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## NEWS FROM THE EAST LOOE TOWN TRUST

# Proposals For The Development Of Wishing Well Site, Guildhall (Former Ladies' Toilets)

A planning application, with the necessary supporting documents, was submitted to Cornwall Council on 1<sup>st</sup> July and this should appear on their website in due course. As previously reported, following public consultation the proposal is for a single storey retail/catering outlet, with outside seating. If approved, we hope to complete the work in the winter months.

#### **Trust Staff**

We are sorry that Steve Cole, a valued member of our maintenance staff, is currently on sick leave. The Trust is very conscious of the importance to the town of a well maintained beach and seafront, especially during the summer months. We have therefore recruited James Myatt as a temporary replacement. He has already started work and we are pleased to have him in the team. We also look forward to welcoming Billy Friend, who will be joining us for the busy season.

#### The Museum

We are delighted to announce that Petra Stephenson has recently become Chair of the new Museum Management Committee. Her infectious enthusiasm and commitment is already being felt. Looe's residents and visitors are fortunate also to have on the committee David Fuller (curator), Dan O'Connell (volunteer coordinator), Margaret Durkin (storage and displays) and Mark Camp (publicity and social media). All are volunteers, as are the dedicated team who keep the Museum open throughout the season and without whom this important part of our heritage would not be available. More information about the Museum can be found on pages 8 and 9.

John Warne and fellow Trustees

# Bob's

Brushes- Chimney SweepingPlants- LandscapingBuilds- House MaintenanceGazebos- Garden StructuresWindows- Sash Window Repairs07770403655boultonbob@aol.com

My name is Bob Boulton. By trade I am a Master Thatcher and a member of Devon and Cornwall Master Thatchers' Association. Dodgy knees and a dislike of winter on rooves for more years than I care to mention has brought me to retrain as Chimney Sweep with NACS (National Association of Chimney Sweeps), which I would be more than happy to help you with.

Along with chimney sweeping I am constructing bespoke pagodas, wendy houses, garden offices, tree houses etc. (thatched or unthatched).

I have also been repairing sash windows in listed properties for a number of years.

With vast experience of older properties, I am happy to do any general building and garden maintenance to keep your home in tip-top condition.

I can be contacted on 07770403655 or by email: boultonbob@aol.com.

Check out our thatching website: www.rjboulton-thatcher.co.uk.



## LOOE BOOK FAIR

The Millpool Centre, West Looe Wednesday August 10<sup>th</sup> 10.00am - 3.00pm

Hundreds of books at keen prices across a wide range of subjects and prices. Entry is FREE with any donations to the Cornwall Air Ambulance appreciated.

Enquiries to Jim Cross 01208 264660

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## **NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS**

Summer is here . . .

The reverberations of the Referendum will go on for a long time . . . but Looe has a most important aspect which needs immediate attention: New Year's Eve! The town needs to show that no matter what is happening in the world, Looe welcomes the future!

The firework displays require funding; the event needs sponsoring, donations, fundraising - the event itself needs  $\pounds 6,000$ . The alternative is a dark picture. It could be paid for if every household in Looe donated the cost of one cup of coffee. Watch out for news as to where and when you can donate.

If you have any fundraising ideas please contact the Forum – via the email: juice@talktalk.net.

#### **Dave Holford**

Thank You. This needs everyone's help!

#### LOOE YOUTH THEATRE is proud to announce the first local showing of BLOOD BROTHERS

Our Masterclass will be performing this play in the drama studio at Looe Community School during the second half of October - please ring 01579 320547 for actual dates - AND at the Studio, Sterts Theatre on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Sterts Theatre box office 01579 362382.

This talented group of young actors are putting their own spin on this highly acclaimed play by Willy Russell, the musical version of which has wowed West End audiences for 24 years!

The story follows the lives of twins born in Liverpool in the early sixties but separated at birth. One is brought up in the city slums, the other has a priviledged life within a wealthy family. To tell you more would be to spoil the evening for you! So do come along and see for yourselves.

You can reserve Looe seats by phoning me, Val Cottrell, 01579 320547 and Sterts box office will book them for you direct.

We are enormously excited about this project and would love to share it with you.

## LOOE MARINE CONSERVATION GROUP

Wish we could claim that we'd built these giant fish on Looe Beach at our 'Plastics Awareness Day' on June 11<sup>th</sup>! but instead we had 'art in the sand' creating pictures from plastic found on Cornish beaches. In a two minute micro beach clean in a square metre of East Looe Beach, we found a disturbing amount of tiny plastic particles within the grains of sand. Have you considered how you might reduce your use of plastic? This amazing Brazilian art was created from discarded plastic bottles making a powerful environmental statement - a reminder to recycle - as they emerge from the sands in Rio de Janeiro hosting the UN Conference on Sustainable Development.



