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LANDULPH NEWSLETTER
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Landulph Life and News

Editorial

Welcome to the second year in the life of Landulph newsletter. In this issue we welcome the help of Landulph School in producing the front cover. The painting is by Callum from Class3.

We are very grateful to the Cooperative Community Fund which has given us a grant of £200 towards our production costs and we also thank the Landulph Festival of Music and Art for a donation.

We hope to see you at the Scottish dancing on Dec1st when you can tell us what you like about the newsletter while you dance the eightsome reel.

We have some new advertisers this month and it would be good if you can support them. Advertising revenue is very important in funding the newsletter.

If this editorial seems preoccupied about money, I apologise but I am the treasurer for the newsletter!

A Very Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year to you all from all the newsletter committee

Parish Council Meeting 15th October

In public forum, Margaret Honey said that the County Footpath Officer had promised further clearance of fallen timber on the shore path to Landulph, and a possible redirection of the path through Haye Farm yard.

Affordable Housing would be an agenda item next month in response to Morton Macleod's request for an update.

In the formal meeting, we learned that the Highways Surveyor would meet with councillors to consider speed restriction throughout the village, and that the County Divisional Surveyor had written (in response to Parish's request for repairs to potholes) to say that he had driven most of the roads in the parish and had found only minor surface irregularities, requiring no treatment in advance of that already planned for next and subsequent years. Ray then produced photos of the offending patch between Highdown and Stockadon junction, while Jane mentioned another problem surface near Clampit Cottage. Councillors who walk or cycle has strong feelings about poor surfaces. We'll hear more about this, but unfortunately a discussion about models of cars which register every bump was nipped in the bud.

There was then a long and informative discussion re Plymouth Waste Management Plan, in which an incineration and energy generation plant at Ernesettle had been granted "preferred" status; Parish's comments had been invited on the plan's progression through various phases of consultation, and had replied robustly, complaining of inadequate consultation with them and with others affected locally, and also raised nine specific objections.

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Mah Jong

Mahjong roughly translates as “chattering sparrow” which is the noise the tiles make as you shuffle them. The tiles are very tactile and vary from set to set in appearance. There are 3 suits Circles, Bamboo and Characters, and Honours of Winds and Dragons. The flowers or guardian tiles which are not used in general play are the most decorative. During the 20’s it was reported that the worldwide craze for Mahjong caused a shortage of ivory and bone, which was used to make the tiles.



In the late 40’s during the Chinese Communist Revolution Mahjong was banned, as it was regarded as encouraging gambling and a capitalist pastime. The ban was not lifted until the late 60’s but now once again it is very popular. The traditional game played on street corners, parks and in homes in China has far fewer rules than the International game played in the west, and is played at a fast and furious pace.

Whereas the group who meet up on Tuesdays afternoons in Cargreen play at a much more leisurely pace and of course no gambling takes place! I would like to say that this certainly doesn’t mean that the will to win is any less. I would like to leave you with one comment made by the husband of a Mahjong player who had been watching his wife and friends play for some time. *“I think that this is a wonderful game, as it is the first time I have seen so many women in one room so quiet for so long.”*

Please feel free to join us on a Tuesday afternoon – all are welcome. Contact: Phillida Jermain Tel: 847546

As the Parish Council held its own funds dedicated to footpaths repairs, it was decided that two councillors plus the Footpath Committee would bring up a priority list for consideration as soon as possible.

Olive Eggleston brought Council’s attention to St Mellion Club’s plan to close a right of way between St Mellion and Pillaton in order to extend the golf course, and invited support for a petition against the closure. Councillor Mrs Garner said that the path was in fact a class C county road and therefore all the more difficult to close.

Planning: Council recommended approval for: -

Dormer extension to rear of dwelling. 11 Coombe Drive, Cargreen, Mr & Mrs Jones
Provision of revetment blocks at top of ramp leading to causeway. Cargreen Yacht Club.

Erection of double garage & removal of wooden shed. Landulph Rise, Landulph, Mr & Mrs Hall

Construction of conservatory at rear of dwelling. 21 Hodders Way, Cargreen, Mr Neale

Meeting lasted 64 minutes, 5 members of the public and District Councillor Mrs Garner in attendance.

