

# *Luppitt Packet*



*October 2018*

## USEFUL LUPPITT PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Council: Chairman, John Thorne 01404 891412

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John Arbuthnott 891032

Captain of Bellringers: Pearl Pulman 891324

Cricket Club: S Berry 891268

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)

**Highway Faults** - online: [http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/transportroads/roads/road\\_maintenance.htm](http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/transportroads/roads/road_maintenance.htm) Alternatively, telephone 0845 155 1004 and give the fault information or email <csc.roads@devon.gov.uk>

**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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London

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# Around the Parish



Congratulations to Jean Gardiner on being the overall winner of Luppitt Flower Show, and the winner of the Walden Cup. It has been a tricky year for enthusiastic gardeners but we seem to be reverting to our usual damp weather.

However, Luppitt events are on the way, so I hope to see you there! Particularly the quiz.

Have a good month,  
Lindsey Dalgety

## **PLEASE KEEP THIS DATE FREE**

### **FIREWORK DISPLAY ON SUNDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2018**

Various activities are being arranged nationwide on Sunday, 11 November 2018, to mark the day 100 years ago that the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War. At 7 pm on that date, more than 1,000 beacons will be lit across the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories. At 7.05 pm bells will be rung in churches and cathedrals throughout the country. Luppitt parish is taking part in these activities.

As part of this commemoration, a bonfire will be lit at Hartridge and there will be a firework display. As with the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations, we shall be organising food so please come along and be part of the commemoration of all those who lost their lives, but also a celebration of the end of hostilities.

**Full details of timings for the evening will be given in the November issue.**

This notice is to give prior warning to all parishioners who have animals who may be affected by the fireworks. If you need further information, please contact the Parish Clerk, Rosalind Buxton, by email at [luppittclerk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luppittclerk@yahoo.co.uk) or by telephone on 01404 861565.

**LUPPITT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**  
**Progress Report 3**  
**The new questionnaire will be with you soon!**

Neighbourhood Plans are starting to make headlines as an increasing number of local parishes take the opportunity of establishing precisely what they do and do not want to see happening within their local landscapes in terms of housing development, village facilities, transport, and a whole host of other things that could impact on their communities.

Only last week, the Rockbeare parish voted overwhelmingly to adopt a Plan which called for the existing Green Wedge between the parish and the vast sprawl of Cranbrook to be protected from any development. Their plan earned them a Page 3 piece in the Express and Echo, highlighting the growing concern amongst rural parishes about the erosion of the rural landscape because of extensive new housing development on previously protected greenfield sites.

News, too, on another area of concern for parishes such as ours – the lack of affordable housing which is preventing many young local people from getting onto the property ladder. The Government has just announced a new 10 year £2 billion additional fund for Housing Associations to encourage more subsidised housing provision – something which the 2014 Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire feedback suggested was needed here in Luppitt and one of the areas the new Questionnaire will focus on.

A major difference between the 2014 Questionnaire and the one you will shortly receive is that it is now open for any resident over the age of 16 to complete, rather than being restricted to one response per household. The decision was made to ensure that the final Plan represents the current views and concerns of all Luppitt Parish residents.

The questionnaire will be hand delivered to every household during the latter part of October and you can request extra copies. There will also be the opportunity to complete the questionnaire on line at [www.luppittneighbourhoodplan.org.uk](http://www.luppittneighbourhoodplan.org.uk).

Your views are important, so please take this opportunity to have your say on the future of your Parish.



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# **LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held at Luppitt Village Hall, on Tuesday, 4 September 2018, at 8 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Gavin Brake, Paul Prettejohn (from 8.30 pm), Brian Pulman, Christine Ryder, Andrew Tucker, David Key (EDDC), Rosalind Buxton (clerk)

### **Receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs John Thorne, Tom Nancarrow, David Barlow, PCSO 30017 Darren England

### **Minutes of previous meeting**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 7 August 2018, were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting (proposed by Cllr Pulman and seconded by Cllr Ryder).

### **Declaration of Interest**

Cllrs Brake and Tucker declared an interest in the planning application at Windsor Farm as they have both carried out work there.

## **PLANNING**

### **Applications (for comment, support or objection)**

**18/0506/FUL – Green Mead, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4TP** – extensions and alterations to existing bungalow to provide first floor accommodation, and construction of detached garage/car port

The following comments have been submitted to EDDC's planning website:

**Luppitt Parish Council objects to this planning application on the grounds of over-development of the site. At present there is a modest 2/3-bedroom bungalow which will be developed to be a large detached house with 5 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms. This represent a significant over-development of the site.**

Cllr Key has also objected to this planning application on the same grounds.

