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From the Parish Council

Lympstone Conservation Area

The District Council has powers to declare an "area of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to conserve or enhance to be a Conservation Area". Such a declaration introduces a general control over the demolition of unlisted buildings and provides the basis for policies designed to preserve or enhance all the aspects of character or appearance that define an area's special interest. Apart from a few minor exceptions, no building can be demolished without prior approval (conservation area consent) and six weeks notice must be given if any tree is to be cut down or lopped. There is a requirement for a five-yearly review of conservation areas and EDDC must publish proposals for their preservation and enhancement. Reviews must be

carried out as the character and appearance of a conservation area can change over even small periods of time. EDDC are reviewing the Lympstone Conservation Area and are proposing two extensions. One is along the foreshore from Highcliffe to the Harbour and one along Longmeadow Road to the A376 but with some more recent houses being excluded for planning reasons. This was the subject of debate at the Council meeting in March and again on 2nd April 2012. A packed meeting questioned the need to extend the Conservation Area, if so should whole areas be included rather than have some gaps and whether it was sensible to include areas of terraced housing. It was also questioned as to whether being in the Conservation Area would have prevented some of the very modern houses from being constructed. **Cont**

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Cllr Anthony Garratt, a Conservation Planning Officer with another Council gave some insight into the planning reasons for extending the Conservation Area in the way that was proposed.

There was a lively debate on all these issues with many members of the public being invited to join in.

The Chairman, Cllr Peter Acca, invited a straw poll from those present to gauge their views on how the Parish Council should frame its response.

The widely held view was that the areas to be included should be extended by including other areas: The meeting agreed that the areas From The Lookout to Highcliffe, The area from The Harbour to Cliff Field, The Avenue and Avenue Field and the area of the Orchard behind the Church should also be included in the Lympstone Conservation Area.

The Parish Council agreed with all of these views and so this will form the basis of a response to EDDC.

There was one poor aspect to this discussion. Someone had posted notices around the Village suggesting that the Church was under threat and urging people to attend a Village Meeting at 7.00pm. This was a hoax. The Church is not under threat and there was no village meeting called for 7.00pm.

All Parish Council and Parish Meetings are called under Local Government law and must be signed by the Clerk of the Parish Council or any six electors who may also call a meeting. If you see any rogue signs and are in any doubt please

call Tony, our Clerk, and he will be able to advise you.

Lympstone Composting Scheme

This valuable village project has now been wound up due to lack of volunteers. In winding up, the Scheme has distributed its remaining funds and Chairman Roger Howell has presented a cheque for £200 to the Parish Council with the wish that this is used to fund the planting of a tree in the village.

Composting is still alive and well in the Parish with a new scheme is being run by Chris Barnacle. The Parish Council hopes that all existing customers will sign up with Chris to make sure that his new scheme is successful.

Trees

The Cherry trees in Candy's Field are growing well, but they are now hanging down over the path again and so the Parish Council has asked Dave Tyrrell to prune them by raising the crowns of these trees, in the next week or so to make sure that it is safe to use the path through Candy's Field. These trees are an important feature of the landscape of the field and the parish Council feels that it is important to keep them healthy and looking good, without causing any problems.

The oak tree has been moved from the triangle by the tennis courts into a new home in Candy's Field. Mr Tyrrell has been asked to water the tree as large amounts are needed each time. I am sure that we will all be keeping an eye on it to give it a great chance to settle in its new home. **Cont**

The three new trees that were planted at the entrance to The Avenue are dying. They have been poorly maintained by DCC after they were planted and clay mud was spread around the base of them. This has stopped any water getting to the roots. DCC have been asked to get their contractor back to put things right so that these trees can develop into the fine specimens that The Avenue deserves.

New Parking at the Village Hall

Many readers will have seen the new parking area between the Village Hall and the School. These are a great addition to the facilities at the Hall. The new parking spaces will be used by School staff during the working day, in term-time. Outside of that time, they will be managed by the Village Hall. Please contact Don Mildenhall for details of what you need to do if you would like to use a space.

