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The Parish Letter

One of the best bits of life advice I ever heard someone give came from a ten year old child. The girl - we'll call her Sally - was consoling her friend - we'll call her Jenny. Jenny's parents were in the midst of a particularly acrimonious divorce and she was struggling with all the changes. "Why couldn't everything just stay as it was?! I don't understand!"

Sally gave her friend a hug and a tissue and said, "Thing is... you need to understand - things change. They just do. If you go through life expecting things not to change, then it's extra hard when they DO change. Sometimes things change for the worst sometimes they change for the better. But the good thing is that even when it feels like a bad change you can know that it won't last forever - because things always change!"

We all experience change in life at some point. Sometimes they are big changes, sometimes minor ones. Sometimes things change because we've decided they should - sometimes the change is beyond our control.

Personally, I've recently been through a change in being commissioned as a Church Army Evangelist. To find out more about what this means - and about the work of the Church Army - visit www.churcharmy.org. The area of Widecombe / Leusdon / Postbridge also face a change now that Geoffrey has left for a well-deserved retirement and the search begins for another Vicar to join the Team. Children in Y6 their primary schools, ready for secondary and Y11 and Y13 students will soon have their exam results and will be focusing on what comes next. As a nation we've all seen some significant change - a new King, new Prime Minister (or two... and counting?) - I wonder what the second half of this year will bring?

Think about the number of changes that you have gone through. Then multiply that by the number of people you know - the number of people in your town or village... the country... the world. And then think of that multiplied by the number of people alive over the past one hundred, two hundred years and back beyond that. It's a mind-blowing amount of change. Is the change you're going through more change than anyone has ever experienced?

God has a plan. Even when life changes and is confusing and chaotic and uncertain, we can rest assured that He has a plan. It is not a plan that is forced on to us but one that we can choose to engage with. And He 'gets it' when it's difficult and when we feel overwhelmed by what goes on around us.

Have a listen to this song: https://youtu.be/C2U7ffUM5Ec or search for 'So Will I...' by Hillsong.

I find the lyrics to this song help to put things in perspective.

It's also, just simply, a beautifully written song.

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Church News & Events

Church Army Evangelist

After 18 months of discernment and then another 4 years of training, I've finally finished! On

18th July 2023, I was admitted to the office of Evangelist, and commissioned as a Church Army Evangelist.

But why?

'Evangelist' is one of the recognized roles within the church – it's there in the bible. Ephesians 4:11-12

"He himself granted that some are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ..."

'He' is God; 'Saints' – any Christian; the 'body of Christ' – the church.

The word 'evangelist' is a very loaded one and people have preconceived ideas of what it means. But essentially, as this verse shows, the role of an Evangelist is to equip and build-up the church so that it can do the work that God intended. And what



is the work that God intended his church to do? Simply to share the Gospel message, the message of love, hope and reconciliation that we find brought to us through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

But, Evangelists existed a long time before Church Army – so why 'Church Army Evangelist'?

Church Army is an amazing organisation, full of people who are focussed on sharing God's love. It is part of the Church of England and carries the responsibility for training Evangelists and resources the wider church to be ready to share that gospel message. At a grass roots level, Evangelists are more likely to be found sharing God's love through practical demonstration than they are to be found preaching on street corners. That said, they do get involved with church leadership and some Church Army Evangelists also get ordained. I'm always happy to talk about the work of Church Army - or evangelism or faith and the church in general – so please do ask if you'd like to know more. Or visit the CA website: www.churcharmy.org

And so, on Tuesday, the Right Reverend Tim Thornton and Peter Rouch (CEO of Church Army) lead our commissioning service. We were all a little nervous – it was quite a formal occasion taking place in Sheffield Cathedral.

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We were joined by friends and family, as well some from the wider Church Army Community. People travelled from all four corners of the UK and Ireland to be with us on this landmark day. There were some formal, legal things we had to do and an unexpected amount of laughter (it may have been hysteria creeping in) as well as a fair degree of whooping and cheering. It was all followed by a lovely lunch laid on by the catering team at Wilson Carlisle Centre – the home of Church Army. It was a really special way to end my training – but also to start the next part of my ministry.

