

Langtree Parish Magazine



Welcome to the Summer edition of the Langtree Parish Magazine. We hope that you have been enjoying the fabulous weather during July. It's not looking quite so good during August and beyond but hopefully, after some much needed rain, the sunshine will return.

As always we would like to offer a warm welcome to all newcomers to the Parish and hope that you enjoy our legendary hospitality.

In this issue you will find reports of events throughout the holiday season and forthcoming attractions including the return of the Langtree Fun Day on 3rd August and the 2019 Langtree Parish Show on 17th August.

The magazine is personally delivered free of charge to residents of Langtree Parish. Printed copies of the magazine are available to collect in the following places -

- Parish Hall foyer**
- Mobile Post Office**
- Langtree Community School**
- The Green Dragon**
- The Union Inn**

It is also available on our web site, www.langtree.news, and the Langtree Community Facebook page for you to read or print.

www.langtree.news complements this magazine and our Facebook presence by providing a one-stop shop for up to date information about everything that is going on in Langtree. It is an extension of the parish magazine, with links to other clubs and organizations within the parish, an events calendar and also areas where all parishioners can contribute. It is also the home of an archive of past editions of the magazine. If you haven't already, please take a look and email us with your feedback (good or bad).

We hope that you enjoy reading the magazine. We would very much like to hear your views on it and any suggestions on what you'd like to see in future editions or on the website?

As always we thank the many contributors who have provided articles, advertisements and photographs. Anyone wishing to contribute or advertise in the magazine, or on the website, should please email us at magazine@langtree.news.

Many Thanks - The Magazine Team.

Langtree Rainfall

From Joan Lampard

| | 2015 (mm) | 2016 (mm) | 2017 (mm) | 2018 (mm) | 2019 (mm) |
|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Jan | 212 | 211 | 106 | 195 | 52 |
| Feb | 84 | 153 | 85 | 62 | 75 |
| Mar | 63 | 99 | 118 | 159 | 125 |
| Apr | 37 | 49 | 44 | 90 | 59 |
| May | 94 | 57 | 42 | 30 | 24 |
| Jun | 60 | 108 | 120 | 8 | 85 |
| Jul | 106 | 30 | 93 | 35 | |
| Aug | 142 | 65 | 97 | 85 | |
| Sep | 101 | 109 | 127 | 91 | |
| Oct | 58 | 51 | 72 | 75 | |
| Nov | 179 | 141 | 126 | 135 | |
| Dec | 163 | 47 | 163 | 189 | |

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| 2010 | 859 | 34.00 |
| 2011 | 955 | 38.2 |
| 2012 | 1560 | 62.40 |
| 2013 | 1089 | 44 |
| 2014 | 1298 | 51.1 |
| 2015 | 1299 | 51 |
| 2016 | 1132 | 45 |
| 2017 | 1193 | 47 |
| 2018 | 1154 | 45.4 |
| 2019 | 420 | 16.6 |

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Langtree Chapel News

I hope you are all enjoying the lovely summer weather we've been having (hopefully this is still the case)! On the farm hay and silage have been made and we have much to be thankful for.

At chapel we are continuing to meet on Thursday evenings 7.15pm for a meal followed by Bible study. We have been following a study on the book of Colossian (letters written to the people of Colosse by Paul, an apostle of Christ). This has encouraged some very interesting discussions. One of my favourite passages from this book is from Chapter 3 verses 12 – 14

'Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.'

Please feel free to join us (01805 601350 for further details). We would love to see you.

Sunday School continues with Bible stories, crafts, colouring and games. We usually start in the Church at 11am for the Sunday Service and disappear into the Sunday School after the second hymn.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal: We are hoping to fill Christmas shoeboxes again this year for children around the world who are in need. There will be notices around the village and messages on Facebook with details of our packing party in October. This year we are not allowed to send sweets or toothpaste because of stricter export regulations. For further information please contact me (Cathy) on 01805 601247. There are lots of ideas and information on the Operation Christmas Child website. <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

Services for August/September/October starting at 11am unless otherwise stated:

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| Aug 4th | Mrs Nancy Hall-Tomkin |
| Aug 11th | United Service at the Parish Church |
| Aug 18th | Local Arrangement |
| Aug 25th | Mrs Lorna Dawe |
| Sept 1st | Rev Rob Blackhall |
| Sept 8th | United Service at Parish Church |
| Sept 15th | Harvest Festival – Peter Cole |
| Sept 16th | (Monday) Harvest Festival Rev Blackhall – Supper and Sale 7.30pm |
| Sept 22nd | Rev Rob Blackhall (Communion) |
| Sept 29th | Local Arrangement |
| Oct 6th | Parish Church Harvest Festival (United Service) |
| Oct 13th | Mrs Vivienne Sheriff |
| Oct 20th | Local Arrangement |
| Oct 27th | David Ley (Communion) |



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Welcome to Noah's Place Care Farm

In case you haven't heard of us, we are a local charity based in Higher Clovelly supporting adults with learning disabilities, offering an opportunity for them to develop horticultural skills, maintenance and woodworking skills together with a variety of other activities and social opportunities.

