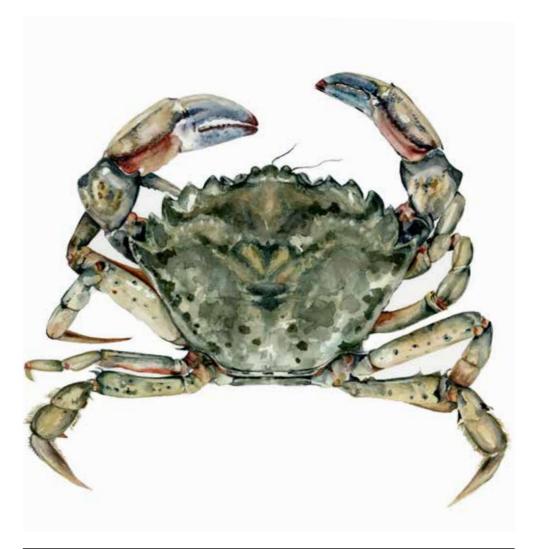
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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS FEBRUARY 2024

Lympstone Parish Council held their monthly public meeting on Monday 5th February in the Meeting Room.

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

County Cllr Trail reported that the Exe Estuary Trail (EET) between Lympstone and Exmouth had been completed and reopened. He reminded all that it was a shared space for all users and not just a cycle path. Cllr Minter explained that cyclists were travelling through the village too fast and what interim measures could Cllr Trail suggest tackling this to slow cyclists down. Cllr Trail explained that cyclists on the Highway was a police matter, DCC could only deal with EET users. Any concerns of the users along the EET could be reported to him to take them to the department of transport. Highway user concerns were a police matter. Cllr Trail explained that due to the roadworks along A376 there was many diversions in place. However, no HGVs should be using Courtlands and Sowden Lane. Any misuse of HGVs using these roads should be reported to the police.

District Cllr Jung reported: *Green Wedges* - The Strategic Planning committee agenda proposal for "Green Wedges" for the District has been

published which could give a negative effect on what we actually want to do to protect and enhance our countryside. However, the Green Wedges are not actually a way of protecting the countryside but more a way of restricting community being coaligned. In the case of Lympstone the use of a Green Wedge is a development planning tool not to allow Lympstone to merge into Exmouth or vice versa and that has worked well in the last 10 years. Therefore, I will be doing my utmost to uphold the present Green Wedges unless there is a better way than not stopping development between communities. As a council we are working on a "Renaturing plan, Biodiversity plan, Clyst Valley Regional Park enhancements, other country parks, Natural Nature reserves and Sangs strategy, plus reviewing our National Landscapes (were called AONBs until December) so looking at the Green Wedge strategy on its own gives a false impression on what we want to do to protect our countryside. The Chairman explained that he had viewed the proposed changes to the green wedge and felt they were being removed to assist future developments. He felt because members of the public had objected to previous applications because of the green wedge then EDDC was just removing them.

Cllr Jung continued his report: South West Water - Sewage failures is a massive issue right now nationally and from my workload it is an increasing problem. Failing infrastructure, Sewage Trucks running all over the place, Sewage works promised but never built, sewage discharges and advising people not to swim in the sea are all issues I'm having to deal with. As a District Council we are not really supposed to get involved as it's the water company, Ofwat of Environment Agency job, but for reasons only our MPs can answer, we as a Council now totally committed to react to the water companies total failures to provide an acceptable level of service.

Community committee

Mr Harrison was present and kindly offered to lead and organise the beating of the bounds 2024. The four yearly beating of the bounds event would be fully supported by the PC and will be held on the 7th September 2024. Cllr Linfoot reported that the date for the Parish Party would be Sat 22nd June in Candys Field. There will be food and drink available with bands playing throughout the day. Please watch this space for more details!

