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The shop has been successfully operating as a community venture for 8 years, but needs new committee members – please help. The AGM is on 13th September.

Newsletter: Contributions for the next Newsletter by 24th September please to ibuxton16@btinternet.com

Events in the hall (unless otherwise stated)

1st September – Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme promoting the hall extension fund until 31st October at Launceston Tesco Store.

6th September – Pub Lunch, Village Inn 12.30pm

12th September – Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm

13th September – Shop AGM, 7.30pm

15th September – The Adventures of Mr Toad. 7pm for 7.30pm

17th September, Camera Club, 7.30pm

22nd September – Craft Fair, 10.00am-2.00pm

29th September – McMillan Coffee Morning, on the green from 10am

Advance Notice

6th October – I'm a 'Local' Celebrity at the hall in aid of a variety of charities.

8th October – Ashwater Horticultural Society AGM, 7.30pm

Ashwater Hall – Bookings and enquiries

Email: lmyetman@btinternet.com

Tel: 01409 211131

Ashwater Shop (Opening Hours)

Hours: Mon – Frid: 8.30am to 5.00pm

Saturday: 8.30am to 12 Noon

Sunday: 9am to 12 Noon

Tel: 01409 211192

Post Office

Hours: Mon – Frid: 9.00am to 4.00pm

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed

PARISH HALL

Tesco Bags of Help – 1st September to 31st October

The hall has been accepted by Tesco at Launceston for their donation scheme to raise funds for the hall extension project.

When shopping at Tesco during the above period tokens can be obtained and placed in the container – please vote for the hall by using your token.

One token per purchase, so the more often you shop the more we get!

The project with the most votes (tokens deposited) could secure as much as £4,000, let's try and make it!

The Adventures of Mr Toad -15th September 2018

The hall is pleased to announce that LADS (Launceston Amateur Dramatic Society) will be staging their travelling production of the above hugely successful musical, for children of all ages (that means everyone in Ashwater!) at the Parish Hall on Saturday 15th September 2018 at 7.30pm. Doors open at 7pm with complimentary refreshments and a free draw ticket for the raffle.

Tickets on the door or can be reserved in the shop or by email to ibuxton16@btinternet.com they cost £10.00 for adults (£6.00 12yrs-16yrs, free for under 12yrs accompanied by an adult) and the proceeds go towards the 'Help Jaydon Walk' campaign (see www.helpjaydonwalk.co.uk) as well as the hall extension project.

Friday Coffee Mornings

Held every week from 10.00am – Noon on a Friday. Home made cakes and real coffee! Donations are all in aid of the extension fund, which once built will extend the space for simultaneous events, such as fund-raising coffee mornings on a Saturday whilst the main hall is in use for table tennis.

Bookings

The hall continues to be well used so if you are thinking of Autumn and Winter events please check the hall is available well in advance.

Parish Map

The Parish Council have kindly arranged for an up to date map of the parish to be displayed in the hall meeting room, this will shortly be installed.

Grass cutting

Thanks to Steve Eldridge for taking on the task of strimming the banks as well as grass cutting (also thanks to Bryan Lewens for use of the ride on mower).

PARISH COUNCIL

A Devon wide Food Waste Conference will be held on 21st September 2018 and may well be of community interest.

Please follow the links to the event registration page: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/food-waste-the-cutting-edge-tickets-48448729454> Or <https://twitter.com/torridgedc>

The next Parish Council meeting will be on 12th September 2018.

ASHWATER SHOP

Thanks to all who helped out at the show on the shop stand making it another great day and also to everyone who visited us and bought something!

The shop AGM is being held at the hall on Thursday 13th September at 7.30pm. We are looking for new people to join the committee, so if you are interested please come along. A copy of the agenda is available at the shop for those who are interested in seeing it prior to the meeting.

A quick reminder that the Macmillan Coffee Morning is on Saturday 29th September, 10am -12pm, in a marquee on the green, we hope to see you there. All cakes gratefully received!

Also, please don't forget to buy your tickets for 'I'm A Celebrity' from the shop asap as they are going fast.

