Neighbourhood Team are concerned about the number of young people riding bikes in the hours of darkness without any lighting on the bikes.

We are appealing to parents, guardians, grandparents and anyone who may care for a young person to ensure that the young people are as safe as possible when they are out on their bikes in darkness.

If a bike is used in the hours of darkness it should have working front and rear lights irrelevant of what type of bike it is.
Light coloured easily seen or reflective clothing is also advisable

The legal bit

it is the law in Great Britain for bicycles to have a white front light, a red rear light, and a red rear reflector when cycling between sunset and sunrise, along with amber pedal reflectors if the bike was manufactured after November 1985. Flashing lights are permitted but must flash between 60 and 240 times per minute.

More importantly we don't want anyone injured and really don't want to be knocking on your door to let you know someone you care about is hurt.

BOGUS CALLERS AND BANK ACCOUNTS

We ask for residents to continue to be vigilant of the scam in which residents are contacted by unexpected telephone calls from bogus callers claiming to be from their bank/fraud department/police, as we have received a number of recent reports in Devon & Cornwall.

The fraudsters claim the victim's bank account has had fraudulent activity, or similar, and they need to urgently transfer their money - if you receive a call like this hang up the call immediately and do not provide any of your bank details.

Any police, bank or fraud department will never ask for your PIN or to transfer or withdraw money. If you receive a call like this it is a scam, please hang up the call immediately and do not give any information.

If you need to contact your bank please wait at least 5-10 minutes for the line to clear before making a call, or clear the line by phoning a friend/family member, or make the call on a different phone to the one you were contacted on.

CAN WE HELP YOU?

Do you have a business that could benefit from being advertised more widely?

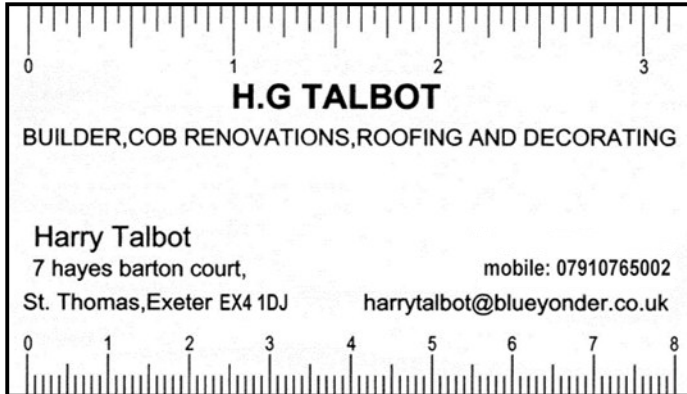
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BOOK CLUB REVIEW SEPTEMBER 2025

The Escape Artist by Jonathan Freedland

In April 1944, Rudolf Vrba escaped to reveal the truth of the Auschwitz death camp to the world and to warn the last Jews of Europe what fate awaited them at the end of the railway line. Against all odds, he and fellow escapee, Fred Wetzler, climbed mountains and crossed rivers until they had smuggled out the first full account of Auschwitz the world had ever seen - a forensically detailed report.

Too few heeded the warning that Vrba, then just 19 years old, had risked everything to deliver. Some could not believe it. Others thought it easier to keep quiet. Vrba helped save 200,000 Jewish lives but he never stopped believing it could have been so many more.

In November 1942, the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva, the Vatican and Allied governments met to decide whether to go public with his evidence about the Nazi extermination camps. They voted to do nothing. They decided this information was too uncertain and improbable, could result in public protest, and a threat to their work with prisoners of war. Many rumours were circulating but no one wanted to believe them.

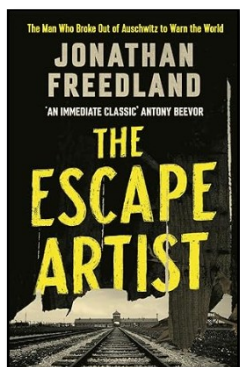
Drawing on Vrba's memoirs & conversations with his first wife and his widow, Freedland put together both the story of Vrba's two years in Auschwitz and the long saga of the aftermath of his escape.