Finally, I want to say thank you to everyone who has supported me while training. My training began just as I arrived in post here, and so many people have supported me over the past 4 years even when I was still so new and unknown. Your generosity, patience and support really do mean the world to me.

And finally, finally – a song! https://youtu.be/mug6ierJdOs

Heidi x





From the Registers

Memorial	Leusdon	21st June	Simon Geoffrey Partridge
Baptism	Leusdon	9th July	Henrietta Sally Browning Walter
Baptism	Leusdon	9th July	Delilah Eileen Browning Walter

Rainfall in June 2023

Place	Total Rainfall	Days without rain	Wettest Days
Postbridge	38.2mm (1.5")	18	None to report
	(June 2022 - 73.2m	ım (3.1")	
Holne	20.7mm (0.81")		16th 7.1mm (0.28")









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St Mary the Virgin, Holne

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Date	Time	Service
13th August	18.00	Holy Communion
20th August	09.00	Holy Communion at Huccaby
27th August	17.00	Evening Worship

August is the traditional time, for families with school-age children at least, to have a holiday if they can afford it. I was very lucky as a child in that my parents saved hard to afford two weeks away, often in a tent or caravan and always somewhere in the British Isles.

Because my mother had been evacuated from London to Somerset during the war, she had lots of connections with the West Country. So, I have many happy memories of holidays in Devon and Cornwall including two weeks in a cottage in Ashprington near Totnes! This is part of the reason that Tony and I now live in Devon.

The concept of a holiday as a time of rest and recuperation originates from the Christian 'Holy Days' when the Church celebrates special festivals. Sunday is also a 'holy day' mirroring the Jewish Sabbath, a day that the Lord commanded should be a day of rest for his people. Although the Jewish Sabbath is now associated with all sorts of rules and regulations, the primary aim for both Jews and Christians is that there should be one day a week where you give your mind, body, and soul a chance to recover from the rigours and challenges of everyday life.

Although the Church holds most of its services on a Sunday, and for many years secular laws recognised the importance of keeping that day special with shops closed, for example, it does not mean that Sunday has to be the only 'holy day'. Otherwise, when would the clergy and other church leaders have an opportunity to take a break? And what about shift workers or all those people who have no choice but to work on a Sunday?

It is important for Christians to have a time when they focus on God, join together for worship and to learn more about their faith. Such time brings healing, renewal and the joy of celebrating God's love for us together. With or without a faith, giving ourselves a break from the 24/7 full-on culture that surrounds us, and enjoying leisure time with friends and families instead, is vital for everyone. As an update of and old joke goes - no-one has on their gravestone "I wish I'd spent more time at work or on my phone."

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What is ordinary about this Trinity season?

The longest season in the Christian liturgical year is focussed on the Holy Trinity. In the Anglican church it begins on the Sunday after Pentecost - which is also called Whit Sunday - and runs until All Saints Day - also known as All Hallows - on 1 November.

This year the Trinity season began on Sunday 4 June and will last for 23 weeks, taking us through July, August, September, and October.

In some church traditions, including Anglican and Roman Catholic, the liturgical season of Trinity has traditionally been called '*Ordinary Time*' to distinguish it from the major celebrations of Christmas and Easter, and the times of penance during Lent and Advent. Surely, the Holy Trinity is not ordinary, which in today's vocabulary generally means with no distinctive features, or normal? Perhaps extraordinary would be a better modern term!

It is generally accepted that Tertullian (155-229 AD) was the first theologian to write about the Holy Trinity. Today, Tertullian is known as the father of Latin Christianity, which today represents the largest group within the Roman Catholic church. He is also known as the founder of Western theology and is most famous for being the first writer in Latin to use the term 'Trinity' (Latin: trinitas) to describe the complex nature of God. Strangely, even though many of his ideas are rooted in the liturgy used in both Eastern and Western churches today, he has never been recognised as a saint.

Perhaps good to learn something new every day?

Pray for your Link team on the 28 August.