Discarded plastic found on our beaches will no doubt be put to good use at our next event:

#### Wednesday 27th July

Looe MCG Event: CARNIVAL 'SEASIDE CRAFTY' at FIELDHEAD HOTEL, HANNAFORE, W. LOOE PL13 2DR - (LMCG/FOXCLUB event) Time to turn off the computer games, unplug the internet and leave your phone at home. Looe's Carnival Week is a great time to get the kids into being 'Seaside Crafty' with the Cornwall Wildlife Trust Fox Club and local volunteers from Looe Marine Conservation Group. Join us for a session creating exciting and imaginative craft projects using a range of materials and treasures from our local beaches. You might even like to make something and carry it in Looe's Carnival Parade the following Saturday! Event leader Gill Peck (01503) 262689.

#### Friday 5th August

Looe MCG Event SUMMER HOLIDAY ROCKPOOL RAMBLE on HANNAFORE BEACH WEST LOOE 1.45pm – 3.15pm (meet below Coastguard Station, Hannafore, Marine Drive, West Looe. Look out for our sailflags.) Join expert volunteers from the Looe Marine Conservation Group for our ever-popular rockpool ramble! A free event suitable for all ages. There's no need to book. Just a reminder that you don't need to become an active volunteer living in Looe to support our group. Simply by taking out membership, your membership fee will help support a network of people and groups across and beyond Looe who are helping in whatever way they can to conserve, improve and promote our fantastic marine environment. Membership can now be taken out ONLINE via our website at http://looemarineconservation.org/join-looe-marine-conservation-group/. Adult £6 (16+); Junior £2; Family £12 (2 adults & up to 3 children); Corporate £15 (schools, businesses etc). As a LMCG member you will receive member benefits – see our website for further details.

Explore our website: www.looemarineconservation.org, join us on Facebook www.facebook.com/looemarineconservationgroup or follow us on Twitter www.twitter.com/LooeMCG.

#### Gill Bridges On Behalf of Looe Marine Conservation Group



## Dan Dare Lands in Looe

A copy of the facsimile of the very first Eagle comic from April 1950 until September 1951 featuring the adventures of Dan Dare will be on sale at the Looe Book Fair on August 10<sup>th</sup> at the Millpool Centre.

Six local dealers will be offering a selection of books across a very wide range of subjects and prices. Whether its holiday reading, local history, children's books, hardback fiction, autobiographies, natural history, militaria or just a bargain that you are looking for, then why not pop in for a browse?

There will also be postcards on sale and maybe even a selection of vinyl records which are rapidly becoming collectable.

Entrance to the fair is free but, as a group, we support the Cornwall Air Ambulance, so our collecting buckets will be well to the fore and all donations will be appreciated. The Fair will be open from 10am until about 3pm. Follow the signs to the Millpool Centre and we look forward to seeing you.







All our items are designed and made in our own workshop which is now situated in higher market Street, East Looe. With our love of Cornwall, we use the coast, sea life, countryside, Cornish and Celtic history for inspiration. All our jewellery is made in sterling silver and gold on request.

Our on-site work enables us to take on repairs and alterations. Or why not let us make you a one-off piece to your own design? All chains, bracelets and bangles and be made to your own requirements and design.

Along with our jewellery we also create the unique Decro Forks using old silver cutlery and giving them a new life. Also on our site is our photo engraving which lets us add your photos / logos and messages to a range of pendants and gifts

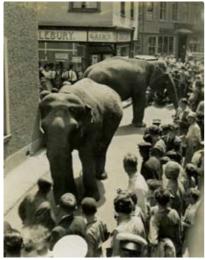
Do you have any unwanted silver or gold ware? Why not trade them in against any of our quality items? Just ask for details.

## THE OLD GUILDHALL MUSEUM AND GAOL, East Looe

After a recent meeting, we have several new plans for the Museum, which include new notices for all the exhibits and more digital photographs as displays. We are now cataloguing the whole collection onto Modes, a museum collection computer programme, and each artefact now has its own individual Looe Museum identity number. This will take several months but is all part of our accreditation plan, and it will help us to improve our displays, as well as helping us to continue our conservation work. We will be holding an Open Day for all the inhabitants of Looe at the end of our Season which will be free, and we hope to encourage many of you to come and visit us and let us know how you think we can improve the museum to serve the community of Looe. We are very interested in starting a Looe Living Archive, where we will ask the local community to help us identify photographs and record people's memories of the town for the use of future generations. More information will follow about this in later editions, but if you think you can help us with this project please let us know.

