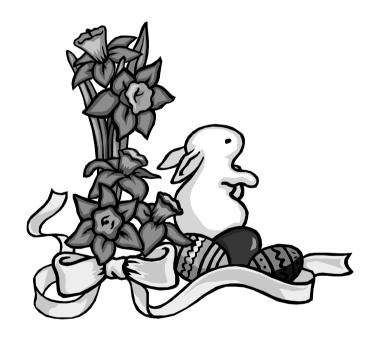
Luppitt Packet



April 2018

USEFUL LUPPITT PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Council: Chairman, John Thorne 01404 891412 m. 07748 780096

Clerk: Rosalind Buxton 01404 861565

Village Hall: Chairman: Brian Pulman 891324

Secretary: Mary Joyce 890186

Commoners: Secretary: Kevin Lockyer 01404 892836

Luppitt Wives: Mrs Jean Hooper: 892969 Rector: Rev John Hayhoe 07864 048575. PCC secretary: Wendy Watson 891959

Church Administrator: Mrs Karen Davies 890121 (9:30 to 10:30 am)

Churchwardens: Brian Pulman 891324

John Arbuthnott 891032

Captain of Bellringers: Pearl Pulman 891324

Cricket Club: S Berry 891268

Luncheon Club: Jean Hooper 892969 Hartridge Buddhist Monastery: 891251

Websites - <www.luppitt.net>

<www.luppittparishcouncil.co.uk>

Location of defibrillators - Village Hall, EX14 4RT

Loman's Farm, EX 14 4TX (near Red Doors)

Police - non urgent - 101. Police - urgent: 999

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Dog Warden : 01395 517457 Crimestoppers:: 0800 555111

Blackdown Practice:

Dunkeswell 01823 681720

Blackdown Support Group:

(Hemyock) 01823 681036 Honiton Medical Centre: 548544

Honiton Hospital: 540540

Dev.Air Ambulance: 01392 466666 TRIP: 46529: community transport

C.A.B.: 44213

Honiton Library: 41212 E. Devon District Council: 01395 516551

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Well, goodness gracious me! Two periods of snow in one year. I am writing this on Sunday morning and the spectacle outside is wonderfully beautiful. I just hope we don't need to go anywhere. Everyone I have spoken to has commented on how well the roads were cleared and thanked all who helped. The road closures for optical fibre have been much more of a problem! See Joan's cartoon on page 12!

Congratulations to everyone involved with putting on the Pantomime this year. It was great fun. There will be some pictures in the next Packet.

Keep warm in this bitter wind and remember that the clocks go back on the 24th-25th March.

Have a good month.

Lindsey Dalgety

LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held at Dove Cottage, Luppitt, on Tuesday, 6 March 2018, at 8 pm

Present: Cllrs John Thorne (Chairman), Tom Nancarrow, Paul Prettejohn, Brian Pulman, Andrew Tucker, Rosalind Buxton (clerk)

Receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Gavin Brake (Vice-Chairman), David Barlow, David Key (EDDC), Iain Chubb (DCC and EDDC) and PCSO 30017 Darren England. The Chairman explained that the meeting could not be held in the Village Hall because there had been a small fire which had affected the electricity supply. The clerk had put a notice up on the noticeboard at the Village Hall giving the change of venue and had posted it on the website.

Minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 6 February 2018, were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting (proposed by Cllr Nancarrow and seconded by Cllr Tucker).

Declaration of Interest

Cllr Tucker declared an interest in items 2.1.4 (update on slurry lagoon), 3.2 (Parish Maintenance) and 3.2.2 (work between Hillend and Sharcombe) as he will be carrying out the work or has carried out the work.

PLANNING

Applications (for comment, support or objection)
18/0389/FUL – 1 Moorlands Cottages, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4SX construction of single storey extension, veranda and loggia
The Parish Council has no objection and supports the planning application.

18/0397/FUL – Shelves Cottage, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4SN – construction of single storey side extension
The Parish Council has no objection and supports the planning application.

