

# Langtree Parish Magazine



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## What's On in Langtree

### Health & Keep Fit

**Pilates** - Parish Hall - Mon 9:30pm till 10:30pm

**Body Blast** - Parish Hall Mon 6:15pm to 7:15pm

**Zumba** -Thu 6:30pm Parish Hall

**Short Mat Bowls – Parish Hall**

Mon 7:30pm till 9:30pm

Wed 1:15pm – 3:30pm & 7:30 till 9:30pm

**Shebbear Surgery Health Club**

Last Tuesday of the Month 2-3pm

### Clubs and Groups

**Hobbies, Arts and Crafts Group**

Tuesday 10:30 to 12:30 Parish Hall

**War Games** – Wed 6:15pm till 9:15pm (PH)

**Parish Whist Drive** - £2 entry - 8pm Parish Hall –

Third Thursday of the month

Thur 9:15 to 12pm Little Acorn's (PH)

### Other Services

**Mobile Post Office at the Parish Hall**

Mon to Wed & Fri 11:40 to 13.05

### Social Events

1<sup>st</sup> March Band 'Never Say Never' Union Inn

2<sup>nd</sup> March Talking Heads (PH)

9<sup>th</sup> March Big Breakfast 9am – 12.30pm (PH)

9<sup>th</sup> March talking heads 7pm (PH)

1<sup>st</sup> April Antiques Valuation 10am – 12pm (PH)

4<sup>th</sup> April Country and Western Dance (PH)

5<sup>th</sup> April – Jonny Cowling – 7pm (PH)

12<sup>th</sup> April 3pm – 4pm Oh What a lovely War (PH)

13<sup>th</sup> April Spring Lunch (PH)

17<sup>th</sup> April Easter Bingo Eyes down 7.30pm (PH)

19<sup>th</sup> April – Rock Band Green Dragon 7pm

26<sup>th</sup> April Dance (PH)

26<sup>th</sup> April Guitarist 'The Rockfella' Union Inn

3<sup>rd</sup> May Torrington Carnival

10<sup>th</sup> May Afternoon Tea organised by W.I PH)

22<sup>nd</sup> May Election (PH)

I would like to apologise for the Magazine being late this issue, I was hoping to have the magazine out for everybody in the first week of February but with trying to fit too much into my schedule and catching the flu things did not go to plan.

I would welcome anyone who wishes to include news, articles, stories and events to please send me some information. The magazine is done on a totally voluntary basis with money raised from the adverts covering the cost of printing the magazine.

We produce around 330 copies of the magazine which is kindly delivered by a group of determined volunteers who give their time, fuel and leg muscles to deliver a magazine to every property in the parish. I would also like to thank everyone who also kindly gives their time to send in content

The next magazine I will be creating in June, so please could I have content for the period of July to Nov. Adverts for events, articles are all included for free, so please drop me a line on the email address;

[tom@langtree.net](mailto:tom@langtree.net)

Tom

[www.Langtree.Net](http://www.Langtree.Net)

# Langtree

## Rainfall

From Joan Lampard

	2011 (mm)	2012 (mm)	2013 (mm)
January	105	127	142
February	56	47	55
March	26	24	97
April	30	157	27
May	40	38	81
June	117	202	41
July	73	138	26
August	61	124	88
September	77	101	63
October	116	193	172.15
November	65	167	116
December	187	242	180.5

Jan 2014 – 230mm adjustment for 31<sup>st</sup> Jan to be made in next issue

	MM	Inches
2008	1152	46.1
2009	1081	43.24
2010	859	34.00
2011	955	38.2
2012	1560	62.40
2013	1089	44

**Mobile Library -**  
**Stibb Cross on a Wed - Union Inn**  
 16:05 to 17:05  
 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March  
**Langtree on a Thu - Parish Hall**  
 10:40 to 11:15 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March

I am yet to get a schedule from April as there is a planned reduction to the visits we have from the Library.

It is my understanding that the library will now be coming every four weeks from April onwards.

When I get more information I will add the details to the Langtree.net web site



We are continuing with our aim to raise the funds for the first piece of play equipment for the park, and we are hoping that this will be a climbing frame in the shape of a tractor. After a really positive meeting with a local play park designer and builder we are really pleased to say that we have almost reached our first target.

