



# Milton Damerel Newsletter

Spring Edition



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## Milton Damerel Parish Council

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The final meeting of 2008 was held on 17<sup>th</sup> December and since then meetings have been held the third Wednesday of January and February.

The vacant seat on the Parish Council was filled by co-option at the January meeting and Stephen Moyse was welcomed to his first meeting in February when he signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Parish Councillor and completed his Register of Interests.

There have been no planning applications submitted for consideration in the parish of Milton Damerel during this period.

Milton Damerel Parish Council have adopted a publication scheme with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009. Any request for information under the Freedom of Information Act should be sent to the Parish Clerk. Some information can be made available by email free of charge but paper copies will be charged at 10p per A4 side.

Small steps are being taken in the implementation of planned actions following the publication of the Milton Damerel Parish Plan. After the success of the Milton Damerel Gardening Society's first meeting in January an application was received by the Parish Council for financial support in getting the Society started. The Parish Council have agreed to fund their use of the Parish Hall to the end of June to a maximum of £50 from funds left over from the Parish Plan project which were designated to be used towards implementation.

As a result of responses received following the item on housing needs in the last newsletter, a meeting is being arranged between Rachel Webdell TDC Strategic Enabling Officer, Maria Bailey Community Planning & Development Manager at TDC, Sue Southwell, Rural Housing Enabler at the Community Council of Devon, interested land owners and Parish Councillors to try to find ways of moving forward, to meet local affordable housing needs.

At the February meeting a Area Traffic Engineer from Devon County Council came to discuss issues relating to those raised in the Parish Plan. Councillors were informed there was to be a review of all speed limits on 'A' and 'B' roads within the county during 2009/10 as the Government requires all counties to follow guidelines for a consistent approach to speed limits. With current regulations it would be difficult to reduce the speed limit to 30mph. Following this summers review of speed limits the Parish Council would be consulted on recommendations and no changes would occur until 2011. To make it safer for pedestrians walking along the A388, improvements to verges to make pavements was considered a definite possibility. A meeting is being arranged with the Traffic Engineer to walk the verges to pick out possible places for pavement. It is also hoped that the obsolete sign at Venn Green advising of '*new speed limit*' which has been in place for 10 years will be removed.

Following the snow and frost the road surfaces in the Parish are in a poor state and the engineer advised that roads are inspected regularly and safety defects are repaired very quickly but other smaller pot holes get left. It would seem that many maintenance matters were not dealt with regularly due to budget constraints

Any problems with pot holes can be reported to your Parish Councillors or the Parish Clerk who will report to the relevant department or we are informed, that Devon County Council ([www.devon.gov.uk](http://www.devon.gov.uk)) has an online 'Fault Reporting' service for road maintenance to 'report a pothole'.

Milton Damerel ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will be held at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 15th April 2009 when there will be a guest speaker and organisations will be invited to present reports of their activities to the community. All resident are invited to attend. There will be a public comments session for questions and comments. More details will be advertised nearer the time.

**Roberta Jackson, Parish Clerk**



## CONGRATULATIONS!

### To

**Sam Horn** of Sunny Meadows, Venn Green who was 18 on 13<sup>th</sup> January.

**Pat Parnell** of Kenmar, Venn Green who celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on 6<sup>th</sup> February

**June and Brian Harding**, of Garden of Eagles, Venn Green, who celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on 28<sup>th</sup> March.

**Sam & Emily Horn** of Sunny Meadows, Venn Green for both being selected for Devon County Hockey again this year - Sam for the Under 19 squad and Emily for the Under 17 squad.

**Rose Haynes & David Taylor** of Higher Grawley for the 2009 Eblex BRP Progressive Flock Award for the Hampshire Down breed; the flock having made the greatest genetic improvement in the last 12 months.

**Lenni Elkins** of Heddon Cottages, on qualifying for Crufts for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year running. For the agility section, with Candy, a Japanese Spitz.

**Iain Sharp** of Lower Grawley, who was the Speaker for the winning intermediate team in the 7<sup>th</sup> Holsworthy Rotary Club sponsored "Youth Speaks".



## GOOD-BYE & WELCOME

### Farewell and best wishes to:

**Hayley Barber, Keiron, Liam & Callum** who are moving from Arden, Venn Green to Chilsworthy

### A warm welcome to:

**Peter & Paul Oxborough** who have moved into Lower Walland



## OUR SYMPATHIES

### For those who been bereaved recently including:

**Norman Griffin** of Milrose on the loss of his wife, Flo

**The Millman Family** of Youldon on the loss of Peter

**Lesley and Peter Self** of Tor View, on the loss of Lesley's Mother

### Horrellsford Garage

support for

### Children's Hospice South West

**£165 was recently sent to CHSW from the proceeds of the Christmas Draw and the collecting box**

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**Chapel News – March 2009****Newsletter Number Forty-Eight**

*We extend a very warm welcome and invitation to any-one wishing to come along to our regular services/meetings/clubs. Just come along to any events/clubs you see advertised, or if you would want to know more or have an introduction, please contact any of the leaders.*

**SUNDAY CLUB & FAMILY SERVICES** - Sunday Club meets each Sunday with the exception of the last Sunday, when Family Services are held, and for this quarter our guests will be:

29<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Mr Eric Moore

Westward Ho!

26<sup>th</sup> April 2009

Rev Paddy Kyle (MAF)

Bude

(MAF = Mission Aviation Fellowship)

31<sup>st</sup> May 2009 will be the

Sunday Club Anniversary, led

by the Young People, and collection

for Sunday Club Funds

Everyone welcome to come along

and be encouraged by their enthusiasm

The Sunday Club young people organised a "Praise Party" on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, when several young people accepted their invitations to come along for the morning to enjoy a range of activities. Another "Praise Party" is planned for Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April at the Schoolroom – please look under Youth News for details.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB UPDATE** – The Club had its first meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2003 and during the six years there has been a faithful group of members, an enormous variety of speakers on numerous topics and life experiences, sharing of favourite readings and poems, and finally, the quarterly coffee mornings / afternoon teas. Funds have been raised for Children's Hospice South West and other charities, and visits made to the Fremington hospice. However, the majority of attenders reside in neighbouring parishes, and have been transported to the monthly meetings by kind volunteers, and after discussion, it has been decided to cease the monthly club meetings. The organisers and helpers are congratulated on their vision in starting the club and are very gratefully thanked for all their efforts over the last six years. However, please note the quarterly afternoon teas will be continuing, and it is planned to invite charity and other stall-holders, and to continue to raise funds for charities. Please look out for the publicity ... especially, the next event on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009, which is advertised in this Newsletter.