24 August, from 10.00am

Noah's Place Dog Show. A chance for the family to show off their special dog(s) and compete for lots of prizes including the favourite "Dog with the Waggiest Tail" and other fun categories! A special family and, of course, dog day out. Don't worry if you don't own a dog, just come along anyway and join in the fun.

Further information on Noah's Place Care Farm, our aims and aspirations, and our Summer Programme of Events including sponsor forms for the Sponsored Walk and application forms for the Dog Show can be found on our Facebook Pages, or by contacting lesley@noah's-place.co.uk

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District Councillor David Hurley

May I start my contribution to this edition of Langtree News by thanking everybody who voted for me in May. I really appreciate your support, and I will continue to work as hard for this Ward in the future, as I have for the past 6 years. Since the Boundary Commission deemed that the Shebbear and Langtree Ward should be joined with the Clinton Ward (Petrockstowe, Merton, Buckland Filleigh, Taddipport and Little Torrington), the area of the Ward has increased from 19 sq miles to almost 50 sq miles. Even with two Councillors this is still a large area to cover. There are 9 Parish Councils and I will be covering 5 of them, the other 4 will be covered by Cllr Richard Wiseman. For clarity, I will continue with Langtree, Shebbear and Newton St Petrock, as I have since first being elected. I have added Sheepwash and Taddipport/Little Torrington to my list.

As we get older we all seem to say that time moves ever faster. As I've got older I'm beginning to believe that this is true. At the time of writing it has been nearly three months since the Local Elections took place and we had nearly a 50% change of Councillors. Many residents, by the way they voted, obviously felt that they needed to make a statement with regard to how politics was being run in this Country, and indeed locally. Many local Councillors, some very experienced, felt the icy draught of rejection at the ballot box on May 3rd when the results were announced. The Independent vote was the order of the day. Time will tell if the correct choices were made or not.

Climate change is the main topic of the day. We read about it, talk about it and experience it in our day to day lives. It is pleasing to see that at last the Powers that Be seem to be accepting that there are changes to our Environment and want to take steps to limit, and indeed, try and reverse these changes. "This is not about gestures, this is about action." Those were the words spoken by Devon County Council's chief executive Phil Norrey when discussing climate change at the latest cabinet meeting. It was also confirmed at that meeting that the £250,000 Devon County Council had already set aside to encourage organisations communities and individuals to do more to reduce global warming, was being matched by the University of Exeter with £130,000, and by an application for a further £70,000 in grants. Following DCC's intentions, Councillors at Torridge District Council had a Notice of Motion to consider at the full Council meeting held on July 1st, which asked them to consider a pledge to make the Council carbon neutral by 2030. This follows from local children and parents who brought their climate change concerns to Torridge District Council's offices in Bideford a month or two ago as part of an international campaign for action. Councillors supported the motion. There has also been appointed a Climate Change Lead Member at this Council. This position is filled by Cllr Peter Hames of the Green Party.

Good to see that Fore Street in Langtree has been resurfaced. It certainly needed it. There were many instances of speeding through the village prior to the new road surface and I hope these improvements don't encourage others to speed also. I know that the Parish Council would like to see a Speedwatch team in the village (just as I had tried to do 4 years ago) but this is dependent on volunteers and the authorisation of the Police. It's early days yet with this resurrected initiative, and I would certainly support such a team, so at present we will have to wait and see.

Speaking of roads, an article caught my eye a couple of weeks ago. I think most drivers will at some time or another either see, or be unwittingly involved, in a piece of stupid, dangerous or unacceptable driving. At one time we would believe that it was only a matter of time before the police would see and prosecute most of these drivers. Not so today, as there are fewer and fewer Traffic Officers on our roads. However, the article I saw is asking members of the public to send dash cam footage to the police when incidents such as those mentioned above are encountered. Suitable clips can be followed up with possible prosecutions to follow. I think that this is a great idea, as there are lots of cameras in use out and about on our roads capturing the very instances that we complain about. Have a look at <https://operationsnap.devon-cornwall.police.uk/> Here you will find how the system operates, T&C's and where to upload your video clips.

A couple of quick items. Electric car charging points have been installed in TDC car parks in Torrington, Holsworthy, Bideford and Appledore. These new installations will not only be of use to local residents but also to the many tourists that we welcome each year to our area. Also, just in time for the summer holidays, a new skatepark opened in Bideford recently. It is sited on old tennis courts adjacent to Bideford Town Football Club.

Finally I'd just like to say that even an extreme optimist may well feel slightly depressed at the time it is taking for purchasers of the houses at Langtree Meadows to actually complete their purchase and move in. I am really frustrated at the delay in the occupation of these houses but please be assured that the Strategic Enabling Officer for housing at Torridge District Council and myself have tried to smooth the path and speed up the process whenever possible. I really do hope that the next time I mention this development it is with a much happier tale to tell.

