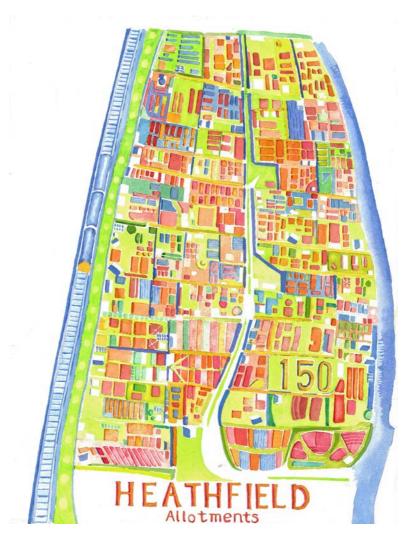
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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS MARCH 2023

LPC held their monthly public meeting on Monday 6th March in the Meeting Room.

Clerks Report

Reviewed LPC Financial controls and risk management were unanimously agreed. Reviewed risk assessments for PC property were unanimously agreed. The Clerk highlighted the fact that all risk assessments were working documents that needed amending sometimes as and when new risks presented throughout the year due to the public use of the property. The Clerk highlighted the report, previously circulated to all Cllrs which stated what CIL money could be spent on. Future CIL funds could be considered for: The Hub building roof repair, Community notice board under the railway arch, Front Meadow, Trees, Burial ground repairs (paths and levelling graves). The Clerk reported that she had signed and returned the internal auditor contract on behalf of the PC. She explained that she would be meeting with the internal auditor at the beginning of May.

Reports from the Chairman, East Devon District Councillors and Devon County Councillors

The Chairman thanked committee members for their time and commitment, which will in the next few months bring improvements around the village. He explained the garden club had suggested the village supported the national clean week. He fully supported this initiative and hoped all Parishioners would take time to improve the street scene where they lived. He reported that arrangements were almost complete for the Coronation party on the 6th May in Candy's Field, with a final Community Hub meeting on the 20th March. Flyers advertising the event will be ready for the start of April – so please watch this space!

County Cllr Trail explained that new bus timetables had been issued (please see Lympstone.org or the PC Facebook page for more details) and the change would begin from April. He explained that Goodmores development now had a new show home open.

District Cllr Jung thanked the PC and residents of Lympstone for the last 4 years. He added that today was the last time he could speak freely prior to the election as April was leading up to the District Council Elections on 4th May. He explained that the local elections were for both Parish and District, and therefore it was an opportunity for anyone to get involved in the most important issues for your village or your own area. He reminded everyone to remember you were now required to take Photo ID when you go to the polling station.

Assets and Amenities Committee

Cllr Atkins reported that the committee had met and discussed the following: The Rag, a new fence would be erected to keep all users safe. A public notice regarding the pollarding of the trees along the Avenue would be published. Two new Oak trees would be planted in Front Meadow. In the cemetery, the hedge (between the Village Hall and the burial ground) would be laid and the bank reinforced with additional soil and quotes for a new replacement footpath of the entire ground would be sought. The hedge behind the pre-school would have a long-term replanting plan put in place.

Environment committee

Cllr Staddon reported that she had attended the Exe Estuary Management forum. She explained that this was a body set up to recognise parties and groups with a shared interest in the River Exe. It had several different focuses, from farm management to aid flood resilience and water quality, sediment movement to and navigation channels in the Exe along with increasing the Harbour Authority Powers to keep users safe. There was a discussion on the Pacific oysters and how they may have become invasive in some places and the success of the Estuary wildlife areas. Cllr Staddon had also met with LFRG in conjunction with the West Country Rivers Trust and DRIP (Devon Resilience Innovation Project). She explained that DRIP investigated nature-based ways for flood resilience, and thus improving river flow, flood management and increased natural habitats. Cllr Staddon highlighted that Yonder Oak Wood had involved volunteers locally and further afield, along with the local school children, to successfully plant approximately nine thousand trees.

Community committee

Cllr Francis reported that she had met with the Webmasters of Lympstone website. They had requested funding for an entire update of the system for all electronic devices to be able to access the site. The PC felt this was a vital and informative community asset and unanimously supported the request. The PC also praised and thanked the webmasters, David Young and Mary Turner for all their hard work consistently maintaining and updating the website.

The next PC meeting will be held on Monday 3rd April in the Meeting Room, Lympstone Village Hall.