**GOSPEL SPECIALS** – On a very cold December evening – very frosty, the paths were glistening and slippery! – we were thrilled with the magical chimes of the bells rung by the Braunton Handbell Ringers, the Christmas themed poems written by and read by Rev David Wheeler, tenor solos by Mr Ted Lott, and keyboard duet played by Cathy and David Ley, and for the humorous, and thought-provoking, continuity delivered by the Chairman, Peter Parsons. The variety was much appreciated by the good number who braved the cold and driving conditions, and felt well rewarded for their effort!!

The Newton St Petrock Male Voice Choir are our guests on Easter Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at 7.30pm. Their last visit to us at Easter provided an evocative programme of seasonal songs and hymns, and we look forward to welcoming you again this year.

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS** – The United Parish Carol Service was a delightful occasion, with a good number in the congregation. Thanks to Courtney Drew for leading the service and to every-one who read lessons, etc. The collection for National Children's Home – Action for Children totalled £140.. There is a report about the Christingle under Youth News.

**PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY** – Normally meets every Monday evening at 7.30pm in the Schoolroom. From 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2009, we will be following a Lent Course and have selected the Exeter Diocesan recommended course, "Responding to God's World". Any-one interested in joining in this 6-week course until Easter are very welcome to come along – we would very much appreciate your company. Please see separate details.

**SHACK CHAT!** – Have you read the book "The Shack" by William P Young? Without giving too much of the plot away, when tragedy hits Mack and his family a Great sadness descends forcing Mack to ask some searching questions..."Why?" and "where was God in all of it?". He goes to the Shack and is confronted with himself, God and a few surprises and discoveries. This book is high on the best seller list and copies disappear off the shelf as fast as being put there. If you would like a copy, please speak to Sheila, (Tel. No: 261466), who will endeavour to get you a copy. There will be an evening reviewing the book and sharing everyone's thoughts and questions at **Woodford Farm, on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, with Bring and Share Supper starting at 7pm.** Come along, join in or listen, as you choose. Everyone is most welcome.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** – Two of our large windows – one in the kitchen and one in the Schoolroom - are badly deteriorated and will be replaced with plastic framed double glazing in the next few months. In co-operation with the Parish Church a leaflet is being compiled providing information about our churches, times of services, and contacts, to be available for display at local businesses – shops, hotels, etc. We hope these will be useful for visitors to the area, who have an interest in visiting the churches or coming along to services.

## CHAPEL FLOWER PLAN FOR THE MONTHS OF MARCH TO MAY

MAR		APR		MAY	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mrs Lilian Luxton	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Margaret Fishleigh	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Circuit Rally–No Sevice
8 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Eunice Hearn	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Phoebe Overy	10 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Lilian Luxton
15 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Gladys Palmer	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Mary Carter	17 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Sheila Daniel
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs Phyllis Piper	26 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Anne Poole	24 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Niggy Southey
29 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Valeris Harris			31 <sup>st</sup>	Mrs Tracy Dunmore

For further information or help please contact: Rev David Wheeler, our Minister on Tel: 281262 (or via the stewards).  
 Alan Andrew, Rural Lay Worker, Tel: 281321 Lizz Prangle, Ecumenical Youth Worker, Tel: 07834693029  
 Our Stewards: Marjorie Colwill (Tel: 281214); Sheila Daniel (Tel: 261466); Lillian Luxton (Tel: 261355)

### Churches News

#### Holy Trinity Parish Church, Milton Damerel

Rector: Father Michael Reynolds  
 Tel: 01409 253435

#### Services:

**Holy Communion taken by Father Reynolds  
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### 1100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Christianity in Devon

***This year is the 1100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christianity in Devon and there are several events planned in celebration.***

- \* Bishops in Devon will be touring under the banner "Bishops In Mission" and will be in the Torrington & Holsworthy areas from **27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May**. Please look out for publicity on the visits and events.
- \* From early June, Schools across Devon will exhibit their work in Exeter Cathedral in early June 2009 around the theme of Colours of Devon – Heaven in Devon.
- \* **On 26<sup>th</sup> June** A night for youth from across Devon. Come and see the Cathedral as you've never seen it before. There will be live bands, a skate park, inflatables, food, guitar hero, prayer interactive zones, worship, DJs and loads more besides. The Archbishop of Canterbury's popping in for a chat on the sofa and then to lead everyone in worship. The event is part of NightChurch. Doors open: 7.30 pm Event: 8 – 11pm
- \* **Programme for Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> June**
  - \* The Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams is celebrating and preaching at the Eucharist at 11.30 am on the Cathedral Green.
  - \* Lunch stations will be available on the Cathedral Green from 1 pm.
  - \* Seminars on relevant issues for God's Mission here in Devon will be on offer across the city centre from 3 - 4.30 pm.
  - \* Jim Bailey will be leading an exciting multi-media and interactive children's celebration in the Bishop's Palace Garden from 2.45 - 4.45 pm open for children aged 5-11.
  - \* Life on the Beach events will take place on the Cathedral Green from 2 - 5 pm.
  - \* Songs of Praise, led by Judi Spiers, will take place on the Cathedral Green from 5.15 pm
  - \* As part of Exeter Summer Festival, there will be an evening concert on the Green following the Songs of Praise.

## Friends of W & E Putford Primary School & Nursery

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A Big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped & supported our

Christmas Coffee Morning on Wed 10th Dec at Holsworthy Memorial Hall.

We were delighted to raise just under £200.

Also our Christmas Hamper Raffle made a fantastic amount of £170, so **many thanks** to everyone who bought a tickets or donated produce.