"SECURE OUR PUB" UPDATE.

Thank you to all for completing and returning the Village Pub questionnaires.

We had about 90 returned and your comments have been greatly appreciated.

We are now going to pull the responses together and hopefully have a summary ready for next month's newsletter.

Thanks again

VILLAGE INN MONTHLY LUNCH – 6th September 2018

Please book in advance or by 10.30am on the day at the latest on 01409 211200. The two-course meal is priced very reasonably by Phil and Dee and is great value – join us from 12.30pm. Air Ambulance donations are now being collected in the shop.

COFFEE AND CRAFT - 22nd September 2018. 10am-2pm

The Autumn Craft Fair will be held in the Parish Hall on 22nd September 2018. Contact Heidi Edworthy via Facebook or 01409 211546 for more details.

BADMINTON

Wednesday evening Badminton resumes on 5th September 2018 at 7pm – all are welcome. Thursday morning sessions continue as usual at 10.00am.

GRAPE HARVEST AT UPHILL VINEYARD

Volunteers wanted for harvesting (one day event). Mid September, weather and sugar levels will dictate exactly when. This should be a fun day for all and give you the opportunity to meet new people in the area; we will try and make it at a weekend.

Lunch provided, bring welly boots or stout shoes and if you have secateurs please bring them with you. Those who wish to participate please contact Tim on 01409 211400 or email timkirk22@yahoo.co.uk Please register your interest as soon as possible so we get an idea of numbers.

There will be a Free Raffle for a selection of wines from our wine store. Raffle will take place after the harvest is in.

ASHWATER CAMERA CLUB

The next meeting is in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on 17th September 2018. This will be a practical, hands on session, so bring your camera, flash equipment and tripod. New members are always welcome to come along for a taster session or just to gain some knowledge of how to operate their camera.

ASHWATER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The 85th Annual Show was well attended and the exhibits, despite the difficult growing conditions this summer, were of fine quality with some new winners of cups and trophies. Thank you to all who participated and helped with transporting tables, equipment, setting up exhibits, judging and acting as stewards and generally contributing plus special thanks to the Agricultural Show Committee for arranging for the marquees to be stored and taken to and from the site as well as supervise erection and dismantling.

Winners role of honour: Winner of single rose class, Christine Shead. Best pot plant exhibit, Reiko Davies. Most points in the flowers class, Fiona Bull. Judges choice in the flower section, Reiko Davies. Sweet peas, best entry, Kate Lewens. Hanging basket winner, Marilyn Goulden. Patio planter – George Webber. Best dahlias, Gordon Bennett. Most points in the fruit classes, Fiona Bull. Best onions, Sue Luxton. Judges choice in the vegetables category, Sue Luxton. Most points – vegetables classes, Diana Snart. Best entry in the collection of vegetables, Diana Snart. Best trug, Sue Luxton. Most points – preserves, Diana Snart. Most points for cookery, Diane Buxton. Most points in classes for children under 11yrs, Kaitlyn Rose. Most points for children aged 12-16yrs, Rowan Tidball. Most points for peas and beans classes, Sian Chapman.

The trophies are being engraved with winner's names and should be available at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 7.30pm in the hall on 8th October 2018. Please attend, there will be light refreshments and a fun quiz and the opportunity to either join the society or renew your membership.

WALKING FOOTBALL

Hi guys, if there are any of you of a "mature" age who may fancy some "gentle exercise", have you thought about Walking Football ?

If you are interested please give David a ring on 01409 211401.

MUSIC AT BRATTON CLOVELLY

Cosgrave and Banks, Folk Duo. Saturday, 22nd September, 7pm for 7.30pm
Bratton Clovelly Parish Hall EX20 4JT

Cosgrave and Steve Banks are both highly skilled and experienced musicians. They write their own music as well as interpreting folk classics from across Europe. Their banter and chat and the cafe-style setting make for a relaxed evening of great music. The bar will open at 7pm and you can book by the seat or by the table, so come along with family and friends.