You have probably also seen the new footpath from the school to the Village Hall. This is a significant improvement and contributes to the safety of our children as the move from the School to the Village Hall. The Parish Council's thanks go to County Councillor Bernard Hughes and Tony Priest, School Head, for contributing funds and materials and to Andy Love of Trinity Plant Hire for carrying out some of the work and coordinating the work of other contractors to see the job through to completion.

Diamond Jubilee

Arrangements for Village celebrations are still developing. Pete



and Mo Conibere have offered to take the lead on coordinating the Big Picnic Lunch on Sunday. There will be refreshments by the Scouts and by the Youth Club and it is hoped that our award winning Band will be able to play. There will be a top of the range bouncy castle (for children only!). It is a 32' x 15' Ark Obstacle Course Castle and this will help to make this a really good day.

Monday's events on Cliff Field are still being shaped up. They will end with the Jubilee Beacon (Lymestone was one of the first in the UK to register for this) and a fireworks display. There will be games and sporting activity. The Village still needs someone or some group to bring together all of the events for Monday. If you are willing to lend a hand and have a few contacts in the Village please contact Cllr Peter Acca, (07801 365097) or Tony, the Clerk to the Parish Council.

There will be a final village meeting at the end of April to go through everything for this weekend of fun and celebration and to make sure that everything is included in the Souvenir programme. If you have anything to include in this please contact Communications Champion, Cllr David Young on davidyoung@cometra.co.uk

Clerk to the Council: A J Le Riche, DMS, 43 Salisbury Road, Exmouth, EX8 1SL, Tel 279665/ 07866 535580 mailto:clerk@lymestone.org

STOP PRESS

Any Questions? is the flagship political panel programme broadcast live on Friday evenings at 8pm on BBC Radio4. Each week *Any Questions?* visits a different part of the country with a diverse panel of four speakers who answer questions from the audience.

The current chair is Jonathan Dimbleby. On Friday, 7th September 2012 the programme will be broadcast live from Lypstone Parish Church. Tickets will be free and available six weeks before the broadcast. Details to follow.
Diana Letcher

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COMMEMORATIVE MUGS!

The Parish Council is purchasing mugs commemorating the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee and on Saturday 2nd June will give one to each youngster (up to 16 years old) who is resident in the parish. To get a free mug you must register the name, address and date of birth details by 20th April 2012 and send by email to dga.potters@tiscali.co.uk or alternatively send to Cllr D G Atkins, Potters Farm, Exmouth Road, Lypstone, EX8 5AF.

Yes I would like my child / ren to receive the Parish Council’s Jubilee gift.

Parents name

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Address

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Child name:

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Child address:

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Child DOB:

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FROM THE EDITOR

TRAFFIC FROM THE ESTUARY TRAIL

Devon County Council staff have finally started to erect some of the signs which we have requested. Whilst not the big warning DANGER signs which we asked for, they do at least warn people of the road traffic which they will meet.

Surveys about public satisfaction with the Estuary Trail have so far been limited to the users of the trail. It is hoped that a similar survey of people in Lymestone can be made later this spring. If you live in the village, particularly along the path that trail users take between the Exmouth end (Sowden End) and the Exton end (Cliff Field) then please help us by filling in one of these survey forms. These will be circulated after Easter.

20mph and STOP signs at the bottom of Station Hill are our next targets. In the meanwhile, please enter details of any incidents with estuary traffic in the book kept in the Post Office.

TREE CUTTING

In February's Herald I printed a request for people to take more care when trimming trees. This was not directed at any particular person.



VEGETABLE SEEDS

At the recent allotment meeting it was agreed that a scheme for bulk purchase of seeds would be trialled for 2012/2013. Make a note of what you are purchasing (at often ridiculous prices) this year and pass this to Chris Carter and he will collate all such demands and try to make savings next spring. Plastic sheeting, canes and similar items will also be considered if there is the demand.



BROADBAND SURVEY

The campaign to bring superfast broadband to properties across Devon and Somerset is proving extremely successful. So far, 15,000 individuals and businesses have responded to the survey (From *DCC In-Touch*). For further details or to complete the survey, go to www.lympstone.org.

Chris Carter (Ed)

SHIRLEY WILKES

We wish to thank everyone in Lymestone who have been so supportive during our son, Guy's, tragic illness. Your prayers, your thoughts and your donations to Pancreatic Cancer Research have been so appreciated.