17/2802/FUL and 17/2801/LBC – The Old Post Office, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4RT – replace front porch (west elevation), single storey rear extension and link to log store, demolish existing log store at end of detached garage and reform new roof structure including slate roof, LPG tank, insert 2

windows in side (north elevation), replace front path and new gate and fence to front

Amended plans for consultation. These amendments relate to amendments to address Conservation Officer's concerns, with exception of depth of extension, and amended Design & Access Statement.

The Parish Council has already commented on this planning application which it supports.

17/1381/MFUL - slurry lagoon at Higher Wick

There was a general discussion on the situation. Cllr Key had advised the clerk that he had spoken to Planning East. Additional information has been requested from the applicant's agent but to date nothing has been received.

Neighbourhood Plan

As a result of there being no electricity supply in the Village Hall, the decision was taken to postpone the meeting scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 7 March. A new date will be set as soon as the electricity supply is restored to the Village Hall.

HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

Parish Highways programme - update on Items to Report as follows:

Item Reported	Action	Status
Pennythorne Cross to Barn Cross – road subsidence	W17997496 W171026228	Assessment completed 13.04.17 Assessment completed 16.08.17
Potholes and severe drop-off at edge of tarmac from Overday Farm towards Gully Lane Numerous potholes close to Coombeshead junction towards Ringborough Cross – edge of	W17997499 and W17997501 W171006493	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 19.05.17
road deterioration	W171016196 and W171016198	Assessment completed 11.07.17
Pothole outside Dolish Farmhouse	W17980514	Pothole completed Springbox at Sparrows Croft still awaiting completion. Work will probably be carried out Jan/ Feb.



Finding the best beer in town doesn't take a lot of investigating



Serious road subsidence from Ringborough Cross to Luppitt Common	W17997507 W171006497 and W171006503 W171016212 W181077450 (Jan 18) Clerk to report again	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 19.05.17 Assessment completed 11.07.17 Assessment completed 23.01.18
Sharcombe to Mattys Cross – several potholes and general deterioration of road	W17997529 W171016204 W181077459 (Jan 18)	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 11.07.17 Assessment completed 23.01.18
Several potholes Beacon to Sharcombe and road deterioration above Shelves	W17997530 W171016209	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 11.07.17
Maple Cross to Pound Farm – road subsidence	W17989887 W171016212	Assessment completed 10.04.17 Assessment completed 11.07.17
At Robin's Bungalow and Smithenhayes – road needs reinstating around the drain	W17989895 Clerk has reported to NHO	NHO has marked the area for patching and a drainage channel. Road closure so work will not be carried out for a couple of months (from June). Marked area has now been increased.
Uxford Bridge to Crook Cross	Clerk to contact Combe Raleigh clerk to see if any progress has been made with Highways	No progress made to date with Highways by Combe Raleigh clerk Clerk has reported to NHO from Luppitt PC Parishioner has also reported to NHO (Jan 18)

Pothole between the houses at Millrise and the cattle grid	W171059008	Assessment completed 13.12.17
Approaching the north end of Gully Lane from Riggles – numerous potholes and edge of road deterioration	W18089545	Comment from High- ways "No problem found with the specified reference number" so clerk will report again
Large pothole at Jack's House	Clerk to report	New

Parish Maintenance

The following items were added to Cllr Tucker's list of work:

- Beacon to Barn blocked drain
- Below gateway close to Pennythorne blocked drain
- Below Whitehall blocked easement
- Maple Cross drain blocked
- Between Ford Farm and Ford Barn ditch needs clearing
- Clean easement at Overday/Gully Lane boundary

Co-operation between Luppitt and Combe Raleigh

The clerk had sent information on the Highway Maintenance Community Enhancement fund to the clerk of Combe Raleigh Parish Meeting. The possibility of the two parishes working together to improve the state of the lanes was discussed

Work on road between Hillend and Sharcombe

The clerk had written to the Neighbourhood Highways Officer to advise her that Cllr Tucker will be carrying out this work shortly. The NHO had undertaken to do some patching work on this stretch of road at the same time. Unfortunately, the NHO's budget has been used up for this financial year so the clerk requested that the work be carried out as early as possible in the next financial year.

County Councillor budget for road repairs Grit Bin

These two items were deferred to the next meeting.

Road Warden Scheme

Cllr Pulman has agreed to attend Chapter 8 training under this scheme. The clerk will arrange.

