

LANDULPH NEWSLETTER



Your guide to what's happening in the area

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Cone roundabout, part of the new equipment at the Penyoke Playground
Photo by Debbie Geraghty

Landulph Parish Assembly and Council Meeting – 20 May 2024

Parish Assembly; The Chair opened the Parish Assembly by explaining the background to the potential developments at the Elbridge electricity complex. Achieving UK-wide net zero incurs an energy ‘trilemma’ (50% better than a dilemma!) – security, sustainability and affordability. Past fossil fuel electricity generation involved 56 large plants but was not only inherently stable but provided spare capacity. Today, demand is falling but is expected to rise as more vehicles and heat pumps are brought into use. The country’s electrical power generating capacity today remains at a similar level to the recent past, but the use of fossil fuels is down 54%. However the increased level of renewable power brings problems of stability in the grid, which is why the country needs battery storage facilities and flywheel stabilisers. In fact, the grid needs £58 billion investment. Development at Elbridge is good news for us in Landulph, as there are good precedents for this to bring community funding.

The Chair then outlined the PC’s achievements over the past year. A full list can be found on the council’s website, but highlights included a commitment for £100k for a new school classroom, major grants for playing field equipment and for the new orchards. A new passing bay on Highdown will be built, the school bus has been retained and local bus services are improving.

Parish Council; Councillor Worth was re-elected as chair, with Councillor Gawith as vice-chair. Other responsibilities within the council remain unchanged.

Planning; The application for the Grid Stability Facility at Elbridge had been revised - National Grid had forced a redesign of the area. The PC’s comments reflected those made previously, including not enough screening by trees and the transport plan does not specify reduced speeds through Elbridge. The PC noted that the noise assessment had not been updated, but similar equipment was now installed elsewhere in the country so actual data should be available to replace predictions. We should also be pursuing a more formal understanding of what community support would be available, given the precedents set by other similar developments. Application approved with comments.

Climate Working Group; Full report on the website. The BioBlitz at the opening of Duke Orchard was a success and the group would be following up on the recycling of the boat recovered from the foreshore. Bad news was that a hedgehog had been killed in a strimmer incident, which would be highlighted on social media.

Orchard Working Group; Again, full report is on the website. Highlights; Duke Orchard opened on 27 April by the Chair of Tamar Valley National Landscape, and is now open to the community. The

composting toilet will now be ordered.

Playing Field; Installation of new play equipment is due to start on 17 June.

Footpaths; Still no takers for the maintenance contract.

Admin; The Year End accounts show an underspend of £3,083.

AOB; Callington Cricket Club's use of the cricket field was still uncertain. Their right to hold the lease complies with the stipulations on use of the facility, and as long as they pay the lease their rights are not compromised. However, it was uncertain whether they would actually use the field.

The PC agreed with a proposal that the CAP (Community Area Partnership) should be promoted as a strategic partner to the Tamar Bridge/Ferry committee.

Peter Plume

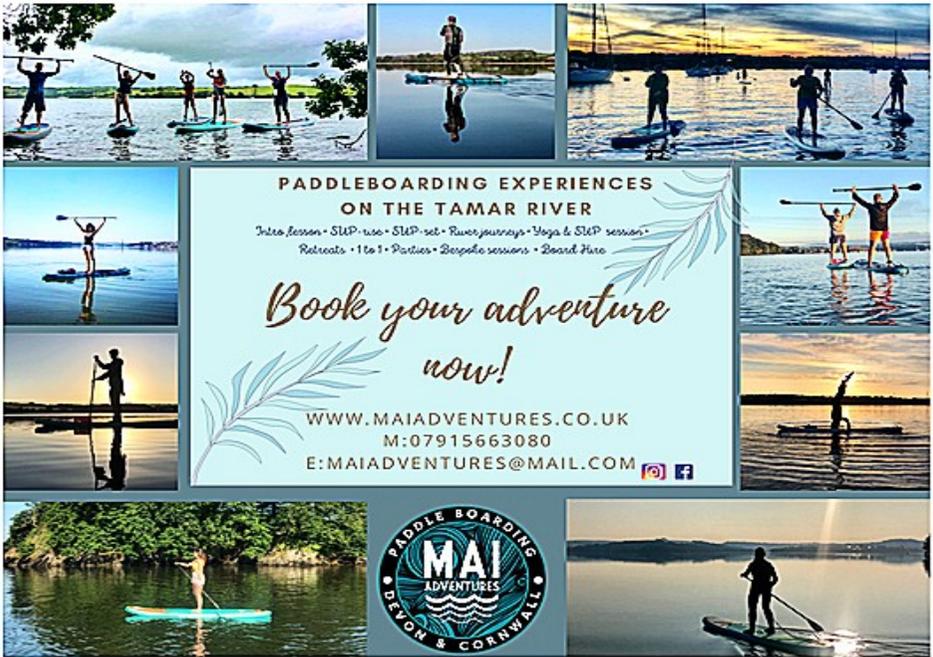
Landulph Parish Council Meeting – 17 June 2024

