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VILLAGE DIARY

Thursday 25 July 2pm	Flower Show – Memorial Hall
Saturday 27 July – Sun 11 August	Arts and Crafts Exhibition – Memorial Hall
Sunday 22 September 6.30pm	Harvest Festival Service – St Matthew's Church followed by Harvest Supper in Memorial Hall
Friday 27 September 5pm	Café Church: 'coffee, cake, conversation' – Memorial Hall
Most Mondays 10am – 1pm	'Mini-Monsters' – Memorial Hall (Check dates with Kate Seekings 867068)
Every Monday 5-6pm	Pilates – Memorial Hall (Penny Perry 866535)
Fortnightly Wed & Thurs 10am-4pm	Patchwork groups – Memorial Hall (Margaret Hill 864257)
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GREETINGS AND FAREWELLS



Unfortunately, there have been more departures than arrivals in recent months. However, we are very pleased to welcome Trevor Greaves to Charlton Cleave. Having lived in Croyde for 35 years, Trevor has welcomed the opportunity to move to Lee, a place he has loved for many years. To him Lee is quiet and secluded but not isolated. He is a keen gardener and walker; he has even walked the entire South West Coast Path – all 630 miles of it, but in stages! Trevor is a retired surveyor and is intending to upgrade Charlton Cleave in keeping with its woodland environment. Trevor's arrival has been possible because of the sale of Charlton Cleave by Graham and Sue Turner. But it's not really 'good bye' to Graham and Sue as Sue's sister, Kate Madden, is still nearly next door and their mother, Margaret, now lives in Ilfracombe. So we expect to see plenty more of Graham and Sue!

We bid farewell to the Gibbs family from Lincombe Manor. A couple of

years ago they moved to Truro when Jo became Chief Operating Officer at the Royal Cornwall Hospital, but, as Lincombe Manor had still not been sold, they came back 6 months later with Jo travelling to Truro each week. They have now decided this arrangement was not satisfactory and have moved back to Truro and Lincombe Manor is now available to rent until such time as it is sold. We send our best wishes to Jo, to Colin who can run

his own brand marketing business from their new home, and to Isobel and Megan who are beginning their new lives at Poltair School in Truro.

We are also very sorry that all the residents of the former Fuchsia Tearooms have moved out. We understand that the owners wish to use the accommodation as holiday lettings. Amy Johnson and Jonathan Osborne are no longer able to use Gull Cottage as their weekend and holiday bolthole from their lives in Wiltshire, but Sandy Hanson has just moved from Seal Cottage to the Gate House, and the Hutchins family have moved to Ilfracombe. Des, Janet, Marcus and Cameron have every intention of keeping their contacts in the village and, indeed, Des and Janet did fine work for the Spring Fair. It is very good that Sandy is still with us as

she is organising the arts and crafts side of the Exhibition this summer in the Memorial Hall as well as continuing to work in the Grampus.

We are aware that several properties are for sale at present. If we have missed out anyone in this greetings and farewell section, please let us know and we'll see that something appears in the next edition.



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NEWS FROM ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH



Mothering Sunday and Easter seem a long time ago now, but I'm pleased to report a lovely Mothering Sunday service, followed by what is now becoming a tradition – breakfast, including bacon and

sausage baps, in the Memorial Hall. Easter services were well attended and the Easter Monday Coffee Morning was a huge success with large numbers attending. Some families were, no doubt, pleased to get indoors away from the cold wind.

The innovation of Café Church with coffee, cake and conversation, (plus other food and drink), in an informal setting for all ages in the Memorial Hall on a Friday afternoon was a very pleasant occasion for the relatively small number who attended. We are holding another Café Church on Friday 27 September at 5.00 pm. Everyone – young and not so young – is very welcome. Like the previous event, Café Church will be led by our curate, Linda Walters. The previous Sunday, 22 September, is Harvest Festival, followed by the Harvest Supper. The service is at 6.30 pm and, as usual, it will be very much a community event designed to appeal to everyone. So please put the date in your diary!

The Annual Church meetings took place during April. Margaret Hill and Ian Stuart were re-elected as Churchwardens. Similarly Janet Mayo was re-elected as Secretary and Cynthia Stuart as Treasurer. Other officers remain the same, so no change! Virtually everyone involved in any way with St Matthew's helped with the Spring Fair, either directly or by donations, and the usual one-third of the proceeds – this year £750 – that comes to the church will be of very great help in maintaining the church in as good a condition as possible for the benefit of the community and visitors.