Morton Macleod

Parish Council meeting 19th November

Next edition copy date is 15th January but earlier would be even better.

Please contact a committee member for more details.

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| Jo Butcher | 01752 844302 | Mavis Edmonds | 01579 350385 |
| Morton Macleod | 01752 846520 | Sylvia Bedbrook | 01752 844519 |
| Reg Rice | 01752 844858 | Val Oatham | 01752 842560 |

Reg Hosking BEM

As far back as many can remember the area at the bottom of Fore Street on the right hand side of the road was known as Hoskings Quay. There was a huge grain store with a tall chimney, all now sadly gone.

The Hosking family took over the mill on the quay from the Spear family in 1922, and at that time there were 6 children, two girls and four boys. Reg Hosking was born in 1917, and his close association with the river began at the age of 3 when he fell in it. Fortunately, he was rescued before floating away, only to be rewarded with a good hiding!

The business in those days was mainly unloading coal from the ships that brought it down from the North of England, and supplying as many as 36 schools. The coal store was situated on the site now occupied by The Spaniards car park. Other items stocked were for agricultural use, and as the boys became old enough they all joined the business. Deliveries from the mill were undertaken by horse and cart until 1933 when the first lorry was bought. Older brother Fred learned to drive in just 3 days, there being no driving test at the time. The last boat to arrive was a Dutch motor vessel in 1938.

When the world scout jamboree took place in 1936 at Mount Edgcumbe, Reg was the local Assistant Scout Master, he joined the Army's 86th Anti Tank regiment in January 1940. Stationed near Lamberhurst in East Sussex, he was asked by the 'Captain of the Tower' to teach bell ringing to the local girls club. At that time, the clappers were tied up, since no bells were allowed unless an invasion was imminent. This was where Reg first met his wife Peggy, and they soon got together in the Belfry! The couple were married when he was demobbed in 1946.

Coming back to the family business, Reg managed to keep the tired old lorry running until they could buy newer ones, and get staff to drive them. The business finally closed down in 1980.

Reg is delighted that this year he has been able to celebrate his 90th birthday, their Diamond Wedding anniversary, and the birth of their great grand daughter.

Reg Rice

Thank you for reading the Newsletter.

The Newsletter Committee reserve the right to edit or refuse material.

If there are any mistakes, we apologise.

Please contact any member of the committee with suggestions for new items, or other helpful comments.

Signed articles do not necessarily express the views of the committee.

Please use the parish website at www.landulph.com which is managed by Roger Creagh-Osborne.

Memorial Hall News New Year's Eve Party



You will see from the flyer in this newsletter what we have planned for the New Year. We will need people to help with preparations and clearing up afterwards so if you are willing to help please phone either Philip 847793 or Colin 849805



Car Rota for Doctors Surgery

More volunteers are needed for the car rota. You will need to be available about 3 Friday mornings a year to collect from their home those patients who wish to visit the doctor's surgery at the Memorial Hall and return them after their appointment.

Sadly, we are losing Peter du Plessis from our list. He has been a long time helper and we shall miss him. *Many many thanks Peter.*

Could YOU be the one to replace him? You would be helping the folk in the Parish who need this service.

If you are able to help please ring me: Harold Bolt 01752 844508

Harold Bolt



Nature Notes

As requested by Morton I'm to expand the subject of the Tamar birds, so here's to the **Avocets**. They are back from their summer hols, hopefully having reproduced and multiplied, and should be around our creeks and mud flats following the tides back and forth making the loveliest little chirpy noises, busily feeding, beaks curved up at the tip and heads moving fast in a steady rhythm like a metronome. Elegant little black and white cigar shapes with long spidery legs. In flight they are just perfect, except for their habit of vanishing as they appear to twist and fall into nowhere. They are such a joy to see, and never cease to amaze me with their vibrancy, charm and beauty.