Planning; Another planning pre-application for Elbridge came from Infraland Ltd, with planning advisors Lanpro and funding partner Boulton Brooks. Councillors were given a site visit and the team made a presentation to the council meeting. This site, south east of the substation and north of West Kingsmill Farm, would house an 80MW battery storage facility (approximately 2% of the nationwide requirement). The site is suitable - Grade 4 agricultural land, no protected areas, no buildings or significant trees, footpaths. Construction traffic is estimated at 253 movements over 3 months, but the proposed access route (left down a track opposite the substation, round and across the lane at West Kingsmill Farm) still raised eyebrows! Full application is due June/July 2024 for approval over winter 24 allowing work to start in 2025. The team were confident that connection to the grid was approved...but Councillor Ansell pointed out that this did not mean that transmission capacity was available (which might scupper their plans!) Councillor Tagg was concerned about the visual impact and the traffic speed through Elbridge. The need to co-ordinate access tracks to all the various developments around the substation was discussed at the site meeting, and the PC would put Lanpro in touch with their nearest neighbours.

The expected life of individual batteries is 8 to 9 years, and the site's capacity equates to the power usage of 100 Cargreens.

Climate Working Group; Full report on the website. The group have recommended that the 454 bus change to Thursdays – please give it your support. They would also set up a WhatsApp group for car sharing in the parish. National Landscape want to bring a roadshow to Duchess Orchard opening in 2025. This begged the question as to whether we need a policy for use of the orchards and playing field by parishioners.

Orchard Working Group; Full report is on the website. Highlights;



Risk Assessment for public access completed, and an on-line method of recording visits created. There is now a WhatsApp group for volunteers (now called LOGGERS). The composting toilet had generated a lot of external interest, and an article for publication might be worth creating.

Governance and Finance Working Group; Lots of recommendations – see the report on the website. Overall the strategy was to simplify grant expenditure from an earmarked reserve, leaving operations to be funded by the precept. Spending against the FIPL grant was delegated to the LOG to ensure development is not held up during the summer recess.

Playing Field; Installation of new play equipment had started.

Phone box handrail; Two rails are planned, one on the wall and the other freestanding at the edge. There might be a suitable manufacturer at Mt Edgecumbe; a visit would be arranged.

Admin; Broadband costs at the Memorial Hall needed renegotiating on the basis that it was not business use. The PC had reduced Google costs from £184 to £80 per month by cutting unwanted capabilities and moving from 'Enterprise' to 'Business Standard' rates. Note the PC will not move to a '.gov.uk' platform unless it becomes essential.

Cricket Field; Councillors had visited the field with a representative of Callington Cricket Club. CCC wants to use the field but has lost its volunteer for ground maintenance. There is also an issue with the water supply. Deferred to next meeting.

AOB; Hedge cutting on Highdown had been decided under delegated

rules, and the Clerk fulfilled her duty by reiterating that the PC did not have the power to do this etc. The hedges have now been cut.

Peter Plume

Parish Council, July

Planning The owner of 'Lowena' in Coombe Lane applied to remove the Section 106 planning obligation. This requires the owners to sell or rent to people working, living or employed in the parish or neighbouring parishes. The applicant argued that the obligation no longer served a useful purpose and should be discharged. The PC rejected the argument as there was a proven need for housing for local people, demonstrated by the recent parish housing survey.

A pre-application plan was submitted for two dwellings in the garden of West Coombe at The Cross. This generated a lot of discussion and comments from members of the public. The scheme proposes two houses with a new access gate on the lane towards Cargreen village. It also proposed installing a pavement on the road for about 350m from the Cross, making this section effectively single track for vehicles, with a waiting point on the other side of the road on somebody else's land. The PC liked the concept of two houses on site, but – reflecting parishioners comments – were sceptical about the footway on the road and the proposed new gate. Highways' comment was that the existing access to West Coombe was sub-standard but should be used to access any new dwellings. They suggested that a footway behind the hedge would be a better alternative. Councillor Worth, wearing his 'county' hat, pointed out that current priorities in road schemes were pedestrians, cyclists, horses then vehicles, and that a pavement might meet wider aims. The PC took a separate action to look into a Road Safety Audit of the village.

