

LAPFORD LOOKOUT

YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Year 25 Issue 4 April 2022



HEADS UP

Advance notice of the following events planned for Jubilee week at the beginning of June:

Best Dressed House Competition - Decorate the outside of your house on a Jubilee theme ready for the judges to see on the morning of Saturday 4th June.

Best Jubilee Planter - To be displayed outside your house for judging on Saturday 4th June. (If you live in the parish but outside the village and would like your house and/or planter to be judged please let us know via 01363 83763)



Adult's Art Competition - (more details below)

The Green Canopy Tree Planting initiative - Native trees will be available from The Woodland Trust for planting in the Autumn. Suitable sites are required. If you have/know of such a site please let the Jubilee group know (see back of the Lapford Lookout for contact)











At Lapford Victory Hall

In aid of Lapford Jubilee Celebrations in June

Teams of up to 6 people. £5 per person to include a ploughman's supper.

Bar and Draw available on the night!

Quiz questions relating to the Queen's 70 glorious years! Prize for the best Red, White & Blue fancy dress!

Enter by emailing sue.briantevans@lapfordparishcouncil.org.uk or phone 01363 83763 Entries in by Tuesday 26th April please.

LAPFORD QUEEN'S JUBILEE ART COMPETITION

For the Queen's Jubilee, the Jubilee Committee is launching an art competition for the residents of Lapford.

We are calling all budding artists from 0-100 to submit portraits of the Queen. They can be in any medium but must be A4.

There will be six age categories for this:

- Preschool
- Key Stage 1 children
- Key Stage 2 children
- Key Stage 3 children
- Key Stage 4 children
- Adults

Workshops will also be taking place at Lapford Youth Club's High Five Thursdays during May.

Entries need to be submitted by 20th May. Entries can be handed into The ARK. Your artwork may be used in The ARK's June/July exhibition celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. Please make sure your name and category/age are written on the back or attached to your entry.

For any further information please contact Cat Seymour on 01363 884432 or email cathryn_seymour@outlook.com.





CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN LAPFORD WELCOME YOU TO:



THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY

Vicar: The Reverend Robert Gordon - (e) *vicar.ncw@gmail.com* Churchwarden: Joan Graham - (e) jemg47@aol.com (t) 01363 83047

1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays – Lay Led Morning Prayer – 9.30 a.m. 4th Sundays – Common Worship Eucharist – 9.30 a.m. 5th Sundays – See announcements on Church notice board

Sunday April 3rd Fifth Sunday in Lent – Lay Led Morning Prayer – 9.30 a.m.

Sunday April 10th PALM SUNDAY – Morning Prayer & PASSION NARRATIVE – 9.30 a.m.

Friday April 15th **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** – 2.00 p.m.

Sunday April 17th EASTER SUNDAY – Common Worship Eucharist – 10.30 a.m. Sunday April 24th Second Sunday of Easter – Common Worship Eucharist – 9.30 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME - REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTER SERVICES

LAPFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Services every Sunday at 11.00am Communion will be held on the second and fourth Sundays Contact: Peter and Viv Lacey - Tel: 884230 or Cat Seymour (Youth and Family Worker) - Tel: 884432

Pastor Caroline Stott - Tel: 01404 831965 - email: caroline.stott2@btinternet.com www.facebook.com/lapfordcongregationalchurch

Preachers: Events:

Sunday 3rd April - Rev. Edmonde Openshaw Sunday 10th April - Rev. Edmonde Openshaw

Sunday 17th April - All Age Family Service Sunday 24th April - All Age Family Service

Sunday 1st May - Merril Archer



Tuesday 26th April Messy Church from 3.30p.m.



LAPFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH

Meets every Sunday morning at 10.30am in the Victory Hall 4th Sunday of the month is Family Service Bible Study on Tuesdays 7.30pm and Fellowship Group on Wednesdays 7.30pm Contact: Briony Clinch - Tel: 83666 https://www.lapfordcc.org.uk/

Please visit our website for information about the Foodbank and ARK. You will also find lots of information about Church activities and on-line services.



EASTER SATURDAY EGG HUNT AND CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES VICTORY HALL, CHURCH GREEN, LOWER TOWN PLACE 2.00 - 4.00 P.M.

Organised by Christians Together in Lapford

All the Churches welcome everyone to any of their services and social events. We look forward to fellowship with you.







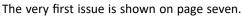
ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY LAPFORD

We are very happy to announce that from Sunday 27th March, when British Summer time begins, the Parish Church will be open every day from 9.30am till 6pm or sunset, whichever happens first!

Our beautiful church is there for everyone to visit and use, and after so long we are delighted that it will be fully open again.

