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Chairman's chat

After previous comments about holding the AGM over the Bank Holiday weekend, it was encouraging to see more people than last year. Thank you to those good people who spared their time on a sunny afternoon to show their support for the library and nice to meet old friends again.

For anyone who doesn't see the accounts, the library made a surplus of £1261 in the year to 31 March 2016, bringing the cumulative funds to £18,350.

An excellent result from everyone – volunteers, supporters and customers.

Enjoy the rest of the summer. *John Gooch, Chairman.*

Classes of Membership

A query was raised at the AGM regarding membership and who was allowed to vote.

'Shareholders' are Members of the Company (CCL Ltd.) and in the event that the company is dissolved, may be required to contribute a sum, not exceeding £10 each. They can vote at General Meetings of the Company, become directors/trustees, etc.

'Supporters' (formerly known as Friends) pay an annual sub to join and support the library, but do not have a vote and have no liability in the event of a winding-up.

We are all members of the community and the library is grateful for your continued support.

'Life on the Hill' Anthology



Colehill Community Writing Project

During September and October all your lovely pieces of writing for the Life on the Hill Anthology will be professionally proofread, digitised, and then sent for printing. We will keep you informed about the progress on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ccl.lifeonthehill/

Query: Does anyone know which house Tim Berners-Lee lived in (Cutlers Place or Colehill Lane)?

The book will be available to buy in November, with our official launch date on **Saturday morning November 12th at 10a.m.** in Colehill Community Library. We anticipate that demand will be high, so book the date now to be sure of getting your hands on a copy "hot off the press"!

For more information email ccl.lifeonthehill@gmail.com

Special Interest Groups

In the Library, 10am - noon. Please check the noticeboard or the website for changes to the schedule.

Thursday September 1st	– Family History
Friday September 9th	– Colour It
Thursday September 15th	– Just Write
Thursday September 29th	– Knit and Natter
Friday September 30th	– Colour It
Thursday October 6th	– Family History
Thursday October 20th	– Just Write
Thursday October 27th	– Knit and Natter
October Colour It dates	– TBA

Summer Reading Challenge

This has been as well supported as ever at Colehill and we have enjoyed the buzz in the library from all our young borrowers' enthusiasm for reading. A reminder that the Challenge draws to a close in mid September, so if you

Fund-raising for Colehill Community Library

Thai Night
Three course
authentic Thai meal

Friday 28th October

7 for 7.30 p.m.

Colehill Memorial Hall

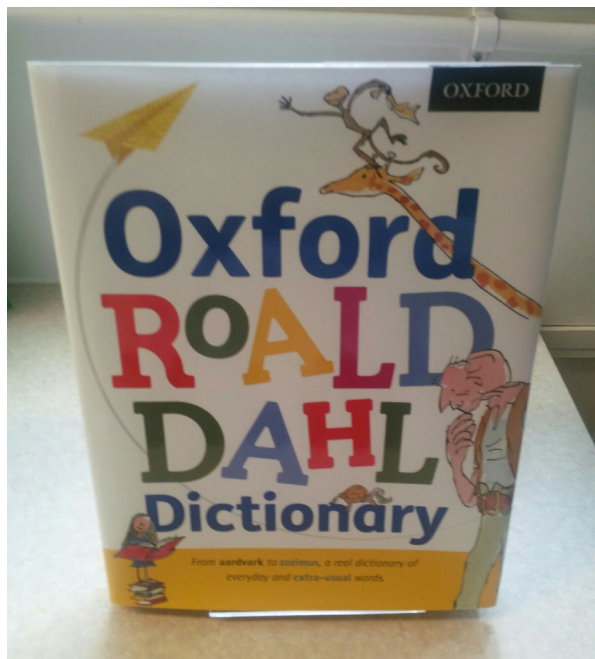
£25

Tickets on sale in the Library, must be pre-booked

Bring your own drinks and glasses

For further information contact
07792 620688

haven't completed yet, pop in and tell us about the books you have been reading and collect your medal. **If you did not get around to signing up but have been reading all summer it is not too late.** Remember that everyone finishing the Challenge at Colehill will be eligible for Colehill's own prize draw to win the new Roald Dahl Dictionary and for the Dorset Libraries draw of a goodie bag.



Parents may like to complete the survey about the Reading Challenge at:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/scplCHILDsrp2016

The new computer system

It has been a busy summer! The new computer system has been bedding in and, hopefully, will benefit everyone in the long term. Many of you will have sampled the new format for the online catalogue and found it more user friendly.

Once acquired the PIN does not seem to be proving a problem for most of us.

Communications from the Library service should now be forthcoming again – however - do check your SPAM box. It is possible that you will receive messages from any or all of the following e-mail addresses:

Dorset Libraries – Libraries West – Sirsidynix.net.uk
- or even the odd one from us at: ccl.colehill@gmail.com

Once again thank you to all our users and our volunteers for their patience and good humour during this period.

One to One IT sessions

One to One IT sessions with our expert, Jeff, are proving very, very popular. There are four half hour slots available most Tuesday mornings and it is advisable to book with the library in advance. When enquiring please leave your contact details if there are no suitable free slots and Jeff will get back to you. A reminder that the library funds benefit from your donations in respect of this excellent service and we greatly appreciate the time and expertise that Jeff gives so generously.

COPY DATE for next issue: 27th October

Nature Note – Tasty Soil ?

There is, I've now discovered, an advantage in gardening with no money to spend. In many homes there's a tendency to lavish much love and money on our gardens and the result is not always what it says on the tin. My lesson is on the use of bone meal. I've had one large box for years. It moved with us 3yrs ago so I clearly don't use it a lot. When I plant a new shrub or perhaps some bulbs in poor soil I sprinkle some bone mealy love on the hole first. Seems a good idea....

Well – it's not !

After much debate on plant species and position a new addition to our plot was given a little bonemeal at the bottom of the planting hole, about a foot deep. Planted, firmed in and watered we checked on it each morning for a few days then became used to treating it as an established addition and ignored it. During a rare weeding session, I glanced in its direction. Our pampered new addition had been carefully dug up, root ball intact and moved, upright to one side. Baffled, I replanted it and the daily check restarted. Two days later the overnight uprooting event had been repeated. Scratching of heads has produced a suggestion that our local, young badger has probably smelt the bone meal and considered it worth digging for. Whether the soil tasted nice or not is open to conjecture.

The library gardens are managed without lavish spending so one hopes their plantings do not suffer the same wildlife interest. *Christine.*

COLEHILL CONUNDRUMS ! (Part 8 - Sept.)

Kindly supplied by Jan Seal.

What tree was planted outside Colehill library 50 years ago?

- A. Oak
- B. Canadian maple
- C. Chinese water chestnut

Why were six houses at Merrifield allowed to fall down in early 20th century?

- A. Rents restricted by Rent Act
- B. Tenants died and no new lessees
- C. People thought the houses were haunted

What trade does Shirley Couzens aged 8 of Little Lonnen do in 1841 census?

- A. Washerwoman
- B. Agricultural labourer
- C. Saddler

Where was the bull baiting pit for the Wimborne butchers?

- A. Close to Lewens
- B. Beside Glen House on Rowlands Hill
- C. By Leigh Manor house

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

July (Part 7) answers:

- B. On a garage Richmond Villas, Wimborne Road
- B. The Cap of Maintenance
- A. None
- B. Reindeer