

The Village Crossroads
Newsletter of Herodsfoot

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Salutations one and all!

As you can see this is the twelfth edition of this newsletter. What can I say?

First of all we must say "Get well soon" to Vera who is a little under the weather at present. We are all sending you our very best wishes.

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

Dr Martin How of Bristol University was on TV this week talking about his research into the reasons why zebras have stripes. Apparently, the stripes deter insects and result in fewer bites for the zebras. He tested this theory by covering horses with stripy blankets and found that this was, indeed, true. This set me thinking (oh no, you can see this will not end well!), as we are plagued with horse flies in the Summer, and their bites are extremely painful, perhaps it would be a good idea for us all to wear Zebra Onesies! I will be starting to knit ours very soon...

We welcome new residents!

Welcome to Jo, Craig, their two hounds and two purrers, the new residents at Little Bridgen. We hope you will be very happy in the beautiful village of Herodsfoot.

Also we welcome Watson, brother to Bertie and now living with Roger & Elizabeth (who arrived back home on Sunday on the back of a recovery truck - anything to make an entrance!)

What's been happening?

Still gently gliding into 2019, we had our coffee morning at Hir Garth on 4th February. The attendees enjoyed much deliciousness washed down with copious tea and coffee. Lovely. Thanks to Veronica & John.

The February beetle drive will take place on Friday (7pm for 7.30 start) which is technically March so I will pop that in next month's letter. Roger is hoping to continue his unbeaten run! Watch this space.

Future Dates for your diaries

Coffee Morning Monday 4th March at The Old Vicarage at 10.30am with Jane & Nigel

Tuesday 19th March Glass Etching at Cathy's (Pennington) at 7pm. Places are **limited to 6** people so the first 6 to reply to the newsletter address will be able to join in.

Events outside the village

There is a Stretch n Tone class every Wednesday at 10am and an Aerobics class every Tuesday at 6pm (Lanreath Village Hall)

Sunday Roast Dinner at East Taphouse Community Hall 2 courses £8 every other Sunday (starts 3rd March). Booking necessary with Laura 07792 900987

Pancake Lunch Shrove Tuesday 5th March from 12.30 - 1.00pm at Duloe Community Centre

Other events for information

(More to follow in future newsletters).

Coffee Morning Monday 1st April at Hir Garth 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"

Saturday 27th July Ram Roast & Duck Race

Sunday 11th August Church Fete to be opened by Rev. Martin Jones.

Time for Tea, Connon Chapel Saturday 9th

March 2.30 - 4.30pm Cream Teas & Craft stalls £5 entrance fee

Friday 15th March Curry & Quiz 8.00pm Lanreath Bar View

Lanreath Table Sales in the Village Hall. First one Saturday 23rd March 1.00 - 4.00pm £6 per table

per event (£22 for all 4 events 27/4; 18/5; 22/6).

Light refreshments available. To book table call Rebecca 01503 221160

Church Warden's Report - Ian Gordon 01579 320670

Services February 2019 with Rev Martin Jones

Holy Communion Sun 24th March at 10.00am

Family Songs of Praise Sun 10th March at 4.00pm

The February Songs of Praise was cancelled as only three people arrived. Martin will run the March event hoping for better attendance and will be encouraging the congregation to choose some of the hymns.

The **Great Herodsfoot Cake Off** is taking place on Sunday 14th April. Claire & Mark will once again be hosting it at Oaklands and Rev Martin Jones is our cake judge. The two cakes will be a Victoria Sandwich (made to the set recipe) and a freestyle Simnel Cake (for Easter). The entry form and set recipe sheet will be emailed out to you in the middle of March. Copies will also be available in the church and in the little hut on the green. Anyone who wishes to join in should print the form and pop their completed entry in an envelope with the entry fee (£2 per cake) and post it 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 2.30pm. Yippee!

The Spring flower arranging competition will be in the Church on Easter Sunday 20th April. The theme will be "**A Celebration of Spring**". All displays must be in the Church at 1.00pm and 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 light refreshments available (donations welcomed) so do come along and see the arrangements.

Sounds like fun!

Help design a logo for the Friends of All Saints Herodsfoot

Don't forget The Friends of All Saints Herodsfoot are looking for a new logo to use on any signage for fundraising events posters, letterheads etc. Preferably computer-generated so that we can easily scale it up or down and use it for publicity, the logo should be as close to 4cm square as possible and a maximum of three colours. It 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!

A Groan for you!

A very old aunt dies and leaves her two female parrots to her niece in her will. The niece reluctantly takes the two parrots home in their covered cage and is horrified when she uncovers them because the only phrase they can say is 'Hi, we're hookers! Do you want to have some fun?'

She hurriedly covers the cage again and telephones her friend who is full of sympathy and thinks she may be able to help. "I have a friend", she says "who has two male parrots who were left to him by a priest and they spend their days praying and reading the Bible. We will take your parrots over to see him tomorrow."

The woman is much happier when she hears this news and the next day she goes with her friend and the two parrots (covered, of course) to see this gentleman.

He is shocked when he hears her story and tells her "Bring the parrots in and we will pop them in with Peter and Francis. They can teach your ladies to adopt a more pious way of life. I am sure this unfortunate problem will be sorted out in no time at all".

As he ushered her in, she saw that his two male parrots were inside their cage holding rosary beads and praying. Impressed, she walked over and placed her parrots in with them. After a few minutes, the female parrots cried out in unison "Hi, we're hookers! Do you want to have some fun?"

There was a stunned silence.....

Shocked, one male parrot looked over at the other male parrot and exclaimed, "Put the beads away, Frank. Our prayers have been answered!"

Snippets & very useful information too!

We are marching into Spring with cheese scones all this month!

Alisha is offering six cheese scones for £5 in March. These delicious flavoursome scones are lovely to enjoy at teatime and you can even freeze some for later. Clear space in the freezer ready for them right now!

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

Recommendation!

Trevor J Hawes, Plumbing & Heating Engineers come highly recommended this month after sorting out Jose's heating problems when everyone else had given up!

Contact: 01208 872221 or 07785 352060 email:hawestrevor@yahoo.co.uk
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