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Cover Picture - Roadford Lake

Dear wonderful readers, of quite frankly the best monthly magazine in the area.
Its only little old here eulogising on about nothing in particular.
Well here we are approaching the end of September and there is definitely a autumnal feel to the days now.

It does not seem long since we were in the warm balmy days of summer with the sun shining every day and the bees and butterflies flitting from flower to flower. Talking of sunflowers ,as was pointed out in the last magazine yours truly did win the tallest sunflower in the produce show, it got to be 11 feet 3 inches which was quite impressive until there was a picture in the Tavistock times of one that reached over 13 feet, but I'm not bitter and twisted about it. If you want to purchase some of these seeds at an extortionate rate for next years competition just contact me at tuffcheese.com. I do accept fudge as a method of payment Mr Holland.

As most of you will know the present Mrs Nash and myself are now grandparents, it was a baby, for the ladies out there it weighed in at 8lbs 1oz. It was pointed out that it would be nice for me to have someone to talk to again that might understand my gibberish nonsense ,the cheek.
Will close now as I have to think what to buy him for Christmas. Is it to early for his first hammer, or his on personal bagpipes. I've been waiting for years to get the Lego out and not need a excuse to do so, yippee
Best wishes from Tim Nash.

Ps . The present Mrs Nash has taken to calling me the computer, it's not because of my incredible intelligence, no it's because I go to sleep if left unattended for a short time.

I got my daughter a fridge for her birthday, I can't wait to see her face light up when she opens it.

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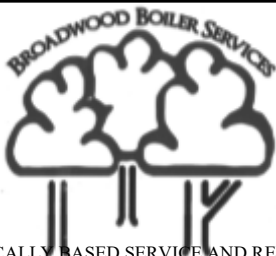
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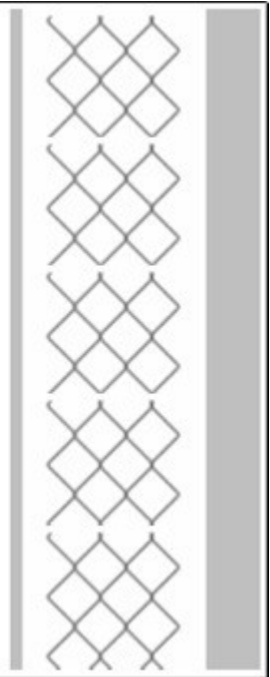
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The group needed more volunteers to be able be more visible and active at educating drivers.

This will also help collate data that we can use to build the case to get Devon County Highways to put in measures to reduce speed though our growing village hopefully before someone is killed or seriously injured by the very poor driving and lack of respect for the residents of the village.

We badly need more active volunteers to ease the burden on the operators of the group and be active more often.

If you can find some time to help, please contact Cllr.Terry.Southcott@westdevon.gov.uk or call 01566 783079 or 07831309666

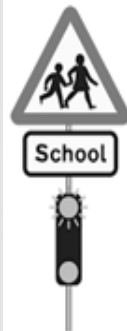
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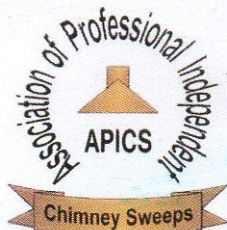
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Our Church is looking really lovely – we had a great day on the 24th of July cleaning, DIY-ing and gardening; it was hard work but made easy by the company; the Church and Church yard resounded with chatter, laughter and the occasional unholy muttering as a tool was dropped. Thanks to Barbara Dawe for lunch for the workers: Rev. Andy, Andy McS, Anita, Babs, Barbara, Carol, Guy, Joy, Lynda, Margaret, Michael, Rita, and Tim.

As we have been hinting over the last few months, we are keen to arrange some social events so make of note of the following on your calendars: -

9th October 10am – we are having a coffee morning in the Church to catch up with friends and neighbours. It is also an opportunity to share the new bell tower book shop, jigsaw library and card display that are now open to everyone. Please pop in as we would love to see you.

17th October 9.30 am is our Harvest Festival with the collection for Shekinah Mission in Plymouth. If you would like to join in with flowers to decorate the Church, please do bring to the Church on Saturday 16th or on the morning of the service.

20th November 10am – Christmas Coffee Morning in the Church with craft and gift stalls, the launch of our Christmas Hamper Draw and Christmas Dickens Zoom (does two years make it a tradition?).

