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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

LPC held their monthly public meeting on Monday 7th February in the Committee Room. The Chairman opened the meeting by thanking all Parish Councillors for their hard work and dedicated time to complete the necessary duties of the Parish.

**Clerks Report** – The Clerk presented three more new policies which were all agreed and adopted by LPC. The Clerk explained the national initiative to plant a tree for the Queens Jubilee be adopted. EDDC had also offered a free tree to surrounding Parishes. It was unanimously agreed that the PC would accept EDDCs offer and purchase their own tree to plant for the momentous occasion. Cllr Tyrrell also raised the matter of the Beacon that he was organising and building. He explained that the Beacon would begin being built from the weekend of 28/29th May to 2nd June and he invited the children of the Parish, with their parents, and any other volunteers to help build the Beacon. Please contact me, the Clerk, if you are available and interested in helping with this. Cllr Tyrrell explained he felt it was important to get the children involved so they would remember doing this and pass on their memories to future generations. Unfortunately, the few persistent irresponsible dog owners in the Parish were discussed again. It was agreed the Clerk would work with the

EDDC dog warden and Streetscene to try and prevent this disgusting mess with new initiatives. Finally speeding cyclist through the village was raised and the dangers they posed to pedestrians and other road users. Any incidents/accidents involving cyclist in the village can be reported online at Accident & Near Miss Reporting - Lymptone Village Website Devon County Cllr Trail explained he would look into a review of the cyclists and reducing speed measures.

### **Reports from the District and County Cllrs**

- County Cllr Trail reported that the work to add a new road into Goodmores development site from Dinan Way would begin on 14th February. Both himself and Cllr Scott were meeting with all contractors and sub-contractors in due course to discuss the traffic management of the site. He explained that any complaints related to this could go through him and/or Cllr Scott to ensure the traffic flowed safely. Their contact details are: Cllr Jeff Trail, jeff.trail@devon.gov.uk telephone: 01395 277311 and Cllr Richard Scott, richard.scott@devon.gov.uk telephone: 07917 038764.

District Cllr Jung was pleased that local PCs were meeting to discuss the proposed developments in the East Devon Local Plan review. He added that EDDCs budget would be approved

next month and expected a £5 rate increase per month for households. He explained that parking and winter car parking prices would be held but peak parking prices would increase. District Cllr Ingham explained that in the LNP review, protecting the green wedge and the Exe trail should remain a priority. He added that there must be an effective and efficient route for cyclist and not to travel through the village. Cllr Ingham was passionate to protect and extend the green wedge and under no circumstances reduce it. He believed houses should not be built until the infrastructure is in place to keep the area sustainable. Any developments should be near already industrial sites in situ not on the outskirts of small villages and in the green wedge.

#### **Community Asset – Methodist Hall.**

It is imperative that the PC receive your views on securing, supporting, and raising funds for the purchase of this community building. Therefore, the PC would be most grateful if you could complete the brief survey included in this month's Herald and return for the PC to holistically understand if this is a viable asset to keep in our community. The survey can also be found online at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdE4Nbzc3\\_sO9ZoYBMsnB-Wa0xFhz66mf7ABILnPygFjsuoQw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdE4Nbzc3_sO9ZoYBMsnB-Wa0xFhz66mf7ABILnPygFjsuoQw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**East Devon Local Plan Review** - Cllr Jung explained that all correspondence received from members of the public should be collated and kept to send on to EDDC. County Cllr Scott added that one voice should respond from the PC. A public meeting date solely for this item would be agreed after meeting with the surrounding Parish Cllrs to ensure continuity across East Devon.

**Community** – Cllr Payne asked the PC to decide on a new name for the Youth Club Hut as the building offered far more potential to all users than just a youth club. It was agreed that in future the building would be known as 'The Hub'. The Clerk signed, as the PCs official, the EDDC agreement for the S106 funding for the refurbishment of the Play area in Candys Field. This was witnessed and countersigned by the Chairman, Cllr Keith Hill and the Vice Chairman, Cllr Dianne Beatty. Mrs Lyons requested a £500 advance from the Community Hub allocated money in the PCs budget to provide more meals for the most vulnerable members of the public in the Parish. This was unanimously agreed by the PC.

