

# ODCOMBE VILLAGE HALL

## Newsletter

March 2011

No. 68

### Village Hall News

The 27<sup>th</sup> November was a full on day for some committee members and helpers, thank you Jill, Carol and Jenny.

The day started with 'Crafty Christmas' the artists arriving to hang their pictures, tables were put out and stall holders came to set up. Deryl's soup sold out at lunchtime, all three flavours were delicious. Over 150 people came to the hall.

**This year the date for your diary is 3<sup>rd</sup> December.**

We cleared away and had a short break before setting up for the sold out **Fun Quiz evening**. A really good night was had by all. **Next one is 2<sup>nd</sup> April.**

**The two events raised £1300 for hall funds and we have spent it already. Have you seen the new chairs?**

You won't be surprised to hear our bookings suffered before Christmas due to the icy weather, but fortunately most were able to re-book. All regulars are staying with us and a couple of new ones becoming permanent. We are increasingly popular for family events and parties, so good news but more work for some committee members.

The committee has confirmed the decision to employ a caretaker/cleaner and someone is to be appointed initially for a three month trial period.

An accident has caused some structural damage to a corner of the hall, quotes are being sought and insurance companies informed. Fortunately no one was injured.

**Up to the minute news...**

**The FASHION SHOW held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February** was a brilliant evening enjoyed by over 80 ladies. Elegant models, with our portable staging creating the 'catwalk'. Lots of clothes to try on and lots of clothes purchased. £500+ for village hall funds.

**Our AGM was on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March - would we have seen some of you there?**

**Time to renew the Lottery (see below).**

#### FUTURE EVENTS:

- Quiz Night 2<sup>nd</sup> April
- Flower Show 20<sup>th</sup> August
- Crafty Christmas & Fun Quiz 3<sup>rd</sup> December

#### Diane Francis

on behalf of the  
Village Hall Committee

## Monthly Village Hall Lottery

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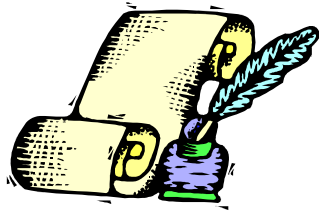
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### To get or renew your Village Hall Lottery tickets fill in the form overleaf

Congratulations to the lucky winners over the last twelve months...

<b>March</b>	202	Mrs Morgan	161	Mrs Hutchings	285	Millie Veal
<b>April</b>	152	Jane Morgan	243	Margaret Hockey	190	Mrs J Pye
<b>May</b>	157	Mr A Graham	100	Joyce Smith	120	Terry Living
<b>June</b>	179	Gordon Eason	187	Mrs Hacking	301	Joe Wills
<b>July</b>	277	Sue Hubbard	211	Fiona Cumming	309	Nigel Laycock
<b>August</b>	263	Jenny Fox	178	John Hockey	156	Stella Beale
<b>September</b>	275	John Gegg	181	Pauline Greenwood	260	Christine Seymour
<b>October</b>	261	Margaret Bishop	281	Una Dean	313	Hans Rennie
<b>November</b>	264	Thirza Payne	283	David Hawkins	212	Alan Hiscock
<b>December</b>	119	Colin Hill	148	Valerie Leaver	174	Jan Yates
<b>January</b>	121	Angela Absolom	109	Pat Halsall	189	Doug Caines
<b>February</b>	295	Julie Kember	253	Deryl Rennie	236	Mrs Priddle

The prizes have been: First **£40** Second **£20** Third **£12**

# Fun Quiz Evening

(with Gary our Quiz Master)

**Odcombe Village Hall**  
**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2011**

7.30 for 8.00pm

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## The Grit Bins

Residents of Higher Odcombe were disappointed to miss the Carol Singers before Christmas, but no one would have predicted the severity of the weather and just how long it would last.



We might have hoped the main access roads such as Ham Hill Road and Camp Road would have received the attention of the Local Authorities.

Well we do live on a hill but even the slightest incline/decline presented great difficulty, so getting into and out of Broadway, Orchard Close and Westbury Gardens was challenging.

The grit bins in Higher Odcombe are currently sited at Rex Road, Coryate Close and Donne Lane Head although most of Dray Road remained treacherous.

Well done to all those in Lower Odcombe who worked together and made good use of their grit bins.

