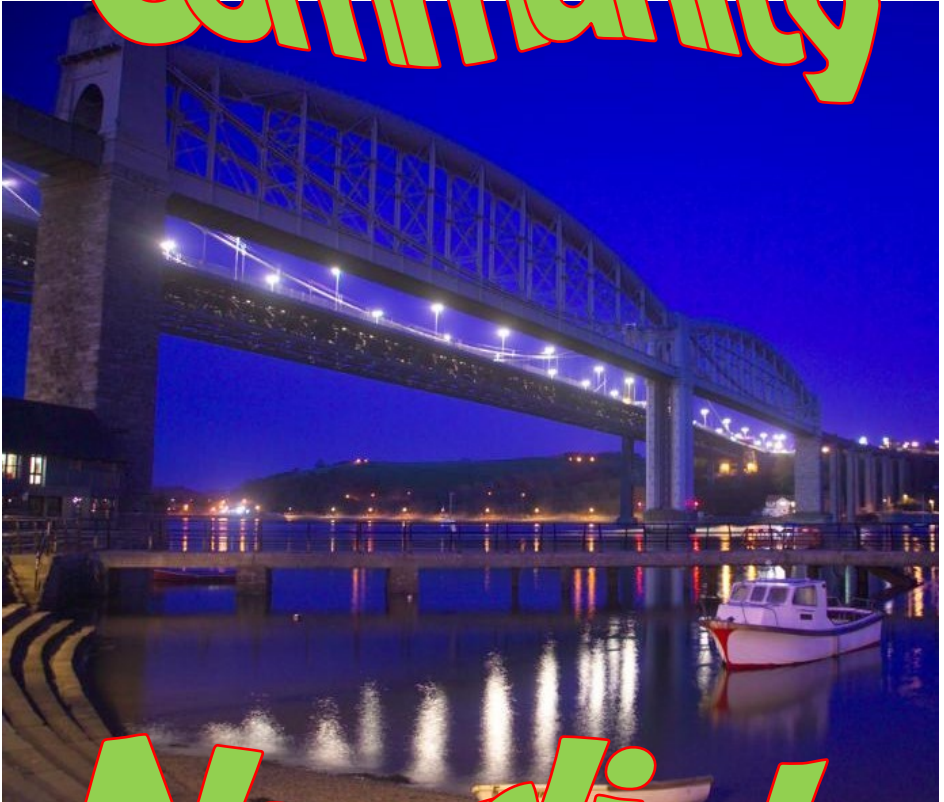


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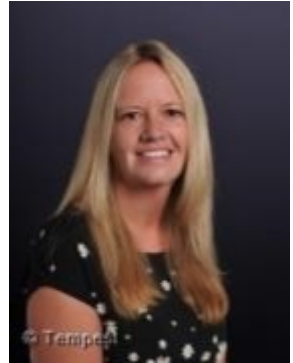
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NEW EARLY YEARS TEACHER

Welcome Lisa McMorrow

Lew Trenchard Primary and Pre-school are excited to have appointed an Early Years Teacher, Lisa McMorrow. Lisa and her team (Melissa, Justine & Nicky) have some exciting plans to bring the Pre-school forward. They share a love of outdoor play with an emphasis on child led learning. Lisa will be working alongside Justine who runs the toddler group (Mon 9-11am) as this provides an amazing transition from toddlers to pre-school. Please contact the school office to arrange a visit and meet the new team. 01566 783273 or lewtrenchard@andaras.org



Carol Service

**St. John the Baptist
Stowford
Sunday 15th December
at 11:15am**



Dear readers , i went in to Endicotts bakery the other day, and was stood in a queue like you do waiting to get a sticky bun that has no calories, when i noticed that all their cakes were priced at £2, but there was one priced at £5, this puzzled me slightly so when i got to the front i asked what the reason was for the large difference. The baker said that's simple sir, that's madeira cake. This effort was told to me by Mr Dave Pearce, so you can blame him.

Anyway what to say. The present Mrs Nash and i went and saw Downton Abbey the film the other evening, it was ok and two hours past very quickly, but the best thing about the evening was it cost us the grand sum of 30 pence. As members you get a free ticket once a year so we used ours. What was the 30p about i hear you ask, well Nick splashed out on a cup of hot water.

