

Atherington Argus

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Thought January was a quiet month for the Argus, it seems February is even quieter and the Argus is shrinking! As Editor I can only put in what people send me. Please remember to send in your items that you would like included to atheringtonargus@outlook.com. The deadline for items for February's issue is Sunday 24th February.

Again!!! if there is anyone in the Village that would like to take over Editorship from me, I would be more than happy to hand over the reins. Especially as I am currently back to work full time to cover staff sickness. Please contact me if you would be interested.

Kindest regards
Becca

Atherington defibrillator- A plea for help!!



The current lease scheme for our South West Ambulance Service (SWAS) defibrillator (Automated External Defibrillator- AED) concludes in spring 2020.

Between now and 2020 fundraising is required if we are to keep this valuable facility. To date, fortunately, the AED has not been used in an emergency although recently it was rushed to the Smithy Salon as standby for a customer who became unwell. In the event it was not required, but the Paramedics who attended said how essential it is to have an AED.

Between now and 2020, £1800 has to be raised. This would be for a 4 year lease contract. Fund raising for our current AED included community/Councillor grants, contributions from organisations such as Rotary and Lions, village events. At that time a Parish Councillor took the role of defibrillator champion and with help from others moved the project forward.

For the 2020 replacement the Parish Council is looking for someone in the village to take over this role from March 2019; essential if we are not to lose our existing unit when it becomes unserviceable in 2010 and is removed.

If you are able to take on the role of AED champion, please contact Andy Boyce or come along to the next Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 19th Feb at 7.30pm to discuss.

Andy Boyce (Cllr)

Adopt a Kiosk Scheme

The BT Adopt a Kiosk scheme enables a community to retain their iconic red phone box (correctly referred to as a kiosk) for a payment of just £1. Ours now gets hardly any use- a single phone call logged by BT during the last 12 months.

BT records indicate that our box is heritage listed due to its age and closeness to the church. It's a type K6 1935- designed by the renowned architect Giles Gilbert Scott.

When a village adopts a kiosk, BT removes the telephone equipment but will maintain the electrical supply, sufficient to operate the light. The village is responsible for general maintenance including painting.

Atherington Parish Council is considering the adoption of our kiosk but before moving further with the project, is looking for ideas for future use- this link gives a few ideas.

<https://business.bt.com/content/dam/bt/business/PDFs/payphones/Adopt-a-Kiosk-Brochure.pdf>

Although not used as a phone box anymore, our kiosk is a village focal point, features in lots of photos and for many people is part of our heritage and worth saving.

If you have any thoughts about how we might put the kiosk to village use please pass to APC. We would love to hear what you think- particularly the young people of the village.

Atherington Parish Council



Richard Lethbridge Presents

‘Atherington on Film’ An evening exploring our heritage

Films from the past

@ Atherington Pavilion, Friday 29th March, Doors Open 6.30pm

Door opens for Film only at 7.00pm (approx 60mins, suitable for all ages)

£4 Film only or £10 with Supper option

To reserve a Soup and Pud supper please ring Sarah 560537

B.Y.O Tipple. Tea and Coffee available.
Proceeds to St Mary's Church, Atherington.
Jack Burkill 24.01.23 to 10.12.18

By his daughter Ann

Born in Wakefield to Winifred and Horace; brother Ted.

Left school age 14 (passed 11+ but father said could not afford to send to grammar school). Apprentice motor mechanic. Experienced the working-class poverty of the time – didn't live in a house with an inside loo until in his thirties!

Joined Royal Navy in WW2. Was a Petty Officer i/c engine room etc. on motor torpedo boats.

Married Rebecca 1949. Daughter Ann born 1951.



After WW2 returned to Wakefield - was an ambulance mechanic, then got a job as a Technical Officer with Ministry of Health visiting people with disabilities regarding their transport/mobility needs. Transferred to Plymouth 1957. He loved the West Country – the sea, beaches and countryside. His house was filled most of the year with friends and family visiting from Yorkshire and he delighted in taking them all over Devon and Cornwall (squashed into his mini).

