# OTTER VALLEY ASSOCIATION



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#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed April 5th Walk 10am

From Otterton Green. (GR 081852) 4-5 miles. A little hilly. Green lanes.

Leader: Lin Ford (Tel: 445230)

Tue Apr 18th. "Enterprise Neptune: the work of the NT in caring for the coastline" Talk 7.30 p.m. Masonic Hall, Budleigh Salterton

Speaker: An NT representative

Sat Apr 29th From Mincombe Wood, Farway, (GR 161934)

Walk 10am 5 mi Muddy in places, Some rough ground, 2 testing hills,

Leader: David Jannaway. (Tel: 567159)

Wed May 10th From Branscombe Beach C.P. (GR 207882)

All day walk. 10am Hilly. One hour lunch break in Beer. Pub or picnic.

Leader: Brian Leveridge. (Tel: 443358)

Thur. May 18th. Annual General Meeting 7.30 p.m. Peter Hall, Budleigh Salterton

Sat May 27th From East Budleigh Hayes Lane CP. (GR 066849)
Walk l0am River Otter, Colaton Raleigh and commons. 3 hrs
Leader: Stan Herbert (Tel: 445648)

Sat June 3rd From Joneys Cross. (GR 056897)

Walk 10am. Heathland. Undulating Good views. 5 miles

Leader: Frank Burke. (Tel: 568864)

Wed June 21st From Lay-by off B3178 between C. R. and N. P. Walk l0am . (GR 079883). Green Lanes. 4/5 miles.

Leader: Lin Ford. (Tel: 445230)

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#### FROM THE CHAIRMAN

This will be the last newsletter before the AGM, which will take place on Thursday May 18th at the Peter Hall The AGM is traditionally the time for the Executive Committee to review the year, and to point out the problems to be faced in the year ahead and how we intend to go about dealing with them. At the same time, the AGM gives membership an opportunity to ask questions and get answers, to put forward ideas and hopefully to stand for office Although the OVA is very democratic, and members can telephone me or any Committee member at any time throughout the year: the AGM is the time when it all comes together

As usual it has been a very busy year. At the meeting you will hear reports from all sides of the OVA; Financial, Secretarial, Membership, Publicity, Social, Footpaths Built Environment and Natural Environment and the Chair.

Throughout the year in the newsletters, I have tried to keep you in the picture as regards matters discussed in Committee and events as they happened in the region. I think that this is better than trying to review the year in a short time, once a year at the AGM Therefore it only needs me to give you an overview of our position, prior to a fuller discussion at the meeting.

I think that the Association is in a very healthy state. Membership levels and Financial matters are sound, and all other matters are fully under control.

The biggest concern that I have is one that is shared by almost every volunteer organisation in the area, and that is the shortage of people to come forward to fill the vacancies created by those who wish to give up office or for volunteers to join ad hoc committees set up to deal with peripheral matters as they arise, such as Gala Week etc. There is a limit as to what one can expect of the Committee and it would be a great shame if the OVA had to withdraw from some events because there was no one to man the event. For example at present we desperately need newsletter deliverers and also someone to take over the distribution to retail outlets of OVA publications, and we could do with a couple of volunteers to help us put our Gala Week effort together. It is a fact that apart from the Committee meeting regularly once a month, we need another 20 or so people who will step in once or twice a year for a few days. If you are interested please contact me at the AGM or by telephone.

So please come along on May 18th. After the meeting there will be light refreshments, followed by a slide show given by our multi talented treasurer, Brian Leveridge

John Lee

## AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING THURSDAY 18TH. MAY 2000 AT 7.30 P.M. PETER HALL, BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th. May 1999 (circulated in October 1999 Newsletter)†
- 3. Matters arising
- 4. Reports by Chairman and other Executive Committee Members.
- 5 Hon. Treasurer's Report (Copies of accounts will be available at the meeting)
- 6. Election of
  - Chairman
  - Vice Chairman
  - · Honorary Secretary
  - · Honorary Treasurer
- 7. Election of Executive Committee (maximum 8 members)
- 8. Appointment of Honorary Auditor
- 9. Any other business
- 10. Date of AGM 2001

After the meeting there will be a colour slide presentation given by Brian Leveridge (the retiring treasurer) about his recent trip to the Galapagos Islands. Between the AGM and the slide presentation complimentary light refreshments will be served.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Nominations (which must be in writing) for Officers, and members of the Executive Committee must reach the Secretary at least two weeks before the AGM. They should be seconded by a member of the OVA and must be signed by the nominee as being willing to stand (Constitution Clause 6).