If you are interested in this, follow links on the PC's website (see the latest agenda) and make comments to the planning authority on-line.

Climate Working Group (Report on website). The Bio-Blitz on the school playing field found it to be largely devoid of bugs. Worrying! The 454 bus now runs on Thursdays instead of Mondays, and it is important for parishioners to support this service.

Orchard Working Group (Report on website). Highlights; Only one tree had died, and the composting toilet was more difficult to assemble than expected. The performance space in Duchess Green had been started but it is now proposed to make the seating steps from dry-stone instead of sleepers. This would cost more but would be covered by grants. The proposed bridge over the pond, needed to be strong enough only for a mower or small tractor, and the services of a structural engineer might be needed to confirm the design.

Governance and Finance Working Group The recent meeting was reported as ‘mind-numbing’. General reserves were currently negative, awaiting the arrival of grant funds.

Playing Field Installation of new play equipment had been completed. Issues with neighbours were being pursued. The PC will move the rubbish bin to a more visible location.

It was suggested that there should be a life-ring on the bank. Councillor P Braund will pursue this as a delegated action, with a budget limit of £400.

Phone box handrail A suitable supplier has been located in Tavistock, and had quoted £440 plus VAT. He suggested something strong – children were likely to swing on it. Councillor Gawith will follow this up.

Cricket Field There has been no contact from the cricket club. However, the field had been mowed. Parishioners had asked about dog walking on the field, but this would require secure fencing.

GDPR Changes have been made to the PC’s Communications Policy to simplify the issue of consent for the use of photos at public events.

AOB The Memorial Hall committee had requested a grant to support the installation of an electricity storage battery. This was agreed in principle; Councillor Gawith will review the accounts.

Public forum; A parishioner commented on the problems caused by parked cars associated with the school around the Cross. Another parishioner suggested West Coombe’s proposed dwellings should be replaced by a car park.

Peter Plume

How do they do That?

Wimbledon is over and the home-made Wombles at Stockadon Barns have been safely stored away. Our iconic Footballer tried his hardest to ‘bring football home’ but alas, once again, he failed at the final hurdle. Never mind there will always be another game!

You may ask how the displays at Stockadon Barns became a regular feature? It started a few years ago with my neighbour Kathy putting out some poppies and crosses as a mark of respect for Remembrance Sunday. A quick discussion on the drive took place between us and we thought it might be a nice idea to put up a decorated and lighted tree to celebrate the Christmas holiday with a father Christmas and his sack of presents. At that time, we had no mannequins so he was made out of old pillows stitched together and dressed in a Santa suit! Our new neighbour Sarah and her family moved into the barns and was enthusiastic about getting involved in future displays.

Following that initial display, we formed a small planning group (usually with a drink in hand) with our other neighbour Anne and started thinking

about what other events we might like to celebrate. Ideas came thick and fast and seemed to get more elaborate as each event came and went. We then managed to persuade another neighbour, Liz, just down the lane to join us. I'm sure some of her family must have thought she was having a mid-life crisis getting involved in such crazy activities! Since the dawn of the Stockadon Barns display group, we have received many compliments for our efforts. People often stop and take photographs and lots of people have said the displays put a smile on their faces when driving home after a busy day. One young couple even stopped and asked to buy a Pimms and lemonade after last year's Wimbledon display! As many of you will be aware, among the displays we have created are a mad Hatter's tea party, a proposal on Valentine's Day, the Grand National, the Queen's jubilee (complete with Her Majesty the Queen and her corgi), the Coronation and many, more. What next you might ask? Well, you will just have to wait and see! A hint in photo below, of some of our team with, 'work in progress'.



We have set up a 'Just Giving' page in aid of Cancer Research UK and would like to invite everyone who has enjoyed the displays to donate via the QR code.
Sioux Colver, The Stockadon Barns Group



Landulph School summer highlights

Despite some very poor weather beforehand, our annual Sports Day started out dry but cloudy, and the sun was out in full force by the end of the afternoon! Year 5 and 6 children enjoyed a circuit of activities and we were pleased to welcome parents for the traditional picnic lunch including cream teas, thanks to our PTA. The races then took place and the children participated with enthusiasm, competitiveness, and great team spirit, cheering each other on.

