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As the nights start to draw in and there is a chill to the early morning air, we are making preparations for our winter program of works at the Trust. Throughout summer our focus was on keeping our beach and seafront in great condition for all to enjoy the wonderful weather this year. Now we are preparing to do some much-needed work on other Trust property.

At the end of October, there will be scaffolding on the Guildhall for a couple of weeks. This will be on the East wall, so we can have the last of four lights installed on the clock tower to light it on special occasions and during festivals. We will also remove the mesh from the stained glass windows to do some repairs on the frames so they will be much more visible from inside and out.

Our maintenance team will be felling some dead trees on the Wooldown and removing saplings along the Quaker Trail, which we will use to put log habitats into that area of woodland to help support more wildlife.

Also on the Wooldown, Patrick (Paddy) Saunders from Kernow Ecology has been working to encourage more biodiversity in our 'bee glades'. Where we have cleared areas of much of the bracken, bramble and Old Man's Beard, we have been creating a rich habitat for biodiversity and have seen lots of butterflies and grasshoppers in the longer grass. Our project has had mixed success so far: we have not seen an increase in the numbers of the Long-Horned bee that was the focus of the original plan, but Paddy reported seeing two other rare bees – the Hawksbeard Mining Bee and Red-girdled Mining Bee.

Paddy has also reported a great deal of natural regeneration of interesting fauna in the glades and in the meadow enough to make a good habitat long-term without the need for additional wildflower seeding. Nevertheless, we have plans to plant further Meadow Vetchling and Everlasting Pea in the glades to specifically support the Long-Horned bees. We will continue to monitor the impact of this project and hope to see a positive impact on wildlife in future.

Finally, our museum recently received some good news – the Volunteer Manager, Petra Stephenson, successfully applied to the Small Grant, Big Investment Fund and the museum will receive £500 to enable us to put uv film on the downstairs windows. Currently, we have uv protection upstairs, but the artefacts downstairs – particularly those displayed on the window sills – have no protection from the damage caused by uv rays in sunlight. We will have a special film applied to the window panes, which will filter out the uv, so our artefacts are protected in future.

We look forward to a busy autumn and winter – and hope the weather will be kind to help us with our plans.

Phil Gibson, Chairman, and Trustees

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LOOE ROWING CLUB

As ever it has been a busy summer for the Rowing Club with regattas coming thick and fast.

Something a little bit different, the Club completed The Great River Race, London's River Marathon. A whopping 21.6 miles from London Docklands to Ham in Surrey. This spectacular boat race up the River Thames attracts over 330 crews from all over the globe. The Great River Race appeals to every level of competitor! From dedicated athletes who like winning, to those who enjoy laughter, fancy dress and charity stunts, it's a great fun day out for both competitors and spectators.

With the help of many an “oggy, oggy, oggy” chant, Looe's very own Cornish boy living in London (and super cox) Mike White steered them down the Thames and through many a famous bridge to be the 5th gig to finish. A fantastic finish for the crew.



Representing Looe were; Mike Daw, Keith Holder, Jake Ferguson, Andy Kyte, Sophie Scott-Hammond, Carol Kinver and Lisa Weston. It goes without saying that Looe partied the night away just as hard as they rowed the course!

With winter approaching Looe Rowing Club will be hosting a second Johnny Cowling fundraiser at Looe Bay on the 26th of January; for more details keep a look out on the Club's Facebook page.

RECENT SHOUTS

There were 6 shouts between 10th July and 6th September 2018. More information at www.looelifeboats.co.uk/recentshouts.

One notable rescue on 5th August was not really a shout, but...at 3pm a person in difficulties was attempting to swim across the river against strong outgoing tidal current. He was thrown a lifebelt by passing charter boat Top Cat and then rescued by our station's Lifeboat Operations Manager Dave Haines on his ferry boat.