While many in the UK will be hoping to make the most of the last days of summer during the August Bank Holiday, take a moment to remember St Augustine of Hippo, the patron saint of printers, sore eyes, brewers, and theologians – the sore eyes might include our Link editors and proof-readers, and the theologians - including our clergy!

St Augustine of Hippo's feast day is 28 August.

(Editors, publishers, proof-readers and printers must be in the need for a lot of prayer - because St John Bosco is also their patron Saint. His feast day is 31 January. Keep going Link team!)

St Raphael's – the future?

In the last few weeks, we have been in discussion with conservationists and lighting experts to ensure the legacy of our unique Chapel for the future. With the support of Link readers and visitors, I'm sure that between us we can leave this small community of two hamlets with an important, valuable, and focal pivotal point for all who attend or visit us at St Raphaels.

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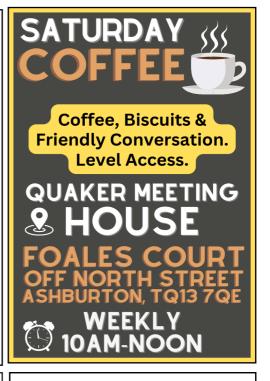
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Our appeal is to parishioners and others to make a regular donation to our funds through their bank direct debit, either monthly or annually. The list of donors will be confidential and controlled through the Exeter Diocese Parish Giving Scheme. We are not aiming to build up capital only to increase our level of security and confidence.

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St John the Baptist, Leusdon

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Date	Time	Service
13th August	12.00	Parish Communion
27th August	12.00	Parish Communion

Leusdon Church is open all day, every day. You are welcome to visit at any time – an opportunity to sit quietly, say a prayer and enjoy our beautiful building.

Any queries, please contact **Rt Revd Mark Rylands** (Team Rector) 01364 716309 mark.rylands@mmuk.net

Leusdon Memorial Hall Centenary year 1923-2023

We held our recent Coffee Morning on the 5th July when we said goodbye to Geoffrey Fenton. Geoffrey has been a great supporter of the hall for the past 12 years,we shall miss his active support and wish him and Beth well in their new life in Chagford.

The bric a brac stall has been reinstated at the coffee morning this proved to be a huge success thanks to Kelly and in particular Caitlin who both have worked tirelessly to resurrect it, we are indebted to Penny who organised it for many years and because of her efforts people have asked for its return. Our next **coffee morning is on Wednesday 2nd August 10.00am -12.00 noon**, it would be good to see you there. There will be the usual Whist at Leusdon on **Monday 14th August** with the lunch at 1.00pm followed by whist at 2.00pm.

We have now fixed the date and time for our **Centenary Celebration** it will be **Friday 20th October starting at 2.00pm.** The details are gradually emerging and as such they may change, but currently they are:

- **2.00pm-4.00pm** History of the Hall and Leusdon ,this will be ably facilitated by Terry French, Patrick Simpson and Geoff Bamsey and will be followed by a tea
- **4.00pm-6.00pm** Childrens activities and tea facilitated by Emma Routley Kelly Aiers and Amanda Routley .
- **6.00pm 'til the end** The Moorland Merrymakers will perform a musical extravaganza and serve Pasties facilitated by Lloyd Mortimore, Alison Whale and Rob Steemson.

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You can keep up to date by visiting Leusdon Memorial Hall Facebook page to get details of events in the Hall, thanks to our social media team.

Should you wish to book the Hall, it is available for hire at £10.00 per hour, there are special rates for regular users. Further details can be obtained by contacting our booking secretary:

Amanda Routley on 01364 631432

e mail: leusdonmemorialhall@yahoo.com

Tables at the Coffee Morning can be booked for £5 per table per session, please either book these by using the details above or coming to see us at the coffee morning.

In the meantime, if anyone would like to discuss any aspect of the Hall please contact myself or any committee member.