**Underhill public toilets** - Finally, sadly over the last few weeks, our much-loved public toilets have been subject to vandalism and anti-social behaviour. This has been reported to the police,

but you will find toilet closures for necessary repairs and maintenance. Unfortunately, there may also be a varied change in opening and closing times due to this mindless behaviour. The PC thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

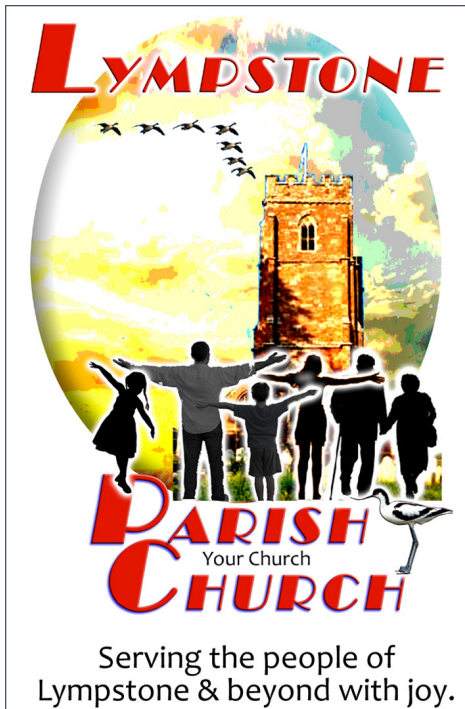
The next PC meeting will be held in the Meeting Room (was Committee Room) on Monday 7th March 2022 at 7.30pm.

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## PARISH CHURCH

**Mothering Sunday** will be on Sunday 27th March with services at 8am for Morning Prayer and 9.30 Holy Communion (probably with distribution of posies, but that yet needs to be confirmed at the time of writing).

**Palm Sunday** is on 10th April once again with services at the usual times 8am Morning Prayer and 9.30 Holy Communion with distribution of palm crosses.

**Maundy Thursday Service** will be a Mission Community celebration of the Last Supper at 7pm on Thursday 14 April at Holy Trinity church, Exmouth. Good Friday service is on Friday 15th April at 11am... and will include a retelling of the Easter Story in drama, words and music. It's an All-Age service, open to everyone... Easter morning will have an 8am said service of Holy Communion, and an all-age Family Communion at 9.30 at which families will be particularly welcome.

There will be opportunities for **Quiet Prayer** in church on Wednesday mornings at 11.30 - on 9th and 23rd March.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated at 11.30 on the other Wednesdays, the 2nd, 16th and 30th March.

Our new '**Journey**' services' are welcoming, open and accessible to everyone, with uplifting songs, activities for children of all ages, and refreshments hopefully restarting in March

**Tick-Tock** continues on Friday mornings from 9 to 11 am with fun, music and stories for under fives and a coffee for the adults.

**Lympstone Unlocked** is monthly on Sundays from 5 pm until 6 for 7 to 11 year olds.

Phone Fiona on 07935594030.

*Brian Mather*

## LYMPSTONE ART EXHIBITION

We are so pleased that it looks like we shall be holding the Art Exhibition again this year after 2 years of Covid cancellations.

It will be in the half term week from Sunday 29th May to Friday 3rd June, 11am to 5pm in the Village Hall so put the date in your diary. We will also be running our very successful young artists competition over the week of the exhibition. More details will be in next month's Herald.

*Judith Carter*

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## TALK LYMPSTONE ART GROUP

A slight change to information published in last month's Herald. Naomi Hart's talk will be on Wednesday 9th March at 7.30pm in the function room at the Village Hall. it will be on 'Drawing Water: Tales of hope and survival from Topsham to Terror Bay'.

Naomi states water is physically and symbolically vital: it nourishes us, carries our stories and connects us with the wider world. It anchors us and gives us a sense of place, yet it is constantly moving and changing.