Grass Cutting

It was proposed by Cllr Pulman, seconded by Cllr Prettejohn and unanimously agreed to increase the annual payment for grass cutting to £350.00 for the next financial year.

Overhanging Hedges

All overhanging hedges have now been cut. The Parish Council is very grateful to the landowners for their co-operation.

Lengthsman's Visit

- The lengthsman's visit was scheduled for 19 February. However, none of the Parish Councillors had seen the lengthsman in the parish, nor could they see any evidence of work having been carried out.
- The Chairman referred to an email from the Neighbourhood Highways Officer where it was stated that Highways would contribute funding towards the cost of Luppitt Parish Council employing their own lengthsman. The lengthsman service is under threat and this funding would only be available whilst the lengthsman service is in operation.
- The clerk will follow up these two points with the NHO.

FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS Completion of P3 forms

The clerk had returned the completed forms. The clerk has advised that the sign by Turf House that points to Footpath 14 has not been replaced and Ros Davies undertook to follow this up.

ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES Community Policing Report

No crimes have been committed between 06.02.18 and 06.03.18.

The Planning Inspectorate – Footpaths 21 Combe Raleigh and 59 Luppitt The Definitive Map Review Officer at DCC has written to give formal notice that the Definitive Map Modification Order 2016 on Footpaths 21 Combe Raleigh and 59 Luppitt has not been confirmed by the Inspector after the exchange of written representations. As a result of the decision, the routes will not be recorded as public rights of way, although it can be challenged by application for judicial review within three months.

Battle's Over

On Sunday, 11 November 2018, bells will be rung at 7.05 pm in churches and cathedrals throughout the country to mark the end of the First World War. Bells will be rung from St Mary's Church, Luppitt, provided that enough ringers are available. The clerk will complete the entry form to register Luppitt's participation in this event.

Blackdown Hills Repair Café

An email giving details of the first Blackdown Hills Repair Café at Hemyock Village Hall on Saturday, 24 March 2018 was noted.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Village Hall has been booked for the Annual Parish Meeting which will take place on **Tuesday**, **17 April 2018**, **at 8 pm**. The clerk has written to see if a speaker from Devon Air Ambulance can attend and give a short talk.

Casual Vacancy

The clerk read out the written application submitted by Christine Ryder. It was agreed that Christine's wide experience would be beneficial to the Parish Council. It was proposed by Cllr Tucker, seconded by Cllr Prettejohn, with everyone in agreement, that Christine should fill the vacancy of Parish Councillor. Cllrs Brake and Barlow had expressed their agreement before the meeting.

Correspondence

An informative email from Roger Hicks about Gigaclear and Voneus was noted. There was some concern over the many road closures that are scheduled for the next few weeks.

Chairman's Discretion

Cllr Prettejohn thanked Cllr Tucker for his hard work in clearing the roads around Luppitt during the recent snowfall. It was agreed that it had been very helpful and had enabled residents to move more freely around the parish.

Questions from the Public

There were no questions and the meeting closed at 10 pm.

Dates for next meetings to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm:

Tuesday, 3 April 2018

Tuesday, 17 April 2018 Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday, 1 May 2018 AGM of the Parish Council

Come and Ride with us!

Come and be a part of our Blackdown Hills community ride on **Sunday 9**th **September**, all in the name of charity. Last year almost 90 cyclists from Churchinford and

surrounding local villages pedalled an undulating 74 miles from Minehead to Charmouth and raised over £25,000 for Bike4cancer, Musgrove's Beacon Centre and the Blackdown Hills Community bus fund. More than that though, we had memorable Saturday morning fun training altogether, getting fit and the support of our community beforehand and on the day.

If you really can't ride the 74 miles, you can join us at Churchinford and ride to Charmouth or help Marshall – come and be part of whatever you can!

Anyone interested in taking part or sponsoring the riders can contact Paul Thomas via <u>3countiescoast2coast@gmail.com</u> or please look at the York Inn page.

