

Langtree Parish



Magazine

Langtree Rainfall

From Joan Lampard

I would like to thank everybody for the speedy reply with articles and information for this edition of the magazine. It is great to have so much content to be able to add.

I am happy to include items of interest and news or something in the Parish you are wishing to promote so if you have any stories you wish to share please send them to the email address below.

I am not sure where the time has gone but with Christmas around the corner there is plenty planned to keep the diary full.

I would like to take this chance to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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| Jan | 127 | 142 | 246 | 212 | 211 |
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Langtree Chapel News



We have much to be thankful for this year with a good harvest from our fields, gardens and hedgerows. Our Harvest Festival service was held on Sunday 18th September led by Gerald Downs from Hittisleigh. This was followed on Monday 19th with our harvest supper and sale led by Mark Shepherd from Chilsworthy. Supper was served by the ladies and there was a sale of produce and gifts with David Ley acting as auctioneer. Proceeds from the sale and service were shared between Bideford Food Bank and 'All we Can'

<http://www.allwecan.org.uk/>

Our weekly Bible study and meal is on Thursday evenings. We begin with a 'bring and share' cooked meal at 7.15pm followed by Bible study and discussion. At the moment we are exploring Don Piper's '90 minutes in Heaven'. More details can be found at

<http://www.90minutesinheaven.com/>

Operation Christmas Child

Shoebox appeal.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Shoebox appeal this year. We packed 67 boxes which will be sent to children in other parts of the world who do not receive gifts at Christmas. We also raised enough money for each box to be transported to its destination (£3 per box). We had a packing party in October with plenty of coffee, cake and chatter and lots of enthusiastic helpers. There were tables crammed full of gifts, some handmade by our parishioners, to fill each box with goodies. In recent years our boxes have been sent to Bosnia and the Ukraine but they could go anywhere in the world where there is need. We hope and pray that each child who receives a box will feel that they are loved and special. Thank you all once again.

On December 4th at 11am we are having our annual toy service. Gifts and toys are collected for the Women's refuge in Barnstaple.

Our Carol service is on December 18th at 11am followed by mince pies and tea/coffee. Please come along and join in the celebration.

As we prepare for Christmas let us not forget that 'Jesus is the reason for the season'. Hoping that you all have a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Cathy Ley

So what's on at Langtree Parish Hall?

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Hall is to be held on 17th November at 7.30pm – too late I know for this newsletter but events and projects for 2017 will be discussed. One of the projects which is on the cards is the refurbishment of the women's toilets. When the Hall was built there had to be some compromises on fixtures and fittings due to budget constraints and the current toilets are inadequate in number and the cubicles flimsy. The toilet cisterns do not have the single flush facility and this means that large quantities of water are wasted meaning our water bill is excessive. At some recent events there were queues for toilet facilities and the cisterns were slow to refill.

The Parish Hall Committee is managing the completion of the changing room block on the Recreation field at the back of the hall which will be owned by Langtree Parish Council. Originally the changing room block was to be finished by the developer of the building plots to provide showers, toilets and changing facilities etc but this was amended for financial reasons. Instead of a completed building, the developer was responsible for providing a water tight structure with door and windows and the services connected. The changing block needs to be finished to FA standards in order to access other grants and the estimated costs for this are approximately £32000. The Parish Hall Committee has secured a grant of £16200 from Torridge District Council as part of the New Homes scheme and funding has been promised by

Coming Events

Changing Landscapes

Wednesday 23rd November
7.15pm in the Leader Room – a photographic talk illustrating the changes to the coastline in North Devon and Cornwall, Tickets £6 to include tea coffee and cake.

Craft Fairs

There are 4 craft fairs to complement the regular Thursday indoor market. These run on 12th, 19th November and 10th and 17th December from 10am to 2pm, well worth a visit!

Christmas Lunch

Sunday 4th Dec Sorry sold out.

Auction of Gifts and Promises

Friday 9th Dec 7.30pm for 8pm
Complimentary mulled wine, pasties and mince pies. Come along to this fun evening. Some of the proceeds will go towards the toilet refurbishment.

The New Jersey Boys are back.