Well done Dave, a rescue at last!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

We are now at the end of our summer concert season, so we now look forward to RNLI Carols with Pelynt MV Choir on 5th December at 7.30 pm at St. Martin's Church Hall. More information at www.looelifeboats.co.uk/looernlievents

LOOE RNLI END OF SUMMER BASH

Our Looe RNLI End of Summer Bash was an outstanding success on Saturday, 1st September, when the combination of supper, the Wreckers, an auction and a discotheque proved so irresistible, we not only sold out 85 tickets, but also had a waiting list of more than 30 would be revellers, eager to snap up any cancelled tickets.



Thanks to the incredibly generous and supportive

Portbyhan Hotel who provided the venue, supper and disco free of charge, the Wreckers who sang for free, RNLI President John Trethewy who ran the auction and the tireless efforts of RNLI Chair Ann Watson who conceived, organised and hosted the event, Looe RNLI benefitted by more than £2,000. A huge thank you to all of our supporters and to those who gave so generously on the night.

LOOE SAILING CLUB

Regular sailing has continued on both Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons, with good numbers taking part, along with Junior Sail Training on Saturday mornings; however the holiday period also saw two fleets departing to take part in their National Championships.

Nine members of the Enterprise fleet decamped across the border into Devon to Exmouth to compete with Enterprise sailors from around the country for National honours. Home pairing of David and Chris Jackman got off to a dream start, winning both races on day one, this was followed by a first and second the following day to put them in a strong position. However, when the final day arrived, only three points separated them from their nearest opponents. After bobbing around on the water for some time, the race was finally cancelled with no sign of any wind, leaving the Looe pair as National Champions, the first time for a Looe crew. Congratulations to them.



Photo by Neil Richardson

Dave and Chris Jackman sailing in the Enterprise National Sailing Championships.

The end of August saw the Redwing fleet crossing the channel to Plerin Sur Mer in Brittany to enjoy French hospitality and a good week's racing.

This time new winners will be on the trophy, with Angus Cook and Eric Evans from Bristol Corinthian taking the honours, ahead of Peter Kinver and Joe Palfrey in second, and Jack Pope and Ivan Jaycock third, both from Looe.

Special mention should be made of the latest addition to the fleet, Songbird from Looe, helmed by fifteen year old Morgan Steeper with father Paul crewing, who finished mid fleet in their first event. Well done to all those who took part.

LOOE MARINE CONSERVATION GROUP

What a summer to look back on – what an action packed autumn to look forward to! Here are the dates for our upcoming autumn events:

Tuesday 16th October: Isle of Enchantment (and Hurricanes): Puerto Rico

6.30pm, East Looe RNLI Lifeboat Station (upstairs in the Crew Room)

Derek Spooner has been visiting the large Caribbean island regularly for several years. In this talk he explores the wildlife, especially the birds. Puerto Rico has a large number of endemic species found nowhere else.

Followed by LMCG Monthly meeting at 7.30pm.

Saturday 27th October: Half Term Rockpool Ramble

1.30pm–2.30pm. Hannaford, West Looe.

Meet below the Coastguard Station – look for the Looe Marine Conservation Group sailflags! A free event suitable for all ages. There's no need to book. No nets, please – they can harm delicate rock pool creatures. Donations welcome.

CRABBING – The age old pastime of crabbing along the quayside in Looe has generated significant concerns this year. Issues are wide ranging, from the overcrowding of buckets causing potential harm to wildlife and the discarded hooks and lines also causing damage to boat propellers, not to mention the plastic debris from discarded crab lines and packaging ending up in the river. We are keen to help solve this issue. If you have constructive ideas, please send an email to: looevmca@gmail.com using CRABBING as the subject heading.

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LOOE ISLAND SWIM



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The second Looe Island Swim, on 9th September 2018, was a great day, made better by warm sunshine and around 120 swimmers, their friends and families. The event has already raised over £9,000 for the Chestnut Appeal for Prostate Cancer and sponsorship is still coming in – so we hope to total to around £10,000 for this important cause.