LUPPITT ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

the Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Village Hall

on Tuesday, 17 April 2018 at 8 pm

Everyone is welcome to come along to this annual meeting of the parish

There will be a short talk at the start of the meeting by a representative of Devon Air Ambulance

The Snow

Many thanks are due to the folks of Beacon and surrounding area for the snow clearance so quickly. The digger did past the cottages and everybody who lives in this small community was out and about looking out for neighbours.

The farmers amazingly cleared the roads to Hartridge etc!

How lucky we are to live in such a wonderful place.

Sue Wainwrights.

Melange

An acoustic melting pot of influences from North Africa, the Balkans, Turkey and Middle East.



" a fascinating melting pot of musical influences.."

World Music Central

Friday 13th April

Sheldon Village Hall

Doors 7pm Performance 7.30pm

Tickets: Adult £10, Child £5 Booking Tel: 07999538408

www.melangecollective.com

Music from the Mediterranean at Sheldon Village Hall, Friday 13th April 7.30pm

Our next "Villages in Action" performance at Sheldon takes us on a journey around the shores of the Mediterranean when the group "Melange" brings the dynamic music of this region to our little village hall.

Melange was formed by cellist Shirley Smart, after 10 years in Jerusalem studying and playing the music of the region. Shirley is one of the UK's most versatile and creative cellists and has worked with many leading jazz and world music groups. She is joined by Peter Michaels, a guitarist with a performance style, influenced by his classical and flamenco guitar training, combined with jazz influences, and also joined by Demi Garcia Sabat, who is a master of flamenco percussion. This group of talented musicians seamlessly blend music from North Africa, the Middle East, Greece, Italy and Spain into a lively on-stage show. Their recent performances have included the Songlines Encounters Festival, the IGNITE series at the Royal Albert Hall and BBC Radio 3's World on 3 Sessions.

This will be an evening of fabulous music and lively rhythms. Tickets: adult £10, child £5, available from Siobhan on Tel 07999 538 408 or by email on smurphy315bb@gmail.com
Please book early to ensure your ticket.

Doors for this event open at 7pm and the show begins at 7.30 pm. There will be a licensed bar and other refreshments (tea/ coffee) available, so come early and enjoy a drink beforehand. This event is brought to us with the support of "Villages in Action", a rural touring scheme that brings top quality professional arts events to rural communities in Devon.

Music and Movement for Children.

Luppitt Village Hall. Wednesdays, term time only.

Starts at 9.30 am with approximately 45 minutes of singing and dancing.

Price is only £1.00 per child, to include a drink and a biscuit, also coffee or tea for the adults.

From babies till school age. Any enquires contact Maria 01404 891058.

The Ringers Outing

The Ringers Outing will be on Saturday 28th April.

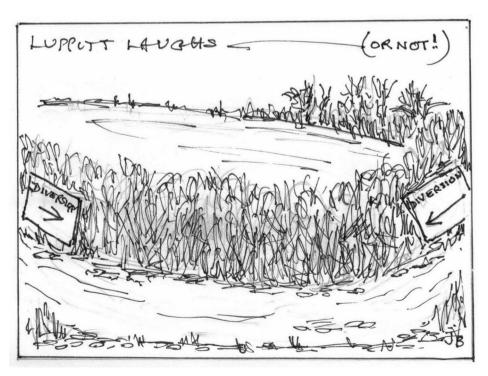
Leaving Mountstephens at 8am prompt.

We will be ringing at Bideford, Westleigh, Clovelly and lunch at North Tawton at Fish and Chips.

Home approximately 8pm.

Names to Pearl, please, 891324.

Come and join us, all are welcome!



GARDEN JOTTINGS

by D.Street.

The other day I noticed our hydrangea was jutting new green buds. Hydrangea, I thought, rather a strange name really. Not very English. But then it doesn't have an English name. At least I've never come across one. Could have missed it though, I suppose. Strange really for a garden shrub you see in lots of gardens in summer with its big pink cauliflower flowers. Come to think of it, that'd be a good name for it - cauliflower bush

So you might guess then, I'm not all that keen on hydrangeas. But they are popular and easy, and they do last.

I wondered why they're called hydrangeas. Something to do with water, I imagine. But what exactly? So I looked hydrangea up. The dictionary said it means water cup, but didn't seem all that sure. It's the seed, it said. Must make sense though, I thought, but then I've never seen a hydrangea seed.