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Our popular **Family Easter Bingo** will be held on **Friday, 3rd April** in the School Hall.

Opens at 7pm ~ Eyes Down at 7.30pm.

Playing for chocolate eggs.

£1 a book. Tea / Coffee & biscuits inc. **Everyone very welcome.**

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This year's **Cider & Pasty Walk** is to be held on **Saturday, 20th June.**

Walkers to leave between 5 - 7pm. (Adults £7 ~ Children £3.50)

For tickets & further information please call Ali on 261639.

**Thank you.**

### St. Michael's Church, Shebbear

**Lent Lunches** are: starting on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February until Easter, 12 noon – 2.00 p.m. in Church Room  
Soup, bread and cheese, coffee, tea and company.  
Donations are welcome.

**Coffee mornings are on alternate Fridays – March 6<sup>th</sup>, March 20<sup>th</sup> and so on.**

From 9.30 – 12 noon in the Church Room, St, Michael's 'Coffee, cake and company'. They will carry on running through the Lent period so come and stay on for lunch!

'**The Crucifixion**' by Stainer will be performed in St. Michael's Church, Shebbear on **Palm Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m.** by The Circuit Choir. No charge but there will be a retiring collection and refreshments afterwards.

[The Circuit choir meets in Lake Schoolroom on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. to rehearse and new members are always welcome ]

## Afternoon Tea & Cakes

In Milton Schoolroom

on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March

with stalls, some for local charities.

A chance to meet with friends and support some very good causes.

This time we are also planning a

**mega plant stall**

**for Devon Air Ambulance**

*(where would we be without it!!)*

*(A really worthwhile cause, we never know when we might need it)*

We would appreciate your gifts of plants, which can be brought along on the day or please take to Lilian, Sheila or Grace, or any member of the chapel.

*Free tea & cakes served*

*from 3pm – 5.30pm*

## Preparing for



## Easter?

How about joining us for a Lent Course –

**'Responding to God's World'**

(A study course recommended by the Diocese for 2009)

Starting Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March

7.30pm in Milton Schoolroom

The course is free and lasts for 6 weeks.

A warm welcome

Light refreshments.

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#### COFFEE MORNING

Thurs, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2009, 10 am – 12 noon

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## Youth & Family News

**Christingle & Monsters** - Early in December 2008 we held the Monster Club Christingle Service, which has now become a regular event. This Christingle had a 'twist in the tale', as the helpers, Nicky, Tracy, and Sheila staged a nativity play, which was only made possible with a little help from our friends. We are indebted to Bradley (Joseph), Sally (Mary), Gareth (the Inn-keeper), and Helen (Angel Gabriel) – thanks to all of you for helping make the event possible. A huge thank you must go to the Monsters themselves, who joined in with the spirit of the occasion and donned tea-towels (for Shepherds) and tinsel halos (for Angels). Alex and Carla also bravely volunteered to play the parts of two of the kings, even managing to say a line each. Carols were interspersed at appropriate places, thanks to our accompanist, Grace. We mustn't forget another budding pianist, Daniel, who, at the end, played 'We wish you a Merry Christmas' and was note perfect. Part way through the Angels and Shepherds held a singing contest, which was judged by PCSO Beverley with expert diplomacy – a draw was announced! Whilst the Angels were best at the verse, the Shepherds were best at the chorus, or vice versa!! Everyone was given a Christingle to light, we all joined in with "Away in a Manger", always a moving moment. Thanks also to those busy parents and friends who managed to come along, we hope you enjoyed it! Tea was enjoyed by everyone.

**Monsters & Sunday Club New Year Party** – It was lovely to see so many children and parents at our annual New Year party on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> January. Music and games were provided by Kelvin Isaacs, and he did a fantastic job of keeping everyone entertained. Thank you to everyone who brought food, helped and made the afternoon such a success.

### An invite for all children

### Praise Party

Following the success of the Praise Party held in early January, we are planning another for

*Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April, an Easter Praise Party.*

This time we hope to include Cooking & Dance, along with Drama, Crafts, Music, Songs, DVD Clips and some Easter goodies to give away.

If you enjoyed the last one please spread the word amongst your friends in Milton Damerel area and invite them along.

We will be open from 10.45am till 12.15pm.

### Youth Worker Update

Work with the project is going well and much is happening. We've already started making plans for the summer holidays and hope to be out in number of villages with the mobile youth centre as well as taking young people to a number of camps across the south west.

Before the summer creeps up on us there is still plenty happening. We have been supporting a number of youth clubs and are currently working with some to review the work they are doing. Simply opening up a village hall in an evening is a great way to serve the young people in your community. Most of the young people I meet aren't looking for a list of activities but simply a place to be and a place to hang out with friends.

Much of my time is also taken up with the Shebbear Young Farmers Club. We have only been running for six months but the members are working really hard to make it a success. Most recently many of our members took part in the group pantomime competition and won, going on to county finals. At our last business meeting we were joined by two members of the local police force who shared with us many stories from their work. Young Farmers is great for anyone aged 14-26 there is always something going on from pantos to police! Its not all about farming and probably only half our members are from a farming background. If you or anyone you know wants to get involved in young farmers contact Dave Gubb (chairman) on 07812772638 for more information.

For any information about any other youth work in the area, or young farmers please feel free to contact me.

Lizz Prangle 07834 693029 shebbearyouth@btinternet.com



## PARISH PLAN ACTIONS FOLLOW – UP



For more information on the Parish Plan 2008 – please refer to the Plan delivered to every household. If you have recently moved into the Parish and have not seen a copy, please contact Grace Millman (Tel: 261251) for your household copy. The Plan is also displayed on the web-site [www.miltondamerel.com](http://www.miltondamerel.com)

Please contact any Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk (contact details are shown on Page 2) about any issues in the Plan, with offers of volunteering to take forward some of the tasks in the action plans, or to let us know any activities / clubs you are interested in. It is your Plan – the ambitions in it will only materialise with your help!

### Housing Needs

There was a good response to the Parish Council's invitation to identify possible parcels of land for housing development and we are now awaiting a date for the joint meeting between all interested parties.