11th December – The Traditional (yes let's say two years is a tradition) Marystowe Christmas Dickens Zoom evening. We are beginning to gather thespians/show-offs/has-beens/never-weres together to practise Oliver Twist. As with last year this is a chance for you to embarrass your family and friends by making an exhibition of yourself to be broadcast across the benefice and wider! We are planning to join with the Lifton Singers to include some of the sing along hits from Oliver the Musical. Do please call Joy (01822 860630) if you would like to take part. All proceeds for the evening will be for Marystowe Church and The Children's Society.

Finally, we did make a polite request in our last report on behalf of the volunteers who look after the Churchyard to take away non-compostable rubbish home with you. Unfortunately, a full bin liner was collected again at the beginning of September. We do try and be patient when loved ones are visiting and tending graves, but the beauty and tranquility does rely on our volunteers and we need to nurture them as well!

Thank you.

Joy McSmythurs

Lewtrenchard WI

Lewtrenchard WI met on Monday 13th September when our president, Margaret Dunn opened the proceedings with a short business meeting. She reminded members of the coffee morning and walk on Thursday the 17th and then congratulated the team of members who had gained 1st place with their exhibit at the Okehampton Show. Member Marion Lethbridge gave a report on Lewtrenchard Produce Show where member Julie Chick won the WI cup and member Karen Alexander won the scarecrow competition with her interpretation of Baa Baa Black Sheep. She then introduced our speaker, David Ramsden MBE, an award he achieved with his work in nature conservation.

David's talk was entitled, Climate and Ecology Crisis? What's all the fuss about?

First of all, David pointed out that Earth was the only habitable planet, the next nearest being 111 light years away. We therefore have no option other than maintaining our planet in an inhabitable state. He reminded us that everything that has ever lived, plants, animals and humans become fossilised when they die and become fossil fuels, natural gas, crude oil and coal. When we mine and use these fossil fuels we are releasing the carbon held in them as carbon dioxide and thus increasing the greenhouse effect. The carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide released from fossil fuels remain above the atmosphere keeping Earth warmer than it should be. Some of this carbon dioxide is absorbed by the oceans making them more acidic and badly affecting the shell fish population.

The Earth's average temperature has already risen by more than a degree since 1880 and the rise is accelerating. This results in increasing ice loss in the Arctic, crop failures are increasing, droughts are increasing, wild life decline is accelerating, fish stocks are low and declining and air pollution is already killing 8.7million people a year.

David explained how the Jet Stream is driven by temperature differences. It separates the cold Arctic air from the Tropics. The Jet Stream can pull cold air South and warm air North. When the Jet Stream goes North it can make the Arctic area hotter and when it goes South it brings colder air South. When it stagnates it causes extremes in weather, eg the beast from the East.

93% of Earth's extreme heat energy goes into the oceans. Now they are warmer they evaporate more causing powerful storms and extra rainfall leading to more floods. Carbon Dioxide levels in the atmosphere have always gone up and down, causing ice ages, but now CO2 levels have shot right up. Temperatures and sea levels go up and down with the levels of CO2. There is

a time lag between emissions and sea level rises so it is possible to predict these. David showed us maps of the likely way this will affect our coastal towns over the next 29 years. It was very sobering.

There is a mass of scientific research and data that proves we are to blame. We can no longer be in denial. It is disturbing that governments cannot pull together to make a real difference. Donald Trump backed out of the Paris Agreement. Australia and China refuse to give up their coal production. The major oil companies spend 200 million dollars a year on anti climate change propaganda a year.

David then gave us his ideas for solutions for society. Here are some of them.

- Use less fuel, switch to a company that uses 100% renewable sources.
- Stop using fossil fuels.
- Ditch your boiler and get a heat pump.
- Start or join a local community energy group.
- Take your money out of fossil fuel investments.
- Don't travel on jets or cruise ships.
- Use public transport or walk, or cycle.
- Eat a lot less meat.
- Eat locally produced food in season.
- Compost more and grow your own.
- Only buy what you need.
- Don't buy new unless you really have to.
- Rehome, re-use, recycle.
- Don't assume your MP supports measures to tackle climate change.
- Keep talking to people about climate change.

If we all do these things it may give us more time. If not, the Earth may well experience the 6th Mass Extinction event.

Monique Hedger thanked David Ramsden for a very informative talk that certainly gave us a lot to think about.

