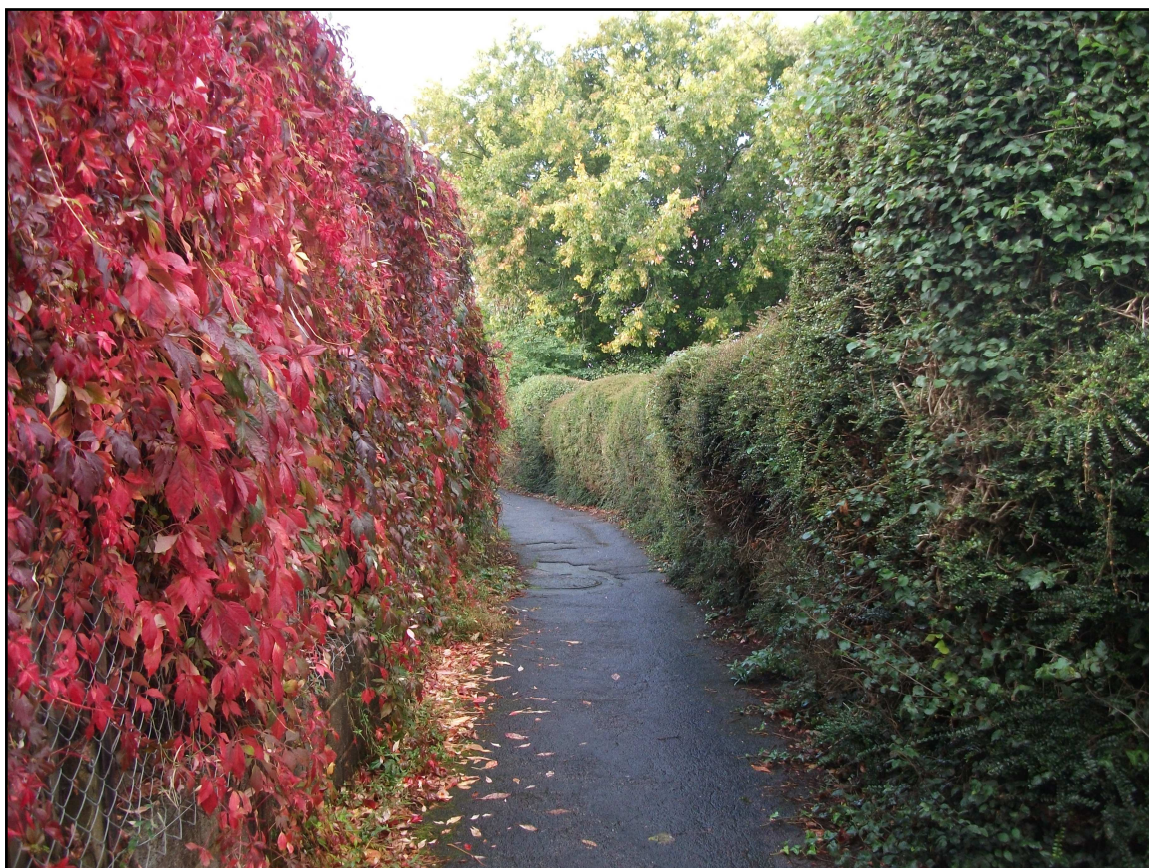


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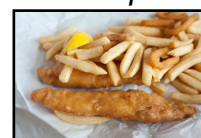
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The evenings are beginning to draw in and you will even find talk of a Christmas Tree Festival in this magazine! Many of us enjoyed the Produce Show and the Pooches at the Poachers and you will find pictures and details of winners here too. The picture is of a cosmos daisy. I grew some from seed this year - I don't know why I haven't done so before! I can recommend them.

This month sees an Apple & Pumpkin Day at West Town Farm on the 20th October and Harvest Festival in the Church on the 13th October. The Exeter Chamber Choir will be performing in the Church on Tuesday, 15th October. So there is plenty to look forward to.

Items for the November Ide Times should be sent to me, Brenda Spivey, by the 20th October - brendaspivey123@btinternet.com

Brenda Spivey (01392 275784)

USEFUL NUMBERS

Community Policeman: 101

The Parish Church - Rev Mike Partridge 01392 491476 and leave a message.