### **Diane Francis**

on behalf of residents whose comments I have been asked to report in the newsletter.

## Odcombe Parish Council

I am glad to be able to report that the Parish Precept for the coming year remains unchanged.



The provision of grit bins and their installation was in the nick of time. I am sure that not all bins suited all the parishioners but we had only a limited number to site. New sites could be considered in the future. All the grit was quickly removed and it was noted that gangs were formed to cover difficult and most used roads. That they are all full at present is due to Colin Hill who took it upon himself to inspect the bins and advise our Parish Clerk when refilling was needed.

A new Parish Council, District Council and most probably a referendum on Parliamentary elections will take place in early May. An opportunity arises at this time to offer yourself for election as a Parish Councillor.

As always we have the problem of parking throughout the village. Donne Lane, both top and bottom, gets most complaints of selfish and dangerous parking. Please be considerate as to where and how you park.

In spite of having two handy litter bins at the Village Hall, the amount of litter thrown down is intolerable. The village is fortunate to have one lady who removes much of it as she walks her little white dog, but consideration by all Parishioners would be greatly appreciated.

**Barry Savill-Daw**  
Chairman

## News and Views

If you would like your views to be aired, we will be delighted to include them in the newsletter, space permitting. Just get in touch with us and look forward to seeing your name in print.

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## Odcombe Carols

December 23<sup>rd</sup> 2010

Due to snow and icy conditions it was decided to cancel singing in Higher Odcombe. On Christmas



Eve the weather conditions in Lower Odcombe had improved. Eddie Upton, singers from quires around the area and the Odcombe singers continued the tradition in our village.

Singing through Lower Odcombe and at the Mason's Arms, the total amount collected was **£200** - £100 went to the church and £100 to the Village Hall. Returning to the Village Hall, Tony and Olive were there to greet us with a hot drink and mince pies. A sincere thanks to them, Eddie Upton and the singers who helped us.

As to the future, more villagers are required to learn and sing the twelve carols. A tradition for over 150 years.

**Harold Montacute**

## Odcombe Luncheon Club

Our lunches are, as usual, on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Numbers are fairly steady, but varying, of course, due to winter ailments. We always welcome visitors and new members. Menus are varied with three courses and coffee for £4.00, and there is no age limit.

Contact any of our helpers if you would like to come.

**Bridget Langdon** ☎ 862498



## An update on Ham Hill Country Park

Visitors to the Country Park will have noticed new fences being erected below the ice cream van car park and below the war memorial. These fences are part of the new Higher Level Stewardship scheme that Ham Hill is now part of. To protect the nationally important Iron Age earthworks the rangers and volunteers are carrying out woodland and scrub management on the slopes. By fencing these areas sheep can then be introduced to graze the land to prevent a return to scrub and then woodland. Woodland will be maintained

elsewhere in the Country Park where there isn't sensitive underlying archaeology. The fences and gateways have been designed to maintain public access. The ranger team will always erect sheep warning posters on these gates, so you know when to keep your dog on a lead. All the work is funded by Natural England as part of Ham Hill's Higher Level Stewardship scheme and is planned with the advice of archaeologists and ecologists to provide the best possible protection for the superb underlying archaeology and the existing site wildlife.

If you would like more information on the Country Park you could try our new web pages at [www.southsomersetcountryside.com](http://www.southsomersetcountryside.com). Available on line now is the events programme for 2011 including information about coppice training workshops and Easter egg hunts at Ham Hill. From April 2011 we will publish online the results of a new Archaeological Management Plan that is currently being undertaken for Ham Hill by Wessex Archaeology, so if you have a particular interest in the heritage of the area take a look later in the year for a full gazetteer of the site.

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**Katy Menday, Countryside Manager SSDC**



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# Odcombe Parish Church

The next Family Service will be on Sunday 6th March at 11.00. This is a short, enjoyable service, with young people taking part. Do come along and see for yourself.

The season of Lent starts in March, and, as well as the Lent Talks and Lent Lunches (five of which are conveniently hosted in our parish), there will be a Benefice Eucharist in Odcombe Church on Ash Wednesday, 9th March at 7.30 p.m. We hope you will be able to come to most if not all of these special Lenten meetings.

The next P.C.C. Meeting will be on 22nd March at 7.30 p.m. in the Old Dairy House, Lower Odcombe.