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News from the East Shallowford Trust

Shallowford Farm

To say that most of our groups are Primary School age would not actually be true. We will add it up at the end of the year – but, the last two groups were most definitely teenagers. Meaning? In a large group, some will miss the chance to truly lie down and engage with the soil, to hear the chatter of the trees, the birds and smell the sweetness of fresh air.... at least publicly! Some also, try to wriggle out of working with the pigs... 'It smells Sir! They are soooo loud!' and the amusement of course is that teenagers make A LOT of noise!

That is our real joy. When no other teen is looking, the hardest, toughest looking kid will sidle up and

ask a truly sensible question, 'Why, if the sheep are in that field for a week, is there still some long grass?' or to the delight of Sarah, our new cook, 'Can I be on table laying and pick something for lunch please?' having heard from one of the previous day's activities. I stand with a ladle over a pot of steaming chicken stew, 'Is this halal Miss?' 'Yes, it is. Killed here, last week. Would you like a lot or a little?' 'A lot' 'Sorry?' 'A lot please.' Food only comes with appropriate manners!



Sheep and children in action

In the last two weeks, the groups also undertook some seriously important jobs. Not ones that are necessarily liked, but we increased the grazing area in one field by about one quarter of an acre by pulling out a load of thistles, docks and nettles, just before they seeded. The bank around the Farm House lawn is now almost entirely clear of docks! An unenviable job that young legs and a good bit of competition challenging enabled the entire lot to be cleared in four days. These useful jobs for us, are of course mingled with the normal river dipping, insect identification and challenges of a walk up to Corndon. In the last group David took on the role of chief motivator

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We are a small friendly group of 16 ladies based in Princetown, but many of our members live outside. We try to support the community whenever we can and are always open to ideas and suggestions in this area.

We meet on the FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH in PRINCETOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE at 7.30pm. Our meetings usually finish around 9 to 9.30pm. On the SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH we hold a free tea, coffee and cakes slot. Donations gratefully received. This is held at Princetown Community Centre 11am to 12.30.

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Buckland-in-the-Moor Whist



12.30pm Optional soup and a roll lunch £2 at 2.00pm Whist £3 including half-time refreshments draw

Thursday 24th August

Whist every fourth Thursday in the month.

Church Services for August 2023

6th Augus	t	Trinity 9			Green
Readings - Ge	enesis 32.	22-31, Psalm 17.1-7,16*, Roma	ns 9.1-5, Matthew	14.13-21	
Widecombe	10.30	Family Service	Ashburton	08.00	Holy Communion
			Bickington	09.00	Holy Communion
			Ashburton	10.30	Lammas Family Service
			Ilsington	10.30	Holy Communion
			Ashburton	10.30	Morning Worship, Church Hall *
			Buckland	15.00	Holy Communion
13th Augu	st	Trinity 1	0		Green
Readings - Ge	nesis 37.	1-4,12-28, Psalm 105.1-6,16-22,	45b*, Romans 10.	5-15, Mai	tthew 14.22-33
Postbridge	09.00	Holy Communion	Ilsington	08.00	Holy Communion
Widecombe	10.30	Parish Communion	Ashburton	10.30	Parish Communion
Leusdon	12.00	Parish Communion	Ilsington	10.30	Morning Praise
			Moor Church	tbc	Location tbc
			Holne	18.00	Holy Communion
20th Augu	st	Trinity 1	1		Green
Readings - Ge	nesis 45.	1-15, Psalm 133, Romans 11.1-2	2a, 29-32, Matthew	v 15.[10-2	20]21-28
Widecombe	10.30	Parish Communion	Huccaby	09.00	Holy Communion
			Bickington	10.30	Animal Service
			Ilsington	10.30	Holy Communion
			Ashburton	10.30	All Age Communion
			Buckland	15.00	Evening Prayer
			Ashburton	18.30	Celtic Reflective Service, location tbc*
27th Augu	ıst	Trinity 12			Green
Readings - Exc	odus 1.8 -	- 2.10, Psalm 124, Romans 12.1	1-8, Matthew 16.13	3-20	
Widecombe	10.30	Morning Worship	Ashburton	09.15	Breakfast Church, Church Hall*
Leusdon	12.00	Parish Communion	Ashburton	10.30	Parish Communion
			Ilsington	10.30	Morning Praise with Baptism
			Holne	17.00	Evening Worship
31st Augu	st				
			Ashburton	18.30	Outdoor Communion, Ashburton Church Hall Garden*
			* Service I	ed by As	shburton Methodists. All are welcome.