Michael and Shirley Wilkes

LYMPSTONE SCHOOL

The school thoroughly enjoyed playing an active part in the family service in our church on Mothering Sunday through dance, reading and song. Well done everyone!

The last week of term was activities week for our older children. Many spent the week away from home on the school annual residential visit. Those who stayed behind visited Kents Cavern and spent the day on Exmouth beach participating in a Lymptone mini-Olympics, including a sandcastle-building competition! Lots of cooking, art and sports activities have also made this a great way to finish off the term, coupled with some glorious weather.

Tony Priest

THE 34TH ‘SHERRY MORNING’ – AN ANNUAL SUMMER GARDEN PARTY IN AID OF ANTI-SLAVERY INTERNATIONAL

This will be on its usual date – the last Sunday in July, which is Sunday 29th July this year from 1 to 7pm in the garden of The Saddler’s Arms, by kind permission of joint licensees – Mathew Fudge and Lyndsey Wall. It was very successful last year with good feedback from all those who attended. There was live music throughout the afternoon, thanks to all the efforts of David “Doc” Livingstone. Already bookings with some new acts are being made for this year. There will be the usual Grand

Draw with over 40 prizes. Tickets are the same price as 2010 and 2011 at £8 each. This includes the first drink plus food all afternoon. Children come in for free if accompanied by one or more parent. Soft drinks 50p each. Additional Real Ales from Exe Valley Brewery are £2.50 per pint and fine wines are £2.50 a glass. Tickets go on sale from 1st July – phone me on 274485 to avoid disappointment

Graham Martin

THE OLYMPIC TORCH COMES TO LYMPSTONE



A replica of the 1948 Olympic Torch is travelling by water from Torbay to Weymouth. It is being handed to different sailing clubs for each leg of the journey.

It will arrive in the Exe on Saturday 2nd June and will go first to Starcross Sailing Club and then on Sunday 3rd June to Topsham Sailing Club. It will arrive at Lymptone Sailing Club on Monday 4th June on the morning tide around 8am. and will be in Lymptone for the day, departing down river with a supporting flotilla on the evening tide (around 1830h) to Exe Sailing Club who will take it on the next leg of the journey.

The torch may be brought to events in Lymptone during the day on Monday 4th June

Judith Carter

TOPSHAM MUSEUM



The Museum re-opened on April 1st. We are extending our opening days to include Thursdays during the whole season, plus Tuesdays in August. Do come and visit the Period House this year! It has been a very busy winter and the house has been transformed: re-decorated, new lighting installed and, most importantly, entirely new and exciting information displays. One long wall will feature drawings of the Strand houses, using drawings by Caroline Oboussier. All four of the Museum boats are now based in permanent new display areas.

There will be three exhibitions in the Local History Room this year:

Celebrations (1 April to 24 June) - a collection of photos and documents relating to celebrating events in Topsham in the past. We hope to hold a tea party to garner memories of earlier celebratory events.

Sport in Topsham (30 June to 29 August) - sporting clubs and activities old and new, to coincide with the Olympic Games.

Mapping Topsham (1 Sept to 31 October) - a display of maps and vignettes of Topsham and its streets, illustrated with views by local artists.

If you have any memories you can write down or have photographs, programmes or reports in your possession which may be of interest, please contact the Museum.

Opening Hours: Afternoons on Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday (and Tuesdays in August) 2pm-5pm. Last admission 4.30pm. **ADMISSION FREE**

We look forward to welcoming both regular and new visitors to the Museum in 2012.

Rosemary Hatch

LYMPSTONE FILM SOCIETY



April's film is *Tamara Drewe* at the village hall on Friday 13th April. Doors open at 6.45pm; the film starts at 7.30pm. Non-members £5. This is a splendid re-telling of a Thomas Hardy favourite; filmed in Dorset.

For members (and new members who join then), there is a bonus film *Amelie* on Friday 4th May. The Society will be offering its customary and popular early booking discounted price of just £18 for the nine films we will show from September onwards.

Don Mildenhall

JUBILEE TEXTILE PROJECT

I am organising a village Jubilee Textile Book Project along with Jenny Charles and others. The working title is



‘As we were, as we are, Lymptstone 1962 – 2012’, which may be subject to change when the project is finalised.