The Church Annual general meetings will be held on Sunday 17th April, after the Parish Eucharist. To vote at the A.G.M. you need to be included on the Church electoral roll, a copy of which is displayed on the notice board in the Church Porch. Please check that your details are correctly recorded on the roll, and let Derek Halsall know if you are not shown, or if any details need to be changed.

## Dates for your diary:

**6th March**, Sunday, 11.00, Family Service in Odcombe Church.

**9th March**, Ash Wednesday, 19.30, Benefice Eucharist in Odcombe Church.

The season of Lent is coming. There will be Lent Lunches on Fridays - 12.30 to 2 p.m. £2 or more if you wish - proceeds will be donated to charity.

Venues are as follow:-

**11th March** at The Old Dairy House, Lower Odcombe,

**18th March** at The Forge Batemore,

**25th March** at The Old Dairy House, Lower Odcombe,

**1st April** at Bank Farm, Lower Odcombe,

**8th April** at Yardlands, Montacute,

**15th April** at Bank Farm, Lower Odcombe.

There will also be weekly Lent Talks led by Rev'd John Jenkins in Lufton Church (the warmest church in the Benefice?) from Tuesday 15th March to Tuesday 12th April inclusive. Starting at 7.15 p.m.

**17th April**, 11.30, Church Annual General Meetings in Odcombe Church.

**Derek Halsall** ☎ **862613**



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The route also passes through **Lower Odcombe**. We are expecting in the region of 500 runners in the first year with a view to this being a regular fixture in the running calendar.

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## Odcombe Football Club

Since the last newsletter we have been trying to play as many games as the weather would permit. At one stage we had a mid winter break enforced upon us, not playing a single game between 11<sup>th</sup> December and 8<sup>th</sup> January. We even had to postpone our Christmas Social at The Royal George as the weather for travelling to and from the venue was deemed too risky to try. The Christmas Social turned into a late January get together at the same venue and a good time was had by all.



On the pitch the First team had a run in the Somerset Intermediate Cup travelling to Wincanton Town (their best junior football team) and ran out 3-1 winners which gave us a home tie against Wells City A (another good junior team) who we managed to beat 3-2 with a last minute penalty by club captain Barry Facey. The

visitors must have been kicking themselves after that game as they missed quite a few decent chances to put the game beyond us but we kept plugging away and enjoyed the victory that much more.

This gave us a home tie against Sampford Blues of the Taunton league who had already seen off several Yeovil and District league teams in this cup, and we added to their list. Nathan Boon's early penalty gave us the lead but when they upped the pace of the game we found it hard to keep up with them and they eventually ran out 5-1 winners. So that was one cup we won't be parading this year.

The Charity Cup saw the first team lose 4-1 at Martock and in the Les King Cup the first team went out at Milborne Port 6-2 having had our keeper sent off just before half time for a hotly disputed professional foul (you know the one where the goalkeeper comes out to get the ball, the forward taps it past him then falls over even when the keeper doesn't touch him), no chance of an action replay! but the reserves are through to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of both the Les King Cup (they had a bye) and The Hayward Cup (Martock Reserves couldn't field a team) without playing a game.

There are still the divisional cups to play for so all our Saturday's (weather permitting) should be busy. In the leagues both teams are mid table which is an achievement in its self as on previous seasons we are usually involved in relegation dog fights. Both managers Steve Cook and Liam Rogers have had their work cut out trying to get full teams plus subs each week but we have managed to put out competitive sides on most match days.

There has been a steady influx of new players but we are always on the look out for the next David Beckham so if you fancy a go come along to training (details on the website). We still retire to The Royal George at West Coker for our post match inquest and thank them for their hospitality. You can get any up to date news about the club on our website [www.clubwebsite.co.uk/odcombcecity](http://www.clubwebsite.co.uk/odcombcecity) or contact **Glenn Seymour** on **01935 863961** or [grseymour@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:grseymour@tiscali.co.uk)

## Odcombe Walkers

A number of us celebrated the end of another successful Walkers year with a Christmas Meal at the Lord Nelson in Norton Sub Hamdon. Excellent food and a good time was had by all.

We have of course also done a fair bit of walking since then, despite the bitter weather.

During November and December the walks included Chard Reservoir Nature Reserve, Combe St. Nicholas, Curry Rivel and Hardington Mandeville.