Thanks are due to the boatmen of Looe, the RNLI, Looe Council, East Looe Town Trust, Looe Harbour Commission, the Gibson family and members of the Looe Valley Rotary Club, all of whom gave their time freely to make this fantastic event happen. The organisers are also indebted to the Cornwall Wildlife Trust for giving permission to start the swim from the beautiful location of Looe Island beach, turning the swim into an adventure.

To see film and images of the event, head over to the Facebook page of Looe Valley Rotary Club where there are links to a film shared by StreetZips and an album of photos from fozimage. If you spot yourself in either or have anything to add, be sure to comment.

Finally, thanks to all those hardy souls who took part in the swim, from the first one home who took less than 20 minutes to complete the distance, to those that took a more leisurely pace (it's a challenge, not a race). The money you raise is a significant contribution to the diagnosis of, and care for, prostate cancer in the SW peninsula, so all men in the region owe you their thanks.



Photo: Ian Foster / fozimage

We'll soon be planning and announcing the third annual Looe Island Swim, so watch this space.

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Morning Worship: 11am every Sunday.

Open for coffee, fellowship and private prayer most Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays 10am-12noon.

Bible Study group meets on Monday mornings at 10.30am. Prayer group meets on Mondays 10-10.30am (time may change - please check).

Sunday Oct 28th, 7pm: Concert by Valley Voices, chamber choir singing classical and sacred music; admission by donation.

Riverside has many other regular activities: for information see our Newsletter, available from Kathy Lang via email: riversideuc.looe@gmail.com or tel 01503 263688.

Riverside also has a web site: looeiversidechurch.org.uk and a page on Facebook.

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CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY FUN DAY

Looe families enjoyed the second annual Fun Day provided free by St. Martin's Church. Special attractions included a 'Teddy Zip Wire' from the church tower, under the care of Rector Phillip Sharp, as well as games, teas and crafts. Major Cllr Armand Toms joined the families in the afternoon and a good time was had by all.



LOOE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Centenary of the WW1 Armistice: The 11th November, 2018, is the centenary of the end of the WW1 hostilities when an armistice came into effect at 11am on the 11th November, 1918. To mark the centenary, there will be a divine service at Looe War Memorial, on Sunday 11th November, organised by Looe Town Council. The Mayor will lead a procession, including standard bearers and wreath layers, from the Rose Garden, Fore Street, forming up at 10.15am. Wreaths can be ordered via Looe Town Council or from Looe Royal British Legion by telephoning 01503 264130 or by emailing looe.rbl@rbllooe.com.

Beacon Lighting: There will be a special ceremony on Little Pier, The Quay, East Looe, starting at 6.30pm on Sunday 11th November where, in a countrywide event, a beacon will be lit remembering all the sacrifices made by those caught up in the horrors of WW1.

Armistice Concert: On Friday 9th November at 8pm there will be a concert by the St Pinnock Band at Looe Community Academy. The band will be playing a selection of nostalgic oldies to commemorate the end of WW1 and will be supported by the Fowey River Singers plus other acts.

Tickets: £5 for adults, £1 for children, available from Looe Guildhall Market or at the door on the night. Proceeds will go to the Poppy Appeal.

The War's Tragic Aftermath: World War I was the first truly global war, with nearly 9 million men of the British Empire being mobilised into the armed forces. Over 900,000 of them died in the war, with over 2 million wounded; one man in three becoming a casualty. At the war's end, 4 million soldiers returned home to the UK to find a shortage of jobs and a struggling economy. Not the vaunted 'Land fit for heroes'. Of those who came back, 1.75 million had suffered some kind of disability and half of these were permanently disabled.

Birth of the British Legion: Immediately after WW1, four main ex-servicemen organisations came into being to help the plight of their comrades, but in 1921 the groups amalgamated into British Legion.