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

The Lapford Lookout is celebrating it's 25th year of publication, with the first ever issue being delivered to households in April 1998.



So many names are listed of people who have moved or sadly passed on but others will be recognised as still being very much involved with Lapford village life.

Beccy



Lapford Weather Review

LAPFORD WEATHER FEBRUARY 2022

Milder than average, near normal rainfall.

The warmest day was the 16^{th} with a maximum of 12.6° C, and the coolest day was the 24^{th} with a maximum of 6.1° C, so no really cold days this month.

The coldest night was on the 11th with an air minimum temperature of -1.1°C, and a grass minimum of -7.4°C. Six of the last seven Februarys have been milder than average due to a predominance of winds from the South round to the West.

Total rainfall was 72.5 mm, fractionally below average. The wettest day was the 5th with a fall of 10.6 mm.

The windiest day was the 18th with a gust of 76 m.p.h., which storm (named Eunice by the Met. Office) caused considerable damage and disruption across the country. This was the windiest day here since 1998. The 20th was also a windy day, the highest gust being 61 m.p.h.

The winter as a whole was milder and drier than average.

Andy Epstein



DATES TO LOOKOUT FOR

April

5th Lapford Youth Club Management Committee, AGM, The ARK, 7.30pm

6th Lapford Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm

9th Lapford Spring Litter Pick Day, The Orchard Centre,

12th Lapford Gardening Club meeting, The ARK, 7.30pm

14th Copy deadline for May Lapford Lookout, 6pm

16th Easter Egg Trail & Fun, Victory Hall, 2.00-4.00pm

21st Ladies of Lapford, Talk by Next Steps, The ARK, 7.30pm

23rd Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10am-1pm

28th Lapford & District Over 60 Club AGM, Victory Hall, 3pm

29th Quiz Evening, Victory Hall, 7.30pm

May

4th Lapford Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm14th Copy deadline for June Lapford Lookout, 6pm

19th Ladies of Lapford, Walking Netball

20th Closing Date for Queen's Jubilee Art Competition.28th Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10am-1pm

June

1st Lapford Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm
 14th Copy deadline for July Lapford Lookout, 6pm
 25th Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10am-1pm

July

5th Lapford Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm17th Friends of St Thomas AGM, 10.30am

30th Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10am-1pm



LAPFORD LOOKOUT

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lapfordlookout@gmail.com

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TO CONTACT THE EDITOR

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By hand: Use the box in The Orchard Centre or the Editor's letterbox

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Contributions are welcome, to be used at the Editorial Team's discretion.

Our Editorial Policy:

Published monthly, the magazine welcomes contributions on any topic of interest. The editorial policy is to exclude anything of a political or personal nature and to avoid unnecessary controversy or ill feeling.

Flyers and Inserts must be approved by the Editorial Team prior to publication and shall only be included at the discretion of the Editorial Team and editorial policy.

The views in this newsletter do not necessarily represent the views of the Editorial Team.

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CHULMLEIGH FLORAL ART CLUB

The next meeting of Chulmleigh Floral Art Club will be held at The Pavilion on 20th April 2022 at 7.30pm, when Andrea Furmage will give a demonstration entitled "Showtime". For the past eleven years Andrea has been very busy in her Florist Shop "Floral Designs " in Hatherleigh having previously trained in a long established shop - Fishleys , and obtained her City and Guilds qualifications whilst working there. Her demonstration promises to be very colourful and as usual her arrangements will be raffled at the end of the evening giving you a chance to take home a beautiful floral display.

Our competition is an "Arrangement using a cup and saucer" so dig out an interesting cup and saucer of any size and see what you can do!

During the evening tea, coffee and biscuits will be served to give you a chance to catch up with friends and have a chat with other members.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATE: on June 1st we are holding a very special Open Evening to celebrate our own Coral Anniversary and The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Demonstration – "Time to Celebrate with Flowers and Fun" will be given by Christine Harrington who is an Area Demonstrator and makes exquisite designs. A buffet supper will follow to round off an exciting and special evening. Tickets for non Members are £12 and can be obtained from Heather Russell.

For any further information please contact Heather on 01769 581258 or Joan Rowland on 01769 581241

LAPFORD & DISTRICT OVER 60 CLUB

AGM
Thursday 28th April 3pm
Victory Hall.
The first AGM since 2019!