Environment committee

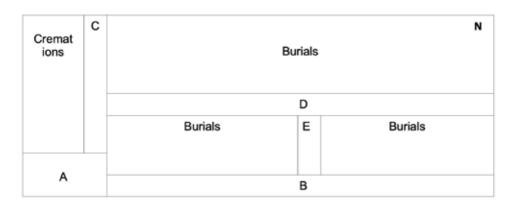
Cllr the Culhane reported on Environment Committee meeting held on 15th Jan: LFRG Flood Response Plan: Mr Corcos presented the LFRG Flood Response Plan. Flooding is the 'likeliest' impact of climate change on Lympstone residents. LFRG's work covers the steps taken before, during and after a severe flood incident. Team Leaders assess each Met Office flood alert and determine the level of response required. An Incident Flow Chart is activated for Met Office 'Red' alerts. Climate Action Declaration and Strategy: Catherine Causley, **EDDC** Climate Change Officer presented to the Committee. She is tasked with reducing EDDC's carbon emissions and achieving net zero by 2040. The PC made a public declaration to support: 'We, Lympstone Parish Council, acknowledge the need to act on the causes and impacts of the climate change and biodiversity crisis. As a local council, we work towards improving community well-being and providing better services. We recognise that local action to combat climate change can deliver numerous benefits, including safeguarding a habitable future. The transition to net zero helps tackle the rising cost of living, improving health and the local economy. We commit to developing our own local Climate and Nature Strategy, in consultation

with our residents and local partners. Our Strategy will inform all future LPC decision-making, provision of local services and, at its heart, will seek to improve the quality of life and wellbeing for everyone in Lympstone. We pledge to use our influence and decision-making powers wherever possible to

support EDDC's Climate Action Plan, and the transition to net Zero by 2040, or earlier.' Cllr Culhane added that a specific working group could now be formed to create actions. If anyone is interested in joining this group then please email me for more information.

Assets and amenities committee - Proposed works:

The next phase of Lime tree pollarding work along the Avenue will take place all day on 27th February. There will be a temporary path diversion in place for pedestrians. PC Cemetery paths. This work is due to begin in April and last for approx. 2 weeks (weather dependent). The cemetery will remain open but please be mindful of work taking place and adhere to any signage for your safety. Please see the map and key below of the proposed work:



A and B - Entrance area/lower path pavers to remain.

C and D - Pavers removed and replaced with brushed concrete surface (slightly widened).

E - Under review.

LYMPSTONE HISTORY SOCIETY

Planning and Transport

Cllr Linfoot asked District Cllr Jung if there was any update regarding EDDC strategic planning and the Meeting Lane planning proposal. District Cllr Jung explained that there was currently a debate about whether to approve/object to the proposed development depending on whether EDDC had a four-year land supply. Cllr Linfoot felt that regardless of what public opinion was, it would all come down to a decision over land supply.

The next PC meeting will be held on Monday 4th March 2024 in the Meeting Room, Lympstone Village Hall.

Clerk to the Council: Lucy Tyrrell c/o Minnows, Longmeadow Road, Lympstone EX8 5LF Tel: 07890717081

Email: lympstonepc@gmail.com



The next Lympstone History Society talk will be on Friday 19 April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. It will feature Dr Todd Gray, Honorary Research Fellow at Exeter University, who has written more than fifty books on the history of Devon.

The talk is entitled "Exeter's Lost Buildings" and will describe, through a narrative and an extensive display of images, how in the 1800's several hundred significant historic buildings were lost in Exeter through fire, redevelopment and fashion.

Entrance is £3.50 for LHS members or £5.00 for non-members. A bar will be open from 6.45pm.

MORE STATION IMPROVEMENTS

A new train indicator is due to be provided on the platform at Lympstone Village station by the end of March. It will be easier to see and to read, and should be a big improvement on the unreliable Help Point display at the station entrance, which has spent several periods of weeks or months out of use

The new indicator was requested by ALRUG, the rail user group for the Avocet Line between Exeter and Exmouth, as the group's latest bid to a railway improvement fund. ALRUG had been successful in all three of its bids in previous years (which included the solar powered information boards at the bottom of Station Hill) but although the latest bid did not win, GWR saw it as a sensible suggestion and arranged to fund it anyway.

Passengers will have noticed that a tactile strip has recently been installed close to the platform edge, for the benefit of people with visual impairment. It may be this strip was installed at the same time as the cabling for the new indicator – an unexpected additional benefit. My hope is that the new cabling might one day also support a ticket machine – for which I have been campaigning for several years.

As well as many station improvements up and down the line, ALRUG has achieved significant enhancements to the timetable, including additional Sunday and evening trains.

We would like more Lympstone people to help us in this work – to join ALRUG only costs £5 a year, or £8 for two people at the same address. You can join online at avocetline.co.uk/join-us/ or call me on the number below.

Tony Day President ALRUG 268653

FRIENDS OF LYMPSTONE CHURCH

The winner of the recent lottery draw was

January – Emma Baker-Rand February – Daphne Ridge

Thank you for all your continued support.

