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Community



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and The Community Newlink.

My friend told me the other day that he has become great mate's with a dolphin, I asked him if that was possible?, he said yes, we just clicked.

Dear readers this is about as good as it is going to get, so if I was you I would paint a wall and watch it dry for a while, or flea the dog.

What can I say, we have not done too much that's worth talking about in the last few weeks, I will be at some point in the next few days, taking the present Mrs Nash to the recycle centre, how much more excitement does a girl need in her life? She is at the moment in the process of making a pew runner, which she is trying to complete before it warms up and the garden needs our undivided attention. Who knew that there could be so many colours and shades when it comes to wool. I will close now as my boiled eggs and soldiers are in need of my attention.

Best wishes Tim Nash.

I asked my gran what her parents did before all the modern technology was available to pass the time?, She said she didn't know but you can always ask my 9 brothers and sisters.

The largest millipede in Tanzania is locally called the wandering leg sausage! If you don't believe me look it up in the QI book.

Recycling & Refuse collections over the Easter and May Bank Holidays



| Normal Collection day | New collection day |
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| Friday 19 April | Saturday 20 April |
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| Week beginning 22 April | 1 day late |
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| Week beginning 6 May | 1 day late |
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| Week beginning 27 May | 1 day late |
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Friday collections during the 3 weeks above will now be collected on the Saturday. These changes also apply for Garden Waste customers.

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Lewtrenchard WI,

March, 11th 2019.

The business of the WI was discussed after we opened by singing Jerusalem. The jumble sale on Saturday 16th March was finally planned as were the preparations for the Tamar Group Meeting on Monday, April 8th where the speaker is to be Ann Widdecombe.

The speaker for this evening was Julie Turner who gave us a talk on The Life and Loves of a Store Detective.

Julie began her work as a store detective at the age of 15 until her marriage some years later.

She began in the Co-op in the Devon YTS scheme in Plymouth, Devonport. Julie explained that her three major characteristics were laziness, hating people and laziness. She went on to explain that finding the job quite boring and having watched the Co-op Store detective visit the store and seemingly wander around without actually doing anything once a week she quickly decided this was the job for her. That he looked very cool was also a persuading factor.

This witty and satirical introduction to her subject set the tone for the rest of a highly amusing evening. Having, at 18, got a job with Boots as a security officer she learnt the 3 main rules around her job, which were firstly, you have to see the person pick the item up from the shelf, secondly then see them conceal it about their person and finally watch the person leave the store with a clear indication that their intent is not to pay for the goods. If all three of these conditions cannot be proved then the person will not be apprehended legally.

When apprehending the shoplifter the store detective cannot use force whilst taking them back into the store, they can caution them in a citizen's arrest and must write down everything the shoplifter says. They cannot be searched by the store detective as this could be construed as common assault, but can be asked to take out the goods and then have to wait for the police to arrive.

Julie then gave us as her alternative set of rules for successful shoplifting which are, nothing frozen, don't look around too obviously checking for store detectives and never leave a store with a smile on your face.

She related a series of incidents from her career. The first was a tale from the Torquay branch of Boots and involved a young man stealing a sandwich and choosing to conceal it somewhat unfortunately down the front of his tracksuit bottoms and in the subsequent chase through the streets it became clear that this was not a good choice. Best at this point to leave it to the reader's imagination.

Julie provided us with some interesting facts around shoplifting: 30% of staff will shoplift and of that number security staff are the highest offenders; different positions of staff within an organization define the type of shoplifting they perform; it is vital that the intent not to pay is clear; billions of pounds a year are lost to shoplifters; if they get away with it they will steal again.

Finishing here with a tale of her first job, having chased a man who stole aftershave which she subsequently saw him drinking the policeman who came to deal with the

situation kept ignoring her and saying he would listen to her eventually until it was clear because she was so scruffily dressed he assumed she was the culprit.

The evening was a great success marked with a lot of laughter combined with learning quite a bit about a very serious subject skillfully presented. The Vote of Thanks was led by Mary Edgcombe.

Competition –French Knitting winner Karen Alexander
Flower Arrangement winner Margaret Dunn.