The first walk of 2011, from Over Stratton, was particularly well supported with 20 Members (plus a few dogs) taking part. Everyone presumably keen to walk off the excesses of the festive season.

Since then our walks have included Mudford, Illminster and East Lambrook with many more planned.

A belated Happy New Year to everyone and good walking.

**Terry Living** ☎ **862315**

## Newsletter Costs

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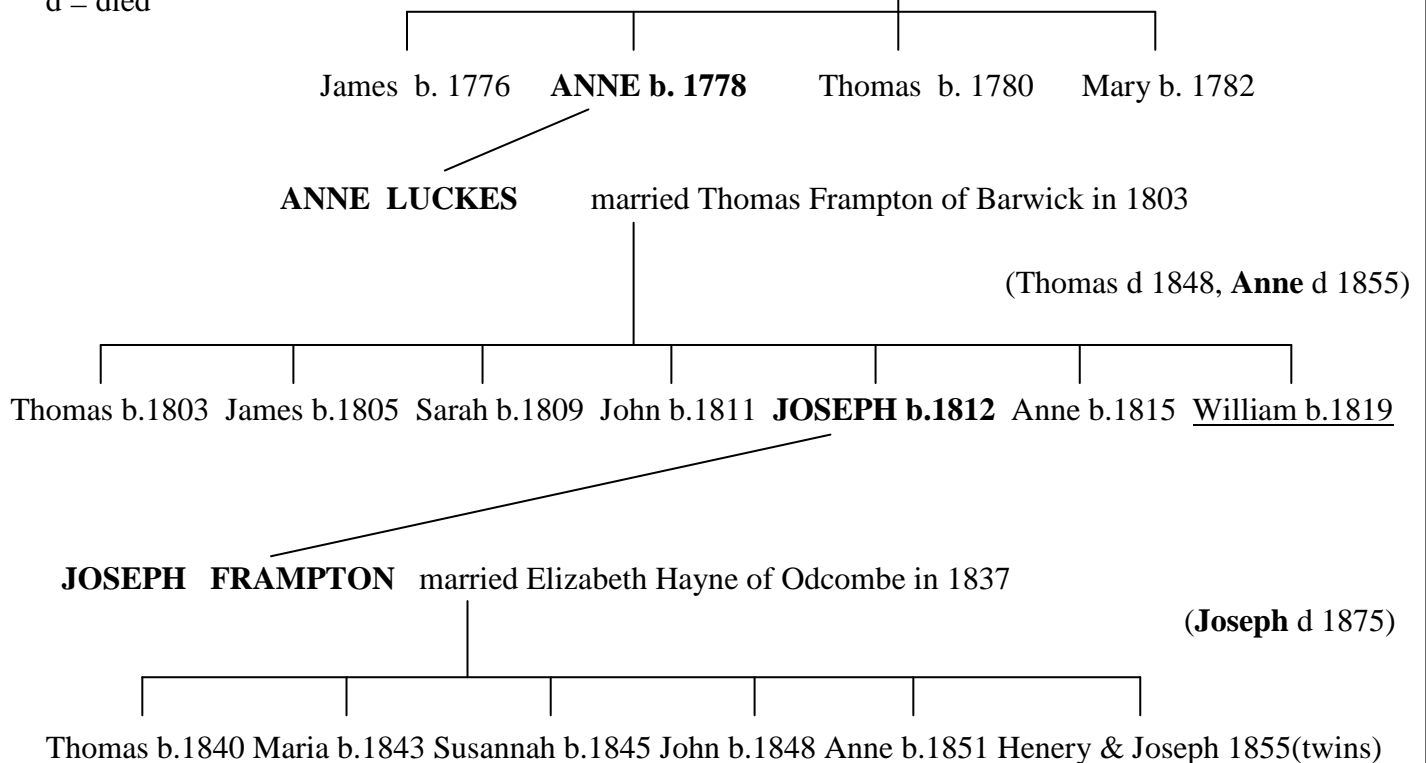
## Links with the Past

As Secretary to the Village Hall Committee for several years I 'inherited' an eclectic mix of historical paperwork for safe-keeping. These include transcripts of Parish Records and excerpts from the 1881 census. I wondered if residents of Odcombe old and new might be interested in some of the Social History of the village. I picked a name at random and traced both forward and back in time and this is what I came up with. **2011 is a Census year**

