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SUMMER 2016

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LEE & LINCOMBE: 2016 DIARY DATES

Thursday 28 July 2pm Flower Show – Memorial Hall

Sat 30 Jul – Sun 14 Aug Arts and Crafts Exhibition – Memorial Hall

Sun 18 Sep 6.30pm Harvest Festival Service – St Matthew's Church

followed by Harvest Supper in Memorial Hall

(Check dates and contact Becca Wyles 879001)

Fortnightly Wed & Thu 10am-4pm Patchwork and Quilters groups — Memorial Hall (Margaret Hill 864257)

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Thu 10-11am & Thu 6.30–7.30pm All welcome!

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GREETINGS AND FAREWELLS

We are very pleased to welcome new residents to 4 properties in the village in recent months. Lee must be a very romantic place because two of the couples have either just got married or will be married very soon!

Kevin Furse and Sarah Underwood moved to Sun Penny Cottage a few months ago. We are delighted to announce that they got married in Kent at the beginning of June. (At the time of writing, they are out of contact on their honeymoon!)

We are also very pleased to welcome Anna Passmore and Daniel Revill, who live next door to Kevin and Sarah, at Gull Cottage with children Caitlin (14), Chloe (12) and Emily (5). Both Anna and Daniel are police officers. Anna is now with Devon and Cornwall Police in Barnstaple having transferred from Gwent Police in South Wales. Daniel is still with Gwent Police. Anna is a Devon girl and has always wanted to come back to Devon. Her father was born in Barnstaple and served with the RAF at Chivenor and her mother still lives in Braunton. With their Braunton connections, Caitlin and Chloe go to Braunton Academy and Emily to Southmead School. Anna and Daniel are getting married in St Matthew's Church on 30 July. They stress it will be a low key event and they warmly invite anyone from the village community to join them for a drink in the Grampus after their wedding.

It is good to welcome new arrivals to Windjammer.
Roger and Penny Boyson have come from
Hampshire after spending six years in Australia.
Roger and Penny came back to Devon because of family connections and chose Lee for its charm.



Most recently, in late June, we welcome Kieran and Helen Fisher at Crowness Cottage, along with dogs Zoe and Fivos, and Eddie the cat. After getting married last year, they are very excited to settle down in Lee, join in with village life and start a family - a new location, new home, new family and a new business.

Thus we also say a fond farewell and send our best wishes to Irene and Bruce Duffield as, after 12 years, they pass ownership of Crowness Cottage on to the Fisher family.

We don't know of any other changes, but, as always, we apologise for any omissions of arrivals or departures. Please let us know and we shall rectify things next time.

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NEWS FROM ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

In the last edition of the News, I referred to the forthcoming visit of the Rt. Revd. Dame Sarah Mullally, Bishop of Crediton, on Mothering Sunday. The visit was very successful and, after the service, Bishop Sarah joined everyone else for a most enjoyable breakfast in the Memorial Hall. She also followed the tradition of all Bishops coming to Lee of sitting on the Bishop's stone outside the Hall. The tradition goes back to around 1833 when it is alleged that the then Bishop of Exeter watched the Rev. Tugwell, the first Vicar of Lee, fly-fishing in a nearby pond! The names of all subsequent visiting Bishops are recorded on two plaques on the stone.



It was good to see the Union flag flying from the renovated flagpole to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday and the St George's flag flying on St George's Day. Thanks are due to Jed and Pat Coates for undertaking to fly the flags on special occasions.

I have mentioned before the Church Council's wish to improve the lighting and heating in the church so that they enhance the overall ambience of the church. Following a meeting in April of the Church Council with the Church Architect and an electrical contractor with much experience of undertaking work in churches, we have developed a scheme which we hope will achieve our objectives. The proposals have now been submitted to the Diocesan authorities and we hope the plans will be approved in due course. Watch this space!

The church is open every day and comments in the visitors' book show how much the quiet beauty of the church is appreciated by visitors. We are most grateful to Louise for opening and closing the church during the times her gallery and craft shop is open.

Services also continue throughout the summer months, so it seems strange to mention Harvest at the beginning of summer! However, the Harvest Festival celebration will take place before the next edition of the News comes out. The Harvest Festival service this year is a bit earlier than most years and will take place at 6.30 pm on Sunday 18 September, followed by the usual fine Harvest Supper in the Memorial Hall. Full details will be available nearer the time.

