

Ide Times



Storm Imogen certainly left its mark on the UK. Nowhere more so than in Ide, where the Cooke family had a narrow escape when a 100ft tree in Old Ide Lane fell on their car, minutes before they were due to leave on the school run.

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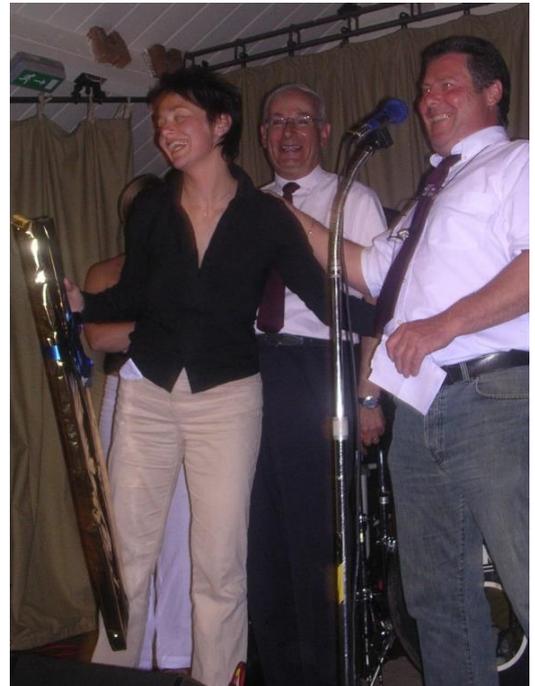
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MARCH 2016

Spring is here and to mark the occasion there are lots of musical and other activities on offer this month, so many in fact that I have grouped them all together in a "What's On" section at the back of this edition.

Items for the April edition of the Ide Times should be sent to me, Ann Boyce at annboyce@talk21.com (01392 213011) by the **20th March** please.

Many of you will have been shocked and deeply saddened by the untimely death of Marie Kent. She touched many lives with her warmth, generosity and readiness to "roll up her sleeves and lead from the front". She lived life to the full and will be remembered with great fondness. Our thoughts are with Jerry, Seb, Archie and the rest of her family. There is a message from Jerry and the boys on the next page.



Marie Kent 1971-2016

Marie's warmth, vitality and real talent for making everyone feel special but above all her great capacity for enjoyment shine out of this photo

'Marie sadly passed away at Exeter hospice on 16th February 2016 aged 44 years after a short and courageous battle against cancer.

A much loved wife of Jerry, most caring and fun loving Mum to Seb and Archie, cherished daughter of David & Lynne and devoted sister to Rob & Steve. She will be sadly missed but never forgotten by all her family and friends, especially within the village.

The Funeral service will be held on at 1.30pm Friday 4th March at St. Ida's church followed by a private committal.

A celebration of Marie's life will take place at Exeter golf and country club, Topsham road, Exeter following the funeral service. This is where we met playing squash and held sentimental value to us and all are welcome.

Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Hospiscare & FORCE by retiring collection or sent to Leroy Funerals 10 Alphington Road Exeter EX2 8HH.

Donations can also be made on line as below;

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SomeoneSpecial/marie>

Marie's wish was to cope with her illness privately and she did this bravely maintaining her laughter and humour to the very end. She remained the most caring of Mum's to our boys through whom she will live on.

It is often said that Ide has everything; a community shop, two churches, a school, two pubs and a whole range of community activities. Above all of that, over the past 6 months we have been part of the most caring and thoughtful community that has supported us both emotionally and practically through a very difficult time. We couldn't have asked for any more and this community is very special.

The 'Ide girls' task force turning up at our house before Christmas will be remembered for ever, along with all the wonderful and delicious meals that were delivered every day.

I would also like to send a big thank you for all of your messages and cards that have been sent over the last few days since Marie passed away. She saw all the messages that were sent prior to her leaving us and she was most grateful.

Jerry, Seb and Archie



Registered charity no. 1050108

The League of Friends attached to Ide Lane Surgery.

