



Lympstone Entertainments

DRUMBEAT

essential reading for those who don't want to miss the best of What's On in Lympstone

THE FOUR TENORS? HARDLY!

No less an authority than Mstislav Rostropovich is reported as saying that, because of its tenor register, the cello is a masculine instrument. Be that as it may, the four feminine exponents of the instrument, Hilary Boxer, Jane Greenwood, Jane Pirie and Rebecca Allnatt, collectively known as **CELLOS4**, gave a great deal of pleasure to those who attended their recital in the Parish Church on Sunday 20th September. From the opening bars of Finzi's joyous song 'My Spirit Sang All Day' it was clear we were in for a most agreeable afternoon. The programme thereafter was varied as to period – from Byrd representing the Renaissance, all the way to a modern Jazz Suite by Atwell (not Winifred, I believe) – and mood. But harmonious throughout and only rarely permitting an unworthy regret that no 'soprano' string voices were to be heard.

In little over an hour, we were treated as promised to 'a brush of baroque, a moment of Mozart (his Ave Verum Corpus sang out in this special place) and some traditional tunes.' One such struck a particular chord for those of us who had heard Harland Walshaw's talk on the nightingale: he had played the celebrated recording of cellist Beatrice Harrison accompanying nightingales singing in her Surrey garden in 1924, some 15 years before Sherwin relocated the birds magically to Berkeley Square. **CELLOS4** gave his nostalgic melody full value; as they did with a pacey pizzicato encore that rounded off proceedings, with only the gratefully received tea and delicious cakes to follow.

JET

Follow that? We will, with

LYMPSTONE'S VERY OWN CLARION CLARINET QUARTET

It is several years since the village enjoyed a full concert programme from this talented foursome, Richard de la Rue, John Walthew, Tim Whiter and John Welton. They too will be performing a programme to cater for a wide range of tastes from classical to swing, including works written specially for clarinet quartet and some very skilfully adapted and arranged from other formats.

in Lympstone Parish Church at 4pm on Sunday 1st November.

Adult tickets £8, under 16s £1 - to include tea/coffee and cake –
can be obtained from the LympEnts Box Office c/o Demelza Henderson
2 Brookfield Cottages, The Strand. Telephone: 01395 272243 or 07516 322853
or you can pay at the door on the day

**AND THAT'S MERELY THE START OF IT
READ ON TO DISCOVER WHAT AN EXCITING RANGE OF OTHER
ATTRACTIONS WILL BE COMING ALONG
AS THE SEASON PROGRESSES**

Saturday November 28th

Ian Keable, magician with a highly entertaining comic twist, returns to keep us on the edge of our seats again (or stuck to them?) in

MIRTH, MARVELS AND THE MYSTERIOUS

The Secret World of Charles Dickens

7.30pm in the Village Hall

Tickets £8, U16s £4. Pay bar from 7pm

with the support of Villages in Action



At Christmastime we'll be supporting our hilarious friends THE LYMPSTONE MUMMERS, performing hither and yon, while collecting for The Children's Society. A seasonal highlight!

Sunday January 17th

Our New Year treat for families with children: a visit from PUPPETCRAFT THEATRE with

MONKEY!

Michael Rosen's re-telling of the classic Chinese fairy tale of the comic adventures of a fantastical superhero, complete with enchanting string puppets and live music

2.30pm in the Village Hall

with the support of Villages in Action

Saturday February 27th

Our unmissable annual funfest, when local talent fills the stage with colour, spectacle, laughter and music

THE LYMPSTONE VILLAGE CONCERT

2.30pm and 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Saturday March 19th

Come to the cabaret, old chums, come to the cabaret, French style food and the wonderful

AFFINITÉE evoking Piaf and other chansonnières, with accordion and guitar accompaniment

7.30pm in the Village Hall

Thursday April 21st

A welcome return visit from the GONZO MOOSE theatre company (remember their anarchic comedy *I'm an Aristocrat, Get Me Out of Here!*) Their new epic, in the same zany vein, is

GREAT SCOTT!

What if Captain Scott and his men didn't perish in their doomed attempt to be the first to reach the South Pole? Was the truth so shocking it had to be hidden - *because they saved the world from aliens???*

7.30pm in the Village Hall

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Sunday May 22nd

Music for flute and harp played by our old friend Ruth Molins with Sally Jenkins, the recently formed

ZEPHYR DUO

who are planning to perform an 'around the world' programme

4pm in Lympstone Parish Church

SUMMERTIME

Our offerings in June and July will include a visit from a top local jazz group and, on Saturday 16th July, another *al fresco* performance by the Cygnet Theatre Company, thanks again to Judith and Robin Telfer. An opportunity to picnic again, in a matchless setting, like we did last summer!

WATCH DRUMBEAT FOR FULL DETAILS OF ALL THE NEW SEASON'S EVENTS