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PARISH CHURCH

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be on Sunday 23 April at approximately 11am following the 9.30 service.

Palm Sunday which falls on 2 April this year will include a procession with palms starting at 9am from the former Methodist church to the Parish Church. Before that there will be an 8am Morning Prayer led by Basil Strickland.

The 9am Procession will arrive at church ready for the 9.30am Journey Service with Palm Crosses and Family Holy Communion with the Rector Steve Jones

Wednesday 5 April

11.30am Quiet Prayer Time with Demelza

In the evening Demelza will follow the Stations of the Cross - the service begins at 7pm

Maundy Thursday 6 April
There will be a celebration of Holy
Communion at 7pm
led by Jonathan Reynolds

Good Friday 7 April

The 11am Service is a moving retelling of the events leading to the crucifixtion with Hymns, Taizé chants woven around reading the Bible story of Jesus' arrest, trial, crucifixion led by Demelza.

Easter Sunday 9 April

8am Said Eucharist withTom James 9.30am Easter Communion for All the Family Rejoicing in the Good News of Easter Day with Benedict Cambridge.

Tick Tock for (accompanied) toddlers continues on Friday mornings.

Lympstone Unlocked is 5 to 6pm on the fourth Sunday in Church for 7 to 15 year olds

Alan Dabreo, our organist and choirmaster, is recruiting for the choir. If you like to sing give him a call on 07808 536404

If you would like the latest, up to date, `church news just subscribe on lympstonechurchweekly@gmail.com

The Coronation (6 May) will be screened in church and copies of the service will be available to follow and join in.

Brian Mather

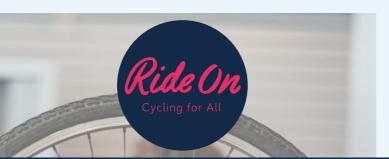


LYMPSTONE HARBOUR

Lympstone Harbour related heavy crane movements Thursday 6th April in later afternoon and Saturday 8th April, early afternoon. Bergmann's Hill, The Strand, turning to Harbour by Swan Inn. Harbour closed to public during craning operations on Saturday.

Richard Crisp

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NICK LLOYD 1950-2023 LYMPSTONE MAN AND BOY

On Thursday 23rd February Lympstone Church was packed with standing room only to say our goodbyes to the most passionate, considerate and kindest person you could ever wish to meet.

Nick was a man who commanded a great deal of respect from so many around the parish and the far greater community.

He was a Lympstone Cub, Scout, Bellringer, and Village Hall committee member to name a few, he was also a quiet man who gave his services, time and help to so many in the parish, with the building of the very successful Queen's Jubilee Beacon on Cliff field as one of his last community efforts for the village.

Nick was also a keen Riley car enthusiast and member of the Riley Club, The Crash Box Club and very keen organiser of the Powderham Rallies.

He was a man of the parish who would always help out under the radar of the spotlight and never pushed himself forward for any sort of reward or recognition. As many of you will know I had the very great privilege from a very early age to grow up with him and he was a great friend of mine, it was put very sincerely to me that he was my brother from another mother. He will be so very missed by so many.

I would like, on behalf of everyone, send my most sincere condolences to Denise and the rest of Nick's family.

R.I.P Nick.

David Tyrrell

Denise, Mel and Adrian would like to thank all those who attended Nick's funeral on 23rd February in the Parish Church and the subsequent wake in the Community Room of the Village Hall. The church was filled to capacity with family, friends and work colleagues - a true testament to a man very much loved and respected by all.

Denise Lloyd

TWINNING NOSTALGIA

Apart from the road sign, you might be unaware that Lympstone is twinned with Biéville-Beuville, not far from the port of Caen in Normandy. The town twinning movement started throughout Europe soon after the end of World War II, whilst it became increasingly popular throughout the 1950s. Lympstone was a little slow on the uptake with our first official Twinning exchange occurring in 1979 led by Tim Tapscott on the first group exchange organised by the newly-formed Lympstone Twinning Association with the first reciprocal exchange visit the following year.

By the time I became involved, fundraising for our biennial hosting concentrated on two events. Jazz Brunch and Après Noël, the former which entailed serving full English Breakfasts to a full Village Hall Main Hall accompanied by a live band on stage (I still remember cooking over 100 fried eggs!) whilst the latter was a BYO social lunch, with many bringing hot food to share! These activities came to an end in 2012, when a new twinning committee in Biéville-Beuville did not propose a visit, whereas Biéville-Beuville does still actively twin with its other twin town Margetshöchheim in Germany with a continued emphasis on youth exchange.