Penny Lupton; Treasurer

LYMPSTONE TENNIS CLUB

We're a friendly club aiming to provide fun and competitive tennis and promote connection and wellbeing for the Lympstone community. New members are most welcome!

Our annual membership commences 1 April and includes club sessions held on Tuesday evenings and Saturday afternoons. We also run a variety of social events throughout the year. Many members take part in competitive matches in local leagues and we offer Adult coaching and a programme for Mini and Junior members on Saturday mornings.

If you'd like to join/find out more please contact the membership secretary: LympstoneTCmembership@gmail.com

LYMSTONE CRICKET CLUB

Occasional Cricket Scorer Wanted

Lymstone Cricket Club is looking for an occasional cricket scorer to fill in when our regular (and much loved) scorer Tony Day cannot make a game. We anticipate that this will be about 7 games in the season. We play nearly all our games during the week in Spring and Summer starting at 6 and aiming to be in the pub by 8:45. We can provide transport to and from the games and training if you have never scored before.

If interested please contact me on email:

gra203@ex.ac.uk
or leave me a message on:
07504976052
We hope to hear from you!
Thanks
Gary Abrahams

PARISH CHURCH

Lent events

Lent is a good time to develop our life in prayer through attending one of the regular services of mid-week communion in our churches.

Wednesday 28th February, 10 am to 1 pm Lympstone Church:

Lenten Quiet Morning led by Demelza Henderson

Lent Lunches

Lympstone Church on Thursdays 22nd February to 21st March 12.30 to 2 pm

Menu: Choice of 3 homemade soups, cheese, fresh bread and spread, apples and water

Lent Course in Lympstone

Hope Explored

Wednesdays 21st February, 6th and 20th March, 7 – 8.30 pm at Lympstone Church.

An opportunity over three Wednesday evenings through Lent to examine the wonderful message of Christian Hope in Luke's Gospel, using Rico Tice's Hope Explored Course. We meet at 7 pm for tea/coffee, with the event ending around 8.30 pm. The course is designed for those interested in exploring the Christian faith but is also a wonderful opportunity for those already Christians to encourage one another by reflecting

on the central truths of their faith and the meaning of Easter. Delivered by Ros and Richard Scott. Please feel free to turn up at any evening, although it will help Richard to have an idea of numbers so ideally let him know if you plan to attend or have any questions.

Email: rosandrichard@btinternet.com of tel: 07753 881517

Mothering Sunday

10th March at 9.30am

Easter Services

Palm Sunday services: 8am and 9.30am 24th March

Maundy Thursday service: 28th March at 6.30pm

Good Friday 29th March at 11am

Easter Day services: 31st March at 8am and 9.30am

Please watch village posters for further Faster service details

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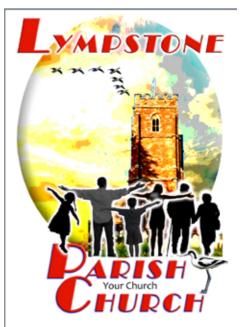
Confirmation Service 12th June 24 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Exmouth to be led by the acting Bishop of Exeter, Right Reverend Jackie Searle

Confirmation classes begin after Easter - contact the church office or clergy

Mens' Breakfast the next, to be held at the Toby Carvery beginning at 8.30am. will be on 13th April. Book a place with Bob on 01395273400.

An Evening of Classical Favourites and 'Songs from the Shows'

with professional Tenor Gregory Steward 0n Monday 20th May at Church 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 on the door or from the Parish Office (Holy Trinity Exmouth 01395 263681) Come and support this young Tenor. (This concert is organised by Gregory himself and we are pleased he has chosen the church to perform in the church in Lympstone)



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FAIR STOOD THE WIND FOR MARCH

The Clarion Clarinet Quartet will be joined by the Roseland Wind Quartet for a concert in the Parish Church on Saturday 16th March at 7.30pm, presented by Lympstone Entertainments.

Apart from a clarinet, the Roseland musicians play flute, oboe and bassoon – all woodwind instruments – and one brass instrument – a French horn, which blends beautifully with all the woodwind you will hear. You can look forward to a programme that includes favourite musicals, the blues and boogie – and a Quintet by Beethoven's lesser-known contemporary Franz Danzi. "Whatever the occasion," says the Roseland's leader Ben Edmonds, "we aim to bring variety, entertainment and enthusiasm."