The one we've got is in the front on the cold side of the house. It's white, or whitish as hydrangeas go. Sometimes I've taken cuttings from it. Quite simple - in late spring or early summer. Try it. Take off a ripish still green shoot just below a leaf node. Dip in cutting compound. Not essential, but I usually do. Remove or half remove any big leaves. Pot up - put in a plastic bag for about a week or so, and keep reasonably warm at night in a shady place. It'll soon start growing, but you'll have to wait till next year for any flowers.

While there are many different sorts of hydrangeas in nature, only two are generally grown. Most garden varieties come from a Japanese hydrangea - I wonder what they call it? - macrophylla with mop-head or lace-head flowers in white, shades of pink or in acid soils blue.

The other common hydrangea from America is paniculata, a largish shrub with cream cone-shaped flowers. You can prune this one down to size, when it gets too big.

The mop-heads are more awkward to prune, as I found out last year. Ours was getting too big for its site, so I trimmed it down. Hydrangea was having none of this. It retaliated with lots of lush growth - plenty of leaves and no flowers. I had a look round, and discovered according to my New Zealand shrub book hydrangeas have two sorts of buds - flower buds and leaf buds. "When the leaves have fallen, the fat flower buds on bare stems arranged in pairs either side, can easily be distinguished from the recessed leaf buds, which are always lower down near the base of the plant." So there you go. I shall have to try again.

As things are, when I go past it now, I don't always look very kindly on our tall leafy straggly hydrangea shrub.

HOLA!! Brighten up your Spring with the fabulous colours and taste of a classic Spanish Paella

Many years ago, we used to visit friends who lived in a little seaside town in the far South of Spain where there was a traditional beachside Paella restaurant. Every day, from early Spring to mid Autumn, as the fierce Spanish sun reached its midday peak, locals would seek out the cool of its simple whitewashed terrace with closely packed rustic tables, brightly coloured tablecloths and aged stone floor, worn down by the sand and the wind across many decades, and settle down to watch the daily spectacle of the Paella being cooked.

As his customers gathered under the cool of the canopy, the chef would walk out into the full blaze of the sun to his firepit, stacked with orange and pine branches and pine cones – the classic mix which gives traditional Paella its divine flavour – and fire it up. His team of helpers would struggle out with the gigantic paella pan – the size of a dining room table – and nestle it carefully into the metal stand above the fire. As the fire began to roar, the chef would douse a white towel in ice cold water and wrap it around his head, strap thickly padded gaiters onto his lower legs and don a huge pair of thick leather gauntlets. In his hand would be his gigantic wooden spatula – which may have had an earlier life as a rowing boat's oar.

Over the next hour, he would throw onions, garlic, golden fleshed chicken thighs, smoky charred red peppers, and rice into his paella pan, stirring and tossing it around until it was all caramelised and glossy. Then in went the rice, the stock, the saffron, paprika and seasoning....and the stirring stopped. He would douse the fire a little and then the Paella was left to sizzle and bubble until almost cooked - and then in went bowlfuls of gorgeously fresh seafood – depending on what the boats brought in - with the mixture then left to finish absorbing all the wonderful flavours and for the rice to cook through - at which stage he ladled the wonderful mixture into deep bowls which were rushed to the tables by his team of helpers, along with bowls of fragrant and garlicky Aiola, baskets of bread, bowls of water for the diners to clean off sticky fingers, and huge jugs of iced water. When the paella pan was almost empty, the chef would distribute the ultimate delicacy - the 'socarrat' - the caramelised, crispy rice at the bottom of the pan, dark and rich and full of flavour. The socarrat is the reason that a Paella is never stirred after the rice and stock are added. It is why

domestic Paella pans have handles – you can give it a gentle shake – but never stir it.

Here in Luppitt, it might not yet be warm enough for any of us to think about cooking outside but a good old gas hob or the hottest part of your electric or Aga hob will suffice and you can create the ultimate sharing dish with all the tastes of a Mediterranean summer. For 4 people you need 4 free range boned chicken thighs – cut in half, 1 red pepper, roasted skinned and sliced or half a jar of grilled red peppers, cut into strips, a bag of fresh mussels, 200 grams raw tiger prawns, one pre-prepared squid body cut into rings, one finely sliced onion plus extra for the mussels, 2 chopped garlic cloves, big pinch of saffron, 300 grams of short grain rice (preferably Bomba rice but if not use risotto rice), 500 ml of chicken stock, large glass of white wine plus extra to cook the mussels, pinch of smoked paprika and some seasoning.