As usual I can be contacted via email councillor.hurley@torridge.gov.uk or by phone 01805601604

Langtree Community Garden

I have no doubt that you are enjoying this beautiful weather, especially the farmers amongst us. I have to say that at the beginning of the year it was too wet to garden and now it has been rather taxing in the heat. We have managed to plant vegetables and potatoes. The slugs are dining out on much of these. The soft fruits are doing very well, the birds also are enjoying those.

On our list of jobs to do are building a frame for the soft fruits and carrying on clearing the field for fewer hiding places for slugs. We are preparing the area for the green house Pam kindly donated. Once we have cleared area of weeds, Greg is going to help with the breeze block base to secure the framework to. We aim to complete this work by the end of autumn, then we will be ready to go.

For those of you who attended our open day at Easter, I'm afraid sad news is that the sunflowers that the children planted and left in our care have been feasted on by the mice and slugs - they seem to have had a celebration picnic of their own! However we would love to know how the ones you took home have got on. Perhaps you could measure them for us and let us know how tall they are? Our next Open Day will be on Saturday 10th of August between 10 - 12 in morning. We would love you to help us make bug hotels (stacks?) We will have all the bits and pieces needed. Also the early potatoes should be ready to dig up: you could help with this and then take some home with you, along with what ever else is ready to harvest.

If there are any new-comers in the village who would like to come and join us or just like to have a look at what The Community Garden is all about, or like to donate something for the garden, please phone:-

Sue Leach on 601348

Langtree Market

Langtree Market Is held in the Parish Hall every Thursday, 10 am - 2 pm.

Our stall holders and Sue Lee with her team in the kitchen. Wheelchairs, Prams and Pushchairs can easily move around the line of stalls.

Every week you will find Brian with Fresh Meat, Veg, Fruit, Homemade Cakes Pies, and Pasties, and hand cut ham, cream, butter, cheese & milk etc. Stall's change from week to week, but we have Cards, Gifts, Wooden Animals, Bird Tables and Fire wood. Along with a varied amount of tools, Jewellery, Craft items, and Birdfood. We welcome new stallholders, but we try not to have two stall selling the same items.

Also enjoy a Breakfast or Lunch Tea, Coffee, or a soft drink. (see a menu on our Facebook page). Sit and relax, chat with friends, make new friends.

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So what's on at Langtree Parish Hall?

August will be a busy month with the return of the fun day on August 3rd. This will be an opportunity to use the completed recreation ground now white lined for football and to view the changing room facilities if you have not seen them before. Events planned to kick off the event so to speak is a youngster's football match at 1.30pm followed by an adult's football match at 3pm and then a tug of war! I understand that 35 adults are keen to try out the new field. David Hill who played football for Langtree back in the 1930's is providing a trophy to commemorate the historic win Langtree had over Torrington. Other events are skittles, table tennis and have a go at fun short mat bowls. There will be table top sales, bouncy castle, BBQ, cream teas, ice cream and the bar will be open. Admittance free. If you would like a table to sell items (£5.00) please book with me 601602.

Also, on August 17th is the 12th Parish Show. The schedule was published in the last newsletter with the entry form but this is reprinted together with the rules for entry. The schedule and recipes for the show if not reprinted in the newsletter will be available on line. We do hope many of you will enter a class or two.

We were delighted to hear that the grant application to Community asset fund (part of the National Lottery) to build a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) at the back of the school fence was successful. An award of £30,000 has been promised providing additional funding can be found. So together with the Parish Council we are on the search for other grants along with more fund raising! (The projected cost is approx. £90000)

On September 22nd our Autumn Lunch is being held. There will be the usual choice of 2 roast meats, selection of vegetables, desserts, cheese and biscuits, tea/coffee and a glass of wine all for £14.00. Please book on 01805601602. At the time of writing 108 places have been booked. This time all profit will contribute to the MUGA fund.

Langtree All Saints Church will be holding their Harvest festival service on 6th October and this will be followed by lunch and auction of produce at the Hall. Please book for lunch with Sue Folland on 01805 601254.

Will there be a pantomime? Well that depends on the level of interest. A meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st October at 7.30pm in the Leader Room. We will have some scripts to look at. For those new to the Parish rehearsals are held on Tuesdays from 7pm to 9ish before Christmas and then additional rehearsals are held on Sundays after Christmas. We are always looking for new recruits whether to be back stage involved in scenery, costumes and make up as well as those who want to tread the boards. So come along! If you are unavailable on 1st October register your interest 01805601602. The actual performances are usually held Thursday, Friday and Saturday in February during Half Term. (Week beginning 17th February)

We have 2 Beaford Arts events from their Autumn Programme. On Thursday 24th October at 7.30pm the Little Bulb Theatre are performing their show on a journey of musical migration to the birth of what we now call Country Music. When pioneers from the British Isles came to settle in the Appalachian Mountains they brought with them songs from "the old country" which took on a new life. Performed in the round with cabaret style seating there is a five-piece string band and 3-part harmonies. Tickets £7.50

On Sunday 24th November at 2.30pm Postman Poet – The life and songs of Edward Capern. Celebrating 200 years since his birth this show follows in the steps of the Victorian Postman Poet of Bideford with music and song based on his original poems. Afternoon tea of scones, and cake will be served in the interval. Tickets £7.50

As always we have a range of private events over the next couple of months. These include a christening lunch party, 2 wedding anniversary celebrations, 2 children's parties, a wedding and 2 charity events.

