BODMIN WAY NEWSLETTER MAY 2021

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WELCOME

Cautious optimism. That's what we need now. We are told that relaxation will be 'irreversible'. That might be where we exercise a bit of caution. But otherwise we do see opportunity to draw people out for social and economic recovery. And we should do all we can to bring about renewed hope and prosperity.

Our churches are now open again for Sunday worship. In fact, they are open for visits throughout the week. Bodmin Way is planning to gather people back for its Time Together café sessions. Some new heritage initiatives are in the pipeline. Concerts, weddings, baptisms, group meetings. All these are on the way back.

We continue to offer a lot of support to people who have been victims of this crisis. But we want to transform this support into longer term development within our communities. Often we assume

Cover photo by Helen Watson

that this is someone else's responsibility. A branch of local or national government. But there will be no knight in shining armour. We have to take our fate into our own hands. We shall continue to work with other organisations in the town to take that lead.

No need to hold back at this point. There's much we can do. Safety will be key so that we hold to that promise of irreversibility. My faith inclines me towards hope. My perspective at present confirms this is the right time to make hope a practical reality.

Revd Paul Holley Team Rector, Bodmin Team Ministry



Bodmin Way is the social enterprise created by the Bodmin Team Ministry, including St. Petroc's and the parishes of Lanhydrock, Cardinham and Lanivet with Nanstallon.

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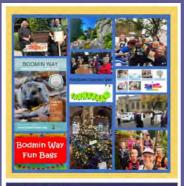
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BODMIN WAY ANNUAL REPORT



BODMIN WAY ANNUAL REPORT 2020 Bodmin Way has published its report for 2020.

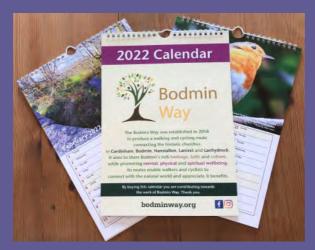
It is available at bodminway.org or click

It contains a round-up on all that has been achieved in the past year against all the odds.

Not sure what Bodmin Way is? Take a look in the report for a clear answer. See who's involved and what are our priorities.

BODMIN WAY PLANS AHEAD

Many photographs have been taken along the Bodmin Way route. Twelve have been selected to create a calendar for 2022. The calendars will be on sale from mid-May at Time Together, the Wednesday café/day centre at St Petroc's Church and Bodmin Information Centre, Shire Hall.



PHYSICAL POSTCARDS ARE BACK

at home this Summer!

Back by popular demand and...FREE!

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Sign up to receive free Physical Postcards through the post for 12 weeks. Seated or standing, enjoy easy, gentle and fun ways to increase mobility and keep active.

All you need to do is phone us on 07936 648347 or 07730 586306 10-6pm by Fri 21st May.

Or you can email us at: hysicalpostcards@dancecentred.co.uk

The closing date for signing up is 21/05/21.

Physical Postcards is a Dance Centred project supported by Public Health Cornwall.

www.dancecentred.co.uk

TREATS AT EASTER

330 Easter eggs and other treats were given out on the Saturday before Easter Day, from the Parish Churches of St Petroc and Lanivet.



In the afternoon, the treats went mobile and popped up in the Kinsman Estate and Berryfields. Children talked about what they had given up for Lent, what Easter means to them and their plans for the Easter weekend.

Looking at the smiling faces of the children was the real treat!

INDOOR GARDENS

The stone is rolled away on the Easter garden at St Petroc's.

The Easter garden and lilies at St Meubred's.



TOWN CRIER PAYS TRIBUTE

Sam Lakey of Bodmin has been hailed a local hero by the Coventry-based company Soda Folk, which has given him a 16th birthday present of £200 in reward for his charitable efforts.

During lockdown, Sam worked with Cultivate Cornwall https://www.cultivatecornwall.com/ to help deliver nearly 300 tons of food to the people of Bodmin and the surrounding areas stopping only when he had to go back to school!



Sam also helped to set up an instrument library which supports people's mental health by helping them to learn to play an instrument without the cost of having to buy one.

Terry Williams finished his announcement by saying that Sam is a credit to Bodmin.



FUTURE MEDICS AND VETS

Students attending the 'Medics' Academy' at Callywith College are looking

Medics' Academy, it made me realise I was easily capable of applying!"



A-Level Biology, Chemistry and Maths students Issy Chapman and Daisy Covell, also received conditional offers to study Medicine at Exeter University. Issy said: "Studying medicine is always something I've wanted to do." Daisy, who is interested in becoming an obstetrician, said: "I am super happy and excited to finally being able to study medicine after putting in lots of hard work this year."

Libby Lewis, an A-Level Biology, Chemistry and

forward to bright futures after recently receiving some excellent university offers.

A-Level Biology, Chemistry and Psychology student Riley Griffiths, was thrilled to receive a conditional offer to study Medicine at Exeter University. Riley, who hopes to become an A&E doctor, said:

"At the start of college, medicine was something that interested me so much, but I wasn't sure it was what I wanted to do, as it seemed impossible to get into. However, with the help of Callywith's Environmental Science student, who has an unconditional offer for Veterinary Medicine at Liverpool University, said: "I am so grateful for my offer, it's such an amazing feeling of excitement to be on the journey to becoming a vet. I feel blessed to be part of a profession which cares not only for animals but people too."