Purpose of British Legion: The ongoing main purpose is to provide financial, social and emotional support to members and veterans of the British Armed Forces, their families and dependants. Although veterans of WW1 are no longer with us, the Legion's work goes on with our veterans and servicemen who were involved in conflicts from WW2, Korea, Kenya, Malaya, Cyprus, Aden, Northern Ireland, the list is never ending, up to the present day Afghanistan.

Poppy Appeal: The first Poppy Appeal took place on the 11th November, 1921, only a few months after the 'Legion' was formed. The appeal continues to fund the work carried out assisting our veterans and their families. Please give generously to support our work.

Royal British Legion: While having royal patronage from its founding in 1921, the British Legion received its "Royal" title on 29 May 1971, its golden anniversary.

Branch News: On Friday 17th August the branch had a very successful fundraising day with an event by the Guildhall to mark VJ day, followed in the evening with a charity auction held in the Portbyhan Hotel. The two events raised over £1,600 for the Poppy Appeal.

Branch Meetings: We meet on the first Monday of each month at Looe Social Club at 7.30 pm. Please feel free to drop by and join us. Full membership of the 'Legion' is open to everyone, not just ex-service personnel, and we constantly need new members.

Lest We Forget: Looe War Memorial names 75 men who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country, but they are just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the suffering inflicted on the town by war. It doesn't list those who were maimed or suffered mental illness due to the horrors they experienced, nor the widows or orphans who lost a husband or father. Please spare a few seconds to remember them all.

David Welch – Looe RBL Tel: 01503 265573 email: looe.rbl@looe.rbl.com

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Liskeard Arts (Registered charity No. 1097024) is the local branch of the nationwide Arts Society. Members and visitors to our monthly illustrated talks come from all over South East Cornwall. Our monthly meetings are held at 7.30pm at The Public Hall, West Street, Liskeard PL14 6BW from September to May each year.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

I have recently met with officers over the problem of Economic Development in the South East of Cornwall and the lack of investment by Cornwall Council in this area. It was openly admitted that there is a disparity in the allocation of funding with the East missing out. We talked through the local issues that affect the Liskeard Looe area and especially about the Cattle Market, Work Units, Outer Harbour and Cycle Trail. The current exchange rate provides Cornwall with extra funds and I will be working with the other towns and Cornwall Councillors in the network to make sure we get our share of funds.

DEFIBRILATORS

It is so good when the town's organisations come together to put facilities into the town for the benefit of residents and visitors. Over the last few months, Tina Hicks, the Chief Executive of the Harbour Commissioners, and her staff, have worked extremely hard to put the safety of the town first. By working with all the organisations in the town they were able to fund a large number of defibrillators. They are located from Plaidy to Hannafore, and with the others in the town, the coverage for any emergency is excellent. I wish to recognise this hard work for the benefit of us all as you never know when it might be you that needs to use one or when it might assist you in the event of an emergency.

LOOE LIONS

Once again the Lions Club have been doing a lot in the town; the Carnival Week was a great success and all the events from Monday to Saturday were well attended and supported. This, with the other events, dog shows and car boot sales, they hold during the summer period, really do make a difference to the town and area. Thank you for all you do in supporting the town.

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

The St Martin's Church Children's Fun Day was again a great success this year, lots of children attending and fun for all the family. Seeing teddies abseil from the church tower, the bouncy castle and all manner of games, it was great fun seeing our younger generation have a great time. With the recent flower show and the dementia cafe they run, it is fantastic to see the church working so hard for us all.

THE ROTARY CLUB

The Looe Island Swim in aid of the Chestnut Appeal organised by the Rotary Club is becoming another great event in the town's calendar. Held this year for the

second time it gathered 119 swimmers to take part in aid of the charity by being sponsored. This has raised thousands of pounds and when the final amount is known we should appreciate what the Rotary Club achieved. For me, I see the swimmers doing what they love and supporting a worthy charity, well done Rotary.