Sue Lee, 01805 601602

Langtree Parish Hall, www.langtreeparishhall.co.uk

12th Langtree Parish Show - Schedule August 17th 2019

SECTION 1 – VEGETABLES Classes 1- 26

1. Potatoes, white, 5
2. Potatoes, coloured 5.
3. Runner beans, 6
4. Carrots 3
5. Beetroot, 3 tops trimmed to 5cm
6. Shallots, 9
7. Onions sown from seed, trimmed and bound -3,
8. Onions, sets, trimmed and bound, 3
9. Marrows, should not exceed 38cm (15in), 2
10. Cabbage, 1.
11. Leeks, 3.
12. Courgettes, should be between 10cm and 20cm (4in - 8in), 3
13. Tomatoes, red, 5. (Calyx attached) not including cherry
14. Tomatoes, cherry, 5. (Not to exceed 35mm diameter)
15. Cucumber, 2.
16. Radish, 5
17. Pepper, hot (chilli) or sweet, any colour, 2
18. Collection of 5 kinds of salad vegetables displayed in a basket
19. Container of herbs minimum of 4 types (must be named)
20. Collection of 4 kinds of vegetables displayed in a box or basket
21. Any vegetable not listed in the classes above - must be named -1
22. Longest Runner Bean
23. Longest carrot
24. Heaviest cabbage
25. Heaviest potato
26. 1 vegetable, 1 cut flower

NB: Please check number of specimens required in each class.

SECTION 2 - FRUIT AND FLOWERS Classes 27 - 48

27. Rhubarb, 3 sticks, with foliage trimmed to 5cm
28. Any fruit (to be named), 3
29. A vase of 5 roses (minimum 3 distinct varieties).
30. Rose, 1 specimen in a container, own foliage only.
31. Floribunda roses, 1 stem or spray in a container.
32. Dahlias, 3, in a vase,
33. Collection of fuchsia heads displayed on board -6.
34. Fuchsia head/heads floating in a wine glass
35. Hydrangeas, 3.
36. Sweet Peas, one variety -5.

37. Sweet peas minimum of 3 varieties -9
38. French Marigolds, 5.
39. Asters, double, 3.
40. Asters, single, 3.
41. Vase of mixed garden flowers (herbaceous perennials, annuals may include roses but not other shrubs)
42. Vase of mixed flowers may include shrubs predominately of one colour
43. Any 1 individual bloom – not from the above.
44. Gladioli – 4 stems in a vase
45. Pot Plant, flowering, pot up to 6 ins in diameter
46. Pot Plant, foliage, pot up to 8 ins in diameter
47. Pot of Begonias grown from a corm - in flower, pot up to 8 ins
48. Cactus 1

SECTION 3 - FLORAL EXHIBITS Classes 49-54

Except where stated, entries should not exceed 60cm (2ft) overall

(An exhibit may include additional non-flowering items)

49. An arrangement to include foliage, seed heads, twigs grasses permitted
50. Sea scape – an exhibit
51. A multi coloured floral arrangement
52. Tall and narrow- An arrangement of 5 flowers and foliage
53. Floating heads arranged for effect max size of container - 9ins
54. Petite arrangement not to exceed 25cm (10in) in any dimension predominately in one colour

SECTION 4 - CHILDREN'S CLASSES 55-72

Age to be clearly stated on all entry forms in years and months

Age 4 and under

55. A picture using vegetable printing
56. A pasta picture
57. A collage of an insect
58. A sea creature made from junk

Ages 5-7 (key stage 1)

59. An edible animal on a plate
60. A painted model made from paper plates
61. A picture using natural materials eg twigs, leaves, seeds max A4
62. 3 decorated digestive biscuits
63. A sea creature made from plastic and other recyclable material

Ages 8–11 (Key stage 2), also Ages 12-14 (Key stage 3) – Judged separately

64. Turn a shoebox on its side and make a woodland scene. (Animals made or bought may be included)
65. An arrangement in a recycled container
66. Photograph- On the sea shore
67. Photograph – Hobbies
68. Photograph – A selfie
69. An item I have made in the last year
70. Make any recipe using chocolate
71. Give an old item new life (up cycling)
72. 4 decorated cup cakes

SECTION 5 – Eats and Drinks Classes 73-90

All exhibits to be loosely covered in cling film.