The aim is to produce stitched pages showing varying aspects of village life during the last 60 years. There are about 20 people involved at present but more are welcome as there is a wealth of topics to cover. Each page of the book will illustrate one topic such as the Lymptstone Band, the Sailing Club, fishing, etc. The pages will be on view at the Quilt Show to be held in the Village Hall on 8th-10th June. Many people have come forward with photographs and information to support the project which is very pleasing.

Pat Boaden

CAN YOU SPARE ONE FRIDAY A MONTH 6.15 PM TO 9.30 PM?

Lymptstone has a very popular and thriving youth club and urgently needs more volunteers to help run the weekly sessions for members aged 11 to 18 years old.

You would be required to help set up the games and prepare the tuck shop prior to opening at 6.45pm and after closing at 9p.m. to clean the hall with the rest of the team.

During the session your main responsibilities would be to supervise either in the building or outside ensuring that a good standard of behaviour is adhered to and generally engaging in conversation with the members should they wish to talk to someone and participate in various activities such as rounders or pool.

If you have any old computers, flat monitors or flat TVs you know longer want Lymptstone Youth Club could make use of these. For this or any other information please contact Eddie Mingo on 07762419255/ 01395 267823 or email eddiemingo@sky.com

WHAT'S ON?

Junior youth club: for 7 to 11 years of age, first Friday of the month from 5pm to 6.30pm. Tuck shop open for chips, hot dogs, pizza, drinks and sweets.

Senior youth club: for 11 to 18 years of age, every Friday from 6.45pm to 9pm for more information contact eddiemingo@sky.com - 07762419255.

Zumba: for Adults every Thursday 7-8pm for more information email giaorees@yahoo.co.uk - 07932968090.

Brownies: Wednesdays 5pm till 6pm for girls aged 7 to 10 years of age. Contact Rosie – Brown Owl on 01395 225145, mobile 0778935557 or email anrvoterx@gmail.com.

Training courses: Health and safety, first aid and more. Contact pat@patmarshall.co.uk.

Eddie Mingo

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH LOTTERY

The March lottery was won by Ralph Martin of Underhill Crescent with ticket No.602

New tickets for the year ahead beginning April 2012 are now being sold around the village and in the Post Office.

We shall be holding our Annual General Meeting in the Church on Wednesday, 18th April at 7.30pm, and all are welcome. Do please join us

Joyce.Malster

OPEN GARDENS

Three gardens in Lympstone are opening on Sunday 24th June from 2pm - 6pm in aid of Hospiscare.

Merrylands - Suki Commin

The Old Garden - Christine Pankhurst

The New Garden (5 Malt Field) - Linda

Lyon. Refreshments will be available at Merrylands. Further information will be advertised in the month before the opening. We realise that this date is the same as the Furry Dance Cream Tea at Four Winds but Suki is going to talk to them to see if we can arrange joint advertising and use both events to encourage more visitors to attend. I'll be in touch with more details by the next edition. Meanwhile, please give me a ring if you have any queries.

Linda Lyon

HOSPISCARE WILL WEEK 14-18 MAY - An up-to-date Will to give you peace of mind with Will Week

As your local hospice charity caring for terminally ill people and their families, Hospiscare relies on gifts in Wills and understand how important a Will is to give peace of mind that the people and causes close to your heart are looked after in the future. Although we know a Will secures our loved ones' future it's something we put off. Yet it's so important for everybody to have Will and keep it up to date so there are no unnecessary problems for loved ones.

In reality making or updating a Will is straightforward and Hospiscare Will Week makes it even simpler. Over 30 Devon solicitors will write or update your Will for free so you can make a donation to Hospiscare instead.

This opportunity is open to everyone. Simply choose a participating solicitor and make an appointment. Your most local solicitors include

Exmouth, Everys

Nicholas Strong, 01395 264384

Exmouth, Ford Simey

Rebecca Tribble, 01395 272241

Exmouth, Vine Orchards

Gordon Pring, 01395 273035

For further information please phone Susie on 01392 688020 or go to www.hospiscare.co.uk for the full list.