### Public Footpaths & Rural Rights of Way in the Parish

Following on from the information included in the last Newsletter, Mike Jackson has kindly drafted a leaflet detailing our public footpaths, and good practice when using them, and it is planned, after validation, to make copies available locally and available on the Milton Damerel website for downloading as required.

### Roads & Footpaths

From the information we were able to glean from the Area Traffic Engineer at the last Parish Council meeting – please see report on Page 2 – we now have some ideas on how to progress some of the actions on speed, pavements, verges, etc. and will continue following these up with the relevant departments able to assist us.

### Community Involvement & Spirit

#### Your Parish & Parish Hall Need YOU!

For many years our Parish Hall has been a main focus of the community, providing a place where everyone can meet and enjoy all kinds of activities. Because of changing times it is harder to know what the parish wants of its Hall. There have been many improvements over the past 2 – 3 years, and many more to do, to make our Hall more user-friendly, most importantly to the kitchen and the heating. Your responses to the Parish Plan Household Questionnaires showed support for these, and other improvements, and several parishioners said they were interested in more activities and clubs in the parish. So, it is very refreshing to see more activities / events being arranged and supported – The Gardening Society, being one of these. Congratulations to those involved and for the new events at the Parish Hall.

We want to build on these initiatives, and to do it we need **YOUR** help, to let us know what **YOU** want, the ideas that you may have, and to encourage and welcome anyone who would like to put things on at the Hall for the benefit of themselves and others. We would also welcome anyone who would like to join us at our committee meetings.

The Parish Hall is there for the Parish, it was acquired in 1980, and the more we use it, then more improvements can be made and the longer we will have it to provide a meeting place for everyone.

Please don't forget that **YOU** need to tell us if you are interested in attending / starting a new club / activity, so that we can put "like-minded" individuals in contact ... and try to assist you to "get going".

This year I would like to start the Short Mat Bowling Club again – if anyone is interested contact me.

Edgar Pett, Chairman, Parish Hall Committee. 01409 – 261277.

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I am also willing to eradicate problem

wasps for a small contribution to the new Milton Damerel Gardening Society. Please contact Anne Binns on 261381 or 07765514643.

*Did you know that your photocard driving licence expires after 10 years ...even if your paper driving licence has many years to go? The info below has been paraphrased from a much longer article..*

### **" Unwitting motorists face £1,000 fines as thousands of photocard driving licences expire**

Thousands of motorists are at risk of being fined up to £1,000 because they are unwittingly driving without a valid licence. They risk prosecution after failing to spot the extremely small print on their photocard licence which says it automatically expires after 10 years and has to be renewed - even though drivers are licensed to drive until the age of 70. The fiasco has come to light a decade after the first batch of photo licences was issued in July 1998, just as they start to expire. Motoring organisations blamed the Government for the fiasco and said 'most' drivers believed their licences were for life. They said officials had failed to publicise sufficiently the fact that new-style licences - unlike the old paper ones - expire after a set period and have to be renewed. To rub salt into wounds, drivers will have to pay £17.50 to renew their card - a charge which critics have condemned as a 'stealth tax' and which will earn the Treasury an estimated £437million over 25 years.


**Official DVLA figures reveal that while 16,136 expired this summer, so far only 11,566 drivers have renewed, leaving 4,570 outstanding.**

**With another 300,000 photocard licences due to expire over the coming year, experts fear the number of invalid licences will soar, putting thousands more drivers in breach of the law and at risk of a fine.**

At the heart of the confusion is the small print on the tiny credit-card-size photo licence, which is used in conjunction with the paper version. Just below the driver name on the front of the photocard licence is a series of dates and details - each one numbered. Number 4b features a date in tiny writing, but no explicit explanation as to what it means. The date's significance is only explained if the driver turns over the card and reads the key on the back which states that '4b' means 'licence valid to'. Motorists who fail to renew their licences in time are allowed to continue driving. But the DVLA says they could be charged with 'failing to surrender their licence', an offence carrying a £1,000 fine.

The Agency was unable to say whether motorists were told the licences would expire when they were first issued. It said it was issuing postal reminders to drivers whose photograph was due to expire, to get the renewal message across. But a spokesman admitted this was the limit of the DVLA's publicity. Experts say many drivers will slip through the net because DVLA records are inaccurate and many motorists have changed address, making it impossible to trace them

*So please take note of this warning and check when your photocard licence needs to be renewed!*



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### **FORGET**

*Forget the things in life which make you feel unhappy,  
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why live again the days of gloom and darkness  
when you have memories in your heart you treasure there?  
Soon you will meet each new tomorrow –  
welcome it – and greet it with a smile,  
know each day is meant for living –  
treasure life and feel it's all worth while.*

Carrie Lovall

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Side shows

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Photography Competition

BBQ & Bar



Start planting, start cooking, get out and about with your camera, and start beautifying your pet, come join in the fun that is Milton Damerel's fete.

The theme for your photo's this year will be Animals and Landscapes.

Look for more news about the different competitions in the next newsletter and schedules will be available prior to the Fete with details of classes.

Looking forward to seeing you.

We are planning more sideshows and more entertainment for your enjoyment, we are also looking for entertainers, face painters, would you like to have a stall, could you help us on the day.

If you do want a stall or can help in any way please contact

Rose on 01409 261577 or Bev Tree on 01409 261878

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Meetings are usually held in the Milton Damerel Parish Hall on the first Tuesday of each month commencing at 2.30pm. Unfortunately, due to the bad weather, our February meeting had to be cancelled. However we are looking forward to a good Spring and Summer when our monthly coach trips are planned for the third Tuesday of the month. Anyone interested to join may obtain more information from Secretary, Mrs P. Overy, on 01409 261332.