Holy Communion

Midweek & At Home

There is a service of

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10.30

at St. Andrew's Church in Ashburton You will be most welcome!.



Communion at home

If you would like to receive Home Communion please contact Mark (see page 2 for contact details)



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Church Services—see Page 22 for details

Date	Time	Sidesperson	Coffee	Flowers
6th August	10.30	Dawn	Brenda Boston	Jacqueline Wilding White
13th August	10.30	Peter Blood	Kriss & Peter	Debbie Dracup
20th August	10.30	John Born	Clare	Debbie Dracup
27th August	10.30	Wendy Beard	Wendy	Sue Darke

Widecombe Church is open all day, every day, 9-5. You are welcome to visit at any time – an opportunity to sit quietly, say a prayer and enjoy our beautiful building. Any queries, please contact **Rt Revd Mark Rylands** (Team Rector) 01364 716309 mark.rylands@mmuk.net

WIDECOMBE FAIR TUESDAY 12th September

Widecombe Fair is on the 12th September and as usual the traffic one-way system will come into effect from **9.00 am to 5.00 pm**. We are sorry for the inconvenience but Health and Safety has to be our priority. This means that roads closures into and through the village will be strictly enforced. If you need to come to the village after 9.00am you will need to use the 'Park and Ride' transport.

Don't forget you can purchase pre-paid reduced price tickets on the website. Please visit our website www.WidecombeFair.com



The Community Hall project continues to move forward and although not all of our work is on-site, our Trustees are working hard to reach the point of inviting formal tenders for the main hall construction. This, of course, will also mean that significant funds are required to pay for this major phase of works. Small, local fundraising events have so far raised over £40,000 but it is the major grant applications that will cover the bulk of our expenses. Over £275,000 has been secured so far – this is fantastic, but not nearly enough, so our work continues!

Thank You to all those wonderful volunteers who have given their time, machinery use and not to mention skill to this project so far. We've just added up the volunteer hours in June (mostly site work, but also RDCP duck race and fudge stand) and it totals 282 hours! We have also had 30 days of plant (machinery use) for FREE, including diggers, dumpers, tractors and trailers.

The value of all these hours at minimum wage is over £2,900 donated time as well as machinery @ an average of £20/hr would equate to £4,800. MASSIVE savings and amazing community support – in only 1 month!!

If you think you could help us with future fundraising, including bid writing and grant applications, we'd love to hear from you! Please get in touch to find out more.

WIDECOMBE FAIR 2023 PRODUCE SCHEDULE

Vegetables locally grown

Hermon French Silver Salver

- 1. 3 coloured potatoes
- 2. 3 white potatoes
- 3. 3 onions grown from sets or seeds
- 4. 3 carrots Trimmed and washed
- 5. 3 beetroot Trimmed and washed
- 6. 6 runner beans
- 7. Longest runner bean
- 8. Any squash or courgette
- 9. Peppers or chillies (2 of either variety)
- 10. Any vegetable not otherwise mentioned.
- 11. A comedy vegetable
- 12. 4 Tomatoes
- 13. 4 varieties of culinary herbs in a jar.
- 14. A collection of five different vegetables in a Standard veg box. (12" X 16")

Flowers (All locally grown)

Trophy to be presented

- 15. 3 Dahlias
- 16. A single Rose
- 17. A single stem, any flower.
- 18. 3 Hydrangea flower stems.
- 19. A vase of 9 mixed flowers (3 of each variety)
- 20. A pot plant. Just foliage or flowering.
- 21. A woodland arrangement (leaves, berries twigs.etc)
- 22. An arrangement in an unusual container.
- 23. An arrangement of flowers in a teacup.
- 24. A standard flower arrangement.



Art and Craft Classes open to all.