The Museum has an excellent team of volunteers who welcome our many visitors from all over the world, and we are always pleased to welcome more members to our team. We are in particular looking for any young people in the local area who would be interested in learning about the archiving and conservation work of the Museum, as well as helping to look after our younger visitors, who will be able to have a go at semaphore, knot tying, morse code, designing a smuggler poster, being the judge in court, and looking at old photographs of the town. If you are interested in history then come and join us. Either come to see us at the Museum or leave your details at the East Looe Town Trust in the Guildhall (tel: 01503 263709). Our new visitor notice board has many encouraging messages of support for our work here, and we encourage all our summer visitors to come and look at our displays.

As the holiday season approaches, Looe welcomes many new people to the town, but in the past, between the 1930s and 1950s, there were some very large visitors:



A circus, based in the area of Barbican Farm, used to bring the elephants down Barbican Hill to bathe in the sea at Looe Beach. One of the elephants was used to pull a car out that was stuck in the sand at Plaidy Beach! Other holiday memories from the past include the steamers that used to come from Plymouth and drop off people at the Banjo Pier, and the Punch and Judy man who used to walk around the beach and seafront on stilts with the children running behind him.

Look at the hats in this picnic scene and imagine running in the sea with long skirts!

Enjoy your holidays!



Petra Stephenson and Carol Graham The Old Guildhall Museum and Gaol, East Looe



## LOOE BOAT OWNERS ASSOCIATION Forthcoming Events



This year's Looe Raft Race, organised by Looe Boat Owners Association (LBOA) to raise funds for Looe Lifeboats, was held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

The start time of 11.30am was earlier than normal, due to tide and safety reasons. Poor weather conditions and other events, local and national, resulted in a slightly lower audience but did not dampen the fun. Despite this 23 rafts, six of which were children's rafts, and 162 rafters took to the water and the resulting mayhem and laughter could be heard all around the town. This year the children's course was shortened and arranged so that their rafts avoided the adults as much as possible by travelling directly across the river and up West Looe Quay.

There was a new trophy 'The Looe Harbour Master Award' and as usual the trophies were presented by Jeff Penhaligon, Looe Harbour Master. The public were very generous filling several buckets with cash. This combined with entry fees and sponsors resulted in generating over £2,000 for Looe Lifeboats.

Dave Peat, the organiser and Clerk of the Course said "It was a pleasure to see so many people both participating and visiting the town. I would like to thank all those involved on the water and shore who help to make this such a special event."

Results were as follows:

Adult Fun Class	1st - Rivercroft Rafters (second year running) 2nd - Ellies Haven 3rd - Captain Reindeer (Treworgey Cottage Duloe)
Junior Fun Class	1st - Looe Boys (Looe Football Club) <i>Awarded Harbour Master's Challenge Trophy</i> 2nd - Loozers (6 Looe friends) 3rd - Cops & Robbers (the Gilbert family, Polperro)
LBOA Special Award	Cops & Robbers for their police car raft
Fancy Dress Class	Malty and Prince, The Old Malt House, Looe
Most Money Raised	Rivercroft Hotel (£750)



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1st Sunday	8am Communion (BCP) 9.30am Communion	11am Cafe Church (Hall)	11am Communion								
2nd Sunday	9.30am Morning Prayer	11am Communion (Church)	11am Family Service								
3rd Sunday	9.30am Communion 6pm Evening Worship	11am Sunday Live (Hall)	11am Communion								
4th Sunday	9.30am Sunday Live	11am Communion (Church)	11am Morning Prayer								

Dear friends,

Writing for Community News is often a challenge for me because the deadlines mean that I am preparing my letter several weeks in advance of publication and events in this country are, at present following the Brexit vote, moving rather rapidly. It was a former PM, Harold Wilson, who once said "a week is a long time in politics" and looking at the momentous events that have taken place in recent weeks, who can dispute that sentiment.

It is at times such as these that the Christian faith has much to offer society in general - as the old church service book stated, God is the same yesterday, today and forever. It is this sense of stability and certain future hope in an ever changing world that faith in the eternal God brings to those who place their trust in Him. King David, the author of many Psalms (a series of poems in the Bible), whenever his situation and circumstances looked bleak (and they often did), would reflect on the trustworthy nature of God and how He had acted in the past and draw comfort and hope from these actions despite the obvious difficulties of the present.

Another Bible writer, Jeremiah, puts it like this: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

My hope is that in the weeks and months that follow, however uncertain we feel about what may happen to our country and our community following the referendum decision, we may draw strength and courage from Jeremiah's words.

