



NEWS

Colehill Community Library

Published every two months. Editor: Graham Mallett, ccl.editor1@gmail.com
Colehill Community Library Ltd., Middlehill Rd, Colehill BH21 2HL [///lamp.knowledge.poppy](http://lamp.knowledge.poppy)
01202 886676 www.colehill.gov.uk/colehill-community-library Reg. Charity 1151552

Issue 109 January 2020

From our Chair, Ms Susan Cowsill

Well, here it is, the 'New Decade' edition of the Community Library newsletter. On Christmas Eve, I was happy to return from a very snowy Boston, Massachusetts to lovely Colehill, even if it was a bit rainy. *There is no place like home!*

Taking a little look back, the coffee morning and mega book sale event was successful – look out for more to come this month! I think I am correct in saying that the coach trip to Portsmouth Victorian Market was memorable. A very special thank you to the fundraising team, and particularly Kate Coney for going the extra mile for volunteers.

I hope that those who attended the lovely Christmas get-together in the library for volunteers had an enjoyable time? It is a way to say thank you and a way for people to get to know each other a little bit better.



Thanks to Dan at One Stop for providing the hamper, won by Dave

With this in mind, and as I am conscious that I do not know all the volunteers (and I am certain that you do not all know me or the Trustees), I have arranged for the Trustees and Management Team to have name badges.

There has been a lot of illness about recently which has affected many of our volunteers. I know that people have been visiting each other and spreading some kindness about Colehill which is lovely.

It only remains for me to say that I wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year. I hope that 2020 will be a good year for us all.

Susan Cowsill, Chair of the Library Trustees.

Toddler Time

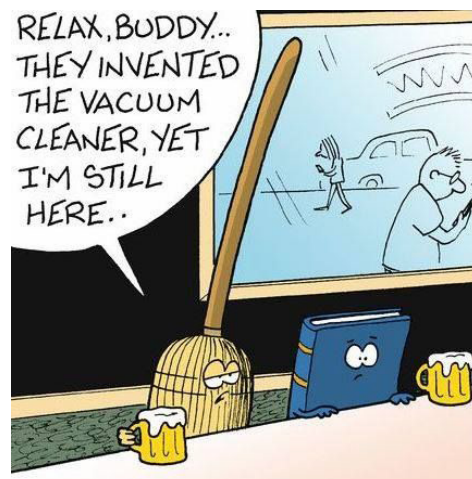
Stories and Rhymes at Colehill Community Library – runs weekly (except school holidays and half terms).

Restarts on **Tuesday 7th January**, 10 to 10.30 am – FREE sessions for parents and children 0 to 5 years.

New Year Resolution

If you only make and keep one resolution in 2020 – let it be borrowing an extra book from your Community Library!

Happy New Year Everyone!



The LibrariesWest 'Renew All' app

There has been a fault with the app which has prevented some customers from being able to use the 'Renew All' feature. It was caused by a bug which has now been fixed. Users should update to the latest version of the app.

Jigsaw Library

We have many generous donations to our free to use Jigsaw Library. We are well stocked at present except for some extra large 100, 200 or 300 pieces, preferably suitable for adults. If anyone would be willing to donate this type, we would be most grateful. Many thanks.

**To celebrate Colehill
Community Library's
7th Birthday**
**Coffee Morning
& Book Sale**
Saturday, 25th January
10am to noon
in the Memorial Hall

*Please come along and bring your neighbours
and friends. The coffee is free!*

COPY DATE for next issue: 24th February

Members!

Subscriptions are now due. Renewal forms are available in the library and on our website on the 'Supporters' page. (Please consider paying yours by 'Standing Order'!)

Nature Note - A summer tale

This tale isn't seasonal, for which I apologise, but it's a cracking good, true and local story. It isn't mine. I was alerted to this spectacle by Liz Mitchener on the Friends of Uddens and Cannon Hill Facebook group. It is one of those stories that's too good to keep to oneself. It's about wasps.