Friday 3rd Feb 2017

This will feature 2 acts – one based on the London hit show telling the story of Frankie Valli and his music and the other the music of Showwaddywaddy. Tickets £14.00 to include either a pasty or cheese and biscuits. Please book with Sue on 601602 or Sylvie on 601485.

Langtree Parish Council and Langtree Parish Hall.

Mention must be made of the 9th Langtree Parish Show which was held in August. Although some classes were down on numbers for a variety of reasons the Photography and Craft sections were very well represented. There have been requests that the classes for these sections are advertised well in advance to allow articles and photographs to be made at a suitable time. The 10th Parish Show will be held on August 12th 2017 and the Craft and photography classes are listed below:

The full schedule with entry form will be available in the next issue of the newsletter

Another very successful major event which took place was the charity night organised for Children's Cancer Charities by the Hemmings family. There is an account of this in the newsletter.

Panto Time

We are busy rehearsing for panto. This year it is Henry's Magic Jam. Not a traditional pantomime story but it has all the elements of pantomime – a dame, principal boy and girl and good overcoming evil! Henry has a magic formula for jam which when eating stops the ageing process! I'm sure lots of us would like some of that!

The performances are Thursday 9th February and Friday 10th February at 7.30pm and Saturday 11th February at 2pm and 8pm. Tickets will be available in the New Year.

The photography section (max size A4)

Rivers / streams

Farm Animals

Shadows

Transport

Faces

Exterior abstract

Panoramic

Graveyards

Bridges

Macro (close up!)

Arts and Crafts (Exhibits must not have been shown at Langtree before)

A hand knitted article for an adult in double knitting

A hand knitted article in 3 or 4ply (please show ply bands or labels)

An article of patchwork

An article of crochet

An article of embroidery

A tapestry not to exceed 70cm by 70cm

A knitted soft toy

A bookmark – any medium

A cushion – not to exceed 50cm in any dimension

An item of cross stitch not to exceed 60cm by 60cm

A pin cushion

An item of woodwork max 60cm by 60cm

An item of turned wood

Something new from something old

Handmade jewellery item

A watercolour of still life max dimension 45cm

A watercolour of animal/s max dimension 45cm

An oil or acrylic painting seascape or landscape max 45cm

A plant painting any medium

Langtree WI

“Happy Christmas” from Langtree WI. We have a great and varied programme for next year which includes speakers on crafting, gardening, cooking and everything under the sun! (Some of which are hands on experiences) There will also be opportunities for members to enjoy trips out and about to shows, films and eateries! Or anything else that takes our fancy! We meet every third Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm at the Parish Hall, all welcome to come along and see what we get up to! Tea/coffee, biscuits and a warm welcome awaits all.

Sylvie Smith

Hobby Group

Happy Christmas from all at the “Hobby Group”. All welcome to come along with whatever is YOUR hobby and join in with like- minded people every Tuesday morning at 10am – 12.30pm. You can literally bring along anything you enjoy doing. It is only £1 per week each, and any surplus money goes towards our “Christmas Lunch”! We have tea/coffee and biscuits (or cake!) at 11am, so if you would just like to see what we get up to, come along and have free tea with us and see for yourself.

Sylvie Smith



*Let's
Mingle
and
Jingle*

for the
SHEBBEAR LADIES NIGHT

Saturday, 26th November 2016
7:30pm - 10pm
Shebbear Village Hall

Cocktails - Raffle - Craft Stalls - Beauty Treatments - Tarot - Outside Catering and much more

£5 ticket includes a complimentary tipple
All in aid of Little Bears Preschool Charity no 1036017
To keep up to date with details and to book treatments please visit
Shebbear Christmas Ladies Night on Facebook or email hayley.littlebearschair@gmail.com

Langtree Community Garden – update

We are very excited that a start has been made preparing the land at Butts Meadow.

Many of you will have heard the digger and been aware of the bonfire that was alight for several days, burning the scrub that had grown up over the years. An entrance has been made, and a slope created to enable easy access and the ground has now been ploughed. More work needs to be done, of course, but we are delighted that this has been done in the autumn, to allow for the area to be marked out, paths put in and preparatory work carried out ready for the start of cultivation and sowing in the spring.

A huge THANK YOU to Geoff Bond, for all the hours he has put in. Man power alone would have made this task even more huge!