73. Apple Crumble Loaf (from recipe).
74. 5 sausage rolls maximum (3ins – 7.5 cms long)
75. Giant jaffa orange cake (from recipe)
76. White Chocolate and raspberry blondies (from recipe)
77. Victoria Sandwich using 3 eggs- jam filled up to 20cm (8in) round tin
78. Lemon drizzle cake
79. 5 pieces of shortcake.
80. Florentine Biscuits, 12, (from recipe)
81. Scones, plain, 4.
82. Quiche, any variety (18 - 20cm or 7 - 8 in)
83. Handmade bread
84. Bread - machine made
85. Boiled fruit cake
86. Pasty , meat and potato and any vegetable- not to exceed 9” in length
87. 1 bottle of homemade wine (labelled)
88. 1 bottle of sloe gin
89. 1 bottle of any other liqueur
90. 1 bottle of lemonade (still)

Jams, Pickle, Chutney – 340gm (12oz) or 450gm (1lb) jar Classes 93-100

Entries will be judged on the content and overall presentation.

91. Strawberry jam
92. Raspberry jam
93. Any other named jam
94. Lemon Curd
95. Seville Marmalade
96. Any other marmalade
97. Chutney
98. Pickle
99. 6 hens’ eggs – one colour
100. 6 mixed hens’ eggs

SECTION 6 CRAFTS Classes 101-124

(these must not have been exhibited before at Langtree)

101. A cushion- not to exceed 50cm in any dimension
102. A knitted /crochet cushion
103. Small cross stitch max 6”
104. Large cross stitch item – not to exceed 60 x 60 cm
105. An article of patchwork
106. An article of embroidery
107. A knitted / crochet soft toy
108. Knitted / crochet adult garment in double knit
109. Knitted /crochet child /baby article in 4ply/double knit
110. Something new from something old
111. A tapestry not to exceed 70cm x 70cm
112. An item of woodwork
113. An item of turned wood
114. Handmade Jewellery Item
115. Handmade beads
116. Christmas decorative item
117. Seascape/landscape painting any medium 18” max
118. A water colour any subject
119. Animal /Bird painting any medium
120. Monochrome drawing any medium
121. Lino print
122. Sculpture any medium
123. Handmade Christmas Card any medium
124. Picture any other medium

PHOTOGRAPHY Classes 125-134

(all photographs to be unframed. Maximum size A4)

125. Seasonal Colours
126. Running Water
127. Special effects
128. Dog(s) or Cat(s)
129. Dusk
130. Animal Kingdom
131. Lost or abandoned
132. Red
133. Panoramic
134. Digital Manipulation

Saturday 17th August 2019- 2.30pm in Parish Hall Admission Adults 50p Children 20p

Rules for Entries

- Classes are open to residents of Langtree Parish and those outside the Parish who are members of Clubs or Societies that meet regularly in the Parish Hall. This includes Langtree Primary School, WI, History Group, Short Mat Bowls. Maximum 2 entries per class.
- Entry fee is 20p per exhibit. Under 16's free in own classes but they may enter other classes on payment of the fee.
- All entry forms with correct fee to be returned to Old Rectory Langtree or box at the Parish Hall by 9pm on Thursday 15th August
- Exhibits must not have been shown previously at Langtree parish Show
- Exhibits to be staged by 10.30am on 17th August. Doors open at 8.30am but will be locked at 10.30am. Non perishable entries may be staged on Friday 16th August from 7 pm – 8.30pm
- Exhibits must not be removed until after 4pm when prize money can be collected on presentation of the relevant certificate.
- No exhibitors or any other person except judges, stewards and committee members to be present during judging.
- Exhibitors must provide own vases, plates etc Paper plate are acceptable.
- All exhibits of Fruit, Flowers or Vegetables must be grown by the Exhibitor. (Except flower arrangements)
- Entries should not have been exhibited before at Langtree.
- Jam jars to be labeled and to have plain or cellophane tops. Chutney and pickle jars to have plain screw tops.
- All cakes and other food items to be covered lightly with cling film.
- Prizes in each class 1st £1.50p 2nd £1.00p, 3rd 50p. However judges may withhold prizes if there are insufficient entries in any one class or where they think they are not merited.
An exhibitor may only receive one prize in any one class.
- The Committee will not be responsible for any loss or damage to the exhibits.
- The decision of the judges is final.

Guidelines for Entries

Some advice! Read the schedule carefully and ensure that the correct number of items in a class and the size is adhered to.

Eats and drinks

1. Jars of jam, jelly, marmalade should be filled to top jar, covered with a wax disc and then a cellophane jam pot cover – Metal commercial covers may be used but remove any advertising slogans.
2. Pickles and chutneys should have a slight head space of 3/4" and should be at least 2 months old and be sealed with a jar lid.. Labelling should be neat, straight, show contents of jar and date when made.
3. Entries in baking classes (e.g. cakes, scones and biscuits etc.) should be displayed on a plate and covered loosely with cling film.
4. No marks from cake rack should appear on top of cake.
5. Follow closely any recipe given in schedule. Copies of recipes may be obtained from Sue Lee theoldrectorydevon@hotmail.com, 01805 601602

Wines

1. Bottles should be clear glass for all types.
2. Any old labels should be fully removed.
3. The label should clearly state the type of wine.
4. The wine should be clear and bright. It will lose marks for cloudy appearance or any floating particles or bubbles.