**18/1925/FUL and 18/1926/FUL Windsor Farm, Luppitt, Honiton, EX1 4SY** – roofing over yard area (1) and (2)

Cllrs Brake and Tucker had already declared an interest in this planning application meaning that the Parish Council was not quorate so no decision or comment could be expressed. (Cllr Prettejohn did not arrive until later in the meeting.)

### **Appeal – APP/U1105/Y/18/3201828 – The Old Post Office, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4RT**

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of EDDC to refuse to grant listed building consent for the proposed

development. The Parish Council supports the original planning application.

### **Franklyns Farm**

The Enforcement Officer at EDDC has advised the clerk that the owners are trying to sell the pod. The owners will have to apply for permission to retain it if they are unable to sell it. The pod will fall under the ten-year rule as it is not being lived in.

### **Field at Pennythorne Cross**

The Enforcement Officer had not found anything untoward when he visited the field. It was agreed that if any complaints are received in the future, the clerk will contact the Enforcement Officer immediately for him to follow up.

### **Neighbourhood Plan**

Roger Hicks (Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group) gave the Parish Council an update on progress. There continues to be a good level of parish involvement and the main focus at the moment is on producing the new questionnaire. There have been good responses and valuable input from all the sub-groups in the process. The Communications sub-group, led by Cllr Ryder, has a huge task ahead with the awareness campaign, together with the delivery and retrieval of the questionnaires. EDDC have provided a list of households for use when addressing and distributing the questionnaire. EDDC have also provided a list of approximately 60 stakeholders who have to be consulted on the Neighbourhood Plan. In July 2018, the Government produced a revised National Planning Policy Framework which will make it easier for applicants to obtain planning permission in rural areas. This is why it will be so important to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for Luppitt parish with the protection it will provide.

## **HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC**

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

<b>Item Reported</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>HIGHWAYS</b>	Report all items to NHO	( <a href="mailto:csc.roads@devon.gov.uk">csc.roads@devon.gov.uk</a> )
Pennythorne Cross to Barn Cross – road subsidence	W179974960 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 road deterioration	W17997499 and W17997501  W171006493  W171016196 and W171016198	Assessment completed 18.04.17  Assessment completed 19.05.17 Assessment completed 11.07.17

Pothole outside Dolish Farmhouse	W17980514	<b>Highways has established that there are several fractures in the existing system. The scheme now needs a full design by the Asset Team and is listed as a priority 6.</b>
Severe road subsidence from Ringborough Cross to Luppitt Common	W181108149/ W181108154/ W181108155	<b>Road is deteriorating rapidly. Clerk has followed up with NHO. Road has been marked.</b>
Sharcombe to Mattys Cross – several potholes and general deterioration of road	W17997529  W171016204 W181077459 (Jan 18)	<b>Road is deteriorating rapidly. Clerk has followed up with NHO. Road has been marked. Works should be approved and started within 4 months (from June 2018).</b>
Several potholes Beacon to Sharcombe and road deterioration above Shelves	W17997530  W171016209	<b>Road is in a dangerous state. Clerk has followed up with NHO. Road has been marked. Works should be approved and started within 4 months (from June 2018).</b>
Maple Cross to Pound Farm – road subsidence	W17989887  W171016212	<b>Assessment completed 10.04.17 Assessment completed 11.07.17</b>
At Robin's Bungalow and Smithenhayes – road needs reinstating around the drain	W17989895  Clerk has reported to NHO	<b>Completed</b>
Uxford Bridge to Crook Cross	Clerk has reported to NHO	<b>No progress. New NHO is now pricing out works to see what can be done. Clerk has written to NHO to support Combe Raleigh's complaints on this stretch of road.</b>
Pothole between the houses at Millrise and the cattle grid	W171059008	<b>Assessment date 13.12.17</b>



Approaching the north end of Gully Lane from Riggles – numerous potholes and edge of road deterioration	W181104427	<b>Reported again March 2018</b> <b>Assessment date 16.04.18.</b> <b>Report was completed but no comment made. Clerk has followed up with NHO but no further progress. One or two potholes appear to have been filled in.</b>
Several potholes from crossroads to Higher Shelvin	W181124883	<b>Assessment completed 21.05.18</b>
Pothole above Antelope Cottage towards Beacon	Clerk to report	<b>New</b>

## **Parish Maintenance**

### **Visit by Neighbourhood Highways Officer**

Cllr Pulman and the clerk met the new NHO, Phil Morgan, at the Village Hall on 30 August. It was a productive meeting and the NHO was shown round all the problem areas in the parish. He himself has marked out several of the roads needing attention but he had not been involved in marking the road from Luppitt Cross to Barnfield Farm so he was going to investigate further. The clerk will email the NHO again with details of where the planings should be delivered (Overday Farm).