In December, we held a very successful Christmas event for all the younger members of the Parish. We would like to say a huge 'Thank you' to Claire and Matt at the Union Inn for allowing us the use of the pub for our special visitor. Of course, we also need to thank Father Christmas for giving up his time at such a busy time of year to read a story to the children. This event and our stall at the School Christmas Fair helped to boost our funds by just over £150.

In the last few months, we have also received an anonymous donation, a grant from our local District Councillor and the Parish Hall Committee kindly shared the total of the Christmas Auction with the Friends of Langtree Park. With all of this, and the £300 we had from taking part in the Waitrose Community Matters Scheme, it brings our current total to just under £5000.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their hard work, donations and support for all our fundraising events so far.

If you are interested in any part of the Park project please contact Anna on 01805 601580 or Helen on 01805 601950

### JONNY COWLING

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Langtree Parish Hall**

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11 Mar	5 Days	Bournemouth, Monkeys & Tanks	£160	14 July	5 days	Hidden Valleys and Estates	£345
16 Mar	5 Days	Holmfirth, Fred Dibnah & the Albert Dock	£180	18 July	4 days	Volendam, Edam & Amsterdam	£265
21 Mar	4 Days	St Ives – A Real Cornish Treat	£139	20 July	8 days	Giants Causeway & Donegal	£475
24 Mar	5 Days	Jersey Singles Break	£289	21 July	5 days	Blackpool and Lakes	£180
24 Mar	5 Days	Valkenburg House Party & Cologne	£305	22 July	5 days	Royal Forest of Dean	£290
24 Mar	5 Days	Regency Brighton & Hastings	£190	22 July	5 days	Suffolks Charming Villages	£270
27 Mar	4 Days	Historic Shropshire & Herefordshire	£190	27 July	5 days	Downton Abbey Film and TV	£280
31 Mar	5 Days	The Lake District & Lake Windermere	£230	27 July	8 days	Scottish Highland Railways	£490
31 Mar	5 Days	Derbyshire Dales & Chatsworth House	£260	28 July	5 days	Great Trains of Cumbria	£310
5 Apr	3 Days	Mystery Weekend	£135	28 July	5 days	Belgium, Bruges and Damme Paddle	£399
6 Apr	7 Days	The Isle of Man	£390	1 Aug	8 days	Seefeld Flower Festival & Austria	£570
7 Apr	5 Days	Yorkshire Railway Journeys	£275	2 Aug	7 days	Isle of Man	£460
9 Apr	7 Days	Killarney & Ring of Kerry	£450	3 Aug	7 days	I sle of Wight	£400
12 Apr	8 Days	Fort William, Loch Ness & Isle of Skye	£385	7 Aug	6 days	Derbyshire Dales and Peaks	£325
12 Apr	10 Days	Slovenia's Lake Bled	£695	10 Aug	7 days	Jersey Battle of Flowers	£470
13 Apr	4 Days	Magical Disneyland® Paris From £250 per adult		10 Aug	7 days	Tralee and the Ring of Kerry	£450
18 Apr	4 Days	The Dutch Bulbfields	£295	10 Aug	6 days	Pennines & Military Tattoo	£395
21 Apr	5 Days	Valley of Wales	£195	11 Aug	5 days	Mythical Journey through Wales	£240
22 Apr	5 Days	York, Harrogate & the Spring Flower Show	£265	13 Aug	5 days	Chester and Port Sunlight	£300
22 Apr	9 Days	Scottish Highlands & Isle of Mull	£525	16 Aug	3 days	Mystery Weekend	£135
28 Apr	5 Days	The Charming Cotswolds	£255	17 Aug	9 days	Isle of Mull and High Ranges	£580
28 Apr	5 Days	Eastbourne and Pashley Manor	£230	18 Aug	5 days	Harrogate and Yorkshire Dales	£299