Co-ordinator Jane Greenslade Tel 428902 email jane.greenslade @nhs.net

We support patients by providing volunteer transport to medical appointments for elderly and disabled people, befriending isolated people and providing information/ support for carers.

Book Sale and Coffee Morning

Ide Lane Friends are holding a Book Sale and Coffee Morning on Saturday 5th March 10.15-12 at Alphington Village Hall, Ide Lane, Alphington EX2 8UP.

There will be coffees/teas, cake, and lots of books to browse including some books signed by the author. There will also be a tombola. If you have any good quality books to donate please bring them to the Village Hall from just after 9 on the day. If you cannot do that, you can bring them to the surgery some time before the date.

Companionship and help

As well as volunteer drivers we also have volunteers who are happy to visit patients of the surgery of any age for a chat and a cuppa. They can also help older or disabled people with small practical things that they find difficult especially if they have recently come out of hospital. So do give Jane a ring if you would like this.

USEFUL NUMBERS

Community Policeman: 101

The Revd Stephen Bessent: 01392 437662 enquiries@alphingtonstmichaels.org

Congregational Church: Adrian Wyatt 07976 362615 sheren.wyatt@sky.com

IDE MEMORIAL HALL – to book the hall for your event/party please contact Carol Whitehart on 01392 213608.

The Mobile Library will be in the Huntsman car park, Ide, from 11.45am to 12.30pm on Monday, 14th March.

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

Welcome to new residents – There are several houses in the village with new occupants. If you want to know what goes on in Ide, have a look at the village website - www.idevillage.org.uk - and the various notice boards around and about!

Proposed Park & Ride – At the time of writing we are still waiting to see the plans from Devon County Council. As soon as they are available, we will arrange a public meeting in the Village Hall so that you can submit your comments. Please check the village website or parish notice board in Coronation Gardens for details.

Play Area – There hasn't been any progress made as the weather has been so wet. The Play Area therefore remains closed until further notice. Thank you (and your children) once again for your patience.

Overhanging branches – Householders are reminded of their responsibility for keeping shrubs and overhanging branches cut back so they don't obstruct any public roads or pathways.

Winter weather – Thank you for your efforts to keep the drains and gulleys clear.

Sandbags and bags of road salt are available from the metal storage container in the Car Park – to arrange collection, please contact Andy Swain, 3 Cobbe House, (Tel: 01392 257945) or Barry Hookins (see below).

Please report any problems with the state of the roads direct to Devon Highways at <https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/> or phone them on 0345 155 1004.

Parish Council Meeting - The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20th January are on display on the parish notice board in Coronation Gardens, and on the village website.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday 16th March 2016 at 7.30** in the Memorial Hall.

If you have anything you wish to be discussed please bring it to the attention of one of the Councillors or contact the clerk for it to be included on the agenda. You are welcome to attend the meetings and there is a ten minutes' slot allocated for public participation.

Contact us - The contact details for the Parish Council are shown below.

Village website – www.idevillage.org.uk

Barry Hookins, Chairman, 01392 215726 Mobile 07591 551162 or email barry.hookins@fsmail.net

Rose Saunders, Clerk, 01392 420461, Mobile 07776 300686 or email ideparishclerk@gmail.com

The Councillors are: Barry Hookins (Chairman), Chris Bishop, Nick Bradley, Peter Pattison, John Smart, Sarah Tiley, Louise Watson, Andy Swain and Pete Bishop



IDE COMMUNITY SHOP & POST OFFICE



The eagle-eyed amongst you might have noticed a slight change to our logo which now emphasises our commitment to supporting locally sourced products.

We noticed that an increasing number of people seemed to be coming into the shop thinking it was just a normal shop with normal employees (however, you've possibly observed first hand that there is little that is 'normal' about many of our staff.....superhuman maybe!). So, we decided to put the record straight with a notice that clearly sets out what makes us different.

When we counted them up, we were pleasantly surprised by the large number of local producers we support, or rather **you** support every time you buy their produce in the shop. They certainly deserve support! We are so lucky in Devon and especially in this area to have so many top quality food and drink producers who work hard to make their products the very best they can be.