It appears that once a pothole or edge of road deterioration has been reported and inspected and nothing has been done, then that complaint lies dormant. The clerk will, therefore, have to re-register all the problem areas listed in the above schedule and do so on a regular basis.

### **Road signs**

Cllr Tucker felt a sign 'Unsuitable for Heavy Goods Vehicles' was preferable to a weight or width limit sign. The clerk will follow up. Cllr Tucker had noticed that a sign indicating a 7.5 ton weight limit through Dunkeswell Village had appeared at Wolford Cross. The clerk will investigate.

### **Road Warden insurance**

Devon County Council only provide third party insurance for any volunteers carrying out Road Warden duties. The clerk has contacted the Parish Council insurers but has not yet received a response.

## **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

Cllr Nancarrow was away so there was nothing to report.

## **ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

### **Community Policing Report**

No crimes have been reported between 07/08/18 and 04/09/18.

## **Gigaclear**

The clerk has received no response to her follow-up email. Cllr Brake said that the Commoners have at last received a wayleave agreement from Gigaclear.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

### **Referendum principles**

The clerk advised that the Government has decided to defer the setting of referendum principles for town and parish councils for three years. The Government has seen evidence in the 2018-19 figures of the lowest year-on-year increase in parish precepts since 2015-16. The Government will keep this matter under active review and encourages Parish Councils to continue the downward trend.

### **Chairman's Discretion**

#### **Night Landing Sites**

Devon Air Ambulance have identified various secondary sites for night landings in nearby villages, amongst them Upottery. The clerk had been asked by Upottery Parish clerk whether Luppitt Parish Council would in principle be interested in joining together with Upottery under the Communities Together Fund (formerly Parishes Together Fund) towards the cost of setting this up. Devon Air Ambulance have carried out extensive research on suitable landing sites that will serve rural villages. They are planning to have a network of sites to cover as wide an area as possible with the aim of extending the options available to paramedics attending a serious incident. It was unanimously agreed that this would be a good idea. The clerk will liaise with Upottery Parish clerk to establish whether or not funding could be claimed for this purpose from the Communities Together Fund.

#### **Hedge round play area**

At the recent inspection of the play area at Millrise, the hedge adjacent to the road had been flagged up as a possible safety hazard with children slipping on wet grass and sliding through onto the road. Cllr Pulman suggested planting a single row of beech trees inside the existing hedge. This would reinforce the existing hedge and remove any possible danger. Cllr Pulman volunteered to undertake this work.

A parishioner had spoken to Cllr Pulman about some dead sheep in a field. The clerk will follow up with the parishioner.

#### **Fencing on Hartridge**

A parishioner had contacted the clerk about concerns raised over the fencing that has been undertaken on Hartridge. Cllr Brake, as Chairman of the Commoners, gave the following response.

These fencing works are all part of the 10-year Countryside Stewardship agreement with Natural England. Natural England are fully aware and supportive of the works.

Hartridge is privately owned by the Trustees of Luppitt Commons and has public access under the CROW Act (2000). Natural England are keen for the Trustees to start a programme to control the bracken on the side of Hartridge and the suggested approaches are either (i) chemical spraying or (ii) topping and grazing. The aim is to make it a rich, mixed grassland area, not a bracken monoculture like today.

Because of the large number of private water supplies below this area, the Trustees prefer the topping and grazing approach rather than using chemicals. In recent years we have used the same approach successfully (and extensively) all over the Hense Moor SSSI. Over several years, using topping and grazing, we have managed to turn areas of bracken monoculture into diversified upland meadows rich in bluebells and other rare flora.

To graze, we need some form of fencing and, under Section 38 of the Commons Act 2006, we are allowed temporary fencing on up to 10% of the common land under agreement with Natural England. This means the fencing will only be up for 6 months, then removed for 6 months, and so on.

Access will be maintained to the popular walking track which the Commoners cut each year along the top of Hartridge. Please remember this track is not a public footpath. There might be cattle in the fenced section at certain times of the year, but no different to walking across a farmer's field, ie keep dogs under control if cattle are present.

Cllr Pulman raised the question of the bench that is situated there and suggested that the fencing could be positioned so as to leave the seat and the whole triangular area nearby accessible for people to use. Cllr Brake felt this was a sensible suggestion that would be considered.

### **Questions from the Public**

There were no questions and the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

**Date for next meeting to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm:**

**Tuesday, 2 October 2018**

## GARDEN JOTTINGS

by D.Street

Ten years or so ago I bought a packet of cycad seeds. They were very large and very hard, more like small eggs than seeds. Three grew, but two died from damping off disease after about a year, a problem cycads suffer from without adequate ventilation.