Flower of the Month: Julie Chick.

Next meeting Monday, 8th April, Tamar Group Meeting, Victory Hall, 7.30pm. Please note ticket only.

Lewtrenchard WI meeting, Monday, 15th April, Victory Hall 7.30pm. Speaker Sharon O'Brien 'A Mindful Life-How to Create Space in a Hectic World.' ALL WELCOME.

PLEASE NOTE ALL MEETINGS FROM APRIL START 7.30PM.

Calling All Dog Owners!!!

Over the last 9 months there has been a spate of dog attacks on sheep in the Coryton/Sydenham area. These attacks have led to 6 sheep being killed and a further 4 sheep being badly injured. The latest attack happened as recently as 5th March when a young sheep received deep puncture wounds to its' hind leg, a 4" full-thickness laceration to a front leg and further minor injuries to its' other front leg - not to mention the psychological trauma she suffered. The dog was seen on this occasion but has not, as yet, been identified. The sheep remains in a shed back at the farm and we hope she recovers.

Being spring there are now a lot of lambs around who would be killed extremely quickly if caught by a dog. Please would owners keep their dogs within sight at all times when out walking and even when they are let out into their own gardens to ensure that the dog does not take itself off for a walk unattended. These things happen extremely quickly with dire consequences. Help from local dog owners in ensuring the welfare of livestock would be greatly appreciated.

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Contact Julie Chick on 01566 783223 for bookings and enquiries

POTTING SHED CERAMICS CLAY WORKSHOPS 2019

Throughout the summer of 2019, I will be running hand building in clay weekend workshops at my pottery in Lewdown, Devon.

There will be a garden theme and suggested topics are 'pinch & coil' garden pots, bird baths/feeders, decorative plaques, house signs, wind chimes, mobiles, sculptures.....

Dates are ~

April 27th & 28th

May 18th & 19th

June 15th & 16th

July 13th & 14th

August 10th & 11th

Courses will run from 10am – 3/4pm on both days, with coffee & biscuits, a light lunch and tea & cake provided.

Price for the weekend course is £110 including all materials and your finished pieces once glazed and fired.

Places are limited to four people per course. Beginners very welcome!

If you would like more details or to book please contact me on 07794 532961 or email g.f.lee@hotmail.com

Do You Wanna Sing? Then why not try The Packhorse Singers

We are a small group of singers who meet regularly at the Church room in Bratton Clovelly on Thursday evenings to sing for pleasure. Currently our members come from various local villages including Lewdown, Thrushelton, Bratton Clovelly, Lifton and Germansweek. We sing all sorts of songs mostly entirely for pleasure but we do take on the occasional gig especially at Christmas when we enjoy singing the delightful, very old, but little known Bratton Carols. We sing whatever we fancy. No special musical expertise is necessary and you do not need to be able to read music. All you need is to enjoy singing. Essentially we learn by listening. It seems to work.

Interested. To learn more contact Ron Wawman on 01566 783459 or Amanda Greenhalgh on 01566 784318 or 07511 830139

Soupa Troopers

All welcome to this community event



2019

Wednesday April 10th

Wednesday May 8th

Wednesday June 12th

Wednesday July 10th

From 12.30pm in Lewdown Victory Hall
Soup and a Bread Roll, Tea or Coffee - £3



Followed by conversation & games
(Optional)



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The Fox & Grapes in Lifton

are running pub quizzes, with the proceeds are going to
Lewtrenchard church funds.

Teams of 2-5 with cash prizes. Please support your local church.

**QUIZ - teams of 2 to 5—£1 per head
IN AID OF LEWTRENCHARD Church FUNDS.
6.00 for 6.30 start in FOX & GRAPES Public House**

Cash prizes

Booby prize

**Plus /BUMPER (harder question round) with higher cash
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Places limited.