Water is often seen as a symbol of purity and cleanliness, even though it is also used as a dumping ground for rubbish and pollution; but in ecological terms water sustains plant, bird and animal life from microscopic algae to whales and dolphins.

What can we learn about water from art, science and history to look to the future with hope?

Free to members and £3 to guests on the door

*Judith Carter*

## FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Last month's Herald (page 23) set out changes to our Lottery for the 2022/23 round, including a doubling the monthly prize to £50. Money raised goes solely towards the costs of essential work to keep our historic parish church in good and safe condition. The price of a ticket is now £10, giving entry into 12 monthly draws from April to March next year. Tickets will be on sale from around the end of this month to mid- April. We sell door to door but it's not possible to call at every house. So If you wish to buy a ticket and no-one calls, please do let me know! The Friends look forward to the continuing generous support from our community.

The winners of our February draw are Jeremy Price and Mr and Mrs Pearce.

A date for your diary - on Saturday 14 May the Friends will present a concert by the Lympstone Training Band in the church - a welcome return after the long Covid silence! More details next month.

*Clive Wilson (264753); secretary,  
Friends of the Church*

## GARDEN CLUB

In January, we had a very interesting illustrated talk by Christine Skelmersdale of Broadleigh Gardens on a wide variety of winter flowering bulbs that provide interest from late autumn to early spring. Christine mentioned about 20 out of about 2500 varieties of snowdrops and recommended the large-flowered and prolific 'Atkinsii', the bell-shaped and scented 'S.Arnett' and the large double-flowered 'Hippolyta'. Tips: look for markings on the outside as well the inside of the flowers, divide and plant after flowering when leaves are still green, and avoid manure at all costs!

There were narcissus ranging from the dwarf to the tall, for indoors, for outdoor pots, and for naturalising in grassy open spaces. For the latter site, good options are scented 'Actaea' (which can cope with damp clay) and the British native 'pseudonarcissus' which self-seeds with abandon. After daffodils have flowered in pots, feed and then dry off in cool shade. There were also crocus, cyclamen, iris and tulips. Tips: Tulip 'Stresa' (yellow with red flashes) goes well with 'Tete a Tete'. Treat tulips as annuals for reliability.

There were, of course, far too many varieties of bulbs to mention so do check out the website, and perhaps visit Christine's garden and nursery near

Taunton, open all weekdays, in aid of St. Margaret's Hospice.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 15 March, 7.30pm village hall - a talk on honey bees by Basil Strickland

Tuesday 19 April, 7.30pm village hall - talk on square metre gardening by Claire Hunt. For more details, see February Herald.

Beware the vagaries of the weather as far as sowing and planting are concerned. The soil can remain cold for some time to come so it is worth keeping vegetable beds covered with cloches, black lightweight weed inhibiting material or even cardboard to help the soil eventually warm up. Recent frosts have been welcome to those with fruit trees and bushes not yet in blossom as they can help eliminate bugs and fungal spores.

Thinking of fungi, it is also worth mentioning mycorrhizal fungi readily available in granule form which you may already be using when planting trees, shrubs, herbaceous and edible plants. Scattered on the roots, it forms a symbiotic relationship which has an important role in nutrition and settling in of new plants. Don't use it on acid loving varieties.

If you are a member of the RHS, you can buy for £10 up to 15 packets of seeds



harvested in RHS gardens. This offer is open until 31st March. See website for more details.

Birds will be nesting soon so any pruning of deciduous hedges/big shrubs should be done with care. I notice they are very busy on the feeders, looking for worms etc. and bathing to keep feathers in good condition so let's be sure to give them a helping hand.

*Jill Wilson*

## **LYMPSTONE HISTORY SOCIETY**

We have now returned to evening meetings with our future talks being held on Wednesday evenings in the Village Hall Community Room (formerly the Function Room).