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

The Mobile Library will be in Fore Street, Ide, from 11.45 am to 12.30 pm on Monday, 7th October.

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

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New Parish Councillor

On 18 September 2019, two candidates had applied for the vacancy on Ide Parish Council. Paula Burton-Perrett was duly elected by the Council, and co-opted as a Parish Councillor. She was warmly welcomed and joined the councillors for the meeting.

Flood avoidance. With autumn here and its fall of leaves and other debris, the Emergency Planning Working Group advise residents to keep gratings and roadside gutters clear outside their houses to avoid flash flooding.

Parking problem. Following two recent incidents when an agricultural and an emergency vehicle were unable to pass between parked vehicles in Fore Street, local farmers have written to ask residents and visitors to park tight to the curbs on each side of eastern Fore Street to allow large traffic through.

Pynes Community Orchard: The working group met on 12 September 2019. The first planting of new fruit trees will begin in January. Andy Bragg has ordered fifty apple and four pear trees, including traditional Devon varieties. The volunteer group will meet to help with planting and putting in protective post and wire surrounds. The cost of the trees and their protection has been met by earmarked donations. The Working Group is preparing a layout plan to provide space for picnic and social areas, separate from the areas planted with fruit trees. It has the potential to become a spectacular asset for the village. Next meeting is on 7 November 2019 at 6pm at The Halt, 1 St Ida's Close. Chairman Peter Cloke: peter_cloke@btinternet.com.

Weir Meadow: The working group met on 19 September 2019. An offer has been made to buy the Northern Fields from the Church Commissioners as a means of removing the conditions of agricultural access across Weir Meadow, and so freeing the way to our plans for making a recreation and sports ground there. The next meeting is on 28 October at 7pm in The Hub.

Climate Emergency: The monthly working group welcomed new members James Romain, Ann Boyce, Pip Smithson and Richard Cottle to its last meeting. The group helped run a public meeting with Transition Exeter in July. There were presentations from Ide and Totnes councillors about actions that parish and town councils can take. Last week the group arranged a talk from the inspiring Audrey Compton on the value of wildflower meadows. We will be working with the school to encourage safe and sustainable travel to school, continuing to promote safe walking and cycling routes to the village. There is a new bus service the "L Bus" serving Crossmead directly, offering a faster option for accessing Ide without winding through St Thomas on the P bus. Meetings will be held at 3 Cobbe House and thereafter on the 1st Wednesday of the month. Chairman: Andy Swain andy.swain.council@gmail.com

Bulk Refuse Collection - Rural Skip Service - Ide - Saturday, 2nd November from 1pm until 3.30pm. The skip will be located in Old Ide Lane.

Minutes of the Pynes Orchard, Weir Meadow and Climate Emergency Working Groups are available on the website.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New Applications - consideration of a preplanning advice application submitted by the Church Commissioners to TDC for a residential development at Pynes Farm Yard, was discussed at the September meeting and the Parish Council have sent in their comments to TDC and the Church Commissioners.

Updates on current applications

18/01024/MAJ Springwell Nursery Ide, Erection of a new Garden Sales Area Building including Café/Restaurant, Storage/Warehouse, New Public Car Park Area. **STILL AWAITING A DECISION:**

Appeal against refusal of planning permission 19/00039/FUL Springwell View – use of land as domestic curtilage, construction of a detached garage and retention of hard standing. This will involve a visit by the Planning Inspectorate.

Decided Applications - None

The next meeting of the **Planning Committee** is on Wednesday 20 November 2019 at 6pm unless otherwise advised. To view planning applications, go to www.teignbridge.gov.uk/planning and search using the address or reference number.

The next **Parish Council** meeting is in Ide Memorial Hall on Wednesday 20 November 2019 at 7.30pm.

Meetings of the Parish Council and its Planning Committee are held in public and you are welcome to attend. There is time allocated at the start of the meetings for public participation. If you have an issue you would like the council to discuss, please contact the chairman or another parish councillor. Requests for items to be considered for inclusion on the agenda should be made at least 14 days before the date of the meeting. The first ten minutes of a Parish Council meeting are open to the public to raise possible items for future meetings; or to comment on items on the agenda for that meeting.