Start by soaking your saffron strands in a little bit of warm water. Throw some olive oil into your Paella pan and over medium heat, add your chicken thighs. Cook for 15 minutes, turning frequently until cooked through. Remove from the pan. In a separate pan, heat some white wine with some chopped onion until boiling, throw in the mussels, cook, shaking the pan, for a few minutes until the shells open. Scoop out the mussels and set aside. Add the cooking liquor to the chicken stock. Add your chopped onions and garlic to the Paella pan and cook, stirring, until soft. Add your rice and stir until all the grains are well coated. Throw in your glass of white wine and bubble until absorbed. Add your saffron, paprika, red peppers and the chicken thighs, give it one last stir, then add your stock, reduce the heat and resist the temptation to stir it again - just give it a gentle shake every couple of minutes. When you see that the rice has absorbed about half of the stock (should take about 8 minutes) add the squid and raw prawns (no stirring!) and cover the pan with foil for a minute or two until the prawns turn pink. Check that your rice is cooked by tasting a small spoonful – if you can resist the temptation to take more! Adjust your seasoning and finally, add your mussels and continue to cook for a minute or two. Rest the paella for 10 minutes, and then scoop it into generous sized, warm bowls. Delicious! Christine Ryder

Official Ryde



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Luppitt Entertainments Committee Dates for your Diary 2018

Sunday 15 th	Spring into Luppitt
April	2pm – 5pm
	Fun for all the family – just hope for a
	fine spring day!
Sunday 20th	A Royal Celebration
May	Luppitt's toast to Prince Harry and
	Meghan Markle!
	From 12:30pm



Follow us on Facebook at Luppitt Events

More events being planned - watch this space for further details.

Luppitt Wives

Our meeting on the 19th April is a trip to the Blackbury Honey Farm.

Meet there at 12 noon, for a tour and lunch.

Skittles evening: Saturday 21st April.

Honiton Mobile Library MOUNTSTEPHENS FARM

April 25th Arrive 12.30pm Depart 1pm





'Learn, Laugh & Live' with The University of the Third Age



April is the beginning of the **Honiton** U3A Membership year, so there is no better time to join us! Take advantage of our free monthly meeting plus the opportunity to join any of our 20+ interest groups. The first meeting of our new year is on Wednesday 18th April when we welcome our speaker – **Brian Free-land** – 'A View from the Wings'. Brian has worked at the Palladium, the RSC and Sadlers Wells to name but a few, and he will be giving us a 'sideways' look at theatre from a stage managers point of view..

Venue: The Beehive Centre, Dowell St., Honiton Doors open 1.30pm for a 2pm start

Members Free and Visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2.00)

Further information: 01404 598008 Website: http://u3asites.org.uk/honiton

SPRING INTO LUPPITT Luppitt Village Hall Sunday 15th April 2pm - 5pm







Games for Children and Adults
Crafts and Colouring
Fancy Dress with a
Spring theme
Prizes for Children and Adults
Raffle

Tea and refreshments available



Sunday 1 April 11:00 am Easter Day CW Holy Communion *

Wednesday 4 April 9:00 am Morning Prayer *

Sunday 8 April 11:00 am All Age Worship *

Sunday 15 April 11:00 am CW Holy Communion †

Wednesday 18 April 9:00 am Morning Prayer *

Sunday 22 April 11:00 am All Age Worship ‡

Sunday 29 April 11:00 am Six Worship Together at Broadhembury ‡

Sunday 6 May 9:30 am BCP Holy Communion

* Revd John Hayhoe † Revd Peter Horder officiating ‡ lay led

The Vestry and Annual Parochial Church Meetings will take place on Thursday, 12 April 2018 at 7:45 pm in the Village Hall. The Vestry Meeting will elect two Churchwardens: you are entitled to attend this part of the meeting and vote if you are either on the Church Electoral Roll, or are resident in the parish and on the register of local government electors. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will then follow immediately, which any person may attend, but at which only those on the Church Electoral Roll may vote.