Our next talk will be on Wednesday 16th March at 7.30pm, when Denise Allen will be talking to us about 'Roman Glass'. Doors will be open by 7.15pm and, as usual, the entry fee is £4, for non-members, or £3.50 for LHS members (cash please).

We will continue to observe Covid precautions at our events and, of course, the Village Hall's UV air sanitising system will provide additional protection for us all.

*Mary Turner*  
*Secretary*

## **COMMUNITY HUB LUNCHES**

The February Lunch will be delivered direct to recipient's homes. However, we are planning to hold the March Lunch in the Village Hall in the Community Room (formerly the Function Room). Meals will still be delivered direct to homes where recipients do not wish to come to the Hall.

- 1pm Sunday 27 February  
Cottage Pie & Sponge Pudding
- 1pm Sunday 27 March  
Roast Pork dinner and Easter cake

If you have any queries or would like to help us out as a volunteer, please contact Linda Lyon at [malcandlinda@aol.com](mailto:malcandlinda@aol.com)

*Many thanks*  
*Linda Lyon*

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## THE HERALD HISTORY SPOT

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WILLIAMINA, LADY FORBES

1775-1810

The fun about the young Scotswoman Williamina, who came to Lympstone in 1809 to live, but in less than two years was dead, is that, as a teenager, she was tutored at home by the philosopher-to-be James Mill, and that she was the first girlfriend of Sir Walter Scott, the poet and writer. Both Scott and Mill fell madly in love with her. But she, like a well conducted person, married the wealthy banker, Sir William Forbes and had many children by him.

The Forbeses in Lympstone were next-door neighbours to the Wakelyn Welches, and they lived in the house now called The Manor House but which the Forbeses knew as 'a cottage in Lympstone. Suitable for invalids.' We can let Williamina represent the tradition that Lympstone, like so many Devon places, was for many years seen as a good place to go when you were sick, whence to get well or to die. There was a veritable business in sickness and death that was well established in Williamina's time and that continued into the next century. The fresh air, even the smell of the estuary mud,

were claimed to be health-giving and landlords, parsons, doctors, nurses, sextons, embalmers, stonemasons, and indeed the population as a whole benefitted from the belief that sick people, particularly consumptives, should be sent to healthy places as far south as possible. When war with France forbade trips to the Riviera, places like Lympstone benefitted from a stream of invalids whose memorials can be found in this and many another Devon church. Williamina, however, was not buried here and there is no local monument to her. Her remains were rushed away to Edinburgh.



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## LYMPSTONE VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Following the recent re-decoration and the installation or upgrade of our audio visual equipment in all three rooms, you may now have noticed the new signage at the Village Hall. We have some new room names to help make it clearer how the different spaces are intended to be used: the Main Hall; the Community Room (formerly the Function Room); and the Meeting Room (formerly the Committee Room).

Our new website [www.lympstonevillagehall.org.uk](http://www.lympstonevillagehall.org.uk) better reflects our charitable status and includes information about our venue, a What's On section and a new downloadable Hirer Guide that is an 'everything you need to know' document including room dimensions, equipment, room layouts and capacities. Please do take a look!

We rely on people's voluntary time to keep things running smoothly, and this can place an undue burden on some members of our team, so we have established a streamlined process for future bookings and enquiries.

If you are interested in booking a space, our availability is on the website's online calendar and to make a booking or enquiry you simply complete our online Booking or Enquiry Form. When booking, please allow sufficient time for

setting up and packing away, we are a busy hall and sometimes have bookings back-to-back.

We hope to respond to all bookings and enquiries within 48 hours.

Many people know the hall team and have private contact details. We have a special request that only our official contact details are used when enquiring about Hall business. We are very grateful for your support in helping us to ensure the bookings run smoothly.

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# QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE 2-5 JUNE 2022

## SAVE THE DATES!

Many Village events have been planned for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee 4 day Weekend in June, including :-

- Thursday** - Lighting the Jubilee Beacon and Party on Cliff Field
- Friday** - Film 'Land Girls' and Talk in Village Hall
- Saturday** - Afternoon and evening Party on Candys Field and Village Hall
- Sunday** - Record breaking attempt Cream Tea

There will be many more activities, too numerous to list, but all ages will be catered for!