The one that survived is now about two and a half feet high, in a ten inch pot. The leaves look like palm leaves, very similar to a Canary Island date palm, but they are much slower growing. They seem to last about two years, but are irregular. One year no new leaves grew. Two years ago two grew. One got eaten by a slug. This year it produced nine new leaves. With only one leaf last spring, I was beginning to give it up for lost. So it's been quite a surprise to see so many leaves on it this summer.

My cycad - sometimes they're called sago palms - comes from China, where it is said to stand up to snow and ice. Cycads grow in many warm regions like Africa, Central America, South Asia. The one you are most likely to see in this country comes from Japan. There are different types of cycad, like *Dioon*, *Encephelartos*, *Zamia*, *Stranvaesia* from different continents. Cycads can be thought of as prehistoric plants. Some are poisonous. In Australia they are dangerous to cattle.

Like conifers, yews and ginkgos, cycads do not grow flowers, but they have seeds. Cycads are either male or female. Even some flowering plants like stinging nettles are like this with male and female plants. One cycad discovered in Africa has never been found a lady friend. Any propagation from it has to be vegetative, and all its offspring is therefore identical.

Usually the male cycad grows a sort of cone with pollen in it, and the wind blows this onto the female plant. Cycads have not developed the trick of taking advantage of using insects' ability to see colours and detect perfume to get them to carry their pollen around. Cycad seeds, like conifers', are not fully protected in pods. as flowering plants' seeds are.

Of course with my solitary cycad I shall not get any seed. I shall have to wait before I even know what sex it is.

*Back by popular demand!*

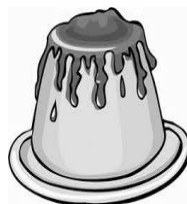
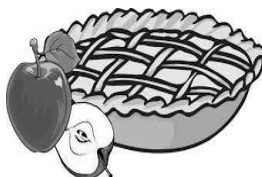
# PUDDING NIGHT

Saturday 13th October

7.30pm for 8pm start

Luppitt Village Hall

Six delicious puddings  
to sample



**Bar and Raffle**

**Cost: £5.00 per head**

**To book: contact Jean Hooper**

**By 6<sup>th</sup> October on 01404 892969**



# **Autumn Bingo**

**For all the Family  
Luppitt Village Hall  
Friday 19th October**



**Including Raffle  
Doors Open 7.00  
Eyes Down 7.30**



## **Honiton Mobile Library at MOUNTSTEPHENS FARM**



October 10th Arrive 12.30pm Depart 1pm

### **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 University of the Third Age Learn, Laugh, Live'**

The Honiton U3A will be meeting on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October when our speaker will be **Linda Watson** and her talk is entitled – '**Cob Building Tradition**'

Devon has a rich history of cob building and conservation architect and member of the Devon Earth Building Association Working Group, Linda Watson, will be sharing her knowledge of both old and new buildings using this unique technique with an illustrated talk. DEVON remains one of the richest counties in England for examples of cob building both new and old.

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>

**LUPPITT COMMONS**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**WILL BE HELD ON**  
**TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018**  
**AT 8.00 PM**  
**IN THE LUPPITT VILLAGE HALL**  
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# Luppitt Entertainments Committee

## Dates for your Diary 2018

<p><b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b> <b>October</b></p>	<p><i><b>Back by popular demand!</b></i> <b>Pudding Night</b> <b>7:30pm for 8pm start</b> <i><b>Book your place by 6th October</b></i></p>
<p><b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b> <b>October</b></p>	<p><b>Autumn Bingo</b> <b>Half Term Family Fun night</b> <b>7pm for 7:30pm start</b></p>
<p><b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup></b> <b>November</b></p>	<p><b>Luppitt Quiz Night</b> <b>Always a popular event!</b>  <b>8pm start.</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b></p>	<p><b>Luppitt Christmas Party</b> <b>3 Course Meal</b> <b>with party band “Reckless”</b> <b>- a welcome return by a</b> <b>Summer Madness favourite!</b>  <b>*****</b>  <b>See November Packet</b> <b>for full details,</b> <b>and be sure to book early!</b></p>



**Follow us on Facebook at Luppitt Events**

From Brian and Beryl Hardwick

Having lived in Luppitt for 57 years, we feel we really must endorse our thanks to all our friends and villagers who have given us support and kind words through our very sad times of losing our son Stuart.

Brian and Beryl Hardwick

## *Luppitt Wives*

Our October meeting will be on Thursday 18th  
October5 at Cuckoo Cottage.