**Putford W.I.**

The January meeting was held at the home of our President, Mary Martin when we all brought along a plate of food which we shared together after the business part of the meeting. Last year's County Chairman, June Shephard –Blandy came and explained to us how we could apply for money from 'Awards for All', which helps Women's Institutes to organise day courses in their own village, which was very helpful. The winner of the competition for the Prettiest Christmas Card was Margaret Wooldridge, Mary Martin was 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ruth Stevens 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Our February meeting was held in the Chapel Hall with twelve members present. Our speaker Mrs. Jeannie Smith shared with us ways of looking after our bowels and bladders, showing us how to do pelvic floor exercises and gave us some helpful tips for a healthy lifestyle. Margaret Wooldridge thanked the speaker and refreshments were served by Marion Wooldridge and Kath Lewington.

Our speaker for March will be Mrs. Penny McRoberts on Easter Cookery. New members are very welcome.

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**MILTON DAMEREL NEWSLETTER – GARDENING ARTICLE FEB 09.****THE OPTIMISIM OF GARDENERS.**

You lived through it so don't need me to remind you about the two awful summers we have suffered followed by the worst winter for at least 18 years yet us gardeners still look forward to another spring with eager anticipation, at least we can anticipate a reduction in pests and diseases especially of my nemesis the slugs.

Leaving the dead foliage on perennials through the winter provides a degree of protection from the weather but now is the time to cut and remove this to allow the new growth to emerge.

While doing this you should also trim any damage off evergreens but not too much you might kill conifers, Rhododendrons etc if you are overzealous. HT and Floribunda roses need to be reduced to at least a third of their mature height removing old wood entirely.

Deciduous plants can be cut back to new shoots or if you want to make them bushier cut them hard back but be aware you might reduce flower for a year or two on shrubs that flower on old growth e.g. Forsythia, Mock Orange, Flowering Currant etc. the harder you cut Buddleia (butterfly bush) the better the result in the summer.

Some plants may look dead but give them till April in case they start to shoot, I have a quite mature Mimosa ( Acacia Dealbata ) which has been completely blackened but this happened two years ago then I saw some signs of life and with a hard prune using a chain saw it came back vigorously.

**TIMELY REMINDERS.**

During March the following should be planted weather permitting, early potatoes, shallots, onion sets and seedlings, broad beans, peas, spinach etc whilst most other crops and second sowings should be done in April, the exceptions being those that will not stand frosts tomatoes, runner beans, cucumbers all best left until May.

Any lifting and moving of plants or the planting of bare root shrubs should be completed by the end of the March and although you can plant container grown specimens at any time I always believe they establish quicker and get away better if their roots are given freedom to develop before the main growing months.

If you want to plant a new native hedge bare root shrubs are by far the cheapest option, hawthorn, hazel, blackthorn, guelder rose, elder, willow etc are all good for this job and can be randomly mixed, if hard pruned at planting the success rate can be 90% or more but they must be in by the end of March.

Don't forget to get the mower out as soon as you can walk on the lawn an early cut will make subsequent mowing a lot easier, left until April you risk having a meadow not a lawn to cope with.

**MILTON DAMEREL GARDENING SOCIETY.**

Cancelling the February meeting was disappointing but everyone I spoke to agreed it was not worth risking the weather and I think only a handful of us would have braved the ice and snow.

The March meeting promises to dispel all the gloom with Anne Binns talking about 'Bees in the Garden' a subject which I find enthralling and one which may surprise us all with how much we depend on these little insects.

JOIN US AT 7-30PM ON WED. 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH IN THE PARISH HALL

Aprils meeting will be on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> same time and venue and I will be talking about the changes I have seen in horticulture and gardening over the last 40 years.

Bill Wrighton MIHort



### Shebbear Post Office

As you will know the Post Office in Shebbear was closed on 6th January after a battle to try to keep it open. There is now a mobile Post Office service in the Square at the following times:

Mon- Thur. 9.30 – 11.30 a.m.

Friday 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

There is still a campaign going on and Geoffrey Cox M.P. has not taken 'NO' for an answer and is having meetings with the Post Office management. There is extensive coverage on the Shebbear website : [www. Shebbearvillage.co.uk](http://www.Shebbearvillage.co.uk)

BUT the shop is still open and needs support now that part of its income has gone!

### ALPHA

A successful Alpha course has been run at Bradford Village Hall on Thursday afternoons during the winter months, starting with a meal and followed by a talk and discussion. Over 15 people from the area, including Milton Damerel, Sheepwash, Shebbear and Bradford have attended. There are plans for another course later in the year and if you are interested in exploring your Christian faith, or want to know about Christianity then this is a marvellous opportunity to ask all those questions you never dared to ask before!

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### LISTED BUILDINGS

Further to the quiz *How well do you know your Parish?* which was used at the Parish Plan Social last August and reprinted on page 6 of the September 2008 edition of the Milton Damerel Newsletter, it would seem that question 8 which stated that there were 7 listed 'buildings' in the Parish, was not quite correct.

'Images of England' was a Heritage Lottery funded project which tasked 2,200 volunteer photographers with taking one photograph of each of the buildings on their given list, using in total, 12 miles of 35mm film. This has produced a photographic library of 95% of England's listed buildings, recorded at the turn of the 21st century. Over 300,000 images of England's built heritage from lamp posts to lavatories, phone boxes to toll booths, mile stones to gravestones, as well as thousands of bridges, historic houses and churches can be viewed on [www.imagesofengland.org.uk](http://www.imagesofengland.org.uk)

The website is not a fully up-to-date record of all currently listed buildings but Devon is the most photographed County and listed on the website are seven buildings in Milton Damerel including the church lych gate plus three listed memorials in Holy Trinity churchyard. Ten listings in total.

Therefore the updated list of ten listed 'buildings' in the Parish is as follows: Holy Trinity Church; Churchyard Wall and Lych Gate; Ley Farm; Milton Mill Cottage; Strawberry Bank; Mentmore Lodge and Milton House in addition to the three memorials; Downing Headstone; Pair of Reed Headstones and Ratten Headstone and Footstone..