28 Apr	5 Days	Morse, Midsomer Murders & Blenheim Palace	£295	19 Aug	2 days	Buckingham Palace & Clarence House	£169
3 May	8 Days	Lake Molveno & Apple Blossom,	£510	21 Aug	8 days	Switzerland, William Tell, Italian Lakes	£785
4 May	7 Days	Isle of Man	£450	25 Aug	5 days	Cheshire, Chatsworth House	£285
10 May	5 Days	Scenic South Wales & Swansea	£250	25 Aug	7 days	Northumbria	£420
12 May	6 Days	Great Yarmouth & Sandringham House	£300	30 Aug	2 days	Buckingham Palace & Royal Mews	£160
12 May	5 Days	Heart of England Nottingham & Lincoln	£199	30 Aug	12 days	Corsica and Sardinia	£1300
18 May	6 Days	English Lakes & Borders	£310	31 Aug	8 days	Fort William and Isle of Skye	£515
18 May	8 Days	Boats & Trains of the Highlands & Islands	£525	1 Sept	6 days	Yorkshire Television Scenes	£315
25 May	7 Days	Jersey	£420	4 Sept	7 days	Copenhagen, Denmark & Sweden	£650
26 May	5 Days	Harrogate, Herriot & Yorkshire Dales	£285	7 Sept	7 days	Irish Lakelands and Sunset Cruise	£525
29 May	5 Days	Scenic Shropshire & Victorian Farm	£245	8 Sept	5 days	Bournemouth & New Forest	£270
31 May	8 Days	Scotland & Ireland Gaelic Spectacular	£610	12 Sept	3 days	Chocs, Shops and Docks	£135
2 Jun	5 Days	Barry Island & the Brecons	£265	13 Sept	5 days	Pennine Explorer	£250
5 Jun	3 Days	Mystery Break	£135	14 Sept	6 days	Bridlington, Scarborough & York	£330
7 Jun	7 Days	Shetland & Orkney Adventure	£670	14 Sept	7 days	Rhonda Valley & Mumbles	£345
8 Jun	5 Days	Splendour of the Lake District & Mountain Goat	£310	15 Sept	9 days	The Outer Hebrides	£710
8 Jun	7 Days	The Rugged Coastline of the Dingle	£499	18 Sept	5 days	Little Boats & Trains of Norfolk	£290
13 Jun	4 Days	Country & Western, Cambridge & St Albans	£199	20 Sept	3 days	Luxury break at the Marriott Meon	£170
15 Jun	5 Days	Loch Lomond & Panda Viewing Experience	£330	21 Sept	8 days	Jersey	£455
16 Jun	5 Days	Regency Brighton	£245	21 Sept	5 days	Guernsey	£399
20 June	4 days	World War I Battlefields	£275	22 Sept	5 days	Blackpool Illuminations	£270
22 Jun	6 Days	The Pennine Explorer	£305	23 Sept	10 days	Croatia's Istrian Shores	£730
22 Jun	6 Days	Bournemouth and Exbury Gardens	£305	25 Sept	4 days	Mystery Weekend	£175
22 Jun	6 Days	Southsea, D-Day & Wartime Farm	£345	25 Sept	5 days	Cambridgeshire's Cathedral's & Countryside	£275
24 Jun	5 Days	Kent's Beautiful Coast,	£255	28 Sept	8 days	Lake Garda and Venice	£570
28 Jun	8 Days	Costa Brava – All Inclusive	£599	29 Sept	2 days	Miss Saigon, London	£185
30 Jun	5 Days	Great Trains of Cumbria	£300	2 Oct	4 days	Shropshire and Herefordshire	£205
30 Jun	5 Days	Yorkshire Railway Journeys	£275	2 Oct	11 days	Grand Tour of Ireland	£765
4 July	4 days	Paignton, English Riviera	£195	6 Oct	5 days	Charming Cotswold Villages	£260
6 July	7 days	South Coast and Eastbourne	£395	6 Oct	5 days	Isle of Wight	£245
6 July	6 days	Skegness and Lincoln	£320	10 Oct	4 days	St.Ives	£175
8 July	2 days	War Horse, London	£180				
12 July	2 days	Hampton Court Flower	£160				
11 July	11 days	Berlin and Poland	£955				
13 July	5 days	Welsh Canals, Lakes and Falls	£265				
13 July	6 days	Scarborough	£325				

### DAY EXCURSIONS:

Mothering Sun 30 Mar	Mystery Day Tour	£15
Bank Holiday Mon 5 May	Mystery Day Tour	£15
Bank Holiday Mon 26 May	Mystery Day Tour	£15
Father's Day 15 June	Mystery Day Tour	£15
Sat 4 October	Riverdance, Bristol	£62



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## A Proper Devon Pub.