Renewal of Memberships (£12, Giving discount on trips, etc)

Election of Officials and Committee (Volunteers needed)

Plans for monthly meetings (Last Thursday each month)

Please do your best to attend - new members welcome - no age limits

Kindly let us have your up-to-date email addresses and phone numbers

Many thanks
Ron Kercher and Committee



CHULMLEIGH RURAL CINEMA



Oscar nominated, biographical drama following the life of unconventional father and coach of tennis icons Venus and Serena Williams, that shines a light on determination, resilience and the true story of an underdog. (12A)

Friday 8th April 2022
The Pavilion, Leigh Road, Chulmleigh EX18 7JL
Doors open 6.45pm Film starts 7.30pm
Wine, beer, soft drinks and interval ice-creams for sale
Tickets £5 (Chulmleigh Society members £4.50) on the door
Contactless payment preferred



LAPFORD VILLAGE CLOCK QUIZ 2022

134 Questions relating to clocks or time. No prize money so that every penny raised can go towards the village clock.

QUIZ SHEETS AVAILABLE AT THE ARK - £2.00

Closing Date 31st May so you have plenty of time!

Thank you for your support





Supported by Lapford Project 2000 and The ARK

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lapford Youth Club

Management Committee

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 5th April 2022 7.30pm The ARK

Or join by Zoom

By request to

steve.keable@btinternet.com





THRIVE: THE NEW BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICE



If you are looking to start or grow your business this year, you'll be pleased to hear that a new business support service called Thrive has been launched across Devon and Somerset to support the self-employed and small to medium size businesses.

Business Information Point are delivering this support which includes a free one-to-one business review with an expert advisor and access to a range of online workshops on topics such as social media, finance, and business planning. This equates to a day and a half of free business support and provides a fantastic opportunity to learn new skills and get an outside view of your business.

Full details can be found on the Business Information Point website businessinfopoint.co.uk/thrive or by calling 0800 592 872.

The Heart of the South West Growth Hub Service for All is receiving up to £781,965 of funding from the England European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).

The accountable body for this programme is Devon County Council.





JOINT MEETING OF LADIES OF LAPFORD (LOLS) AND THE GARDENING CLUB FEBRUARY 2022



I'm not a member of Ladies of Lapford nor am I a member of the Gardening Club but I was allowed to attend their meeting in February which was a presentation by Jane Welsh on Willow Weaving.

Jane had come from Morchard Road with a car full of baskets she had made and proceeded to explain how she had set about constructing these wonderful artisan products, showing us a variety of methods and patterns of weaving from France, the UK and Ireland.

Jane had also brought a large supply of willow wands grown especially for weaving in the levels of Somerset. To make them flexible they had been soaked in advance.

It was clear to Jane after her interesting talk that the enthralled audience of a dozen were eager to have a go. So once we had all got our willow we set to following her example to weave a Christmas tree. It was much harder than I imagined to hold one part while twisting and bending the other with one eye on the emerging shape. As always I dived in thinking it would be easy with my large hands only to discover that my first attempt looked more like a barrel than tree shaped. Undaunted I tried again and a glance around the room showed me that most ladies were much better with the finesse of weaving than my brute force. I could see so many applications of these shapes though. Not only the finely crafted baskets but edging or containers for the garden. I suspect the possibilities are endless with the satisfaction of saying "I made that" of course to be as skilled as Jane would take many years of practice but the advantage of willow weaving is that it is very accessible, everyone could have a go and materials are cheap and few tools are required. Sadly I had to leave to begin a journey south to beat the storm that was promised. A few days later I found an inherited book on our shelves. I just might give it a go.

Ron Harle

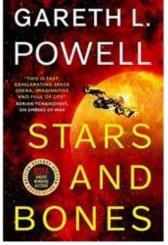
BOOK REVIEW - STARS AND BONES BY GARETH L POWELL

Gareth L Powell is a recent discovery. I've read two of his books so far and I've literally devoured both within days - Stars and Bones is his most recent and it made a dose of the lurgy (not that lurgy) a little more enjoyable and a welcome antidote to the return of war to Europe.

It's filled with great ideas, well-written characters and a masterful control of the plot that it can make some stunning left turns and barrel rolls and still have you greedily turning the pages.

Split across two narratives; the early one sees humanity literally saved at the last minute from environmental/nuclear catastrophe by god-like aliens called The Benevolence. However, don't cheer just yet. We're evicted from The Earth and now roam the galaxy in arks made from Saturn's rings and warned not to find another planet; unless we treat it better.

Meanwhile, Eryn King searches for her sister, missing presumed dead on a scouting mission for that elusive other Earth. When she finds something that is less benevolent and more malevolent, the fate of humanity is in her hands between two god-like forces with very different intentions.



So, a massive novel with big timely ideas. But Powell has great control here, serving slabs of body-horror as both human beings and spaceships are literally torn apart to find out how they work. But it's matched with a huge, metaphysical thought experiment: how would humanity cope if greed, hunger and poverty didn't exist?