## *Impressions of life in Milton Damerel 1940 – 1946 by Mrs Olga Thomas*

.....It was with some apprehension that I left Waterloo Station for Holsworthy at the end of August 1940 for an interview as head of Milton Damerel School. I stayed that night in a cottage with oil lamps and a pump for water, which to me was quite an experience. I found the people very friendly and decided that if I got the post, I would like to take it. Three weeks later, I heard that I had and so again left London for the country. My husband was in the Army, so my mother came with me. I had a small son. Harvey<sup>(a)</sup>, aged 18 months, and for a week or two we stayed at "The Mill", then Woodbine<sup>(b)</sup>, on the main road became vacant. So we moved there. After about a year "Pentreve" was available so we took that and were there very happily until I went back to London in 1946. My memories of those years were happy ones, considering my husband could not get back very often and there was a war on. Also, my mother died in 1942, which was a great loss to me. Fortunately, Joyce Piper<sup>(c)</sup>, whose parents were farmers in Milton Damerel, came to live with me and helped to look after Harvey while I was in school, and she and I became good friends, and still are.

.....I was fascinated by the lengths some children had to walk to school, some of them 3 miles. In London we either lived near the school or took a bus or tram there, but the children in Milton Damerel seemed to enjoy the walk. I learned a lot about flora and fauna when I went to Devon. We used to go for walks from school, down the lane by the side of it, and one day, Ronnie Gifford<sup>(d)</sup> pointed out a kestrel and its' nest to me. When more evacuees came in 1941, there must have been about a 100 or more children, and the County Council took over the Church Hall<sup>(e)</sup> for two classes. We had school concerts, which I think everyone enjoyed, because the Village Hall<sup>(e)</sup> was always full for the events. It entailed a lot of work but we enjoyed and thought it was worthwhile. We made our own enjoyment and besides putting on the pantomime in which several villagers took part, we had the occasional village dances, when people from other villages came to enjoy a well earned night out. On the whole, the evacuees settled in well, and soon got used to country life. One lad named Scrivener, stayed on when the others went back, and I think he did quite well, on the farm where he was staying.

.....Sometimes, Betty Harris, from West Wonford and I, used to cycle to Holsworthy to the cinema, though getting there and back was quite an effort, as we had to have deep shades over our lamps, due to 'blackout', and could only see a small spot of light on the road. It was a good thing that Betty knew the road well.

..... Joyce Elliott and her friend, Gwen Elliott<sup>(f)</sup>, used to walk round the village, once a week in the evenings, winter and summer, collecting money for Savings Certificates and for the Red Cross. I remembered wondering how they could do this on dark nights with no lamps in the roads, although I believe they had torches. The village is very scattered, and in some places, 3 miles across, but they felt quite safe.

.....Once a week, usually at a set time, on a Friday at 7 o'clock, my husband used to phone me when he possibly could, and I would cycle all the way from 'Woodbine' to Mr Norman Hancock's home<sup>(g)</sup>, about 1½ miles. I was a bit scared in the winter, especially coming home, which was mostly uphill and I had to walk and push the bike. To me it was a most eerie experience, pitch dark and completely silent. On the rare occasions when my husband was able to come to Milton, he would go outside at night, just to 'listen' to the silence, which we never experienced in London.

.....In the summer, we were near enough to get to the sea, and although most of the beaches in Bude and the S. Coast were barb-wired, we managed to spend a good day by the sea. There were two buses going each day to Plymouth, and two to Bideford & Barnstaple from Venn green, and we took the opportunity of going to either place on some week-ends, but Holsworthy was our nearest town (5½ mls) which we visited frequently, especially Wed. market day during the holidays. A van used to come to the village once a week, for ordering groceries, & this really interested me. I was lucky in having a car, although petrol was rationed, and I could not use it very much.

.....I haven't said much about the school at the time. While the evacuees were there, there were 5 teachers. Mr Watts and Miss Eversley at the Church Hall, with the older children, Miss Ford, Miss Harris & I in the original school. We were unable to combine much, but the younger ones had assembly each morning before their lessons. The children on the whole worked hard and we had good results. Most of the evacuees went back to London by summer 1943 & that left Miss Harris and I to carry on. Soon after I arrived in Sep 1940, we had our own canteen and cook, Miss Parsons, and we used vegetables that we grew in the school garden. The garden was of great interest to the children, and to grow many different kinds of vegetables and enough for our needs. One dish that was popular, was sausage pie. The sausages were mashed up with cooked carrots & onions, and covered with pastry and served with potatoes and a vegetable. It was very tasty & went a long way, which was necessary owing to rationing. My mother-in-law, Mrs Thomas, Sen, came from London in 1941 for two weeks to get a break from the bombs and she stayed 4 years! She prepared the menus for the meals each day.

.....When I first came to the village, Rev Jenkins was the vicar and his son Keble & daughter 'Goldie' took part in the village activities. His daughter ran the library with Mrs Arthur Hancock, and once a week we exchanged books after school in the schoolroom. This was very useful, when it was difficult to get into Holsworthy, also we were able to meet people & have a chat. The Methodist Chapel was well attended & the minister & his wife, Mr & Mrs Maltas lived near me, not far from the school & chapel. They had previously lived in the Shetland Islands & often gave us talks about their stay there.

.....Looking back on those days gives me much pleasure and it certainly does not seem nearly 50 years, since I went back to London in Aug 1946. When I go back on holiday, I am glad I had those 6 years living in the lovely county of Devon.

(a) Harvey Thomas in the 1980s was Press & Relations Director for Lady Thatcher, when Prime Minister.

(b) Woodbine – now "The Knoll"

(c) The Piper family lived at Park House – Lloyd Piper (West Wonford) and Alan Piper (RAW Piper & Sons) are Joyce's younger brothers

(d) Now lives at Whitebear Farm

(e) Now the Parish Hall

(f) Lived at Milton Town

(g) At Crossways

## PARISH HALL NEWS

**Skittle Fun Night 10<sup>th</sup> January 2009.** Was enjoyed once again by all. Profit made was £88.

**Whist Drive 30<sup>th</sup> January 2009.** Although only 3 tables a profit of £27 was made.

**Skittles TOURNAMENT 7<sup>th</sup> February 2009.** Another good evening, with 8 teams. Hopefully this will be an annual event. Profit £168

### FUTURE EVENTS

**Whist Drive 20<sup>th</sup> March 2009.** 8.00pm. £1.50 per person. Contact Sara 261105.

**Wine and Wisdom 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009.** 7.30pm for 8.00pm. £4 per person, teams of six. Couples and singles welcomed, we can make up teams on arrival. **Please book.** Telephone any of the numbers below.