£8/£4 16yrs and under

To book, email: brattonclovellyfestivalp@gmail.com Phone: 01837 871696

HOLSWORTHY WALK AND TALK

Thank you to the lady who reported that the Bude Canal exhibition has now moved to the Bude Castle Museum. What a treasure trove of exhibits the Castle Museum has on a variety of subjects including local geology, industrial and maritime history and much more. Admission is free and there is also a lovely café and helpful staff.

As we know there are many physical benefits to walking including the prevention and management of chronic conditions such as heart disease, cancer and Type 2 diabetes. What our walks also offer is the opportunity to exercise our curiosity with regard to the wealth of historic characters and events which make this area so interesting and beautiful.

This month our walks have taken us to our two main reservoirs, Upper Tamar and Roadford which have brought us right up to date with the effects of this summer's long dry spell. When we walked near Roadford Lake earlier in the year water levels were at 90% capacity. Now the level is 65% with Upper Tamar looking even lower than that. During our walk at Upper Tamar the lake was being aerated by pumping air through a system of underwater pipes making the lake look like a very large Jacuzzi. The science behind the practice is to ensure sufficient oxygen levels for the survival of the resident fish and to prevent the formation of green algae.

One advantage of enjoying such a dry summer from a walking point of view is that we were able to explore footpaths around Roadford Lake which are usually too wet and muddy to include making the latest walk longer and even more interesting.

Our Monday walks are held every Monday morning, meeting outside the Holsworthy Area Sports Pavilion (formerly known as the Cricket Pavilion) at 10.30 am. The route around The Park is level and very suitable for those who are getting back into exercise. Tea and coffee are served after the walk quite often with the addition of home-made biscuits. All walks are free but we do ask for a small donation towards the refreshments to help cover the cost of venue hire.

Our Friday walks start from different places around the area and are listed on our current Walk Programme together with an indication of the terrain to be expected and a post code to help the sat nav find the meeting place.

If you would like any further information on the Monday walks please contact Gillian Aston on 01409 254642. For information on the Friday walks please contact our Walk Co-ordinator, David Arney, on 01837 861829.

AGRICULTURAL SHOW – DRAW WINNERS

Holsworthy Golf Club Voucher Gillian Harrison. W Club Mini Spa Day Voucher Nicky Mitchell
Dingles Heritage Fairground Voucher Lucy James. Ashwater Village Inn Voucher Reiko Davies
Bradworthy Inn Voucher Andrew Ogborne. Purple Penguins Voucher Yvonne Taylor
Carey Valley Sparkling Wine Dave Drowne. Harpers Farm Supplies Voucher Joy Renshaw
Mole Valley Voucher Colin Punter. Moo Free Chocolates D Priest
Amberellas Voucher Steph Twiney. Robert Cole Britains toy handler Johnny Knight
HBH Woolacotts Headphones Ollie Bastion. Tamar Trading T-Shirt Harry Crocombe
Tamar Trading Wood Saw Vernon Anning. Tamar Trading Paint Roller Set Brian Colbrooke-Clark
W H Bond Set of Spanners Jo Beare. Craft Fusion Designer Glass Vase Angela Gerry
Saddle Shack Horse Treats Hayley Davie. Sam's Artisan Bakery Holsworthy Cameron Atkinson
Donkey Sanctuary Toy Riley Bowden. Waitrose Box of Chocolates Liz Graham
Briefcase Susanne Furse. David Viggars Purse Lesley Martyn – Uglow.
David Viggars Purse Chris Drowne. David Viggars Purse Hazel Thomas
4 cans Stella Eric Gill. Bottle of Wine Diana Snart
Bottle of Wine Linda Banbury. Bottle of Wine Mike Down
Bottle of Wine Tricia Rose. Bottle of Wine C. James. Bottle of Wine Stuart Marwood
Bottle of Wine Liz Fisher. Bottle of Wine Katie Beare.

Thank you to all those who generously donated such lovely prizes. Also to everyone who sold tickets both beforehand and on the day and helped to make it so successful.

Advertising in the Newsletter

Small adverts cost £25 per issue and help to cover the cost of paper and printing, which are otherwise donated or paid from parish council funds raised through the local precept.

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