That is a huge concept for a novel... but to tack onto that; all the gore, big spaceships and pulpy characters you could ever wish for shows real skill and an intention to entertain as much as intellectually stimulate. At one point, we even go within the genre of police procedural - and even that works.

And it would be incredibly easy to dismiss all of this as silly, superficial space opera. But that genre is rarely about the sizzle of lasers against shielding. It's a very human piece of work about loneliness, family, the sacrifice of being a parent (explored more in the metaphysical finale) and our moronic propensity to ruin good things with acquiring more wealth.

I also enjoyed the dash of dark and ingenious humour dotted throughout the book. One of the things granted to us by The Benevolence is that cats and dogs can talk. Sam, Eryn's cat is a cynical, thoughtful, feline chorus to the action. This itself, is a callback to his novel Embers of War, featuring the sentient warship Trouble Dog: a lethal mix of dog/teenage girl DNA; which commits a war crime and then decides to do good.

And possibly, in a few years' time we may see Embers of War on TV as it's been optioned for a series. In the meantime, enjoy this: a bloody, but ultimately beautiful vision of what we could be if we treated each other a little bit better. And if you don't see that as apposite, watch the news.

Kev McCready

LAPFORD PROJECT 2000

YOUR INVITATION TO ADVERTISE IN OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

This is the first of our regular newsletters which will be delivered to every home in Lapford. They will be used to let everyone know how we are progressing with plans to celebrate the Millennium.

As we intend to incorporate a Diary of Events, it will also be an ideal opportunity for individuals and groups to let other villagers know what is happening in their community.

There has already been some interest and all organisations in the village are invited to participate. For a modest annual fee, each group would receive the benefit of publicity for their fundraising activities, meetings, events, AGM's, etc. There will be no limit to the number of times the newsletter can be used in this way. All we ask is that you let us have the relevant information in good time.

There will also be an opportunity for Business advertisements. For further details of group or business rates please telephone either contact number overleaf.

It will be in our interest to reach as wide an audience as possible and we therefore intend to hand deliver to every home in the Community. However, if you are aware of any houses that are being missed please let us know so that this can be remedied. There will also be spare copies of this newsletter in the Post Office if we have missed anybody.

OUR AIM IS TO UNITE THE VILLAGE IN TIME FOR THE MILLENNIUM.

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

YOU NEED YOUR VILLAGE!

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

A regular newsletter to publicise your Club, activity or forthcoming events for the community of LAPFORD and SURROUNDING AREA

Following the recent public Annual General meeting, we have now met together for the first time as a Committee. Our aim is to co ordinate the many and varied ideas put forward for Lapford to celebrate the forthcoming Millennium. Some of the suggestions which have already been made include:

A Street Party

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- A Christian celebration
- Restoration of the village pumps
- Firework Display
 - More village seating
 - Best kept Garden / Lapford in Bloom
- Improvement of Health Services
- Millennium Mugs or spoons
- Flower Festival

This is only a selection of some of the ideas put forward by the community to date. There will be a Suggestions Box in the Post Office for any further constructive proposals.

As many of you know, we are in the very preliminary stages of researching the possibility of building a new hall for the village. This is obviously a long term project and we aim to keep you informed of developments.

If you would like to offer your help towards achieving any of these projects please contact:

Ashley Leeds (Chairman) Tel. 83555 (7pm - 9pm or at Helen Glover (Secretary) Tel. 83517 weekends)

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU! YOU NEED YOUR VILLAGE!

Here is a list of Organisations in the village, with their contact name and addresses, but if you belong to one that is not listed please let us know and we will include it next time. For inclusion in this newsletter please contact one of the people named overleaf.

P.T.A Mrs H Tucker 12 Moorland View Lapford	OVER 60's Mrs R Jarman Moor Kelland Hill Lapford	LAPFORD UNDER 3's Mrs L Read 15 Moorland View Lapford
CHESTNUT CLUB	SHORT MAT BOWLS	PRE-SCHOOL PLAY GROUP
Mrs P Sandercock	Mr I Tucker	Mrs K Webber
Wells Park	12 Moorland View	1 Bridge Cottages
Lapford	Lapford	Lapford
YOUTH CLUB	BADMINTON	HORTICULTURAL SOC.
Mr A Leeds	Mr R Parker	Mrs S Briant-Evans
40A Highfield	Arden	Edgerley Cottage
Lapford	Lapford	Lapford
REVEL	MAIN RD CHAPEL	CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Mr P Heal	Mr P Davey	Mr E Passmore
Ashlands	Broomley	7 Moorland View
Lapford	Allerbridge Coldridge	Lapford
PARISH CHURCH	TENNIS CLUB	CRUSUADERS
Miss S Williams	Mrs I Poole	Mrs J Welch
20 Highfield	Tamborine	Trelawney
Lapford	Lapford	Eastington Rd Lapford
VICTORY HALL	MOTHERS UNION :	W.L