Once the lease has been signed with the Parish Council, more detailed work can progress and funding can be applied for. We are wanting to include areas (including cover!) where people can meet and have a sociable time, seating and storage as well as the garden itself: flowers, fruit and veg. Ideas include coffee mornings and bar-be-cues, so it can become a real 'community' space. There will be allotments, too, for rent off the Parish Council.

If you would like to be involved – in any way - whether or not you have gardening knowledge and expertise – please do contact Sue Leach (Chair) Either talk to her in the street, the pub or give her a ring on 601348. If you don't know Sue, others involved are Jo and Ange, Pam Wilson, Kate Blundell, Kristina Codling and Pat Chappell.

We have become aware of the concerns some people have, and want to be able to assure them that we will be consulting and asking for input.

West Heanton Fete

A huge thank you to everybody who supported our Dementia weekend at West Heanton. It was a huge success with raising awareness of the condition and the feedback has been very positive towards the difference that can be made with supporting people with the condition. We also raised over £800 towards our garden project to create a sensory garden.





Charity Night at Langtree

On the 28th October at Langtree Parish Hall, The Hemmings family held a charity evening in aid of two childhood cancer charities. CLIC Sargent is the UK's leading cancer charity for children and young people, and their families whom provide clinical, practical and emotional support to help children and young people cope with cancer and get the most out of life. The second charity is the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital Children's Oncology unit which again helps children and families in our area with not only financial support but little treats that help the families enjoy quality family life too, things that we all take for granted but this cruel disease can see families live apart for months at a time.

The evening was a huge success, thank you to Sue Lee, with her helpers we completed the jigsaw in fitting in the tables! We managed to seat 203 at tables and have the stage up! The evening started with Pat Dowson's delicious carvery meal, Andy Oakley, a comedian from Torquay, an auction with David Kivell which raised £9200.00 followed by music and dancing with Up4grabs. With the proceeds of the raffle, tickets, auction and donations the figure raised so far is £15,563.77. Donations are still coming in so this figure will hopefully be around £16,000. This money will go so far in helping so many children and families.

It is hard to start to thank individuals but this event was only a huge success thanks to people's generosity and support, whether it was helping to prepare the hall, donating an auction prize, raffle, donating a dessert, bidding in the auction or just attending, the Hemmings family would like to thank each and every one of you.

Linda Hemmings

District Councillor David Hurley

Since the previous publication of Langtree News two momentous events have happened. Firstly came Brexit and more recently the United States elected Donald Trump as President. Not wishing to get too political here, I hope that when Article 50 is invoked, and the UK leaves the EU, we will benefit by way of more financial help in the SW. We will, apparently, be in charge of our own destiny not paying into the EU pot and so surely should have more money for those things that matter to us i.e. health provision, roads and a multitude of other services that have been trimmed during the past few years as they have been deemed to be no longer affordable.

Locally it's good to report that Langtree Parish Hall was successful in the bid that was submitted to the TDC New Homes Bonus Corporate Fund. This fund was created this year by Torridge District Council using money that the Government "gives" to Councils for each new house that is built in the area that the Council administers. It was felt by District Councillors that this money should be used to help develop the Community and, as such, several grants have been awarded to other Wards within Torridge for a variety of projects. Each bid has to be supported by the Ward Councillor which I was very happy to do. The £16,200 awarded to Langtree Parish Hall from Torridge District Council, matched by funds from the Parish Hall Committee and Langtree Parish Council, will go towards the fitting out of the recently constructed pavilion. Once that is completed, and the football pitch perfected, it will be time to form a Langtree FC team! Locally, Speedwatch seems to have stalled despite my best efforts to get this scheme up and running. For various reasons it has taken too long to come to fruition. As a result of this several volunteers at Langtree have withdrawn their support so



Langtree

Dementia Information Session

Discover how an increased understanding of dementia and better informed acts of consideration can make a huge difference to those amongst us with dementia.

This session will be delivered by Marion Pollinger a retired computer training consultant who is a volunteer local representative for the Alzheimer's Society Devon service. Since January 2013 she has been delivering awareness sessions to businesses, and interested members of the public across the county.

Langtree Parish Hall
Langtree, Great Torrington, EX38 8RH
Thursday 1st December
7:30 – 9:00pm

To book on a session please go to www.dementiafriends.org.uk
Click the 'Find a Session' Button and enter the word "Torrington" or just drop in!