Buying locally produced food can also save you money. We pride ourselves on the fact that our organic milk and eggs are actually a few pence cheaper than the equivalent products in Sainsburys and elsewhere! Also, of course, the more local producers we support, the less impact we have on the planet. So by resisting the lure of Lidl more often, you could be helping to save polar bears !!

Our Shop is
**Owned by over
240 local shareholders**
**Run by over
40 volunteers**
**Supplied by over
35 Local Producers**

If you would like to be part of this, please ask for the information leaflet '**What can I do?**' inside the shop

Community Shop Opening Hours: (Tel. 410035)

Monday – Friday 8am – 12 noon and 3pm – 7pm
Saturdays 8am – 1pm

Post Office Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9am – 11.45am and 3pm – 5pm
Saturdays 9am – 12 noon.
Sundays and Bank Holidays CLOSED

JUBILEE CLUB

We do have a habit of making Christmas last by putting our lunch off, this year until February 1st. Fifty three members and guests sat down to a delicious meal at Fingle Glen, it is so good to hear the chatter with everyone gathered together. Marge ,sporting a new knee was able to be with us. The usual bumper draw kept Bill, Enid, Tony and helpers busy delivering prizes to the winners.

On February 15th we had a fascinating talk and slides given by Ann Boyce, who visited the Galapagos Islands, lucky person. Ann started the talk with a picture taken from space showing clearly that the islands have been formed by volcanoes. The islands lie on the equator about 600 miles off the coast of Equador. They are positioned over a 'hotspot' from which plumes of lava push up through the earth's crust to form the islands , The oldest formed 700,000 years ago and volcanic eruptions are still happening. The two week long trip around the islands involved a lot of night sailing through quite heavy seas, ,so that all drawers had to be kept locked and you had to brace yourself in the bunk to avoid being thrown out. We learned that for its size, the Galapagos has more unique types of animals and plants than anywhere else on earth and all these new species were formed in a relatively short space of time. One of the things that has made this possible is the absence of predatory mammals which means the animals can reproduce more rapidly. The giant tortoises for which the islands are renowned can weigh a quarter of a ton and live up to 150 years. Visiting ships took them on



board as a source of food and the rats they introduced to the islands ate tortoise eggs. Brought to the edge of extinction, a breeding programme has restored numbers enabling them to be reintroduced on many islands where they then play a part in restoring the natural ecosystem. For example, they clear vegetation which provides the long runways required for take-off by the islands' largest birds, the albatrosses.

Darwin, who went to the islands as a young man, took a strong dislike to the



admittedly rather ugly marine iguanas who dive down to feed on sea weed. Because their food contains large amounts of salt, they sneeze a lot to get rid of it and so their heads tend to be covered with dried salty snot....not a good look! Remarkably, when food is scarce, they can actually shrink so they need less food, reducing their skeleton by up to 20%.



Sea lions are also abundant on the islands. You can find them sleeping almost anywhere. The juveniles love to play their version of 'chicken', swimming straight



at you at speed and then swerving away at the last moment!

The bird population is many and varied, boobies with blue feet and a wonderful courtship dance, also red and brown footed boobies, pink flamingos, owls, and the magnificent albatrosses who mate for life.

Oh it was such an interesting talk. Joyce suggested I should plan a club trip!

We welcomed Pam Allbrough and Charles Beer to the club.

Diary Dates

March 14th Music for Mothering Sunday from the Ide Schoolchildren followed with a quiz

March 28th Easter Monday no meeting

April 11th Kay Rouse talking about Mercy Ships

April 25th Outing

Jean Hoskin

IDE GROWERS WOULD LIKE TO GROW A BIT MORE!