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Special events and functions

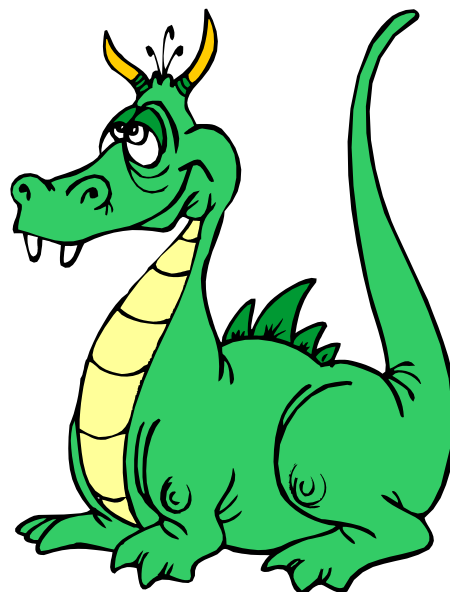
Birthday parties and anniversaries

Sports evenings and business meetings

Takeaway Menu

Regular Live Music

Darts Board



**Live Band – Ten Feet Tall  
19<sup>th</sup> April 7pm Onwards**

**Now Taking Bookings  
For  
Mothering Sunday Carvery  
30<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

Our Restaurant can seat 60 persons so an ideal venue for family, work, parties etc.

## **Restaurant Opening Times**

Monday to Friday 6pm till 9pm

Saturdays 12pm till 2pm & 6pm till 9pm

Sunday Carvery 12–3pm

Sunday 6pm till 9pm

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all Major live  
Sporting Events**



## Notes from the Parish Council

Still the rain keeps falling and the wind keeps blowing. Trees have been tested and blocked drains lost under deep water. Nevertheless our parish fairs reasonably well under such conditions because we mainly occupy high or sloping land known as a culm ridge. How fortunate we are not to live on a flood plain. The experts tell us that all our concrete, tarmac, roofs and drains might help us but the surge of water can cause problems for those on lower ground that are prone to flooding. More trees, porous parking areas, ponds and systems to release the water slowly are what we need to be doing. As usual, this costs money but I have a feeling it will become part of the conditions of planning permission in the future.

At least we haven't had to deal with slippery roads and pavements yet. But still our roads have taken another battering and potholes are beginning to appear. Contact the clerk if you think there is a problem as he is well versed in reporting them to DCC.

Last year was a hectic time for a normally peaceful parish council with future housing sites to find for the Northern Devon Area Plan which has yet to be finalised despite being well behind the original schedule. I am more hopeful of seeing progress on the site next to the hall now. Like all new developments it will not be popular with everyone but will certainly improve the visual aspect from the hall and provide much requested affordable homes for our younger residents. Our job now is to try and find funding for the sports facility for the whole thing to begin.

*David Ley* - Parish Council Chairman

### Church News

As some may know we had the hedge at the top of the Graveyard cut back to allow access to the last row of graves. Thanks to John Beer and his helpers all the trimmings were loaded onto Geoff Folland's trailer a number of times and removed. We are so grateful for all this help.

Thanks also to Paul & Ruth Griffin for donating twelve kilometres of daffodils and with the help Stephen Mailes planted all of them around the cleared spaces at the top of the Graveyard.

We are looking to replace the bell ropes in the near future. Mark is looking at prices at present.

Don't forget the Sunday lunch on June 1st in the Parish Hall Names to Sue Lee. Tickets £12.50.

- *Patricia Soby*, Church Warden



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### Little Acorns Toddler Group

Meet Thursday mornings during term time, in the parish hall - 9.15 to 12 noon. You will find that we are a friendly relaxed group and have a range of toys for babies and toddlers to play with. We provide a snack at about 10.30am for the children and a tea or coffee for the adults, at a cost of £1 per child and 50p per sibling.

We would welcome anyone who would like to come along and join our group. Please feel free to pop in on a Thursday morning or give Anna Moseby a ring on

01805601155 or Laura Coles 01805 601666

Terry & Sue welcome you to



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## Please support Big Breakfast 2014 and help us celebrate North Devon Hospice's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary!



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From February through to April, Big Breakfasts will be popping up all over North Devon, giving you the chance to enjoy the most important meal of the day with family, friends, neighbours or colleagues, whilst also raising vital funds for your local hospice.

Over this period, Big Breakfast events will take place throughout North Devon and Cornwall borders, in locations ranging from village halls and local pubs, from churches to cafes and restaurants. A broad range of goodies will be on offer, from the traditional full-English to vegetarian options. All you need to do is come along to your local Big Breakfast event and enjoy a delicious meal, all profits from which will be donated to North Devon Hospice. It couldn't be simpler!