A quarter of a century on (!), I suggested the idea of a summer party in our garden for a few Lympstone extwinners as covid restrictions lifted, but somehow it never happened. What did bring it to a head was Anne's booking of the Community Hall for Saturday 8th January, which naturally took the format of an Après Noël revival!

Over two dozen attended, with the original Lympstone twinners well-represented notably by Pat Tapscott and half a dozen or so past-Chairmen and others. The occasion was a great success, with much appreciation of Simon Friend's DVD concluding the event.

Over the 30 or so years, the Lympstone Twinning Association's members alone, represented Lympstone, fundraised and actively organised exchange activities, putting on ever more spectacular themed shows in the Village Hall. Since the Association's dissolution in 2012, the onus reverted to the Parish Council to honour our community's Charter.

Richard Crisp

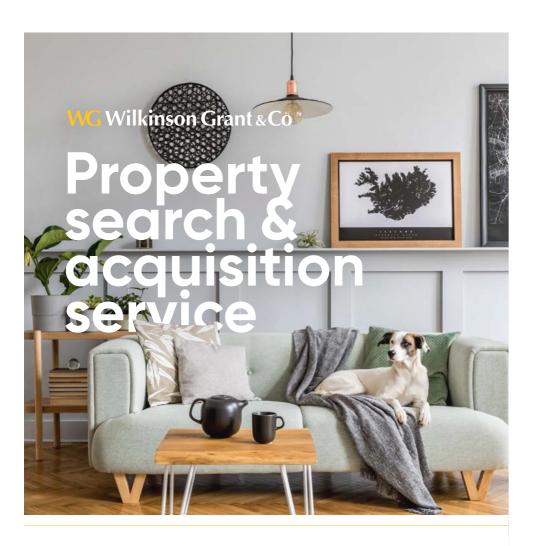
REWILDING AT THE OLD DAIRY & SAVING DEVON'S TREESCAPES

The children from our local Village Primary School had an enjoyable afternoon planting trees with us whilst about the importance of learning Devon's Treescapes and the crucial habitat they provide for wildlife. The afternoon was facilitated by Jasmine Atkinson, Community Engagement Officer, from Devon Wildlife Trust and the 350 native trees were awarded to us following a visit from Jon Freeman, Advisory Officer from Saving Devon's Treescapes. The project, which was set up in March 2020, aims to plant 250,000 trees outside of woodland across Devon to make positive steps in redressing the loss of trees due to Ash Dieback. Ash is the second commonest trees outside of woodland areas in Devon and 90% are going to die from this rapidly spreading fungal disease with a huge loss of habitat and impact on wildlife

We have now restored and planted over 250 m of hedgerow to help connect the various wildlife habitats. Some of these hedgerow trees will be allowed to develop to maturity to provide an important habitat especially for bats, which do not like to traverse open landscapes. We have also planted over 150 native trees to create a small

woodland area with a mix of 15 different species and recreated a small Orchard, in keeping with the historic landscape, both of which provide valuable wildlife habitats. The Wildflower Meadow sown in the Autumn has germinated well and we are looking forward to seeing how many species of butterflies this attracts this summer!

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LYMPSTONE SAILING CLUB

Craning of boats into the water on April 8th, 2023 is fast approaching, marking the official start of on-the-water activities for Lympstone Sailing Club. Our sailing club, one of the vital family friendly organisations which contributes to our vibrant village life, not only caters for those seeking recreational nourishment on the water, but also runs an active and popular social programme.

Our clubhouse provides one of the most beautiful views in the village to watch the sun go down and with the best value for money bar offering drinks and, from time-to-time food, it's a great place to spend your Friday evenings throughout the year and during other special events.

A comprehensive programme of safety boat supervised on-the-water activities is organised for both dingy and cruiser sailors with dinghy racing available for all grades of sailors. We have days to wet your whistle, if you want to try out the club boats and build confidence. Stand up paddle boards and canoes are also catered for

This year sees LSC as hosts of the EXE regatta on the 8th and 9th July 2023, an annual event bringing together Starcross, Topsham and Lympstone sailing clubs culminating in a grand summer party by the harbour in Lympstone on the evening of the 9th, a party not to be missed!