Gordon Daw memorial Trophy

Entries from persons under 16 judged separately

- 25. A woven, knitted or crocheted item
- 26. A needlework item
- 27. A Pencil sketch
- 28. A painting . Any subject, any medium.
- 29. A picture or card using paper/dried/pressed flowers
- 30. Any craft item not mentioned
- 31. A photo. Subject; 'Moody Dartmoor'
- 32. A short poem.

Children's Classes

Children 7 and under for the Tame cup.



- 33. Garden on a plate
- 34. A Happy Pizza
- 35. A lego Model

Children 8 to 12 for the Hutchins cup

- 36. Pebble Art
- 37. 4 decorated cup cakes
- 38. A collage picture

Home Produce

The Rose Bowl

- 39. A tasty fruit tart
- 40. A decorated Coronation Chocolate Cake (1st place: special cash prize)
- 41. A Traditional Victoria sponge
- 42. A cheese and onion pasty.
- 43. A rustic brown loaf
- 44. 4 sausage rolls
- 45. A plate of 6 biscuits (2 varieties, 3 of each).
- 46. A Jar of marmalade (Any citrus fruit)
- 47. A jar of chutney.
- 48. A bottle of homemade drink. Cordial, cider, beer, wine etc.



WIDECOMBE FAIR PRODUCE CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1. The Judges decision will be final in all cases
- Exhibitors may show all vegetables as they wish, trimmed or untrimmed unless stated in the schedule
- 3. Only one entry per exhibitor in each class
- 4. Entries to be staged by 8.45 a.m.
- 5. The marquee will be cleared at 9.30 a.m. of all competitors. Only officials to remain until judges have finished
- 6. Exhibits must be the property of the exhibitor and either grown by them or in their possession for three months (Cakes, bread, flower arrangements and handicrafts must have been produced by the exhibitor)
- Constitution of the Exhibit-It must be as per schedule, neither more or less than the number or quantity
- 8. Any exhibit not as schedule will be disqualified
- 9. After judging, no entry to be altered or moved until the end of the show
- 10. Exhibits may be removed between 4.30 and 5.00pm
- 11. The show committee wish to make it clearly understood that they will not be responsible for any accident occurring to spectators or for the damage or loss of property
- The judges have the power to withhold any prize if the exhibits are not in their opinion of sufficient merit
- 13. The Committee reserve the right to visit exhibitors plot or gardens
- 14. Points to be 3=1st, 2=2nd, 1=3rd. To be calculated for the trophies

ENTRY FREE

Prize money for children's classes only 1st - £3.00, 2nd. £2,00 3rd £1.00 Please state age of child when entering.

- ★ Highest points in classes 1 to 14 for the silver salver
- ★ Highest points for classes 15 to 24 Flowers
- ★ Best exhibit for single stem classes 16 and 17
- ★ Highest points in classes 39 to 48 for the Rose Bowl
- ★ Best vegetable exhibit for the Joan Perkins memorial cup
- ★ Children's under 7 for the Tame Perpetual Challenge Cup
- ★ Children aged 8 to 12 for the Hutchins Cup
- ★ Highest points for Arts and Crafts Classes 25 to 32 for the Gordon Daw Memorial Cup

ENTRY FORM (or on any sheet of paper)

Entries to Mrs Jenny Pascoe. Wooder Bungalow. Widecombe. Tel. 01364 621333.

Pascoewooder@yahoo.co.uk By the Friday before Fair Day.

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If you'd like to join us and take up handbell ringing but you cannot make our regular time on a Saturday morning at the Church House, please do get in touch with Judy Southcombe, 01364 621520 or judysouthcombe@yahoo.co.uk

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Could he get the three reluctant boys all the way to the top? As a group we stopped once, twice, three, four, five times to let the last three catch up, filling the gap with explanations of the reeves, volcanic magma intrusions from 290 million years ago and the big observation that Dartmoor is a man made landscape. 'What?' pipes up a chirpy, otherwise appearing to ignore

me, young lass. 'Man made all this?' leading into a very good discussion on man's impact on earth that we pick up and follow through the week as we discuss climate change, food production, farming and humanities responsibility or perhaps more accurately, our dependence on our planet. The boys made it up the hill without a single whinge. One lad, almost weepy and withdrawn at the beginning of the week, was all smiles with offers of help by Wednesday. These 'turnarounds' are wonderful and more common than you could quess.