**RESOLUTIONS:** members wishing to put resolutions to the meeting should submit them in writing duly seconded to the Hon. Secretary at least two weeks before the AGM. It would be appreciated if members wishing to raise questions at the AGM would inform the Secretary by the same date to enable adequate answers to be provided.

† Copies of this agenda and of the minutes of the last AGM will be available at the meeting.



During the last quarter, the sub-committee has considered 51 planning applications and commented on about a quarter of them.

We were sorry to learn that the Inspector had found in favour of the appellant at the Public Inquiry into the refusal of planning consent for eight bungalows on the site behind Hayes Close, Budleigh Salterton. This breaching of the built-up area boundary sets a serious precedent. It is the more regrettable in that the Inspector in his judgement appears to have erred in his understanding of the planning legislation, as Dr. Anita Jennings pointed out in letters to the Press.

In the last Newsletter I reported that we wrote to the chief Planning Officer EDDC on our behalf and on that of neighbouring societies, suggesting that a Planning Guide be produced for East Devon. In reply, Mr. Poad said that they had it in mind to produce such a guide but could give no timetable for its production. This is a disappointment, for in our opinion a Planning Guide is long overdue, and many of the issues raised in the Issues Report for the Local Plan would already be answered if the Guide were in place.

In 1995 the CPRE published an excellent booklet "Local Attraction: the design of new housing in the countryside". It is full of good sense and when space allows we may use quotes from it in a future Newsletter. Just one quote this time, though: "The eighties were a decade of shotgun planning, in which design standards were the principal victim". It could well be argued that design standards have continued to suffer ever since. Are we about to see a change? Nick Raynsford, the Planning Minister, recently told the House Builders' Association "What I want to do is to give confidence to people who have got the taste to say "we've got to turn this down, it is awful" and equally to say when negotiating with developers "Don't try that one on us, just come back with something better", or even "go and get yourself a decent architect", which is more or less what Amenity Societies such as ours have been saying for years and years!

Alan Ford

#### EDDC LOCAL PLAN 2000-2011 - ISSUES REPORT

The Executive Committee gave careful thought to this Issues Report, which represents the first step in the process of preparing an updated Local Plan.

In filling in the questionnaire attached to the Report, we dealt comprehensively with all the issues that are relevant to our area of benefit and those which relate to the wider issue of increased housing provision in the District as a whole. It is not possible to incorporate our response in this Newsletter: not only would it swamp it, but also many of the comments are not really intelligible unless taken in conjunction with the text of the Issues Report itself.

Perhaps time could be allowed at the forthcoming AGM for members to ask specific questions about our response to the Issues Report.

#### Alan Ford

#### MARK ROLLE SURVEY

We are continuing with the photographic survey of Mark Rolle buildings and are grateful for the co-operation we have received from owners and occupiers. The intention is to mount an exhibition of a selection of the photographs in the Autumn, to be followed by the publication of an illustrated booklet or book covering the buildings of the Mark Rolle years. This will be the Association's major Millennium project.

#### Alan Ford

#### JOHN STAMMERS

John, who died recently, was the husband of our Vice-president, Dorothy Stammers. She had cared for him at home during a long illness. They had moved to Colaton Raleigh in 1974, and became active members of the OVA.

John Stammers was the son of a wheelwright and came from Barking. He himself qualified as a structural engineer, in which profession he was highly regarded by his colleagues. Yet he was also a watercolour artist, as visitors to their home soon realised.