(Thomas Luckes was baptised in Odcombe  
24<sup>th</sup> May **1752** son of John and Mary Luckes)

**THOMAS** married Sarah Dade of Brympton in 1775

b = born  
d = died



The 1881 census has an Elizabeth Frampton (? **Joseph's** wife) aged 65, occupation Publican (retired). She is listed as head of family with two grandchildren, Thomas aged 15 and Elizabeth aged 10, living with her at 8 Lower Odcombe. What happened after that? I am fairly sure I have recently spoken to descendants of William b. 1819 (underlined above) who lived in the village and were connected with the old Odcombe Inn.

### As a timeline.....

- When in **1752** the Gregorian calendar replaced the Julian calendar there was a discrepancy of 11 days. Parliament decreed that when people went to bed on Weds. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. the next day would be Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. There were riots because people thought they would be losing 11 days of their life. Did the people of Odcombe riot and how would they have known about it?
- From **1799 to 1815** The Napoleonic Wars. Would Odcombe men have gone to fight at the Battles of Trafalgar or Waterloo?
- Robert Stephenson was born in **1803** who with his father George designed the steam driven engine. Isambard Kingdom Brunel was born in **1806** and he was appointed chief engineer to the Great Western Railway in **1833**. If you watched the television series *Lark Rise to Candleford*, set at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, you will have seen that this was a pivotal point in rural history. The close knit, peaceful rural community began transformation through agricultural mechanism, better communication and expanding towns.

**Diane Francis, February 2011**

# Odcombe Scenes from the Past



Odcombe Carnival participants from left to right we think they are...  
Rene Holland, Barbara Brooks, Philip Montacute, Keith Harris, Marion Harris, Pat Brooks, Valerie Sartin, Gordon Holland, Florrie Montacute, Ethel Holland, Betty Timbrell, Nigel King, Stella Long, Janet King, Jack Holland, and Len Timbrell.  
Do you know in which year this photograph was taken on the Green at Lower Odcombe?



Where is this, and is the lamp-post still there?

## All Saints Church of England Primary School



As ever the school continues to benefit from the local people and the community in so many ways. The governors and I are extremely grateful to all those members of the community who supported our 'Sponsor a Stone' Appeal, the new staff room and office area is complete. It is wonderful that the staff now have somewhere they can all sit down together and have a break! The children have also been enjoying cooking in this area, as there is more space for groups to cook than in the smaller kitchen area next to the hall.

We had to close the school on the last day of the autumn term due to the severe weather, which unfortunately meant that our Christmas Party had to be cancelled. So this Friday we are holding a Mad Hatter's Tea Party, we are linking the party with the World Book Day Celebrations, so don't be surprised if you see lots of book characters wandering around!

The children have been really busy attending many sporting events, such as Cross Country, Girls Football Tournaments, Boys Football Tournaments, Netball matches and tournaments. The children always play with great enthusiasm and with a superb sporting attitude, encouraging others and supporting all the members of the team. They really are a credit to All Saints.

The school submitted two applications to the Local Authority to link with partner schools one in London and one in France. We were overjoyed when we found out that both applications had been successful. Class 5 have established a link with Greenleaf Primary School in Walthamstow, London. The children will be looking at 4 key questions throughout the project, which are:

- Who am I?
- Who are we?
- How are we different?
- How can we live together?

Each child in Class 5 has a partner from Greenleaf Primary School. In January Class 5 went to Stonehenge to meet their partners, all the children really enjoyed the experience and learned a lot.

Our second link is with a school in France, one of our teachers Mrs Bridge went to France in November to visit the school and find out what school life was like. Our French link teacher Vanessa was due to visit us in February, but unfortunately she was unable to come due to a family bereavement. Mrs Bridge is working with Class 4; they have exchanged songs and various activities. This exchange is really helping the children to experience what life is like in France, they are able to ask questions and find out the answers to questions which they might not be able to find out in books or via the internet. We hope that Vanessa will be able to re-arrange her visit as we feel this will be very beneficial for the children at All Saints.