Ian Stuart, Churchwarden and Vice-Chairman
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OUR HERO BLOOD DONOR

Very modestly during a recent conversation, Rob James, of Whitestone Cleave, slipped out the information that he has just given his 100th pint of blood. In recognition of this tremendous achievement, Rob has received an engraved crystal trophy from the Blood Transfusion Service. We send Rob our congratulations and thanks for this life-saving commitment.

Rob says that it was while he was working for the Fire Service that he was asked if he would consider becoming a blood donor. It was on 17 September 1963 that he gave his first pint of blood at Wickford

in Essex. 59 years later, in

November 2012, Rob donated his 100th pint here in Ilfracombe. He has given blood on a regular basis, apart from a short break in the early 1970s. When he first gave blood you could only give two pints a year. However, things have changed and you can now give every 14 weeks. The age of 70 was previously the limit for blood donors, but now, providing you have given regularly, you can continue after you have reached the age of 70. Rob says it has taken him a long time to reach 100 pints, but it is only a matter of about 10 hours a year – not very long for such a worthy cause.



BAKE SALE FOR CANCER RESEARCH UK

On Saturday and Sunday May 4th and 5th Louise and Daisy Passmore raised a fantastic £165.16 at their bake sale held at The Old Schoolroom Craft Gallery in Lee. There was a lovely selection of delicious homemade cakes for sale and Louise and Daisy would like to thank everyone who came along and supported them.

They are now busy training to take part in the Race for Life on Sunday July 7th and the proceeds from their bake sale will all go to Cancer Research UK.

Daisy and some of her friends raised £80 on Friday May 3rd selling cakes at tuck time to the pupils and teachers at Ilfracombe Junior School also for Cancer Research UK.



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LEE & LINCOMBE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (LLRA)

2013 AGM: Chairman's Report (Eric Couling)

I would first like to thank all the committee members for their work over the last year, and Paul Thom for being Treasurer. During the course of the year the committee has dealt with many issues that have affected our village. These are just some.

Potholes

As you all know these are an ongoing problem and have only recently been repaired once again.

Ploughing

The ploughing of the roadside verges took place in September last year at the request of the LLRA.

Hedges

The cutting of the hedges in the village took place during October, this was not easy as we had to obtain all the addresses of the owners and ask their permission and arrange contractors to do the work. Many thanks to Peter Bostock for working in conjunction with Bill Banting, the Highways engineer, for getting all the information and arranging this.

Community Seat

Andy Wislocki has volunteered to re-paint & re-varnish as necessary, the Community Seat. Denny, the designer & constructor of that seat, is particularly grateful to him for taking an interest & care in it. The seat's comfort & perfect position on Elizabeth Gilliat's land overlooking the valley, is much appreciated by visitors to Lee, en route down or up Home Lane.

Beach Causeway and Slipway

The state of the causeway and slipway has been of great concern for some time. A large section of the slipway wall had come away and fallen on to the beach. This has now been removed and the wall repaired and the causeway repaired both sides. The tap on the beach wall had been leaking for some time. The NDDC has arranged for its replacement.

Lee Meadow Farm

There have been many complaints about the application for planning permission to erect a property for an agricultural worker's dwelling on this site. The LLRA has been working in conjunction with neighbours and Mortehoe parish council to oppose this. Both this committee and Mortehoe parish council have put in objections and, at present, this is still in the consultation period. No decision has yet been made.

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COMMUNITY CORRESPONDENT FOR THE ND JOURNAL

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Following the request for a volunteer in the Spring edition of the L & L News to take on the role of Community Correspondent for the North Devon Journal, I am pleased to say that I have now taken on the job as I felt it was a pity for Lee and Lincombe to miss the opportunity of promoting any forthcoming events or reporting on anything of local interest.

However, I will need your help and I look forward to hearing from you if there is something you would like including in the Journal - if you could send copy to me (preferably by email) by midday on a Friday I will do my best to have it included in the following Thursday's Journal.

