



NEWS

Colehill Community Library

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From our 'Incoming Chair', Ms Susan Cowsill

Normally, AGMs are a bit dry, are not very well attended, and are over quickly, but on 17th August, we held the Seventh AGM of the Colehill Community Library Ltd. and it was to a packed library! If John Gooch, (the outgoing Chair) was surprised when he was counting the number of attendees, he managed to hide it very well.

A forest of smiling faces looked up at him as he welcomed everybody and asked whether the minutes from the last meeting on 1st September 2018 could be approved, which was agreed.

After this, Trustee Mary Redman went through the Trustees report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019, and explained in laymen's terms how the figures had been put together, the projects that the money had been spent on and where the money to do them had come from. A large proportion of the money had come from grants from the Parish Council, from East Dorset Councillors and from East Dorset itself. In addition, the fundraising team had been very active. John said that he was delighted that library issues had exceeded those of the previous year and thanked the volunteers for all their support in making an excellent year. *Continued at the bottom of the back page >>*



From John

Thank you everyone for a marvellous send-off into "retirement". *

Colehill has a thriving community library and it's most gratifying to know I helped to keep it, but it has always been a team effort and I thank every one of you for what we have achieved together. *John Gooch.*

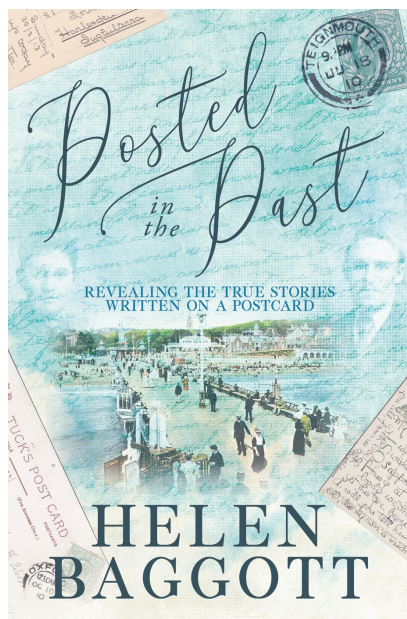
Just Write - Open Meeting

Thursday October 17th

10 till 12 noon

at Colehill Community Library

special guest Helen Baggott



Helen Baggott is a freelance editor and writer from Sturminster Newton. She has written for local magazines including Dorset Life. Her book, *Posted in the Past*, reveals the true stories behind postcards sent in the early years of the 20th century and she will share some of those stories in an illustrated talk. A 10-year-old servant living in Bath, a soldier who died during the First World War, and even the man who helped prepare Lord Kitchener's last meal are all connected through postcards. Helen will also talk about how she researched the book and explain how she ensured the copyright of other writers' work was protected.

Free to attend. Books for sale. Refreshments. Donations to Library funds.

All welcome!

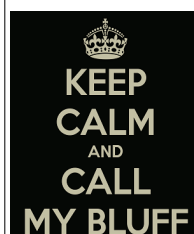
** I did a '17th August' special edition of the Newsletter – copies still in the library, and on the website - Ed.*

COLEHILL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

**CALL MY
BLUFF**

**Are you able to identify the
correct item?**

Guaranteed to be a hilarious, fun filled evening!



**Colehill Memorial
Hall,
Colehill**

Friday 18th October 2019

Doors open at 7.00 for a 7.30 start.



Tickets £10.00 to include a Ploughman's Supper
(please state any dietary requirements when purchasing tickets)

Bring your own Drink and Glass

Tickets available from Colehill Community Library

Morgan, Ivan and Eric are the CMB Bygone Quiz Team.

They will show and describe three bygone items each round and all you have to do is mark down which one is correct. There will be a prize at the end of the evening for the person/couple that get the most correct.

The 3 gentlemen do these quizzes for their chosen charity Weldmar Hospice Care, Dorchester

Forthcoming Events

I know it was in the last century, but I am sure you all remember 'Call My Bluff', the game show in which two teams of celebrity contestants took turns to provide definitions of an obscure word, and tried to guess which one was correct. Now we have our very own show, not with words but with artefacts! Morgan, Ivan and Eric are the **Bygone Quiz Team**. They will show and describe three bygone items each round and all you have to do is mark down which one is correct. And there will be prizes! We can assure you of a fun-filled evening.

We will be serving a choice of Ploughman's, either ham or cheese, and we invite you to bring your own drinks and glasses. All this for just £10 a ticket, on sale in the Library.

The Christmas coach trip will be to Portsmouth again, on Friday, 29th November. It's only on for three days and is by far the best Christmas event in the area, with so much to see and do in the Docks (including the Mary Rose). Details will be circulated and available in the Library from mid September.

The **Michaelmas Market** has had to be cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control. *Barbara.*

Toddler Time – Stories and Rhymes

Toddler Time runs weekly from **Tuesday 3rd September**.

Summer Reading Challenge



Our MP Michael Tomlinson visited on Tuesday 13th August to hear about the Challenge

The Space Chase Summer Reading Challenge 2019 is drawing to a close and we are delighted that so many young people have shared their excellent book choices with us. If all those who have signed up this year complete their Challenge we will have chatted about approximately **1000** books! Most of these borrowed from our library.

If you have been reading all summer and have not had the opportunity to sign up you can still do so by 7th Sept.

It is not too late to complete the Challenge so don't miss out on the chance to be entered for the free prize draw for all those telling us about their six books at Colehill. This year there are four opportunities to win!



Win one of these books in our free prize draw

A Dragon and his fire engine visit Colehill Library!

A '**big thank you**' to Jon Sweet and his colleagues from the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Service for visiting us and bringing with them their fire engine and pet dragon.



We had an exciting morning, enjoying a story, learning lots about safety in the water and honing our hosepipe skills.

Watch out for a firework safety event at half term!

Special Interest Groups – all welcome

In the Library. Please check the noticeboard or the website for changes to the schedule.

Second Tuesday – Colehill Reading Group 1 – 2pm.

First Thursday – Family History 10am – noon.

Third Thursday – "Just Write" Writing Group 10am – noon.

Last Thursday – Knit and Natter 10am.

Colouring for Adults is not meeting at present.

Wimborne U3A information drop in session

Saturday 28th September from 9.30 – 12.30 in the library.

Library membership and Dorset Library Service Privacy notice

All library members should have recently received a copy of the updated membership and privacy notice. A copy is displayed in the library.

>> From our 'Incoming Chair' – continued

Then John introduced our new Trustee, Jennifer Holman, and mentioned that I would be the next Chair. Trustee David Mitchell made a presentation to John, and the meeting was closed. Everyone was invited to stay and we all raised a glass to John to wish him success in his life after the 'Chair of Trustees'. We then tucked in to the lovely food prepared by the wonderful volunteer caterers – Kate, Joan, Jenny and Rob.

I have some big shoes to step into! I cannot be another John, and will not try – but I hope that I make as much of a success in the post as John did. I can only do that with the help of the fantastic volunteer team and supporters, and of course, the people who continue to come to the library to borrow books and to use the services provided. Long may the Colehill Community Library continue!

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