We have welcomed many visitors during the term including Barnardo's, the Landulph Climate Group, and firefighters from Saltash Fire Station. Liskeard Poets came to support the children with writing poetry that they performed to other SMART Trust children in



Liskeard Town Hall, and then to their parents. We are excited to see their poetry published in an anthology!

Our topics this term:

Class 1 – How has the RNLI Shaped Cornwall's Maritime Legacy?

Class 2 – How much of UK life today has been influenced by the Anglo Saxons?

Class 3 – What can we learn from the Ancient Egyptians?

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2024 or 2025, we would love to welcome you to Landulph to show you our school. We also have a few places in other year groups. If you are interested in finding out what we can offer your child, please contact us for more information or to arrange a visit.

Wishing everyone a lovely summer!

Karen Ball Headteacher

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Coach Excursions & Tours 2024

13th August	Pecorama & Beer Village
6th - 8th Sept	Burghley Horse Trials
10th September	Widcombe Fair
16th - 20th Sept	Carmarthen, South Wales
9th October	Goosey Fair, Tavistock
2nd November	Bridgwater Carnival
16th November	Longleat Festival of Light
22nd - 25th Nov	Turkey & Tinsel - Bournemouth
30th November	Bath Christmas Market
7th December	Exeter Shopper & Christmas Market
15th December	Cornish Christmas Lights

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Landulph Memorial Hall goes greener

The Memorial Hall committee is going ahead with plans to make better use of its solar panels. At the moment the Hall is unable to use all the electricity it generates because it does not have battery storage. Batteries would allow electricity generated during the day to be used at evening events.

The Hall has submitted applications for funds to buy batteries to both the National Lottery Community Fund and to the Landulph Parish Council.

The Friday Café continues to be well attended by 30 or more people each week. The organisers are appealing for more people to bake and donate cakes and to run the café when the regulars have other commitments.

John Wright, Chairman of the Hall Committee

Yacht Club visits The Yealm



Seven yachts from the Cargreen Yacht Club enjoyed a Cruise in Company to The Yealm and Newton Ferrers at the beginning of June. The crews descended on the Yealm Yacht Club on Saturday evening for supper before setting off for home on Sunday.

The event was part of a busy summer programme for the club which has included another successful White Sail Challenge series. Up to Nine yachts have been competing regularly on courses south of Weir Point. After six races Mick Flanagan in *Toby Dee* is chasing Tony Head's *Triple Venture* hard for the top spot while neither is far ahead of third placed boat *Roatan Isle* with Mike Sissons at the helm. Unfortunately, bad weather forced the postponement of the Yealm Challenge to 31 August but the Summer(?) barbecue was a sell-out event despite the rain.

The Club's Regatta is scheduled for Saturday 14 September



LANDULPH FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND THE ARTS 2024

This year's Festival features an exciting line-up of artists and performers over the four autumn weekends from 4 to 26 October, all taking place at Landulph Memorial Hall.

Music There are evenings ranging from a classical concert with virtuoso performances by internationally renowned guitarist PAVEL RALEV and much acclaimed violinist NAZRIN RASHIDOVA, to an evening of American Jazz featuring the great SAM JEWISON'S TRIO, to Cornish traditional folk music with the popular DALLA DUO.

Themed evenings Landulph's own *Oktoberfest*. Enjoy food, beer and music from the heart of Eastern Europe with *Basil Bunelik and his Druzba Klezmer band*. And... a *Vox Beatles Tribute Evening* where you can dress up, dance and enjoy the timeless songs of the original fab four.

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Magic and Comedy The unforgettable *Bertie Pearce* returns to Landulph with his original blend of dazzling magic and clever comedy. An entertaining evening not to be missed.

Exploration Mark Agnew, celebrated explorer, describes his perilous adventure, kayaking the entire North West Passage. An inspirational talk for all ages.

Art A diverse exhibition of paintings, drawings and prints showcasing the talents of local artists.

Get your **special offer on season tickets, saving over £50**, plus a licensed bar with competitive prices at all evening events. For further details of all these events, times and ticket prices, please look at the Festival brochure or go to the Festival website; www.landulphfestival.co.uk and book your tickets via the **box office: 07866 680 971**.