You don't need a boat to become member of Lympstone Sailing Club although you will find plenty of opportunities to participate in on-thewater activities. Equally, you can join as a social member and enjoy great facilities, fun events, and warm If you are interested in friendship. learning more about the club or are considering joining, please go to: www.lympstonesailingclub.co.uk or drop a mail to: enquiries@lympstonesailingclub.co.uk

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WILD ABOUT LYMPSTONE

Environmental Change-Makers at Lympstone School.

I spent an inspiring morning with teachers, helpers and children from Lympstone School, learning about how nature-based learning and action is integrated into school life.

Lympstone School is clearly passionate about its children. It's also passionate about the natural environment. Connecting the two brings many benefits such as fostering attitudes of care for nature and a natural boost to health and wellbeing.

'Nature School' has run for many years, drawing on the principles and training of forest school. Outdoor, nature-inspired lessons are run in the school grounds and sometimes further afield, when 'Nature School' morphs into 'Beach' or 'Estuary Foreshore School'!

Change-Makers – at the heart of any change sits a positive attitude and strong sense of self. Having embedded UNICEF's rights of a child into its ethos, the school empower the children to see themselves as 'change-makers' - on a mission to make the world a better place. 'WOW week' reinforces this message with inspirational activities and talks.

Taking action - drawing on the UN Sustainable Development goals, the school community recently voted

'climate change' as its priority topic. This now drives the school's environmental change-maker mission and action in the local community, for example the Year 2 citizen science project investigating potentially harmful pollution in Wotton Brook.

Another great example is the impressive whole school tree planting effort at Yonder Oak - the Woodland Trust's new 54 hectare site near Lympstone. I joined the children in this change-making role, helping to plant some of the 13,000 native trees that will transform this land into a thriving haven for nature and people.

The benefits of connecting children with nature were clear to see. With great enthusiasm and curiosity the children absorbed new facts and skills and took away a sense of pride, having been part of creating a new wild space that will help tackle climate change. As we left, the whole class cheered in celebration of a community, environmental changemaking job well done. One little girl told me "It's been such fun. These trees will give us oxygen and a home to animals and insects. I can't wait to bring my dad back here and show him the trees I've planted".

Reminder: Lympstone's Wildlife Festival Saturday 3 June.

We still would love to hear from everyone especially this month if you could put on a display, however small or big, for the festival. We would love your offers please whether photos, information, demonstration or talk to a few or many. We are rather short of mammal specialities whether wee dormice to large badgers and all between. Also Butterflies. Plenty of room in the church to spread your wings, our lovely, interesting venue.



Many thanks to those Wildlife Warriors who have already told us they are keen to share their passions in pictures, information, memories of wilder times, small videos, larger films, tables, pinup screens, literary offerings, musical joys, art and handcraft inspired by Nature. Poor wild world, what have we done to you?

The more participants urgently fostering its return, the merrier we shall be. Pile it on! Let us know. Contacts below. Thank you.

All the best, Mary Truell and Rebecca Abrahams

Email: truell@me.com rebecca_abrahams@yahoo.com

Website: https://www.lympstone.org/clubssocities/wild-about-lympstone

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WARNING: CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFTS

Thieves are targeting cars like hybrid Hondas/Toyotas in and around Lympstone Village.

A few preventative tips:

- 1. Park off the road (if possible). If you have access to a driveway or some other form of off-road parking, it's good to utilise it. In most cases, a car parked on a street will be much easier to access for potential thieves. If your car is more isolated, it may deter any would-be thieves from targetting you.
- 2. Leave your car closer to kerbs or fences. If you can't park your car in secure off-street parking, it's best to get close up to kerbs and fences as possible. Doing that will restrict access to the catalytic converter. If possible, it's even better to have the exhaust facing the side of the kerb. That will make it even tougher for thieves.
- 3. Park in a well-lit area. As with any type of theft, it's easier to get away with under the cover of night. If you can, park your car in a well-lit area. This should make it much more visible to passers by and surrounding properties, acting as a deterrent to potential thieves.