Well good news everyone, there are only 80 more days to Christmas, and only one edition of the link before you get two months without this pile of rubbish, i can hear the sigh of relief from you all, but before that we will have the annual poppy appeal, and remembrance day.

Once again there will be collection points around the area, and some wonderful people will be possible coming to your house to drink tea and selling poppies.

Remembrance day will follow the same format as has been followed over the last few years. Firstly there will be a act of remembrance at the war memorial starting at about 10.45am, this will have the two minutes silence and the calling out of the names of the men on the memorial. Then the Reverend Stuart Wilson is going to lead us in a act of ecumenicval worship at the Victory Hall. Following this there will be a bring and share lunch for those who wish to stay.

Will close now as the athletics is on the tele, and i have England's match against Argentina to watch also so this evening's entertainment is sorted. Best wishes to you all from Tim Nash.

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A hugely successful lunch was held recently funds for future dramatic productions by the members of the Red Spider Company based in Lewdown.



It was hosted by the Spider's Treasurer, Martin Perry at his home in Northlew and raised £423. The event was blessed by fine weather and a number of guests were able to lunch in the garden. The buffet was Boeuf Bourguignon with a wide selection of desserts. The Chairman, Mrs Maureen Cooke used her charm to extract the maximum takings for the raffle!

The next events are workshops on Saturday 5th October in Lewdown Victory Hall at 2.30pm and on Sunday 27th October in Bratton Clovelly Hall at 2.30pm. All are welcome to come along and join the fun in preparation for a production of "The Wheel of Life" - a play written by Ron Warman concerning the latter years of the life of The Rev. Sabine Baring Gould.

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Lewtrenchard WI 14th October Meeting

We began with our guest speaker, Jane Brunt who came to talk to us on 'One Woman, A Harem and a Thousand Cows.'

Jane shared with us her story of settling in Saudi in the Rub al-Khali Desert, the Empty Quarter, region with her husband and their 2 young sons, as part of a pilot scheme to establish 5 dairy farms in the country in 1969.

They travelled out together despite the fact their bungalow wasn't ready for them which meant that Jane and her sons lived with the harem of Prince Mohammed for 4 months whilst the prince and his wives spent their annual summer trip in the desert.

Life in the harem proved initially challenging, but despite the language barrier she established strong relationships with the women. Jane learnt quite a bit of Arabic during her time there. They taught her to belly-dance which was actually danced using their long hair which Jane had at the time. She learnt how to eat and cook using local produce as there was only one supermarket nearby which wasn't particularly good. There were winter trips to Riyadh to stock up with goods.

The Prince had to treat all wives equally, a present given to one had to be given to all, and conjugal visits were on a strict 4 day rota. The women had their own houses which were identical in size, design and furnishings.

Apart from building the bungalow the first year was needed to establish the desert to be capable of sustaining a herd of dairy cows. Watering was begun on a huge scale for crops to be grown to feed the animals. They arrived within the year from Australia arriving 250 at a time. During their shipment only 1 died and 2 lost their calves as all were pregnant at the time.

There was no schooling available so Jane home schooled the boys by setting up a classroom and the company generously provided any educational supplies that were needed. In the absence of any doctor the vet looked after them. There was no access to TV, radio and limited newspapers got through.

The workforce on the farm was mainly made up of Irishmen who got leave to go home once every 6 months. They tended to be adventurous souls with lively pasts. They arrived wearing one set of clothes which they wore to tatters in their 6 months. As they prepared for their leave they would visit Riyadh and the barbers shop to trim and tidy 6 months' worth of hair and beard, and wore their second set of good clothes home to their families.

The milk produced eventually began to sell and the farm still sells the milk from the now 125,000 cows which are descended from those original 1 thousand.

Jane and her husband made good friends with a Bedouin family and shared

many visits. Local woman used their headscarves as a form of communication with different colours sending different messages. Due to the wealth of the country because of the oil the King gave each Bedouin family their own truck.

The wildlife was interesting and they learnt to deal with scorpions and snakes in their home leading to Jane's husband breaking his habit of a lifetime of dropping his discarded clothing on the floor at the end of the day. She told us about camel spiders which are the size of a dinner plate which, on hearing your footsteps as you cross the desert will follow you. They attach themselves to you and their bite acts as an anaesthetic which numbs you and they eat away at your flesh.

