

# Landulph News



**Your guide to what's happening in the area  
issue No. 55 February/March 2015**

## **Parish Council Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

The Parish Council had three important issues to consider. Two of them, safety issues at the Penyoke playground and the Neighbourhood Plan, are reported on fully below.

The third matter concerned the safety on the A388 by the Sillaton/Stockadon junction. The Parish Council, and the Saltash Area Road Safety Committee have been arguing with Cornwall Highways for the past three years about the need for double white lines to deter north-bound cars from overtaking vehicles wishing (and indicating) to turn right towards Cargreen.

If anyone experiences a near accident at this point, they are asked to notify the Parish Clerk, and to write to Mr Adrian Drake, the County Highways Manager at [adrake@cornacltd.co.uk](mailto:adrake@cornacltd.co.uk).

### **New Councillor co-opted**

Christopher Wyman of Collogett Barns, has been co-opted as a Landulph Parish Councillor. Councillor Wyman was unanimously co-opted to the office of Member of Landulph Parish Council at the monthly meeting on 22 September 2014. His contact details are: Collogett Barns, Landulph, Saltash PL12 6ND, Tel: 01752 845584, email [chris@fordgate.com](mailto:chris@fordgate.com)

### **Neighbourhood plan meeting called**

For some time, the Parish Council has been thinking about the benefits of developing a Neighbourhood Plan for the parish as a whole. Such a plan sets out policies in relation to the development and use of land within the community. It can build on the aspirations set out in our Parish Plan, and carries a lot more teeth.

It cannot be used to stop new development, but it enables the community to shape the sort of development it wants to see in the parish. Once approved, the planners in Cornwall council have to take it into account in their planning decisions. Whilst parish councils can play a part, they are not the decision makers in this process. Neighbourhood Plans have to be a community effort, and approved in a referendum, following extensive consultation.

Following a meeting with advisers from the Cornwall Rural Community Charity, the Council has arranged for a public meeting to be held in the **Memorial Hall on Tuesday 14 April at 7 p.m.** Their experts will be on hand to explain what is involved and answer any questions you may have. Refreshments will be laid on.

## **Landulph Memorial Hall upgrade**

By the time you read this you may have found that the LMH main hall has been shut. In fact the main hall has been closed from Friday morning 23 January and will not be reopening until Thursday 5 February.

As you may have read in the last edition of the Landulph Newsletter, the Parish Council granted £9,018 (from the Solar Park grant of £30,000) to carry out an upgrade of the main hall by installing a new Acoustic ceiling with built in LED dimmable lighting.

The whole contract also allowed for acoustic wall panels to be fitted to the end wall and north adjacent wall. This part of the scheme will be delayed until we test out the first phase. If it is found that this is needed it will be carried out without closing the hall down again. The main grant of £9,018 allows for this.

Whilst the above work is being carried out the use of the Annexe is uninterrupted and the Doctors surgery will carry on as usual on Tuesdays and the corridor will be used as the waiting room.

*Reg Rice*

## **Landulph Memorial Hall**

There are about 480 people who live in the parish. 20 of those 480 have been very active in helping to keep the Memorial Hall as somewhere that can be used for meetings, parties and village events. Perhaps it's time you volunteered to help.

The next meeting is the AGM on Monday 2 March at 7 p.m. There are five vacancies on the committee so please come along and offer to get involved.

*Jo Butcher*, Chair Landulph Memorial Hall Committee.

[jobutcher@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jobutcher@hotmail.co.uk)

## **What? No diary?**

The Newsletter Group apologises to the Parish for the fact that there is no diary in this month's edition. The reason for this is simple. Reg Rice wanted to give up editing the diary a year ago. We have been trying to find a replacement ever since. Reg has now had enough so we have no Diary Editor. There will be no diary until a parishioner volunteers to take it on.

This is a great pity because the diary is an essential, if not the essential reason for the Newsletter's existence. It is the main source of information about forthcoming events and is used by all local groups, clubs and associations for co-ordinating their activities so there are as few clashes as possible. If there is anyone out there who feels he or she could take it on, please contact me.

*James Jermain, Newsletter Group Chairman Tel: 01752 847546*

## Recreation ground swing unsafe

The recent yearly inspection of equipment at the Penyoke recreation ground has found many items needing refurbishment or renewal. The swing, originally installed in 1953 has come to the end of its life and has been decommissioned with immediate effect. We plan to replace this in the spring.

At the same time we hope that work will start on refurbishing the rest of the equipment. During this work the play equipment will be out of bounds and the fence and gates will be secured shut. Please ensure that this is not tampered with and children do not enter the site for health and safety reasons.