Mrs S Stoneman

Wells Park

Lapford

Mrs J Reynolds

The Lindens

Lapford

Mrs P Preston

Tudor Cottage

Westgate, Lapford

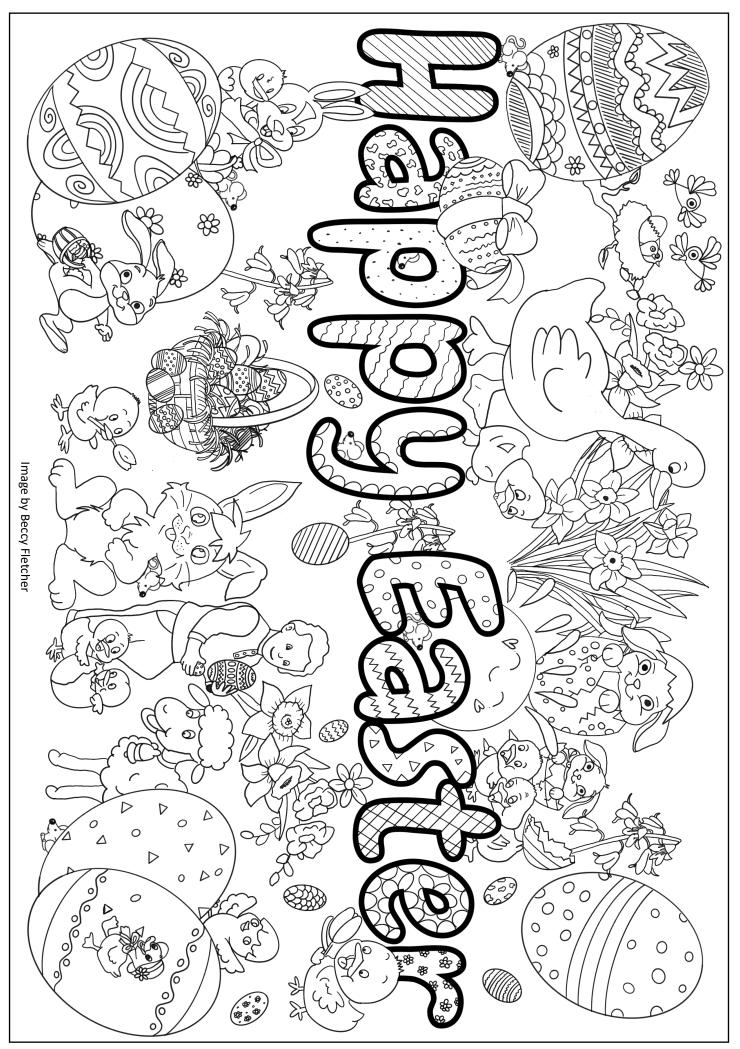
FOOTBALL CLUB TRANSFORMERS L.AD.S. Mrs H Andrews Mr N Tucker Mrs S Stoneman The Old Bakery Wells Park Prospect House Lapford Lapford Lapford PLAYING FIELD TWINNING ASSOC. PARISH COUNCIL Mrs J House Mr P Westcott Mrs J Poole Green Gables Westfield House **Tamborine** Popes Lane Lapford Lapford Lapford DOG TRAINING **VOLUNTARY CAR AID** FRIDAY LINK Mr P Crotty Mrs M Coombes Mr Mrs P Squance 8 Park Meadow Close Lower Bridge Farm Odin Hillside Cottages Lapford Lapford Lapford WINSDAY CLUB MALT SCOOP TEAMS YEO VALE TEAMS Mrs P Wood Mr Mrs J Berry Mrs G Whitby 26 Prospect Way Malt Scoop Inn Yeo Vale Inn Lapford Lapford Lapford

COMING SOON.....

A Special event for the whole community.....
Saturday 13th June
WATCH THIS SPACE.....

We would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to OFFICE WORLD for donating the paper, enabling us to produce this newsletter.

THANK YOU OFFICE WORLD.







LADIES OF LAPFORD MEETINGS (LOL)

Please come and join us in The ARK at 7.30pm

Thursday 21st April



Presentation by Next Steps Development
(A Barnstaple charity that offers support to young adults with additional needs to gain independence in a working environment).