Creating Dementia Friendly Communities.....
.....with one million Dementia Friends



another appeal for willing residents for this worthwhile team will have to be made by the Parish Council. I will continue to support this initiative.

After many months of negotiation, prompting and suggesting to Torridge District Council of ways forward, the Lease for the Community Garden/Allotments at Butts Meadow has been issued. The Lease was formally signed at the November meeting of Langtree PC by the Chairman. It has been a long haul. I have been to see the Property Procurement Manager at TDC on several occasions when the scheme had stalled and through discussions I had with him I managed to bring it all on track again. In the later stages it has been the legal side that has been holding things up. Not because it is a complicated Lease, but because other more important events at Torridge had taken priority. I spent time convincing the Legal team that this project was important to the Langtree residents who had waited so long for its approval and fortunately they listened - hence the Lease is now in place. The ground at Butts Meadow has now been cleared and other work preparing the site is in hand. Langtree Parish Council (who are leasing the land from TDC) will now seek residents who are interested in having an allotment and will then divide, and sub-let, the land accordingly.

The subject of heavy Lorries travelling through the narrow roads of Langtree has once again been raised, and the possibility of refusing them access to these roads. I spoke nearly two years ago with David Whitton (Head of Highways at DCC) at a Highways Conference held at Bradford Village Hall. I asked the same question with regard to banning heavy vehicles from some of our local roads i.e. prevent these vehicles from crossing the bridge at Taddiport by imposing a weight or width restriction. I was informed that this was not possible but should residents wish to pursue this matter they can contact Highways via the Devon County Council website.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year and hope that 2017 brings you all that you wish for.

Langtree Park

Another summer over and it's been lovely to see so many people using the park after school and at weekends. We would like to take this opportunity to remind people that no dogs are allowed in the park at any time.

We have held a very successful wine and wisdom night and another of our favourite pudding nights. Our target at the moment is for a climbing frame to replace the very tired and wobbly existing one. This will be our biggest expense so is taking some time to raise funds so please bear with us.. We do thank you all for your continued support.

We would like to thank Torrington rotary and Waitrose for their kind donations. It is much appreciated. Please feel free to contact anyone of us if you feel you would like to help in anyway, any help is always welcomed, or visit our facebook page, Friends of Langtree Park, for information on any future fundraising events.

Some of you may be surprised to see my name at the bottom of this article since I have only been chair of the Parish Council for about 3 months. David Ley who had been the Chair for several years had managed to slot the duties in with his various other activities before deciding it was time for a change and gave way to Geoff Bond. Geoff found his other activities made it impossible for him to find the time to liaise and attend meetings regularly enough for continuity and thus the baton was handed on to me. Both David and Geoff remain on the council and frequently offer wise advice at a time of significant development within Langtree. We have also recruited James French of Church Lane to the Council to replace Neil Folland who has stepped down after many years' service.

A subject which consumes much of Council time is the development adjacent to the Parish Hall. David Ley deserves much of the credit for bringing this development to fruition. He overcame changes and difficulties too numerous to mention and hopefully 2017 should see the sale of both open market and low cost housing together with the development of a recreation field. The developer has been obliged to build the shell of a changing room which will be completed with funding from a grant already obtained by the Parish Hall Committee, money from the Parish Council, from the Panto Group, and from Parish Hall funds. A large level area is being referred to as a football field and indeed may be used for men and women's football and perhaps even walking football for the over fifties(why not?). This however is not written in stone. If there is call for a rugby or cricket pitch, or an all-weather surface these could all be viable endeavours.

Many of you will have noticed the changes to Butts Meadow a patch of land which runs along the Crescent and belongs to Torridge District Council (TDC). This patch of land had been neglected for a number of years and had become totally over grown with brambles. Geoff Bond and his mighty swing shovel descended upon it a couple of weeks ago and after one of the biggest bonfires I have ever seen and a bit of ploughing has produced a very usable bit of land. In the spring it will be harrowed and part of it at least will be set to grass. This land is destined to become allotments or a community garden or hopefully both, depending on the interest shown. If you have previously shown interest in either of these projects then get in touch with the Parish clerk Mike Evans again because there were difficulties in leasing this land from TDC which caused long delays and you may have other interests by now.