All the events will be free to enter, though some activities may have a small charge. Watch out for updates on the Village Website and Social Media from the middle of March

## CREAM TEA

on Sunday 5 June

Please register your interest in this event now at :

[largestcreamtea@yahoo.com](mailto:largestcreamtea@yahoo.com)

We need to know potential numbers as soon as possible to ensure we have enough food.

## VOLUNTEERS

We need dozens of people to help with the planning and at the weekend itself to make this a weekend to enjoy and remember. Even if you can only give us an hour – we need you!

Please get in touch with Linda Lyon with any ideas, suggestions or offers of support at :

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*Many thanks,  
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(Community Hub)*



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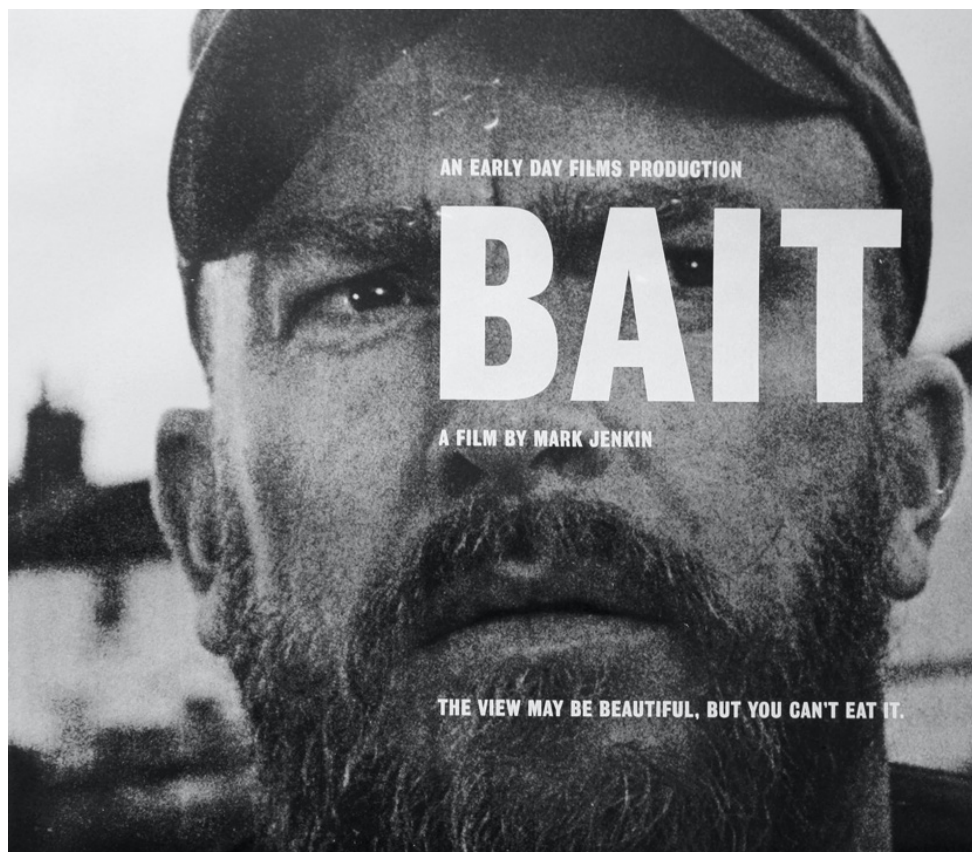
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Upcoming Waggy Walks:

- Tuesday 8th March – Mutters Moor, Sidmouth
- Saturday 26th March – Four Firs car park, Woodbury Common

Please note, walks are FREE but you will need to book a place via the website as places are limited.