We're a loose organisation of individuals (loosely organised of course, nothing to do with our morals) who thought it would be a good idea to revive the Ide Village Show last year. This was great fun and really well supported by all age groups. We got masses of positive feedback and lots of you said it would be good idea to make it an annual event. So we thought we would do it again. We learned a lot last year and now have an action plan that seems to work. However, we were a bit overstretched, especially on the day, **so we would love a few more people to join us and bring in some fresh ideas**. We keep the amount of admin and number of meetings to a minimum. As last year, we are also planning a springtime seed and plant swap.

So, if you would like to help out with the planning and setting up of either or both of these events, please email your contact details to annboyce@talk21.com

or brendaspivey123@btinternet.com or just talk to us.

If you want to participate in the two events look out for more details that will appear in the Ide Times and on posters around the village.

Two dates for your diaries:



IDE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Preachers for March:

11 am	6.30pm
6 Mrs Ruth Endacott (Mothering Sunday)	Mr D Edmonds
13 Mr J Gooding Mr S Andrews	
20 Mr A Wyatt (Remembering FairTrade)	Mr A Wyatt
27 Mr D Chipps (Easter Day)	John & Chris

Joint Lent course on Thursday, 3rd & 10th at 7.30pm at the HUB lead by Adrian Butland, St Ida's Church. All welcome.

There might be a change of date for the last Lent session.

The Hub@Ide.

It seems that Spring has been around since before Christmas with first the daffodils then the snowdrops not knowing it was winter. But now we are reaching spring; a time of hope, a time of renewal and a time of new beginnings. Of course, as the church, we don't just prepare the ground for new seeds, new flowers and new crops, we start to prepare our hearts for Easter during the period of Lent. We start to reflect upon the new hope, new beginnings and renewal of hearts and minds that Jesus came to show us.



At the Hub@Ide as we reflect in our personal lives, it also gives us a chance to reflect and try to ensure our community activities, bring something to as many as possible. We like to think we always try to keep things new and fresh.

Both reflection and new activities are realised in our coming activities. On **Thursday 3rd March** our **Fairtrade Coffee Morning** helps to reflect justice, equality and fairness for those who bring us the teas, coffee, sugar and more we take for granted. From about 1030am on **Saturday 5th March** is KFP (Kids Fun and Pizza). Apart from **Mother's Day Crafts** (don't tell mum) we have new **computer games** to try out. **Sunday 20th March** is of course Palm Sunday. It is also to be a **Community Breakfast** reflecting on Fairtrade.

Thursday 3rd March: Fairtrade Coffee Morning.

Saturday 5th March: Kids Fun and Pizza. Mother's Day Crafts and Computer Games.

Sunday 20th March: Community Breakfast followed after by Fairtrade service.

In January we were delighted to welcome regulars and new faces alike to our 2 year anniversary and party. We hope to see you at one, more or all of our activities this year. We have recently been given permission to purchase Lego for a brick club, Scalextric and a large flat screen TV for films, computer games and more. It is all part of what we seek to be a group of people namely;

In the Community, With the Community, For the Community.



MOTHERS UNION

It was good to see so many branches represented by their banners, (our also), and hear the Bishops' encouraging words, at the Cathedral Service last month. We will meet this month for prayer group, as usual after the 10.30 am service on Wednesday 2nd March. We will be helping with flowers and cake for the Mothering Sunday service on Mar. 6th.

Once again Joyce Stevens has invited us to hold our fundraising Lent Lunch at her home, on Wednesday 9th March, at 12.30pm. Friends are very welcome to join us, do let me or Joyce know if you can come.

Sue Campbell

CONGRATULATIONS to David Garnsworthy on reaching the age of 90. Not only did he have a wonderful birthday party to celebrate this event but on Maundy Thursday he is off to St George's Chapel, Windsor to receive the Maundy money from the Queen and attend a royal reception. He is receiving this honour because of his many loyal years of service to the Church.

PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT IDA



2nd March	First Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion
6th March	Mothering Sunday	9.30am	Special All Age Service
12th March	MESSY CHURCH	10am to 12 noon	
13th March	Passion Sunday	9.30am	Morning Praise
20th March	Palm Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion
24th March	Maundy Thursday	7.30pm	Holy Communion for the three parishes
25th March	Good Friday	10am	Devotional Service
27th March	Easter Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion

Mothering Sunday is on the 6th March when there will be a special All Age Service in Church at 9.30am conducted by the Revd Stephen Bessent. Small bunches of flowers will be given to everyone to bring some cheer to the gloomy days of Lent, so do come and join us.

Easter Sunday is on the 27th March. At this Service we decorate the empty cross with bunches of flowers to remind us that death is not the end - Jesus came to life again on that first Easter Sunday. As Christians we believe that after death our souls (that inner something which is us) live on.

Pancake Day Concert on Shrove Tuesday, 9th February

We would very much like to thank Jane Rotinoff and Ide Aloud for a most enjoyable concert on Shrove Tuesday, which raised the very welcome sum of £317.50 towards the roof fund. It was a nicely varied programme with songs to suit all tastes and ages. Our thanks also go to the soloists and musicians as well as Nigel Walsh who joined in on his fiddle, and also declared the rendition of his "Song of Ida" the best he had heard the choir sing! Thank you too to our loyal audience who enjoyed delicious pancakes and liquid refreshment, and who joined in heartily.

Messy Church on the 13th February was a very enjoyable morning, with a good number of children and adults. The theme was the Last Supper when Jesus had a Passover meal with his disciples and when distributing the bread and wine asked them to do this in remembrance of him. We made soup, flat bread (a very messy affair), and drank pink squash. The soup was very good and the bread tasted better than it looked! Our next Messy Church will be on the **12th March** from 10am to 12 noon

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to Gerry and the boys and all the Kent family following the sad death of Marie, who lost the fight against cancer. She was such a talented, cheerful mum and we shall all miss her very much. Her funeral will be in Ide Church on Friday, 4th March at 1.30 pm.



As a teacher at Alphington Primary School, I have been fortunate enough to be offered the opportunity to go to Zambia for a week in June of this year, along with a team of other teachers. We will be working as volunteers at Nayamba School (<http://www.nayambaschool.org/>), which is a charity run, community primary school for children in rural Chisamba, Zambia, where children who previously could not go to school due to distance and expense are now getting a first rate education. Since 2012 they have sent regular teams to the school to make a difference.

Projects undertaken by volunteers so far have included classroom renovations, building teachers' homes, providing solar lighting, connecting the school to mains electricity, drilling a borehole for a viable water supply and creating outdoor play spaces for the children to enjoy. During my time in Nayamba, I will be helping to establish a school library, teaching children English, art and sport, as well as training teachers who are working at the school in effective methods of teaching literacy. We will also each be taking out a suitcase of educational resources books and art materials.

Volunteers fully fund their own trip and also cover the expenses of the resources needed to make the trip a success. I need to raise £900 which will pay for travel, insurance, bed, board and will also provide some of the resources we will be taking with us to leave out there. I am currently babysitting within the village in order to raise funds and am hoping to have a quiz (kindly hosted by The Huntsman's and delivered by the wonderful Mr Bishop!) to raise further money. We are also hoping to organise and hold a bingo night in the village. At Alphington School we are hoping to have a 'Race Night' too. Watch out for posters when dates have been set!

I've set up a Just giving page if anyone would like to sponsor me (<https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/dawn-chapman>), or perhaps you may like to book up my babysitting services (for a donation!). My number is 07540377463. Alternatively if you want to stick a few quid in an envelope and post it through the door (The Holt, 3 Station Road), I will be very grateful. Many, many thanks for everyone who has already offered to help or has already given a donation. It is much appreciated.

I am sure that my experience in Zambia will help me to grow as a teacher and a person as well as hopefully helping in a small way to support the children and teachers at Nayamba School. Thanks everyone! Dawn Chapman

IDE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Hello all and sundry.