- 4. Buy a catalytic converter clamp. It's possible to buy a clampable cage that will cover your car's catalytic converter. Toyota in particular offers some specifically designed clamps for some of its models, but plenty of aftermarket options are available too.
- 5. Avoid parking across the pavement and road. Parking your car with one side on a kerb and the other on the road will give potential thieves better access to the underneath of your car. If you're unable to avoid this, try parking your car with the exhaust lower to the ground.

Paddy Wilson

'FREECYCLING WEEKEND' APRIL 29TH AND 30TH

Put out by your gate, those things you have no further use for with a note saying 'Free' or 'Help yourself' or label them 'Lympstone Freecycling Day' or go for a wander and see what others have put out. Be aware of the road as you go, and be careful on those days not to leave anything else around your gate that may be taken by mistake and remember to take in anything remaining!

Any queries contact Jenny Moon Jennyamoon@gmail.com

CONTRACT BRIDGE

Anyone in the village interested in playing or learning contract bridge? I am proposing to set up a friendly bridge club in the Swan on Tuesday evenings. I don't have the skills to organise such an evening as I am relatively new to the game so need a more experienced player to head it up.

Please call me on 07491 815023 if interested. Only considerate players tolerant of beginners please.

Allan Henderson

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Many thanks Liz Trevelyan Topsham Pool Committee Member 07753 370 672

LITTER DUMPS FROM GWR

I'm sure I'm not the only person in the village who has noticed an increase in litter washed up on the tide including sanitary products from sewage outfall.

There is also a problem with dumps of cans from the Exmouth train at Parsonage Stile. Hundreds of empty and full cans from the train are dumped onto the track and are migrating down the bank into the estuary. More can be seen from the bridge on either side of the tracks.

I have collected as much as I can from the estuary but wondered if anyone else in the village had noticed these large trackside dumps? Please do let me know and we could collectively report to GWR.

Alison Mansfield
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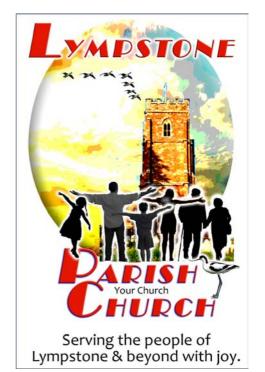
January – Mike Green February – Steve Harmsworth March – Andrew Minter

Thank you for all your continued support.

Penny Lupton; Treasurer

We will be holding our Annual General Meeting in the Church on 16th April after the 9.30 morning service. All welcome.

Ian Scott



HEATHFIELD ALLOTMENT TRUST CELEBRATING 150 YEARS AT SOWDEN LANE



To mark the very special occasion of our 150th year anniversary at Sowden Lane, plot holders will be celebrating on Sunday 23rd April at 3pm in the Village Hall.

There will be cream tea with sandwiches and scones with lots of tea and the option to bring a bottle if you would like something stronger. Special diets will be catered for. There will also be a short talk covering 150 years of trivia, history, fun and facts.

To cover some of our costs and the hire of the hall we will be asking for a small contribution of £2.50 per head. Anyone interested in joining us, plot holders past and present or anyone interested in the history of our charity would be most welcome.

Tickets will be available from the 18th March and spaces will be limited so please book early. Please email Carrie Darby at opmcarrie@gmail.com for tickets.

Illustration by Judy Stutchbury

LYMPSTONE GARDEN CLUB

Longer days at last. Time to clean and sharpen tools, dust off the garden furniture and look out the hosepipe, although we should be encouraging drought resistant plants.

The final Garden Club talk of the season will be April 20th at 7.30 in the Community Room of the Village Hall entitled Fuchsia by Derek Dexter.

May 13th 10.00am our ever-popular Coffee Morning and Plant Sale in the Village Hall, vegetables, flowers and herbaceous plants at very reasonable prices. All donations of plants and garden related items gratefully received.

The Garden Club Annual show with opportunities for all ages and abilities over a multitude of classes will take place.

Terri Scott



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THE HERALD HISTORY SPOT The Tale of the Pinkish Purple Pebble (Part 1)

I have in my hand a pinkish purple pebble from Woodbury Common. It has lines of dark red, white stripe and a patch of yellow ochre colour. This is a brief overview of the possible and imagined story of the pebble. It is geology, archaeology and history (in two parts).

There was geological turmoil at the beginnings of the earth. Earthquakes shook the earth and volcanoes pimpled all of the land. It was around 4500 million years ago. Somewhere in the midst of this chaos, we imagine a tiny volume of molten material was spewed out of a volcano as white hot magma and this tiny cupful eventually became part of the pebble. It was made of a common mineral, silicon dioxide, which formed quartz crystals. The crystals eroded and mixed with other minerals to form grains of sand.

