

The Village Crossroads
Newsletter of Herodsfoot

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Good day to you all!

I do think that Spring may have sprung. Of course, we will now have a solid week of torrential rain and hail.

Most important news...Vera is home. All's right again.

The coffee morning venue has changed. Please see below.

The logo competition attracted no entries so we will continue with the old logo until we can source a new one. Also new residents imminent at Florence Cottage!

If anyone would like to host a coffee morning or has any items for inclusion in the Newsletter please let me know by mail, phone, telepathy etc.

Lynne

Escaped Wallaby

I have been contacted by the owner of a pet wallaby, which escaped while its pen was being refurbished. There have been a number of unconfirmed sightings of the wallaby, called Alan, in the locality including in gardens in the village. Alan is particularly partial to bananas, cheese and lemon drizzle cake so, if you see him, you can use these as bait to trap him. If you do see Alan, please contact his distraught owner, Olaf Ripol via the Newsletter.

What's been happening?

The Beetle Drive on Friday 1st March went well. Ian was victorious and Harry won the wooden spoon (he was more upset to have been beaten by his sister than anything else!). Watson enjoyed his first beetle...at least, I think he did. Bertie is an old paw at it now and had probably told him what to expect. A total of £30 was raised.

On Tuesday 19th March, four of us went to Cathy's for glass etching. It was great fun. Pauline was most expert and put us all to shame. Mary & I produced distinctly odd bees and Jane drew a very artistic flower. Many thanks to Cathy for her hospitality and excellent tuition and encouragement.

Future Dates for your diaries

Coffee Morning Monday 1st April, 10.30am at Mary's house (Cedar House, School Hill, 2nd house on left opposite the Forest Holidays entrance road) . Look forward to seeing you there.

The afternoon of Sunday 14th April sees the **Great Herodsfoot Cake Off** at Oaklands! The entry form is attached to this newsletter and copies will be available in the Church, at the coffee morning and in the hut on the Green. Read on for more info.

Saturday afternoon 20th April is the **Flower Arranging** in the Church. Theme is "A Celebration of Spring." Further info in this issue.

Events outside the village

Sunday Roast Dinner at East Taphouse Community Hall 2 courses £8 every other Sunday (started 3rd March). Booking necessary with Laura 07792 900987
Saturday 13th April Lanreath Village Hall has a **Murder Mystery Evening**. Tickets selling fast from the shop at £6 (this includes food.)

Other events for information

(More to follow in future newsletters).

Coffee Morning on Monday 6th May at 10.30am at Hir Garth

St Pinnock WI are organising a Charity Cake & Entertainment Afternoon at The Old Vicarage, Herodsfoot on Sat 4th May from 1.30-4.00pm. More info in this issue.

Saturday 27th July Ram Roast & Duck Race

Sunday 4th August Church Fete to be opened by Rev. Martin Jones. Date change from last issue.

Lanreath Table Sales in the Village Hall. 1.00 - 4.00pm £6 per table per event (Coming up: **27/4**; 18/5; 22/6). Light refreshments available. To book table call Rebecca 01503 221160
Duloe Jubilee Centre on 27th April at 7.30pm there is an acoustic guitar evening of entertainment featuring Mark Tween & Guests

April 2019 services conducted by Rev Martin Jones (Church Warden - Ian Gordon 01579 320670)
Holy Communion Easter Sunday 21st April at 9.30am
Holy Communion Sunday 28th April at 10.00am
Celtic Prayer Evening Wednesday 17th April at 7.00pm

The **Great Herodsfoot Cake Off** on Sunday 14th April promises to be an exciting affair. It is once again at Oaklands and we have Rev Martin Jones as our cake judge. The two cakes will be a Victoria Sandwich (set recipe) and a freestyle Simnel Cake (for Easter).

The entry form and set recipe sheet has now been sent out and I apologise for the lateness of this. Copies are available in the church, at the coffee morning and in the little hut on the green. Please join in and have a go! You need to print the form and pop the completed entry in an envelope with the entry fee (£2 per cake) through Lynne's door at 2 Rivermead, Herodsfoot (or give me a call if you can't get there and we will sort something out for you). The cakes will need to be at Oaklands at 1.30pm for judging at 2.00pm. Then there's a cream tea **from around 3.00pm**. Yippee!

And, as if that were not enough!! The Spring flower arranging competition is in the Church on Easter Saturday 20th April. The theme is "**A Celebration of Spring**". Displays must be in the Church at 1.00pm and the entry fee is £1 per entry. The entries can be in any form e.g. bouquets, oasis-based arrangements, posies etc. Judging will take place in the afternoon and there will be light refreshments available (donations welcomed) so do have a go and then come along and see the arrangements. Sounds like fun!

Advance notification!

St Pinnock WI are organising a Charity Cake & Entertainment Afternoon at The Old Vicarage, Herodsfoot on Saturday 4th May from 1.30-4.00pm. Both sweet and savoury refreshments will be available and entertainment will be provided by the Liskeard Ukulele Band between 2.00-3.00pm. There will be a raffle and donations are welcomed.

All monies received will be donated to Mercy Ships, an organisation providing medical relief and free surgery in areas of the world where medical care is almost non-existent (e.g. W.Africa). They treat many conditions including glaucoma, cleft palates & cataracts in children and dental problems for those whose lives would be miserable for want of these basic surgeries.

More info at www.mercyships.org.uk

A Big Groan for you!

A woman finds her budgie lying on the floor of its cage and rushes to the vet. She is completely distraught and insists on seeing the vet immediately despite the waiting room being full of patients. The vet examines the budgie and pronounces it dead. At this, the woman sets up such a wailing and moaning that the vet is anxious that the noise doesn't upset the other patients. He tries to comfort her but the woman demands further tests.

"You can't be right! You must do more checks. He can't be dead" she exclaims between wails.

"OK, OK" the vet responds "wait one moment".

He goes out and explains the situation to the nurse and she appears with a large golden labrador who sniffs the budgie carefully and then begins to howl. The nurse and dog leave the room but a few moments later the nurse reappears with a large cat. The cat also carefully sniffs the budgie (trying not to lick its lips). After a moment it begins to miaow loudly and sorrowfully. The nurse and cat then leave the room and the vet is, once more, alone with the woman and the late budgie.

The woman dries her tears. "Oh well, I suppose you are right. How much do I owe you?"

"£275", says the vet.

"How much???" says the woman.

"£275", repeats the vet.

"Why is it so expensive?" asks the woman.

"Well", says the vet "it was only £60 until you insisted on the Lab report and Cat scan".

(Help! Jokes needed!)

Snippets & very useful information too!

Easter is on its way and we have wall to wall scones all this month! Heavenly!

Alisha is continuing her offer of six scones for £5 this month but you can choose between cheese/plain or fruit varieties.

Freshly-made, these scones contain no preservatives, are light and delicious and can even be frozen for later use. If you have eaten all last month's store, hold that freezer space and pop in some new ones. Imagine the cream teas on a Sunday in the sunshine. YUM !!

Contact Alisha on 07955151269 or email info@alishascakesandbakes.co.uk or mail the newsletter

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