*Landulph Parish Council*

## Landulph Under Fives

**New Year** from Landulph Under Fives! Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the trip to Pennywell Farm at Christmas and we were delighted to receive a comment from staff telling us how obvious it was that there was a great relationship between staff and children. We'd also like to thank Father Christmas for taking time to come and see us on the last day of term - the children had a wonderful time. So now we're ready to start a new term and a new year. A big welcome to Finlay, Leyla and Lois who joined us in January, bringing our numbers up to twelve. This term's topic is 'People Who Help Us' and we are expecting visits from a dentist, doctor and hopefully the Fire Service. We'll be talking about the Police and Ambulance Services, discussing how to keep safe at home and on the road, as well as how to keep healthy. We'll also be having a visit from the local RSPCA officer to talk about people who help our pets. A visit to see the lambs at Farmer Browns is planned so that we can discuss how farmers help us and what they do. All in all, a busy few weeks! We are looking forward to installing a new sheltered play area outside as a result of grants from Cornwall Council, Awards For All and from the Parish Council via the Stockadon Solar Farm. Also, we have a new computer! A big thank you to Recycling Plymouth for the generous and much appreciated donation. Please look out for our Community Matters box at Waitrose in February and consider donating as many green coins as possible to us - every little helps.

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We were very proud to receive a letter from the Hon David Laws MP, Minister of State Schools, congratulating us on our Key Stage 2 2014 results. Our excellent results mean we were amongst the top 100 performing schools in the country based on sustained improvement in attainment at Level 4 or above in reading, writing and mathematics each year from 2012 - 2014. We are delighted to have welcomed five new pupils this term which takes our number up to 67; we look forward to getting to know them and their families. We currently have places available in

Foundation, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4.

This term we are looking forward to 'Bikeability' with Penny Allen, for our Y6 pupils. Penny works with the pupils to assist them in gaining confidence and road awareness when they are cycling. Our yearly swimming programme commences this term and we continue to do well in the cross country events, being able to field four complete teams for each event so far in this academic year is fantastic. The cross country club are also looking forward to taking part in the Landrake Fun Run on the 6 March. Our netball team will be competing in the High Fives tournaments against other local schools this term.

We also have a whole school visit planned to the Eden project during Science and Engineering week in March using the grant we have received from the organisation.

We continue this term with some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils attending saltash.net for a series of Maths Master Classes as well as whole class visits.

As you can see, quite a busy term without even mentioning the reports to parents and parents' evenings that will take place before Easter!

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### **The Christmas Walk**

This year was the first time I have taken part in the Landulph Parish walks, a traditional Yuletide activity. In searching for the history of this event I have discovered it goes back into the distant past of 1995. Back in the day, there was a government initiative to upgrade village footpaths for the coming Millenium. Parish Councillor Reg Rice, took on the role for our village, of leading the team with particular help from local farmer at the time John Close. On Completion of the works, an autumn walk in 1996 was advertised in the Saltash Press by the Cornwall Council, which brought 80 people to our village hall for the first walk. There were so many people that the walk was divided into three groups. Since then there has been a walk every year and this soon became a post-Christmas Day, walk. The start of the walk moved from the Hall, to the Spaniards and more recently to the CargreenYacht Club. There has been a walk every year since, no matter what the weather had to offer; apparently there has been some atrocious weather on the day, but the walk has never been abandoned.

Getting back to today, to be precise, 27 December 2014, as the tradition goes, we were given three length options for the walk we wished to undertake; this involved a relatively early start for the long walk, a mid-morning, middle-length walk, and a short late-start walk. I opted for the middle walk, which turned out to be the most popular with a turnout of approximately 45 people with children and a large

number of dogs, all well behaved, at least the dogs were. We were blessed with mostly sunny and chilly weather for the period of the walk, which was preceded and followed by rain, and this I felt lifted our spirits. We set out, led by walk leaders: Richard Bowman led our walk decked in a bright red raincoat and was certainly not hard to miss. I cannot speak for the other contingents, I understand David Erskine led the long walk and Marcia Pirie led the short walk. I recall Richard taking a number count at the beginning of the walk and at various strategic points along the way to ensure that nobody had got left behind. We all made it, and for my part I discovered a few paths, that until then, I had never ventured on. The walk seemed to me to be like a walking social event, as most people chatted away and I got to know a number of people who until then I had only acknowledged. We arrived back at the Yacht club to be welcomed by Reg Price, Christene Bowman and Ann Erskine serving up delicious warm soups and Cornish Pasties.