A service to celebrate John's life was held at Colaton Raleigh Church and was attended by a number of OVA members. We send our sympathy to Dorothy and her two daughters at this time.

Derrick Rowland

### Natural



We have a vacancy on this committee for another person. If anyone is interested in serving on it, or knows someone who might be, would they please contact me or Ruth Falby.

The posters for the swans were erected on 13th. March at White Bridge and Clamour Bridge on the River Otter. They show a cygnet with a triple-hooked spinner in its beak and tongue, and carry the message "Good fishermen catch fish, not swans – please take all your tackle home with you". Representatives of he RSPCA and OVA attended together with the local press, and there was a slot on BBC Radio Devon that morning about the project. We hope this will encourage fishermen to retrieve their tackle and clear up their waste nylon and lead weights, by showing them what can happen if they don't.

If members see that the notices have been damaged or removed, would they please let me know? We have replacements.

Philip Greenhow (Tel 567996)

#### TIDWELL - ACROSS THE MIDDLE OR ROUND THE EDGE?

In the mid-1980s several interested parties agreed that the Definitive Footpath no.4 be diverted around the field edges to the north-west of Tidwell House (from the B3178 towards Shortwood Common). Unfortunately, due to an administrative oversight, the relative alterations to Definitive Maps etc. were never made. Finger posts were erected and the vast majority of walkers were content to use the new path around the edges of the field on their way to and from the Common, notwithstanding that the definitive path was still shown on maps as crossing the centre of the field.

Late in 1997 a complaint was received by Devon County Council which ultimately resulted in the whole procedure for diversion of FP4 being revisited. This time round there were objections to the alterations as proposed by D.C.C. by the Open Spaces Society and the Ramblers Association which were unable to be resolved by the usual methods. Other parties involved in these negotiations were East Budleigh Parish Council, Clinton Devon Estates (Landowners), Otter Valley Association (Users) and the Tenant Farmers.

With no agreement to hand, Devon County Council had little option but to arrange for an official hearing by an Independent Inspector and this took place on 15th February 2000 in East Budleigh Church Hall. The hearing was chaired by Mr Ronald Holley, an Independent Inspector appointed by the Lord Chancellor who over the course of a full morning heard the case both for and against the proposed diversion and also comments from the interested parties as previously mentioned. Alan Jones and I were present representing the OVA and I gave a brief outline of the local activities of the OVA and explained that as walkers we have used the diverted path fairly regularly over the years without any adverse comment. There have been occasions when we received permission from the farmer to walk through the farmyard at Tidwell Barton rather than negotiate the dangerous bend on the B3178, but this was not really pertinent to the case! The OVA supported the case for diverting FP4 around the field edge.

Following a final site meeting, the Inspector closed the proceedings and hopefully his findings and conclusions will be communicated to us during April/May. I will keep you advised!!

Ken Watson OVA Footpaths Sub-committee



The problems and the work done during the last year seem very like those of the preceding year, but with occasional important differences. Last year we watched anxiously to see if the spiling along the river bank between Colaton Raleigh and Otterton would stand up to the river. It has. Then we worried that it might grow so much that walkers would not be able to see the river, and we pressed for pruning. The complaint now is that we have had our wish, and wish we had not.

The willows in the spiling and the hedge further in on the bank have not so much been pruned as smashed. They have been savagely and coarsely flailed; in places the main stem has been broken down to ground level. The white broken ends are obtrusive and ugly. No doubt willows will stand up to this, just as they stand up to more gentle layering, but people in the know tell me it will result in top growth, with no thickening at the bottom.

Many of us have been uncomfortably aware for some time of the planning permissions granted in 1972 to extend the quarry at Black Hill. Now the work has begun. It will result in loss of a considerable area of heathland, and in one bridleway being diverted around three sides of a large rectangle.

The effects will be much less damaging than they might have been if the European Commission had not stepped in. Quarrying will not be allowed on some of the area for which permission was granted. About a third of this loss to the company will be replaced by a new permission to quarry Thornhill Plantation. For the rest the company will receive compensation.