Ian Stuart, Churchwarden and Vice-Chairman St Matthew's PCC

BUS SERVICE 35 FROM ILFRACOMBE TO LINCOMBE AND LEE

Readers of the Fuchsia List have already received information about changes to the village bus service from the end of May. The information is repeated here for all readers of the Lee and Link'em News.

The bus service to the village from Ilfracombe has been reduced to only 2 days a week — Tuesdays and Fridays. Times, pick-up places and fares are the same and bus passes are accepted. The service is now operated by Ilfracombe and District Community Transport Association. Ilfracombe CTA is a charity that runs a number of minibuses for community use and is managed by voluntary Trustees. It would be good if residents and visitors could show support by using the service whenever possible. Your correspondent used the bus on the first morning of the new operation and is very pleased to report that the minibus was almost full with village residents being augmented by visitors.

The service will normally be operated by a blue minibus that is also used for the Ring and Ride service as well as a school run in the morning and



afternoon. It can be identified by a board inside the front window which will show the destination 'Lee Bay'. The minibus leaves the bus stop by the garage in Ilfracombe High Street at 10.20 and 12.50, returning from the sea front at Lee Bay at 10.40 and 13.10 on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Although a reduction of the service from 5 days to 2 days a week is regrettable, at least we still have a service, which is subsidised by Devon County Council.





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Sat 6, 2.30pm; Wed 17, 11.30am;

Sun 21, 2pm

Beach Games

Free drop-in games for all ages including giant jenga, snakes and ladders, volleyball, football and boules. Look for the Beach Ranger feather banners after Mill Rock on Woolacombe beach. No booking required. Mondays from 18 July to the 29 August, 12noon until 5pm.

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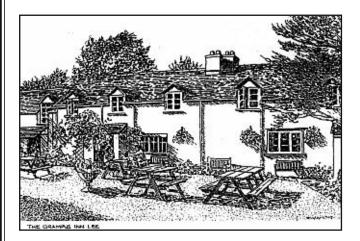
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NEWS FROM THE GRAMPUS INN



Hello friends,

The latest brew to come out of our micro-brewery is Orcadia & gorse blossoms, gathered on Lee Downs, add a special flavour to this IPA. We have made small stands holding three third-of-a-pint glasses, made out of staves from old wine barrels, for tasting samples. Come & try some!

At present, Francis is training new bar staff: Julia from Australia & Ruth from Barnstaple. We continue to have helpers from all over the world via the HelpX and Workaway schemes, who add to the interesting conversations and expertise to be heard in the pub. Where else could you easily find microbiologists, agroecologists, specialist olive oil producers et al serving your meals or drinks?

There are lots of new items on our Summer Menu including three different salads at lunch served with interesting extras such as houmous pitta bread and squid ink rissoto on the evening meal menu. Check the specials board, which changes daily.

New on our wine list, and "new" also because it is the first of Louis' wines to be made outside of the Rhone Valley in France, is a superb Reisling named Forge. It was made under Louis' guidance, in the Finger Lakes area of Upper New York State. His wines are already held in high esteem in the USA, as well they should be!

The south-facing verandah is proving very popular with clients, and is now home to a variety of half-hardy food plants such as potted citrus, an olive, kumquat, lemongrass, hottentot fig and the Golden Hop - the latter is set to take over most of the roof once it gets established. The raised bed vegetable garden is now starting to produce items for the kitchen, you can't get it much fresher than that!

Friday Open Mic Nights are as popular as ever. Looking forward to welcoming you!

Bill & Francis & team.

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LEE MEMORIAL HALL UPDATE



The cold spring has finally given way to summer sunshine and warmer weather. The village hall looks very welcoming and the meadow is ready for picnics, children playing, parties and weddings.

Beaford Arts events continue to be very popular, and in February we hosted 'Tiny Heroes', an exploration into what it means to be a 'Hero'. A mixture of words and music from the performers, and our heroes were definitely the scratch choir made up of people from Lee & Lincombe. Well done all of you! A full house with all seats taken.

A number of people have commented that, now the major fundraising campaign to pay for the hall refurbishment is over, they miss some of the social events.