Thursday 19th May

Walking Netball Further details to follow

CARSHARING: SAVE MONEY HELP THE PLANET SHARE YOUR CAR JOURNEY WITH SOMEONE ELSE

With the price of petrol rising there couldn't be a better time to start carsharing. Sustainable Crediton is launching a campaign to get Crediton and surrounding villages carsharing. It's good for the environment, the community and the people who take part. Devon County Council have a Devon wide Carsharing community with the company Liftshare. To get started go to carsharedevon.com then just follow the instructions. Be sure to follow the instruction to activate your account through your email. If you prefer you can get the Liftshare app on your phone. It's called Liftshare Companion in your app store and it's free. You can then join Carshare Devon through the app. There are even separate communities for certain places of work like the RD&E. It can be used for both regular and one off journeys. You can have message conversations with potential matches to make arrangements or to get a sense if you feel good about sharing a car with this person. You could even meet up beforehand if you want.

Carsharing can save you money. Carshare will give a suggested contribution the passenger can contribute but of course its up to you. For example its suggested a return trip Crediton to Exeter would have a contribution of £2.00. So five days a week that's a saving of about £460 pounds in a year. If the passenger would otherwise take the bus they would be saving about the same. You can, if you both have cars, take turns with driving and each also save on wear and tear. Of course you can also have more than one passenger.

Carsharing can make a big contribution to reducing your personal and our communal carbon footprint. Its estimated that sharing a weekly commute between Exeter and Crediton with one other person for a year saves 950kg of CO2. That's like 42 extra trees doing their amazing work at cleaning our atmosphere.

Lots of people report that they have really enjoyed meeting new people and having company on their journeys.

With all the new house building in Crediton and surrounding areas, roads, especially at commuting times, will get more congested. Liftsharing can go a long way to easing these problems.

The website and app have lots of FAQs to answer your questions and help you get started. Its worth putting in your journey multiple times because the logarithms brain is limited and won't pick up that you would travel through somewhere. For example as I live in Lapford I could put in Lapford to Crediton but also Morchard Road and Copplestone to Crediton.

Be patient you might not at first get a match. The more people who join the better it works. If you want further support contact us at info@sustainablecrediton.org.uk. We would also love to hear your success stories.







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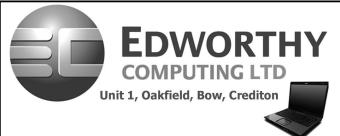
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OIL SERVICES (Pressure Jet) - Annual boiler servicing | Repairs | Landlords certificates | installs | Boiler replacement Tank replacement | Tank water removal | Fire valve testing

Local tradesman providing services to the village and surrounding areas.

Abigail's & Beauty Retreat

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Lapford, EX17 6PZ





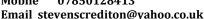




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- · Regular farmer meetings and training including our new Herdsman course.
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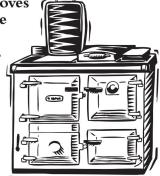
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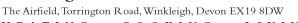
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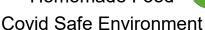


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LAPFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL APRIL NATURE CLUB REPORT

At Lapford Primary School we have started a new Nature Club! This provides children with the chance to explore our wonderful outside environment.

We got off to a flying start after half term. Wildlife cameras that were set up in our wood over the week off were checked and we saw birds, a cat (who often visits us), a resident rabbit and his burrow and a fox!

We have planted up some flowerpots and planters with a 'bulb lasagna' so hopefully we will have flowers over a longer period, but they are already looking great. We have also made feeders for the birds and made hanging decorations for the playground.

The Nest children also looked for minibeasts in the wood and recorded what they found before building them 'Bugingham Palace'. We hope to repeat our bug search later in the year to see the difference.

The family and friends of the school will be enhancing our outdoor environment further by painting the exterior walls, cleaning up the pond, fixing gates and planting a pollinator friendly area for our minibeast friends.





LAPFORD GARDENING CLUB

Thanks to Norsworthy Dairy for an informative talk on making goat's cheese last month. Club members were converted to their cheese as samples disappeared rapidly, and purchases were made.

At the next meeting we will be thinking about our September Show; whist in May, David Bragg has invited us to explore his bluebell wood.

Tuesday 12thApril 7.30 at The ARK Preparing for Showing with Peter Heal

The Club welcomes anyone interested in gardening to their meetings.

CARAWAY BUNS

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100g (4oz) butter, 100g (4oz) caster sugar, zest of half a lemon,



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1 generous teaspoon caraway seeds,

2 eggs - lightly whisked,

159g (6oz) self-raising flour,

2-3 tablespoons milk.

Cream the butter, sugar, and lemon zest until light and fluffy. Gradually beat in the eggs, and fold in the flour and caraway seeds. Divide the mixture between 12 - 15 individual bun tins lined with paper cake cases, sprinkle with caraway seeds and bake in a hot oven until well risen, brown, and springy to touch.

Paul Cleave

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The FOST AGM will be held on Sunday 17th July this year, a much later date than usual. Our President the Reverend Prebendary Anthony Geering will preside at a Eucharist, starting at 9.30 am, followed by the AGM at 10.30am.