**YOU'LL LEARN A LOT ABOUT LOBSTER POTTING  
IN THIS BRILLIANTLY ORIGINAL WEST COUNTRY FABLE**



Bait is a film drama about a Cornish fishing village, starring Edward Rowe as a struggling fisherman without a boat. Tensions arise between locals against a backdrop of second homes, short-term lets, and gentrification. Hailed by the film critic Mark Kermode as his favourite film of the year (2019), and of the decade, it has received wide critical acclaim and won many awards. Shot in black-and-white on hand-held cameras, this compelling film has an

old-fashioned feeling to it, as it tells a modern story of fishing villages in the West Country today.

It is being shown by Lymestone Film Society at the Village Hall on Friday, 11th March. Non-members are welcome for £5 at the door. The bar opens at 6.45pm, and the programme begins with a selection of short films before the interval, when ice creams will be served.

## HARBOUR BRIEFING

Many people in the village might not know that the Harbour at Lympstone is not Crown land but owned by a local body, the Lympstone Fishery & Harbour Association (LFHA). This land is about 75 acres of foreshore and river bottom (up to the line of Mean High Water Spring Tides) running from Darling Rock to Courtlands Cross (the railway bridge at the southern end of the old Courtlands estate) and includes the harbour, the slipway and the ramp at Sowden End. A further 22 acres running from Darling Rock to Parsonage Stile is held on a 25-year lease from the Crown. The all-volunteer Executive Committee of the LFHA is the Harbour Board appointed by vote from the membership. Members are those granted an annual license for one or more of the available Association resources (a mooring or vessel storage on the dry hard or in the wet harbour). Members' fees pay for the £15,000 or so annual maintenance cost of running the harbour and these fees are the lowest so far known in England. Licenses are granted preferentially to resident members of the Parish. More information about the Association and how to apply for a license can be found at <http://www.lympstoneharbour.org.uk/faqs.html>.

**Dogs on Leads.** The Harbour Board would kindly request that all parishioners keep their dogs on leads when visiting

or passing through the harbour. Some asked to do so reply that they are responsible dog owners and that this shouldn't be required for their dog. The trouble is that the Board cannot identify who is or is not a responsible dog owner simply by sight but there are enough of the latter category to fill bags of dog waste every month. It is not a good thing to discover an uncollected deposit when you are lying on your back anti-fouling the bottom of your boat!

**Parking.** The Board does not want to put a vehicle barrier across the slipway but the increasing number of vehicles using this private property as a car park are a growing impediment to the launching and recovery of vessels. If this misuse continues, we will have to control access with a barrier. Some limited parking is available to members and to trades commissioned to maintain the harbour and the Sailing Club. Parking may also be permitted, on application to the Harbour Board, for trades commissioned by owners of the fishermen's cottages running from the brook to Peters Tower.

*Richard Crisp*

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## LYMPSTONE VILLAGE FURRY DANCE

I was involved with the Dance for over 70 years, 56 years as Lead Dancer and twenty as Chairman of the Friends of the Furry Dance committee. May I take this opportunity to thank all of you who have ever taken part in the Lymptone Village Furry Dance. The many that took the time and effort to dress up and dance over the years to make it what it is. The many that through the years have organised countless activities to raise the money to allow the event to take place, our sponsors and the money collectors. A special thank you to my deceased mate Boney who collected endlessly for years. Those that have organised dog shows, fancy dress competitions and stall holders. Those that have moved tables and chairs, put up and taken down flags, a big thank you, but too many to individually mention. A special thank you to the former Lymptone Village Silver band who started the dance off in the early 1900s, and the Committee who organise it today.

On a personnel note a special thank you to all my past dance partners especially Jenny McNie who lead the dance with me for 25 years, Brenda Whipp who stepped in to lead it with me at last minute notices, and my most recent partner Margaret. Thanks to Jaquie and Chris Doak who danced behind me for many years and stores records and

photos of the Dance.

The Lymptone Village Furry Dance is not about one person, but the Villagers and local businesses and the whole Village working as a team, thank you all so very much.

Please support the Lymptone Village Furry dance it is unique to our Village so please keep it that way.