The hall committee made a start at remedying that with a Quiz Night and supper in mid-March. The theme was Devon, although some questions, such as "We don't know how many people have walked on Devon soil over the ages, but how many have walked on the Moon?" were a bit tenuous, but helped if you have not spent a lifetime in the county. A special thank you to Tom Frost and Sandy Hanson who organised the chilli and jacket potato supper. A good turnout of more than 50 people, with team 'Mouldy Cheese' being the winners, and the hall funds enriched by more than £350. We hope to organise more social events and Beaford shows in the autumn, so keep a lookout for posters.

The popular singing couple, Howden Jones made a return visit to Lee on 16 April and once again it was a successful event.

The hall AGM was held on 25th April. There was a good turnout of villagers and the committee gained another two new members. Sadly we said goodbye to Cynthia Stuart who stood down after many years. She has given many years of support and help on behalf of the hall and will be very much missed.

Recently we held a 'gardening party' at the hall, mainly to get the meadow and hall gardens prepared for the annual Spring Fair. Thankfully the rain held off during the morning and we were very glad to have extra help from a few villagers too. The job was finished with all the willing hands and there was a definite improvement to the gardens afterwards. We ended the morning with coffee and cake.

The Spring Fair held on Monday 30 May was, once again, a record breaking success with both visitors and locals queuing to come into the meadow, some of them having enjoyed delicious light lunches and homemade cakes in the hall beforehand. The sun was shining and everyone was happy and eager to enjoy the many stalls, games, barbecue and cakes and to buy their raffle tickets in the hope of winning one (or more) of the lovely prizes. Ilfracombe Town Crier and the Mayor of Ilfracombe came along and added to the excitement of the occasion. Live entertainment was provided by Joe Steer, our local musician, together with many of his young students playing their guitars, ukuleles and singing throughout the afternoon, much to the delight of everyone especially their friends and families.

To celebrate this year's royal birthday theme there was plenty of red, white and blue to be seen with helpers dressed in colourful hats and outfits and the meadow decked with bunting and balloons to complete the picture. Throughout the day there was a constant queue in the Memorial Hall for delicious cream teas and refreshments and at the end of the afternoon all that was left were a few crumbs and the washing up.

There are so many people to thank, we couldn't have achieved this without you. Special thanks must go to the Spring Fair organisers, Allyson Poore, Eleanor Scarrott, Cynthia Stuart, Edna Thompson, Alan Bannister and Joe Steer.

LEE MEMORIAL HALL UPDATE, CONTD.



Thanks also to everyone who turned up on the Saturday morning prior to the fair, the marquees were erected in no time at all. It was great to see lots of regulars and some new faces and at the end of the fair we were very grateful to those who helped take down the marquees and clear everything away.

Summer is just beginning. The next few months will see the hall full of flowers and vegetables, cakes, arts and crafts, more cakes, pictures and probably more cakes as it hosts the annual village Flower Show on 28 July and the Arts and Crafts Fair from 30 July to 14 August. Hope to see you there.

Jane Johncock, Secretary, with special thanks to Alan Bannister and Edna Thompson for their help and input with this report.







10 MARCH: LEE WI 'CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN' BEACH CLEAN









THE FUCHSIA LIST



It is over a year now since we started The Fuchsia List as an email communications link for residents and home owners in Lincombe, Lee and surrounding farms. Through the list, notices about village events and other

matters specifically about our community can be sent easily. It is also an opportunity for messages about our Neighbourhood Watch scheme to be passed on.

Initially, email addresses were consolidated from lists held by Neighbourhood Watch, the Lee and Lincombe Residents' Association, Lee Memorial Hall and other sources. Everyone was contacted and, of course, given the opportunity to opt out immediately or at any time. It was also made clear that, under no circumstances, would anyone's email address be shown when communications were sent. As new arrivals have come

to the village, they have been invited to join The List. No one has opted out since we started and The List has been well received by most people.

Virtually everyone in the village is now on The List, but we are aware that there are a few who are not either because they do not have email facilities or because we do not have their email address. We are using the Lee &Link'em News to invite anyone who is not on The List, and would like to be, to contact us and we shall be pleased to put you on. Please contact us on residents@leedevon.co.uk. This email address can also be used to send us information that you would like circulated. More information about this can be found at the bottom of each communication that goes out on The Fuchsia List.