Dates: Sunday 7 April 2019

21st April 2019

28th April 2019



Training in the use of the Parish Defibrillator + other basic First Aid

- Primary Survey
- Training includes CPR
- Dealing with an unconscious casualty (breathing normally and non breathing)
- Demo and practise of A.E.D
- Questions and answers

Arranged by
[Lewdown Grouped Parish Council](#)
For more details and to book a place
Contact the clerk on [01566 783023](tel:01566783023)
Email : lewdowngpc.clerk@gmail.com

**Training on
Thursday 13th June
2.30 – 5.00pm
at
Lewdown Victory Hall**



Forgotten Garden OF LEWTRENCHARD

Springtime is here so say "goodbye" to winter doldrums and come down to the Forgotten woodland garden of Lewtrenchard and see our bluebells in flower.

On **Saturday 11 May (from 2.00pm until 4.00pm)** the flowers will be at their peak to coincide with the Friends providing **cream teas and a guided tour** for newcomers. Our famous **Pixie Hunt** returns this year and we hope that there will be children to help us find them all.

This year we need to raise funds to reroof our lime kiln to create a small visitor centre and donations towards this are gratefully received. We will also be appreciative of any visitors who take photographs of our garden and forward them to our team, because after a well received 2019 calendar we intend to run another for 2020.

Later this year we will be running a pub quiz, AGM in June and August barbecue.

Keep up with our news on our website. <http://www.forgottengarden.co.uk>

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Saturday April 27th

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Walk & Witness

Join us on Good Friday for a thought provoking walk between Coryton and Marystowe Churches.

Meet at 11am at Coryton Church



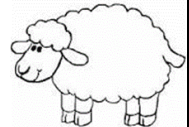
First timers please use Google Satnav 'Coryton Church' and have walking shoes and clothing.

We have hot crossed buns at Marystowe!

Thrushelton Church Wool Project

Lots of great progress is being made towards completing runners for the pews that are still waiting. Thank you to all involved! We are looking forward to the moment when we have completed runners in all the pews – that point is not quite around the corner, but it is not far away!

Due to so much work going on, we still need to prepare more wool to keep up with all the locker hooking. So we will meet on



Sat. 27th April at Lewdown Victory Hall from 10am to 2.30pm

We will tease and card more wool, we can work on the shared runners and we will hopefully be able to share ideas from all the recent locker hooking. Some more runners may be completed by then, and others may only just be started, but one of the lovely things about this project is that so many people have been involved and that there is something to learn from everyone.

All welcome to join us at the hall to lend a hand or just to see what is going on. Coffee, tea, apple juice and cake provided. Please bring sandwiches if you will be there at lunchtime. For more information please phone or email Rosie: 01837 871238 rosieyells@lineone.net



CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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United Benefice of Lifton, Broadwood, Stowford,
Lewtrenchard with Thrushelton & Kelly with Bradstone

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Roman Catholic Services

Tavistock Sunday 9.15 am
Holy Days 10am

Fr. Greatbatch 01822 612645

(P. Sparling 01822 860355)

Okehampton Saturday 6pm
Sunday 11am

Fr M. Darline Joseph

01837 52229

Launceston Sunday 10.00 am
Holy Days 7.30pm

Rev. David Annear 01566 773166

Quakers

Meeting for Worship

Tavistock every Sunday 10.00am.

4 Canal Road, Tavistock.

Contact – Kay Nicholson

01822 614596

Okehampton

Every Sunday 10.30am.

Children's Meeting 2nd Sunday

Community Centre, Okehampton

Community College, Mill Road,

Okehampton.

Contact - Eleanor Flack 01837 53475

St. Mary the Virgin, Marystowe

Church services at 9.30am unless otherwise stated

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

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Holy Communion every Wednesday, 10.30am at St.Mary's, Lifton

| APRIL | | | | | | |
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| Date in April | Broadwood-widge | Kelly | Lewtrenchard | Lifton | Stowford | Thrus Shelton |
| Sunday 7th April | | 11.15 HC - John Withers | | 09.30 HC John Withers | 11.15 M P | 09.30 HC |
| 5th Sunday of Lent | | | | | | |
| Sunday 14th April | LEWTRENCHARD - JOHN WITHERS 10.00 UNITED BENEFICE SERVICE | | | | | |
| Palm Sunday | | | | | | |
| | | | 19.30 John Withers | | | |
| Maundy Thursday | | | | | | |
| | Lifton Down Chapel | | | Lifton Down Chapel | | |
| Good Friday | | | | | | |
| Sunday 21st April | 11.15 - John Withers | | Songs of Praise 11.15 | 09.30 - John Withers | | 09.30 HC - SW |
| Easter Sunday | | | | | | |
| Sunday 28th April | 09.30 HC - SW | | 11.15 HC - John Withers | 09.30 HC John Withers | | |

There will be a short service on Wednesdays at 10.30am in Lifton.
 Note 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays will be Holy Communion.
 each month in Lifton.