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Parish Diary August / September 2024

Contact details for organisers of groups

Venues: LMH = Landulph Memorial Hall MHA = Memorial Hall Annexe

PC = Parish Church, CYC = Cargreen Yacht Club,

Contacts for booking LMH and MHA Landulphhall@gmail.com

Bus Service 454 to/from Saltash Mondays (NOT Bank Holidays) NEW TIMETABLE	8.55am Cargreen Waterside to Saltash station 9.18, Wesley Rd 9.22, Leisure centre 9.25 2.40pm Saltash station, bottom of Fore St 2.45, Leisure Centre 2.46, Cargreen 3.10. Bus can be hailed or will stop as requested www.landulph.org.uk	
Film Club LMH	3 rd Tuesday in winter 7 for 7.30pm John Hall Johnhall1500@gmail.com	01752 841598
Gardening Club LMH	2 nd Tuesday 2.30pm Jen Hambly hambly.wayton@gmail.com	01752 846504
Good Companions	3 rd Tuesday 2.30pm Wilma Oakes	01752 843784
Hopper Shopper from Landulph to Carkeel Shops	Every Wednesday 11.04am from junction of Coombe Lane and Fore Street to Carkeel shops. Return 1pm to your door. May be hailed en route. £3 round trip saltashredbus@gmail.com	07306 359561
Mah Jongg	Every Wednesday 2.30—5pm For venue check with Annemarie Nathan annemarienathan@hotmail.com	01752 844127
Memorial Hall Cafe	Every Friday 10am—12. Coffee, tea, soft drinks, home made cakes on sale. Come for the chat!	01752 844302
Mobile Library Coombe Lane	Every 4 th Friday 12.25—12.45 See Mobile Library - Cornwall Council	
Parish Church	For information see tamar7.org/tamar-valley-benefice/	
Parish Council	3 rd Monday of the month except August, LMH, 6.30pm Details on PC website & village notice board	01752 240541
Post Office	Hatt Post Office open 9am—4pm Mon—Fri	Hatt PO
Purrfect Pilates	Tuesdays 5.45—6.45pm with Chris Juckes, LMH purrfectpilates1@gmail.com	07888 704917

Refuse Collections	Fortnightly garden rubbish on alternate TUESDAYS, next collection 6 August. Food waste collected every WEDNESDAY. Fortnightly rubbish collections on WEDNESDAYS starting on 7 August. Fortnightly recycling collections on WEDNESDAYS starting on 14 August. www.cornwall.gov.uk/recycling	
Short Mat Bowls LMH	Wednesdays 2 - 4pm, Thursdays 7 - 9pm Shirley Kitney tregwheal@yahoo.co.uk	01752 846808
Taiji LMH	Wednesdays 10 – 11am Helen Manning helenmanning50@hotmail.com	01822 258208
Under 5s MHA	Monday - Friday morning and afternoon sessions during term time Claire Fry committee@landulphunderfives.co.uk	07718 830149
Village Choir CYC	Thursdays 7.30—9pm Chris Bowman christenebowman@hotmail.co.uk	01752 841573
AUGUST		
Thurs 1 7– 9pm 7.00pm	Short Mat Bowls meets weekly Cargreen Village Choir meets weekly	LMH CYC
Fri 2 10am—12	Memorial Hall “Cafe” weekly. Drinks. Cakes & chat	LMH
Sun 4 10am from 2.30 6pm	Holy Communion, Landulph Church LOG activity day. Your help in Duke Orchard would be much appreciated, even for a short while, from 2.30pm. Bring a drinking vessel for locally produced apple juice at the end of the day! More information on https://www.landulph.org.uk/landulph-orchard-green.php Cornish Evening Prayer, Halton Quay	PC
Mon 5 8.55am	454 bus weekly from Coombe Lane/Fore Street corner, arrive Saltash Station 9.18, leisure centre 9.25. return 2.34 Saltash Station, Cargreen 3.10 Bus can be hailed or asked to stop anywhere en route.	
Tues 6 5.45pm	Garden rubbish fortnightly collection today Purrfect Pilates LMH, Tuesdays with Chris Juckes	LMH
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Fri 6	10am—12	Memorial Hall “Cafe” weekly. Drinks. Cakes & chat	LMH
Sun 11	10am 10am	Holy Communion, St Dominick Morning Praise, St Mellion	
Tues 13		No Gardening Club in August	
Sun 18	10am 10am	Morning Praise, Landulph Church Holy Communion, Pillaton	PC
Mon 19		No Parish Council Meeting in August	
Tues 20	2.30pm	Good Companions: St Dominick Hand Bell Ringers followed by AGM with refreshments	LMH
Fri 23	2.25-12.45	Mobile Library, Coombe Lane	
Sun 25	10am 10am	Holy Communion, St Mellion Contemporary Celtic Worship, St Dominick	
SEPTEMBER			
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Sat 14		Cargreen Yacht Club Regatta	
Sun 15	10am 10am	Morning Praise at Landulph Church Holy Communion, Pillaton	PC
Mon 16	6.30pm	Parish Council meeting	LMH
Tues 17	2.30pm	Good Companions: Music Group (ukuleles)	LMH
Sun 22	10am 10am	Holy Communion, St Mellion Contemporary Celtic Worship, St Dominick	
Sun 29	10am	Joint Benefice service at South Hill	
<p>HEADS UP FOR THE LANDULPH FESTIVAL OF MUSIC & THE ARTS. 1ST EVENT FRIDAY 4 OCT SEE https://www.landulphfestival.co.uk FOR DETAILS</p>			