So, 2016 is an even-numbered year and that means it's us that'll be wending our way across the shallow waters of the English Channel, to pay a visit to our fellow twinnings in France. This'll be at the end of May (27th to 30th inc.). That'll be good. It's a grand & marvellous thing to spend time being looked after, entertained, fed & watered (wined, really . . .), in good company and heck for all around only £100 for the 4-day adventure! Spending money required is minimal. For those of you who've never been on a twinning trip, all we can say is it is definitely worth considering as it's a rewarding experience that is rich with humanity and hilarity. Overleaf, you'll find a form, which can serve as an expression of interest / reservation form. Go on, put yer name down . . . & speaking French is NOT a requirement!!!

Another bi-annual event is the **Sunday Lunch**, back by popular demand, which will take place on the **10th of April**. We've yet to finalise costings, these will be announced in April's Ide Times plus on posters. We can say, however, that it'll be the usual steal of a price for lots of tasty home-made food both sustaining and appetizing. Personally, I shall eat nothing the day before then eat several helpings of various high-cal offerings at the lunch. Especially 'afters'. There will also be a low-key off-key bingo to be enjoyed. And possibly some other entertainments. As usual, those who enjoy a glass of wine with their meal can bring a bottle of their chosen tipple. It'll be a lovely convivial experience, without doubt.

At our most recent committee meeting, in the 'correspondence received' item of the agenda was 'Letter from Exeter Mencap to say thank you for the cheque for £450 raised by the Christmas Quiz you kindly organised at The Poachers Inn'. Of course many thanks to all of you who came along to this, and put hands in pockets for the raffle, and post-event bucket collection, plus those who contributed raffle prizes. Also, thanks go the Tony the Landlord for donating so many free meals as prizes for winning teams. Top team on the night were 'Slayed + an Elf', this being a team of four dressed as members of the band 'Slade' as per Top of The Pops circa 1975. Hmmm..maybe the elf was 'Diddy' David Hamilton? Well done Louise, Monica, Jack, Claire and Rachel. Oh and cheers to Mark Thomas for managing the contestants in the dining room and other sundry duties.

There will be an **Easter charity** quiz, for a one-off cause, discussions currently underway regards time/place/date etc, watch out for news of this in next month's edition of this splendid journal.

Language lesson – the french term for 'twinning' is 'jumelage' . . . odd word on first encounter, but then think 'Gemini' the heavenly twins Castor & Pollux from ancient Greek mythology from whence the constellation and star sign 'Gemini' and from there to the french word 'jumelage' for 'twinning'. Pete Bishop



Ide Twinning Association



Visit to France 27 - 30 May 2016

I enclose my deposit of £20 to express my/our interest in joining the trip.

Name(s)

Email

Telephone

Address

Age(s)

Any other info

Please give this form and deposit by 31 March to:

David Williams
2 Cobbe House
Station Road
Ide
Tel: 01392 759754

(If you have not already joined Ide Twinning membership is required £5 per person)

"Ladies, save the date.. **Friday May 6th...the great Ide frock swap returns.**

All ages and tastes welcome, but sorry, ladies only!!



More details to follow, we are currently in the planning phase
It is a charity event to raise funds for **Ide school and preschool.**
We would love to involve everyone so if you can help us plan,
help us get prizes, or even just help on the night please get in touch:
charlotte.ives@yahoo.co.uk. 07968 562051 or via Facebook."

WHAT'S ON in and around Ide in March

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Tickets £8 from: 01392 811246 & 01392 811816
Refreshments available
A Villages in Action Event



PROGRAMME

Mozart (1756-1791) Theme & Variations

Debussy (1862-1918) Première
Arabesque

Thomas (1826-1913) Watching the
Wheat

Bizet (1838-1875) Entr'acte

Shankar (1920-2012) L'Aube Enchanté

Interval

Piazzolla (1921-1992) L'Histoire du Tango

Einaudi (1955-) Le Onde, for solo harp

Marais (1656-1728) La Folia d'Espagne

Chopin (1810-1849) Theme and
Variations on a Theme by Rossini

Film Night.

Friday, March 11th, at 7-45pm.

Dunchideock Village Hall.

This month we feature another film which topped our last audience poll and also features a special star performance.