Have you ever noticed any coloured rings just above the height of their knobby knees? From these colours you can find out where they originate by logging onto www.bto.org, then follow links to report a colour ringed bird. Of course you have to remember not only the colour but the order of the colours, top and bottom, and the one that gets me, left or right leg! They usually depart about the end of February.

The avocet in the centre of the "summer news letter" cover isn't really a blunder, avocets not being summer visitors. The picture is entitled "The Landulph Lovelies" and represents the "loveliness" of our beautiful surroundings, of which the avocets and of course the sunshine are very high on the list! That explained, keep watching, binoculars at the ready, as the tide just covers or uncovers the mud, and if you really get hooked, also on rainy days when the tide is way out and the mud glistens and runs with rain water you might see them feeding and chattering. They will lighten your step, thrill your being and make you completely forget the freezing cold rain.



We're so jolly lucky here in Landulph, by the ever changing and beautiful River Tamar.

Liz Dunn

Christmas Cards

Further to my suggestion in the October '07 Newsletter, regarding local cards being dispensed with and replaced by a donation to the Salvation Army Christmas Children's Appeal. The following people contacted me and will not be sending local cards but wish to extend Seasonal Greetings to all friends:

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| Jack & Sylvia Bedbrook | Richard & Christine Bowman |
| Pete & Jenny Bamford | Glen & Margaret Honey |
| Ray & Anne Moxley | Maurice & Annemarie Nathan |
| Roma Netherton | James & Phillida Jermain |
| Margery Blatchford | Andrew & Jo Butcher |
| Peter Clayton | Jill & Richard Taylor |
| Rita Walker | Kate & Steve Garner |
| Gwen Anderson | |



I will visit the above during the weeks before Christmas to collect their donations. The total forwarded to the Salvation Army will be reported in the next Newsletter.

Happy Christmas

Jack Bedbrook

Newsletter AGM report

5 members of the public attended the AGM on 3rd October. The Treasurer reported a credit balance of £726.85. Over the year there had been donations from local residents and parish organisations of £838, advertising revenue of £584 and income from grants (Radio Cornwall and crcc) of £1300.00. Accounts were approved.

Members of the public in attendance were generous with congratulations on the newsletter's production, favoured loose insert diary page, the colourful outer cover, and asked the committee to review policy re publication of readers' letters.

Morton Macleod was elected to the committee; Trisha Langdon's resignation was received with regret and many thanks for all her help with the newsletter.

Morton Macleod

Scottish Dancing

We hope to sell 100 tickets, and even if some good folk buy tickets with no intention of attending, but wish to support the good cause, there will still be too little space in the main hall for all attending to dance every dance. So there's plenty of opportunity to sit out some of the dances and watch others do the bounce test, and all for a mere £7.50! How can you resist? Tickets –**phone 01752 842533**

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Cargreen family would like to move to a 4 bedded house in the Parish.

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Letters to the editor

Prompted by a point raised by a member of the public at the AGM, the newsletter group has agreed to publish letters from our readers. This will initially be for a trial period of three editions i.e. In February, April and June 2008. Letters should not exceed 100 words in length, and their publication will be subject to the usual editorial constraints. Ideally, letters should be forwarded as Word attachments by email to Jo Butcher at joanna@threecornermeadow.wanadoo.co.uk or on paper to any member of the newsletter group.

The Newsletter committee

Landulph School

Healthy Schools Award Ceremony .Teacher Annie Yull, together with 2 pupils Jonny and Zoe went to the Eden Project. They represented the school at Healthy Schools Awards Ceremony when the school received re-accreditation under the scheme.

The school Christmas show will be performed at Landulph Memorial Hall on the afternoon of Dec12th and the evening of Dec14th

January 14th sees the start of Poetry week.

Landulph School PTA

Burns Night- A celebration of the Bard -Robert Burns will be held at Landulph Memorial Hall on 25TH Jan.

Tickets now on sale at £20 each to include a four course meal and Ceilidh Band.

British Citizenship

Congratulations to Penenah Barrett who received British Citizenship recently. Penenah, wife of Kevin and mother to Cassey, lives at Crumple Park Cargreen. She was awarded British Citizenship in a ceremony at Truro recently by the Lord- Lieutenant, Lady Mary Holborow.