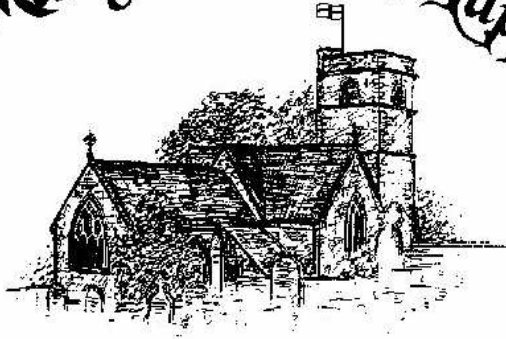
### ADVANCE NOTICE

We have a Skittles Evening booked for  
Saturday November 3rd at Luppitt Village Hall.

Everybody welcome to join us!

Joan

# St Mary's Church, Luppitt



Sunday 7 October	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion *
Sunday 14 October	11:00 am All Age Worship †
Sunday 21 October	11:00 am Common Worship Holy Communion †
Sunday 28 October	11:00 am All Age Worship ‡
Sunday 4 November	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion §
Morning Prayer: first and third Wednesday of the month at 9:00 am †	

\* Revd Anne Mills      † Revd John Hayhoe  
§ Revd John Fairweather      officiating      ‡ lay-led

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## Keep the date clear in your diary!

St Mary's Church will be holding its wonderful Christmas Fair on Saturday, 24 November in the Village Hall.



*Please remember ...*  
The church is open every day  
for private prayer

## Other Services in the Mission Community

	St Andrew's Broadhembury	St Nicholas' Dunkeswell	St John's Plymtree	St James the Greater Sheldon	St Mary the Virgin Upottery
Sunday 7 October	11:00 am BCP Holy Communion	8:00 am BCP Holy Communion 9:30 am coffee & croissants in Throgmorton Hall	11:00 am Family Service	9:30 am Harvest Festival & lunch	11:00 am Matins
Sunday 14 October	10:00 am Morning Praise	11:00 am Morning Worship	9:15 am CW Holy Communion	9:30 am Morning Praise	11:00 am CW Holy Communion with Baptism
Sunday 21 October	9:30 am CW Holy Communion	11:00 am United Service	11:00 am Morning Prayer	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion	11:00 am All Age Worship
Sunday 28 October	10:00 am All Age Worship	11:00 am CW Holy Communion	9:15 am CW Holy Communion	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion	11:00 am CW Holy Communion
Sunday 4 November	11:00 am BCP Holy Communion	8:00 am BCP Holy Communion 9:30 am coffee & croissants in Throgmorton Hall	11:00 am Holy Communion	9:30 am Family Service	11:00 am Matins
Morning Prayer	8:30 am, 2nd & 4th Thursdays	8:30 am, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays	8:30 am, 1st & 3rd Thursdays	8:30 am, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays	9:00 am every Wednesday

## Church cleaning and flower rota

6 October	Pat Bussey, Pearl Pulman, Carole Thorne & Jean Hooper
13 October	Wendy Clapp & Mary Hill
20 October	Pearl Pulman & Mary Joyce
27 October	Christine Page-Turner, Olive Clapp & Vanessa Nancarrow
3 November	Shirley Crabb & Beryl Hardwick



*If you would like to help with church cleaning or flower arranging, please contact Pearl Pulman (891324). We need new helpers!*

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### **The Peace of God**

**Revd John Hayhoe**

This year, all commemorations seem have to have more importance than in the past. This year we will remember the centenary of the end of the war known as the Great War, World War One. We remember the extraordinary sacrifice made by people like my great grandfather on my mother's side, and my grandfather on my father's side. We remember the 10 million military people who died and the 7 million civilians – we all have ancestors who died in that war. In addition to the military personnel, 20 million other people were casualties. In the Second World War almost twice as many people died – an astonishing 60 million, about the population of England.

I am writing this article on 15<sup>th</sup> September, and tomorrow in St Nicholas' Church in Dunkeswell we will be remembering just a few of those people, the pilots of the aircraft who fought in the Battle of Britain – the people of whom Churchill said “never in the field of human conflict has so much been owed by so many to so few”. We will never know how many lives they saved or how different life would be in Europe if Hitler has managed to win the war. Our local airfields, Dunkeswell and Upottery, did not open until 1943 and 1944 respectively, so were not involved in that extraordinary period of air warfare.

The Battle of Britain started in the summer of 1940. The first Luftwaffe attacks on the British coastline were at the end of June. Then throughout the rest of the summer, they systematically targeted aircraft factories, RAF airfields, coastal convoys and radar stations – they laid mines in the sea all around Britain.

