

# East Boldre *and beyond* e-newsletter

01 April 2025

Hello Everyone

There's a lot of local news this month and a couple of reminders plus the usual monthly police report in our Neighbourhood Watch section. Please don't forget to send in your notices and advertise your events in this free newsletter. And please tell your friends about it or forward a copy to them. They can request a copy on the village website using the link above.

## HMS Agamemnon - Navigating the Legend A Talk at East Boldre Village Hall by Mary Montagu-Scott



Mary Montagu-Scott, Director of the Buckler's Hard Maritime Museum, will tell the story of Lord Nelson's favourite ship, built and launched in 1781, and after a very distinguished 28-year Naval service record, including the Battle of Trafalgar, ended up wrecked in 1809 on the River Plate off Uruguay.



Mary has returned from diving on the wreck with a team of maritime archaeologists from the UK and Uruguay, who seek to record and preserve the wreck and its famous memory, before she is lost by time and tide.



Mary has recently fulfilled her long held dream to see the wreck, those huge timbers, made from Beaulieu Oak planted around us in the 17th century, survive against all the odds, miles from home under the sea.

What does the wreck reveal? And how can we protect her? What can we learn about her, the only surviving Buckler's hard built ship in the world?

Mary will tell the story of all the six Royal Navy "Agamemons" including the latest and the recently launched Astute class hunter killer nuclear submarine.

Mary Montagu-Scott Director of the Buckler's Hard Maritime Museum on the Beaulieu River, a very keen sailor, diver and passionate about Maritime history and heritage. She is on the board of the National Museum of the Royal Navy, HMS Medusa Trust and HMS Victory Preservation Company and the Buckler's Hard Shipyard Trust.



Venue: East Boldre Village Hall

Date: Friday 2 May 2025

Doors open 7:15 pm

Talk starts: 7:30 pm

Pre-order Fish and Chips for a 6:00 pm sitting at the Turfcutters (T: 01590 612331)

Wine, beer and soft drinks available.

Tickets £6, available from Wednesday 2 April from [TicketSource](#)

## News From East Boldre Chapel Stores

CHAPEL STORES  
— EST. 2023 —

## POP-UP CAFÉ



**EVERY THURSDAY AFTERNOON  
FROM 2 to 4pm**

Drop by and enjoy tea, coffee and delicious home-made  
cake

At very reasonable prices



**Plus NEW additional Café opening**

**EVERY FRIDAY from 11am to 1pm**

**From 25th April**

**SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY RUN  
SHOP**

Chapel Stores, in conjunction with St Barbe Museum, is hosting its third exhibition focusing on artist Paul Kidby's illustrations for Sir Terry Pratchett's Discworld series of books. It includes a couple of large and particularly striking pieces.



Copyright Paul Kidby

# Designing Discworld

at East Boldre Community Stores

**17 Mar - 14 April 2025**

**Monday to Saturday**

**10am - 5pm**

**Sunday**

**9:30am - 11:30**

This unique exhibition draws together a stunning selection of Paul Kidby's illustrations for Terry Pratchett's Discworld.

**East Boldre Community Store  
SO42 7WP**



**ST BARBE**  
MUSEUM+ART GALLERY  
LYMINGTON

**St Barbe Museum and  
Art Gallery**  
New Street, Lymington,  
Hampshire SO41 9BH

Gallery sponsored by Hallett Independent

Tel: **01590 676969**

[www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk](http://www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk)

St Barbe Museum and Art Gallery is an independent registered  
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## **BEAULIEU AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB**

**Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup>  
7.30pm, Beaulieu Village Hall**

**A talk on Designing and Planting a small garden  
By Andy McIndoe**

Andy McIndoe is a celebrated garden consultant and designer, author and lecturer. During his long career with Hillier Nurseries, he was responsible for 25 consecutive Gold Medals winning exhibits at  
**RHS Chelsea Flower Show**

**FREE admission to Club Members, just £4 for visitors**

**Come along and support your local club**

### **Coffee Morning at East Boldre Village Hall**

Coffee morning is 11 – 1 every second Saturday of the month. The next Coffee Morning is Saturday 12 April

Cakes, Coffee, Tea, squash for a donation.

Come and chat, meet up, books and puzzles available.  
Please come and support. Warm welcome to all.