#### Yours in Christ, Philip

#### AUGUST EVENTS

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August, JAZZ & SUPPER EVENING St. Martin's Hall, 7.30pm Bar available. Booking essential – Tel. 01503 264860 / 07866 751541

MEMORY CAFE is having a break in August Next Cafe: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2-4pm in the Hall

## RIVERSIDE UNITED CHURCH, Quay Road, West Looe (A Warm Welcome Awaits)

**Sunday Worship** 11am each week. All ages welcome. Do come and join us. 7.30pm Choir Services (July 10<sup>th</sup> - September 11<sup>th</sup>)

**Coffee Mornings** 10am - 12noon, most Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. All welcome. The church is also available for personal prayer during these times.

**More Information** We hold a wide range of regular and occasional events. To find out more, call in when we are open or visit ww.looeriversidechurch.org.uk. Alternatively please contact Rev Andrew Hill on 01503 262044 or email andrew@aandbhill.plus.com.

#### 50th Anniversary Celebrations

During our recent Flower Festival it was lovely to chat with visitors from the local community and further afield. For some it was their first visit to Riverside, while others had strong links with the church (one couple remembered their wedding here many years ago). We are always pleased to make new friends and welcome old acquaintances.

This year we would particularly like to meet those who have past links with Riverside and the churches that came together to form Riverside. Perhaps you were baptised or married here, perhaps a relative was a local preacher or steward, perhaps you came to Sunday School or can recall Harvest Services, Carol Services or other special events. Whatever your memories of Riverside, we would love to hear and celebrate them. Do come along to any of our services and events or contact me directly.

Our special year of events reaches a climax in September with two Anniversary Services:

On **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** at 7.30pm we are holding a Church Anniversary United Service on the exact date of the opening of Riverside United Church. We are inviting friends from Churches Together Looe and District as well as Liskeard and Looe Circuit to join us. We anticipate some great singing, so do join us.

Then on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September** at 11am we have our Sunday Anniversary Service with Guest Preacher, Rev. Ruth Whitehead, who is the Moderator of the South Western Synod of the United Reformed Church. We shall be delighted to welcome friends from the local community at either service. The more the merrier!

> Best Wishes Rev. Andrew

### The Town Needs Your Ideas. This is Why ...

The other day was sunny and warm . . . summer coming? I was sat outside a café having a coffee. I looked around remembering . . .

Many years ago, the original Looe Town Forum looked into the al fresco aspect of cafés in Looe. Our small Forum Community Group was coffeeing at the time, in a café. There was a definite problem in Looe as space outside premises was restricted and areas for the provision of refreshments was not, at that time, looked upon favourably. I remember Jennie's Café in West Looe, when the then District Council said she could not have the two small tables outside as they would be taken away. That led to some local residents (I remember who!) being prepared to stand outside with placards, if necessary fasten themselves to the tables and chairs and call in the media. It was quite unusual in Looe.

The Forum circulated a leaflet detailing cafés where one could sit outside and it did prove popular. Things have moved on – nowadays the town has quite a few al fresco locations, thanks to all those who pursued the efforts and provided the permissions and locations.

The Forum, over the years, has provided a number of additions to the town. Remember, the Forum is YOU - residents, volunteers with ideas, suggestions, able to join in and action things for the town and your benefit. The Forum is always willing to listen to new ideas. In the past, the organisation has helped to provide the outcome, or was instrumental in helping to secure funding for various results, such as the summer themes, annual and biennial festivals, the all-year-round quayside lighting, Christmas lights and festivities, the formation of the Looe Development Trust, to improve the amenities with the Computer Centre, the Millpool Centre, children's play area and much more . . .

As you know, the Harbour Commission, the Council and the Trusts are all involved in various actions and progress for Looe and its future . . . YOUR future. The Looe Community Forum (as it is now called) maintains its role listening to, and when it is so able assisting, the locality, holding public meetings and sending out informative emails relating to important issues in or affecting Looe and its immediate area.

If you are not on our mailing list and wish to be, simply send a message to the Secretary and your address will be included in any future messages . . . all for You and YOUR town. If you have ideas for the benefit of the town, don't sit on them . . . let us know . . . if the Forum is unable to help, it may know someone who can! Email: juice@talktalk.net

#### Dave Holford Looe Community Forum

## West Quarries BBQ & Picnic Site

I am pleased to say that the West Quarries BBQ & Picnic Site is now fully operational.



This community facility, free to all, was only made possible by the generosity and donations from:

Looe Town Council Mark Grassam Solicitors West Looe Town Trust East Looe Town Trust Cornwall Community foundation Jewsons Lions of Looe Armand Toms and Edwina Hannaford, Cornwall Clirs' Community Chest

We were also encouraged by Looe Harbour Commissioners, Steve Huckstep Architects and many more people.