Work will also be done to improve adjacent parts of the common. Some wet parts on paths have already been drained, and trees which are invading the common will be cut, leaving enough to provide a more varied environment. Some gorse will be cleared from near a bridleway, avoiding those patches which are home to Dartford Warblers.

In 5 years time the bridleway will be reinstated on the old route, but down in the bottom of the new quarry, with gradients of not more than 1 in 10. Quarrying will then continue for about another 8 years in other parts of the extended quarry. I am told that those parts of the common where quarrying has ended have been restored to heathland, but that the new growth is almost exclusively gorse, with very little heather.

The enquiry into a proposal to divert a path across a field near Tidwell Farm to pass instead around the edge of the field (where everyone in practice walks) was attended by members of OVA. Ken Watson put the association point of view and got in a plug for the association. The decision is not yet out.

Attendances on our walks are still very good. We now have 2 new leaders so that we have a good size team. More leaders are still needed however to make up for those who drop out. We intend this year to hold more walks outside the area, and more walks with a theme, for example fungi, or historical features.

Our working parties have also been well supported. A new departure was to clear vegetation around the trig point at West Hill. This was probably adopted by someone years ago under a scheme run by Ordnance Survey. Since then the scheme has died, and OS has lost its records, so that nobody knows who adopted it. We intend to continue to keep it in order.

For the footpath committee for next year we intend to propose the present members, with the addition of David Jannaway.

Alan Jones.

#### 1000 YEARS OF FOOTPATHS.

I'm not qualified to write about things that happened before the French conquered us lock, stock and Domesday Book, so let me dismiss most of the millennium as historians used to dismiss the Dark Ages - not much happened. In fact much happened to prepare the way for a new act in 1949 which introduced the definitive map of rights of way. This put an end to most disputes about whether you had a right to walk (or ride a horse on) a given route. If it was on the definitive map you had a right. If not you hadn't. There were of course mechanisms for deleting, diverting and introducing new rights of way, the latter little used.

First however the map had to be drawn up by the County Council. If the local parish council took little interest in its footpaths few appeared on the new map. If the parish council supported a path it could still be opposed by the landowner. Many unequal combats followed. The landowner was usually represented by experienced lawyers, the parish by amateurs. On your local Ordnance Survey map you will see many routes marked by black broken lines. Most of these are paths which were lost at that time.

The Parish Paths Partnership (P3), introduced about 4 years ago, has resulted in an enormous improvement in the state of our paths. It is financed by the Countryside Commission out of general taxation. This means that the "grockles" who use our paths have paid for them and have a right to expect to find them in good condition. The sums available through P3 are modest in comparison with what needs to be done just to keep our paths in order. There is a myth that paths which are used need no clearing. This all depends on the soil and the vegetation. On our commons there are stony firebreaks which never need attention. There are also many paths flanked by gorse. No matter how much the path is used the gorse on each side keeps growing higher. Above a certain height it leans across the path and meets in the middle, and then walking the path becomes painful. There is no gorse on the path along the river between Colaton Raleigh and Otterton. Nevertheless Heritage Coast finds it necessary to strim once or twice a year.

Before P3 getting work done on paths was usually a matter of persuading someone to do it for nothing. Dorothy Stammers in Colaton Raleigh was particularly good at this. She got the bridleway along the south side of Hawkerland cleared by the probation service when practically everyone was saying it could not be done. Recently part of this bridleway was mowed for us by Bungy Williams, the Commons Warden. We still need help like this to keep within our budget.

The paths are of course not there just for the holidaymakers. There are many keen walkers in the area. These know how good the walking in our area is. To those who do

not walk I suggest trying it. It is a healthy exercise, which can be practised energetically or leisurely, as you wish. You need no special equipment, though good waterproof boots are advisable in our area. You need no expertise. If you are not confident about your map reading try a good guidebook, such as the Otter Valley Association "12 Walks in the Otter Valley", or join the guided walks advertised by the OVA each month on your notice board. Happy walking!