**East Boldre Allotment Plots Now Available**

## East Boldre Allotments

### VACANT PLOTS... NOW AVAILABLE.

Contact: [clerk@eastboldre-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@eastboldre-pc.gov.uk)

*Do you have green fingers and not enough space to grow your own fruits, vegetables or flowers?*

*Do you enjoy the great outdoors and want some rewarding exercise?*

**Having an allotment is a boost for personal well being, for your mind and body. We have different size plots available and a friendly association waiting to welcome you on site.**



We have a mix of experience and abilities and a community of growers willing to share ideas, a helping hand or give advice.

We work closely with the parish council rep to ensure plot holders maintain cultivation and share the pride for our special site.

We like to bring plot holders together for a catch up at the community shed, we have held summer BBQs, quiz nights, meetings with speakers and even pumpkin competitions and family friendly events.

We'd love to show you around and get you growing.

## HOPe New Forest – Update and More Volunteers Required

The benefits of befriending are as impactful for the volunteers as well as clients. Fiona volunteered with HOPe initially as a befriender to increase her social circle after moving to the area. Fiona was paired with Ellen. Two years later, they have nurtured their friendship with several shared past life coincidences, lots of laughter, a space to air grievances & enjoying each other's company. Fiona visits weekly and can truly say she enjoys sharing time, learning about things and having the comfort of a friend. The world may grow smaller as age creeps up, but friends of any age, any experience, can bring the outside in.

HOPe Befriending Service has been welcomed with open arms making a positive impact to the isolated older generation living in our neighbourhoods. Relationships are blossoming and the feedback received from both Client and Volunteers makes it so worthwhile.

"I love our chats the time goes so quickly."

"I now have a new friend."

"I enjoy having someone to tell my worries"

"A very nice gentleman. We have been singing, talking about his family, going through photographs"

"I was looking to volunteer for something worthwhile and Befriending has given me so much in return."

We still need more volunteers to bring some happiness to more of our older people. If you are interested, go to [www.hopenewforest.org/befriending](http://www.hopenewforest.org/befriending)

## Boldre Parish History Society - Two Additional Talks

Friday, 11th April: Speaker: Don Mackenzie  
"Sir Harry Burrard Neale, the Monument and the Burrard Family"

Friday, 9th May: Speaker: Ray Mayes  
"The History of the King's House, Lyndhurst"

Both talks will take place at Boldre War Memorial Hall at 7:00 pm.

## Holy Week & Easter Services at Beaulieu Abbey Church Buckler's Hard Chapel St Katherine's Exbury St Paul's East Boldre

### **Palm Sunday 13 April**

9:30 am Procession through Beaulieu High Street. Blessing palms and following Eyeore the donkey. Music by Beaulieu Band.  
10:30 am Eucharist at Beaulieu Abbey Church.

### **Monday of Holy Week 14 April**

Pilgrimage Walk from Lepe to Exbury  
3:45 pm Meet at Lepe House, then walk along the beach via Lepe Loop to Exbury.  
Refreshments en route.  
6:00 pm Twenty-minute service of Compline at St Katherine's.

### **Tuesday of Holy Week 15 April**

Pilgrimage Walk from Beaulieu to Buckler's Hard.  
3:45 pm Meet at Abbey Church, then walk along the footpath to Buckler's Hard.  
Refreshments at The Master Builder's.  
6:00 pm Twenty-minute service of Compline in the BH Chapel.

### **Wednesday of Holy Week 16 April**

6:00 pm Compline at St Paul's, East Boldre.

### **Maundy Thursday 17 April**

7:30 pm Paschal Eucharist at Beaulieu Abbey Church. With hand and foot washing and with stripping of altar and vigil. Featuring the Cantores Michaelis Choir.

### **Good Friday 18 April**

2:00 pm Musical Reflections of the Stations of the Cross at Beaulieu Abbey Church. Come for a few minutes or stay for the hour.  
7:00 pm Music at Beaulieu's Come and Sing Stainer's Crucifixion, Tickets are £10 and available from [www.musicatbeaulieu.org](http://www.musicatbeaulieu.org) . Doors open at 5:30 pm for those wishing to sing.

### **Saturday Easter Eve 19 April**

5:00 pm St Paul's East Boldre. Beginning with Hot Cross Buns and an Easter Egg Hunt, we have a short Taize style mini-service, before heading outside to light the Easter Fire.