We hope that as many groups, clubs and individuals (especially youth groups) enjoy this facility, which is located in a truly beautiful location, adjacent to West Looe river. Access is possible by either watercraft or on foot through Kilminorth Woods.

Looe Boat Owners Association Committee have helped guide the project, and special thanks to Dave Peat and Graham Mason who worked so hard to make this project a success.

#### Laurie Watson



## MAYOR'S REPORT

Dear Resident

#### Planning Meeting - Land South of Polperro Road

Can I thank the residents and the Councillors for the meeting regarding the housing development on the land South of Polperro Road? I believe that the debate was strong and showed the concerns that the community has for such a large scale development in the town. A strong policy-lead reply to the application has been sent to Cornwall Council for consideration when they consider the application.

#### **Civic Service**

The Council's Civic Service was again well attended and I am delighted that this year it was held at the Riverside Church. This was to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the Church becoming a congregationalist, joining together churches in East and West Looe. It was a lovely service and I would like to thank Rev. Andrew Hill for his the way the service was conducted.

#### Service to Mark the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lifeboat Station

On Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup> July, I attended the service to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Looe Lifeboat Station. The service, conducted by Rev. Philip Sharp with Polperro Fisherman's Choir, was a great way to mark this important date for the town. The two current boats in the station were blessed and there was some excellent singing from the choir along with some good humour.

#### Graffiti

I again write with more concerns over a spate of Graffiti within the town which now appears to be increasing. This is something I believe reflects badly on the town and I will be, via social media, trying to engage with those involved and try and find out why they are doing this. Can you all reach out to the community to help stop this, as there needs to be a solution.

## A Long Day Talking About the A38 Monday 11th July, 2016

I spent a long day travelling to London and back with Councillors Andrew Long, Joe Ellison, Phil Seeva and Jeremy Edwards (Highways Officer) to talk to about highway improvements on the A38. We had the invitation to speak to the then Secretary of State for Transport, Patrick McLoughlin, by our local MP Sheryll Murray after discussions locally with all the local Cornwall Councillors in SE Cornwall. We were able to highlight the many issues that do not help the free movement of goods and people in and out of the area via our main highway route. This joint effort with cross party support showed that we want to get this important message across to government that SE Cornwall needs support. The issues that we highlighted were:

Carminow junction Bodmin Parkway Twelve Woods roundabout Lean Quarry/Menheniot junctions Polmarkyn railway arch bridge Tideford (air quality) Landrake A38 Trerulfoot to Carkeel Tamar Bridge Plus minor road junction improvements

Although the time we spent with the then Secretary of State was short, it was an opportunity to express our case and to help put the A38 improvements into future funding plans. We also evidenced the issues surrounding the low-wage economy and the need to provide better opportunities for business growth.

What made this an important day to be in parliament was to see the activity surrounding the new PM, Mrs. May. I must thank Sheryll Murray and Bob Davison for the tour of the building and the visits to watch the debates in both houses. The parliament building is full of history and the pageant surrounding it.

Armand Toms Mayor of Looe

## LOOE TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Looe Town Council Planning Committee has seen a 114% increase in planning applications during the first quarter of the new council year (May to July). These applications range from small extensions to major housing proposals.

The Planning Committee meets monthly to discuss and make recommendations to Cornwall Council. Looe Town Council is a statutory consultee but the final decision is made by Cornwall Council.

The Town Council and Planning Committee no longer receive paper plans and associated documents from Cornwall Council, therefore all applications and comments are viewed electronically via the Cornwall Council Planning Portal. All Planning Meetings are open to members of the public where questions or statements about particular applications to be discussed at that meeting can be made prior to the Committee considering said application.

Once the Committee has discussed and made recommendations, which are based on Material Planning Considerations, these are then forwarded to Cornwall Council Planning, to be taken into consideration before they make their own recommendations and final decisions.

The Town Council website now has a dedicated Planning Information web page. Log on to www.looetowncouncil.gov.uk, and click on the Planning Information tab to the right of the opening web page. You will then be able to link to up-andcoming applications to be discussed at the next planning meeting, as well as linking to the Neighbourhood Plan website and to frequently asked planning questions. There is also a tab on the front of the opening web page to view the agendas and minutes of previous meetings and the recommendations made.

> Cllr C R Rose Chair of Looe Town Council Planning Committee

## AMENITIES MANAGER'S REPORT

#### Grafitti

There has been another incident of the graffiti that has been found around the town on private, LTC and Cornwall Council properties. If anyone is aware who the culprit may be or has any information, please contact the Police on 101 or email 101@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk. Your help would be very much appreciated.