Over the next few hundred million years, this sand was pitched and crashed around on land, in water and deep underground. The grains were crushed together to form sandstone, heated to form crystals and eroded to sand grains again – and again. In terms of its location on earth, it moved as the great tectonic plates formed and started to shift. Around 500 million years ago, it was located on Pangaea,

a continent comprising of most of the land masses on earth at that time. The cupful of sand, sitting on Pangaea was then somewhere to the south of the equator. But tectonic plates were still moving and the cupful of sand or sandstone or quartz crystal shifted with them. The continent of America started to split from Africa and Europe and to shift northwards westwards and our cupful of rock came to lie on the land that eventually became France.

As the continents were pushed together and pulled apart by the tectonic plates there was great heat and pressure. Land folded and refolded, was pressed beneath the surface and heaved up again to create mountains. In this heat and pressure the sand or sandstone coalesced and became hard rock that made up a range of mountains in Britany and Normandy, now north of the equator. The colour of the rocks varied as a result of staining largely from iron. The rock in this story was coloured pinkish purple and yellow, but in being laid down as rock, purer white quartz ran as veins within it.

Part 2 of this piece will be in the next edition of The Lympstone Herald. It is extracted from a story in 'Folk Tales of Rock and Stone', (Jenny Moon, published by The History Press). Should you want to read the whole piece, please contact Jenny: Jennyamoon@gmail.com

THE RIVER'S VOICE

A search for the spirit of the Exe Estuary

An illustrated talk by Ray Balkwill



A corner of Lympstone by Ray Balkwill

Exmouth author and painter Ray Balkwill describes his passion for his native county as 'running as deep as the red earth itself'. The evening provides a fascinating insight into the artist's personal and physical relationship with

the landscape, in particular his love affair with the Exe Estuary, spanning four decades.

He not only describes his working methods in a wide variety of media, but also shares fascinating, and humorous stories associated with the river. As an Academician of the South West Academy his words and paintings have carried the grandeur of the region far and wide, and the evening will appeal to all those who are equally passionate about art, history & the river.

This talk is a joint presentation by Lympstone History Society and Lympstone Historic Houses Group

Saturday 22nd April 7.30pm Lympstone Village Hall

Tickets on the door: Visitors £5, Members £3.50 Bar opens at 7pm

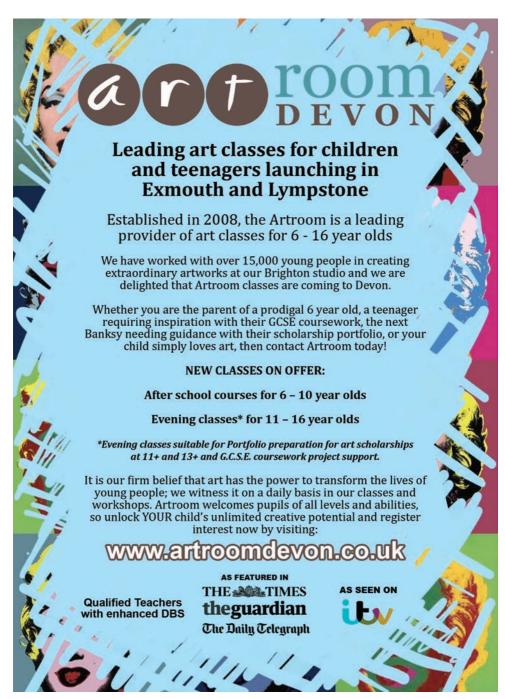
BANKSY CHAMPIONS CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES LAUNCHING IN THE EXETER AREA

Globally renowned Graffiti artist Banksy said he was 'blown away' by art work produced by pupils at a Brighton art school that has recently launched in Lympstone and Exmouth. Bansky. who's recent murals feature Ukrainian postage stamps, went on to say that he was 'wowed' by the classes and that all the pupils were brilliant and had a bright future in art ahead of them. Artroom was established in 2008. by former secondary school teachers Sebastian Dewing and Alison Horton and has become the leading provider of art classes for 6 - 16 year-olds in the Brighton and Hove area.