Suzanne Rushforth

I LIVE HERE!

The inhabitants of Lymptstone are signing up to be photographed in front of their houses for the Jubilee project. Some 100 households have already volunteered, and the photographers have started work.

Here is your chance to go down in history, for it is the Lymptstone History Society that will become the custodian of these pictures down the generations, enabling your descendents to look back through the mists of time, to envisage your life in the Diamond year of 2012.

We are not just looking for those of you who live in historic houses. We want inhabitants of cottages and bungalows, old and new, of flats and mansions, terraces and semis, modern estates as well as cob and thatch, Jackson's Meadow as well as The Manor House, those born in the village as well as the newest of newcomers, those who are renting as well as home owners, the young, the middle aged and the old. Lymptstone is notable for its variety, of people and of houses, and we hope to show just how varied it is at the beginning of the 21st century.

The more of you who face the photographers, the better representation of the village this archive will be. Join the swelling throng, don't be left out, help us to record our village at a particular moment in its history – and smile, please!

To be part of this Jubilee community portrait, please let us know that you are willing to be photographed in front of

your house by emailing johngc66@gmail.com or phoning 01395 277 007. Or you can fill in a form at the Post Office if you would prefer.

Whichever way, do it now.

*Jane Goss-Custard
Harland Walshaw*



LYMPSTONE TENNIS CLUB

There will be an Open Evening for adults interested in tennis coaching on Monday 16 April from 7pm. Come along and meet the new coach and sign up for some sessions. Further details from Jill on 01395 224774.

A reminder that registration for junior tennis coaching will take place on Saturday 28 April from 9.00am. The cost for 10 sessions with James Isaacs is £43.50, which includes junior membership for the year and a club t-shirt. Numbers are restricted because of court safety and places will be allocated on a "first come" basis. Existing members can reserve and pay for their coaching in advance when renewing their membership.

Thank you to those who have paid their subs for the new season. If you wish to join or want to find out more about our friendly village club please look at our website: www.lympstonetc.co.uk Details of our summer programme of tournaments and social events will be uploaded shortly.

Liz Griffiths

POLICE REPORT



On the 17th March a pink muddy fox bmx was stolen from outside a property in the Strand. It is a very bright pink so if anybody has any information please contact Police quoting KE/12/631.

On the 25th March a child's scooter was stolen from outside a property on Glebelands. The scooter is very distinctive as the wheel is luminous green with a purple coloured centre. If anybody has any information, please contact Police on 101 quoting KE/12/686. Can I ask all parents to check their gardens/shed to make sure that these bikes have not been picked up or appeared in gardens.

A reminder to all dog walkers – please pick up after your dogs as I am receiving complaints from residents. It is particularly bad in the area of Candys Field. I have tasked the dog warden to attend and issue tickets where necessary.

I will be attending the Sailing Club, in company with an Officer from Special Branch on the 27th April to launch Boat Watch and do a presentation on Operation Kracken. I look forward to meeting members and hopefully introducing this scheme to Lymptstone. And lastly I would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter.

PCSO Sarah Trayhurn

*Sarah.trayhurn@devonandcornwall.pn
n.police.uk*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LYMPSTONE.ORG!

Yes it is now a year since Lymptstone acquired its new web site and as far as we can tell things are going along fine - but we are not complacent. We are now receiving over 2,000 "hits" every month with over 40% of these being repeat visits. The "What's On" pages and "Village News" are the most popular with "Businesses" not far behind. Certainly the site came to the fore in informing the community on the progress with the Courtlands Appeal and we are now getting more interactive comments.

But there are areas where we feel we are not getting the benefit from this valuable resource. The "Noticeboard" is not exploited - this is a FREE medium on which you can publish your personal items for sale and wanted - lost and found and also personal/public announcements. Think of it just like a notice board under the Strand railway bridge. The "Gallery" will be having a re-vamp - it is a popular feature but does not give us enough flexibility to display all your photographs. What else would you like? It's your web site let us know what you would like added, deleted or just improved.

Thank you to all who contribute and those behind the scenes who make it happen - it is your web site and ultimately its success depends on YOU.