### **Easter Sunday 20 April**

6:00 am Sunrise Outdoor Eucharist on the Village Green (Timbrells) by the Beaulieu River.

8:00 am BCP Holy Communion at Buckler's Hard.

9:30 am Sung Eucharist at Beaulieu Abbey Church ending with an Easter egg hunt.

11:30 am Easter Morning at St Katherine's, Exbury, ending with an Easter egg hunt.

## **Services at Beaulieu, Exbury and East Boldre Churches**

For full details of Church Services at Beaulieu, Exbury and East Boldre, [go to the Beaulieu Churches website](#).

## **Neighbourhood Watch**

### **Cyber Bobby Scheme**

Helping to protect people and vulnerable residents in Hampshire from becoming victims of cybercrime.

The scheme from the Blue Lamp Trust offers FREE home visits giving advice and guidance about basic IT security and how to avoid being affected by a cybercrime or a cyber-enabled crime.

We visit residents who are:

- Vulnerable due to age (over 60)
- Disabled (over 18)
- Previous victim of cyber crime

One of our police vetted Cyber Advisors, will visit to advise on:

- What is cybercrime?
- Cyber and scam prevention advice
- How to check privacy settings
- Signposting to other advice and resources
- How to report issues
- How to recognise scam emails and text messages

For more information, to request a visit or to make a referral for someone you know <https://www.bluelamptrust.org.uk/about-cyber-bobby/>

Call 0300 777 0157 opt 1

Email [cyber@bluelamptrust.org.uk](mailto:cyber@bluelamptrust.org.uk)

### **Local Beat Report**

In April, please join us at one of our Beat Surgeries –

Our next 'Walking in Partnership Beat Surgery' will be at 9am on Sunday 6th April at the WILVERLEY INCLOSURE Car Park (BH25 5TZ) or the What3Words are strange.kebab.outhouse. Forestry England host guided walks throughout the Forest and this is the third time we have joined them for these events that are aimed at encouraging solo walkers and those people who don't feel comfortable walking alone. We hold several Beat Surgeries every month and they are your opportunity to ask us about Policing in your area and they give us the chance to share with you the latest safety and crime prevention advice. This 'Walking in Partnership Beat Surgery'

also means you get to enjoy the New Forest. The walk will take a circular route of approximately 3 miles and will be on gravel paths. If you want more information, please email [richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk](mailto:richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk).

Other Beat Surgeries in April will be with the Ashurst and Colbury Neighbourhood Watch team at the Happy Cheese in Ashurst at 11am on Tuesday 8th and then an hour later at midday we will be on Brookley Road in Brockenhurst opposite Tesco.

On Friday 18th April (Good Friday) we will be holding one of our partner agency meetings in one of the New Forest's many car parks. From 8am for an hour come and see us at the Dibden Inclosure car park when we will be joined by Forestry England, the National Park Authority and New Forest DOG.

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>, join us at the Bramshaw Village Stores at 8am, at 9am outside the Post Office in Bartley and then on Wednesday 30th at the Lyndhurst Parish Council Offices at the Community Centre at 11am.

Our Beat Surgeries last for 30 minutes, unless demand is high of course, but as we always say if you can't come to any of these meetings you can always call or email us, but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website. Of course, if it's an emergency always call 999.

This month, seven outbuildings and sheds have been broken into at Culverley, Hill Top, Beaulieu, Lyndhurst, Ashurst and Bramshaw and various items stolen. Happily, a golf buggy and tools taken from the site at Hilltop have been recovered and returned to their owner. Also this month, vehicles have been stolen from the Longslade car park area of the Forest and from a repair and body shop in Cadnam. A large off road ATV has also been taken from a holding in Stoney Cross, and agricultural machinery was stolen from a site at Ower while an attempt was also made to break into some outbuildings on an estate in Cadnam.

So far this month only one car parked in one of our beauty spot car parks in the Forest has been broken into and that was at Brock Hill on the Rhinefield Ornamental Drive but two bicycles have been stolen from outside a pub at Emery Down. The bikes were locked up but that didn't put the thieves off.

Elsewhere criminal damage was caused to a van parked on a driveway in East Boldre and several complaints have been made by the Brockenhurst Speed Watch team about the abuse they have received while carrying out their surveys. We will be following up these complaints and taking action against anyone we can identify.