Fruit and Vegetables

1. Please display vegetables and fruit on a plate; paper plates acceptable.
2. All roots and tubers should be washed not scrubbed.
3. **RHUBARB** - Leave on white base and approx. 2" of leaf. Sticks should be broken, not cut. Tie sticks together in two places.
4. **LETTUCE** - Do not remove all outside leaves.
5. **CARROTS** - All the same size as near as possible, clean and free from any carrot root fly damage and not showing any green shoulders. Cut tops back to 4" from crown and tie.
6. **MARROW** - Overall appearance more important than size.
7. **COURGETTES** - need to be young, leave flowers on if possible.
8. **POTATOES** - As near same size and shape as possible. Look for any sign of scab or slug damage.
9. **ONIONS AND SHALLOTS** - Size about equal, free from any splits. Tops cut back, bent over and tied. Leave on some root and outer skin.
10. **RASPBERRIES** - Pick the largest but not over-ripe. Leave stalks on. Arrange on a plate with a leaf or two.

Team Rector: Revd Martin Warren, tel: 01409-281424

Team Vicar: Revd Susannah Metz, tel: 01837-810621

Dear Friends,

It is always fascinating to see what people are reading on holiday. 'You're not reading that, surely' I was accosted with, on admitting to one reasonably weighty tome.

But this one I had had highly recommended. It was a must read. I'd first come across it when reading a review. The author had told the reporter of meeting a homeless person who was walking the coastal path after reading the account of this inspirational person. What he didn't realise was that he was talking to the author.

Raynor Winn and her husband have just lost their precious home to the bailiffs; within days he is diagnosed with a terminal illness. Life has just fallen apart. What are they to do? They start to walk. They walk the South West coastal path starting at Minehead. With hardly a penny to their name, and nowhere to go, they simply walk. It is the story along 'The Salt Path': a journey of sheer persistence, a journey through the ups and downs of all sorts of emotions, a journey through life and death - and into life once more. Their experiences and the people they meet are at times very funny; at others hugely tragic.

They discover that to describe themselves as homeless produces all sorts of negative reactions; but that to be walking by choice is ok. How prejudiced we can be just with a word. Underneath it is the same person, who, mostly through no fault of their own, has found themselves on the dump of life. It could be anyone of us, given the right - or maybe the wrong - circumstances.

The gift of God's love is that we can then see past the superficial, and see the person - the unique person - the person who so often desperately needs a loving word or touch.

Do read 'The Salt Path'. (It's ok, it's not religious at all!) But it is a powerful story of human life and human endurance.

Have a good summer.

Yours,

Martin Warren.

Enthusiastic bell ringers are always welcomed at the church on a Thursday evening from 7:30pm for an hour or so - Mark Hight 01805 601524

Services at All Saints

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| 4th Aug | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |
| 11th Aug | 11.00am | Baptism |
| 18th Aug | 11.00am | United Service (at Chapel) |
| 25th Aug | 11.00am | Holy Communion (at Merton) |
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| 1st Sep | 9.30am | Morning Prayer |
| 8th Sep | 11.00am | Family Service |
| 15th Sep | 11.00am | United Service (at Chapel) |
| 22nd Sep | 9.30am | Holy Communion |
| 29th Sep | 11.00am | Joint Service (at venue tbc) |
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| 6th Oct | 11.00am | Harvest Service |
| 13th Oct | 11.00am | Family Service |
| 20th Oct | 11.00am | United Service (at Chapel) |
| 27th Oct | 9.30am | Holy Communion |

From the Registers

Funerals: Our prayers for the bereaved.
30th May Richard Kellaway (at Barnstaple Crematorium)



Langtree WI

This year we are pleased to be celebrating our 70th anniversary. In view of this we held a tea party on the 22nd June and invited all the other members in our group to attend. Our president Nikki Poulter welcomed everyone and introduced the Appledore Singers, who provided great entertainment, filling the hall with their beautiful voices, which was enjoyed by all. Their repertoire was varied and sometimes amusing, there was much tapping of feet!

Food was then the order of the day! The Appledore Singers were invited to join us and everyone set about helping themselves to the magnificent food on display. Marian Gammond, one of our members, made a splendid "Birthday Cake", and everyone else contributed in some way to the spread before us! We were all spoilt for choice!

Everyone was then invited outside because to mark this special occasion we purchased a bench seat, which is made from recycled plastic and surprisingly very heavy! A purple ribbon was tied across the seat and was cut by our present founding member Ethel Huxtable, and ex founder member Eileen. We sang Jerusalem, helped by the Appledore Singers, followed by a thunderous applause.

Everyone was then invited to help themselves to more food while we proceeded to pull the draw. There were many prizes, and of course many winners, which resulted in squeals of delight coming from all around the hall!

The afternoon ended with "The Queen".