It was not until the middle of August that the RAF began to have a significant impact on this particular German attack. On the 15<sup>th</sup> the RAF flew 974 sorties and lost 30 aircraft, and the Luftwaffe flew 1786 sorties and lost 75 planes. On the 18<sup>th</sup> both sides had their greatest losses, it became known as the Hardest Day – between the 8<sup>th</sup> and the 18<sup>th</sup> August the RAF lost 175 aircraft and the Luftwaffe 332. At the end of August, the Germans began to change their tactics and bomb residential London, expanding that strategy to other major cities; such was the effect of the resistance by the RAF that the German High Command was forced to reconsider its tactics. In the final major German attack on 15<sup>th</sup> September they suffered their greatest losses since 18<sup>th</sup> August, and on the 17<sup>th</sup> the German land invasion plans were shelved until further notice, and as we know never took place. Though the bombing continued for several more years, the 15<sup>th</sup> September 1940 is regarded as the end of the Battle of Britain.

The mindset of liberty is deeply ingrained in the British psyche. As an island people we have been attacked over the centuries, first by our European neighbours. The mindset of independence was most clearly seen when Henry VIII broke away from the control of Rome. This spirit of freedom is embedded in many ways in our country, and might be said to be reflected in the passion of the Brexiteers.

It has also been argued that this thinking has been reinforced by the Christian message of freedom; liberty is at the heart of Jesus' teaching "If the Son sets you free, you shall be free indeed".

This attitude is fundamental to British thinking and our determination not to be beaten. I am sure that the pilots of the Luftwaffe were every bit as brave as those of the RAF, but the mindset of the British – their absolute passion for liberty, independence and freedom – was stronger than the wish for domination of the German High Command.

So what can we learn and do to lessen the likelihood of war in future?

I have been challenged on many occasions as to why, having served in the British Army and as an infantry officer, very much a trained fighter, I am a priest. People have wanted to know how I can reconcile having been that trained fighter with standing in front of people in church talking about love and peace.

After all, Jesus calls all His followers to be peacemakers; He said, “Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God”. Everyone I ever served with in the Army was committed to serve as a peacemaker in the knowledge that sometimes you have to stand up for the right of all people to live in peace and security.

As a nation we are called to be Peacemakers in the world: to stand up against forces like those of Hitler, Al Qaida, ISIS, Bashar Al Assad in Syria and others. We are called to help oppressed people, to stand up to support peoples suffering from genocide. As a nation, we have to be sure that we are not a threat to others, and to feel secure enough not to respond to a threat in the wrong way.

We are called to be Peacemakers in our relationships: we must never be a threat to others, but learn to love them as ourselves. We need to learn to feel secure enough not to respond to a threat the wrong way when we feel threatened. Jesus taught us to “love your enemy; do good to those who harm you, bless those who curse you.”

We are called to be Peacemakers in ourselves. The biggest struggle we ever face is within, with our default response to threat – in the school playground or playing field, in the street – the anxiety arising from the perceived threat, and our wish to fight or run – the fight or flight response is driven by fear and adrenalin. Jesus told us to have no anxiety about anything, and told us to hand our fears over to God. God’s peace, which we cannot understand, will keep our hearts and minds in the love of God.

As we approach the centenary of the Armistice, we should reflect on the courage of those many people who made the greatest sacrifice of all – to give their lives that we and others might live in freedom – those who died in the trenches at the Somme, in the skies over the Channel, on the streets of Northern Ireland, and in so many other places.

As we give thanks for their courage, for their will to resist attacks on the liberty of others, we are challenged to commit ourselves to peace: peace in the world through wise and resilient politics, peace in our relationships with one another by loving our neighbour as ourselves, and peace within ourselves by dealing by prayer with anxiety caused by stress and threat, by handing our concerns over to God. In doing this, we will know inner peace, be blessed as peacemakers, and have the right to be called children of God.

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# Luppitt Flower Show Results

## **SECTION A. Vegetables. Hussey Cup**

- A1. Potatoes,white: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: EJ.Partridge. 3rd:P.Pulman.  
A2. Potatoes,red: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: EJ.Partridge. 3rd:J.Derryman.  
A3. Peas: 1st: EJ.Partridge. 2nd: J.Gardiner. 3rd: G.Crabb.  
A4.Beans: 1st: S.Wilson. 2nd: S.Jenkins.3rd: EJ.Partridge.  
A5. French Beans: 1st: S.Wilson. 2nd: S.Jenkins. 3rd: W.Clapp.  
HC: C.Smith.  
A6. Carrots: 1st: J.Gardiner. 2nd: W. Clapp. 3rd: G.Crabb.  
A7. Onions: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: EJ.Partridge. 3rd: J.Hayes.  
A8. Shallots: 1st: P.Pulman. 2nd: G.Crabb. 3rd: EJ.Partridge.  
A9. Beefsteak Tomatoes: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: EJ.Partridge.  
3rd: W.Clapp.  
A10. Salad Tomatoes: 1st: EJ.Partridge. 2nd: S.Jenkins.  
3rd: J.Gardiner.  
A11. Courgettes: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: S.Wilson. 3rd:S.Piechowiak.  
A12. Three Veg: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: EJ.Partridge. 3rd: P.Pulmam.  
Winners: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: EJ.Partridge. 3rd: S.Wilson.