#### Alan Jones



Saturday January 8th. What a wonderful way to start the New Year! The sky was blue, the sun was warm (for January), even if it was a little damp underfoot.

Twenty-three of us started out from the Commons car park above Yettington and walked down to one of the many streams that drain the Commons – several members christened their lovely new boots!

A short walk along Hayes Lane took us past Hayes Barton, the birthplace of Sir Walter Raleigh, and this was the first visit for some members. We then climbed through Hayes Wood and followed a path to Squabmoor Reservoir, passing a field where six buzzards were sighted. At the reservoir we stopped for a break and were given a brief history of the reservoir by one of our members.

Leaving the reservoir car park we climbed open common land, pausing to look back at the splendid view towards the sea in the distance.

A short descent took us to the new extension of Black Hill Quarry which has produced another huge scar on the landscape. If a path diversion is approved then this may be the last time we walk this particular section for a few years.

A sharp climb down and up took us to a broad path leading back to the car park.

#### S. Lovett

Wednesday January 26th. Four weeks into the new millennium and our Wednesday walk was so cold there was talk of cancellation.

But no! sixteen hardy walkers turned up in East Budleigh dressed like Eskimos.

Once we started through the village footpaths we were all overjoyed to discover familiar muddy tracks frozen solid, so country walking was a joy! (Isn't it anyway? Ed.) Down to Clamour Bridge, across the river with a short stop to talk of the old Duke family's 'Otterton Park', where planting the driveway trees before building began leaves us in our time with no building but a wonderful avenue of trees over two hundred years old.



So to the cliffs, Monks' Wall, Otterton (and a detour to the new fish pass), then on to Bicton where crossing that dangerous road between the high walls had us using vellow flag men fore and aft to warn traffic. (The Navy types told me the yellow flag

meant 'fever', while the racing fans told me yellow meant 'no overtaking').

Arriving safely at Bicton Church we went on to finish in East Budleigh fifteen minutes early. The walk had been so mud-free!

Jed Falby

Saturday 11th. March: The Weather was fine, though cool, amongst the Squabmoor car park trees, but the twenty-five walkers setting off at 10 a.m. soon warmed to their task. Emerging from the gorse onto the common and looking back, there was a good view of Budleigh Salterton and the sea. The walk continued north-west, then east and north around and between the new extensions to Black Hill Quarry. The gorse there was brilliantly ablaze with colour.

Then on uphill to Castle Plantation, just south of Woodbury Castle, east on the wide track and south alongside Upham's Plantation before crossing the old Rifle Range to the intriguingly named Frying Pans and back to Squabmoor, having crossed parts of Lympstone, Bicton, Woodbury and East Budleigh Commons, with their wonderful views. An enjoyable walk of about 4½ miles in 2¼ hours.

Frank Burke

#### TRAFFIC IN BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

It was a cold and sunny day in January when two members of the OVA met in a carefully constructed hide in the centre of Budleigh Salterton. Clipboards and watches in hand, their mission was to record the movements of one of the most common species of the area. By the end of the day, Mike Harland and Stuart Yerrell had made a classified two-way traffic count of all vehicles using the High Street.

Since last November the OVA has been represented on Budleigh Salterton's Joint Business and Council Forum, which is actively looking at the possibilities for a one-way traffic scheme for the centre of Budleigh. Over the past two years there have been 14 minor traffic accidents in the High Street and Fore Street, and it is an everyday experience that it is uncomfortable to drive (in either direction) because of opposing traffic. With a continuous line of parked vehicles, drivers frequently mount the kerb to squeeze past each other. In the absence of an active traffic warden there is general disregard for double yellow lines and other waiting restrictions.