Early 1963 Rebecca died. Jack continued alone to raise Ann. Her friends were always welcome and one wrote that she remembered him as a kind and generous man, a second father to her, and that she was often happier at his home than her own.

Jack married Gwen in 1971. He sold his home in Plymouth and joined her in Atherington. He retired in 1986 and continued to care for Gwen until her death in 2012. Jack put down deep roots in Atherington and liked the sense of community – he was Chair of the playing field committee (I believe), and mowed the grass in the village square.

A lifelong interest in all things mechanical – cars, boats, motorbikes etc etc - was Jack's greatest passion. He spent many happy hours in his workshop. He also loved animals and hated to think of them suffering.

Jack was fiercely independent and remained alone in his cottage (with the kind and subtle support of friends and neighbours in latter days) until August 2018 when he moved to a care home. His health deteriorated rapidly in the last 6 months due to constant infections, and he died in Singleton Hospital on 10th December.

What's on This Month?

Ladies Tea Circle - Each Wednesday afternoon rotating each week around Members' homes.

St Mary's Parish Church - www.tworiversmissioncommunity.org

Services

Sunday 10th February – Family service at 4.00pm in the Church Hall

Sunday 24th February – Holy Communion Service at 4.00pm in the Church

Umberleigh Christian Fellowship – The Church by the Bridge

Sunday Services at 11am.

Pop in for coffee and cake on the first Tuesday of the month from 10 - 12 noon.

A warm welcome to all.

Further details from 01271 830662 or 560057

Concert by South Molton Circuit Choir on Sat March 2nd at 7.30pm. Refreshments available proceeds for age concern.

Mobile Library - Next in the Square Tuesday 5th February: 15.05 – 15.35

WI - Contact Margaret Maidlow – 01769 560498 Visitors always welcome

Luncheon Club: Contact Tony Squires on 01769 560489 for information.

Next Parish Council Meeting – Tues 19th February 2019– The Church Hall 7-30 pm

Contact Parish Clerk, Terry Squire on 01598 710526 or District Councillor and Parish Council Chairman, Walter White 01769 560303

<http://atheringtonparishcouncil.org.uk/index.html>

Atherinton Children's Playing Field and Pavilion -

- 02/03 Beaford event – Vincent Gambini - 'This is Not a Magic Show'
- 15/3 - Curry and quiz night, Proceeds ACPF & APCC
- 29/3 – Atherington on film and Soup and Pud supper eve, Proceeds APCC
- 06/04 – Easter event - Car boot sale, Easter egg hunt, stalls, Coffee Morning Proceeds ACPF & APCC

Jack Burkill's family have kindly donated Gwyn's piano to the Pavilion. Once this is in place, we hope to arrange an evening of remembrance. To share stories, photographs and celebrate the lives of Jack, Rosie and May. Keep an eye out for further details.

Local Bus Timetable - Operated by Turners Tours Route 325

Monday to Friday other than service marked T,Th,F which operates Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
No Service on Saturday, Sunday or Bank Holidays

Atherington – Barnstaple		T,Th,F
Atherington Church (Eastbound)	08:19	10:19
Bishops Tawton, Mount Pleasant (Northwest bound)	08:32	10:32
Sticklepath, Old Torrington Road (Northbound)	08:50	-
Barnstaple, Bus Station (Stand B)	08:55	10:40

Barnstaple – Atherington		T,Th,F
Barnstaple, Bus Station (Stand B)	13.30	16.30
Sticklepath Hill (Eastbound)	-	16.40
Bishops Tawton, The Bridge (Southeast bound)	13.40	16.55
Atherington Post Office	13.51	17.06

Train Timetable Operated by Great Western Railway

Monday to Friday

Fr Only

Exeter	05:50	06:48	08:31	09:27	10:27	11:27	12:27	13:27	14:27	15:27	17:02	17:57	19:00	21:00	22:53
Umberleigh	06:41	07:49	09:27	10:23	11:23	12:23	13:23	14:23	15:23	16:23	17:59	19:00	19:57	21:58	23:49
Barnstaple	06:55	08:01	09:39	10:35	11:35	12:35	13:37	14:37	15:35	16:35	18:12	19:14	20:09	22:11	23:59