Team-work - making sure the sheep go in the correct direction!

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Sunday Service

Dunstone - Informal service at 3pm in Dunstone Chapel every week and all are welcome. **Poundsgate** - the next service will be on **Sunday 6th August** at **15.00**.

Dunstone Charity Lunches

These are held monthly on the second Wednesday in the month to raise money for charity.

The next Charity Lunch at Dunstone Chapel will be held on

Wednesday 9th August from 12 noon until 3pm.

In July we took £77.00 for the Chapel repair fund and £50.00 for children in Ukraine.

There will be soup, bread, sushi, savory dishes, salads and cakes.

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Our annual AGM was squeezed between the two groups, where we said a final goodbye to Geoffrey Fenton, one of our very supportive trustees over the last few years. We will miss him, but then luckily, he is not moving far! This observation of what and how we undertake our work, is truly critical, as the world in which we engage is perhaps even tougher, with screen and indoor time now being the norm for most of Britain at least! Thankyou Geoffrey!

Rarely do we gain any feedback from an independent source. However, one in the last group must have been truly excited, his Mother e-mailed us nearly at midnight. 'My son has returned this evening from a week long adventure in your company, and he is absolutely THRILLED! He really had the best time. He loved everything about it - the animals, the countryside, the food (very complimentary!), the clothing (!), the staff, the camaraderie..... What a fabulous opportunity for him, and other children. He has talked so much about his week with you. Thank you so VERY much. I will also be dropping a note to his school to encourage future trips, I cannot even begin to quantify the benefits.'

I will say no more!

Julía



ROTARY CLUB OF YELVERTON

2023 MID SUMMER UPDATE

Our car boot sale on the 4th June at the Yelverton War Memorial Hall on a beautiful sunny morning raised £647 for our charitable funds. The breakfast rolls and refreshments proved to be extremely popular.



On Saturday 24th June, at Meavy Oak Fair, another lovely summer day which boosted the attendance numbers, we assisted with selling raffle tickets, and running various games.

We had the pleasure of an evening visit at the Yelverton Mare & Foal Sanctury and were given a tour of their new buildings and a detailed introduction of the splendid work they are accomplishing there. Club members were impressed by the knowledge of the carers, to see such a peaceful sanctuary and to learn about the Equine Welfare intervention work that takes place together with the expert understanding of

educational advice they can give in the physical, psychological, and social needs of horses and ponies.

Our speaker at a recent club meeting was Nicola Gurr who gave a remarkably interesting talk on the history of the Tavistock work houses, which members all found incredibly informative and very moving at times.

On the 5thJuly we had an evening of croquet at the Plymouth Croquet Club, playing with teams from the Rotary clubs of Tavistock, Callington and Roborough. A great evening of fun with pasties and refreshments in the sunshine afterwards.

On Wednesday 2nd August we are holding our annual Fun Day, on the moors/airfield opposite the Yelverton Play Park. There will be a range of Sports, Crafts, Music, and Public Service information to appeal to children from Key Stage 1 & 2, younger siblings, parents/carers. We look forward to welcoming you there.



Our club presidency changes at this time of the year and our new President for the year 2023/24, taking over from past president Terry Donnelly, is Gillian Turley-Rogers who lives in Yelverton with her husband Berwyn. In her acceptance speech she mentioned "the privilege of being part of a talented team involved in many events, social fund raising and collections being especially important to us. Thanks to the generosity of local people, we have raised a huge amount of money for those in need both at home and internationally and is looking forward to her year as president of the club."

On the 4^{th of} July we presented a cheque for £500 to the Walkhampton Memorial Hall committee towards their fund for the upgrading and replacement of Children's play equipment for Parish use.