Please come along and support your local Big Breakfast at:

**Langtree Village Parish Hall - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 9.00am-12.30pm**

£6 donation Full English or Vegetarian Breakfast (inc. tea/coffee, toast),

Bookings preferred,

please phone Sylvia on 01805 601485 or everyone welcome on the day.

You can be sure of a warm welcome and a legendary Breakfast from the Village Hall team, so please support our generous Big Breakfast organisers if you can. The money raised through Big Breakfast, which is generously sponsored by Phillip Dennis Foodservice, will help North Devon Hospice care for local people who are suffering from the impact of cancer and other life-limiting illnesses. All hospice services are provided completely free of charge, but it costs £4million each year to care in this way.

**This is only possible thanks to the ongoing support of the local people of North Devon so by attending your local Big Breakfast event, you will be helping us support people in your own community.**

Last year, the event raised an incredible £16,500. With your support, we are hoping to surpass this sum – something which would make a real difference to the lives of the patients and families cared for by the hospice. For more information, or to find out about the many other Big Breakfasts taking place in North Devon, please visit [www.northdevonhospice.org.uk](http://www.northdevonhospice.org.uk), or call Gerard Fawcitt on 01271 347224.

## WI

Christmas was celebrated in style with Wine tasting, scrummy Supper, Quizzes, carols and secret Santa, who came with gifts for everyone, including Plants, beads, quilting designs, toiletries and lots of chocolate.

January saw us fascinated by Peter Duncan's story of his family's journey from Scotland to Devon via Manchester and the continuing saga of Stapleton Yoghurt. He then gave us a lovely taste of his new flavours.

in February we are having a demo from The Pampered Chef on making Dips and Salsas.

March continues the cookery theme with Alison Gribble making Sweet desserts.

April we will be hearing from Vivian Foster fresh from appearance on BBC2' Come Dine with Me about her life and times, possibility her time as Secretary of the Hull Trawler men and her work as the National president of the Merchant Marine. Visitors are always welcome the cost is £3-50 to include Tea and biscuits.

*Pat Soby*

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## Langtree Parish Hall – by Sue Lee

Hoorah! The extension to the Hall is complete. We had an opening night back in November which was attended by representatives from each user group, builders and the grant providers. All the fixtures and fittings are now in place and it is hoped that with the new projector and screen we will be able to hold the occasional film night in the extension which incidentally is named The Leader Room after our main grant providers. We were particularly fortunate in that we were awarded an additional £10,108 from the Leader project as some projects came under budget. Pat Mitchell and I attended a showcase of some of the projects funded at Bishop's Nympton Parish Hall. £3.628 million was awarded over 5 years to Torridge and North Devon as part of European Rural Development fund and 192 projects in North Devon and Torridge have benefitted. These include small businesses, community halls, museums and heritage projects such as that at Fremington Quay. Our total grant money from Leader 4 was £58,108. The Hall is now on Wi-Fi and a new web site is being developed. Our annual general meeting was held back in November when the annual accounts for the year ending September 2013 were presented. These are published in the newsletter. Some grant money had not been credited to the account at this stage so this is why the bank balance looks a little low!

At the time of writing the pantomime is being performed. For those who enjoy live theatre there are a couple of interesting events being held at the Hall by Torrington Players. On March 2<sup>nd</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm there is Talking Heads written by Alan Bennett. More details in the newsletter. Then on the afternoon of 12<sup>th</sup> April from 3pm – 4pm Torrington players are introducing Oh What a Lovely War-which will be performed in November at The Plough. They are hoping to inspire folk to join as performers, be part of the production team and or do local research on those in the Parish involved in any way in the First World War. More details in the newsletter.

We are again one of the venues for North Devon's Big Breakfast in aid of the Hospice. Our date is 9<sup>th</sup> March. If you can help in any way please let me know (I have a list!) If you are coming to enjoy a full English breakfast with cereal, fruit, juice please book if you can. Sylvie will take bookings (601485) with the approximate time as this helps in ordering sausages etc. The cost is £6.00. Under 5s free primary children £3.00.

The annual Parish Show will take place at the Hall on August 16<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm. The schedule is printed in the newsletter. This is to allow time to think about photos, produce some craft work or order your seeds!

We are also hoping to organise open gardens again. This has been pencilled in for Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June but more arrangements need to be made before this is a definite.