It certainly was an enjoyable event. With many thanks to the Foot Path Group for their work in keeping our footpaths in fine condition and arranging the Christmas Walk. . *Allen Pack*



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## Methodist News

The well supported Annual Carol Service held on Sunday 14 December was led by Rev Jonathan Budd. Children from Landulph School took part, singing Away in a Manger, Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer and We Three Kings. Readers were Ray and Val Oatham, Pauline Rutherford, Carolyn Pickard, Esther Best (Head of Landulph School), Peggy Dawe and Rev Jonathan. The Organist was Julian Langston

Our monthly programme continues with:

First Wednesday                      Soup and Sweet Lunches at 12 noon

Second Wednesday                  Get Together at 2 pm

Everyone is welcome to join us.

The forthcoming Sunday Services all start at 10.30am.

1 February	Mark Pellow	1 March	Rev Jonathan Budd H C
8 February	Donald Cooke	8 March	Keith Mutton
15 February	Noel Morgan	15 March	Heather Blacker
22 February	Helen Burke	22 March	Mark Pellow
29. March	Rev Chris Tomlinson		

### Will the church come clean?

Landulph Parish Church is organising a spring clean on Saturday 28 March. If you could spare just half an hour to help clean the church – buff up some brass, polish a pew, catch a cobweb, wipe a window – we will spread the load and the work can be done quickly and well. Coffee and delicious biscuits will be supplied. Details will appear nearer the time, or please call Nigel on 01752 841 520 or Richard on 07787 804640.



*Phillida Jermain*, PCC Secretary

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## Good Companions programme

The Landulph Good Companions programme for the first half of the year has been announced.

- 17 February Ted Sherrell JP from Tavistock is the author of several books and will recount some of his *Country Tales*.
- 17 March We welcome back Sue Evans Pianist and Accordionist followed by the AGM.
- 21 April Peter Lavis from Heligan Gardens returns to present *Lost gardens, Lost gardener*, tracing the gardeners who went to the First World War, some of whom didn't come back.

Our trips start in April and the programme is:

- 28 April the Bodmin/Wenford Railway.
- 26 May Lynton and Lynmouth
- 23 June Rosemoor Gardens.
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*Mavis Edmonds, Secretary*

### **Information for Newcomers**

The Saltash Health Centre holds a surgery in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday mornings from 10.45am.

If you wish to attend, please ring the Health Centre before 10.00 am and ask for the Cargreen surgery. The doctor on duty will bring your records. If you need transport there is a voluntary car service, details of which are on the village noticeboards.

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## **Cargreen's answer to Gareth Malone?**

We are incredibly lucky to have **Liz Saudek** as the conductor of the Village Choir. She makes the journey from Liskeard to Cargreen each Thursday evening to try to mould a very mixed group of individuals into something musically beautiful. She does this in a very patient and highly amusing way.

Liz was head of music at Liskeard School and Community College. She started another choir of very able folk, *Valley Voices*, in 2009 and also sings in the East Cornwall Bach Choir, acting as it's chairperson until recently. In addition to her music and sailing, Liz is an enthusiastic canoeist and bird watcher; she also enjoys growing her own vegetables.



I asked her why she puts so much effort into our choir. 'I have been sailing from Cargreen since 1976 and have received a great deal of friendly and practical help from members of CYC, many of them residents of the village. I have made very little contribution to the running of the sailing club so it is good to make my contribution to the village in this musical way Instead.'

I chatted to a choir member one wet and windy Thursday as we were preparing to walk home. She said 'I came along this evening feeling a bit miserable, but all that's gone now!' That says it all. **Thanks, Liz!**

If anyone would like more information about joining us, please give me a call on 01752 841573 *Richard Bowman*

## **More top films in Landulph**

The Film club has announced its next two presentations which are both major works from recent years.

On 17 February it is showing *Philomena*, one of the best films of 2013 and well worth a first or second viewing. Judy Dench plays the Irish elderly lady who embarks on a search for the son who was taken from her by nuns when she was a young single mum. Her search is shared and guided by a reporter, played by the comedian Steve Coogan (who also co-wrote it) with humour and sensitivity. It's quite gritty, but you'll smile too.

On 17 March the screening is *The Piano* which is set in 19th century New Zealand outback so the scenery is lovely but human behaviour is less admirable with a dour husband, a mute wife, a sympathetic lover, and a piano which draws the latter two together in a relationship where passion, jealousy and violence soar. This film won Oscars for actors and director.

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*Morton Maclead*



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## NO ONE LIKES COMMITTEES!