Should you wish to find out more about Yelverton Rotary and our activities or perhaps considering joining please contact us via: president@yelverton.rotary1175.org

Or see our website www.yelverton.rotary1175.org

Other Community News and Events

Princetown History Club

meets **1st Tuesday** of each month at Princetown Community Centre 7 for 7.30pm

August 1st A visit to Over Tor rabbit warren, led by Paul Rendell

September 5th A talk by Geri Parlby on Tavistock's Tudor ship

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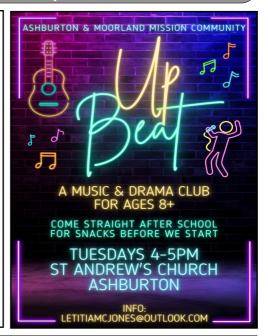
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Sunday 3rd September 2023 FAMILY DOG SHOW

(in conjunction with the 31st Dartmoor Pony Moorland Show) to be held at

The Old Playing Fields, Station Road, Princetown
Entries 10.30 am. Judging 11.00 am

£1.00 per class. Rosettes 1st - 6th place

Enquiries to Michele 01822 880235 or michele@fairholm.net



BICKINGTON GOODWILL COMMUNITY

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Dartmoor Forest Parish Council

Extracts from the Council meeting on 27th June 202



Co-option of new Councillor: The Council is once again back to full strength following the co-option of Charmaine Clarke-Major in the Princetown WardThe three new Councillors will be attending training sessions in the coming weeks, delivered by Devon Association of Local Councils, to ensure they understand the responsibilities of the Parish Council and their role within it.

Proposal to hold Pony Sale in Princetown: Charlotte Faulkner, Chair of Dartmoor Hill Pony Association attended and gave a short presentation on the proposal to hold a Pony Sale in Princetown in the Autumn, in addition to the Chagford sale. Princetown was considered due to its location, road network, 4g connectivity and has previously held the sale (although back in 1956). Councillors raised a number of concerns; about vehicular access to Jubilee Field and space for parking, and weather/ground conditions in late October. However, in general Council felt that this could be a positive event for the community once these issues were addressed.

Planning:

<u>0235/23</u> at The Forest Inn, The Forest Inn, Hexworthy, PL20 6SD - Council voted to recommend approval of this application.

Refurbishment of Hexworthy Telephone Box (Defibrillator): work is now complete on the telephone box in Hexworthy which houses one of the Defibrillators in the Parish. Many hours of work have gone into repainting the outside and inside, replacing lighting, signage and re-instating the electrical supply. This has all been done by a local resident; volunteering their time and effort for the benefit of the







community.

The Parish owns and maintains two Defibrillators, the other can be found at the Visitor Centre in Postbridge.

Date of next 'Tidy Princetown' session: 10am til 11am Sunday 6th August 2023, all are welcome to join with Councillors to help keep Princetown looking at its best. Meet outside the Post Office, Princetown.

Date of next meetings: 22nd August 2023, 7.30pm, Postbridge Village Hall 26th September 2023, 7.30pm Princetown Community Centre.

Agenda and Minutes: https://www.dartmoorforestparishcouncil.gov.uk/meetings.php

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Last . . . but not least . . .



I knew I was tempting fate when I commented last month on how dry June had been and sure enough July promptly made up for that with torrential rain and lowering clouds. At least the moor, farms and our gardens have had a chance to green up and recover a bit from the

dry start to the year, even if we are still under a hosepipe ban.



As you will see there are slightly fewer services this month in some churches as we await the announcement of a new vicar to take on the reins from Geoffrey. No doubt the new vicar will bring new ideas to their role and it will be interesting to see how that manifests itself.

Having said that, there are still plenty of events happening in our area, including a musical evening at Buckland church (21) and advance notice of events as varied as the annual Family Dog Show in Princetown (37) and the Whiddon Autumn Festival (34). There is also a reminder of the Produce and Crafts schedule for Widecombe Fair in case you haven't decided on your entries for this year yet (26). If you would like to get together with other like-minded locals to enjoy common interests there is everything from knitting for charity (39) to exploring local history (29).

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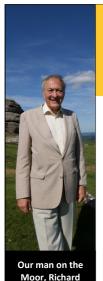
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