This is an approach shared by Lympstone's popular Clarion Clarinet Quartet, founded 20 years ago by Richard de la Rue, who will be playing Mozart, Benny Goodman and and an arrangement of Freddie Mercury's Bohemian Rhapsody! Their instruments range from the tiny E-flat clarinet to John Welton on his favourite bass clarinet. Each contributes its own magic to the ensemble

Tickets from Susannah's Tea Room (cash only) or lympstoneentertainments.net.

WRITE ON

The monthly Lympstone Writing Workshops being run by tutor Anna Lunk continue for another two sessions. These happen on Saturday afternoons in the Meeting Room of Lympstone Village Hall. The two that have taken place so far have been on the topics Places & People, and Memory Triggers – The magic in the detail.

There are two more workshops to come:

Saturday 23rd March 2pm - 5pm One small story – the polished gem

Saturday 20th April 2pm - 5pm The times we live in

All workshops are self contained, and you can still book in to either or both of these sessions for £15 each.

For further information and to book a place please email: annamlunk@gmail.com

EMPIRE OF LIGHT

Lympstone Film Society

Friday, 8th March 7.30pm The Village Hall

Olivia Colman shines in this beautifully acted love-letter to the movies, which also stars Toby Jones (recently seen as Alan Bates in Mr Bates vs the Post Office) and Colin Firth. It has also received many accolades for its luminous cinematography by Oscarwinning photographer Roger Deakins, who grew up in Torquay. The film itself is set in an English seaside resort – Margate was used, and its 1930s cinema, Dreamland, adapted to represent the Empire.

Sam Mendes, making his first solo outing as a writer as well as a director, has made a poignant romantic drama about love, life and the fragile art of moviegoing. Empire of Light is a sweet, heartfelt, humane movie, a kind of English Cinema Paradiso, that celebrates the kind of social filmgoing that Lympstone Film Society represents.

Join everybody in the bar from 6.45pm, and then in front of the big screen.



MONDAY MATINEE

The Lavender Hill Mob

Monday 11th March at 2pm The Village Hall Community Room

Alec Guiness, Sid James, Stanley Holloway and Alfie Bass star in one of the most famous of the Ealing Comedies. An unassuming London bank clerk in charge of gold bullion deliveries hatches a plot to steal a consignment...

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HELP NEEDED FOR LYMPSTONE WATER QUALITY PROJECT

A new project has been developed in response to growing concerns about the water quality of our beloved Wotton Brook and Exe Estuary. Working with other Lympstone groups and organisations (the Parish Council, Wild About Lympstone, Lympstone Flood Resilience Group, Lympstone Fishery & Harbour Association, and Lympstone Primary School), the Westcountry Rivers Trust, Environment Agency, and several other organisations, our initial aim is to:

- Better understand the current water quality in the Wotton Brook, and the sources and pathways of pollution;
- Support the Lympstone Fishery & Harbour Association in its efforts to reduce the risk of pollution from South West Water's combined sewer overflow (CSO);
- Develop a strategy to protect and improve our precious waters.



Please help if you can. For example by:

- Getting involved in monitoring the water quality of the Wotton Brook and/or in generally observing and reporting on the state of the Brook and Estuary. If you are at all interested, please contact us ASAP for more information. A training basic freshwater session on monitoring techniques is scheduled for mid-March (to be provided by Westcountry Rivers Trust).
- Providing us with any information (and photos) about the current and past condition of the Brook and Estuary (including observations of pollution and wildlife).

 Allowing us access to the Wotton Brook on your land, if needed for monitoring.

For more information, please contact: Lympstone Water Quality Group (Clem Davies, Sara Davies, Justin Smallwood, Cllr Lisa Staddon, Rebecca Abrahams, Mary Turner, Caroline Lewis, Barry Lewis)

Email: Clem and Sara Davies clemvmdavies@aol.com sarabragg@aol.com

Tel. 07855 344386 or 01395 277755



A GENIUS AT WORK

Brian & Daphne Ridge remember one of the most creative figures in the history of the Lympstone Players.

ROBIN LAWSON (1956-2024)

It was with great sadness that we learned of the early death of one of our most talented and active members, Robin Lawson, who was at the heart of the Players in the 80s and 90s, until he left Lympstone. An unconventional thanksgiving service was held for him in All Saints Church, East Budleigh with a wake afterwards in his favourite Pub, the Sir Walter Raleigh, on 8th February. A number of 'old' Players were able to attend.