Bridestowe Methodist Church

Preachers for April at 11.00am

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| 7 th | U S at the C of E | 9.30 am |
| 14 th | D Bray | 11.00 |
| 18 th | Rev G Warmington | 7.00 pm |
| 19 th | Rev G Warmington | 10.00 am |
| 21 st | Rev J Cook | 6.00am |
| Son Rise at the Village Hall | | |
| 21 st | D James | 11.0 |
| 28 th | B W Group | 11.00 |

Thursday 4th April Call my Bluff - Valuation game with experts
Tickets £10.00 person to include refreshments

Saturday 6th April Coffee Morning at 10.00 am
and the 50/50 Shop open

Thrushelton Church

Sunday Lunch

Sunday the 5th of May 12.30 for 1 pm.

Roast Beef and all the trimming

Tickets are £12.50

Contact Sarah Nash on 01566783274

or Tim Nash on 01566783320

News from Broadwoodwidge March 2019.

We had a very successful Benefice service on March the 10th taken by The Rev John Withers, assisted by Fred Reeve, with 48 members of the congregation. It is good to see John back taking services and we hope that he will soon be in even better health.

We are most grateful for the continued support we receive from the Rev Stuart Wilson

Services for April have been forwarded by Fred Reeve.

Our ACPM is on the 2nd of April 3pm at the Community Hub.

We look forward to the Easter celebrations

Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome



Saturday 13th April

10am till 12noon



At Audrey's

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In aid of Bridestowe Church Ark Building Project

Lewdown Past

The Lewdown and area local history group

Stowford Parish Hall
Tuesday 16th April at 7.00pm

Dowsing with Devon Dowsers

We need to know numbers for this meeting as far as possible. Please phone 01566 783396/01822 820035 to book.

Note that this begins at a slightly earlier time and may also last a little longer than usual. We start with a chance to have a go, followed by an illustrated talk about dowsing and of course refreshments. You may participate as much or as little as you wish and fun has been assured!

Please leave a phone number when you book so we can inform participants of any alterations, though these have thankfully been rare in the past. Charge £2 for members, £3 for non-members.

February's meeting- The Gunn Mineral Water Factory in Okehampton.

Situated behind the Pretoria Vaults, just down from the library, this is probably one of the town's best-kept secrets. The carbonated drinks enterprise had its origins in Tavistock as a venture between Frederick Armes and Samuel Gunn. However, when their premises burnt down in 1896, Gunn relocated to Okehampton and bought the site behind what was then the Barnstaple Inn. In 1906 he built a water treatment plant here to provide clean water for his soft drinks. Orange and lemonade were put in glass bottles but, as the ginger beer carried on fermenting, stronger earthenware bottles were used. Bottles were subject to a deposit and had to go back to the correct factory, there being so many outlets in Plymouth that a bottle exchange was set up. In the early days cold drinks sales tailed off in winter so Gunn operated a coal trade as well. Samuel Gunn died in 1940 but his sons had also entered the business, and it continued to operate until 1965. The earthenware bottles they used were made in Bristol by Price and stamped with the drinks manufacturer's name and location. The earlier bottles with just 'S P Gunn' on are rarer (and more valuable) than ones stamped with 'Gunn and Sons'.