Sebastian, who has recently relocated to Woodbury with his family, said: "Art has the power to transform the lives of children. All of our teaching is carefully structured to create a sense of confidence, early in a project – with children of all abilities. We 've taught over 15,000 young people at our Brighton studio, guiding them on incredible artistic journeys and we're delighted that our classes have launched in East Devon"

Artroom Devon will offer weekly classes for 6 – 16 year-olds, in Lympstone and Exmouth. Sebastian went on to say that: "Artroom classes have helped scores of young people gain scholarships to leading independent schools, achieve the highest grades at GCSE and provided children of all abilities with a confidence and lifelong love of a critical subject, all too frequently marginalised in schools. Some of our Year 11 pupils have been coming for nearly 10 years! They enrol and never want to leave!"

For more information, visit www.artroomdevon.co.uk



YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU!

Now that the Methodist Hall has been sold, it is clear that the recent high demand for the hall's facilities is unlikely to be temporary. We are planning some long-term improvements that will increase availability to groups and societies. We are about to start the creation of a tennis clubhouse, which will provide a dedicated space for Lympstone Tennis Club and free up the Meeting Room for other hirers.

The village hall is bursting at the seams, and we want to raise funds in order to improve the hall building itself, as well as the external spaces. We have two major regular hirers: the school and the nursery, which both serve the local community. The vast majority of other hires are for the direct benefit of villagers (classes, events, exhibitions, parties, etc.); the special village hire arrangements are subsidised by those few outside hirers who pay commercial rates for the use of the hall.

The proposed Community Access Project to provide level access and improve safety between the tennis court and the building will need significant funding to make it a reality. The other improvements, which are becoming increasingly more necessary, are to replace the ovens, improve the kitchen ventilation and refurbish the bar area to make it more adaptable.

Do you have fundraising experience?

We would love the help of someone with fundraising experience to identify and apply to suitable funding sources for our current projects. This would be a voluntary role.

Bookings coordinator vacancy

We are also planning to recruit a Bookings Coordinator to replace the wonderful, indefatigable Caron, who is standing down at the end of April 2023 after 4 years in the role; this is a part-time paid role with flexible working hours.

If you are interested in either the paid or voluntary role, please email: chair@lympstonevillagehall.org.uk or deputychair@lympstonevillagehall.org. uk for more information.

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HUNT FOR THE WILDERPEOPLE



The last film of the Film Society's season is the New Zealand comedy-drama 'Hunt for the Wilderpeople'. Sam Neill and Julian Dennison play Uncle Hector and his foster son, who become targets of a manhunt after fleeing into the New Zealand bush. The film received critical acclaim when it was released in 2016:

"It has all the makings of a new childhood classic: it's got wonder and adventure and loads of humour, and ultimately winds up on the side of optimism - but it also has moments of genuine tragedy and danger."

"The truly rare family film that's safe for kids, funny and acerbic enough for adults, and surprising enough to keep everyone absorbed.."

Friday, 14th April in the Village Hall. Bar opens 6.45pm, Film at 7.30pm

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THE HOLLOW CROWN The fall and Foibles of the Kings & Queens of England

To mark the Coronation of King Charles. Lympstone Plavers and Entertainments Lympstone be performing The Hollow Crown, by John Barton: an Entertainment written by and about the Kings and Queens of England, performed at the Village Hall on the evenings before and after the Coronation, Friday 5th May at 7.30pm and Sunday 7th May at 5.30pm.

The Hollow Crown is subtitled An Entertainment by and about the Kings and Queens of England, and consists of Music, Poetry, Speeches, Letters and other Writings from the Chronicles, from Plays, and in some cases in the monarch's own words. There will also be music concerning them and by them. John Barton for the Royal Shakespeare Company devised it in 1961.

The village hall will be laid out in cafe style with tables, and a bar will be open through the evening. During the interval a light buffet will be provided. Further details, including how to buy tickets, are included in the poster elsewhere in this magazine, and on posters around the village.

From William the Conqueror to Queen Victoria, our most famous monarchs speak in their own words. Henry VIII writes a love letter to Anne Boleyn. She replies from the Tower, awaiting execution. Richard I composes a song which he sings imprisoned in a foreign dungeon, James I denounces tobacco. and Elizabeth I writes a poem which complains of all the men who want to make love to her. Henry VII asks for an intimate description of the Queen of Naples' daughter, and Queen Mary protests about a rebellion against her marriage to the King of Spain. The 15-year-old Jane Austen gives us her partial, prejudiced and amused view of them all.