Not only was Robin a very talented school teacher (any child in one of his classes was fortunate indeed - in fact the Pied Piper of Hamelin comes to mind), a gifted painter (this stretched to scene painting with the artist and friend. Malcolm Horton), a musician of note, an actor of high calibre, a producer (who was challenging but fun to work with), a playwright (even if the scripts first came out at rehearsals!), but he also wrote a number of musical extravaganzas, complete with original scores (which are worthy of publication in the AmDram world). They included Withering's Last Chance (about a trendy but inept teacher who is given the chance of producing the school pantomime), and a new musical, billed as straight from the Wild West End, The Spirit of Crazy Paving. Crazy Paving was a Red Indian Chief and the cast was completed with hordes of braves and bravesses and saddle sore saloon dancers. His music was very catchy. Fifty local children wowed the audience.

Christmas shows which he wrote and directed included Halos and Flea-bites, The Pied Piper, and Sleeping Beauty and the Time Machine.

Memorable performances by Robin over the years included an unkempt convict escaped from Dartmoor, a comic brokers' man in Mother Goose, the dashing Fireman Silver in a costume made entirely from silver paper, and Noah Topping, the constable of St Marvels, in Arthur Wing Pinero's Dandy Dick.

In our production of Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Robin was the obvious choice for Willy Wonka, dressed in a red velvet tail coat with sovereigns stitched in the tails, so that they swirled as Robin danced across the stage. His exuberant character was responsible for the success of the whole performance. His offer to write the music and coach the Oompah Loompas was

gratefully received. The performances received excellent reviews.

When Pat Vallis produced A Christmas Carol, you can imagine by now that the key role of Ebenezer Scrooge was played by Robin, wearing a bald wig. This was another outstanding performance.

Robin's productions always evolved. We were privileged to stage manage all of them. He would phone up and say, 'I've had another idea - let's do so and so and we will change the script to ...'. Stage managing for Robin was never dull but always quite exhilarating, if you could keep up!

It must have been a life enhancing experience to be a pupil in Robin's class. He was full of fun and wit and a much loved friend, although of course we never told him so. His productions always evolved to keep us on our toes. Little did we realise we were witnessing a genius at work! Thank you Robin for your friendship, talent, and wonderful sense of humour. The memories come flooding back ... We forgive him for causing us to cue-call him from the Redwing after the intervals! We send our heartfelt sympathy to his wife Tessa and all his many friends.

Daphne and Brian Ridge



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CHILDRENS MENTAL HEALTH WEEK



Stagecoach South West took a wellbeing bus to Lympstone Primary School on Friday 9th February as part of Children's Mental Health Week to empower young people.

The carefully crafted sessions for students in years 5 and 6 included a wellbeing workshop on board the bus followed by a physical activity session led by Tom Johnson, founder of PlusEd digital platform which focuses on supporting teachers in delivering health and wellbeing in schools and Tom Merriman, Director of Exmouth rehabilitation charity RV-ONE.

Tom Johnson Owner of PlusEd said: "Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. 1 in 6 children and young people now have a diagnosable mental health condition. By taking part in Children's Mental Health Week 2024, we can ensure that children and young people across the UK feel listened to and know that they're not alone."

From 5-11 February 2024, schools, families and communities across the UK are taking part in Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is My Voice Matters, and Place2Be wants all children and young people, whoever they are, and wherever they are in the world, to be able to say – and believe - "My Voice Matters".

Peter Knight Managing Director of Stagecoach South West said: "We are proud to be taking part in Children's Metal Health Awareness week 2024. We have many mental health advocates throughout the business, who encourage our teams to open up and share any issues. It's something that we are really passionate about and to be able to utilise our buses as a space for these important conversations is something we want to do more of."

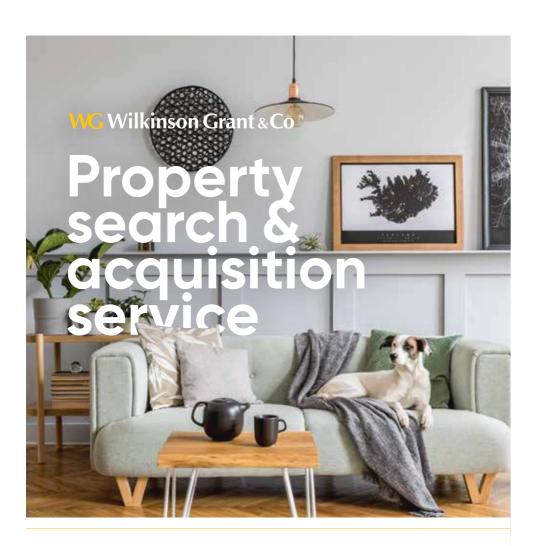
Peter added: "Stagecoach has plans to extend their wellbeing bus offer throughout the year which will encourage social chat on the bus, allowing connections and friendships to build. This kind of practical action, reaching out to people with transport to bring them together, change their environment to engage is absolutely vital."