## **SECTION B. Flowers. Beacon Cup**

- B1. Perennials: 1st: J.Gardiner. 2nd: P.Pulman. 3rd: S.Crabb.  
B2.Annuals: 1st: S.Crabb. 2nd: J.Street. 3rd: S.Jenkins.  
B3.Foliage: 1st: W.Clapp and J.Gardiner. 2nd: S.Jenkins.  
3rd: S.Wilson.  
B4. Sweet peas: 1st J.Hayes. 2nd: S.Crabb. 3rd: W.Clapp.  
B5. Pansies: 1st: S.Jenkins. 2nd: S.Crabb. 3rd: J.Tofts.  
B6. Roses: 1st: J.Derryman. 2nd: S.Crabb. 3rd: S.Gordon.  
B7. Dahlias: 1st: OM.Clapp. 2nd: J.Hayes. 3rd: S.Crabb.  
B8. Pot Plant: 1st J.Gardiner.  
Winners: 1st: S.Crabb. 2nd: J. Gardiner. 3rd: S.Jenkins.

## Flower Show results cont:

### **SECTION C. Arranging. Red Doors Rose Bowl**

C1. Petit: 1st: P.Pulman. 2nd: S.Russell. 3rd:S.Piechowiak.

C2. Bottle: 1st: S.Russell. 2nd: S.Jenkins. 3rd: P.Pulman.

C3. Devon: 1st: S.Russell. 2nd: P.Pulman.

Winners: 1st:S.Russell. 2nd: P.Pilman 3rd: S.Jenkins.

### **SECTION D. Fruit. Barn Cup.**

D1. Raspberries: 1st: G.Crabb. 2nd: OM.Clapp. 3rd: S.Jenkins.

D2.Strawberries: 1st: S.Richards.

D3.Currants: 1st: S.Richards.

D4.Blackberries: 1st: J.Gardiner. 2nd: S.Jenkins. 3rd: P.Pulman.

Winners: 1st: S.Richards. 2nd: G.Crabb, J.Gardiner, S.Jenkins.  
3rd: OM.Clapp.

### **SECTION E. Homecraft. Phillip Simon Cup**

E1. Eggs: 2nd: S. Wilson. 3rd: S. Gordon.

E2. Gooseberry Jam: 1st: J.Street. 2nd: S.Crabb. 3rd:J.Gardiner.  
HC:T.Rosewell.

E3.Lemon Jelly Marmalade: 1st: J.Gardiner. 2nd: J.Street.

E4. Chutney: 1st: OM.Clapp. 2nd: T.Rosewell. 3rd:J.Street. HC:J.Gardiner.

E5. Loaf: 1st: T. Rosewell. 2nd: J. Tofts. HC :J.Gardiner.

E6. Rolls: 1st: S.Crabb. 2nd: T.Rosewell. 3rd: J.Street. HC: J.Gardiner.

E7 Scones: 1st: J.Tofts. 2nd: T.Rosewell. 3rd: S.Crabb.  
HC: S.Jenkins.

E8. Straws:1st: S.Crabb. 2nd: J.Tofts. 3rd: S.Gordon. HC: A.Smith.

E9. Rock cakes: 1st: S.Jenkins. 2nd: T.Rosewell. 3rd: J .Gardiner.  
HC:J.Tofts.

E10. Cake: 1st: J.Gardiner. 2nd: J.Tofts. 3rd: S.Crabb.

E11. Knitting: 1st: S.Russell. 2nd: J.Gardiner. 3rd: M.Bowsher. HC:J.Street.

E12. Sewing: 1st: J.Grinter. 2nd: J.Gardiner. 3rd: M.Bowsher.

Winners: 1st: Jean Gardiner. 2nd: T.Rosewell. 3rd: S.Crabb.

### **SECTION F. Sugarcraft. Flutterby Cup**

F1. Christening cake: 1st: J.Tofts.

Winner: 1st: J.Tofts.

## Flower Show Results Cont.2.

### **SECTION G. Men only. Hartridge Tankard.**

G3. Wine: 1st: J.Brown.

Winner: 1st: J.Brown.

### **SECTION H. Children 8 years & under. Village Hall Cup**

H1. Crown: 1st: Theo Cox. 2nd: Josie Whitrow. 3rd: Kieran Whitrow. HC: Amelia Cox, Milly Hooper.

H2.Red Flowers: 1st: Milly Hooper. 2nd: Josie Whitrow.3rd: Kieran.

H3.Longest bean: 1st: Josie Whitrow. 2nd:Kieran Whitrow.  
3rd: Milly Hooper.