Let There Be Cake

We started this community meeting place for Stibb Cross last September. We meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 2:00 - 4:00 at The Old Chapel at the main crossroads in Stibb Cross. We offer homemade cake, locally roasted coffee and locally blended tea; but more importantly is an opportunity to share some time together with neighbours you may or may not already know. There is no charge, but contributions supporting various charities are welcome. Over the last year we have collected over £150 shared between MacMillan, Edukid, Samaritans and the RNLI.

After a summer break we will begin meeting again from the 3rd September. We have limited parking available but if you need a lift, please call or email us on 01805 601622 or oldchapelstudiosnd@hotmail.co.uk. Thank you to everyone who has come over the last year and we look forward to welcoming some new neighbours in the year ahead.

Jon, Tina and Barbara.

Hobby Group

I am pleased to say that our group is still growing! Everyone and anyone is welcome to join us. We meet every Tuesday 10.30 in the Leader Room. Come along and see for yourself. We have people knitting, sewing, drawing etc., in fact anything that takes your fancy. It costs just £1 per week which includes tea/ coffee and biscuits. Why not give us a try? You will enjoy a warm welcome from your local friends and neighbours.

Ring Sylvie 01805 601485 for more details.

Langtree Fun Day

3RD AUGUST 1.30PM

RECREATION FIELD AND PARISH HALL

Featuring 2 football matches:

1.45PM - CHILDREN'S MATCH

3PM - ADULTS MATCH

(RE-ENACTMENT OF LOCAL DERBY

BETWEEN MAGPIES AND LIONS)

TUG OF WAR SPORTS STALLS BBQ

TABLE TOP CREAMTEAS BAR

BOUNCY CASTLE ICE CREAM RAFFLE

PROCEEDS TO MUGA FUND

Dino Club



Summer Holiday Club

Mon 12th August – Wed 14th August

10am – 12noon, Langtree Parish Hall

Children: 5 - 11s (parents/ carers welcome to stay)

Booking if possible: 01409-281424 (Donations to cover costs)

Devon County Council - Cllr Andrew Saywell

Well Summer is finally here and so far we have had some lovely weather. I hope it continues into the Autumn! With my Highways 'hat' on the good weather is also good for the roads – I certainly notice that I get a lot less complaints about potholes when the weather gets better!

This edition of the magazine is the first to be published following the District Council elections and I would like to congratulate David Hurley on being re-elected and welcome Richard Wiseman as this Parish now has two District Councillors.

Work on Devon County Council goes on and since the last edition the surface dressing works in Langtree have now been completed. Despite the warnings from the Engineers as to how the 'micro asphalt' would look in Fore Street, the works look pretty good to me and the feedback I've had from local residents has so far been favourable.

Continuing the highways theme, I was really pleased when in May my County Council division of 'Torrington Rural' was selected to be part of a Pilot Scheme to trial different ways of working in Highways. More often or not, most pilots in Devon County Council take place in either South or East Devon so it is good that our part of the world has been chosen for a change!

Essentially this pilot is looking at changing the way Highways work so they are looking at all of their systems and processes and trying to cut out the duplication and inefficiencies – like for example, multiple site visits – that have cropped up over the years.

On top of that, they are also looking at how future works are identified and instead of relying on data metrics, local Parishes will be invited in to discuss local priorities so that in the future, we can avoid the cases where a vital local road fails to get repaired while a lightly trafficked route gets resurfaced.

All of the Parishes in Torrington Rural will be invited to see Highways so please get your suggestions in either to me or the Parish Council!

Moving away from Highways matters, readers may have noticed that Great Torrington has been found to be the healthiest area in the whole of Britain! Soho in London was found to be the least healthy. This good news times in neatly with a consultation the Devon Health and Wellbeing Board are carrying out on their new Health and Wellbeing Strategy. This new strategy aims to keep us as healthy as possible, and while you would think 'they would say that, wouldn't they', there is also a strong focus on improving mental health. So I would urge readers to take a look and participate in the consultation. You can find out more online here - <https://www.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/consultations/healthy-and-happy-communities-devons-joint-health-and-wellbeing-strategy-2020-25/>

Finally, you will probably have also seen that the Fire Service are carrying out consultations as well on potential station closures and changes to how they operate. I would like to reassure readers that there is no threat of closure to the station at Torrington, nor Bideford or Holsworthy. Indeed, if the proposals to use 'roving' fire appliances are adopted it could see rural fire cover increased in areas like Torridge rather than decreased. There will be drop in sessions in Bideford and Barnstaple on 6th and 8th August respectively and you can find out more online here - <https://www.dsfire.gov.uk/SaferTogether>

As ever, if there are any County Council matters you are concerned about please feel free to contact me. Can I wish you all a very good and enjoyable Summer.

Andrew Saywell

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Langtree History Corner

Have you moved into Langtree Parish in the past year or two, I hope you have settled in well & are finding this a happy place to live. Hopefully you have discovered some of the many groups & activities listed on the back of this magazine & have made many new friends. Are you aware there is a Local History Group which meets on 4th Wednesday of each month except August & December. We meet in the leader room of the Parish Hall at 7.00 & anyone is welcome. We pay £1.00 per person each evening to cover the cost of hiring the room.