Parish Council contact details:

Chairman: Nick Bradley, Smallridge House, The Green, Ide, EX2 9RT 01392 420616 ncabradley@gmail.com

Clerk: Mel Liversage, 20 Little Johns Cross Hill, EX2 9PJ 01392 259024 ideparishclerk@gmail.com

Cemetery administrator: Sarah Tiley 01392 217142 saraht61@btinternet.com



IDE COMMUNITY SHOP AND POST OFFICE

Well it certainly feels more autumnal now with the chillier mornings and darker evenings. We stock lovely organic Suma soups in the shop for a warming snack to fill a lunchtime hole. We also have good old Heinz Tomato Soup for a bit of tradition as well as the favourite flavours of mushroom and chicken or there are dried soup mixes in the shop too. Nothing goes nicer with soup than a freshly baked roll and the shop carries a wide range of part baked bread and rolls.

For a more hearty meal what about a Kenniford Sausage Hotpot - the shop stocks lovely big thick Kenniford Sausages, as well as the thinner chipolatas - all produced locally from outdoor reared pork with very few food miles and high welfare standards.

Don't forget we can always order any fruit and vegetables that you need. Order up to 5pm the day before and they will be there when the shop opens the next day.

For pure comfort food we do both Clive's and Chunks pies for a pie and mash supper. Again both locally produced and a wide range of flavours stocked – something for all tastes – meat eater or veggie.

It was good to join in with the Village Produce Show the other week and be part of a great village event. What a lovely day, so much talent in the village with all the growing, making, baking, brewing, arranging and creating. It was nice to chat to everyone about the shop and see people join in so enthusiastically with our guess the sausage flavour competition, cheese tasting and guess the number of the sweets in the jar competition. Well done to those who won the competitions and the vouchers in the draw.



We are delighted to have some more volunteers coming on board, we are sure you will love your stints in the shop and really enjoy it. We always have room for more volunteers so please do speak to someone if you are interested. It does not have to be serving on the till we are always glad of help to stack shelves, sweep the forecourt, help with cleaning and many other roles. You can give us much or as little time as we you like and are guaranteed a warm reception and a good few hours.

Post Office With more and more local banks closing, traffic in town getting worse and parking charges rising all the time, don't forget you can draw out and pay in money at the Post office, saving you time and money and helping the environment with cutting out a car journey in the process.

If you have recently moved into the village and have not yet ventured into the shop please do call in. We would love to meet you and show you the shop and we guarantee that once you have been in – you will be back when you realise what a great local resource it is.

JUBILEE CLUB

As ever it is good to get back together after the break. Much news to exchange as we slip back into our routine. Bingo was on the programme for September 9th, with Tony our caller and prizes to be won. There was a special birthday to celebrate - Cliff Brimblecombe's 90th. A committee meeting was held following tea time with the programme to be planned for the coming year and other issues to be discussed for the running of the club.

I say a big thank you to the ever willing helpers who contribute to the running of our happy group, with the membership of around 50 people from the surrounding area.

DIARY DATES

October 7th Maureen Scott River Danube Cruise Adventures

October 21st. Lifeboat Organisation. John Wood.

November 4th Fun with scarves. Maureen Hunter.

November 18th. Christmas shopping outing to Tamar Valley Nursery.

Jean Hoskin

SWALLOW TALES - Chapter 3

Four fine young swallows took to the wing just yesterday (17th September). It is always amazing that they can transform to this from an egg in less than a month. Hopefully this has not left it a bit late as they will now have to get strong enough to depart for a flight all the way to South Africa sometime within the next month. The parents will also need some recuperation after the rigours of feeding four hungry chicks. The migration involves a 6,000 mile journey which they break into around 200 miles a day flying at about 20 mph. It is a hazardous journey which can involve crossing the Sahara Desert and many do not make it.

'Our' two adult swallows have now become a family of ten after two successful clutches. We can only hope that a good number of them will manage to return next spring to increase the depleted swallow population in the village.