**Beetle Drive 4<sup>th</sup> April 2009.** 7.30pm. £1.50 per person. £1 per Child. New venture, (table game) fun for all the family. **Please Book.**

**Skittles Fun Night 9<sup>th</sup> May 2009.** For all the family. Starts 7.00pm. Doors open 6.30pm for practice. Teams of 2. £1 per player. Refreshment will be on sale, B.Y.O. Wine/Beer. **Please Book.**

**Coffee Morning. 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009.** 10am to 12noon at Michael & Roberta's Jacksons, Westfields, Milton Damerel.

**Cider & Pasty Walk Late June.**

The committee are thinking of having a Craft/Hobbies evening. It will be on the lines of displaying/demonstrating, possibly selling. All considered ie. Card Making, Flower Arranging, Crochet, Sewing, Model Making and any other Handicrafts which parishioners may find interesting to others. Please enquire:- Lesley 261 294.

Chairman	Mr Edgar Pett	261277
Secretary	Mrs Roberta Jackson	261196
Treasurer	Mrs Lesley Self	261294

## MILTON DAMEREL LADIES SKITTLES

Milton Damerel Ladies Skittles team are needing two new **REGULAR** players for next season, to play in the Holsworthy Ladies Skittles League. We have reserves for when needed. Above age 12 is allowed to play in this league. Our match games are played on Thursdays and we start our match games again the end of September until the middle of March. A League Cup Match is played on a Saturday in March, which you must be available for. No experience necessary, just the willingness to play. If interested and would like more information, please contact:- LESLEY 261 294.

## LINEDANCING AT MILTON DAMEREL PARISH HALL

A small group (4, sometimes 6) still meet on Tuesdays at 7o' clock, at the Parish Hall for Linedancing. We all enjoy going for the dancing, a bit of exercise and of course a chat. It would be nice if we had a few more people to join us. It's not hard to learn, so please don't think, that you won't be able to do it. We've plodded on for several years now and would enjoy having a larger group.

For more information please contact:- LESLEY 261 294

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### **For the crumble topping**

100g/3½oz plain flour

50g/1¾oz unsalted butter

50g/1¾oz Demerara sugar

50g/1¾oz walnuts, shells removed, roughly chopped

### **For the vanilla custard**

140ml/5fl oz whole milk

570ml/1 pint single cream

1 vanilla pod, seeds scraped out

5 free-range egg yolks

40g/1½oz caster sugar

### **Method**

1. Preheat the oven to 180C/365F/Gas 4.
2. Place the rhubarb, sugar and a little water into a pan over a low heat and cook for 8-10 minutes.
3. Gently stir in the roughly chopped stem ginger.
4. For the crumble topping, rub the flour and butter together to make a mixture that resembles breadcrumbs.
5. Add the sugar and walnuts and mix well.
6. Place the cooked rhubarb into a baking dish and cover with the crumble topping. Transfer to the oven to bake for 20 minutes, or until the topping is golden-brown.
7. For the custard, heat the milk, cream and vanilla in a pan over a medium heat.
8. In a heatproof bowl beat the egg yolks and sugar until combined and pale in colour.
9. When the milk and cream mixture is nearly boiling, remove from the heat and slowly add to the egg mixture, whisking constantly.
10. Return to the pan over a low heat and stir continuously until thickened and ready to serve.
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<b>Venn Green:</b>	<b>Mike Jackson - Tel. 261196</b>
<b>Gratton:</b>	<b>Edgar Pett - Tel. 261277</b>
<b>Whitebear/Fore Street</b>	<b>Edgar Pett - Tel. 261277</b>
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**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT**

We would like to welcome back to duty our PCSO, Raquel Rowe, who has recently returned to work following a spell of maternity leave. You may have already noticed her going about her rounds throughout the Parish.

Staying on the subject of the police/PCSO's it is mentioned from time to time that they are not very often seen 'on the beat' in our area. This is not necessarily a bad thing and there are two reasons for this situation. Firstly, we are fortunate that rural North Devon continues to be an area of low crime, which means that there is no real need for a permanent police presence. Secondly, our two rural beat PCSO's have between them some 26 'villages' to cover, so more usually you will see them either driving round in a vehicle or in some instances on a mountain bike. That is not to say that they are remote or detached from our Parish. They keep in regular contact with the NHW co-ordinators and if a problem should arise then they will devote more time to that particular area and concern. Also if anybody does wish to speak to one of them, on any matter, they will be happy to do so if you contact them either directly or through one of the co-ordinators.

At the moment we are in the fortunate position of not having much happening in the way of criminal activity to report in the Parish. There have been one or two reportable incidents over the last few months with the police authority taking appropriate action. This situation is largely due to the vigilance and observations of the residents, thereby keeping our area a very undesirable one to criminals and opportunists.

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FRIDAY :- 08:00 Hours - 11:30 Hours.

A STATION ENQUIRY OFFICER WILL BE PRESENT AT HOLSWORTHY POLICE STATION DURING THE ABOVE HOURS.

IN AN EMERGENCY PLEASE PHONE

999

FOR ENQUIRYS OR NON EMERGENCY INCIDENTS PLEASE CALL

08452 777 444

PCSO 30099 RAQUEL ROWE

From PCSO 30103 Beverley Harvey

### **Holsworthy rural crime update and advice.**

Unfortunately there continues to be thefts in this area and further afield. Within the last five weeks from mid January the following have occurred:-

Large quantity of Solar lighting from Pyworthy  
Heating oil from Buckland Brewer  
2x rolls of high tensile wire, 2x sheep troughs, 1x black drinking trough and trailer lighting board from Bridgerule  
A car from Bradworthy  
A car registration plate from Bradworthy  
Large quantity of power tools from Chilsworthy  
Chainsaw and various power tools from Sheepwash

### ***Please consider the following advice:-***

- \* Try to secure or immobilise equipment when not in use. If possible move machinery from fields, particularly those near to roads.
- \* Mark and record your property, record serial numbers, chassis and models numbers.
- \* Paint your postcode and the first two letters of your farm or name of your property onto tarpaulins, trailers, horse boxes etc to make them identifiable.
- \* Use British standard locks & locking bars.
- \* Consider joining a local Farm watch / Neighbourhood watch scheme
- \* Keep firearms and ammunition stored separately in secured locked containers and cabinets.
- \* Encourage employees and visitors to be security conscious, look out for suspicious vans/ vehicles. Try to get registration numbers or partial numbers and contact us.
- \* It is also very important that you have adequate insurance cover for vehicles, equipment and livestock as well as your buildings and contents insurance.