Here are some items of local interest from the Bideford and District Community Archive based in the Council Offices, Windmill Lane, Northam. Open Monday-Wednesday 9.30-1pm. 01237 471714. Visit our website at www.bidefordarchive.org.uk

LANGTREE.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nethaway have landed safely at Guelph, Canada, where they will engage in farming. Mrs. May Dalton Hall, nee Hethaway, wife of Sergt. Hall, M.M., Australian Forces, who is now in Australia, has given birth to a daughter.

Good wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johns, who were married a short time ago, in Plymouth. Mrs. Johns (as Miss Millicent Cobman) was for some years the obliging assistant at the Post Office, Langtree, before her departure for Plymouth.

LANGTREE.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of Browns, have received intimation that their son, Private Edward Moore, has died in hospital in Amiens. The greatest sympathy is felt for the parents and family.

At the Parish Council meeting, over which Mr. Jones presided, the housing scheme was considered, but as no definite information was available it was decided to write the Clerk of the District Council asking for advice.

A whist drive has been held in the Church Room in aid of the Club funds. There were over 50 present. Mr. W. Ford was a capable M.C. Prizes—Ladies: Messrs P. Hutchings and C. Walters (playing as ladies): 1. Mrs. Thorne, consolation, Miss L. Bond. Men: Messrs J. Webber, J. Huxtable, and W. Ford, consolation, Mr. W. Haycock and Miss L. Bond.

A social gathering has been held in the Church Room in aid of the Disabled Soldiers and Sailors' Fund. Committee:—Mesdames Burrows, Hackwell, Hollowes, Jones, and Kelly. Over 50 were present, and a very pleasant evening was spent, dancing being kept up till 2. The Misses L. Thorne, E. Hooper, and W. Jones (Marland) were the hon. pianists. During the evening Miss Tanton sang in her usual fine style, and Mr. John Ford gave one of his humorous Devonshire stories. After paying all expenses, about £6 will be handed to the Fund.

LANGTREE.

The Church Sunday scholars have been entertained to tea in the Church Room.

A muffled peal on the Church bells closed the Old Year and a joyous peal ushered in the year of peace.

Miss Lucy Andrew, a scholarship winner of the day school, won the mathematics prize for her form at Barnstaple Grammar School.

Much sympathy is felt for the widow, child, and father of Pte. John Mills, of Stibb Cross, who has died in a French hospital. Pte. Mills had been a prisoner of war in Germany for some months, and all were looking forward to his return home.

The Devon County Food Production Department (Horticulture) have again elected Mr. S. H. Kelly as their representative for the Torrington Rural Area. A special branch has been formed to supply reliable selected seeds at the minimum cost on a co-operative basis. Any information will be gladly given to all seeking advice. Orchards are to receive special attention this year by the Department.

LANGTREE.

A successful tea and social has been held in the Church Room in honour of the local men who served in the Army and Navy during the late war. Some were away from home but about 50 sat down to an excellent meal tea. After tea, the Rector, at the request of the Committee, welcomed the Service men, remarking that Langtree was proud of her sons. Sergt-Major Webber suitably responded. At the suggestion of Mr. P. B. Jones, the company stood for a short time in remembrance of the Langtree men who had fallen. Dancing, songs, and recitations followed. Miss Thorne presided at the piano, and a delightful evening was spent. The Committee (mostly ladies) are heartily to be congratulated on the arrangements.

Fitness and Well Being

Neil Harris – Physio & PT - 01237238819
Torrington Hypnotherapy - 07814522591
Yoga – Ruth Chambers - 01805 938132
- 07789 020668

Pubs and Food Services

Green Dragon Inn - 01805601342
Union Inn - 01805601626
Stapleton Yoghurts - 01805601414
West Heanton Meals on Wheels - 01409218754
Marland Meats - 01805601245

Hairdressers & Beauty treatments

Lucy Coles - 07920828181
Christina Thomas - 01805601910

Builders and Trades

Tim Langmead Builder - 01805601500
Greg Mitchell General Builder - 07979 472837
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-Duffy Gardening service - 07572579422
Qualified Math Tutor - 07884232308
Accountant/Book Keeper - 07884232308
GW Architects Ltd - 01409281362

Suppliers

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

Accommodation

The Old Rectory B&B - 01805601602
Stibb Hollow Farm B&B - 01805601777

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

Local Contacts

Parish Hall Bookings - 01805601602
Langtree Church - 01409281424
Langtree Methodist Chapel - 01805628041
Langtree Primary School - 01805601354

What's On in Langtree

Health & Keep Fit

Body Blast - PH, Mon 6:15pm to 7:15pm

Short Mat Bowls – PH

Mon 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Wed 1:15pm - 3:30pm & 7:30 - 9:30pm
(not in Summer)

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 Wed 9am to 12pm (PH) Term Time

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 & Cafe – Thursdays 10am to 3pm
(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

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