The Royal family were generous hosts and looked after them very well. The experience was one they loved for 4 years but at that point deciding the boys needed schooling they returned home settling to work in Dorset. The travel bug however had got them and they then spent 7 years in Libya returning after the political upheaval.

Ruth Dawe gave the Vote of Thanks for a compelling talk accompanied with very atmospheric photos of their time in the desert.

Competition: An Interesting Item Beginning with 'R'.

1st was a rattle from Heather

2nd was a single record from Karen

3rd a china rabbit from Julie.

We then held the business meeting along with tea and biscuits.

Joyce Vanstone won the Biggest Potato Competition with a final weight of 18lbs.

Next meeting, Monday, 11th November, Lewdown Victory Hall. Speaker: Peter van Delft – Gardeners' Question Time.

Competition 'An Interesting Item Beginning with 'N.' All Welcome.

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Visitors are very welcome to join us any time between 7.00 and 7.30 but may like to phone 01566 783396 nearer the time to check there has not been a rare change of programme or for further information. Lifts are possible also. Charge £2 for members, £3 for non-members to include refreshments.

We as church members are sad to see our Benefice falling to pieces. I remember the Reverend John Heath and others putting it together after a lot of hard work.

Benefice Services were the best Service of the month where we all met for tea afterwards to chat about fund raising event so they were not on the same day.

Please think what is happening and find a way of stopping the decline before it is too late.

Come on good folk, remember how we were and lets gets together and get a new Priest.



CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Community College, Mill Road,

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Church services at 9.30am unless otherwise stated

1st Sun. in the month - Holy Communion ● 3rd Sun. in the month - Family Service

Worship in the Lifton Benefice - November

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St. Mary, **Kelly**

St. Nicholas, **Broadwoodwidge**
St. John the Baptist, **Stowford**

St. Peter, **Lewtrenchard**
St. George, **Thrushelton**

Services listed in alphabetical order:

3rd Nov	11.15 am	Holy Communion - Lewtrenchard
	9.30 am	Holy Communion - Lifton
	11.15 am	Morning Prayer - Stowford
	9.30 am	Holy Communion - Thrushelton
10th Nov	10:45 am	Remembrance Service - Broadwoodwidge New War Memorial then move to St. Nicholas
	10.45 am	Service of Remembrance - Kelly with Bradstone
	10.45 am	Remembrance Service - Lewdown War Memorial
	11.30 am	Ecumenical Service - Lewdown Victory Hall followed by Bring & Share Lunch
	10.45 am	Remembrance Sunday Service - Lifton
17th Nov	9.30 am	Service of the Word - Lifton
	9.30 am	Morning Prayer - Thrushelton
24th Nov	9.30 am	Holy Communion - Broadwoodwidge
	11.15 am	Morning Prayer- Kelly with Bradstone
	9.30 am	Holy Communion - Lifton
	11.15am	Holy Communion - Lewtrenchard

There will be a short service on Wednesdays at 10.30am in Lifton.

Please email your services to Simon no later than the 10th of the preceding month for publication in The Community Newslink

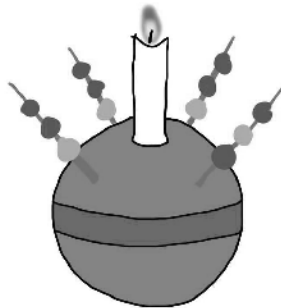
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10th	U S at C E Remembrance 10.00am
17th	D Sparey-Delacassa 11.00am
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☆☆ £15 Jane Lethbridge No. 143 ☆☆

☆☆ £5 Rosie Brixley No. 129 ☆☆

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☆☆ October Draw ☆☆

☆☆ £15 Tracey Warden No. 50 ☆☆

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**Lamerton Hunt
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**Monday 18th November
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Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

These minutes are abbreviated provisional until they are agreed and signed by the chairman at the next meeting of the Parish Council

Monday 30th September 2019 , Minute No 722

1. Planning – 2788/19/OPA – Outline application with some matters reserved for proposed new dwelling (resubmission of 1636/19/OPA to allow access details to be approved). Location – Holster Yard, Lewdown. EX20 4BS, Council decision – Support – proposed Cllr Metherell, seconded Cllr Vanstone

