

Sun. 11 Dec. BAZAAR 11.30 see below  
Wed 14 Dec W.I. at The George ( see para)  
Sat 17 Dec Carols by Candlelight (see Church)  
Mon 19 Dec STRICTLY....at the Hall (see para)  
Fri 23 Dec Carols-round-the- Village (see para)  
Sat 24 Dec The Midnight ( see Church )  
Wed 25 Jan Gardening Club ( see para.)

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The Bazaar is in the Hall, 11.30 – 2.30pm on **Sunday** the 11<sup>th</sup>. Donated items to the Hall, please, between 9 and 10 am. All the usual attractions and lots of fun. (see November issue) Do come along. Newlyn's sausages for lunch !

**AND** the Prospect Workshops at Quarley have their Christmas Sale both on the Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>. Always well worth visiting.

**Carols-round-the Village.** The Village Assocn. are reviving this practice. It will be on the evening of Fri.23 Dec. starting from the Hall at 5pm and gently carolling our way through the village, stopping at strategic points along the way. There will be an accordeon to get us to the right note, and possibly some *handbells*. **Please come along** and join us for all, or just a part of our tour. We will finish up at The Old Forge, no later than 7.15 for some seasonal hospitality. Come and help swell the sound of traditional carols in a trad village manner. Wrap up well and bring a torch.

**Church.** Two well loved and well supported services – Carols by Candlelight at 6pm on Sat 17<sup>th</sup>. Beautiful setting, readings, and all the great carols .

The “Midnight” at 11.30pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> . The very essence of the Season. Come all ye faithful !!

**Strictly** On Mon.19<sup>th</sup> the regular dance evening at the Hall becomes an open evening.....a *Strictly Come Dancing* fun evening, with a judging panel. social dancing, and Christmas frolics. From 7pm to 11pm. “American Buffet-bring a plate and bring a bottle”. Ticket prices Kids £5, Adults £7.50, Family ( 2x adults + 2 kids ) £20. Full details on web-site [www.dancezonebournemouth.com](http://www.dancezonebournemouth.com) or it might be easier just to go along to the Hall on the previous Mon.(12<sup>th</sup>) and talk to them.

**W.I.Report** In November, festive preparations were inspired by a fascinating practical demonstration on **decorative wreaths** and mini-topiary trees, given by Sally Burr. Moss raked from the lawn over the year, and saved, is an essential ingredient for the base of the wreath, and a raid

on the tool shed is advised, for filler to hold the trunk of the mini tree rigid in a flower pot base. Otherwise, it was a case of letting one's imagination take flight ; cuttings from garden shrubs, dried and sprayed pine cones, cinnamon sticks, baubles,tinsel and ribbons could all contribute to the design. There will not be a meeting in the Hall in December, instead we will be having a Christmas meal at The George on Wed. 14 Dec. , time 7pm for 7.30. For more info about the group please contact Pauline 400362, Claire 771803, or Gillian (Whiting) on 889946.

**Deaths** Eileen Mann of Stanbury Rd., but just moved to Willow Court, died on 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Richard Ward, formerly of Lambourne Close, and formerly Chairman of the Village Association died in Guy's Hospital on 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

**Gardening Club** Our last meeting of the year was a quiz night, and with the mince pies and mulled wine a good time was had by all.

A team consisting of Margaret Davis, Chris Goode, Jan Rennie and Gill Bally won the prizes donated by our chairman Chris Rome. The next meeting will be on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2012 when Ray Broughton will talk on *Pests and Diseases*

Definitions.....**WEED = MAIN GARDEN CROP !**

**Progressive Dinner Party** ( John Davis ) 15 couples took part in the recent P.D.Party, including four who had only recently moved into the village. Judging by the time that the last couple left the Hall, everybody certainly enjoyed themselves. It is proposed to hold the Spring PDP on Sat. 31<sup>st</sup> March, so please pencil it in your (new) diaries. Anyone who has never taken part, or would like more information, please contact John on 772711.

**Remembrance Service.** Once again this was a well-attended, memorable, and moving occasion, enhanced by the musical contribution of Ross and Claire Mallock. Thanks to the generosity of the congregation, and claiming all gift aid tax back, it was possible to donate £251.85 to the Royal British Legion.

Don't forget the **Christmas Quiz** where Village Assocn. members will be coming round to sell you a quiz sheet for £1 for V.A funds. Entries to reach John Davis by **3<sup>rd</sup> Jan.** and the results will be published in the January Thruxton Times. The First Prize will be a bottle of House of Commons Whisky signed by our M.P. Sir George Young.