Also if you have photographs relating to an event that has taken place I will submit them although they do not always get published due to lack of space. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Edna Thompson edna44@tiscali.co.uk tel: 866438



LEE & LINCOMBE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION CONTD.

Lee Bay Hotel

Still no further news with regards to re-development. Mr David Higgins is not the owner - he is a property speculator. The owner is Mr John Chesterman of Chesterman Consultants of London. This committee made a complaint to the Highways Dept. about the state of the wall opposite Mill House. Highways has now written to Mr Chesterman to advise him that the wall is about to fall over and could cause an accident.

That's all from me for now, you can be assured your committee will continue to work on your behalf to safeguard the amenities and traditions of our village.



AGM 2013: Secretary's Report (Carolyn Weekes)

The Committee has met 4 times over the past year and dealt with 9 Planning Applications. Only 2 warranted strong objections from the Committee, these being "Old Maids Cottage", erection of double garage/workshop with living accommodation over, and "Lee Meadow Farm", erection of agricultural workers dwelling. The "Old Maids Cottage" application was withdrawn and as yet there is no decision on "Lee Meadow Farm". "Old Maids Cottage" has recently put in another application for a double garage which will have to be discussed anew.

The Chairman has already reported on all the other village initiatives that the Committee have been involved with over the past year so no need to say any more.

Sadly at the beginning of the year we lost a very good friend of the Residents Association with the death of Colin Wright. A very sad time for the village Colin did a great deal in his time as Councillor, looking after the interests of Lee and Lincombe. Both Colin and Biggy are missed by their many friends in Lee and the surrounding area.

Peter Bostock, a very valued Committee Member has now left us. Peter and Jill have moved to Braunton to be nearer the golf course. Peter worked very hard on any task he undertook for the Association, keeping an eye on potholes, flooding and most other highway matters. So thank you Peter, you will be sadly missed.

Finally, we have vacancies on the Committee and always welcome new members, so if there is anybody out there who is not already on a village committee (there must be someone, somewhere) please make yourself known to us.



AGM 2013: Japanese Knotweed Report (Mavis Rogers)

1. We continue with the control of J.K. as agreed with the environment agency.
2. This season is proving difficult due to weather conditions, but are hopeful we will complete the Spring treatment in time.
3. We continue to train additional sprayers, and have divided up treatment areas allocating these to individuals, in consequence each sprayer becomes familiar with their area.
4. We are also gradually handing back treatment to local land owners, so reducing the team's workload. Where this is not possible the team will continue treatment.
5. We have had a very helpful discussion with the new team at Southcliffe Hall.
6. The grant from Defra is proving very helpful, but is rigorously monitored!!
7. We have had difficulty insuring our team this year, and in consequence may need to set up a separate bank account.

Those of us who have worked for years on the project and/or are getting very old (for me, climbing a stile or a five bar gate is not a pretty sight!) are gradually handing control to younger and/or newly trained sprayers. This enables experience to be passed on, and ensures a satisfactory conclusion to the project.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who quietly work so hard on the project, and are ensuring our valley continues to be a haven for plant and wildlife.

SPRING FAIR 2013

With 26 stalls and other attractions and 54 helpers, the heavens may have opened at the same time as the event, but everyone certainly made the most of it.

Ian and Cynthia Stuart are all dressed up and ready to conquer in the fair's 'Heroes' theme (right).

Visitors enjoying the refreshments in Lee Memorial Hall are also treated to some tunes (bottom left).

The younger 'Heroes' line up to be judged in the fancy dress competition (far right).

Oliver Seekings-Jenkinson and his father, Barry Jenkinson, explore the emergency vehicles on display outside (bottom right).

All photographs courtesy of Mrs Edna Thompson.





WELL KNOWN PEOPLE WHO HAVE VISITED LEE (21-30)

Another instalment of our serialisation of the well known people who have visited Lee over the years.

(21) JUDGE OMEROD was having a holiday in the 1950s at The Lee Bay Hotel. I remember a very old man, who had a great deal of trouble finding his room.

The LANGHAMS, (22) ANTHONY and (23) MYRTLE, wrote extensively on Lundy, the island in the Bristol Channel, and stayed several times with Bob Gilliat and his wife Elizabeth. One time when on his way to stay with the Gilliats, Anthony was taken ill. The rescue helicopter was out most of the day, before he was found on Exmoor.



