

BVH CHAIR'S REPORT

'Hallmark' is a nationally recognised Quality Standards scheme for village halls. It recognises good management and good practice. There are three levels of excellence and each Award reviewed every three years.



In September 2019, we reported that the Burtle Village Hall had been awarded both Hallmark One and Hallmark Two. This project took eighteen months of hard work to complete the evidence required to meet the assessment standards which included external validation. We passed with flying colours with no action points which was unusual. We were also delighted to be awarded 'Sedgemoor District Hall of the Year' for 2019 at the Award ceremony.

Apart from proving the Burtle Village Hall is being run efficiently, legally, and is meeting high quality standards, achieving Hallmark had other advantages. It enabled us to obtain a discount on Insurance, to be put onto the National and Somerset Register of halls, and more importantly enabled our grant applications during the 'lockdowns' to be looked on more favourably – we achieved success with these.

The Burtle Village Hall Committee continued working on Hallmark and put in an application for Hallmark Three in February 2020 but due to Coronavirus all visits and assessments were cancelled. Our application stood for 2021 and our external visit and assessment took place

in July. Hallmark One and Two were reviewed and Hallmark Three assessed.

HOT OFF THE PRESS - WE ARE DELIGHTED TO REPORT THAT THE

BURTLE VILLAGE HALL HAS NOW ACHIEVED HALLMARK THREE. Once again we passed with flying colours and no action points! We have now achieved all three levels of excellence. The files will be available to view at a future Café Burtle.

The Burtle Village Hall Committee is proud to have achieved all the Hallmark standards and would like to thank all the residents and friends who support our village hall. We would also like to thank all those who hire the hall and all those who voluntarily give their time to put on regular or seasonal events – we could not have achieved these Awards without you all.

On another note, it was lovely to see so many people attend the recent 'Pork and Cider' evening at the BVH and to hear conversations and laughter – see this Newsletter. Thank you so much for attending! We so look forward to other events and continued fun and enjoyment at the village hall – details in Newsletter.

Lyn Goodliffe – Chair Burtle Village Hall

Special mention!

Although all the BVH committees have contributed to Hallmark work in various ways - SPECIAL THANKS GOES TO LYN who has worked relentlessly over the past 3 years, overcoming many hurdles to finally achieve all Hallmarks for the benefit of present and future hall users

From BVH Committee Members

BURTLE VILLAGE HALL NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER 2021



BVH WELCOMES OVER 50 PEOPLE TO THE 'PORK AND CIDER' EVENING - FIRST MAIN EVENT AFTER LOCKDOWN!



A kind August evening with no rain and a pleasant temperature saw many villagers and friends enjoying a 'Pork and Cider' event held at the Burtle Village Hall.

There were plenty of local ciders which helped to wash down the home cooked quality pork in large baps, trimmed with stuffing, onions, apple sauce and yummy crackling!

It was lovely to see over fifty people attend and enjoy this village event after so long in 'lockdown' mode - there was plenty to chat about!

Many thanks to the wonderful band of helpers without whom this event would not have taken place; Beth, Jayne, David, Richard, Dave, Jane, Marg, Sophie, and special thanks to Helen for the excellent catering and cooking, and to Tracy and Mark for running a superb bar. Sincere thanks also to everyone who attended this event and helped to make it a success. We look forward to the next event in the village!



Saturday 30th October Halloween Dance

7.30pm til late - CASH BAR
Burtle Village Hall

£10 per ticket before event BOOK NOW!
£15 on the night. 01278 287837

Tickets at Café Burtle & Macmillians Coffee Morning



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING
Friday 24th September

10.00am til 12 noon

Burtle Village Hall

Macmillan Coffee Morning
organised by the Community Coffee Shop
(Instead of Community Coffee Shop for September)

Community Coffee Shop returns
3rd week in October on 20th October

BVH GROUPS & EVENTS / SEPT 2021

Burtle Silver Band Rehearsals

Thursd 2nd Sept 1900 - 2130

Parish Council Meeting

Wed 8th Sept 1800

Burtle Babies

Thurs 9th Sept 10.00 – 12.00

Café Burtle 10.00 – 12.00

Saturday September 11th Café Burtle

BVH Committee Meeting

Tues 14th Sept 1900

Macmillan Cancer Support Charity Coffee Morning

Friday 24th September 10.00 – 12.00

Harvest Lunch

Saturday 25th September – 12.00 -1430



The draw for the Burtle Village Hall 100 Club 2021 took place in August and we are delighted to announce the winners as follows;

First Prize £20
Harry Day
(number 43)

Second Prize £10
Jane Ponsillo
(number 9)

Congratulations to both winners and commiserations to the rest of us!!
Thank you to all the members of the BVH 100 Club for supporting the Burtle Village Hall.

CAFÉ BURTLE - A MEASURED RETURN...

We have missed Café Burtle so much since March 2020 and many of you have kindly told us that you have too.

As we have said so often in the last eighteen months, it has always been our intention to reopen as soon as we felt it was safe to do so and, given all the Covid precautions that Burtle Village Hall has in place, we now feel that time has come. We plan to reopen on Saturday 11th September provided, of course, that the Covid situation has not worsened.

This first session will just be focussed on what we believe to be the three most important elements of Cafe Burtle - delicious cakes, delicious drinks and lots of chat - but not necessarily in that order!

We hope that people will feel safe to pop in during the morning and we really look forward to seeing you all.

Jenny and Maureen

Cafe Burtle
returns
Sat 11th Sept!



Pop down for a refreshing drink and make use of our fantastic beer garden. Table bookings advised if you would like to dine with us.

Food served Monday – Saturday 12pm-3pm,
6.00pm-9.00pm, Sunday 12pm-6.00pm.
Doors open 12pm-11pm daily

DUCK VOUCHERS

The delicious gift for someone who has everything or just loves their food. Contact us for more information.



Restaurant bookings -
restaurant@theduckatburtle.co.uk

01278 238 282
www.theduckatburtle.co.uk



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and at Café Burtle

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SOCIAL EVENING AT THE DUCK Friday 12th November.

Money held over from the Skittles Evening that was planned for 21st March 2020.

Details to follow next month.



A F LUTTRELL MEMORIAL CHARITY

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The J A F Luttrell Memorial Charity is a local charity which can help all ages who need assistance in times of difficulty. If you live in Edington, Chilton Polden, Catcott, Burtle or Cossington you can apply for a grant by contacting:-

Caroline Woodason,
Clerk to the Trustees,
JAFMLCclerk@hotmail.com

or a Trustee

Catherine Andrews 01278 722331

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All details are confidential.

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