RV-ONE is a charity based in Exmouth whose mission is to rehabilitate the mind through functional fitness, creativity and adventure built on military foundations with the intention to help everyone.

Tom Merriman Director at RVOne said: "Empowering children and young people can have a positive impact on their health and wellbeing. For example, children and young people who feel that their voices are heard - and that what they say makes a difference - have higher levels of self-efficacy and self-esteem. They also have a greater sense of community – and as people become empowered, they can work together to create positive changes for themselves and for others.

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Magpies is a new event in Devon. It's a week long festival celebrating all things thrifty: upcycling, repurposing, saving, mending and reusing.

Magpies invites you to explore skills and ideas for fixing old items or turning them into new ones Whether it's thrift with materials or money, Magpies aims to encourage giving old items a new lease of life and careful use of resources.

Conceived and run by Exmouth Town Council and Sideshore Community, with support from the Arts and Culture East Devon fund, Magpies draws together lots of community groups, makers and menders to pass on skills and give people ideas about how to be thrifty.

With the environmental emergency and the cost of living crisis hitting, people have plenty of reasons to shift to thrift. On a planet of finite resources it makes sense to use them more wisely.

Over the week there are lots of low cost workshops, free activities and a family fun day, exploring skills and ideas for fixing old items or turning them into new ones, and creating community along the way.

EXMOUTH ECOS

Magpies have been working with the 'Eco's' - Exmouth Community College students who attend a weekly environmental club, to create activities for the Magpies Festival.

The group have created two challenges based in the town's charity shops, to encourage more people to consider buying second hand.

The first is a 'Snazzy Fashion Challenge', where entrants will put together an Oscar-worthy outfit to be shown off on the catwalk. The second is a scavenger hunt, where teams scour the shops and photograph items for categories like 'wackiest hat' or 'shiniest thing'.

The Eco's group have also been working on a project to encourage people to recycle their tech. A large wire-framed robot sculpture is being commissioned that people can add their tech to before it all goes to be repaired or recycled.

According to research* in 2022, 18.6 million items of broken tech are gathering dust in British homes that could be fixed,

or stripped for the precious materials that can be recovered and reused. A further 20.7 million items are working but unused. Magpies and Exmouth Ecos are encouraging people to think about the unused tech in their homes and move it on, whether through selling, donating, repairing or recycling.

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

Mad Magpies are attempting to make a mile of bunting!

During the week of the festival Magpies will be collecting fabric, pressing, cutting and sewing bunting, and are calling for helpers. If you would like to learn how to make bunting then you can join the sewing sessions, or community groups can make their own.

The bunting will be used to decorate the Exmouth Festival in July, and also some will be donated to the Library of Things, so members can borrow it for their own events.

Local creatives and volunteers made wonderful bunting for the festival many years ago, which is still in use, but much of it is now degraded and needs to be replaced. It's perfect for roping off precious flowerbeds, and decorating the festival sites. Made from scraps people have lying around, it's the perfect sustainable decoration.

MAGPIE TABLES

Sunday 4th March sees the launch of Magpie Tables

Magpie Tables are a way to turn unwanted items into wanted ones. On the first Sunday of the month we encourage people to leave unwanted items outside their house to be picked up by anyone who wants it. If you have a lot of things, put a table out and offer books, clothes or household items.

This way of passing things on is called 'Curb Mining' or 'Stooping' in America, and also happens in Germany, Japan, and much of Western mainland Europe. Items should be good quality, and should not be left out for longer than a day, or if it is raining. They should be on your property and not left on the street. Posters are available to put on your items or table to let people know they are up for grabs

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Furniture Refurbishing with the Men's Shed.

Tie Dye with Hayley Watson (BEM).
Jewellery repair and recycled silver with
Exmouth School of Jewellery
Exmouth Repair Café
Puppet Making in Exmouth Schools
Charity Shop Challenges with Exmouth
Ecos
Ride On free bike repair

Magpie Tables

COMMUNITY THRIFT DAY

Littleham Leisure Centre – Saturday 9th March 11am – 4pm. Free.

