

Northlew News

July 2011



A Proper Job !

“A Proper Job” was the reaction from one who attended the Northlew Silver Band’s Centenary celebration. “Just a perfect village afternoon” said another.

The cause of these comments was an event held on the playing fields of the village to celebrate the support given to the Silver Band by the village community. The band committee paid for a Hog Roast, marquee and cakes and drinks for all that attended and Northlew were supported by bands from Okehampton and Hatherleigh together with some players from Holsworthy. In a massed band medley of marches and hymn tunes a number of conductors took part and a very healthy attendance listened attentively. Children were entertained by a bouncy castle and some participated in a painting competition with a musical theme – the winner being Callum Rose. Older children entered a cake competition along similar lines and the prize went to Zoe Short. The adult competition was won by Phillipa Mansfield.

The weather was perfect and The Rev. John Peak opened proceedings with a message of congratulation to both the band and the village for their support. As the last village band in Devon it was, he said, worthy of the support that had always been there from the community. All that was required now was a continuation of that support and especially more players of any standard – he emphasised that tuition and support was available.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Councillors - New, old and returning.

The new Parish Council has now been formed. Below is a list of elected and co-opted members. Some familiar names and some new ones. Jane Colbourne has now stepped down in her role as Chair and Juliet Yelland has taken over. Please feel free to contact council members if you have a matter you need to discuss. The list will be printed in every Northlew News from now on.

Julliet Yelland (Chair)	01409221446
Janet Millership (Clerk)	01409 221409
Nick O'Connell	01409 221225
Mark Rundle	01837 55314
Jane Colbourne	01409 221220
Jo Luxton (Vice Chair)	01409 221361
Alex Crosthwaite-Eyre	01409 220136
Ian Richards	01409 221973
Bryan Dufty	01837 871256

Audited accounts are to be published in the next few weeks.

Jubilee Celebrations

Work needs to be started on how Northlew will celebrate the Jubilee next year. Northlew certainly knows how to throw a party, but they need to be organised. If you want to get involved on the sub-committee, then let Juliet know.

Toilet

As previously reported. The toilet block takes an enormous amount of money to maintain. A sub-committee needs to be set up to look into the toilet, and find a way of providing a public toilet at less cost and making better use of the site. This does not mean selling the site to a developer! This is a community project and as a community we need to look at the best way of using the site. If anyone is interested in joining the sub-committee then let Juliet know.

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Roger Atkinson

Been there, done that, washed the T shirt. It really is quite horrendous and not fair to put the volunteers through it. Ed.

LILIAN SPRY

Lilian Spry would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards, flowers, gifts and good wishes received for her 80th birthday and thanks to all who joined the family for her birthday tea.



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METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Flower Festival

The Flower Festival at the Methodist Church was a great success. The displays on the theme of children's hymns and choruses were very imaginative and stunning. The opening service on Friday was conducted by Rev John and Mrs Elaine Peak. On Sunday evening the chapel was packed for a musical evening with Rev Philip Wagstaff on keyboard, his wife Catherine introducing the items and singing and their daughter Rebecca playing the flute and recorder, it was a delight to all those who attended, and made a wonderful end to the festival. During the weekend people came from far and wide and we raised £912.48 for our funds. Many thanks are expressed to everyone who supported and helped in any way.

Fun Day

With easy fun games for all the family (not team games). 3.00 p.m. Saturday 30th July at Brook Cottage bottom of Harpers Hill by kind invitation of Andy and Margie Hunter (if wet in Methodist Hall) BBQ, cream teas, cake stall and competitions. Everyone Welcome

Sunday School Outing.

There will be an outing on Thursday 18th August to Perranporth, leaving the village at 9am. Bookings to Brenda Curtis please on 01409 221391

For Methodist services please see What's On.



RIDE THE RUBY COUNTRY

The equestrian and sustainable tourism project is developing well. Devon County Council is on track to complete the Pegasus Way before the end of this financial year, with the stretch from Beaworthy to Halwill Junction now open to riders, cyclist and walkers, with access to Cookworthy Forest and beyond using the Ruby Way.

The completion of the Pegasus Way is an exciting prospect from which circular and spur routes are being developed. We are working with local people to develop routes that will be widely available through our collaborations with Devon County Council and West Devon Borough Council. These routes will help promote Ruby Country locally, nationally and internationally.

Ride the Ruby Country is always looking to involve new businesses. We can help with publicity, marketing, networking, training and more. The project is working in collaboration with North Devon+, Dartmoor Partnership and Visit Devon in a number of ways to promote sustainable tourism, business, events and more. We are also embarking on a significant advertising campaign based around activities and the social and business opportunities, important to the local economy. Green tourism addresses issues including health, car use, education and more.

If you are a business based close to the Pegasus Way, or Ruby Way, Ride the Ruby Country would like to hear from you.