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PROW (Public Rights of Way) Group working with CORMAC	thegweniemorris@sky.co

100 CLUB WINNERS

June

1st	Jo Butcher	£21
2nd	Liz Dunn	£16
3rd	James North	£12

July

1st	Jane McRill	£21
2nd	Jenny Turnage	£16
3rd	Brenda Cloake	£12



SUMMER IS HERE?

Adjacent : Roger and Hilary
Wrattens front garden at
Penyoke in the rather shy
summer sunshine

Below: Keeping dry at a
rather wet Hamlet at
Pentille



Landulph Summer BioBlitz

Landulph Climate Group (LCG) recently organised a Bio-Blitz for Landulph Primary School. All of the 57 children in school took part and we found and identified 58 wildlife species from a toad to a bloody nosed beetle. Both the



adults and children enjoyed finding wildlife, recording the details and using books to identify the species. We already know we are lucky to have lots of hedgehogs in the Parish but how much other wildlife do we have? Gardens can be a very rich place for biodiversity; a BioBlitz will help to identify the biodiversity in Landulph gardens. Enclosed with the newsletter is a

leaflet explaining how LCG would like residents and visitors (of all ages) in Landulph to collect data from an hour's BioBlitz in a garden.

To submit your finds all you need to do is fill in a simple form and send it to us by 13 September. More copies of the leaflet and the forms can be downloaded from the website at: www.landulph.org.uk/climateaction.php. Not only will this help LCG but your entry will automatically be entered in a competition.

Clare Tagg

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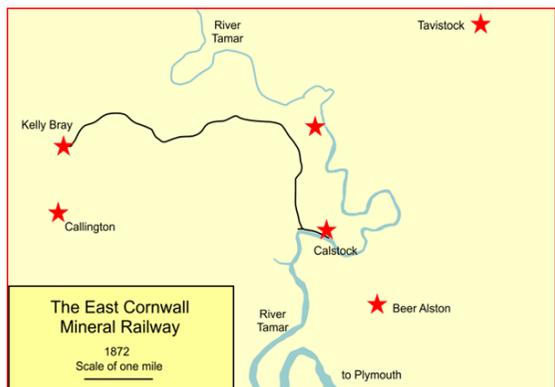
Tractor Charity Run

Look out for the Tractor Charity Run which is expected to run through the Parish and arrive at Cargreen at around 400pm on Sunday 8 September. They will be collecting for the Cornwall Air Ambulance so have any spare change ready for your contribution.

The Gunnislake train (came over the hill and she blew!) Part 1

Many of us in Landulph may be able to see the push-pull train which runs on the Devon side of the Tamar from Plymouth to Gunnislake (and back!) Have you ever wondered how this picturesque line came into being, and how many letters you can reasonably fit into an acronym? Mining in East Cornwall, particularly around Kit Hill grew fast in the mid-1800s, but transporting copper, tin and arsenic ores was difficult. To begin with, horse-drawn carts brought ores to Calstock where a quay allowed boats to take them to Plymouth. Railways were still new – the first locomotive-hauled public railway only opened in 1825; Rail travel did not become widespread until the late 1840s. In 1859 the Tamar Coal, Manure & General Mercantile Company (TCM&GMC) was created to improve transportation of these mining products. This was based at what is now Kingfisher Quay in Calstock (originally Kelly Quay). The wharf (including engineering works and stores) was at the foot of a 700m long cable-worked inclined slope (angle 1 in 6) from the quay up the Danescombe Valley, which brought copper and stone products from mines higher up. You can still see parts of this slope - the bridge you go under as you enter Calstock along the river from Cothele is part of it. In 1862 the Tamar, Kit Hill & Callington Railway Company (TKH&CRC) was formed with the intention of connecting the slope to Callington with a broad-gauge railway. As with all railways, this needed a Bill in Parliament which was passed in 1864. Work started but the engineering problems were great, a financial crash was happening and the contractor ran out of money. Work stopped for six years.