For those of you who attended the surprise party with Carnaby Street 60's based band they are returning to Langtree for an evening on 22<sup>nd</sup> November. This will be a ticketed event and open to all. There are a number of private celebrations being held at the hall through March and April including 3 children's birthday parties, 2 golden weddings, 2 diamond weddings and end of season celebrations.

## Events booked at the Hall

### March

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> 7pm

**Talking Heads** £5.00

Book with Sylvie 601485

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> 9am – 12.30pm

**Big Breakfast** £6.

in aid of North Devon Hospice

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> 7pm

2 more **talking heads**

£5.00 Book with Sylvie 601485

### April

Tue 1<sup>st</sup> 10am – 12pm

**Antiques Valuation** noon in Leader Room (No charge) Any cash in the attic? Come and find out!

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> **Country and Western Dance**

Book with Pat 601495

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> 7pm for 7.30pm

**Johnny Cowling** is back!

2 courses supper £15.00

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> 3pm – 4pm

**Oh What a lovely War**

information and tea No charge

Sun 13<sup>th</sup> **Spring Lunch** 3 course with a

glass of wine £12.50

Book with Sue 601602

Thu 17<sup>th</sup> **Easter Bingo**

Eyes down 7.30pm

Sat 26<sup>th</sup> **Dance**

Phone Mark for more information

### May

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> **Afternoon Tea** organised by W.I

Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> **Election**

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> - Hall being used as counting centre for election.

**ACM** David Gubb BSc Hons  
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LANGTREE PARISH HALL UNAUDITED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2013

Receipts	Note	2013	2012
Fundraising income			
Bar sales		19972	28179
Food sales		13950	13301
Draw/Auction income		2581	3072
Hire of Hall		10741	13524
Donations	1	2000	0
200 Club		1452	1365
Ticket sales		2030	98
Grants	2	46747	500
EDF - Feed in Tariff		7885	0
		<b>107358</b>	<b>60039</b>
<b>Payments</b>			
Fundraising expenses			
Bar Supplies		12205	15090
Food and kitchen supplies		5885	3730
Draw prize expenses		244	254
Entertainment		450	1326
Cleaning		1801	3289
Light and heating		8730	6974
Insurance		1235	1218
Water rates	3	2816	813
Professional rates		395	385
Stationery		131	136
Licences		180	180
200 Club		737	737
Miscellaneous		474	391
General repairs		4726	5277
Donation - North Devon Hospice		512	716
Devon Waste Management	4	1200	0
		<b>41721</b>	<b>40516</b>
Assets purchased	5	104668	30453
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>146389</b>	<b>70969</b>
Net receipts and payments		<b>-39031</b>	<b>-10930</b>
Cash funds brought forward		49044	59974
Cash funds carried forward		10013	49044
<b>Cash Funds</b>			
Cash at bank		8546	47346
Cash in hand		1467	1698
		<b>10013</b>	<b>49044</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Freehold Land and buildings b/f		565727	539081
Freehold Land and buildings additions		100871	26646
Fixtures and Fittings b/f		69358	65551
Fixtures and Fittings additions		3797	3807
		<b>739753</b>	<b>635085</b>
Stock		2792	2347
Accruals		-410	-395
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>£752148</b>	<b>£686081</b>

**NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS**

1 DONATIONS comprise:

Langtree Players	1000
Anonymous	1000
	<b>£2,000</b>

2 GRANTS comprise:

Leader 4 "Restricted Funds"	44247
Balsdon Trust	2500

3 WATER RATES:

Increase of £2003 due to previously estimated meter readings now updated

4 DEVON WASTE MANAGEMENT:

Relates to the "Third Pay Contribution» in respect of future grants being made available

5 ASSETS PURCHASED:

BUILDINGS Expenditure re extension	<b>£100,871</b>
<b>FIXTURES AND FITTINGS</b>	
Carpet and floor covering	3014
Water boiler	400
Vacuum cleaner	235
Tables	148

**Torrington Players on tour –  
Langtree Parish Hall**

Alan Bennett's 'Talking Heads', written for the BBC in 1988 has been described by The Daily Telegraph as '*his finest achievement - indeed masterpiece wouldn't be too strong a word*'. We have four intimate portraits of women caught at life-changing moments - at once amusing yet emotionally poignant.