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LAPFORD AFC 2022 RESULTS

JANUARY 2022

January 8thThorvertonAwayPostponedJanuary 22ndColytonAwayWon 5-0January 29thExeter University ReservesPostponed

January 15th East Devon Senior Cup 1st Round

Newton St. Cyres Home Won 4-0

As of the 29th January. Lapford AFC are top of the premier division. P14-W12-D2-L0-GD+50-PTS41-Goals F63-A13

FEBRUARY 2022

Sports Living Devon Premier Cup quarter final.

Beer Albion Away 3-3

Lost on penalties 10-9

Kentisbeare Home Won 2-1
Beer Albion Home Postponed
Sidmouth Town Home Won 3-2

Reserves

Premier Division Record

P17-W1-D2-L0-PTS 47—GOALS F68A16 GD+52

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Gerald Leach

THOUGHTS FROM THE ARK

James 5:16 says "When a believing person prays, great things happen" While holidaying in England, DL Moody, a great evangelist visited a London church that was spiritually dead. The pastor recognised him and asked him to preach at the morning service. Reluctantly, Moody agreed. Afterwards, he told a friend the congregation was so unresponsive, it was all he could do to finish his sermon. Later, he remembered he had committed to preach there again that night. Wishing he had never interrupted his holiday plans, he spent the afternoon dreading what was ahead.



But behind the scenes, something was happening that Moody knew nothing about.

After the morning service, an elderly lady met her invalid sister for lunch and told her about Moody's upcoming visit. Her sister's eyes lit up, and she exclaimed, "I've been praying God would send Moody to England! Put away the lunch, Sis. We'll spend the afternoon fasting and praying for tonight's service."

When Moody took the pulpit that night, an "electric" sense of God's presence filled the sanctuary. He preached like a man on fire, and when he issued an invitation for people to follow Christ, five hundred people responded. Thinking they had misunderstood, Moody had them sit down while he re-explained the gospel call. But when he issued a second invitation, the same five hundred stood to receive Christ. That Sunday initiated one of the greatest revivals ever to sweep England.

What helped make it happen? Two elderly ladies who understood their church desperately needed the fire of God's Spirit. They believed God's promise, "When a believing person prays, great things happen."

Today, tap into the power of prayer. Your prayers can help ignite the fire of God and make great things happen. UCB notes Word for today 11 March.

There was a call to prayer at the beginning of March for the situation in Ukraine. One newspaper had the word "pray" in bold black letters across the front page. Funny, in times of disaster or crisis, the call for prayer goes out. God answers pray and amazing things do happen. It's times of disasters when we call out in prayer, but it would make sense to pray all the time, just like the two elderly ladies, who totally believed in the power of prayer.

Thank you so much for all the plastic bags and food that has been donated over the past month. We really are blessed by such a generous community. People visiting The ARK on Tuesdays and Fridays have increased. It's great to see so many people enjoying the food, coffee and friendly atmosphere. It's also good to see so many using the facilities upstairs to borrow books.

The ARK is being used to host a variety of exhibitions. The next one to look out for is one put together by the three churches in April and May. Look forward to seeing you there.

The Ladies at The ARK



GEORGE GUNN 29 DECEMBER 1946 - 19 APRIL 2021

Our brother George, known by us as 'Boy', was diagnosed with terminal cancer in September 2020 and it was his decision to stay at Church View and have no treatment other than painkillers. George was born in the Kenwyn Nursing Home, Crediton, on 29th December 1946 when we were living at Chenson. The family, John, George, Janice and Ann (Dorothy, the eldest was married and living in Halifax by then) moved to Church View in February 1947, during the bitter winter of that year. He nearly didn't survive to his first birthday as the paraffin heater in his bedroom, when having an afternoon nap, issued lots of smuts into the room and on him and it was John who discovered this and called for Mum.

School photo

George attended Lapford Primary School where he decided on his first day that a morning was enough for him and headed for home down the school drive, when Janice saw him and he was brought back to finish the day. He went on to Chulmleigh School where apart from having the cane (the deed done by

Mr Pick) when he and several friends were caught smoking, school life continued without too many incidents.

He was a tidy person, even as a young child, always knowing when we sisters had been rooting around his toy cupboard. He did poke back the moving eyes of my Pedigree doll on the Christmas Day I received it and they stayed that way until going to a doll's hospital 25 years ago. All three of we younger siblings had plenty of room to play in the Box Room, the attic and the shed. We spent time taking down car numbers in the days when cars were few and far between. George had fun in Court Barton next door playing with Eric Goss, getting up to mischief, including cutting each other's hair with the old fashioned sheep shears. It hit him hard when Eric died in his late teens.