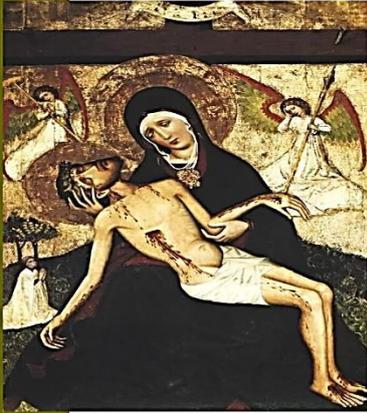
The Lady in the Van.

Back in the 70's, the writer Alan Bennett gave temporary accommodation to a homeless woman. He allowed her to park her van outside the front door of his London home and she stayed for 15 years. "**Maggie Smith** is magnificent." Says Mark Kermode in *The Guardian*. The film taps "Bennett's concerns about his ailing mother, while still ringing uproarious laughs from his vagabond's misbehaviour."

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Conductor
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8 March 2016, 7.30pm**

Tickets £10 (£5 students/children). Interval refreshments available.
Tickets available in advance from Keith Wainwright on 01297 553955, from choir members or, subject to availability, on the door.

Exeter Chamber Choir –
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THE WEST GALLERY QUIRE OF CREDITON is a group of around twenty singers and instrumentalists who research and perform music which would have been heard in country churches, chapels and in villages in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, before the first publication of *Hymns Ancient and Modern* in 1861.

Join us for an evening of music and readings at **St George's Church, Shillingford St George**, on **Saturday 12th March 2016 at 7pm.**

£5 at the door, to include refreshments.



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Music and Dance from Brittany & France

Messy Church

in St Ida's on the
12th March from
10am to 12 noon

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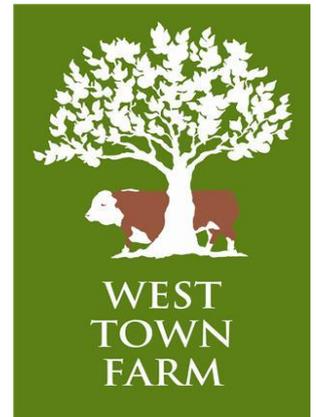
**Thursday 3rd March:
Fairtrade Coffee
Morning.**

**Saturday 5th March: Kids
Fun and Pizza. Mother's
Day Crafts and
Computer Games.**

**Sunday 20th March:
Community Breakfast
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THE WEST TOWN FARM COMMUNITY TRUST NEWS

Considering it's a historically quiet time of year for us it's been a busy month on the farm. Our TB tests came back negative which is great news for us! Our series of monthly farm walks is in full swing and we've been taking bookings for birthday parties, corporate events and weddings.



This month's farm walk Nigel Hewitt, a volunteer with the RSPB, at 09:00 in the morning to the sound of the Ide Church bells and a chorus of bird song. Despite widespread scepticism about the weather a good size group of you met with us and we set off on what was to be a pleasant, informative and surprisingly dry farm walk.

We were blessed with sunshine and a calm cool brisk start to the day, the best time to see the birds. Our personal highlight was meeting with an exaltation of skylarks at the top of Halscombe field. Apparently we may have as many as 6 resident pairs here but we also have winter visitor skylarks that come from the north as well.

Nigel will be hosting a future farm walk but a good date for your diary is the Devon Wildlife Trust Farm walk on the 3rd of April. Give us a call for more details on 01392 811257. The walk is completely free and there's a donation cafe afterwards.

The West Town Farm team

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Exeter Bus Station	8.35	11.15	13.10	16.15	17.55
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Note: The 3pm 360 bus from the bus station to Ide has been withdrawn, and also the 19.19 bus from Ide to the bus station.

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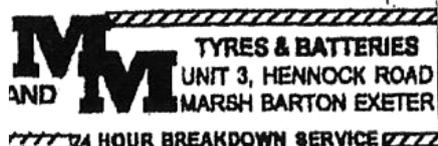
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