'Soldiering On' finds Muriel stoically facing the death of her husband. As the story develops, she is forced to face unexpected revelations about her family. In 'Bed Among the Lentils', Susan - a vicar's wife, trapped in a loveless marriage, finds new ways of coping while shopping in a corner shop. These performances are on Sunday 2 March Irene, the protagonist in 'A Lady of Letters' loves writing letters. These are not always welcome and her obsession lands her in a very unexpected situation. Pensioner Doris finds 'A Cream Cracker Under the Settee', but must make a difficult choice about her future independence. These performances are on Sunday 9 March, Sunday 2 March & Sunday 9 March - both starting at 7pm. The bar will be open, and tea and coffee are available. Shows run for approximately 1 hour plus an interval. Tickets (£5 per show) are available from Sylvia Smith on 01805 601485

**Great Torrington Mayfair Rehearsal and  
Crowning of Torrington Carnival Queen**

**The Square**  
**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

Events will start with Torrington Bluecoat Junior School rehearsing maypole dancing and the crowning of the Mayqueen and will start at 6pm. This will be immediately followed by the Crowning of Torrington's Carnival Queen.

Rowlands Fair will also be in attendance at Barley Grove Car Park

**Great Torrington Mayfair in The Square**  
**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014**

Events start around 9.00am with a morning service and continue throughout the day. There will be floral dancing and country dancing during the morning, the crowning of the Mayqueen around 12noon and the Cavaliers Entertaining during the afternoon plus much more entertainment for all throughout the day.

Rowlands Fair will also be in attendance at Barley Grove Car Park

**Great Torrington Carnival**  
**Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2014**

**Entry forms for the Torrington Carnival are  
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IN THE PROCESSION**

Would all road users please note that various roads and streets in Torrington will be closed for a short time between 6.00 and 8.00pm whilst the Carnival is proceeding through the town.

Please bear with us but do expect some delay if your journey takes you through Torrington at this time.

**PLEASE DO NOT THROW COINS AT THE  
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Melissa Baker  
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Mayfair & Carnival Committee



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**Langtree Short Mat Bowls Club**

We have had a very busy winter season and as I write this report in mid February we still have over 30 matches to complete by the end of March, in a combination of both league and cup competitions.


We have enjoyed mixed fortunes to date, doing very well in the North Devon & North Cornwall evening triples but less so in the afternoon triples. The two Merton league teams have had similar results.

We have a semi-final coming up in the Merton knock-out cup when we have two teams playing each other so we do know we will be in at least one cup final!!

We continue with our regular roll-up sessions, the Wednesday afternoon one being the most popular as it is a very social gathering. Our Monday and Wednesday evening sessions have become rather disrupted due to the competition matches that we have to fit in so if you would like to try indoor bowls other than on a Wednesday afternoon, please check with me first.

Our successful Wednesday lunch time sessions for Langtree School pupils have been great fun with a number of the children showing natural talent. The Hall has acquired a table tennis table through a charitable grant, and this has been added to the options for the children when they attend. These sessions are organised by Graham Carswell, Carol Woodward and Andy and Margaret Roe and supported by other club members when necessary.

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## Langtree History Group Mike Roe

Since my last report on the History Group's activities back in July we have been quietly busy adding to our varied collection of photographs, newspaper cuttings and postcards to add to our growing archives. We keep on finding fascinating snippets of information about our parish and the residents. All of these seemingly minor pieces of information when added together grow to create the bigger picture of parish life past and present.

One major find was a folder containing pictures and drawings by Sheila Scouler. This was rescued from a skip in Stratton following a house clearance! Many of the superb illustrations are line drawings, with detailed captions, of life in, and around, Torrington since the dark ages. The folder also contained a large number of paintings, on a variety of subjects, which are of superb quality. We have been lucky in that this folder was rescued and has been presented to our group for safe keeping.

The most important subject which the group is currently monitoring and recording is the planning application for the wind turbine and we will also be recording details of similar developments in neighbouring parishes. We, as a group, are neither for, nor against the applications and are just recording the facts as part of the parish history records that we keep.

This is the time of year when we not only review the past but look forward to the future.

This year sees the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of World War 1. As part of this anniversary we are hoping to record as much information as possible about the part played by our parish and it's people during that time. Sadly there will be nobody still alive who can give us their memories directly but many of you may well have relatives who can remember details or stories, however incomplete, told by parents or relatives, regarding parish life, or someone's part in the war during those years. Please jot down any of these memories or, better still, record on tape any spoken recollections. Please contact Margaret Knapman (01805 601228) or myself (01805 601114) with any information.