Our speaker Rod Martin, formerly at Okehampton museum, is also a bottle collector who, along with a like-minded group, investigated the Okehampton site, around the derelict factory, in 2017. They used heavy machinery to break up areas of concrete and found, underneath, hundreds of broken bottles but also a fair number that were complete. Why were they here? It seems that bottle requirements changed, probably in the 1930s so all the old stock were discarded and used as hardcore. Their finds included glass bottles with a marble to seal them, which would have been superseded by better-sealed and easier to fill flip-tops and screw tops. Higher cleaning and sterilising standards were also a factor. The earthenware bottles were particularly problematic, the interior being difficult to inspect and a case for their discontinuation was brought when some cyclists found a snail in one! Rod also brought a collection of bottles to pass round - fortunately none were dropped as values of some could run into double or even triple figures.



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Abbreviated draft Minutes of ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 7.30pm at Stowford Parish Hall. No 675

Members of the public – four members of the public were present.

A parishioner asked if permission was needed for the erection of fencing in the verge outside his property. Permission had been granted from Devon Highways owners of the verge. It was resolved that no further permission was required because the land was that belonging to Devon Highways.

A parishioner wished to attend the meeting to gain a better insight into how the PC works.

Two parishioners wished to explain a planning application and went through the various aspects of it. The parishioners were informed that they were not permitted to comment during item 6.

Planning applications – Reference No 3661/18/HHO – Application for 2 storey extension

At Herb Cottage, Portgate, Lewdown, EX20 4PX - Council decision - support

Reference No 3933/18/VAR – Application for variation of condition 2 following grant of planning permission 02749/2012, at Peacock Cottage, Townleigh Farm, Lewdown, EX20 4DE –

Council decision – support

Finance - Report from R.F.O. was circulated to councillors, a current projected balance after the payments have been made showed a credit balance of £4952.09

Payments authorised for; Clerk salary – Peter van Delft (January – February) £206.00

Pay review for the clerk due to changes by the National Joint Council. Clerks current pay scale is LC1–SCP20, the new pay scale has replaced SCP20 for SCP9 or SCP10. The clerk was asked to remove himself from the meeting whilst discussion took place. It was resolved that the clerk should be awarded the new SCP10.

Reports from Councillors- Cllr Hennessey informed the council that Parish Hall needed more users, invitations from interested parties would be most welcome. Contact the Hall on 01566 783223 to enquire about availability and costs for hire.

Report from Cllr Edmonds- Cllr Edmonds gave a brief introduction from the 'keep Britain tidy' campaign for the latest initiative to 'Join the Great British Spring Clean'. It was resolved that the council would like to participate after the impending local elections. Date to be advised and notices to be provided.

WDBC, despite a 38% decrease in government funding it had managed a balanced budget for the current year.

There is a new Council Tax Reduction scheme for low earners- see website for more details.

A recent review by the Local Government Association on WDBC and SHDC showed that the council had gone through an enormous journey to the credit of its staff and leadership, it demonstrated the quality of service it provides and also met the objectives it set out.

Date and Time of next meeting Annual Parish Meeting 9th April 2019, 7.30 at Stowford Parish Council

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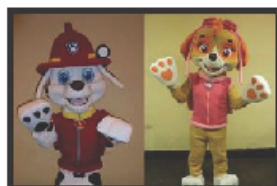


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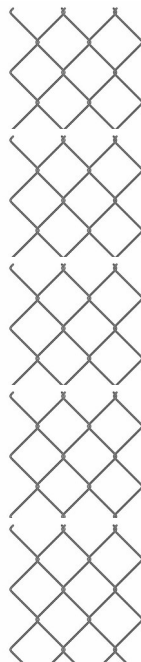


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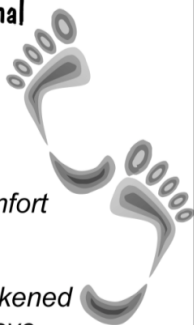
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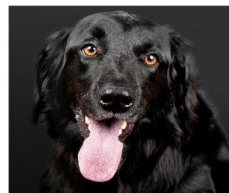
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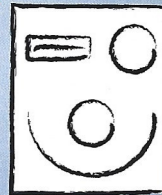
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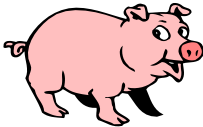


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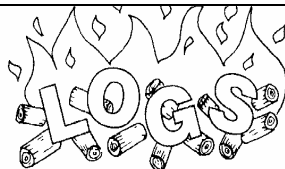
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