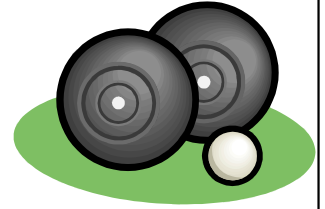
We will be holding a Mother's Day Service in



## Odcombe Short Mat Bowls

At last signs of spring are showing and after such a cold spell, and with conditions for travel so treacherous, we are getting back to normal. We had to cancel a number of games making our league programme fuller than normal.

Prior to Christmas we had our annual Xmas social and this year it was held at the Castle Inn, West Coker. Not only did we have an enjoyable evening, we completed our annual fund raising for the Children's Hospice SW, mainly made up from club penalties, draws and donations.



For the first time we have players taking a spring break and they will be off to the Isle of Wight, to a hotel in Sandown, for a few days. Having been there before we know they are in for a nice stay with some competitive bowling.

At the end of spring some of our players will be competing at the Blackbrook Bowling Centre, Taunton, in the County Championships. Teams from all over Somerset compete and though we have never reached the final we have had some good results along the way.

Summer time will find us catching up on friendly games. We travel to clubs all over Somerset and Dorset.

**Tony Helliar** ☎ **862861**  
Secretary



St Catherine's of Montacute, further details will come out to you.

We are also trying something new this year, we are holding a focus day at the school called Experience Easter on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April**, any help with the organisation or help on the day would be greatly appreciated please contact me at the school.

**On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April** there will be a Spring Bonnet Parade. We will leave school, in our 'bonnets', at about 10.30am so would aim to be walking around the village of Montacute at about 10.40 -11.00am. We plan to stop in the Borough for a photograph so if you are out and about that morning – please do come along and see the children's Spring hats and head-gear!

Our Easter Eggstravaganza will also take place on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April** in the school hall at 2pm. Please do come along and see this wonderful performance to celebrate Easter.

My, very best wishes

**Paula Park, Head Teacher** ☎ **01935 826626**

# *Scott Little*

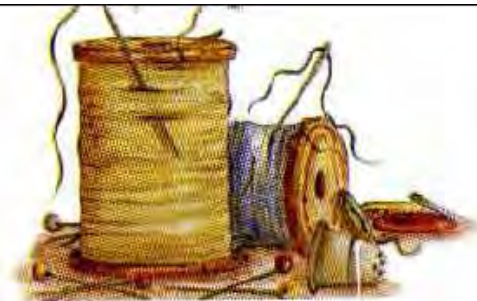
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## ODCOMBE

### OUR VILLAGE

### OUR SCHEME

Police are urging all those who store fuel to be extra vigilant. This includes businesses, schools, farms and residents. The rise in fuel prices may result in an increase in thefts of fuel, not only from fuel pumps and fuel tanks but from storage areas too. Below are some ways in which you can protect yourself from fuel theft:

#### Oil Storage Tanks

- Consider using 'bundled' fuel tanks if your existing storage facility is not of that type
- Install security lighting
- Site the tank so that it is visible from the house and as far away as possible from roads
- Make access to the tank as difficult as possible by using fencing with a lockable access gate or perhaps a thorny hedge
- Install cages and/or improve security that surrounds fuel storage tanks
- A remote oil level gauge situated in the house will give warning of any sudden drop in oil level by sounding an alarm
- Lock the filler cap using a good quality padlock
- Conceal or cover any external pipes and fuel lines
- Consider installing fuel cap and tank alarms
- Join a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme
- Security measures, which directly affect the tank or pipe work, should always be installed in consultation with the tank supplier
- Report any suspect activity to the police straight away
- Regularly check your fuel levels - sensors that monitor levels from inside the home are available

#### Car fuel

- Secure vehicles in a garage where possible
- Consider the use of locking fuel caps
- Re-fuel vehicles just before the planned journey rather than leaving a vehicle fully fuelled overnight

- Park vehicles in areas that are well lit so they can be observed easily
- Use secure parking areas or compounds when vehicles are parked overnight
- Consider the use of alarms
- Fit anti-siphoning devices
- Use defensive parking techniques (park with filler cap against a wall)

For more information or to request a copy of the Fuel Safe leaflet, please contact your Neighbourhood Policing Team on 0845 456 7000 Further crime reduction advice is also available at:

[www.avonandsomerset.police.uk](http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk)

If you have any information about any crime contact the police on 0845 456 7000 or you can call anonymously to the independent charity Crimestoppers 0800 555 111.