(24) SIR ROBERT MARK used to stay at The Haven in about 1985. He was the head of the Metropolitan Police at the time. He was born 13 March and died quite recently, on 30 September 2010.

(25) WILLIAM ALLEN JOWITT, first Earl Jowett PC.KC, was born 15 April 1885 and died 16 August 1957. He was a Labour politician and served as Lord Chancellor for the country under Clement Atlee from 1945 till 1951. He often stayed at the White House.

While talking to Peter Richey for this article, he happened to mention that he thought that the pop singer **(26) DAVE BERRY** had stayed at Grey Cottage, the West family's old home. DAVE BERRY was born on the 6 February 1941, as David Holgate Grundy.

(27) PRINCE CHARLES came, if not to the heart of Lee, to its outer limits, in May 28 1992, to Borough Farm, the home of Mr and Mrs Irving Kennard and their son, David, owner of Mist the sheepdog which has umpteen stars to his name for starring in the TV show. The Prince gave a speech on conserving water, and could hardly be heard for the rain drumming on the tent in which he was speaking.

(28) ROY LANCASTER O.B.E. V.M., the well known TV personality, is the next person on the list. He visited Lee in 2000, while in the process of making a TV programme, in the Gardener's World Series. He was born in 1937 and is a broadcaster and gardener.

(29) CHRISTOPHER GEORGE PACKHAM, CHRIS PACKHAM was on the beach at Lee during October 2011, searching through rock pools for the TV programme Autumn Watch. He was born 4 May 1961, and is a naturalist and TV presenter. He and his friend **(30) MATT BAKER**, who is also a naturalist and TV presenter, was born MATTHEW JAMES BAKER on 23 December 1977. He married Nicola Mooney at Whinstone in Teesdale in 2004, and now has a son Luke and a daughter Molly Scarlett.



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North Devon Car Scheme would like to thank North Devon Voluntary Services for supporting the bid, Devon Sustainable Transport Fund for funding the project and GM Coachworks for building the vehicle to our specifications.

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LEE VILLAGE FLOWER SHOW

We had a very successful coffee morning in May. Thank you to everybody who came along and supported us and donated items for sale and for the raffle. We made a total of £280.10.

This money will be used to help stage our annual flower show on Thursday 25 July in Lee Memorial Hall. Schedules and Chairman's Choice fuchsias are still available from the Secretary at Rose Cottage or from the Craft Shop in the village.



If you have not entered before why not give it a go? It is all good fun and, apart from Bob Gilliat with his roses and pansies, it is not too serious! You never know, you may come away with a lovely trophy.

To know more about entering or any questions at all please contact the Secretary on 863257. I will give you any help and advice I can.

Carolyn Weekes – Lee Village Flower Show Secretary

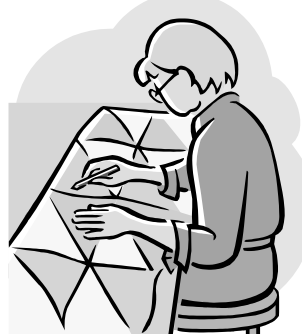
LEE MEMORIAL HALL UPDATE



The weather forecast for Bank Holiday Monday, 27 May, said it would start raining at 1.00 pm. At 12.59 pm the rain started and it got heavier and heavier, and so it continued throughout the Spring Fair and well into the evening! But we followed that familiar phrase 'Keep calm and carry on'. Thanks to the superb efforts by all the



helpers and the stoicism of the great British public, the Fair was very successful. Financially the results were down by about £900, but the Fair raised a remarkable £2,263, including donations from a number of people who were unable to be present. I hope that sufficient thanks to everyone concerned have already been expressed, but, as Hall Chairman, I should like to emphasise my gratitude to the sub-committee who spent time over many months organising the Fair, to everyone who so generously donated things for the Fair, to those who helped set up beforehand, to all the helpers on the day and to the brilliant team who dismantled everything and put things away mainly on Tuesday after the rain had stopped. I think the Spring Fair is a splendid achievement for our very small community. On the day, for example, there were 26 stalls and other attractions and 54 helpers. It is all this commitment that makes the Fair successful and brings in visitors from a wide area.