Soupa Troopers

Here we go again...



A message from Ruth: *Wednesday September 8th saw the return of 16 attendees including helpers for our monthly Soupa Troopers. A welcome get together after such a long break. We were delighted to welcome old friends and new visitors. A choice of soup, bread rolls, etc. were served, followed by games and chat for those who wished and were able to stay for the afternoon. All attendees had been double vaccinated, wore face masks while walking around and used the ample supply of hand sanitiser which was freely available. Lunch was served on tables with much more space than normal. We hope everyone who came felt all the usual Covid19 safety protocols had been observed.*



This we hope will become a monthly event once more but Audrey requests pre-registering with her on 01566 783392, to ensure enough soup, bread rolls and biscuits are available for everyone.

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Soupa Troopers

Wednesday October 13th



We will be open again from 12.30pm in
Lewdown Victory Hall
Soup and a Bread Roll, Tea or Coffee - £3

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Sunday 11am

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Sunday 10.30 am

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Meeting for Worship

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4 Canal Road, Tavistock.

Contact – Kay Nicholson

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Okehampton

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Children's Meeting 2nd Sunday

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Contact - Eleanor Flack 01837 53475

St. Mary the Virgin, Marystowe

Please see the church website www.southtamar.church for details about services.

Services are also available online from 6pm on Sundays.

Lifton Benefice Service times for June 2021

All services and times are subject to change following National instructions and restrictions.

*Any updates will be posted on the Benefice Website. north-tamar-churches.org.
At going to Print, the following services are arranged in the Benefice*

Sundays and Festivals

1st October Friday evening at 7: Harvest Thanksgiving at Thrushelton.

3rd October The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
8am Eucharist at Stowford
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Kelly

10th October The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Broadwoodwidge
Morning Prayer at Thrushelton
Morning Prayer at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Lewtrenchard

17th October The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Stowford
Morning Prayer at Kelly

24th October The Last Sunday after Trinity
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Thrushelton
Morning Prayer at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Lewtrenchard

31st October **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**
10am **FESTIVAL BENEFICE EUCHARIST AT LEWTRENCHARD**

Wednesday Morning Eucharist: 10.30 at Lifton

There will be some occasions when the Wednesday Morning Service will be a service of Morning Prayer.

From the Parish Priest

Dear friends,

The last few weeks have seen more of us about! It has been wonderful to see so many people taking part in community events, Sunday services, weddings and even funerals.

We do seem to have said farewell to a number of people in the past few weeks, but we have also seen many families come to church for the baptism of their newest members. These occasions have been most joyful. The last Sunday of this month is actually on the 31st. Halloween. Or All Hallow's Eve, as it is formally called. All Hallow's day is the old fashioned name for the Feast of All Saints, when we thank God for all those people, some famous and well known, and others whose memories are lost in history, who have followed the call to be the saints of God... People who have had the love of Jesus at the very centre of their lives, and have had that love recognized by the community.

As we have a benefice Eucharist that day,(a Fifth Sunday) it gives us a fantastic opportunity to recognise the saintliness of each other, and to rejoice in the fellowship that we have with the saints of the past who we look to for inspiration and encouragement.

The great saints of the past had to cope with the same trials and tribulations that we do today. They faced plagues and sickness, poverty, war, some of them were in constant argument with each other and the church they loved, and yet between them they contributed to enrich the church with their lives, prayers and witness.

Do please join us for our Festival of All Saints. We are, after all, all called to be saints, not two dimensional figures on the wall, or in stained glass windows, but real people, living real lives, surrounded by the real love of God.

With love and prayers,

Philip

Thrushelton Harvest festival

Is returning on the evening of Friday the 1st of
October

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If you are interested in helping on work days or joining the Friends, please leave your details with Brian or Graham or just a contact note in collection box on the bridge above the Holy Well.

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



ARTHUR PERKIN

Margaret and family would like to thank everyone for all the many cards, letters and flowers, and for all the offers of support and acts of kindness shown to her at this sad time.

Also thanks to Rev'd Philip Conway for conducting the funeral service, and to the family and friends who took part in the service.

It is heart-warming to live in such a kind and caring community.