Councillor Armand Toms
Mayor of Looe



Photo from Looe Town Council website

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

Looe Town Council is a Statutory Consultee; the final decision is made by Cornwall Council.

Planning Committee meetings are held at least once a month and our usual meeting place is the Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Fore Street, East Looe at 7pm. All meeting dates together with the planning applications we are considering and recommendations we have made can be viewed on our website: www.looetowncouncil.gov.uk. You will also find a 'Planning Information' page with much useful information.

If at any time you are interested in a particular planning application to be discussed, you are very welcome to attend our Planning Committee meetings. Requests to attend a meeting must be submitted to Looe Town Council prior to the meeting, if you are making comment to Cornwall Council on an application, we ask that a copy is also submitted to Looe Town Council.

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LOOE SAVES THE DAY

What a challenge – arrange a music festival from scratch in less than three weeks! And what a tremendous success it was!

Looe Town Council stepped forward to take on the formal role of event organiser and staff and councillors worked hard with the festival directors to make sure that all the necessary plans were in place.

Armand Toms, the Mayor of Looe, and one of the festival directors, was full of praise for the support of Town Clerk Anne Frith and her team who helped to co-ordinate the work of the many teams and working groups involved in the project.

“The Council was involved in the arrangements for the festival and I would like to thank everyone who worked around the clock to make sure we got this right” he said. “As well as Anne and Laura, who had to put their day jobs on hold to focus on the festival, I would like to particularly thank Councillor Viv Sullivan who was responsible for recruiting and organising the army of volunteers we needed to help with stewarding and marshalling the event and Councillor Edwina Hannaford for the tremendous amount of effort she put in. I am proud of them all.”

“I would also like to thank Tim Vigus, a member of the core organising group, who did an amazing job over the three weeks. Not only did he sort out the acts to appear on the main stage, but also pulled together the team to build the stage, provide the PA and sound equipment, and worked with the security firm to ensure that the barriers and other fencing were in place.”

“I can’t believe that we have managed to put on the Looe Saves the Day festival in such a short time” said Edwina Hannaford, local Cornwall Councillor and one of the festival directors. “Staging a festival of this size usually takes many months and yet we have done it in just three weeks. If you’d told me three weeks ago that I would be part of a team organising a three day music festival I would have just laughed. But we did it.”

“We could not have done it without the amazing support from the local community” added Armand Toms, “We had an incredible response to our initial call for help, with support coming from every part of the town, and beyond. There are too many people to thank individually, but a massive thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make the festival happen. Feedback from festival-goers has been overwhelmingly positive – there was a great atmosphere around the town – even in the rain - and lots of smiling faces. We will take stock of how everything went and then see how the town feels about what they would like to see in the future.”



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Cinema by the Sea

Wednesday 17th October – Finding your Feet (12)



Doors open: 7pm. Starts 7.30.

When "Lady" Sandra Abbott discovers her husband of 40 years has been having an affair with her best friend, she seeks refuge with her free spirited, bohemian sister Bif. When she reluctantly lets Bif drag her along to her community dance class, she

starts to see that divorce might just give her a whole new lease of life and love. Shown with subtitles.

Saturday 20th October – A Cottage on Dartmoor with live accompaniment from WURLITZA



Doors open: 7.30. Starts 8pm. Licensed bar.

Said to "Out-Hitchcock Hitchcock", the 1929 silent film "A Cottage on Dartmoor" uses every available cinematic trick to create a story of jealousy and suspense. It is a snapshot taken at the rise of talking films, cleverly woven into a plot that involves an escaped convict and a love triangle. The soundtrack is provided by Cornish band Wurlitza including music by:

Villa Lobos, Serge Gainsbourg, Right Said Fred, Clearwater Credence Revival, Buddy Holly, Chopin and Louis Armstrong.

Advance booking recommended.