*Graham Wills*





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## GREEN LYMPSTONE

I have been greatly heartened by the supportive remarks and wildlife stories I have had with reference to my letter about Green Lymptone in the Feb Herald. Thank you. Let us go on in strength.

A kind lady Rebecca Abrahams, has offered to give me a hand in collating these splendid tales. Here is her letter:

In last month's Lymstptone Herald, Mary Truell wrote a letter telling us about Devon Wildlife Trusts Wilder Communities. She had the wonderful idea to start by collecting your stories about how you're already engaging with wildlife - whether that's through your gardening, art, wellbeing appreciation or school education projects.

To make it easier for you to get in touch, we've put together a short questionnaire. This will only take a couple of minutes to complete but will help us know who you are and what your interest is. We will not share any personal details without your approval.

You can return this to us either by filling out the hardcopy at the back of this Lymptone Herald and drop into the village shop or church, or by emailing us the online version you'll find on the Lymptone village website.

Thank you for getting in touch. We're really looking forward to hearing from you!

*Mary and Rebecca*

*truell@me.com*

*rebecca\_abrahams@yahoo.com*

## REQUEST FOR GEOCACHING AND THE MISSING PLAQUE

At one time Gulliford Burial Ground was listed as a location for Geocaching, however at the present time this has been long moth-balled. Is there anyone interested in setting this up again with the Geocaching people and managing the site? The write up is incorrect and a new clue & hidden space needed, all of this we can help with. Secondly, one of the plaques which was rescued during the Heritage Lottery funded work to Gulliford, is missing its central plaque. The plaque is of an unknown image (maybe biblical) would be marble and measuring 27 cm wide by 32 cm high. As all the rest of the plaque was in a number of pieces before putting back together, somebody may have taken the plaque to keep it safe. If you think you have the missing plaque, we would be very grateful for its return, of which we will be able to secure it in place in the last plaque to Clara Rew behind the bench. If you can help with either of these requests please contact the Friends of Gulliford Burial Ground website.

*Angela Coles*

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## LYMPSTONE ACADEMY BRASS – LOOKING FORWARD TO 2022

It has been a while since we updated you on the band and it is lovely to tell you that we are back in action with over 30 regular players and new joiners Jacob on cornet and Tim on trombone.

Having met via Zoom during Lockdown, we started to meet regularly again in September in the band room which we use with the kind permission of the main band, SW Telecomms Band. Our first gig was the Santa with Mulled Wine in aid of the Furry Dance. We walked around the village with Santa before heading to the village hall to serenade those enjoying a mince pie and mulled wine. Accompanying Santa was a new thing and proved extremely popular our smaller villagers and their parents. We will look forward to seeing them again next year. A week later and 11 of us joined the Church carol singers for carol singing around the village. It was great to do it again and put everyone in the mood for Christmas.

Looking forward to 2022, we already have gigs in the diary and, fingers crossed, will see you next at the Lympstone's Got Talent event in March. For anyone new to the village, Lympstone Academy brass is the training brass

band for the SW Telecomms Band. Our aim is to support everyone of all ages learning to play brass instruments. We meet every Saturday from 10-12pm in the band room in Chapel Road. If you are interested in finding out more or just want to come and have a listen, please do pop in. We love seeing you. Note, for COVID safety, please use the hand sanitiser by the door and wear a mask in the band room. Alternatively, you can contact me, Roger Riggs (mobile 07954 194322 email rogerjohnriggs@aol.co.uk).

Best Wishes for 2022 and to a musical year around the village.

*Roger Riggs, Music Director, Lympstone Academic Brass.*

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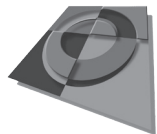


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If yes, please tell us a little bit about what you're up to, and how long you've been doing this.	
If no, are you interested in becoming more involved?	
Are you happy we contact you?	

If you are interested in being involved with the Lympstone Wilder Communities project please complete this questionnaire and return to the shop or church. Alternatively email a copy to [truell@me.com](mailto:truell@me.com) or [rebecca\\_abrahams@yahoo.com](mailto:rebecca_abrahams@yahoo.com)