Activities include: Clothes Swap. Mossy Carpet. Drumming and Drum Making. Upcycled Craft. Tech Robot. Café. Sewing. Photo Booth. Fashion Show. Bike Repair.

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LYMPSTONE GARDEN FESTIVAL 8 – 16th June 2024

Formal, flowery or wildlife friendly, however you like your garden the Lympstone Garden Festival will have something to delight and inspire you. There will be so much to see and get involved in with the Scarecrow Trail, Gulliford Burial Ground and Wild about Lympstone activities. We would also like to encourage those gardeners with beautiful front gardens to really go to town this year and make our village a visual extravaganza. Visitors would not be allowed to enter these gardens.

There's still plenty of time to get involved. We already have some amazing gardens ready to open, most for the first time! A huge thank you to everyone who has already volunteered their garden and support. Whether you open your garden, help out with the planning or volunteer on the day you'll be helping raise much needed for funds for Exmouth & Lympstone Hospiscare.

We have already started detailed planning and will keep you updated though the Herald, Village website or follow us on Instagram: @lympstonegardenfestival

After Easter we will be looking for volunteers who can help out during the Festival Week itself.

Meanwhile, if you have any queries or wish to volunteer, please contact:

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Lympstone Scarecrow Trail @ 'the movies'

8th to 16th June

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LYMPSTONE SCARECROW TRAIL @ 'THE MOVIES'

8th – 16th June in support of Hospiscare

We might not all have a designer garden or an abundant allotment worthy of Lympstone Garden Festival this summer (I most certainly don't) but we can all have a scarecrow...

This is a fun way for everyone to join in the festival and help raise much needed funds for Exmouth & Lympstone Hospiscare. It is an event for both homes and businesses and anyone of any age can take part – all welcome.

We'd like you to make and display a scarecrow figure or a group of figures that depicts a movie – while keeping it secret what the movie is!

Donations for Hospiscare will be raised by people buying a map sheet and working their way around the village between 8th and 16th June, trying to guess each movie being depicted hence the need for secrecy.

Your scarecrow could be in your doorway, on your drive or front garden. Even if you don't have somewhere to display a scarecrow we should be able to help find somewhere around the village for it to be displayed.

Prizes! There will be a prize for the individual or family who submits the map sheet with the most correct answers and also a prize for the favourite scarecrow as voted for by the competition entrants – it could be you!

To discover more and register to take part, please email us at:

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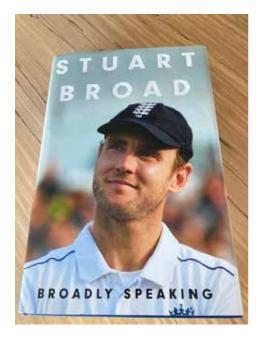
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RECENT READS





I love a sports auto/biography and have read a good number over the years from a wide range of sports. We all know that they're not necessarily brilliantly written and ghost or co-writers are often involved but they can give a snapshot of a life which, for many of us, holds a spark of excitement.

For this one, you need to know your cricket and love your cricket. If you're a Wisden aficionado or at least an avid TMS listener, you'll enjoy it but if cricket stats and the ins and outs of selection leave you cold, then this book may not be for you. Stuart Broad comes across

as open, enthusiastic and very freshly retired from the game. The shape of the 'narrative' rather tumbles out in a tangle of recollections with little structure to it but some interesting detail of technique; management styles and the shape of a career in sport are included.

If I'm honest, I think he's written it too early, it feels rushed. With another year or two, the book could benefit from a clearer shape to it but, more importantly, more evidence of reflection and insight into his life both as an international cricketer and a man. As it stands, I enjoyed it especially his positivity and

obvious love for the game. His mother sounds brilliant with her over-riding priority that sport at all levels should be fun!

If you, like me, can recall the goosebumps and adulation that you felt in 2015 as Broad scattered Australian wickets at will .. then give this book a read.

Sophie Minter

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Example: 7 lines or less	£7	£35	£63
Example: 10 lines	£10	£50	£90

Copies of the Lympstone Herald are delivered free to every household in Lympstone (approx 1100) every month with further copies being sold through the village shops. Please send your enquiries to Steve Morgan: sjmorgan222@gmail.com

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