Opinions on what should or should not be done to improve this situation vary widely, and it was in an attempt to enlighten these opinions with a few facts that the traffic count was made. It was followed in February by a survey of the Brook Road car park, conducted by Edward Dix and Mike Harland. As a result, and after consultation with the Environment Department of Devon County Council, the OVA is supporting the option of an East-to-West one-way system for the High Street. This will incorporate traffic calming by the use of chicanes and sheltered parking bays, and parallel one-way flow in the opposite direction via Brook Road. Improvements to Brook Road car park and the other car parks off Fore Street and near the Public Hall are also envisaged. The Police are proposing a larger West-to-East scheme to embrace Fore Street, with diverted traffic using Fore Street Hill and Upper Stoneborough Lane.

Everyone involved is anxious to see widespread support for any changes, and to take on board as many shades of opinion as possible. Both schemes, and possible minor variations, will be considered at the next meeting of the Forum, with the intention of mounting a public display of the options in the Public Hall from June 3rd. This will be followed by a Public Meeting on Thursday June 15th. The OVA hopes that its members will take an active interest in both these events and make their voices heard. It is in all our interests to make the centre of Budleigh Salterton a more pleasant and attractive place in which to meet and shop.

#### J Stuart Yerrell

#### HELP NEEDED

Peter and Ainsley Jones our Newsletter Distributors, wish to give up the task, so we need someone (or better a couple) to replace them. The job has to be done four times a year, and involves taking the master copies (which you will receive from the Editor) to Speedprint in Dinan Way Trading Estate to be printed, collecting them when done, putting the ones to be posted into envelopes and sticking labels (which the Membership Secretary – at present the same as the Editor – provides) onto the envelopes and the hand-delivered copies, stamping and posting the envelopes and passing the hand-delivered copies to the principal distributors. For the July issue, membership cards also need to be printed and included with the newsletters. Although it is not essential, it is easiest if the distributor lives in Budleigh Salterton.

If you think you might be willing to do this task, please get in touch with the Chairman on (01395) 445696

#### A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

There is no need to wait till near the closing date before sending me copy. If you have led a walk, for example, it is helpful if you send me an account of it soon afterwards, while it is fresh in your mind. I should also appreciate any "fillers", that is short items of about half a page, or, at most a page, to use when there is a space to be filled in the newsletter. It is best if they are not tied to a particular date, as I may not be able to use them immediately.

Owing to a computer error (not the dreaded Millennium Bug!) it is possible that some members may not have received their January Newsletters. for which my apologies. If you didn't recieve your copy, please let me know and I will send you one.

Brian Hawkes

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions are now due, so, unless you pay by standing order (in which case no action is required), please send them to the Treasurer as soon as possible The minimum amount is £3 for a single membership, £5 for Family/Household Membership (though, of course, additional amounts as donations are always welcome). If you would like to change over to paying by standing order, which makes things easier all round, the Treasurer can supply the appropriate form on request.

#### **TALKS FOR 2000-2001**

October 18th "The Mark Rolle Buildings - our Legacy" (Wednesday) 7.30. p.m Colaton Raleigh Village Hall Speaker R Coates FRICS

November 21tt "Otterton Fish Pass"
Tuesday 2.30 p.m. Masonic Hall Budleigh Salterton
Speaker Allan Knights: River Otter Association

#### 2001

January 17th "The History of Firemarks" Wednesday 7.30. Otterton Village Hall Speaker R.J.M.Willoughby: The Firemark Circle

February 20th "The Roman Army in Devon Tuesday 7.30. Newton Poppleford Village Hall Speaker John Allan: Royal Albert Memorial Museum Exeter

March 21st "Working Heavy Horses" Wednesday 7.30. East Budleigh Village Hall Speaker Jonathon Waterer: Heavy Horse Trainer

April 24th "Wildlife of the River Exe Valley" Tuesday 7.30. Masonic Hall Budleigh Salterton Speaker Rod Lawrence: Professional Naturalist

You may wish to note these dates in your diary.

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The Association was founded in 1979 is registered with the Civic Trust and the Charity Commissioners and is a member of the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV): it is also affiliated to CPRE. It cares for the environment and any queries should be addressed to your Parish Representative.

Our thanks to Jed Falby for the illustrations.

Contributions for the next issue by Tuesday 13th. June please