The next big event is the Arts and Crafts Exhibition which starts on Saturday 27 July and continues until Sunday 11 August. It will follow the familiar pattern of 3 main attractions – the arts and crafts stalls themselves, lunches and other refreshments, and the raffle with the first prize again a magnificent quilt kindly donated by the Quilters Group who use the hall throughout the year. This year the arts and crafts side is being organised by Sandy Hanson who has kindly taken over responsibility from Margaret Hill to whom we are most grateful for all she has done and continues to do in, for example, masterminding the making of the quilt. Cynthia Stuart continues to take overall responsibility for refreshments, and the hall's treasurer, Edna

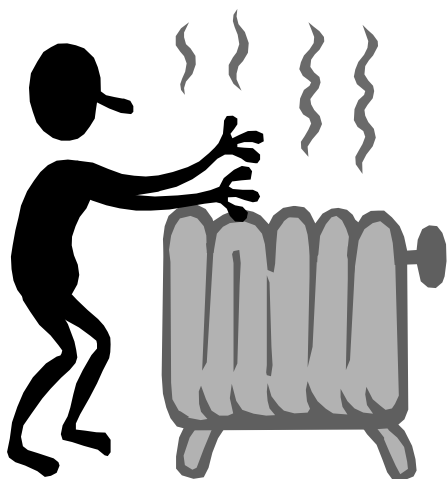
Thompson nobly continues to see that all financial aspects of the Exhibition run smoothly. Please support the Exhibition and encourage friends and visitors to attend the Exhibition which runs from 11am to 5pm each day.

In the light of the very successful rebuilding of the kitchen and toilets and refurbishment of other parts of the Hall, completed in March 2010, the Hall Committee has been looking at a number of aspects of the management of the Hall. In particular it has been looking at the Hall's charges and at ways of further enhancing the Hall to improve the overall experience of those who use the Hall and to ensure its long term viability.

The charges the Hall makes are very low indeed and have not changed since at least 2001 – possibly longer than that but I have a document dated 2001 which sets out the charges then. Since 2001, the costs of virtually everything, but particularly oil and electricity, have risen sharply. The monthly direct debit for electricity, for example, has doubled in the last few years alone. More and more, users of the Hall have been subsidised by fund raising events or through things like the 100 Club Lottery. Increased use of the Hall following the building work has helped raise revenue from hirers although there is still a significant gap between income from users and the day-to-day costs of running the Hall. But there is a dilemma. The Hall is a marvellous community facility that needs to be used. If charges increase too much, the Hall will not be used so much and a spiral of decline might set in. However, it is bad practice to subsidise users from the proceeds of events and activities which should be used to enhance the Hall and secure its long term future. So, what is the way forward? The Hall Committee believes there are two ways forward.

LEE MEMORIAL HALL UPDATE CONTD.

One is to continue the practice that users and groups who come from the village itself are charged half the fee of other users but that there should be a modest increase in charges from 1 January 2014, the first for at least 13 years. From that date, the charge for a person from the village hiring the Hall will rise to £15 per session, a session being a morning, afternoon or evening. The equivalent charge for a booking from someone outside the village will be £30. However, above all else, we do not want to lose any existing regular users who are vital for the Hall and for the village community. So, over the next few months, I shall have a discussion with each regular user with a view to coming to a realistic and honest assessment of what that group or organisation can reasonably afford. The expectation will be that £15 a session is realistic and reasonable. However, if it is clear that £15 a session would cause genuine difficulties and might jeopardise the future of the group, I hope we can come to a mutual agreement of what is affordable and reasonable. This is only a summary of the charges. Other charges apply for events like wedding receptions and use of the hall by commercial organisations. Full details will be available in due cause, but the Hall Committee has wanted to give six months' notice of the new charges.



The second way forward is to further enhance the Hall to improve users' experience of the Hall that encourages its use, and to reduce running costs that will help to keep hiring charges as low as possible. It is quite clear that the main problems, because the main hall has no insulation at all, are the coldness at the beginning of bookings and the time it takes to get the building to an acceptable temperature unless the heating is turned on several hours beforehand. If we can resolve these problems, not only will users have a better experience but, by reducing energy costs, we shall also be lowering the Hall's carbon footprint. Exact details of what we propose to do are still to be finalised, but the plans have two essential elements.