On a leisurely afternoon walk in Uddens last summer I was on the lookout for an oddly shaped insect and found it. It was taking a strong, purposeful, direct flight, following a deliberate route only deviating to avoid the taller wisps of grass or bramble that got in its way. Others were around too; they had all the general appearance of classic 'picnic wasp' being yellow and black striped, with narrow, mean-looking wings and black heads. But many of them didn't look quite right. They appeared to sport a pair of thick stemmed, club ended antlers. Some had more frilly affairs. All headdresses were creamy-yellow coloured and looked plump and ripe.



© Liz Mitchener

This is what Liz saw. And, using her sleuth skills, she followed a wasp or two and was led to a clump of statuesque orchids rising high above the encroaching brambles in full and glorious bloom. I was similarly led, and watched as unadorned wasps were sticking their heads into the flowers of Broad-leaved Helleborines and emerging with their headdresses of pollen sacks, adhered at just the right place to fertilise the next flower they visited.

Soldier beetles were doing it too. Thanks, Liz, for posting your observations on Facebook – it was one of last year's nature highlights for me. *Christine.*



Flower spike with soldier beetle carrying pollinia.
Epipactis helleborine (L.) Crantz (Broad-leaved Helleborine)
Courtesy of Malcolm Storey

December 2019

Top 20 Fiction

List courtesy of 'Askews and Holts'

Dorset Libraries welcome donations of any of the titles listed. If you would like to donate a copy, please speak to a member of staff.

- | | | |
|----|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Lee Child | Blue Moon |
| 2 | Heather Morris | Cilka's Journey |
| 3 | Margaret Atwood | The Testaments |
| 4 | Ian Rankin | Westwind |
| 5 | Martina Cole | No Mercy |
| 6 | James Patterson | Criss Cross |
| 7 | John Grisham | The Gardians |
| 8 | Sophie Kinsella | Christmas Shopaholic |
| 9 | Jojo Moyes | The Giver of Stars |
| 10 | John Le Carre | Agent running in the field |
| 11 | Michael Connelly | The Night Fire |
| 12 | Bernard Cornwell | Sword of Kings |
| 13 | David Baldacci | A Minute to Midnight |
| 14 | Stephen King | The Institute |
| 15 | Simon Scarrow | Traitors of Rome |
| 16 | Robert Harris | The Second Sleep |
| 17 | Clive Cussler | Final Option |
| 18 | Bernardine Evaristo | Girl, woman, other |
| 19 | James Patterson | 19th Christmas |
| 20 | Erin Morgenstern | The Starless Sea |

December 2019

Top 20 Non Fiction

List courtesy of 'Askews and Holts'

Dorset Libraries welcome donations of any of the titles listed. If you would like to donate a copy, please speak to a member of staff.

- | | | |
|----|-------------------|---|
| 1 | Adam Kay | Twat the nightshift before Christmas |
| 2 | Eddie Jones | My Life and Rugby: the autobiography |
| 3 | Elton John | Me |
| 4 | Tyson Fury | Behind the Mask: my autobiography |
| 5 | Billy Connolly | Tall Tales and Wee Stories |
| 6 | Anne Glenconner | Lady in Waiting |
| 7 | Bill Bryson | The Body: a guide for occupants |
| 8 | Jamie Oliver | Veg |
| 9 | Rick Stein | Rick Stein's Secret France |
| 10 | John Bishop | How to Grow Old |
| 11 | Jonny Keeling | Seven Worlds One Planet |
| 12 | Andrew Ridgeley | Wham! George & Me |
| 13 | Kate Allinson | Pinch of Nom |
| 14 | Si King | The Hairy Bikers' one pot wonders |
| 15 | Julie Andrews | Home Work: a memoir of my Hollywood Years |
| 16 | Anthony Middleton | The Fear Bubble |
| 17 | Mrs Hinch | Thank Yourself Happy |
| 18 | Ben Stokes | On Fire |
| 19 | Jane McDonald | Riding the Waves: My Story |
| 20 | Angela Kelly | The Other Side of the Coin |