Winners: 1st: Josie Whitrow. 2nd: Milly Hooper,  
Kieran Whitrow. 3rd: Theo Cox.

### **SECTION I. Children 9-16yrs. Village Hall Cup**

I1. Crown: 1st: Ruby Hooper. 2nd: Tia Whitrow. 3rd: Aiden Whitrow.

I2. Red Flowers: 1st: Ruby Hooper. 2nd: Tia Whitrow.  
3rd: Aiden Whitrow.

I3. Longest Bean: 1st: Aiden Whitrow. 2nd: Tia Whitrow.  
3rd: Ruby Hooper.

Winners: 1st: Ruby Hooper. 2nd: Tia Whitrow.  
3rd: Aiden Whitrow.

### **SECTION N. Adults Novelty. Dumpdon Hill Cup**

N1. Fan: 1st: S.Jenkins. 2nd: J.Gardiner. 3rd: J.Street.  
HC: S.Russell.

N2. Decorated Eggs: 1st: M.Oliver. 2nd: S.Russell.  
3rd: S.Piechowiak. HC: S.Jenkins.

N3. Scene in box: 1st: J.Gardiner. 2nd: J.Street. 3rd: S.Russell.  
Winners: 1st:J.Gardiner. 2nd:M.Oliver, S.Russell, S.Jenkins.  
3rd: S.Piechowiak.

Many congratulations to all winners, and if you didn't win a cup, do try again next year.

Sue and Joan.

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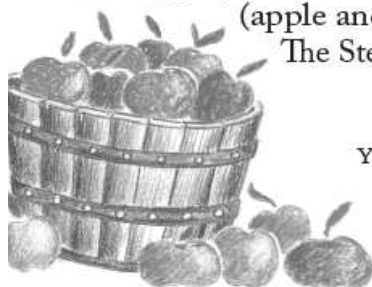
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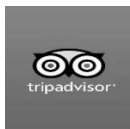
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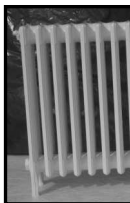
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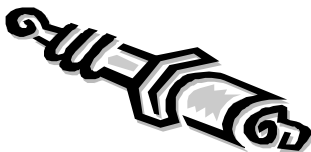
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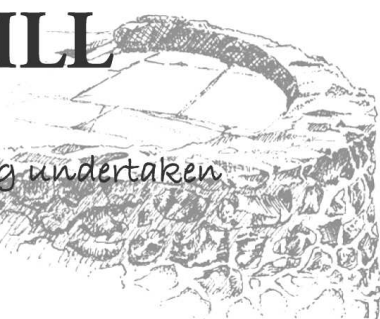
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Notification of Discretionary “28 Day” Restriction under the CROW Act 2000

Please note that the Commons (Hense Moor, Hartridge, Luppitt Common) are  
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on the following dates;

## **2018**

Thursday 4 October  
Thursday 11 October  
Thursday 18 October  
Thursday 25 October  
Thursday 1 November  
Thursday 8 November  
Thursday 15 November  
Thursday 22 November  
Thursday 29 November  
Thursday 6 December  
Thursday 13 December  
Thursday 20 December  
Thursday 27 December

## **2019**

Thursday 3 January  
Thursday 10 January  
Thursday 17 January  
Thursday 24 January  
Thursday 31 January  
Friday 1 February

**These closures are to permit rough shooting to take place over these Commons**

Further information about open access land can be found on the following Natural England website; [www.naturalengland.org.uk/openaccess](http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/openaccess)

Kevin Lockyer  
Trustee and Honorary Secretary, Luppitt Commons Trustees Committee

# Dates for Diary

October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th	<b>Bowls</b> , Village Hall, 7.30. <i>Dates in italic to be re-arranged.</i>
October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st	<b>Social Club</b> , Village Hall, 8pm.
October 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th	<b>Friday Market</b> , Village Hall, 11am-1pm.
October 1st	<b>Harvest Supper</b> , Village Hall, 7.30pm.
October 2nd	<b>Parish Council Meeting</b> , Village Hall, 8pm
October 13th	<b>"Pudding Night"</b> , Village Hall, 8pm. See p 11.
October 19th	<b>Bingo</b> , Village Hall, 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. See p 12.
October 21st	<b>Private Party</b> , Village Hall, daytime.
October 25th	<b>National Trust Lunch</b> , Village Hall, daytime.
October 29th	<b>Luppitt Village Hall Annual General Meeting</b> , Village Hall, 8pm.
October 30th	<b>Luppitt Commons Annual General Meeting</b> , Village Hall, 8pm.
October 31st	<b>Steering Committee Meeting</b> , Village Hall, 7.30pm.

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