Firstly, comprehensive insulation of the main hall to at least the same standards of the new buildings and, secondly, a heating package designed to keep the hall at a pleasant ambient temperature throughout the year which can be boosted if necessary to quickly raise the temperature further. As well as improving users' experiences, keeping the hall at a constant temperature will help the fabric of the building. It should reduce maintenance costs of the building which celebrates its 90th birthday in August this year. At present, I am applying for grants for this work which I hope will be successful. If they are and we can proceed, the scheme will not require any further fund raising nor draw on the Hall's day-to-day revenue accounts. It will be funded from a modest contribution from the Hall's reserves and from grants that are being applied for. The Hall Committee believes that this phase 2 of the development project will complement very well the major work of phase 1 in 2009/10. If and when we are able to proceed, full details will be published.

Ian Stuart, Chairman



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Welcome to the Grampus!

Bill

Open mic nights will continue every Friday evening throughout the summer and all are welcome to participate or come along and listen. There will also be a session every 3rd Sunday of the month led by local singer and guitarist Ian Hudson where anyone can come and join in with an informal group of musicians.

The next Agnostics Anonymous meeting is on 17th June, a humorous and enjoyable gathering led by Giles King-Smith. All are welcome.

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SLEEPY OLD LEE?

Visitors often say “What a lovely quiet village....I don’t suppose anything happens here”.

Back in the 1980s there was a period when this was far from the truth! The source of all the incidents were the staff of the Lee Bay Hotel at that time.

Early one morning, the “village jungle drums” soon alerted all of us residents with a view over the hotel grounds & the Manor woods, to the presence of armed police searching & digging in them! There was also a man handcuffed to a police officer, apparently brought there to give “assistance about the best location for the digging operations”. One daring resident asked the police why all this was happening and received a typical politely-sarcastic answer that, on such a lovely morning (it was pouring with rain), he & his men had felt the need for a little fresh air & exercise rather than their stuffy office. We learnt later that IRA suspects, amongst the kitchen porters, had been arrested & deported.

Then the teen-aged foreign student mistress of the owner of the hotel went missing under suspicious circumstances and we witnessed a police helicopter search of the valley which went on for some hours. Fortunately, the young lady had escaped to London.

My gentle Mum, Hilda, was living with us at this time & each week walked up to the Village Hall to exchange her library books. On her return on this particular occasion, we were almost dis-believing of her report of what she had witnessed en route, outside of Brookdale. I should explain that, at that time, we shared our home with an intelligent tabby cat called Tigger, who, when notable occasions occurred, wrote poetry.

Poem by Tigger, translated from the feline by Denny.

Whilst prowling near the Bannister’s house
For rotund vole or long-tailed mouse
A disturbance & a “Hand’s-up “ call
Made me jump upon the wall.

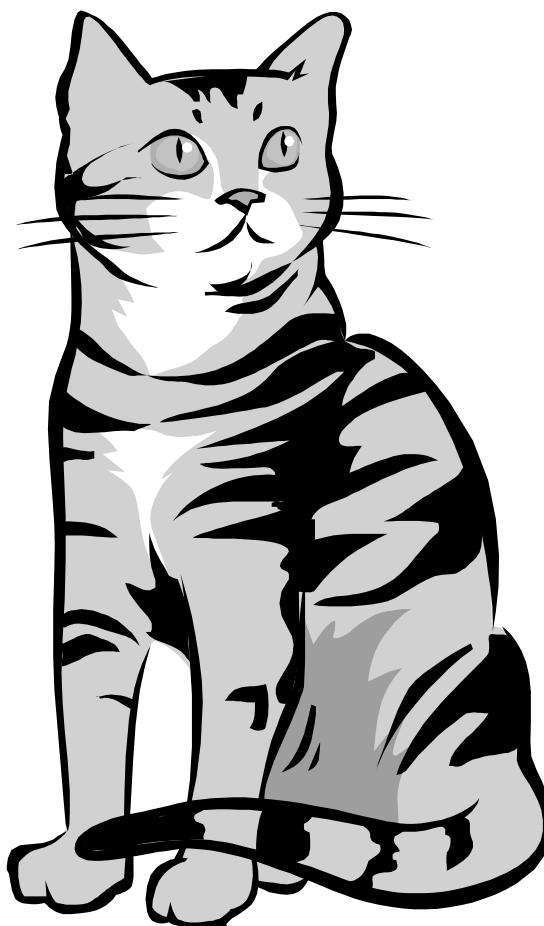
And there before my eyes to see
A scene unimaginable in Lee.
Hell’s Angels & others, with trousers down
Being searched by police from Ilfracombe town.
It seems they threatened with a knife
Nick William’s, the local farmer’s life.