It's a thrilling story of escape and fortitude and a profoundly important contribution to Holocaust literature.

Vrba had become an eyewitness to almost every chilling stage of the Nazis' process of industrialised murder. A brilliant student of science and mathematics, he committed each detail to memory. After the war, he kept running from his past, his home country, his adopted country and even from his own name. Few knew of the extraordinary heroic deed he had done.

We all agreed it was a difficult, brilliant, very well researched and heart-wrenching book to read. It is a powerful tribute to a true hero.

Jane Rose



BOOK CLUB REVIEW OCTOBER 2025

Brick Lane by Monica Ali

Short listed for the Booker Prize in 2003, this novel is set in London's East End.

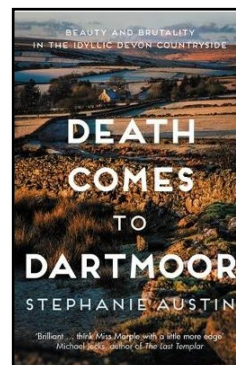
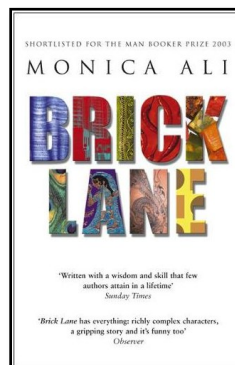
Still in her teenage years, Nazneen finds herself in an arranged marriage with a disappointed older man. Away from her Bangladeshi village, home is now a cramped flat in a high-rise block. Nazneen does not speak English, and is forced to depend on her husband.

Nazneen sews furiously for a living, shut away with her buttons and linings - until the radical Karim steps unexpectedly into her life. On a background of racial conflict and tension, they embark on a love affair that forces Nazneen finally to take control of her life. Brick Lane explores the role of fate in our lives by tracing the transformation of a shy cautious Asian girl to a bold dignified woman.

For several members this was a second read. All agreed it was well written, had depth with well defined characters and a strong sense of place.

At our next meeting on November 10th we will review Death Comes to Dartmoor by Stephanie Austin.

Jane Rose



BRAIN TEASER CORNER

You are nearly there. Take a step back and find the mystery word.



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Answer next month

Answer for last month:
STRENGTH in numbers

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY			
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JOBS FOR THE PARISH WARDEN

If you notice any damage to Parish property, build up of litter, blocked roadside ditches, or any other matter that would improve the environment and well-being of Parishioners or visitors within the Parish boundaries, please contact the Parish Warden's line manager.

Cllr Mary Belt on 01392 811374
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**The LAST DATE for contributions to
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(December 2025) is**

Sunday 16th November

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WEEKLY EVENTS IN NOVEMBER 2025

Day	Dates	Event
Mon	3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th	Pilates Parish Hall 6.15 to 7.15 pm.
Tue	4th, 11th, 18th & 25th	Short Mat Bowls Parish Hall 7.30 to 9.30pm
Wed	5th, 12th, 19th & 26th	Short Mat Bowls Parish Hall 10.00 - 12 noon
Wed	12th & 26th	Whitestone Singers Hall Extension 2.00 - 4.00 pm
Thu	6th, 20th & 27th	Parish Pals Parish Hall 10.00 - 12 noon
Thu	6th, 13th, 20th & 27th	Whitestone Singers Parish Hall 7:30 - 9:30 pm
Fri	7th, 14th, 21st & 28th	Short Mat Bowls Parish Hall 7.30 to 9.30pm

WHITESTONE WALKERS

Next Walk – Sunday 2nd Nov 2025

Meet at Whitestone Parish Hall at 0930 or Steps Bridge car park at 1000. This is the free car park on the right of the B3212 just after and up the hill from Steps Bridge.