#### Mariners' and Fishermen's Memorial Garden

Unfortunately work on the Mariners' Garden has been temporarily suspended whilst investigations into the state of the retaining harbour wall are carried out.

Once we are aware of the extent of any remedial works required, we will provide a full update via our website, social media and the Community Newsletter.

#### **Memorial Benches**

We have a number of memorial benches around the town, particularly along West Looe River by the Millpool car park, which are still available for purchase to remember a loved one or a special occasion. Prices are available from the Town Council upon application and the cost includes one dedication plaque. Maintenance costs and insurance are covered by the Town Council.

#### **Business advertising opportunities**

We now have advertising opportunities available to businesses. These are located within secure A4 sized frames within each toilet cubicle around the town and are a guaranteed way of getting your business noticed. Please contact the Town Council for further information.

> Laura Kellaway Amenities Manager

## New Website for the TIC

It's been over 10 years since the TIC launched its visit-southeastcornwall website, a joint project with the then Caradon Council tourism department. In that time we have increased the traffic by around 30% each year with over 115,000 views last year. When we started, the internet was something you accessed at home over the phone line, nothing moved very fast and if an individual business had a website, it was fairly basic.

Things have changed; every business has a website, a Facebook page, a Twitter account. People access the web from a wafer-thin phone in their pocket. They can be in the car, out at sea or walking the South West Coast Path. Everything is now done online, and the role of the TIC is changing because of this. Our old site was not compatible with modern technology, not easy to read on a mobile phone and unable to offer online booking. It was also proving very costly to run; changes had to be made.

So, I have spent the last few months working with local web designers Westernweb and online booking specialists Inn-Style in creating a new website. It will keep the current address www.looeguide.co.uk but be brand spanking new, with an emphasis on images of Looe and South East Cornwall. It will have all our accommodation providers listed, hopefully offering online booking. There will be details of shops, restaurants, places to visit and, most importantly, a much better "What's On" diary.

This is where we need you, the organisers, to help. Whereas in the past I have contacted you for information and then added a monthly list, I now want you to add your own events! It's going to take a little bit of subtle persuasion I know, but I hope you will come to realise how much publicity you can get from a listing on the site. It is a seed that can grow into a lovely big tree if we look after it properly! The more events we get on there, the more people will come to use it for information.

I have started adding things and will continue as time allows. It's easy to do once you get the hang of things and I hope to have a training session/events meeting before too long which all the organisations will be invited to. In the meantime, if you own a restaurant, cafe, shop or attraction, please get in touch and we can talk about having your business listed on the website.

Here's to a busy summer.

#### South East Cornwall Walking Festival, 10th – 17th September

Is it really that time again? Let's hope the weather bucks its ideas up and by September the sun will be shining! No real theme to this year's list of walks, but we will be kicking off with a day of history and heritage. The Heritage Open Days celebration takes place this year from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> and both Looe and Saltash will be offering guided walks around the towns in question. Here in Looe we are aiming to run the walk twice on the Saturday, tying in with free entry to the town's museum plus access to the Council Chamber in the Guildhall where we hope there will be a photographic exhibition of unseen bits of Looe.

The walk in Saltash will follow the newly created Blue Plaque Walk and we hope to include visits to the museum, Mary Newman's cottage and Eliot's Store.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> we also offer a choice of walks, with the Friends of Kilminorth Woods holding a regular walk in the morning, the Looe Marine Conservation Group will be gently strolling along to Portnadler for a beach clean and a picnic (and a swim?), plus Kernow Walkers, the younger branch of the Ramblers, will be walking from Talland Bay to Looe and back.

During the week, there will be a mixture of walks across the area including the return of the Liskeard to Looe walk which we have not done for a few years. We are also planning a walk from Lerryn and hopefully an exploration on Bodmin Moor, but times and dates have yet to be confirmed.

This year's Duloe Beer and Cider Festival takes place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and it's traditional for walkers to sample at least one pint. This year we will round the festival off with a short'ish walk so we don't lose too much drinking time . . . For a full list of walks contact Looe TIC or go to **www.looeguide.co.uk**.

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Closing date for applications to be received is 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016

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With Robert Gustafsson and Iwar Wiklander. Adults £5.50. Members, Students and U18s £3. Doors open 7pm. Starts 7.30pm.

After a long and colourful life working in munitions and getting entangled in the Spanish Civil War, the Manhattan Project, and other definitive events of the 20th century, Allan Karlsson finds himself stuck in a nursing home. Determined to escape, he embarks on a journey involving, among other surprises, a suitcase full of cash, some wicked criminals, and an elephant named Sonya. This comedy is a fanciful spin on world events, and is the highest-grossing Swedish film of all time.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - **Florence Foster Jenkins** (PG) 110 minutes With Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant. FILM PLUS with bar and snacks. Adults £5.50. Members, Students and U18s £3. Doors open 7pm. Starts 7.30pm.