Thank you all very much indeed,

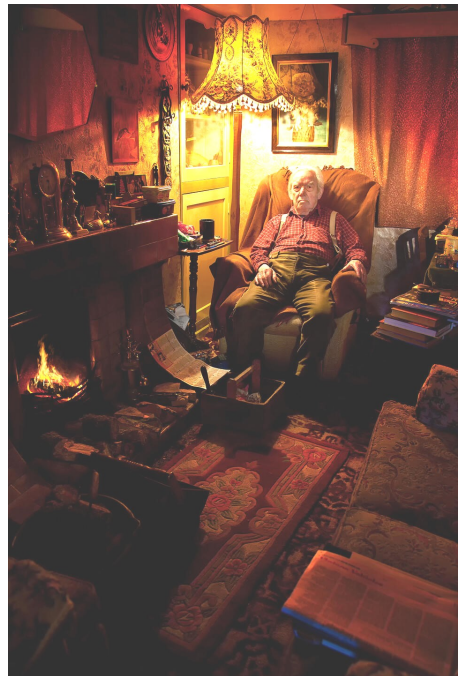
Margaret



Also remembering another local character, This picture of Eric Spry was taken by local photographer, Ian Smith

It took about an hour to get things right and to take the shot, and then several hours just talking about his and Albert's life which was very interesting.

Ian entered the photo into a competition in a photo magazine, and came second with this image of Eric!



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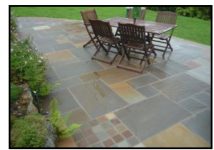
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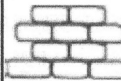
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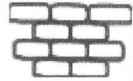
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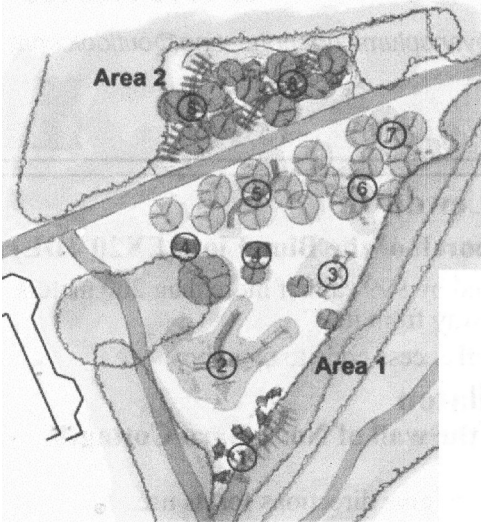
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Funding secured for new play area at Roadford Lake

Work to create a new play area at Roadford Lake near Okehampton will start early next year, thanks to generous funding from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development, South West Water and South West Lakes and its supporters.



The fantastic new Play and Explore facility will replace Roadford's old and outdated play area, which was built in 2005. It will focus on playing and exploring in the natural environment, using materials including sustainably sourced timber and local stone.

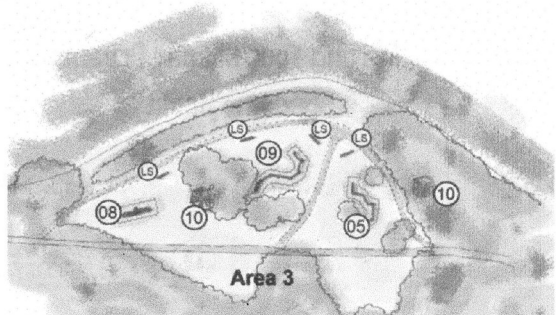
South West Lakes' Environment and Engagement Director, Lisa Tame, said: "The new play facility will provide a great outdoor space for families to play and explore together, enabling them to appreciate the natural environment, engage with it, create memories and inspiring them to care for the environment for future generations."

The inclusive play area will feature a timber play tower, rope bridge, swings and slides, incorporating the orchard planted in 2015 as an area for shade and picnics. There will also be an area for den building. Grass areas will be sown with a native wildflower and grass mix and native trees will also be planted to increase the biodiversity of the play space.

South West Lakes is passionate about enabling people to spend time outdoors and is a firm believer in Play England's Charter for Play: 'Play is an essential part of every child's life. It is vital for the enjoyment of childhood as well as for social, emotional, intellectual and physical development. When children are asked about what they think is important in their lives, playing and friends are usually at the top of the list.'

Detailed plans are now being developed with the charity's chosen contractor, Totnes based Earth Wrights, who specialise in connecting children and nature through play. Keep up to date on progress at [https://](https://www.swlakestrust.org.uk/)

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