It ends appropriately enough with the young Queen Victoria's description of her Coronation, in which the unwitting comic turn is Lord Rolle of Exmouth.

There was nothing the monarchs liked more than a good song, and several turned their hands to writing them. From the 12th century Worlde's Bliss, through a hunting song by Henry VIII, to the Vicar of Bray and a parlour ballad by Prince Albert, we all end up singing Here's a Health Unto His Majesty, and celebrating the history of our weird, sometimes bloody, occasionally mad, and always entertaining monarchy.

Stars from the Lympstone Players perform this extraordinary entertainment, which was concocted for the Royal Shakespeare Company. It is a joint production with Lympstone Entertainments and directed by Harland Walshaw.

Friday, 5th May at 7.30pm Sunday, 7th May at 5.30pm

Tickets £15 (including light buffet) from lympstoneplayersboxoffice@gmail.com and Railway Arch Sat 8, 15 and 29 April (10.30am - 11.30am)

Further information: lympstoneentertainments.net

GIFTED YOUNG MUSICIANS

The gifted young Devon violin player, Joel Munday, will be performing Bach's Violin Concerto in A minor at Lympstone Parish Church on Saturday, 13th May. It forms part of a concert by East Devon's popular ISCA Ensemble Chamber Orchestra, under its Music Director Roger Hendy. The programme also includes Elgar's Serenade for Strings and Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante, which will feature the Bulgarian Viola player Vanessa Hristova.

Joel Munday is swiftly building a career as a soloist and chamber musician across Europe, America and Asia. He has won the Royal College of Music Concerto Prize, the Two Moors Festival Prize, and First Prize at the International Music Competition Dobrich in Bulgaria. He has formed a string duo with Vanessa Hristova, who has also appeared as a soloist with several orchestras in the Albert Hall, the Royal Festival Hall, and some of the most famous concert halls of Europe. Together Joel and Vanessa will play the solo violin and viola parts in the Mozart Sinfonia Concertante.

The orchestra will also play Handel's Concerto Grosso no. 9 and Haydn's Symphony no. 49 'La Passione'.

Tickets for this attractive programme of concert classics are on sale from Susannah's Tea Room or online at lympstone-entertainments.net

SHANTY MEN SAIL BACK INTO LYMPSTONE



Saturday, 15th April at 7.30pm, Lympstone Village Hall (Bar opens at 6.45pm)

When the Exmouth Shanty Men last brought their show, "Tall Ships and Tavern Tales" to Lympstone Village Hall, our guest reviewer from Colombia, Tico Altahona, wrote in Drumbeat (the Lympstone Entertainments online magazine):

"At the very beginning of the performance you felt transported to a sailing boat at the start of the 19th century... The music has the power of overcoming time, language and context

to communicate something deeper, and it has been used this way over very many years worldwide... Human nature is the same everywhere; we share it, and this makes the shanty men able to last over time. Theirs is a 'must see' performance."

"Bloody marvellous," said Phil Beer, more succinctly, "Just sensational," said Judi Spiers, "I love them – they sing with such gusto!" said Richard Digance, "That's my kind of buoy band," said Aled Jones, "The Exmouth Shanty Men were their usual rowdy, enjoyable selves, wrote the Sidmouth Herald, "clearly relishing every moment. Tight

harmonies and robust tunes pleased the crowd, many of whom sang along or rocked in time."

If you've seen them before, you'll want to come again – and don't worry, no two 'Tall Ships and Tavern Tales' concerts are the same.

Four members of the crew are from Lympstone – Tony Day, David Wright, lan Herbert and Heather Redding – the one female Shanty Man.

Tickets £12 from Susannah's Tea Room, or lympstone-entertainments.net

LYMPSTONE PLAYERS NOMINATED FOR TWO AWARDS

Many of you will have enjoyed watching the Players production of Christmas Carol last December, and we received a great deal of positive feedback.

The production received an excellent review from the NODA (National Operatic and Dramatic Organisation) representative who came to see it, and we are delighted to have been informed that the it has been nominated for 2 awards by NODA (south west). The awards are for Most Innovative Production and A Company Crafted Production.

We will find out in May whether we have won the awards.

David Eaton
Chair, Lympstone Players

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