Set in the 1940s, this is the true story of the legendary New York heiress who obsessively pursued her dream of becoming a great singer. The voice she heard in her head was beautiful, but to everyone else it was hilariously awful. Her "husband" and manager, an aristocratic English actor, was determined to protect his beloved Florence from the truth, but when she decided to give a public concert at Carnegie Hall, he faced his greatest challenge.

Wednesday 21 September - **Carol** (15) 118 minutes With Cate Blanchett and Rooney Mara. Adults £5.50. Members, Students and U18s £3. Doors open 7pm. Starts 7.30pm.

In an adaptation of Patricia Highsmith's novel The Price of Salt, Carol follows two women from very different backgrounds who find themselves in an unexpected love affair in 1950s New York. As conventional norms of the time challenge their undeniable attraction, an honest story emerges to reveal the resilience of the heart in the face of change.

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## LOOE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION



**Branch News**: On Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> June, the Looe branch of the Royal British Legion marked Armed Forces Day with a charity stall and a cake stall in the Rose Garden at Looe's Guildhall. The two stalls raised £731 for the Poppy Appeal and the Cornwall Royal British Legion Welfare Fund. This takes the Looe Poppy Appeal, which was launched in November 2015, to over £8000.

A further charity event is planned for Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August when a Quiz and Pasty Night will be held in the Portbyhan Hotel. Proceeds will again be shared between the Poppy Appeal and the Cornwall Royal British Legion Welfare Fund. Posters advertising the event will be displayed around the town in the near future.

**Lest We Forget**: The 1<sup>st</sup> July saw the centenary of the start of the battle of the Somme. It was one of the bloodiest battles in history with the British suffering 57,470 casualties on the first day alone. The battle lasted until the 18<sup>th</sup> November 1916 with the casualties for all sides exceeding one million. It is therefore perhaps surprising that, of the thirty five WW1 casualties on Looe's War Memorial, only one fell at the Battle of the Somme.

Captain Alfred Edwin Peter was born in 1882 in East Looe and was the youngest son of Reginald Arthur and Adela Peter of Kylmiarven House. His father was the Commanding Officer of the local Territorial Army unit, the 3rd Company, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Alfred worked in Ceylon as a tea plantation manager but, with the start of WW1, he returned to the UK. He was commissioned into the North Staffordshire Regiment but went to France, in July 1915, with the 9th Leicester Regiment. By September 1916 he was an acting Captain and commanding a company of the Leicester's. On the 25<sup>th</sup> September, as part of the Battle of the Somme, the 9th Leicester Regiment took part in an attack on the villages of Gueudecourt, Lesboeufs and, ironically, Morval. The battalion ran into an enemy artillery barrage and suffered heavy casualties with seventy men killed, including all the officers. Alfred's body was never recovered, but his name is remembered on the Thiepval Memorial along with the names of over 72,000 British and Commonwealth soldiers who died on the Somme sector and have no known grave.

Although we are now actively seeking information on Looe's WW2 casualties, we are still pleased to receive information on the fallen from the First World War. In recent months we were pleased to receive photographs of two WW1 casualties, Thomas Fletcher and Austin Stripp. The casualty information sheets, displayed on the war memorial, have been updated to show the new photographs. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Roger Norman of Manro Photographic for the printing of the casualty information sheets displayed on the war memorial.

If you have any information on the casualties named on the town's war memorial, WW1 or WW2, then please pass the information to Louis Portman on 01503 598432 or David Welch on 01503 265573. Alternatively, hand in the information, or leave contact details, at the Looe Town Council office. You can also drop in at one of the Looe Royal British Legion informal and friendly meetings which are held on the first Monday of every month in Looe Social Club, starting at 7.30pm.

#### David Welch Looe Royal British Legion Membership Secretary

## MONKEY SANCTUARY Native Wildlife Day

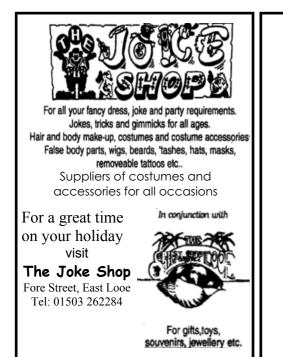
Come to The Monkey Sanctuary on the 28<sup>th</sup> August for Native Wildlife Day and take part in lots of fun activities such as information stands from local conservation groups, native wildlife activities and animal face painting.

There's a lot to do for the whole family who can take a tour of the monkey enclosures and learn about these fascinating animals from our team of expert keepers. The Sanctuary cares for a range of different species of rescued monkeys, giving visitors an intimate insight to a working sanctuary.