Rob Longhurst

**KILLERTON PAST, PRESENT
AND FUTURE
WEDNESDAY 18TH APRIL
7.30PM - THE FUNCTION ROOM**

Killerton, the eighteenth century National Trust house near Broadclyst, will be familiar to many of you. You may even have climbed the steep wooden hillside to the Iron Age fort, and enjoyed the rare trees, magnolias, rhododendrons and herbaceous borders. The garden was created in the 1770s by the landscape gardener John Veith. Now years later, Kate Tuke, who is Head Gardener, will describe how the garden was first laid out and how it is being redeveloped today. It should be a fascinating talk.

Sheila Stone

PARISH CHURCH



The new Lymptone Parish Church website is now up and running and may be found at

www.lympstonechurch.org

We hope soon to have a link to the village website which may be up and running by the time you read this. On the site you may find pictures of the stained glass and the spectacular view from the tower. Let us know what you would like to see and we may be able to respond to requests.

The Bishop of Exeter will be in Lymptone on Thursday 19th April, at 7.30 pm, when he will licence our new team vicar Rev Benedict Cambridge.

The church annual meeting takes place on Tuesday 24th April in the church at 7.15pm. The meeting is divided into two parts, the election of the church wardens and the annual church meeting. The first part is to elect the two church 'wardens' who are responsible for the building and running of the church for the next year. The meeting is open to every member of the Lymptone community, not just the church members. You may come and vote on the candidates. Wardens are elected for one year and we have three nominations already so an election is certain. If you wish to exercise your right as a villager please come to the meeting.

The meeting then closes and the church parochial meeting proceeds when only members of the church roll are eligible to take part. Anyone is welcome to attend, but only church members may vote. This meeting is able to question the officers, the accounts and representatives of the groups within the church. The report is prepared before the meeting and will be available in church well before the meeting date.

The Lent Lunches had full tables throughout the season. Any profit will be presented to the Open Door and St Petrock in Exeter.

The social/fundraising committee has an annual programme. See the weekly pew notices, under the arch or on the website for details and the banner in front of church for the Easter services.

Brian Mather

LYMPSTONE BAND VICTORY



What a fantastic result for the Lypstone South West Telecoms Band at the West of England Regional contest on March 11th in Torquay – we won and became the 2nd Section West of England Champions! This is the highest winning result at this contest the band has achieved, as it originally won promotion to the 1st Section after a series of podium results.

Charlie and the players are elated about the result, and after relegation in 2011, the band is promoted back to the 1st Section from January 2013. The band has also earned a place at the National Brass Band Championship Finals on Saturday 22nd September at Cheltenham Racecourse, and eagerly awaits news of what test piece is in store for them.

The next time you can see the band in action in Lypstone will be their Spring Concert - 'Friday Night is Film Night' where we will be performing a well known programme of music from the movies. Please come along and support us on Friday 20th April 2012 at

7.30pm. Tickets are available on the door at just £3 for adults and FREE for under 16s.

Bryony Snell

LYMPSTONE STATION COMMUNITY GARDENS



During the summer months the community gardens at the foot of the embankment on Station Hill were a riot of colour. Sadly, over the winter some of them had become neglected and overgrown. Three volunteers spent some hours recently weeding the gardens and getting them into a fit state to be "adopted" by villagers again. Each plot is about 10ft x 2ft and affords an opportunity for you to have your own input into how the village looks. Perhaps you don't have a garden and would relish a little plot to care for. Or perhaps you see it as an opportunity to let the children have some practical experience of gardening. Whatever your motive, we would love to hear from you if you feel you would like to be part of this project, and there will be a prize for the best garden later in the year! Many thanks to the gardeners who still maintain their plots, which all of us greatly enjoy as we pass by, to Dawn Chapman for her continuing work on the embankment and to Chris Barnacle for strimming.

Viv and Tony Day

HERE COME THE GIRLS!



Get ready for a girl's night out with a difference. Come and join us and hundreds of ladies as they dress up and walk the coastal and country lanes of Devon at night to raise money for your local hospice nurses.

To celebrate 30 years of care in your local area, we are going back to the 1980s with our fun fancy dress theme! Prizes to be won for the best outfit.

Join us at Exmouth on 19th May or Tiverton on 14th July. For more information or to register go to www.womensmidnightwalk.co.uk.