Dorothy, George, Janice and Ann.

Mum boiled the 'whites' in the copper in the shed which took up all of Monday, including the ironing. From lighting the fire underneath to heat the water, rinsing, mangling and hanging the sheets on the line, it was a hard morning's work. On one occasion the young George ran his muddy hands down the sheets on the line and they had to be washed again. Mum was SO pleased! Once he got a coat hanger stuck in his mouth, shut himself in a wardrobe (lucky it didn't tip over) and managed to get the back of his legs cut with barbed wire whilst playing.

When George left school, he was apprenticed to Mr Len Leach of Bugford, Electrician. From there he went to the Ambrosia factory as an electrician until

its closure on 29 December 1973 (his birthday!). For a short while he was employed by the Albany Meat Co. in Plymouth, travelling down with several men from Lapford. When this job came to an end he worked for Brian Glover of Copplestone, doing electrical work and painting. Having no transport of his own, Brian, or Tris (his wife), would pick him up and drop him off. They became good friends as well as employers. Following Brian's death, which George felt very deeply, he did small jobs for people in the village. Also he continued to help Tris when she needed it.

George was a sensitive boy and man, always seeing both sides of situations and was ready to help where he could. He lost many of his closest friends, young and old, over the years. One of those was Ivor Roach of the Malt Scoop. In the event of a 'four minute warning', he said he and Ivor were going in the cupboard under the Malt Scoop stairs where the spirits were stocked.......!

In the distant past George enjoyed fishing and (we think) a bit of poaching. He loved walking along School Road to Eastington, to the Morchard Bishop junction, then to Bugford, across the clapper, and home via Prowse Lane. We often joined him when he did the Forches/Eastington/School Road walk. These walks became shorter as his illness progressed, ending in January of 2021.

Dad died in March 1978, John and Mum in 1987 and Dorothy in 2012. George continued to live at Church View after Mum died, keeping it decorated and electrically A1. Having never cooked before, he began making delicious meals and baking cakes. We enjoyed our visits to him, talking over old times and putting the world to rights. He even took to gardening, growing raspberries and vegetables. He loved his music (not always at low volume), owning a large collection of LPs. Church View was never without cats until the death of his last one, Nebby, when he decided there was too much traffic to risk having another one.

Derek Pleace was a regular visitor before and through George's illness. Derek was such a great help in clearing 74 years of possessions, a job we could not have done without his assistance and strength. Many things were scanned and forwarded to Lapford Village Archive. The Overseers' Book has also been photographed for the Archive.

It will be a sad day when we lock the door of Church View for the last time. But Boy is now at rest with his brother John, beside Mum and Dad, in Down St Mary churchyard, the church where we were all baptised. George, a loving and much loved brother and uncle who is sorely missed.

Janice Greening and Ann Cann



THANK YOU

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Industrial Estate	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Highfield	4.00 p.m.	10.15 a.m.
Orchard Way	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Saxtons	4.00 p.m.	10.15 a.m.
Morchard Road	5.00 p.m.	11.15 a.m.

In addition, items left at the Post Office during opening hours will be posted that day via North Tawton.

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Please remember to follow the Countryside Code!

IMPROVE YOUR WELLBEING - BE A 'CLANGER'

The 'Five Ways to Wellbeing' arose as part of the National Foresight Campaign which developed a set of recommendations for action. These are based on evidence from over 400 scientists worldwide of what actions people can take that are strongly associated with improved mental health and wellbeing. This has been promoted under the acronym CLANG and hopes this help everyone to incorporate the five ways into their daily lives.

Connect. With people around you. Develop connections that enrich your

Learn. Try something new. Revive an old interest. Challenge yourself.

Active. Go for a walk or run. Step outside. Play a game. Have fun.

Notice. Be curious. Open your eyes to the world around you. Savour

the moment.

Give. Do something nice for a friend or stranger. Volunteer. Join a

community group. Thank someone. Smile.



#DON'T POO WHERE WE PLAY!

As we all know, people leaving dog poo around our community and on Lower Town Place has been an issue. The Youth Club wanted to send out a message reminding people the importance of bagging and binning your dog poo!

Many children at the Youth Club are very passionate about our canine companions but they were all in complete agreement that they didn't like dog poo being around the areas they play. Last summer, the Youth Club had two dog poo related incidents and we need to make sure this doesn't happen again.

As we approach the summer months and get outside more, we would encourage dog owners to bag and bin. Not just on Lower Town Place but across the village. Keep an eye out in the village and social media for more on our campaign. Thank you to all responsible dog owners for respecting us and our beautiful village.

Everyone @ Lapford Youth Club