Ian Campbell



BUS TRAVEL FROM IDE

We all know the importance of reducing car use and one way to do this is to take the bus. Here are two tips you may not be aware of which might make bus travel easier from Ide:

- you can get multi-journey tickets on the Ide Bus. Just ask the driver for a 10 journey multi ticket. These can be used by more than one person (eg if travelling with a friend) and have no time limit. Country Bus don't seem to publish this on their website but the price is about £12.50 for an adult and about £8.80 for a child (don't quote me on the price!)
- There is a new bus run by Stagecoach, the "L bus" which runs from Crossmead (at the top of Little John Cross Hill), straight down Cowick Street and up the High St, then on to Beacon Heath, without or the wiggling about of the "P bus". It runs Monday to Saturday roughly every half an hour. Weekdays it runs from 7:30am to 17:45am. Coming out of town the last one leaves Exeter High Street at 18:22 (Saturday timetable slightly shorter hours). Full timetable available on the Stagecoach website

Pip Smithson (public transport enthusiast)

SAFE ROUTES FOR IDE

We have been working with Ide Parish council and Devon County Council, who are funding a cctv survey on our sensitive local lanes to assess the levels of traffic. With West Exe School back now, we have more cyclists and pedestrians including children, and sadly a lot more traffic again.

As always if you experience problems on Balls Farm Road or the surrounding routes, you should report them to the police (Devon and Cornwall police web site - community team, Alphington) and inform Yvonne Atkinson the Exeter City Councillor (the email is on Exeter City Council website) as well as letting us know. If you have connections with West Exe School you could also contact the Head Tim Rutherford.

Ide has good connections to the Exeter cycling and walking networks but we need to look after them.

Andy Swain

360 BUS TIMETABLE

Ide	7.51	10.01	12.39	14.34	
Exeter Bus Station	8.13	10.20	12.58	14.53	
Exeter Bus Station	8.35	11.15	13.15	16.15	17.55
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CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

I read the Committee on Climate Change's Net Zero Technical Report, which was published in May to advise the government on how to achieve zero CO2 emissions by 2050. The Committee is an independent body.



Before reading this I was very pessimistic about the possibility of reaching net zero, given the high-consumption, high-travelling lifestyle we've all got used to. But the report goes through every sector of the economy showing easier and harder options for reduction, calculates what can be done and shows that this is definitely achievable as long as we start to make the changes right now.

There are things that all of us can do but by far the biggest change needed is the de-carbonisation of our electricity supply alongside moving to electricity for our transport, heating and cooking. The report advises government-backed contracts for new solar and wind, and for coal powered generation to stop altogether, which it hasn't yet.

Most of the UK's heating systems would need to switch to electric heat pumps and early uptake on this is important, as well as early uptake of electric cars. HGVs would need to run on hydrogen fuel, with buses either electric or hydrogen.

There's a lot more in the report, which is very thorough and surprisingly hopeful.

So what can we in Ide do?

The Working Group is looking into electric car charging points for the village and will soon be investigating electric heat pumps – how to make these accessible and affordable.

We can write to or meet our MP to make the case that the government urgently needs to follow the recommendations in this report that it commissioned. We can use our vote to only vote for parties that would take these recommendations seriously. We can all make our own small changes and also keep the pressure on for the big changes, locally, nationally and globally.

Jenny Lundh, Climate Emergency Working Group

IDE ALOUD

Don't forget that Ide Aloud have their Winter Wonderland Concert on the 29th and 30th November. Tickets will be available from mid October. Get the Christmas season started with a song!

Jane

Ide Congregational Church – October 2019 - What's happening this month

Sunday Services are held at 11am and 5pm each week. Our speakers this month are:

October	11am	5pm
6 th	Paul Jenner	All together Praise
13 th	No service – Joining St Ida's for Harvest Festival	Leonard Mason
20 th	Michael Trigg	Adam Willer
27 th	Des Gardiner	David Bully with Holy Communion

Other activities

Thursday 3rd October from 10.30am – Coffee Morning

Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome



On Thursday 3rd October we will be holding our monthly Coffee Morning starting at 10.30am. Coffee or tea and cakes are provided free of charge. Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat. Everyone welcome.