Wed 21st Nov – Either: Ocean's 8 or Mamma Mia: Here We Go Again

Check our website – cinemabythesea.org.uk – to see which one we will show



All films at: The Community Hall at Looe Children's Centre,
Trewint Crescent, Barbican, LOOE PL13 1ET

Tickets: on the night at the door, online via our website cinemabythesea.org.uk or from Looe TIC, The Guild Hall, Fore St, East Looe.

KELTIQUE FORTHCOMING EVENTS

With our old mates from Rame Male Voice Choir, Keltique is presenting a Musical Showtime Spectacular at Torpoint, with solos, duets and choruses from State Fair, South Pacific, Carousel, Fiddler on the Roof, Man of La Mancha, My Fair Lady and Les Mis - tickets £8, including port, cheese and nibbles, from Carole 01503 262944.

Musical Showtime –

Friday 12th October, 7 for 7.30pm – Torpoint Council Chambers

On the back of the great success of Sing Musicals For Your Supper, we're doing it again! This time tracking back to the dim distant days of the 1960s, no excuses for not knowing these golden oldies from the Beatles, Beachboys, Elvis, Monkees, Simon and Garfunkel and so much more. Loads of fantastic food too – tickets from Tina on 01503 265929.

Sing The Sixties For Your Supper –

Saturday 27th October at 7pm – Millpool Centre, West Looe

Keltique always looks forward to its Christmas season of song and this year even more so, with many new singers performing with us for the first time. And our Christmas is definitely arriving early this year, singing carols and festive songs at the Portbyhan Hotel in West Looe, as after-dinner entertainment for their very welcoming and appreciative guests through November and December.

Keltique at Portbyhan Hotel –

November and December, dates to be advised

This is one for all the family – a Christmas singalong of well-known songs and carols for everyone to join in, young and old, with mince pies, mulled wine and juice to follow – go to our website or Facebook page for more info.

Sing Christmas Carols –

Sunday 16th December at 4pm – at Riverside Church, West Looe

And just before Christmas, for the traditional Keltique candlelit carols in the intimate surroundings of this stunning historic church right by Looe River. One of the highlights of our year; always incredibly popular, as are the mince pies that follow!

Carols by Candlelight –

Monday 17th December at 7.30pm – at St Nicholas' Church, West Looe

For more details of events, check out our website at www.keltique.org.uk, our Facebook page or call Carole on 01503 262944.

POLPERRO FISHERMEN'S CHOIR

Both Polperro Fishermen's Choir and The Wreckers have been making CDs over the summer and they are ready now. The Choir's CD is called "The Magic of Polperro" and we recorded it in the Methodist Chapel where we practice; where the Choir started 95 years ago and which is still our home. The title track was written by our amazing accompanist Loraine Forsdick. As The Wreckers we recorded our CD at The Cube recording studio and it's a mix of Cornish music, sea and folk songs, and golden oldies from the 60s.

The profits from every CD sold go to charity and local good causes which helps us to raise thousands of pounds. This year we supported the Air Ambulance, the RNLI and the Triangle Centre. The latter helps people who have cancer to recover.

You can buy a CD from our website www.polperrofishermenschoir.co.uk, but it's cheaper (and more fun!) to pick one up when you come to watch us perform.

The Choir will sing at Schleder Abbey at 7:30pm on Friday 26th October and we have Christmas concerts during December. The Wreckers sing most Wednesdays at 9:30pm at the Old Mill House in Polperro. Details are on our website.



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YOU can help the town with the festive appearance – Friday 7th December (Switch-on) to January 6th 2019.

All YOU need to do:

Residents: display outdoor decorative lighting in your garden or on your house (especially if you overlook the harbour or sea);

Businesses: illuminate a festive display in your windows for all ages to enjoy.

Christmas is coming...Christmas is coming...

Herewith a selection of dates, locations, music and entertainment; all by the local Community for your enjoyment.

October

Sunday 21st 7.30pm – St Martin's Church, Liskeard: **Music through the Ages**.