Another student benefiting from the Medics' Academy, is A-Level Biology, Chemistry, Geography and EPQ student Katie Kearton, who plans to study Mental Health and Adult Health Nursing at Southampton University.

NEWS FROM 100 YEARS AGO!

Bodmin Old Cornwall Society shares an extract from Bodmin Deanery Magazine, May 1921

"My Dear Friends,

Our Easter was as it should be, a happy one. We had a very beautiful chasuble stole and maniple in use for the first time at 9.45 when they were dedicated. The gift came from the communicants. It is a very worthy addition to our treasures, and something to be proud of. The church at Easter was nicely decorated.

In the beginning of May we are going to have speakers at meetings in connection with the White Crusade. I am anxious that everyone should make an effort to be present, and hear this subject of purity - personal, social and civil - put before us for consideration. The same week comes Ascension Day, and I trust that we shall make the White Crusade a part of the Ascension tide observance - and lift up our minds to things that are the best and highest.

On May 24th there is to be a Hymn Festival, and I hope that a great many of our people will be present in church and learn something new about the singing of hymns. Everyone enjoys hymn singing and I always feel that it is possible to get a great deal more out of the singing. We shall be shewn that at the festival.

Yours sincerely, LEONARD BROWNE"

I wonder what Leonard Browne would make of this:

May 2021 churchofengland.org

Singers from one of the leading churches in the capital are recording hymns each week for use in live-streaming Sunday services across the country during the coronavirus pandemic.

The Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields are recording music individually in their own homes which are edited together.



POSTCARDS

It's great to give someone a telephone call during difficult times. What about sending a postcard to family and friends to let them know we're thinking about them?

Emma Louise has 18 beautifully drawn postcards to colour in, available from https://www.emmalouiseartstitch.co.uk/





Emma has kindly given Bodmin Way permission to share one of her delightful postcards for you to colour in, if you are able to print this page!



HAVE YOUR SAY

People who live in Bodmin are being asked for their views on the future of the town as a place to live, work and play. An online survey https://www.planbodmin.co.uk/consultation looks at proposals for the transformation of the town centre and the balance of housing growth with provision of essential services, business, traffic, transport and parking.



If you can't go on-line, paper copies are

available at: Shire Hall, Mount Folly; Stan May Stores, Higher Bore Street; McColl's, St Mary's Road; Spar, College Lane.

The closing date for both paper and online responses is 31st May 2021.





PETS IN PRINT

If you'd like to see your pet in print, send a photo to news@bodminway.org

The cutest, funniest or most striking pictures will appear in future editions.

Add a caption to go with it or convey in a sentence or two what you love most about your pet.



I'm up for a game if you are



Puppy on the prowl



Standing to attention

To keep our pets safe, no names, people or distinguishing features in the background please.

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KEEP YOUR DOG SAFE

You may be aware that there has been a spate of dog thefts in the country, stimulated by the huge increase in the cost of puppies during the pandemic. But dogs are stolen not just for breeding – tragically there has also been an



increase in dogfighting rings for which pet dogs are being stolen for bait to train the fighting dogs.

By law, every dog should be microchipped and the chip registered to the owner on

one of the approved government databases. If you want to check that your dog is properly registered to you, you can find out by going on to https://www.check-a-chip.co.uk/ and entering your chip number. That will identify the registration body and you can then confirm the details of your registration and update if necessary. Should your dog go missing or be stolen, that chip can speed its return.

It's also law that your dog wears an identification disc. This must bear YOUR name and your address (some people just put the house number and post code, though this doesn't help if your dog goes AWOL into the next road!) and may include a phone number. It is not recommended to have your dog's name on the disc, to discourage people calling the dog away.

Remember, too, if you find a lost dog you must inform the dog warden (Cornwall dog warden's telephone number is 0300 1234212), who will arrange to collect the dog from you and can scan it to identify the microchip number. Local vets are also able to scan the dog and may be able to locate its owner.

PAMPERED POOCHES

Dog owners can now have their dogs groomed and kitted out in this new and stylish salon on Fore Street.



THE BELL TOLLS

The 17cwt tenor bell at St Petroc's Church rang out 99 times over Bodmin on two successive Saturdays in April, to mark the death of HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

In line with protocol agreed by Lambeth and Buckingham Palace to mark Prince Philip's 99 years of life, it was tolled at 12 noon on Saturday 10th April, to mark his death the previous day, and again on the following Saturday to precede his funeral.

Sophie Sweetlove, vice-captain of the tower, tolled the bell half muffled. This is done by placing a leather cushion on one side of the clapper. It reduces the volume and creates for a more mellowed ring on alternate strikes.

> Sophie Sweetlove ringing before the funeral service





APPEAL FOR WW2 STORIES

Bodmin Keep and Helston's Museum of Cornish Life are working together throughout 2021 to gather and share stories of Cornwall in WW2. Cornwall's wartime experiences will be shared nationally and internationally through the museums' partnership with the Imperial War Museum.