Ruby Business Network

This group is proving popular with many new members. Many existing members have renewed and are helping develop the network further. The network meets once a month with social events too. Many people appreciate the benefits of networking and working in partnership.

There are currently 2 serviced offices to rent at Cookworthy Forest Centre, suitable for small, or start-up businesses.

Events

Food, drink, arts and crafts fairs at Cookworthy Forest Centre on the following Sundays, 3rd July, 24th July, 14th August.

Entry is free and refreshments will be available. Pitches are available.

If you would like any more information about Ride the Ruby Country, Ruby Business Network, forthcoming events or anything else Ruby Country, contact Mark on 01409 220009, email

With thanks to the funders of Ride the Ruby Country, Leader4 Torridge and North Devon, Greater Dartmoor LEAF incorporating EU funding, Devon County Council, Torridge District Council and West Devon Borough Council, without whose support the project would not be possible.

What's on in Northlew

		Morning
Fri	1	
Sat	2	
Sun	3	Holy Communion by Extenion (Mrs Ingrid Dodd). Methodist Chapel 9.30 a.m. Rev John Peak
Mon	4	
Tue	5	
Wed	6	Toddler Group. Victory Hall 10-12
Thu	7	
Fri	8	
Sat	9	
Sun	10	Morning Prayer for Sea Sunday. Parish Church. 9,30am. Methodist Chapel 9.30 a.m. Mr Edgar Hucker
Mon	11	
Tue	12	
Wed	13	Toddler Group. Victory Hall 10-12
Thu	14	
Fri	15	
Sat	16	
Sun	17	Holy Communion. Parish Church. 9.30 am. (Revd Ruth). Methodist Chapel 9.30 a.m. Miss S Bolt
Mon	18	
Tue	19	
Wed	20	
Thu	21	
Fri	22	
Sat	23	
Sun	24	Family Worship. Parish Church. 10am (Mrs Shiela White). Methodist Chapel 9.30 a.m. Rev John Peak
Mon	25	
Tue	26	
Wed	27	
Thu	28	
Fri	29	
Sat	30	
Sun	31	Benefice Service. Parish Church at Hatherleigh (in Marquee). Methodist Chapel 9.30 a.m. Mr Andy Hunter

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		Morning
Fri	1	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Sat	2	
Sun	3	Evening Prayer. Parish Church 6.30pm
Mon	4	
Tue	5	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Wed	6	Mobile Library in Square 2.25 to 3.40 pm
Thu	7	
Fri	8	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Sat	9	Patronal Festival at Church Gate 3pm. (Revd Ruth and Revd John Davies)
Sun	10	Evening Prayer. Parish Church 6.30pm
Mon	11	
Tue	12	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Wed	13	
Thu	14	
Fri	15	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Sat	16	
Sun	17	Evening Prayer. Parish Church 6.30pm
Mon	18	
Tue	19	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Wed	20	Mobile Library in Square 2.25 to 3.40 pm
Thu	21	
Fri	22	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Sat	23	
Sun	24	Songs of Praise. Walkers leave village at 4pm for picnic. games and service (6.30) at Ashbury
Mon	25	
Tue	26	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Wed	27	
Thu	28	
Fri	29	Post Office and Coffee and Chat in Church Room 1-3.30pm
Sat	30	Methodist Fun Day. Brook Cottage 3.00 p.m.
Sun	31	Sunday Lunch. Victory Hall. Benefice Taize Holy Communion 6.30pm. (Revd Ruth)

VICTORY HALL NEWS.

There will be a Sunday Lunch in the Hall on Sunday 31st July with a Raffle. Proceeds will go toward purchasing a dishwasher for the hall. Please book with Libby on 01409 221619.



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PARISH CHURCH NEWS

On 24th July, before the service at Ashbury at 6.30, there will be a picnic and games on the lawn. A squad, led by the intrepid 'yompers' the Revds John and Ruth, will leave the Square at 4pm arriving at Asbury (clutching what's left of their picnic) in due course. There, everyone will eat their sandwiches and play merry games until it is time to go in to Church for the Songs of Praise. All are very welcome, to the walk, the picnic, the service, or all three.

Thanks for all those who came to the coffee evening at Honey church - also thank you to Marilyn and Morgan for hosting it. £154.00 was made for church funds. Many thanks.

Church Festival

Our Patronal Festival will be on July 9th, starting in Church at 3pm when the special preacher will be the Revd John Davies from Lydford. During the service we will, once again, witness the brutal

murder of Archbishop Thomas Becket. He it was who was called because he stood up for what he knew was right and he is our Patron Saint. Following the service there will be a fete in the field behind Churchgate, which Shaun and Wenna have kindly offered again this year. This will be opened by Mr Davies and items for stalls will be welcome. The children will do their Maypole dancing, there will be a coconut shy, etc. (Well, maybe a chocolate shy instead!) And, of course, the 'sit-down' tea.



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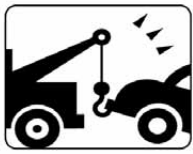
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