Other projects will include ongoing monitoring and recording of planning applications which may have a significant effect on our parish, the completion of the recording of the grave details for Siloam Chapel, and ongoing collections of photographs, post cards and press cuttings.

Since the start of the History group, now 10 years old, we have collected a vast amount of information about our parish. We would now like to start looking at how we interact with our neighbouring parishes to build up a broader historic picture of our part of Devon.

Our membership has remained static for some time now. Anyone wishing to join our group, which is very informal, would be made very welcome. Our meetings for the next 6 months are on:

**Feb 26<sup>th</sup> March 26<sup>th</sup> April 23<sup>rd</sup> May 28<sup>th</sup> June 25<sup>th</sup> July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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# Langtree Community School & Nursery Unit



Welcome to Langtree Community School



Spring Term 2014

**The Plough Arts Centre Schools' Exhibition: A Celebration of Young Artists** Our eldest children have greatly enjoyed preparing textile artwork on a theme of 'Myths and Legends' ready to display in The Plough Arts Centre (10am-10.30pm, Tuesday-Saturday) as part of their exhibition running from 11 February to 01 March. As part of this project they have worked with a variety of media, including wool and an assortment of textiles and materials. The Exhibition is well worth a visit, with colourful contributions from other local schools included too.

Our very popular **Nursery Lunch Club** - when our youngest children can stay for lunch with us and spend an extra hour in the company of their friends to eat, chat and play over lunchtime – is now in full-swing and firmly established as part of our daily routine. Feedback from our families suggests it is a well-appreciated extension to their children's morning and they would not want to be without it. Following on from that, we are pleased to let everyone know that our plans for **before-school care** are beginning to come together with the likelihood of it being offered as an extension to the day at the beginning of the Summer Term 2014. This is yet another very exciting development for us, which, together with rising early years numbers, puts the school in the positive position of being able to advertise for an additional member of staff. If this is something which might be of interest to you, please be in touch or visit our webpage at [www.langtree.devon.sch.uk](http://www.langtree.devon.sch.uk) for more details. We will let you have regular updates about the progress of the changes to our school day as they are launched.



**Foundation Stage Nursery Open Morning 'Stay and Play' Session** Our session for this term will be held during the morning of **Tuesday 25 March 2014**.

Each session runs from 10.30 am till 12 noon so if you would like to take a look at, and try for yourself, some of the indoor/outdoor activities we are able to offer please come along as we would love to meet you. For more information, please be in touch: by 'phone: 01805 601354; or e-mail: [admin@langtree.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@langtree.devon.sch.uk).

We wish the Parish Newsletter team continued success with this publication, which gathers together lots of community news and information, and look forward to being invited to contribute to their next edition.

## HOBBY CLUB

All welcome to come along. We meet each Tuesday morning at 10.30 – 12.30, we pay £1.50 which includes a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits.

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Our annual Toy Service was held at the beginning of December. Toys, clothes and toiletries were donated and sent to the Women's Refuge in Barnstaple. The collection from our Carol Service was sent to The Freedom Centre in Barnstaple who provide food and shelter for the homeless in North Devon.

At the beginning of each year in the Methodist Church we hold a Covenant Service. In this service we celebrate all that God has done for us, and affirm our commitment to give our lives and choices to God. This year was no exception and several local congregations met on January 12<sup>th</sup> at Milton Damerel Methodist Church to remember and renew the covenant we have made with God.

We have resumed our meal and Bible study evening on Thursdays starting at 7pm with a hot bring and share meal followed by Bible study (usually we watch a DVD). There is always plenty to eat and a warm welcome to anyone who would like to join us.

**Forthcoming services** – all are welcome. (Most weeks we have Sunday School where we share a Bible story, craft activity or watch a DVD)  
March and April service details are not available yet but will be displayed nearer the time on the Chapel notice board.

Our minister is Rev Ken Morgan and can be contacted on 01805 628041  
'May the Lord bless you and keep you, may the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you'

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*Cathy Ley* On behalf of Langtree Methodist Church

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Meg Palmer is a member of the AfSFH. Call 07814522591 or email [meg.palmer1@btinternet.com](mailto:meg.palmer1@btinternet.com) to book a free initial consultation. To find out more about the AfSFH, visit [www.afsfh.com](http://www.afsfh.com)

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