Thursday 10th October at 7pm – it's time for DDD



On Thursday 10th October at 7pm we will be meeting together at the church for Des's Delightful Discussions. A time for coming together to look at the Bible. Everyone welcome

Friday 18th October from 6.30pm – 8.30pm its 'Download' time

DOWNLOAD

On Friday 20th September from 6.30pm – 8.30pm its gaming night.

Bring your iPad, laptop, Kindle, etc, along (no age-restricted games allowed). Tuckshop available. Games console will be provided. Entry with permission slip only (available on the door)

Thursday 24th October at 7pm – it's time for CCC



On Thursday 24th October at 7pm we come together for Coffee, Chat and Challenge. Adrian leads a time of discussion relating to the Christian faith. Everyone welcome and there's always food!

Thursday 31st October from 5pm – 7pm – 'The Lights are On'



No tricks and lots of Treats! If you're young or old or somewhere in between come and join us for tea. Free food for children and adults, craft activities, games and a movie. Everyone welcome

Picture from this year's Church Outing (copyright Bev Gardiner)



SAINT IDA'S CHURCH

6th October	Trinity 16	9.30am	Holy Communion
13th October	Trinity 17	11am	Harvest Festival
20th October	Trinity 18	9.30am	Holy Communion
27th October	Trinity 19	8am	Holy Communion
		10am	All Age Service

Baptisms (Christenings), Weddings & Banns of Marriage - If you wish to make any enquiries about these please email weddings@alphingtonstmichaels.org for weddings and banns of marriage at Ide; and christenings@alphingtonstmichaels.org for baptisms at Ide; or you can ring 01392 491476.

Helen Sherlock who has been our Curate for the last year and was ordained on the 29th September has now moved on to work for the Church Unlimited based at St Mary Arches. She will be working with young people and we wish her every happiness in this new post, however we shall miss having her with us.

Sweaty Church will take place on **Friday, 4th October**, from 6pm to 7.30pm in Ide Memorial Hall. If you haven't been yet, do come and join us.

Exeter Chamber Choir Concert "For the Beauty of the Earth" - will be held in Ide Church on the 15th October, 7.30pm - a not to be missed opportunity to hear an excellent choir. Full details on page 10.

Harvest Thanksgiving Service - This will be held on the 13th October at 11am and will be followed by a lunch in Church. A hot main course will be provided, but please bring either a pudding or salad to share. Tickets are free and available in the Community Shop - we are issuing tickets to give us an idea of the number to be catered for.

Exeter Police & Community Choir will be giving a Concert of a variety of traditional and popular songs on Thursday, 7th November, 7.30pm, in Ide Church.. Tickets will be available from the Community Shop - £7.50 each.

Christmas Tree Festival. See more information on page 10.

Christening: 5th September: Edward Otto Rew, son of Madeleine and Damon. We ask for God's blessing on all the family.

Mothers Union - Sadly we were unable to get together in September because you were all too busy. We will try again in October. It will have to be Wednesday, 23rd or 30th October, to avoid half term commitments. Please let me know which date suits you best.
Sue Campbell

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



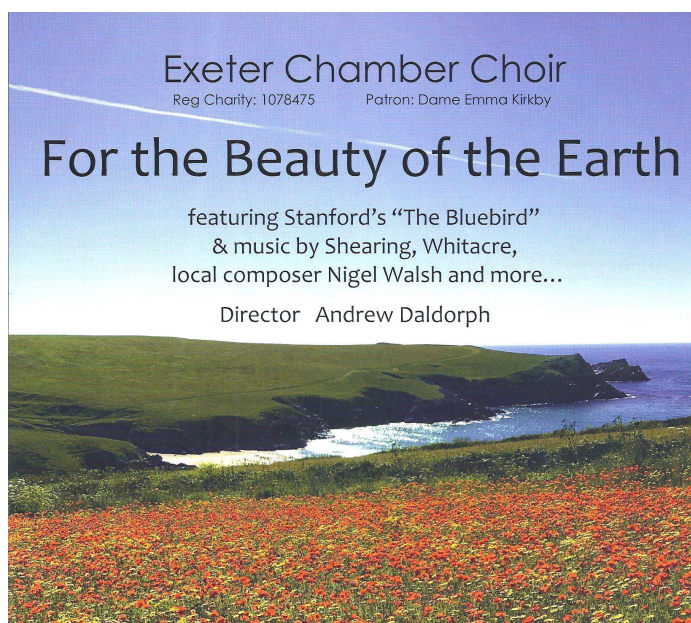
As part of their Advent and Christmas celebrations, St Ida's Church would like to invite businesses, groups, families or even individuals within the village to provide a decorated "tree" for display during the first two weeks of December, to coincide with the Festive Tea (and Father Christmas) on Saturday, 7th December, and wreath making on 8th December.