Tom's Top Tip

Use 112 in an emergency instead of 999, it's the national emergency number for over 90 countries and the list is growing, so if you are on holiday you will know how to get help!



WINTER

Autumn and Winter

News from Langtree Community School

After a long, sunny summer break we welcomed everyone back at school in September ready for the start of the new school year. Celebrating the seasons continued this term, with our **Harvest Show** focusing on autumn and water. Each of our classes took part to showcase some of the curriculum related work which had taken place during the first few weeks of term. The Parish Hall was packed to the rafters with families eager to applaud each class, from our very youngest Nursery children pulling-up the enormous turnip, to our eldest Year Six children in full-on Viking costumes. We are grateful to everyone who came along, especially to those who kindly donated to our retiring collection and helped us raise a total of over £80 to be donated to 'Water Aid'.



Supporting the MacMillan Coffee Morning appeal has become an annual diary date for Langtree School and this year was no exception. We raised over £180 to be donated to this very worthwhile charity, by offering morning coffee and afternoon tea. Our older children enjoyed helping to serve cakes and snacks, and chatting with lots of visitors. Thank you to anyone from the local community who helped us to support this event



Halloween was very much the order of the day for us on Friday 04 November when children and staff could, if they chose, come to school wearing spooky non-uniform costumes. With zombies and ghouls aplenty, ghosts and witches galore, the day ended in the Parish Hall with parties for everyone - all organised by our hardworking PTA – and raising lots of money to be used for projects around the school.

With December just around the corner, we are already planning lots of festive events to celebrate this special time of year. Our Christmas Play, "The Fisherman's Tale", is due to take place in the Parish Hall on Monday 12 December; Christmas Dinner and Carol

Service (with thanks to The Methodist Chapel, Langtree) on Wednesday 14 December; and just ahead of those, a very sparkly Christmas Fair on Friday 09 December also in the Parish Hall, from 3pm. Please feel free to join us or visit us for the Play, Fair or Carol Service; we would love to see you! Thank you to everyone who has come along to any of our events this year. We continue to be grateful for all the support shown to us by the Community and would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, and peaceful and happy New Year 2017.

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Langtree Church.

At long last the Beech tree on the edge of Dragon hill has been cut down. It has been a long saga because in 1958 the then PCC had tree protection Orders put on some trees, this meant we had to get planning permission and visits from TDC tree specialist who found the tree was full of two different types of spores, namely Lumpy Bracket and Trametes Gibbosa. We would like to thank all the people on Dragon Hill and surrounds for their forbearance for helping and not using the hill for a day whilst the tree was felled. Unfortunately we think there is another tree looking dicey.

The moving of the Harvest Festival meal to the Sunday has worked very well and we shall continue with the same Sunday next year. Thanks to Geoff Bond for being the Auctioneer again.

The Remembrance Service was held as usual but due to the age of most people there the numbers are dropping. This year it was pleasing to see some children in church with their parents.

We have just received our Five year report of Inspection from the Diocese.

At first glance the largest problem seems to be the re-pointing of the outside walls of the Church and re decorating of the inside. The Carol Service will be held on Sunday December 18th at 6.30 pm.

May we wish you all a Very Merry Christmas & a Happy & Prosperous New Year.

Patricia Soby & Mark Height



Light Up a Life this Christmas with North Devon Hospice

Remember someone special to you this Christmas with North Devon Hospice's annual Light Up a Life appeal. Light a candle in memory of your loved one at our special services that take place across North Devon, including in your community.

Please visit our website www.northdevonhospice.org.uk for details of all services.

Everyone welcome.

Christmas is traditionally a time for family and friends to get together, so it is natural that at this time of year our thoughts turn to those who are no longer with us. Light Up a Life offers you the chance to honour their memory, together with many others who are doing the same thing. It helps us realise we are not alone in missing someone special at this time of year.

If you cannot attend a Light Up a Life service, you can take part in the Light Up a Life appeal by making a donation online at www.northdevonhospice.org.uk or phoning the Light Up A Life team on 01271 347232 for a leaflet; if you wish, they can take your donation over the phone and make a note of your loved ones names. We will send you a special star in the post to hang on your Christmas tree, on which you can write a message to your loved one, and their name will be entered into our special Light Up a Life books of remembrance.