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Welcome to new residents to the parish.

In each edition of the newsletter we print a small article about those newly moved to the parish. If you would like to contribute please contact Morton Macleod,

Jim and Carole Davis

We are Jim and Carole Davis and have been moving into 6 Coombe Drive since August, after enjoying recent winters in N America and summers in Spain. We are both retired, Jim having worked in the plastics and automotive industries while Carole worked as a nurse and midwife. We have a grown-up daughter who lives in Oregon.

It is certainly nice to be in a quiet, mature village undisturbed by endless development, approached by a road going nowhere but a waterside pub. In fact pub lunches are a fun pastime of ours, and although we enjoyed life abroad, it's great to be back, especially so that Jim can get a decent pint again.

Carole likes cats, most forms of music, plays the piano a bit and may start on the guitar. She likes to study serial killers, but not too closely – Cargreen seems safe enough!

Jim enjoys a bit of gardening, walking, messing about in boats, real ale, Mozart, cars, and like everyone else we both really enjoy being away from hectic 24/7 careers. It will take time to settle back into village life again.

Roger and Angela Hume

Now retired from the lighting industry and teaching Roger and Angela Hume are looking forward to completing their move to 4 Coombe Drive Cargreen in the spring and have already joined the Yacht Club. They hope to become involved in other community activities as they have many interests including theatre, gardening, music, photography, painting and narrow boating

Gardening Club

The Christmas meeting on Wednesday Dec12th at 7.30pm will start with a demonstration by Ken Willcock . Ken as well as having wonderful gardens at Ken Caro is also a well known floral art demonstrator and judge.

His talk will have a Christmas theme and the arrangements will be raffled. A buffet supper will follow. Please let Ivor Rogers 01752 848485 know if you wish to attend. Tickets are £8.00 . Please bring your own wine.

Jo Butcher



Landulph Snooker Club

Formed in 1977 this successful club meets in the Landulph Memorial Hall Snooker Room in the Annexe. Equipped with a full size snooker table the room was fully refurbished with the help of an Awards for All grant in 2006. The Landulph team of 5 members were promoted to the Premium Division of the Bond Timber Liskeard and District Snooker League last season, which was quite an achievement for a small club.

To join costs £12 a year, which gives you a swipe card to access the Snooker Room.

Anyone interested should contact Secretary Louise Billing 01752 845234.

Landulph Festival of Music and Art 2008

Next years festival will be held in the autumn, Friday October 3rd to Sunday October 12th 2008. The programme is in preparation, the following activities and events are being considered. An Art" Master class" ; lunchtime music concert; Village "open mike " evening; theatre production; folk night; local schools involvement; visiting choir; rock band and jazz. Put this date in your diary now for what promises to be an excellent festival with something for everyone.

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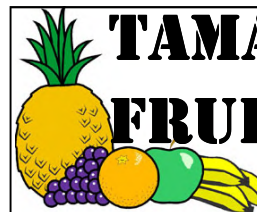
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The Searle Family Memorial Field (the cricket field)

Why is the field so named? Well, for many years cricket was played there and among the local players was Henry Searle, born in 1904, died in 1996. Henry lived across the road from the field where the Bird family lives now, and in his later years when no longer a player, was an enthusiastic spectator and supporter. In his time Henry was also a chorister, bell-ringer, carpenter, gardener, gravedigger and all-round character.

He and his wife Gertrude were also good friends to a gentleman who prefers to be un-named...let's just call him "the gentleman". When the field came up for sale in 1980 and it seemed certain that cricket would no longer be welcome, the Searles and others looked for a rescue plan which was fortunately provided by "the gentleman", who purchased the field with the intention that it be used for cricket and other sporting events in the parish.

More recently, the field was donated to the parish council, to be used for sport and recreation for as long as there is a demand. So the field's formal name commemorates a valued family friendship, and a grand old man. However, "the gentleman" is the real hero of this story, and on behalf of the whole community, I say "Thank you, Sir".