Kids will love the Children's Activity Room, craft workshops and playground. Take a gentle stroll around the beautiful Wildlife Gardens and check out the sea view or enjoy a delicious lunch at the Treetop Café.

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Sandplace	d	0624x	0733x	0856x	1018x	1131x	1235x	1340x	1448x	1600x	1700x	1826x	1938x
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#### Looe to Liskeard The Looe Valley Line

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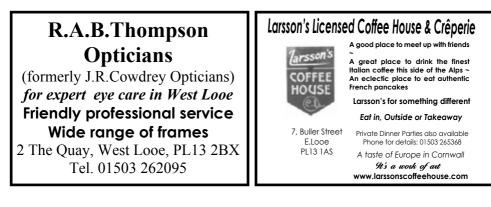
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Celebrations continue to commemorate the first RNLI Lifeboat being established in Looe in 1866.

There are a range of displays, including storyboards and crew kit through the ages in the crew room, boathouse and shop-side window. Details of all events, including our 2016 fundraising events calendar, will be shown on the Looe Lifeboats Facebook pages as well as the Looe Lifeboats website www.looelifeboats.co.uk

This year we have fourteen concerts, the most ever planned with nine local choirs performing in the boathouse or seafront.

These events include a special afternoon cream tea on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> of August at 3pm with the descendants of crews of Looe Lifeboats and we would be grateful for anyone who has any knowledge of descendants to contact us via our Contact Us page on our website or by phoning the Secretary Marilyn Berry on 01503 264433.

Also on the 28<sup>th</sup> August it is hoped to hold a simulated rescue with both Looe lifeboats off East Looe beach.



Pictured is one of our earlier lifeboats, the Boy's Own No.1 which was in service from 1882 to 1902 and saved 23 lives (and 3 kittens). It was built in London at a cost of £329 and was funded by a gift from the readers of the Boys

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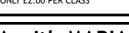


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## West Looe Downs Planning Application

The Looe Community Forum recognises the strength of public opinion in connection with the current planning application for 174 houses beyond West Looe Downs which has the potential to lead to a total of 500 houses in the future.

In a ballot held at the consultation day in February and subsequently on the Looe Strategy Group blog, 94% said they were against the developer's proposals. At a Looe Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held at the Community School last week, residents who attended made it known that they were overwhelmingly gainst the proposals. At this meeting, members of the Planning Committee voted unanimously to support Looe Town Cllr. Hannaford's motion to Reject the proposals.

Looking at the Cornwall Planning site - planning.cornwall.gov.uk - (enter PA16/03990 under Keyword and then Search)... one can view 86 (or more) objections, with none in favour. Is this the end of the matter? No! Cornwall Council's East Planning Committee will make the final decision, as reported in The Cornish Guardian. Herein lies the problem ... There are recent cases in other areas where Cornwall Council has gone against Town Council's objection to large housing schemes and given approval, as the Cornish Times reported recently re the Liskeard situation.

What can WE do? If the voice of the people of Looe is to be heard in respect of the West Looe proposals, then it is down to residents themselves to make as much noise as they can, and for as many people as possible to exercise their right to submit a personal objection. Comments MUST be made **before the end of July**. They can be submitted online or emailed to planning@cornwall.gov.uk and headed PA16/03990.

Further information and an appraisal of the West Looe application can be found on Looe Strategy Group's website. looestrategygroup.blogspot.co.uk.

#### Looe Community Forum

## LOOE SAILING CLUB

We are now over half way through the sailing season and have seen good-sized fleets on the water on a regular basis, 34 being the busiest day so far. Some days the race team have been given a real challenge to set a reasonable course with very fickle wind conditions.

The only races lost to the weather have been on some Thursday evenings due to a lack of wind rather than too much, but without engines only wind can give the necessary propulsion.

Closest racing has been in the single-handed Laser fleet with plenty of positional changes and a fair number of capsizes, although fortunately it is the easiest boat in which to upright and get sailing again.

Saturday mornings have seen fully subscribed sessions of sail training, mainly for youngsters but also for some adults keen to try their hand at a new sport. Hopefully this will bear fruit with even more boats on the water in future.



Photo by Neil Richardson

The end of July will see the club host yet another National Championship. This year it is the turn of the Scorpion Fleet to revisit Looe Bay for another week's racing from Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August. At least 60 dinghies are expected to take part, so the bay should be a colourful sight during the event. Following this the clubs own Redwing fleet will be heading for the Isles of Scilly later in August for their own National Championships. The Scillies are always a very popular location and all the Looe boats are likely to take part in what promises to be a great week both on and off the water.

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