By making a donation to North Devon Hospice in memory of your loved one, you will be helping to make a difference to those who need our care both today and into the future. The hospice cares for those facing a life-limiting illness, and their whole family. All our support is provided completely free of charge, but this is only possible thanks to the ongoing generosity of the local community.

North Devon Hospice needs to raise over £4m from scratch every single year in order to care for the thousands of local people who need us during the toughest of times. By supporting our Light Up a Life appeal, you will be helping people right here on your doorstep; your colleague, neighbour, friend or even your own family member.

Parish Amenities coming on line

I am pleased to report that Langtree Parish Council has now negotiated a long lease on the land in The Crescent known as Butts meadow. You will have noticed that the area has been cleared and ploughed. Further work is yet to be done but the end product will be around six or eight allotments for parishioners, and a community garden.

The Council has several volunteers to create and maintain the garden aspect, and some parishioners have intimated a desire for an allotment.

As this is realistically the first time we have advertised this venture, I am asking for feedback.

If you want an allotment, please contact me, preferably in writing at Withecott Bungalow, Langtree EX38 8NL, or by e-mail cme250@uwclub.net Rents are yet to be decided but will not be excessive.

If you wish to be involved with the community garden, again contact me please. We would hope to publish full details of our plans in January.

Mike Evans Parish Clerk

Team Rector:**Revd Martin Warren, tel: 01409-281424****Team Vicar:****Revd Susannah Metz, tel: 01837-810621****Dear Friends,**

On the day after the US presidential elections, Barack Obama commented that he had said that the sun would rise that day – and at least he got that right!

We live in times that are very uncertain, and maybe for many feel very insecure. Be it uncertain politics or the threat of terrorism or the effects of austerity, the world feels very different to what we have been used to. One commentator remarked that history has started up again.

Interestingly Donald Trump's victory came through on the anniversary of the fall of the Iron Curtain in 1989. That coincidence of dates reminds us of how frail all human regimes are. In the course of less than one person's life, the seemingly impregnable spectre of Communism had collapsed. As the Bible would have it: kingdoms come and kingdoms go – but God's ways outlast it all.

Soon we will be marking Christmas once again. The birth of a child encourages us to celebrate the delights (mostly) of family life. But the birth of Jesus is deeper than that. It points to God coming into the messiness of human history with a regime that will survive, with one that is truly the best for us all.

Join together this Christmas to welcome him who draws us together across all the things that would separate us and that can give us security in the face of all else.

Wishing you a very happy Christmas,
Martin Warren.

Services at All Saints**December 2016**

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| 4 th | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |
| 11 th | 11.00am | Christingle |
| 18 th | 6.30pm | Carol Service |
| 25 th | 10.00am | Christmas Communion |

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| 1 st | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |
| 8 th | 11.00am | Holy Communion |
| 15 th | 11.00am | United Service (at Methodist Chapel) |
| 22 nd | 9.30am | Holy Communion |
| 29 th | 3.00pm | Deanery Celebration Service (Tawstock) |
| Preacher: Bishop Nick McKinnel, Bishop of Plymouth | | |

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| 5 th | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |
| 12 th | 11.00am | Holy Communion |
| 19 th | 11.00am | United Service (at Methodist Chapel) |
| 26 th | 9.30am | Holy Communion |

March 2016

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| 5 th | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |
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From the Registers

Weddings: *Congratulations!*

10th Sep

Franklin Tucker and Helen Colledge

17th Sep

Wayne Stephens and Carol Cooke

Funeral: *Our prayers for the bereaved*

23rd Nov Robert Nelson

Supporting Refugees

It was wonderful to see the response of North Devon to providing material support for the youngsters who recently came amongst us from the camp in Calais. Within days, a halt had to be called on the provision coming in. It displayed the welcoming heart of so many.

Of course, it doesn't stop with those young people. On an ongoing basis there are people seeking support and help from these shores. Over a number of years, we have provided support through the Refugee Centre in Plymouth. We are doing so again. People (mostly men) come seeking hope from a background of war, oppression, poverty and persecution. This is not their first choice – that would be home. But so often that is not possible, in other cases very definitely not desirable. Let's once again support them, and help give them a glimmer of hope.