Morton Macleod



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Christmas Walks and lots more



Once again we will be organising walks of the parish paths. This year the walks will be on Boxing Day. There will be a choice of three walks starting at 9.30, 10.30, and 11.30. They will be much the same as in the previous years but the fine detail of the route, according to the condition of the paths, will be posted on the village board.

There has been much good progress on our paths. The really good news is that the longstanding problems on the footpath from Salter's Mill through Haye Farm are to be resolved. We had most useful contact with Dave Wood, the Cornwall County Council Footpaths Officer. He had a meeting with the Land Agent for Pentille Estate who was most helpful. The big problem of access through the cattle collecting yard is to be solved by taking down a section of the cinder block wall that adjoins the yard and putting in a stile. This is wonderful news as the path will now enable a lovely circular walk along the river and back through the farm and across the hill to the Coombe.

The missing Bridleway sign on Footpath 8, where Paradise Lane leaves the road. is to be replaced.

The very many people who worked so hard to get the right of way of the Slipway recognised will be pleased to see that the "Private" sign by the flats forecourt has been removed as it was ambiguous as to just which area it referred. The owner of The Boat House has been informed that he should either remove his sign that says "Private Slipway" or he MUST add to it that it is "a public Right of Way". Also the post that points to the Right of Way in front of the pub is to be correctly orientated to the path along the shore and have a sign added that points to the Slipway. Do walk down to the water at low tide and admire the view.

We have walked all the paths in the last few days and there has been much ploughing. The field that has been pasture for many years, just before Sargents Wood on the Ellbridge path, has been ploughed. This makes some walks difficult at the moment but I am sure they will all have been reinstated, as required, before Boxing Day.

Margaret Honey

For the Landulph Footpath Group

Cargreen Rainfall

September 2007 Total 66mm – 2.64 inches. Highest 24hr fall 36.8mm on the 23rd a day of persistent showers. Rain recorded on twelve days

October 2007 Total 46.4mm – 1.85 inches. Highest 24hr fall 22.5 on the 16th. Rain recorded on nine days.

This was well below Oct 2006 total of 172mm and rain on 22 days.

No thunderstorms in either month.

Ken Eastment

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Gables Farm Celebrates a Centenary of Care

To mark 100 years in the city, Gables Farm will be holding a series of events throughout 2007 to celebrate its Centenary, honour its heritage, raise funds and increase awareness of its cause to an even wider audience.

"We hope the people of Plymouth will take our Centenary campaign to their hearts and work extremely hard to raise money for us by getting involved in our calendar of events as well as hopefully, developing their own fund-raising ideas," said Tony Harris, the general manager of Gables Farm. *"During the year we hope to attract a fresh wave of support that will carry us forward for decades to come and help us finance the care we provide to many hundreds of animals each year".*

Staff at Gables Farm have been serving the region's four legged

friends since it was founded in 1907 by two sisters, who cycled around Plymouth collecting stray cats and then later dogs too.

Originally based at Cattedown, Gables Farm moved to its purpose-built site near Saltram House, with state of the art accommodation in 1999. This move coincided with an intensive programme of re-branding and restructuring that helped the city's major animal welfare charity to become a more competitive force. In order to address the need of expanding waiting lists and overcome limited space, the modernisation of Gables Farm's facilities is an ongoing requirement. Extensive refurbishment is already currently underway on existing dog kennels, coupled with an appeal to raise funds for additional accommodation.

There are many ways you can help raise funds and support our Centenary celebrations. www.gablesfarm.org.uk.

If you think you can help re-home a dogs, please contact Gables Farm on 01752 331602

email info@gablesfarm.org. www.gablesfarm.org.uk



PINK EVENT LANDULPH MEMORIAL HALL 2007



Cancer Research– Cargreen Group

Chairperson and organiser of the 1970's pink Dinner party, Gaye Braund thanked all who came and all who worked hard to cook and serve the food, run the bar, and organise the music and raffle. Thanks also go to those who could not attend and gave donations. The committee is pleased that the event raised over £1500. As can be seen from the pictures above everyone enjoyed themselves.

If you left a pair of bifocal glasses behind please phone 01752 844302