Eleven shopliftings have been reported to us this month, nine of them from the Co Op and one from the Tesco in Brockenhurst and another from the camping shop in Lyndhurst and both used and new cooking oil has been stolen from a pub at Cadnam and a Care Home in Lyndhurst.

Finally this month's excuses during OP MOUNTIE on the 40 mph stretch between Hatchet Pond and Brockenhurst at the HawkHill Inclosure were –

*"I'm late and need to drop my child off at the bus stop"* – driver recorded doing 56 mph.

*"I'm late and need to drop my child off at the train station"* – recorded doing 59 mph.

*"I'm off to play golf"* – recorded doing 58mph.

We also stopped a motorcyclist who was doing 50mph to get round a bus because it was going too slowly.

OP MOUNTIE is our multi agency approach to reducing speed and animal accidents across the Forest and as well as the four tickets that were issued for the speeds over 50mph another four drivers were spoken to by our colleagues at Forestry England and on the New Forest Roads Awareness Team. Again this does mean that, as

always, the vast majority of drivers did stick to the limit for which we are all extremely grateful.

Your local Police team:

[richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk](mailto:richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk) 07554 775469

[mark.roberts.24091@hampshire.police.uk](mailto:mark.roberts.24091@hampshire.police.uk) 07392 314340

## Dates for your Diary

### Music at Beaulieu

Tickets for all concerts except Glyndebourne can be bought online.

It is possible to buy tickets directly from the Ticket Office by calling 07770 859900 and on the day at the door, if the concerts are not sold out and subject to availability.

### Beaulieu and District Gardening Club

Membership is £10 per annum. Membership secretary Lynne Hubbard 01590 612408. Visitors to talks £4.

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5 April

Music at Beaulieu presents Music for Lent

11 April

Boldre Parish History Society – Speaker: Don Mackenzie. “Sir Harry Burrard Neale, the Monument and the Burrard Family”. Boldre War Memorial Hall at 7:00 pm

24 April

7.30pm, Beaulieu Village Hall. Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Talk by Andy McIndoe - Designing and Planting a small garden.

May Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Garden Visit - by kind invitation of Aline Fairweather full details nearer the time.

Friday 9 May

Boldre Parish History Society – Speaker: Ray Mayes “The History of the King’s House, Lyndhurst”. Boldre War Memorial Hall at 7:00 pm

10 May

Music at Beaulieu presents Fantasia Flute

20 May

Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Visit to Copthorne Nursery details to be confirmed nearer the time.

24 May

2-4pm Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Plant Sale, School Fields Hall, East Boldre.

29 May

7.30pm, Beaulieu Village Hall. Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Talk by Ben Turner on Mediterranean Gardening at Home and Abroad.

11 June

6pm Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Visit to Patrick's Patch, Beaulieu  
Guided tour by Head Gardener, Ginny Martin

14 June

Music at Beaulieu presents Salisbury Chamber Chorus

26 June

By kind invitation of Judy Donaldson - Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Summer Garden Party and garden visit. Further details nearer the time.

5 July

Music at Beaulieu presents Glyndebourne at Beaulieu

10 July

7.30pm Beaulieu Village Hall. Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Talk by Ray Broughton on Useful Plants and Topical Tips.

19 July

Beaulieu Village Fete. Stall run by the Beaulieu and District Gardening Club committee selling plants, pots, etc.

26 July

Music at Beaulieu presents The King's Men

23 August

Music at Beaulieu presents Spiral Jazz

6 September

Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Autumn Show at East Boldre Village Hall. Bring your exhibits to the hall between 9.30 and 11.15am. Judging starts at 11.30am. Show opens at 2.15pm and awards are made at 3.45pm.

9 September

10am to 12.00, Beaulieu and District Gardening Club visit to Chichester Nurseries, Exbury. Full details given nearer the time.

13 September

Music at Beaulieu presents Nova Clarinet Quintet

7 October

7.30pm, East Boldre Village Hall. Beaulieu and District Gardening Club A talk by Bryan Madders on Dahlias

1 November

Music at Beaulieu presents The King of Instruments (Organ)

6 November

6.30pm, Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Annual General Meeting, Beaulieu Village Hall, followed by refreshments.

6 December

Music at Beaulieu presents New Forest Choirs

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