If you wish to contact the local Beat Manager or Police Community Support Officer phone 0845 456 7000 or email them direct:

**PC Justin Pitman** – Neighbourhood Beat Manager

[Justin.pitman@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:Justin.pitman@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

**PCSO Tony Over** – Police Community Support Officer

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My thanks to the 22 street NHW Co-ordinators throughout the village who volunteer their time to make our scheme work. Co-ordinators are still required for Broadway cul-de-sac and Orchard Path/Church Terrace. If you feel able to help, please make contact. Many thanks.

**Denise Dunford**

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There ↓	<b>Service N12</b> Daily Monday to Friday	& Back ↑
<b>10:32</b>	Higher Odcombe - by the church	<b>13:49</b>
<b>10:37</b>	Lower Odcombe - Masons Arms	<b>13:45</b>
<b>10:44</b>	Preston Grove surgery	<b>13:35</b>
<b>10:49</b>	Hendford Lodge surgery	<b>13:32</b>
<b>10:52</b>	Yeovil - Borough	<b>13:28</b>
<b>Go 'green' – use the bus!</b>		

## Regulars in the Village Hall...

<b>Post Office</b>	Mondays - 9:00 to 12:00 noon Fridays - 9:30 to 11:30 am	
<b>Doctor's Surgery</b>	Mondays - 1:30 pm	Dr Cox ☎ 862212
<b>Short Mat Bowls</b>	Mondays - 2:30 to 4:30 pm Wednesdays - 7:00 to 10:00 pm Fridays - 7:00 to 10:00 pm	Tony Helliar ☎ 862861
<b>Mums and Toddlers</b>	Tuesdays - 9:30 to 11:30 am	Gaynor Salsby ☎ 863117
<b>Higashi Karate Kai</b>	Tuesdays - 5:45 to 7:00 pm	Malcolm Glover ☎ 07883 067592
<b>Whist Drive</b>	Thursdays - 8:00 pm	Joyce Holland ☎ 863545
<b>Parish Council (public welcome)</b>	3rd Monday in month - 7:30 pm	Mrs E.M. James MCILM ☎ 424332 clerk@odcombeparishcouncil.gov.uk
<b>Luncheon Club</b>	1st & 3rd Wednesdays in month - 12:30	Bridget Langdon ☎ 862498

## Other activities in the Village...

<b>Odcombe Walkers</b>		Peter Woolley ☎ 863656
<b>Odcombe Football Club</b>		Glenn Seymour ☎ 863961
<b>Neighbourhood Watch</b>	Local representatives around the village	Denise Dunford ☎ 863444
<b>St. Peter &amp; St. Paul Parish Church</b>	All at 11:00 am	Rev'd John Jenkins ☎ 863034
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parish Eucharist every Sunday</li> <li>• Family Service 1st Sunday</li> <li>• Parish Eucharist 2nd, 3rd &amp; 4th Sunday</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jan. Jun. Jul. Aug.</li> <li>• Feb. to May and Sep. to Dec.</li> <li>• Feb. to May and Sep. to Dec.</li> </ul>	

## Special events coming up...

	<b>11th March to 15th April - Lent Lunches</b> 12:30 to 2:00pm	For a list of dates and venues see page 7.
	<b>27th March - Yeovil Half Marathon</b> Starts at Huish Park 9:00am	The route will take in many of the features of Yeovil and also passes through <b>Lower Odcombe</b> .
	<b>2nd April - Fun Quiz Evening</b> at the Village Hall 7:30 for 8:00	Teams of 4 - 6 people, £5 per person to include a 'spud' supper, wine/beer/soft drinks at reasonable prices.
	<b>5th April - Easter Activities</b> at All Saints Primary School	Spring Bonnet parade and Easter Eggstravaganza - see All Saints news on page 13.
	<b>20th August - The 2011 Flower Show</b> at the Village Hall	Details later in the year.
	<b>3rd December - Crafty Christmas &amp; Fun Quiz</b> at the Village Hall	Advanced notice.

<b>Contacts...</b>	<b>Hall Lettings</b>	Jackie Collins ☎ 862017
	<b>News Items</b>	Colin Hill ☎ 863193 or Diane Francis ☎ 863832
	<b>Newsletter Adverts</b>	John King ☎ 863165
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