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Chairman's comments

A Happy New Year to everyone.

Three years have passed since we opened as a community library and, as anticipated, the Parish Council has recently promised us a grant for the next three years, which is very encouraging.

Our thanks also to the Wimborne & Ferndown Singers, who kindly donated the proceeds from their carol concert at St Michael's, and also a donation from The 009 Society of railway modellers.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Anniversary Coffee Morning on January 30th in the Memorial Hall.

John Gooch, Chairman.

Another Big Thank You

.... To **One Stop** at Canford Bottom for their generous contribution to our funds raised by charitable activities.

We are very grateful for all the wonderful local support we receive.

Toddler Rhyme Time

Starts again on **Tuesday 5th January**, 10.00 – 10.30.

Colour It Special Interest Group - 8th Jan.

Colour It, Colehill Community Library's new Special Interest Group, is now established and gaining momentum. Members can choose from a wide selection of colouring designs with new modes being added. Some members have diversified, once again, to watercolour painting and we have all the equipment needed to take part in these relaxing and sociable activities.

Open to all with no need to book, why not come along and try something new for 2016. The group will run on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month between 10 am and 12 noon with the next being on **8th January**. Refreshments will be available for a donation.

Life on the Hill – 21st January

The next Life on the Hill meetings with Tracy Baines will be 10am on **January 21st** when she will help us with editing what we've collected so far, and the following meeting is on March 24th. Email us at ccl.lifeonthehill@gmail.com

Dementia Awareness - 23rd February

The Alzheimer's Society will be providing an information stand in the library on the afternoon of **Tuesday 23rd February** between 2pm and 5pm. Their representative will be very happy to answer questions.

For latest information: www.colehill.gov.uk/colehill-community-library or [facebook.com/colehillcommunitylibrary](https://www.facebook.com/colehillcommunitylibrary)

'Access to Research'

Try this new online reference source at dorsetforyou.com, which gives access to a wide range of academic articles and research. Subjects include art, architecture, business, engineering, history, languages, politics, philosophy, mathematics and the sciences and over 10 million articles are included. The content can only be accessed via the public computers in libraries.

Methodist Church Christmas Tree Festival

We were delighted to be invited to take part in the Colehill Methodist Church Christmas Tree Festival. Our thanks to Ruth and Maria for their work in decorating our tree.

Diary Dates

A full list of the events planned for 2016 is available in the library (and see overleaf) and we are looking for volunteers to help us with three in the Memorial Hall – the Coffee Morning, the refreshments for the CoMaD Pantomime (12-14 Feb) and the Fashion Show, and also the Fish &



to celebrate
Colehill Community Library's
3rd birthday

Coffee & Cake
Crafts and Book Sale



Saturday, 30th January

10 a.m. till 11.30 in the Memorial Hall

Come along and bring your friends

Fund-raising for Colehill Community Library
(charity no. 1151552)

Chip Supper in St Michael's Hall. Please sign the list at the library desk if you can offer us an hour or two.

- February 19th Fish & Chips + entertainment by Dead Eyes (winner of Wimborne Buskers Competition) in St Michael's Hall
- March 11th Travelling Trends Fashion Show in Memorial Hall
- March 19th Family Easter Event / Coffee morning in Memorial Hall
- April 16th Dorset Police Male Voice Choir in St Michael's Church
- June 1st Coach trip to Hampton Court
- June 26th Colehill Gardens Gadabout in conjunction with the Hardy Plant Society – refreshments in Memorial Hall - 11am-5pm
- August 31st Coach trip to Highclere Castle
- October 21st Friday Night is Music Night

Special Interest Groups

Give them a try in the New Year! A full list is on the website, but please note a couple of changes:

There will be a special **Family History Group** session on Gedcom files and tree software on February 4th.

The **Local History Group** will not be meeting on Thursday mornings for a while, but watch this space for special talks and events about the history of Colehill.

Housebound/Good Neighbour

A reminder that the library is happy to help provide books to anyone who is unable to visit the library in person. Just phone us on 01202 886676 for information.

IT Help

Received a smartphone or tablet for Christmas and would like some help with it? Book a free (donations accepted!) appointment with Jeff on a Tuesday morning to get started.

Struggling to keep New Year Resolutions?

Here are some suggestions for a few easy ones to keep!

- Join the library/encourage someone else to join the library
- Borrow an extra book (or two)
- Sign up to receive the Newsletter online (just ask at the Library desk or email focolnews@gmail.com)
- Encourage someone else to receive our Newsletter on line
- Try out one or all of our Thursday and Friday morning activities
- Bring a small person to the Toddler Rhyme Time on a Tuesday morning
- Sign up for free advice on how to use your latest phone/tablet etc
- Enjoy some of our fundraising activities
- Join our team of volunteers
- Just pop in to browse and enjoy the library.

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COLEHILL CONUNDRUMS ! (Part 5)

Kindly supplied by Jan Seal.

What sign was beside the road at the bottom of North Leigh Lane in early 20th C ?

- A. Use Home Rein ?
- B. 20 mph ?
- C. Steep Hill?

How and when was a library started in Colehill?

- A. 200 books donated by Mrs Lees in 1913?
- B. County Council education committee grant ?
- C. Collection of unwanted reading material from residents ?

What did the children of Middlehill school celebrate in May 1900?

- A. Teacher's birthday
- B. Relief of Mafeking
- C. The new century

Dumpton School moved from Kent in 1939. Where to?

- A. Crichel
- B. Kingston Lacy
- C. Canford

Where was Saugreen preparatory boarding school until 1939?

- A. Bells House
- B. Furzehill Council Offices
- C. Onslow House

What did the G stand for in Colonel Leopold G Paget's name?

- A. Graham
- B. Gunnhild
- C. Grimstone

Answers will be provided on the website from the end of January if you can't wait for the next issue!

November (Part 4) Answers:

- C. On the corner of Middlehill Road and Lonnen Road
- B. To honour his wife's maiden name.
- C. Traded on Sunday when she had no licence to trade on
- B. Assaulted a policeman. \ the Lord's Day.

Nature Note

Of the many wildlife encounters Malcolm and I have within the Colehill Library grounds, the oft spotted troops of small fungi amongst the rotting leaf litter causes the most scratching of heads. We've puzzled over clusters of Inocybes, Clitocybes, Collybias and, just recently, Tubarias. These are visible now – look for pale brown caps up to 2cm diameter on stalks up to 3cm tall sticking up from the leaf litter near the bird table. We are not sure what species they are and they are not exciting to look at but nonetheless are good to see. They help rot the dead leaves making humic-rich soil. Good news for all gardeners. *Christine.*

The History, Myths & Legends of Colehill

Jan Seal's new book was launched at Colehill Community Library on Saturday 14th November.

On sale in the library, £9.99 (please ask at the desk)