Barnstaple	07:00	08:43	09:43	10:43	11:43	12:43	13:43	14:43	15:43	17:13	18:14	19:17	20:24	22:16
Umberleigh	07:09	08:51	09:51	10:51	11:51	12:51	13:51	14:51	15:51	17:23	18:22	19:25	20:32	22:24
Exeter	08:07	09:47	10:47	11:48	12:47	13:48	14:48	15:48	16:44	18:29	19:31	20:19	21:33	23:16

Saturday

Exeter	05:54	06:55	08:31	09:27	10:27	11:27	12:27	13:27	14:27	15:27	16:57	17:57	18:59	21:00
Umberleigh	06:45	07:52	09:27	10:23	11:23	12:24	13:25	14:23	15:23	16:23	17:53	18:59	19:56	21:58
Barnstaple	06:59	08:06	09:39	10:35	11:35	12:35	13:37	14:37	15:35	16:35	18:07	19:13	20:08	22:11

Barnstaple	00:05	07:05	08:43	09:43	10:43	11:43	12:43	13:43	14:43	15:43	17:08	18:13	19:16	20:24	22:30
Umberleigh	-	07:14	08:51	09:51	10:51	11:51	12:51	13:51	14:51	15:51	17:18	18:21	19:24	20:32	22:38
Exeter	01:00	08:13	09:47	10:48	11:48	12:48	13:48	14:48	15:47	16:44	18:23	19:30	20:19	21:29	23:31

Sunday

Exeter	08:43	09:54	12:03	14:08	16:04	18:07	20:01
Umberleigh	09:43	10:46	13:03	15:01	17:03	18:58	21:03
Barnstaple	09:55	10:56	13:14	15:11	17:16	19:09	21:15

Barnstaple	10:00	11:29	13:23	15:29	17:21	19:26	21:30
Umberleigh	10:10	11:37	13:32	15:37	17:30	19:34	21:39
Exeter	11:08	12:32	14:32	16:29	18:31	20:26	22:41

Atherington Businesses Directory

Ashwood Joinery	Martin Huggins	01769 561154
Atherington Acorns Playgroup Wednesday Mornings in the Pavilion	Katherine Broad	07766 088639
Avon	Linda Brayley	01769 560572
Chantry Nursery	Mr Martin	01769 560347
Daisy Park	Emma Paisey	01769 579077 www.daisypark.co.uk
General Builder	Tim Rose	01769 560410
HC Rosettes bespoke Rosettes for any event	Claire Large	01769 560556
Lilcott Farm Farm Produce – Meat & Eggs	Julie & Mark	07846 397823
Pet Shop 2 Go Pet Products & Accessories		01769 736637 www.petshop2go.co.uk
Sea Breeze Painter & Decorator	Dave Scott	01769 560758
Smithy Hair Salon	Alison Montague	01769 560046
Sports Massage Therapist	Abi Hanafin	07866 686021
Thatcher	Ian Rose	01769 560031
ThatchIt Thatcher	Toby Rose	07935 066041 info@thatchit.com www.thatchit.com
Village Shoppe & Post Office	Chris & Jo Hart	01769 560248

Contact Jo Hart if you would like to add your Village Business or Group to the list

Other Contacts

Atherington Pavilion Project, Jenny Boyce 01769 560404
Safer Atherington Streets Group – www.saferatheringtonstreets.org.uk
Atherington Conservation Area – www.athconv.wordpress.com
Parish Council - <http://atheringtonparishcouncil.org.uk/index.html>

Hire of one of Atherington's Halls

For availability and rates contact: -

St Mary's Parish Church Hall – Mrs Margaret Maidlow 01769 560498
The Pavilion – in the Playing Field – Mrs Alison Montague 01769 560529

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