Planning - 2926/19/FUL – Agricultural building/dry store for fodder and agricultural implements

Site – Field at SX 445 910, Location – East of West Headson Farm, Braddon Clovelly, EX20 4JP

Council decision – Support – proposed Cllr Yeo, seconded Cllr Wilkinson

Planning - 3009/19/PDM – Notification for prior approval for proposed change of use of Agricultural building to dwelling house (class 3) and for operational development (class Q(a+b))

Location – Wheatley Park Barn, Barn B, Lewdown EX20 4QW. Council decision – Support + comment – box profile roof was thought to be inappropriate, a slate roof would be more in keeping with the natural surroundings. Proposed Cllr Andrews, seconded Cllr Dawe.

2. Finance

2.1 Report from R.F.O. a combined balance after payments showed a credit of £16,800.54

2.2 Approval of payments listed below; proposed Cllr Southcott, seconded Cllr Yeo,

Dean Elliott – Grass cutting July, Aug & Sept £250.00, P van Delft – (clerk salary Aug-Sept) £347.44, P.A.Y.E. – clerks tax £41.00, P van Delft – Administration expenses - postage etc, £ 26.21, Royal British Legion – poppy wreath £ 17.00

2.3 Items for consideration for draft budget 2020-21, a list of items was discussed item by item, it was concluded that some items needed greater clarification and transparency.

Cllrs to be advised of the amendments prior to the draft budget.

3. Reports from councilors – Cllr Andrews advised that trees in a hedge at the Ramps were cut back for easier maintenance. Cllr Wilkinson reported that some trees were showing the initial first stages of Ash Dieback on some trees at the far end of the Ramps, also a tree near the bridge by the river Lew showed similar signs of the disease, Cllr Wilkinson to contact Lewtrenchard estate of the problem tree.

4. Speedwatch group – Cllrs Mott and Southcott reported that a scheme has been

formed that included several other local parish councils. Training programs and scheme details will soon be completed, volunteers are currently being sought. More details will be available at next meeting.

5. Report from Cllr Mott WDBC – A newsletter from Devon Community Resilience Forum had been made available, information on Brexit advice, neighbourhood ALERT, know what to do should a flood warning take place, winter fuel allowance plus many more useful tips and contacts, see our website for details. Recycling, the new improved scheme starting on 2nd December will include an expansion for the collection of many more house hold waste items, leaflets giving details of the improved scheme will be distributed to all households in the parishes shortly.

6. Lewtrenchard Primary School, wig wag lights – Cllr Southcott reported that Devon highways did not originally provide all the costs for the installation, a new revised final cost dated 16th September is £4318.45. It was resolved to approve the final revised cost from Devon Highways, Proposed Cllr Southcott, seconded Cllr Yeo, council decision - unanimous. Clerk to write to D.H. and place the order. Delivery and installation 6-8 weeks from date of order.

7. BT. Telephone Kiosk in Lewdown Village & Coryton – Update on removals notices. The draft notification decision has been published by WDBC. The Lewdown Kiosk has been registered for adoption, however the Coryton kiosk remains on the list for removal. It was resolved that the clerk registers a further representation objecting to the removal, deadline 20th October.

8. Southern Links meeting – Report from meeting held on 19th September, crime figures showed a reduction in reported crimes in all of the localities, fuel poverty allowances are available from WDBC. Minutes of the meeting will be posted on the website.

9. Emergency Plan – Committee report. It was resolved to review the plan at the next meeting.

10. Correspondence 10.1- Overhanging trees - Lobhillcross to quarry – issue no longer of any concern.

10.2 Invitation to attend Devon Highways conference. 10.3 Citizens Advice – donation request – clerk to ask for more detail. 10.4 St Mary the Virgin Marystow church accounts, showed grass cutting costs during 2018 of £665. 10.5 Planning Inspectorate – decision re site address Beechtree Cottage, for Dippertown, Lewdown, EX20 4PT. for details go to WDBC website. 10.6 Standards and Governance training – clerk reported compliance in all matters

11. Remembrance Sunday – 10th November Wreath laying, Chair/vice chair to represent the council

Meeting closed 9.22pm

Date, time and place of next meeting – 25th November 2019 – Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30PM

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Wednesday November 13th

Wednesday December 11th - Xmas Special

Wednesday January 8th

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registrations

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