The line was revived in 1869 when the Callington to Calstock Railway (CCR) took over the abandoned works. Their plans were for 8 miles of track from Kelly Bray around Kit Hill to Lucket (Monk's Corner), Latchley (Cox's Park) and Gunnislake (then called Drakewalls), finishing at Copper Quay on the site of Calstock Village



Hall on 7 May 1872. This line was narrow gauge (3ft 6in) and was worked by two 0-4-0 saddle tank engines. However, it still relied on the cable-worked slope to lower wagons down into Calstock itself. There was a steam winch, but the incline was largely self-acting; as two three-ton loaded wagons were sent down they pulled three or four empty wagons up, passing on a short piece of twin track in the middle. Public transport was not authorised and the line carried tin, copper, arsenic, bricks, stone and coal. For the first four years profits were good. Unfortunately mines such as Kit Hill were not as rich as first thought. Output declined, and foreign competition impacted the market. This is where it gets complicated. The arrangement still relied on boats navigating the tidal reaches of the Tamar, so a connection to the main rail network was needed. Part two of this article will explain how this mineral-only line developed into the passenger-carrying line connecting to the rest of the world and that we see today.

Peter Plume

Landulph raises £1,500 for Cancer Research

It was lovely to see so many people attending our recent coffee morning at Landulph Memorial Hall to support Cancer ResearchUK. We raised £1,490.59 which included money from the morning as well as direct donations from the online giving page.

The Cargreen Cancer Research Fundraising Group is particularly grateful to the Hall Family who donated £1,050 in memory of David. Much of this money was raised at the musical afternoon, Davefest, held at the Rising Sun, Botus Fleming in celebration of David's wide ranging musical connections in Devon, Cornwall and Tenerife.

Our next event is on 16 November when we plan to hold a Soup and Pudding Lunch.

Gaye Braund and the committee.

Landulph transport survey results

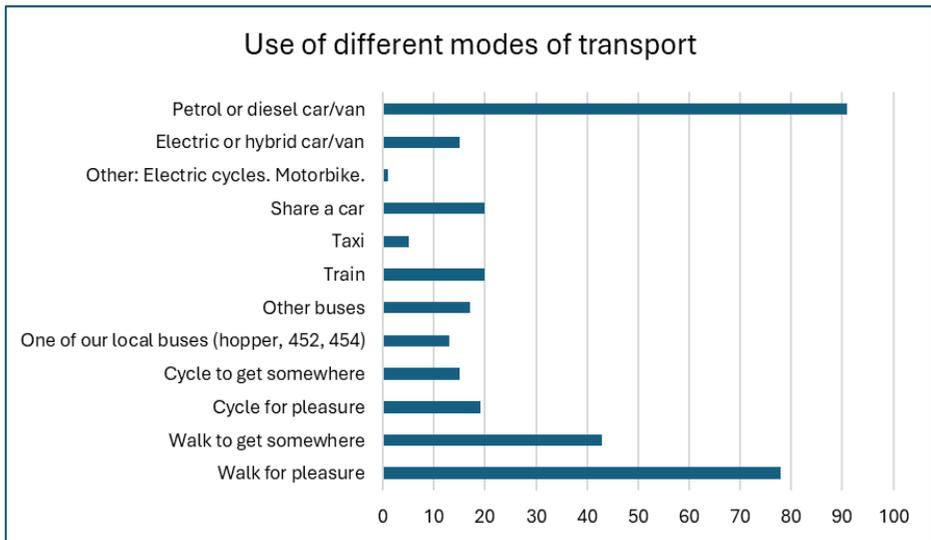
Landulph Climate Group (LCG) has successfully campaigned for buses in Landulph. We now have a bus running on Wednesdays to the Carkeel shops (the Shopper Hopper) and one on Monday mornings direct to Saltash Station to connect with trains to Plymouth or Penzance (454). While the Shopper Hopper is regularly used by eight to ten people, only a few people occasionally use the 454.