American Canteen at St Austell, 1942, Kresen Kernow

Bodmin Keep is looking for material for its 'History Under Our Feet' project relating to all aspects of life during WW2 in Bodmin and North Cornwall, the Walker Lines Army Camp, US Army and family memories of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry regiment.

The Museum of Cornish Life's project 'Disrupted Lives" is seeking stories about how the war interrupted or affected the daily life of people such as teachers, farmers, shopkeepers and school pupils and the different paths they took, from conscientious objectors to implementing rationing, to working in the land army. Mary Godwin, Director of Bodmin Keep said: "We don't need to take the original material from people as we can make digital copies of treasured family photographs and memorabilia."

Annette MacTavish, Director of the Museum of Cornish life said: "This project allows us to save stories about WW2 in Cornwall that are slipping from memory."



Boxer Joe Louis at Bodmin Barracks, 1944, Kresen Kernow

If you have stories or memories you'd like to share, please contact:

charlotte@bodminkeep.org / 01208 72810

ww2project@museumofcornishlife.co.uk / 01326 564027

INTERACTIVE STORY

A new interactive story for children and adults to enjoy. Blind Ditch's 'All the Beautiful Things' project, commissioned by intoBodmin, has released its story about a hedgehog who travels around Bodmin, meeting all the beautiful people and seeing all the beautiful things. The creative cartoon includes important locations in the town and incorporates the Cornish language.

Experience the story yourself at: https://intobodmin.itch.io/all-the-beautiful-things



The story's arrival coincides with Hedgehog Awareness Week. www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/

The British Hedgehog Preservation Society

Hedgehog AWARENESS WEEK 02-08 May 2021

NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC PROJECT

Paul Hockaday is planning to photograph locations in Bodmin and present them side by side with photos of how they used to look. He is using Facebook to track down old images of Bodmin town. Aerial imaging will also be part of the project, so he hopes to find photos for old style Bodmin, historic streets, locations and so on, in as high a resolution as possible.

If you have old images of Bodmin you'd like to appear in the project, please contact Paul Hockaday via Facebook. https://www.facebook.com/paul.hockaday.77



HUB OF HOPE





A building in the middle of a remote village in Mozambique. It rests on light brown sand and has a corrugated roof, held up by wooden struts.

In the shade, away from the scorching sun, sits a small group. They are all focussed on a woman standing at the front of them. This is a strong woman, exuding resilience and inner strength. She is speaking animatedly.

This woman is Zaina. And the building? It is a hub of hope.

Zaina is just one of a team of Leprosy Changemakers. Having experienced leprosy herself, Zaina knows all too well the effects of this debilitating disease. She teaches communities how to detect the first signs of leprosy and dispels myths and misinformation about the disease. Zaina travels long distances on her bicycle, visiting remote villages. She is unwavering in her determination to rid Mozambique of leprosy.

Giving to the Leprosy Mission means more villages will have a hub of hope. Many activities will be run from these safe havens: health camps; medical staff giving out the crucial medication to cure leprosy and people being trained to create and manage their own small business, allowing them to support their families and future generations.

These hubs of hope will welcome everyone, unconditionally.

Peter Waddup National Director

To donate go to leprosymission.org.uk



CHURCH NEWS

Easter Sunday brought many people to the churches of the Bodmin Team Ministry.

On Sunday mornings there is a service at 9.30 at St Petroc's and St Meubred's, 9.45 at St Hydroc's and 11.00 or 6pm on the first Sunday of the month at Lanivet. The Dial-in service, available all week from Monday morning on 01208 628013, provides the live-streamed Sunday morning service. As well as services, the Dial-in for landline and mobile phones has updates, Bible stories and Bodmin Way's talking newsletter read by Dorothy Andrews.

There will be an Ascension Service at St Hydroc's at 10.00 on Thursday 13th May, services in all four churches on Sunday 23rd May on the Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday) and on Trinity Sunday on 30th May.

Bryony Dorrington and Barbara Brittain, St Petroc's, joined the team of Local Worship Leaders at a commissioning service on 20th April, via Zoom. At the same service, Barbara was also commissioned as a Local Pastoral Minister in recognition of her role as Focal Minister, alongside Marion Lowe. Lindy Margach, Lanivet Church, will be commissioned as a Local Worship Leader later in the year.

Prayer with Rev Claire

This month we pray for the local elections, and all our political leaders.

Loving God,

Thank you for everyone who is willing to serve our town and villages through elected roles.

Thank you for our right and privilege to vote in fair elections, and for all those who ensure that elections run smoothly.

Help us to consider carefully as we choose how to use our vote. Please give wisdom and courage to all our Councillors, so that they might work well together for the good of everyone.

We pray that the community spirit in and around Bodmin would continue to grow, and that our young people will have the support and inspiration they need to become the next generation of leaders in our communities.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.



Rev Claire Jones





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We believe in being open and transparent. For information on arranging a funeral and the costs involved please visit:

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