If you are going direct to Steps Bridge then please let Bryan Durrant know at bcdurrant@aol.com

The walk will be a loop of about 4.5 miles. It is on a mixture of paths, tracks and roads with a very steep climb for the first half mile. Good footwear is essential. We will walk up from the car park through Bridford Wood to Heltor Rock and then skirting the village of Bridford will return to the car park via the other half of Bridford Wood.

Sorry there is no toilet or café

Bryan Durrant

PILATES AND EXERCISE THERAPY

Pilates with Caroline Dodd is on Monday evening in the Parish Hall from 6.15 to 7.15 pm. for all levels and abilities. Pilates can help improve posture, reduce pain and help you move more freely to improve your quality of life. £8.00 per class or £30.00 monthly.

Please get in touch with Caroline if you have any questions or to book the Exercise Therapy class. Mobile 07791105987 or email: caroline_dodd@sky.com

HANDBELLS

We currently have a full team of handbell ringers and continue to meet every two to three weeks, normally on a Wednesday afternoon. For more information contact Bryan Durrant on 811328.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Please contact the Parish Clerk, Pat Vaughan, for the latest information. (01392 411628) or view the Whitestone website www.whitestone-devon.org.uk There is no meeting in August and the next Council meeting is in the Billiard Room of the Whitestone Parish Hall on Thursday 6th November at 7.30pm.

SHORT MAT BOWLS

We normally meet THREE times a week. Please see table on page 18 for the actual dates.

Tuesday 7.30 - 9.30 pm

Wednesday 10.00 -12 noon

Friday 7.30 - 9.30 pm

The cost is only £2.50 (50p for 16s and under) including tea/coffee and a biscuit.

To protect the green mat (rink), please wear soft shoes with completely flat soles if you have them. If not, bowling in socks is perfectly OK. Why not come along and have a go. There is no need to have your own bowls as we have plenty of sets available.

SOCIAL CLUB

(Secretary Bryan Durrant 01392 811328)

November 24th on Monday A talk by Caroline and John Rutter about their visit to the Galapagos Islands

December No meeting

The Social Club normally meets monthly, mostly in the Parish Hall, and is a great opportunity to meet other people. After the speaker there is normally a social “bring and share” food and drink session. Annual membership is £16 (which includes an annual dinner). Non-members are most welcome to join us at meetings in the hall (except for the annual dinner) on an occasional basis at a cost of £4.00 per evening. Meetings in the hall normally start at 7:30pm.

CHURCH BELL RINGING

If you are interested in learning how to ring, please contact James Bryant on 01392 811391 for more information. Practice night is usually every Thursday at 7.45 until 9:00 pm.

GARDENING CLUB

Gardening Club will meet at 7.30pm on Monday 17th November when Dave Usher will be talking about ‘The Care and Management of Trees and Shrubs’. All are welcome. Contact Lesley on 07803-173305 for further information.

WHITESTONE ENTERTAINMENTS

Very advance notice – The Budapest Café Orchestra will be returning to Whitestone on Sunday 8th November 2026.

ARTS AND CRAFTS MORNINGS

Autumn Term 2025

Are you trying to finish a painting, some sewing, knitting or anything else? Come along to Whitestone Parish Hall and give yourself time to finish off your project.

TIME: 9.30 to 12 noon

COST: £2 per session

Forthcoming dates for Arts and Crafts:

November 13th Main Hall

December 11th Main Hall

For further information contact Marian Durrant 01392811328 or Nikki Phillips 07763 879897

TABLE TENNIS

At Whitestone Parish Hall on the first Wednesday of the month. From 7:00 -9 pm. Future dates are

5th November

3rd December

BOOK CLUB

Next meeting is in the Parish Hall at 2:00 pm on Monday, 10th November

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The Whitestone Parish Hall is available for bookings.

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