The tree can be real or artificial, (no bigger than 6 feet), made of any materials and decorated in any way that might represent your interest or activities. We will be sending out 'invitations' to village groups and organisations and would welcome anyone who might like to join in the spirit of the season too. It would be very helpful to know if there is sufficient support for this venture and further details will be in the November Ide times.

The 'tree' should be delivered to the church during the week of 2nd December in preparation for display on Friday 6th and will need to be collected (unless donated for sale) before the School Carol Service the following week. Please contact Mary Bradley (01392 420616) or Sue Cloke (01392 433204) if you are interested or have any queries.

EXETER CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT Ide Parish Church Tuesday, 15th October, 7.30pm

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and also available on the door

POOCHES AT THE POACHERS



On Sunday, 8th of September, The Poachers Inn had an invasion of the best kind - every breed and size of dog imaginable, taking part in classes to show them off at their best. The highlight of the day had to be a visit from our very own Poachers mascot and the Obstacle Race!

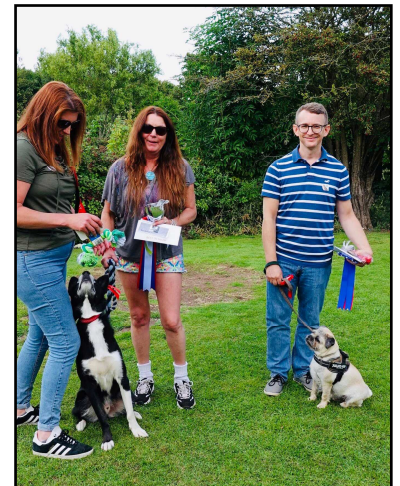


A huge congratulations to Mo with Kai who won Best in Show and Alex and Fern with Bear who won Reserve Best in Show, Angie with Teasel who won Best Veteran and everyone who won rosettes and prizes.

Thank you to everyone who came along to enjoy the afternoon, who donated wonderful prizes, to Tony and the staff at The Poachers and the endless list of people who helped in so many ways, you raised an incredible £432.85 for Dogs for Good!

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

Clare Wills



IDE MEMORIAL HALL



At the Hall Management Committee meeting in September it was decided that the paintwork needed a little attention in places to keep the hall looking at its best. This will be done in the near future. We plan to pass on to a charity shop a number of the white cups and saucers, which have been in the hall for many years, as we feel that they are not being used. Please let us know if your organisation does use them.

The suggestion by the Shop Committee that a tap should be fitted to the outside wall of the hall was agreed. This would enable people to refill their water bottles and reduce plastic bottles being used only once.

The hall continues to be well used by a great variety of people activities. The cost of hiring the hall is £8 per hour during the day and £10 an hour during evenings, from 6pm. There is a flat rate of £25 for children's parties.

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Brenda Spivey



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IDE VILLAGE SHOW



The Annual Ide Show demonstrated once again what a talented bunch of people live in the village. There was such a fabulous selection of flowers, fruit and veg, preserves, cakes and other goodies. The School Hall looked magnificent. The arts and crafts section was also a joy.

The day felt like a celebration of some of the many good things about village life. Huge thanks to everyone

who judged, entered and came along. Next year we're doing Ide Open Gardens again. If you fancy taking part, then drop Mark a note. No commitment at this stage!