What is needed?

- Clothing (in particular men's)
- Winter garments: coats, gloves, hats, etc.
- Household items and bedding.
- Non-perishable food.

Do bring items to the Carol Service on Sunday 18th December, if possible – or drop it off at the church or Shebbear Rectory.

In advance, once again, thank you.

Martin Warren.

Concert Time

Appledore Singers

Sat 3rd December 7.30pm

Baxter Hall, Petrockstowe

Tickets: £4.50 (281424), or on the door.

Supporting Devon Historic Churches

Preparing for Christmas Posada

Sharing in the journey to Bethlehem as you welcome the figures of Mary and Joseph into your home for a night. Book a night during the weeks before

Christmas Tel: Pat Chappell (601733)

Christingle

Sun 11th December 11.00am

Come and light up a light

All Saints' Church

School Community Carols

Wed 14th December 2.30pm

Methodist Chapel

Carol by Candlelight

Sun 18th December 6.30pm

All Saints' Church

Fitness and Well Being

Neil Harris – Physio & PT - 01237238819
Torrington Hypnotherapy - 07814522591
Yoga - 01409 261344

Pubs and Food Services

Green Dragon Inn - 01805601 342
Union Inn - 01805601626
Stapleton Yoghurts - 01805601414
West Heanton Meals on Wheels - 01409218754

Marland Meats - 01805601245

Hairdressers & Beauty treatments

Lucy Coles - 07920828181
Christina Thomas - 01805601910
Tina's Treatments - 07552676076

Builders and Trades

Tim Langmead Builder - 01805601500
Pat Mitchell & Son Builders - 01805601415
Wayne Hill Painter - 01805625238
S.D Martin – Plumber - 01409240240
KJ Bromell – PVC Windows - 01288357020

Other Services

P&S Sanders - 01805601280
Peter Hearn Septic Tanks - 01805601286
ACM Web Site Design - 07812772638
Beamtree Interiors - 01805601785
DES Mobile Repairs - 01805601546
Jo Wilson Gardening service - 01805601444
Qualified Math Tutor - 07884232308
Accountant/Book Keeper - 07884232308
GW Architects Ltd - 01409281362
Honeybee Floral Art -

Suppliers

TT Fire Wood - 07884080171
Bridgeman's - 01409261321
Grascott Firewood - 01409281393
West Heanton Care Service - 01409281754

Accommodation

The Old Rectory B&B - 01805601602

Emergency Details

Crime Stoppers - 0800 555111
General Enquires is now - 101
Out of Hours GP - 111
Shebbear Surgery - 01409281212

Police Email

melissa.baker@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

What's On in Langtree

Local Contacts

Parish Hall Bookings - 01805601609
Langtree Church - 01409281424
Langtree Methodist Chapel - 01409281262
Langtree Primary School - 01805601354

Health & Keep Fit

Pilates – PH – Term Time only Mon 9:30pm till 10:30pm

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

Short Mat Bowls – (PH)

Mon 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Wed 1:15pm – 3:30pm & 7:30 - 9:30pm

Shebbear Surgery Health Club

Last Tue of the Month 2-3pm

Clubs and Groups

Hobbies, Arts and Crafts Group Tue 10:30 to 12:30 (PH)

Parish Whist Drive - £2 entry - 7.30pm (PH) – Fourth Thursday of the month

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

Woman's Institute

7:30pm to 9:30pm - 3rd Wed of Month (PH)

History Group

7:00pm to 9:00pm – 4th Wed of month (PH)

TGIF Club 2nd Friday of Month, 3.15pm – 5.15pm (PH)

Bible Study and Meal – Thursday Evenings 7:15pm (MC)

Langtree Market – Thursdays 10am to 2pm(PH)

Other Services

Mobile Post Office at the (PH) Car Park

Mon to Wed & Fri 11:40am to 13.05am

Parish Council Meetings

7:30pm to 8:30 – 2nd Thu of the Month

Mobile Library -

Langtree on a Thurs - Parish Hall 10:40 - 11:15 Mar Dec 1st

Stibb Cross on a Wed - Union Inn 15:35 - 16:35

Nov 23rd, Dec 21st