Susie Healey

WI

At the W.I. meeting on April 4th, instead of a Guest Speaker there was a much-anticipated 'home-grown' entertainment. This began with a hearty singalong accompanied by Doreen Flowers on piano. Next, Jo Cotton expertly showed us how to compose an Easter Basket flower arrangement, using spring blooms from hedgerow and garden. Then Joyce Perry brought alive a piece of local history, taking the role of Mrs. Perriam in the monologue 'The Powder Monkey' by Ralph Rochester.

Finally, the 9-member W.I. Drama Group performed a dramatic presentation of Martin Armstrong's poem 'Miss Thompson Goes

Shopping'. The audience was hugely amused by the various shopkeepers encountered by Miss Thompson in her day's 'retail therapy' 1920s-style. Members will long remember, with delight, Maura Johnson as 'Miss Thompson', Joan Denison as 'Mrs Watson', Diana Winterton-Young as 'Miles the Fishmonger' and Bobby Brunt as 'Wren the Chemist', ably supported by Jan Waldren, Ann Briers, Adrienne Hebdige, Dorothy Livingstone and Terry Scott. Drama Group leader Jill Hearn had recently retired after 26 years, and Maura Johnson read a warm tribute in verse, and presented a gift and flowers on behalf of the members.

In a short business meeting President Anne Frampton thanked members for their love and support in her recent bereavement. Secretary Jo Cotton gave reminders to members including- The regular Litter Pick on 30th April at 2.30pm starting at the bottom of Church Road; The Work of a Forensic Scientist', a talk by Dr. John Tribell at Kennaway House, Sidmouth, on 11th/25th May; A walk at Slapton Ley Nature Reserve on 19th/23rd June.

The next W.I. meeting, at 2.30pm on Wednesday 2nd May in the Village Hall, will be the Resolutions/Annual Meeting. Members were reminded that although the current committee was willing to continue, there was a need for a new Treasurer.

Brenda Courtie

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The Redwing Bar & Dining (www.redwingbar-dining.co.uk)



Early Diner's Offer

For just £11.95 for 2 courses or £13.95 for 3 courses, our superb early dining offer is ending at the end of April. Available Sunday through to Thursday evenings when ordered between 6pm and 7.00pm, & Monday – Friday lunches 12pm -1.00pm.

Please note this offer is not available if ordered after 7.00pm / 1.00pm and must be quoted on arrival Thank you for your cooperation.

The Loft Function Room

At the Redwing Bar and Dining we have several dining areas including our loft dining room upstairs that is available for private hire or individual bookings. Our private dining room seats up to 30 guests, along with bespoke designed menus for any occasion. In addition to this, diners can book our sunny courtyard “Weather permitting” or the main restaurant. For more information please contact Tina or Donna: 01395 222 156.

Sunday Lunch Special

Our two course Sunday Lunch is now available for £14.95 to include a selection of 2 roast meats and a pudding of the day.

St George's Day Wine Club Meeting

Monday 23rd April: Celebrating St George's Day with meet the brewer, taste a selection of local ales and glass or two of English wines. Complementary drink on arrival and light bite's of all things English. £9.95 per person or £18 per couple, Tickets available, time 7 for 7.30pm.

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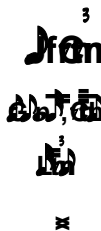
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11 Lymptone Folk at The Globe
12 Show – *I'm an Aristocrat...*
13 Film – *Tamara Drewe*
16 Tennis club open evening
18 Neighbourhood Plan Meeting
18 Friends of the Church AGM
18 Garden Club Talk
19 Art Talk
19 New Vicar for Lymptone
19 Youth football – new U8s
20 Lymptone Band concert
21 Youth football – new U8s
24 WI Estuary Group meeting
26 Clay throwing class
26 Hospiscare golf day
28 Junior tennis club registrations

2 WI Annual Meeting
4 Film- *Amelie*
12 Coffee Morning
14-18 Hospiscare Will Week
19 Hospiscare Midnight Walk

JUNE

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS will be detailed in next month's Herald

(N.B. If you have any events that you wish to publicize in May's issue of the Herald then please send it to us by the 30th of April. *Ed.*)

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