In case you are wondering, here are the winners:

Preserves:	Selena Morgan
Flowers:	Lin Black
Vegetables:	Andy Goodman
Baking:	Alison Taborn (and best in show).
Fruit:	Nick Bradley
Children's	Finlay Beeson
Other produce:	Lin Black
Most points:	Peter & Sue Cloke and Mark & Rachel Thomas

Thanks, Ide Growers.
Mark Thomas



EXETER NORTHCOTT THEATRE

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Doddiscombsleigh Art Show - will be held this year during the last weekend of October. From 10:00-5:00 Friday 25th October, 10:00-5:00 Saturday 26th Oct and 10:00-12:00 Sunday 27th Oct. It will be held at the Teign Community Hall in Christow, EX6 7NA. There will be seventy artists exhibiting a vast array of wall art and 3D art, all of which can be purchased. Running alongside this will be a gift shop selling craft items made locally. Also our café will be offering hot drinks and homemade cakes. Entry is free. We look forward to seeing you there.

THE MYSTERY OF COWICK STREET

Walk west along Cowick Street and you come to the ancient church of St Thomas. Below the first window facing the road is a large, white stone plaque with a cross at the top. But this is no grave stone. This is a memorial to the heroism of Grace Darling in 1838.

In 1838 Exeter was a prosperous Cathedral City but there was no electricity or telephone in those days. It was the end of the Regency period with the universal penny post and the railway system soon to arrive. In June of that year an 18 year old young woman became our Queen for the rest of the century.

In 1838 up in Northumberland, on the edge of the wild North Sea, Grace Darling lived with her father, who was the keeper of the Longstone Lighthouse on the rocky Farne Islands, again without electricity or phones. Even a National Lifeboat Institution was still to be established and powerful lights were things of the future.

In 1838, September 7th, there were huge storms in the North Sea. The paddle ship SS Forfarshire was driven onto rocks in the Farne Islands. Seeing there were people still alive, Grace and her father risked their own lives by rowing out in their tiny cobble. Despite the stormy seas they saved 9 people from certain death. Grace was hailed as a national heroine and she received a letter from the young Queen Victoria. Sadly Grace died from TB in 1842.

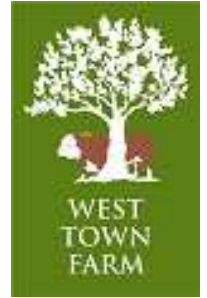


2019 - The Mystery. How come this white memorial stone is here in Exeter? The Farne Islands are 400 miles away but the memorial has been refurbished three times. The stone itself gives some clues. Erected in 1845, by kind permission of the Vicar and Churchwardens, it has been restored by subscription in 1869, 1911 and 2003.

What has been the connection between Grace Darling in the Farne Islands and St Thomas' Church in Cowick Street, Exeter, for the last 174 years?

Ian Goodrick

WEST TOWN FARM NEWS



We've spent the last month packing up bits, tidying and getting ready for Autumn to begin. The hog roast machine, bell tents and wedding bits are all packed away safely until next year.

16 cows escaped this month. After a couple of hours searching and walking close to 7 miles (in the wrong direction) we found them. All together we marched them back to the barn. I thought it was great fun and a good way to keep fit. Not sure the others did!

Our apple crop this year is fruitful. We have sent lots off to be made into scrumptious Luscombe apple juice. It's good to see them getting used. Otherwise we just have too many.

The pigs have been enjoying what surplus apples we do have - if you head to our Facebook page you can see a little video of them apple bobbing. The pigs are enjoying being out in the fields. The noise they make when we are walking across the fields, echoes throughout the valley.

This month we see the return of our favourite event- **'Apple and Pumpkin Day'** **20nd October- 11am-4pm**. Poco Drom, Tractor Trailer rides, Apple Pressing, Storytelling, BBQ, Cafe, Forest School Activities, Straw Bale Den, Pizza Oven and more... This year we are limiting the capacity so please buy tickets on our website. www.westtownfarm.co.uk £3 per child, £4 per adult, £12 per family and under 3's free.

If you've come into the farm shop you'll notice we've had a little reshuffle and installed a light sensor. We are trying to make it more user friendly. We've had a restock of lamb and mutton. This will be the last we have for a while so come and stock up.

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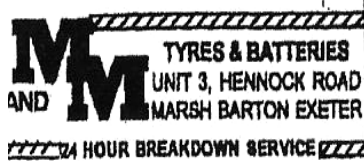
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