Sunday 28th 7pm – Riverside United Church: **Concert by Valley Voices Chamber Choir** singing classical sacred and secular music: madrigals to folk, anthems to spirituals – admission by donation.

November

Saturday 10th 9.30am-3.30pm – Millpool Centre: **Lantern-making Workshop**. Last entry 1.30pm. All welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please contact Looe Town Council to reserve your place: tel: 01503 262255 or email: enquiries@looe-towncouncil.gov.uk. (Please note lanterns must be of a Christmas theme – Lantern procession to be held on Friday 7th December.) All materials will be provided by Looe Town Council.

Saturday 17th 1pm-4pm – **St. Martin's Christmas Market**, Church Hall.

Friday 23rd to Monday 26th 10.30am-3.30pm – **Christmas Flower Festival** at Morval Church. Flower Festival and craft event. Refreshments available.

December

Saturday 1st – **Polperro Christmas Lights Switch-on**

Tuesday 4th – **Open Mic at the Jolly Sailor Inn**, West Looe.

Wednesday 5th 7.30pm – **Pelynt Male Voice Choir**, St Martin's Hall, in aid of the RNLI.

Thursday 6th 8pm – **Shanty Nights at the Jolly Sailor Inn**, West Looe.

Friday 7th – Christmas Lights Switch-on

6.30pm Groups assemble in the Rose Garden and the Millpool Centre to parade with their lanterns. 7pm Lantern processions meet at the Bridge and then on to the Quayside Centre. Carol singing and Christmas Lights switch-on.

Friday 7th 7.30pm – **Pelynt Male Voice Choir** – Christian Aid – Pelynt Village Hall

Saturday 8th – Santa's arrival

12noon – **Craft and fundraising stalls** in Buller Car Park, East Looe

5pm – **Santa** will travel upstream by boat, weather permitting, to arrive at the Memorial Steps, East Looe. Santa will lead the procession in his sleigh followed by the Mayor and Mayoress and by local groups and families. The procession will proceed to Santa's Grotto through Buller Car Park along Fore Street, Market Street and the Quay and arrive at his Grotto back in Buller Car Park. There will be entertainment for the children while they wait to see Santa.

Saturday 8th 7pm – Riverside Church, West Looe. **Valley Voices Concert.**

Sunday 9th – Looe Pioneers annual Santa Fun Run

10.30am: Registration West Looe Square. 11.30am: Race start.

Route: along West Looe Quay, over the bridge through Fore Street East Looe, across the seafront and a big sprint finish to the Fish Market. Fancy Dress desirable but not a requirement. Children under 12 must be signed in by a parent or responsible adult. Medal to all runners.

Sunday 9th 11am to 4pm – **Craft Market** at East Looe, Buller Quay car park.

Looe – Please note

Judging will take place in the days after the switch-on to choose the best illuminated resident's property and the best illuminated shop window display...Good luck to all.

At the moment, it is too early to provide all the information on what is taking place during the Festive period. Thank you to those who have already been able to provide the information as shown.

The next issue of the Community News will have a comprehensive list, so between now and December, details, as they arrive, will be placed on the Looe Town Council/TIC websites, be circulated by the Community Forum email messaging service to those who have notified the Forum of their addresses, and by Facebook postings.

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LOOE VALLEY SINGERS

Following a busy summer, the choir is busy rehearsing for the next concert in October. Featuring songs from the Sixties and with guests Java 5, it promises to be an enjoyable evening. Profits raised will be donated to Ellie's Haven. The concert is being held in the Millpool Centre on October 13th and tickets are available from the Centre, Ellie's Haven shop or any choir member. Come along and join in the fun.

www.looevalleysingers.org.uk

LOOE COMMUNITY PLAYERS: PANTOMIME

The pantomime for January is Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs – oh yes it is! It will run January 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th – all at 7.30 pm – with a matinee on Saturday 19th at 2pm.

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