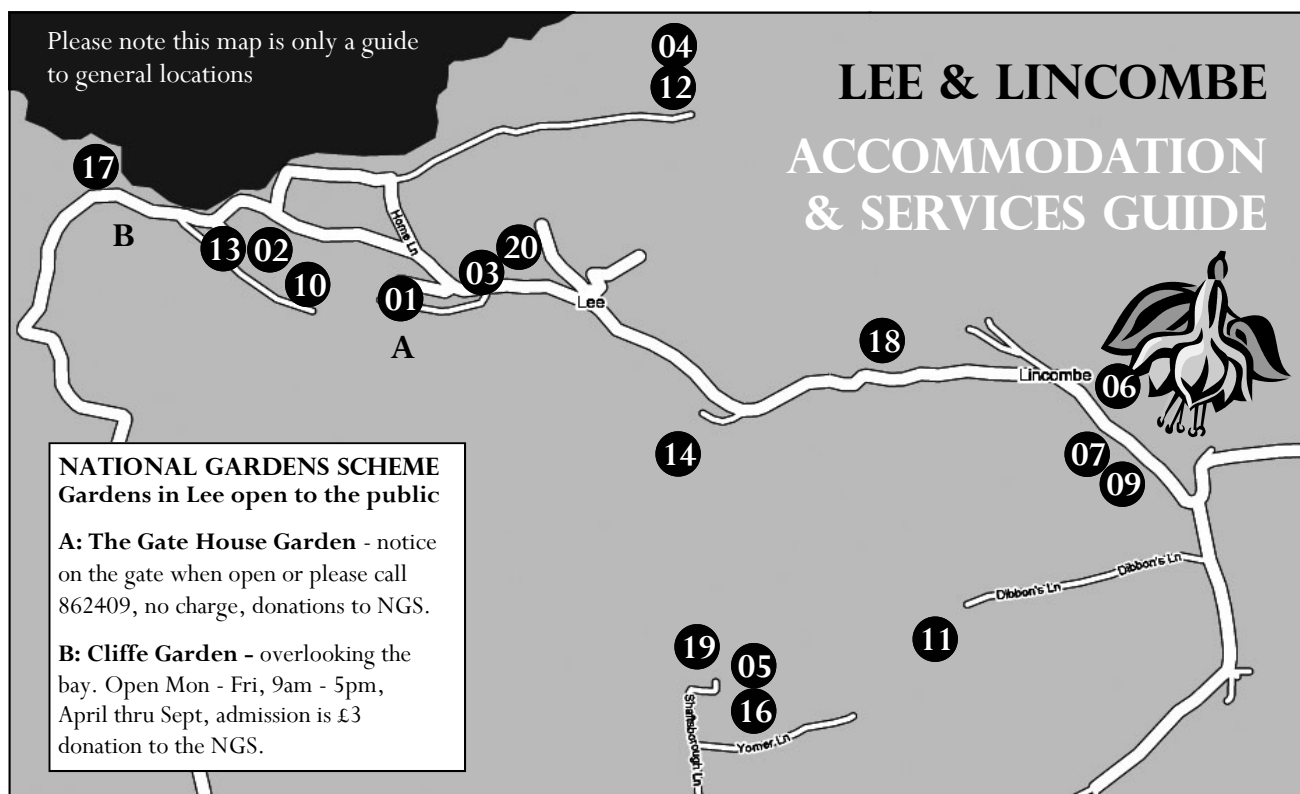
Just then Hilda, my adopted Gran
Emerges from the library van.
Smartly dressed, eyes blue & misty,
Clutched under arm, her Agatha Christie.

No hair net & curlers as in Enid Sharples
But demur & gentle like well-known Miss Marples
Surveyed this scene before her eye
In great detail as she walked by.

Man with arms up-stretched & trousers down
Was viewed but never caused a frown.
So picture this scene if you can
She remarked later: “He was a big man!”

Heather Booker





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