LCG believe that local buses are important for a community – they are a lifeline for people (of all ages) who cannot drive or do not have access to a car. Moreover, use of buses could reduce the traffic on our narrow lanes and carbon emission from private cars. But what



does the community think?

In February, LCG organised a transport survey which was answered by 103 residents from under 19 to over 90. We were surprised by the different forms of transport people regularly use.



Overall 26 people regularly use a bus and 71 people had suggestions for improving bus services including:

- Direct services

- Daily and weekend services

- More buses per day

- Services for students travelling to school in Plymouth by train

- Greater reliability

The new 454 service is direct (you just hail it if you want it to stop en-route) so matches the time taken to drive to Saltash – but it only runs on a Monday. By popular request, this service will switch to Thursday from September. We are also still trying to arrange a bus service for students and others who travel daily to Plymouth. However, to get more regular buses, we need to make use of the buses we have – if each household used the bus once in the next few months it would make a big difference.

For the full results of the transport survey, see www.landulph.org.uk/climateaction.php.

Clare Tagg

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CYC Cadets barbecue defies rain

After postponing this event from 5 July, due to the appalling weather forecast, the Cargreen Yacht Club Cadet barbecue went ahead the following week despite almost worse weather. Over 100 hardy cadets with their families, friends and other members of the yacht club turned up to enjoy the barbecue in what has become the typical summer weather this year. To say it rained is quite an understatement! The word monsoon comes to mind. Personally, had I not been involved in the catering for this event, I would have stayed at home. However, it seems that the members of the club are made of sterner stuff and in the end the event was very much enjoyed by all who came – we sold out of everything. Thanks to all those who helped in any way to make the event such a success

Gwenda Keene

Gardening Club

There is no meeting of the Landulph Gardening Club in August. The next outing will be to an NGS Cornish garden in September. New members are always welcome.



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David Hall 1945 -2024

David Hall who died earlier this year, had been a resident of Landulph since 1971. He was a keen local historian and a well known jazz, folk and rock musician who played with several local bands. He was born in Croydon in 1945 and died in Tenerife on the 18th February. He lived at Grove Cottage with his wife Ann and had 3 children, Emma, Kerry & Tristan.

He was known by many as the man you went to when you needed advice on binoculars or cameras as he worked for 45 years at London Camera Exchange in Plymouth, which he managed and arranged for the company to sponsor the local netball team for many years.

David wrote many articles for the Landulph Newsletter relating to the history of the parish and the people who lived in it. He knew everyone and was always able to provide help and an entertaining tale about village life.

He was also knowledgeable about electric and acoustic guitars, particularly from the 60's & 70's. In his early days, he played with bands in London with 'Just Us' being the first and music was always a major part of his life. More recently, he played with 'Cornish Jam' & 'Home By Ten'. He was a familiar face at folk or music gatherings and often prefaced a performance with anecdotes about the composer or original singer.

David's final wish was for everyone to have a few drinks and some music at The Rising Sun at Botus Fleming and so, on 1 June a celebration of David's life took place, now affectionally known as 'Davefest' which David would have absolutely loved.

The Riser was packed, family and friends from near & far gathered and musicians came from Cornwall, Devon and Jersey to say a musical goodbye in the warm sunshine, just as David wanted.

The family would like to thank everyone who has kindly donated to David's two favourite charities. Thanks to your amazing generosity, over £1000 has been donated to Cancer Research and £300 to The Donkey Sanctuary, ensuring that Percy the Donkey can be adopted for another 8 years.



STOP PRESS

Olivia Eadie has just won two golds and a bronze at the Cadet and Junior Commonwealth Fencing Championship. An amazing achievement, especially as she is still only 16.

Life Saving Automatic Defibrillators

There are two defibrillators located within our parish, both for public use in an emergency.

1. Landulph Memorial Hall in Fore Street
2. Cargreen Yacht Club, Coombe Lane.

Landulph Memorial Hall defibrillator:

Located adjacent to front doors

To use you are required to input the code 1111 to unlock, and press the green 'tick' button to open for access.

Cargreen Yacht Club defibrillator

Located on the front wall of the building before you reach the front doors.

This unit is left unlocked, and so no unlock code is required.

Please remember in the event that you may need to use one of the above units, that in a cardiac arrest situation: **continuous CPR is essential while someone else goes to obtain the defibrillator.**

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