Ian Stuart and Gina-Luisa Hilborne



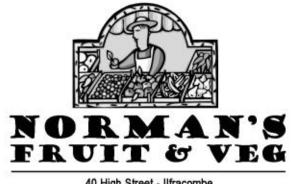
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LEE VILLAGE FLOWER SHOW

Hello again from the Flower Show Committee, I'll try not to make it quite as long this time! I will start by thanking EVERYONE who supported our Coffee Morning at the beginning of May. As usual it was very successful, with lots of plants and delicious cakes donated from around the village, so thank you very much. I have included a few photos [opposite] just to give you a general idea.

By now most people should have got their 'Chairman's Choice' fuchsias to bring on for the Flower Show on Thursday 28th July. Geoff did try to get around to people who couldn't make the Coffee Morning, and apologies if he missed you, but if you would still like to buy them, they are available from the Old Schoolroom Craft Shop, and schedules from any committee member, which you will need to enter.

A general reminder to people who were lucky enough to win a cup last year, these will need to be returned by 1st July, nicely polished please!

Entries were slightly down last year so please do your best and support this very worthy long tradition of Lee and Lincombe – 81 years, let's try and make it as successful as the Village Fair this year, and we won't go far wrong. Don't forget we cater for all age groups from toddlers to nannies and grandads! Plants, crafts, baking, photography, painting, sewing – and surprise us with something strange for the driftwood art!

Everyone has something in their garden they can enter with very little effort and we'd be very happy to welcome you to join in the competition, not that we're competitive!

The sun is shining, it's very warm and the birds are singing, perfect for all plant growing, weeding, feeding and pruning those bushes that have got a little out of control.

Top 10 RHS tips for June:

- Hoe borders regularly to keep down weeds
- 2. Be water-wise, especially in drought-affected areas
- 3. Pinch out side-shoots on tomatoes
- 4. Harvest lettuce, radish, other salads & early potatoes
- 5. Position summer hanging baskets & containers outside
- 6. Mow lawns at least once a week
- 7. Plant out summer bedding
- 8. Stake tall or floppy plants
- 9. Prune many spring-flowering shrubs
- 10. Shade greenhouses to keep them cool & prevent scorch

We still have a lot of young birds about and some adult birds are re-laying so please continue to fill up your nut feeders.

Fingers crossed for a very productive summer with long warm days and rain at night! See you all on the 28th July.

Ginny Potts (Flower Show Chairperson)

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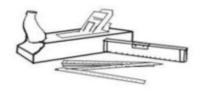


AN HONORABLE MENTION

Congratulations to Ian Stuart who has been awarded a B.E.M. in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours List for Community Services in Ilfracombe and Lee. We are all delighted to know that he has been recognised for all the work he has done, particularly here in Lee when he took over the Chairmanship of the Memorial Hall where his great enthusiasm and determination have resulted in a Hall which is now much improved and receives many bookings from outside the village as well as from within. This most certainly would not have happened without the grants he was successful in acquiring.

Ian has been the mainstay of our Church having taken over as our Organist when he first arrived in the village and as one of our Church Wardens and Vice Chairman of our Parochial Church Council. He is an active Rotarian, including being President of Ilfracombe Rotary Club a few years ago. He is much involved in Rotary's charitable and community activities, locally, nationally and internationally, and each year still spends nights out on Exmoor helping to run Startrek with Cynthia.

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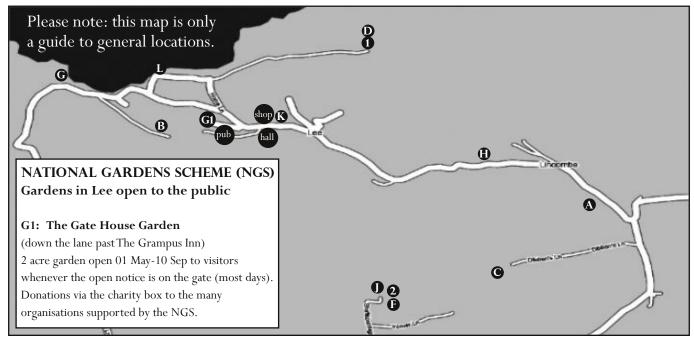
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