

The Village Crossroads
Newsletter of Herodsfoot

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Good day to you all!

My goodness, it's cold now, isn't it? I hope you are all keeping warm and toasty.

To move your minds forward to sunnier times (we hope!), I have news of our fine racing ducks! They are wintering in La Manga, where the footballers go. I know you may think this extravagant on our part but we didn't need flights as, obviously, they flew themselves over. Anyway, I digress, their training is going well but they have been alarmed by the recent Brexit issues as they have heard a rumour that "bills are likely to go up". This has them worried as they won't be able to swim properly in the Duck Race if they have to hold their bills aloft as they swim. We have reassured them that this will not be a problem. It is hoped that Mary will train them (after her success in mentoring at the Beetle Drive).....Started well, eh?

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

What's been happening?

We have had a quiet start to the New Year to help us to recover from the excesses of the Festive Season.

The first coffee morning of 2019 was hosted by Pete and Cathy (thank you) on 7th January. A small, but nevertheless select group, participated and the teas and cakes were enjoyed by us all.

Then on 18th January we had a beetle drive in the church. This was due to be a bingo night but was changed as our bingo caller wasn't available. The night was fun with Trixie emerging victorious from the pack. A total of £28 was raised. Thanks to all who participated.

Future Dates for your diaries

We are building up gently this month so we only have a couple of events for you

Coffee Morning Monday 4th February at Hir Garth at 10.30am

Beetle Drive Friday 1st March in the church 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start.

Events outside the village

Lanreath: There is a Stretch n Tone class every Wednesday at 10am and an Aerobics class every Tuesday at 6pm both in the Village

Other events for information

(More to follow in future newsletters).

Coffee Morning Monday 4th March at The Old Vicarage at 10.30am

Sunday 14th April The Great Herodsfoot Cake Off at Oaklands.

Saturday 20th April Flower Arranging Competition on the theme "Celebration of Spring"

Hall for those who are still feeling the need to remove the Xmas poundage!
The Walking Group meet at 10.30am on Monday 18th February in the hall car park.

Alisha's Fundraiser for the RNLI!!!!

Alisha will be selling her cakes from 18th - 22nd February between 11am - 2pm at the Old Lifeboat Station in Looe.

This is to raise money for the RNLI and she will donate 50% of all profits made to this worthy cause. Please come along and support this worthwhile event (and you can eat cake too!! Win win then!)

Church Warden's Report - Ian Gordon 01579 320670

The Reverend Martin Jones is now settling in well and will be with us for three years (maybe longer). Martin is going to hold a "Family Songs of Praise" every 2nd Sunday of the month at 4pm as well as our Holy Communion on every 4th Sunday. If you have an idea for other services at our church please contact Ian on the above number.

Services February 2019

Family Songs of Praise Sun 10th Feb at 4pm

Holy Communion Sun 24th Feb at 10.00am

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This is advance warning that The Great Herodsfoot Cake Off will take place on Sunday 14th April. Claire & Mark have kindly offered to host it at Oaklands again and our new vicar, Martin Jones, has agreed to judge the cakes. I am not altogether certain that he knows just what he has let himself in for but I am sure it will be fun. The two cakes will be a Victoria Sandwich (made to the set recipe) and a freestyle Simnel Cake (as it's Easter).

Also we are holding a flower arranging competition on Easter Sunday 20th April. The theme will be "A Celebration of Spring" .

More info on both events in future newsletters! Exciting, isn't it!

Help design a logo for the Friends of All Saints Herodsfoot

The Friends of All Saints Herodsfoot are looking for a new logo to use on any signage for fundraising events posters, letterheads etc and they need your help. The group raise funds to contribute to and support the fabric of the church which is not only our church but also the focal point for many community gatherings. As our only public building, it is an important part of our village.

The logo should preferably be computer-generated so that we can easily scale it up or down and use it for publicity. We suggest the size should be as close to 4cm square as possible and that a maximum of three colours is used. The logo will be used in black/greyscale too so it would be a bonus if it looked good without colour.

All submissions should be sent to the newsletter email address by 25th March 2019. The winning design will be used on all Friends publicity. We are relying on you creative people out there!

We just have to have a little groan...

A cat died and went to Heaven. God met her at the gates and said, 'You have been a good cat all these years. Anything you want is yours for the asking.'

The cat thought for a minute and then said, 'All my life I lived on a farm and slept on hard wooden floors. I would like a real fluffy pillow to sleep on.'

God said, 'Say no more.' Instantly the cat had a huge fluffy pillow.

A few days later, six mice were killed in an accident and they all went to Heaven together. God met the mice at the gates with the same offer that He made to the cat

The mice said, 'Well, we have had to run all of our lives: from cats, dogs, and even people with brooms! If we could just have some little roller skates, we would not have to run again.'

God answered, 'It is done.' All the mice had beautiful little roller skates.

About a week later, God decided to check on the cat. He found her sound asleep on her fluffy pillow. God gently awakened the cat and asked, 'Is everything okay? How have you been doing? Are you happy?'

The cat replied, 'Oh, it is WONDERFUL. I have never been so happy in my life. The pillow is so fluffy, and those little Meals on Wheels you have been sending over are delicious!'

(Oops I'll go now, shall I...)

Snippets & very useful information too!

Organise a little sweetie for your sweetie for Valentine's Day!

Alisha has special Valentine Offers for you all in the village.

Chocolate box heart-shaped Brownie - £6

Chocolate or Vanilla heart-shaped cake - £8

Rose cupcakes box of 6 - £8

Lemon, vanilla or chocolate flavour

Chocolate dipped shortbread box of 12 - £9

Tasty treats for that special someone!

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

Recommendation!

We have had a mobile dog groomer recommended this month. Darren comes to your house and grooms your dog in his specially-adapted van. He is kind and caring and does an excellent job.

Darren can be contacted as follows:

Dazzle Dog Groomers 07568562924.

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