Wendy Watson, PCC Secretary



Easter Crosses

We will be erecting the Easter Crosses on Hartridge again this year, by kind permission of the Luppitt Commons Trustees.

Meet at 12:30 pm on Good Friday on the road under Hartridge.

Church cleaning and flower rota

31 March Pearl Pulman & Pat Bussey

Easter decorations—all

7 April Carole Thorne, Jean Hooper,

Wendy Clapp & Mary Hill

14 April Pearl Pulman & Mary Joyce

21 April Christine Page-Turner & Olive Clapp

28 April Shirley Crabb & Beryl Hardwick

5 May Jean Gardiner & Joy Tofts

If you would like to help with church cleaning or flower arranging, please contact Pearl Pulman on 891324



fundraising for St Mary's Church, Luppitt

DANCE

to the music of Ray Denning

Sequence

Ballroom

OldTime



Friday, 25 May 2018 8:00 pm - 11:30 pm

Luppitt Village Hall bring and share supper

BAR

£6 entry

RAFFLE

We often use analogies or parables to try to illustrate something which is hard to explain. I came across the analogy below a couple of years ago and have used it in church and in schools to challenge people, adults and children, to be brave enough to think outside the box, to escape the self-imposed prison of reason that prevents adults in particular from appreciating the wonder that our existence is. Humankind has always felt it has the answer, and then finds out that it was wrong, as new discoveries so often prove – we only need to think of Galileo or Stephen Hawking to appreciate that there have always been people brave enough to question current knowledge.

As we approach Easter Christians are challenged again by the miracle of the Resurrection. Do you think it is totally out of the question? Or perhaps, as in the story below, might there be something that we just don't know quite yet? We are allowed to ask questions, to wonder, to doubt.

In a mother's womb were two babies. One asked the other: "Do you believe in life after delivery?" The other replied, "Why, of course. There has to be something after delivery. Maybe we are here to prepare ourselves for what we will be later."

"Nonsense" said the first. "There is no life after delivery. What kind of life would that be?"

The second said, "I don't know, but there will be more light than here. Maybe we will walk with our legs and eat from our mouths. Maybe we will have other senses that we can't understand now."

The first replied, "That is absurd. Walking is impossible. And eating with our mouths? Ridiculous! The umbilical cord supplies nutrition and everything we need. But the umbilical cord is so short. Life after delivery is to be logically excluded."

The second insisted, "Well I think there is something and maybe it's different than it is here. Maybe we won't need this physical cord anymore."

The first replied, "Nonsense. And moreover if there is life, then why has no one has ever come back from there? Delivery is the end of life, and in the after-delivery there is nothing but darkness and silence and oblivion. It takes us nowhere."

"Well, I don't know," said the second, "but certainly we will meet Mother and she will take care of us."

The first replied "Mother? You actually believe in Mother? That's laughable. If Mother exists then where is She now?"

The second said, "She is all around us. We are surrounded by her. We are of Her. It is in Her that we live. Without Her this world would not and could not exist."

Said the first: "Well I don't see Her, so it is only logical that She doesn't exist."

To which the second replied, "Sometimes, when you're in silence and you focus and you really listen, you can perceive Her presence, and you can hear Her loving voice, calling down from above."

Other Services in the Mission Community

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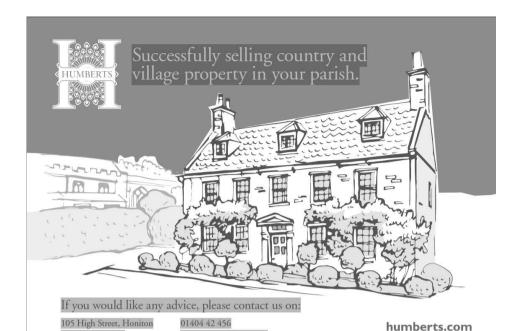


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April 3rd	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 8pm.
April 15th	"Spring into Luppitt" Village Hall, 2pm-5pm. See page 20
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