It is brilliant to be able to tell you that the 2014 Landulph Festival sold more tickets to more people than in previous years, and that we covered all our costs with a good surplus, despite benefiting from some top international performers. As a result of this we were able to make donations of £100 each to the following supporters: Landulph Church, the



Methodist Church, the Rectory Room and the parish Newsletter. We are aware that no-one likes Committees but events don't run themselves! However, we invite you to come to have a glass of wine and attend the **Annual General Meeting of the Landulph Festival Association, at 8pm on Tuesday 10 February in the Rectory Room** to hear how we plan to spread the load of organising the Festival more

widely but at the same time reducing the number of people attending Committee meetings!

If you would like to learn more, express your views on the Festival, share your ideas for the future, or just show your support for your hard-working Festival Committee, please come.

Offers of help – with catering, heaving furniture around, distributing leaflets, submitting entries for the art exhibition or any other skills you may have to offer - are always warmly welcomed but not a condition of attendance.

If you can't come to the meeting but have ideas for us to consider, please email [landulphfestival@gmail.com](mailto:landulphfestival@gmail.com).

*Phillida Jermain*

Hon Sec, Landulph Festival Committee



## Landulph Gardening Club

At the start of our new year, our Committee remains the same and the first talk for 2015 will be on Wednesday, 11 February, at 7.30 pm when Jenny Edrich will talk on Travels of a Botanist.

To give us confidence for our Spring Show, on Wednesday, 11 March at 7.30 pm Maggi Murray will demonstrate some *floral art* and give practical help and advice. She will also need two volunteers to assist. In March, on Saturday 28, 10 am to 5 pm and on Sunday 29, 10 am to 4 pm the Cornwall Garden Society will be staging their Spring Show at Boconnoc (east of Lostwithiel). This is truly impressive and there is always plenty to see.

After Easter, on Saturday 11 April, 2 pm to 4.30 pm we will hold our own Spring Show with a very varied chance for all to contribute and get over any shyness! Plenty of people will be on hand to advise. Jane Espig (01752 844811) and I (01752 846504) will have schedules. Our regular meeting for April will move to the third Wednesday, 15 April, when Pat Ward from the Cornwall Garden Society will talk about the famous gardener *Gertrude Jekyll and her influence on Edwin Lutyens*.

I look forward to seeing members and any potential new ones in 2015.

*Jen Hambly*

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- 28<sup>th</sup> March CRIBS CAUSEWAY
- 20<sup>th</sup> April IRELAND GALWAY &  
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- 9<sup>th</sup> May CROSS COUNTRY DAY AT  
BADMINTON HORSE TRIALS
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We are now very disappointed to hear that they do not propose to change the timing so it still means catching the bus at 9.30am in Coombe Lane and arriving back in Cargreen about 12.20pm.

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*Reg Rice*

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## **A thriller to break the monotony of winter!**

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When does bored become bored to death? After all, perhaps it's not unusual for employees of an adhesive company to feel a little... stuck. Landulph Festival presents *Above Bored*, an OwDyado Theatre Production, at the Landulph Memorial Hall on 6 February at 8.00pm. The play is an original psychological drama with a wide streak of dark comedy directed by Simon Harvey (Kneehigh o-region) supported by National Lottery Funding through Arts Council England. Tickets £10  
*John Hall 01752 841 598*

### **Cargreen Rainfall**

November

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## **Local Christmas cards raise money for kids party**

Due to the generosity of families and friends who gave a donation to Salvation Army Children's Christmas Party in lieu of local Christmas cards, I was able to send cheques for £430 to this worthy charity. Letters of thanks have been posted on all of the notice boards in the village. Happy New Year. *Jack Bedbrook*

## **New Years Eve Party Thanks**

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the New Years Eve party, it was a fantastic evening and great to see so many attend. After covering expenses everyone helped to raise £300 so we have donated it equally between Battens Research and Prostate Cancer charities. *John and Lisa Jagger*

## **Thanks to the Christmas Walkers**

### **Thanks to the walkers**

The Newsletter has received a donation of £20 from Christmas Walkers event organised by the Village Footpaths Group and gratefully received.

## **Next edition copy date is 15 March but earlier would be even better**

Please contact a Group member for more details

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If you are a new resident to the parish and would like to write a small article introducing yourself we would be delighted to receive it.

**Births, Deaths and Marriages:** If you wish to make an announcement please contact any committee member

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## Visit the Gardens this Spring

Mother's Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March, Easter Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> April, Mon. 4<sup>th</sup> May (Bank Holiday)  
12pm-4pm £6 pp (children under 12 free)

## Wedding Preview Afternoon

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 1pm-4pm Free entry

An opportunity to view the Castle set up as a wedding venue, meet Pentillie's Wedding Team and gain expert advice from local wedding suppliers over a glass of bubbly!

To register your interest please email [regan@pentillie.co.uk](mailto:regan@pentillie.co.uk).

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