PCSO Beverley Harvey, Holsworthy Police Station

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Crime Stoppers 0800 555111

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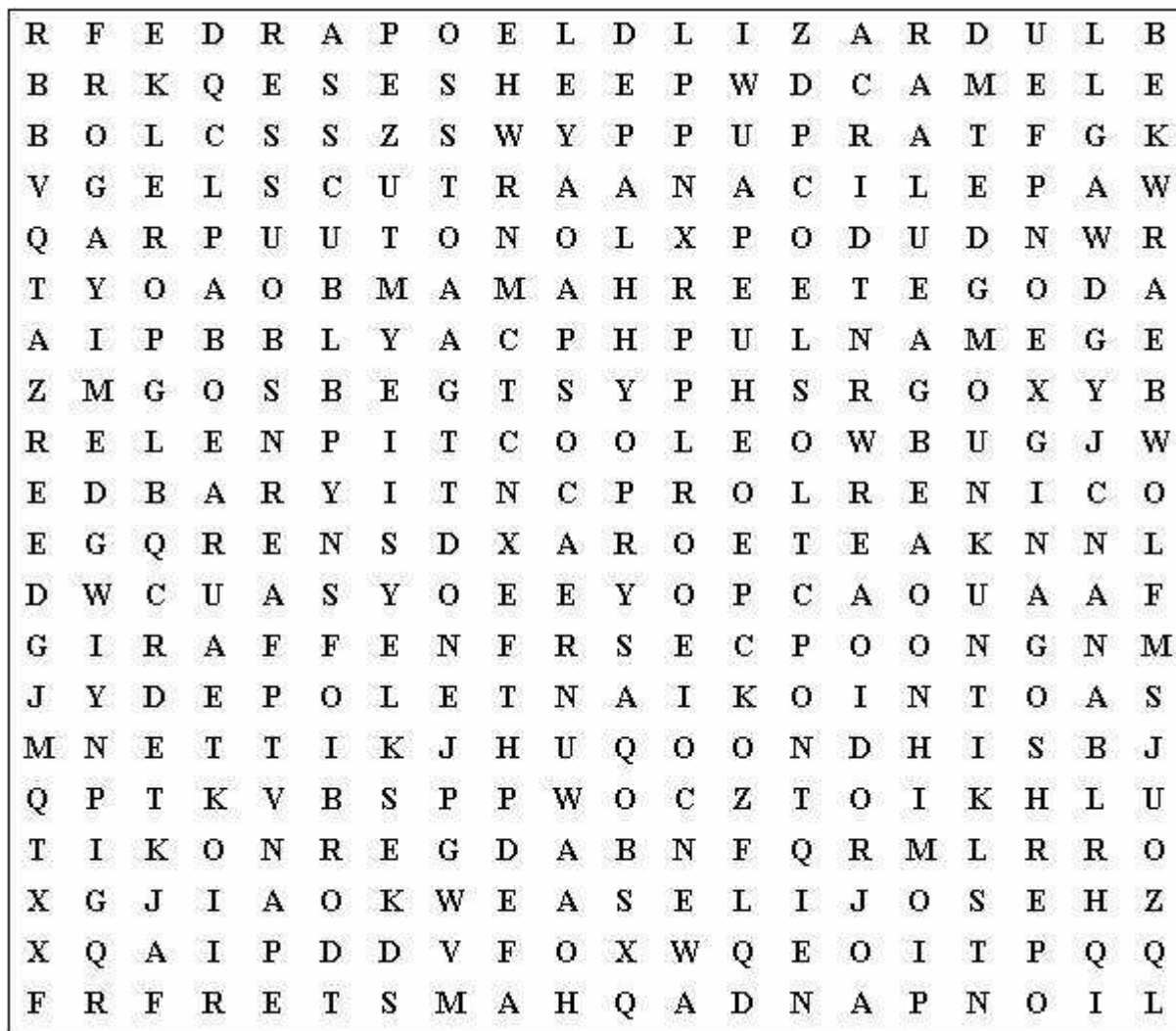
## **WANTED - FAVOURITE & UNUSUAL RECIPES!**

The Newsletter Group is proposing to publish a Milton Damerel Recipe Book, as a fund-raiser for Newsletter Funds. Under the title of:

### **"A Recipe for All Seasons"**

The book will be based on calendar months and the produce/foods in season for the relevant months. We will be seeking the submission of recipes for inclusion - so please let us have your favourite and unusual recipes - either send in using the e-mail address [mdnews@miltondamerel.com](mailto:mdnews@miltondamerel.com) , or by post, or by hand to any of the Newsletter group members (see page 23).

Our aim is to compile and publish later in the year .. and to have a launch event, such as a small local farmers' market at the Parish Hall, in the late autumn, anticipating Christmas 'shopping'!



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Letters, comments, news and articles, etc., can be emailed to [mdnews@miltondamerel.com](mailto:mdnews@miltondamerel.com) or to any of us individually. Our correspondence address is Chapel View, Milton Damerel, EX22 7PB. We want to hear from you with letters for inclusion, topical issues, features you like and also changes to improve the content and style for future editions. We also need every-one to let us know special birthdays, births, anniversaries, and other congratulations. Also tributes to parish residents.

#### Advertisements

Conditions of acceptance. Orders for insertion of advertisements in this newsletter are subject to the approval of the members who may refuse or alter any copy. The newsletter and the members:- a) accept no liability for any loss or damage caused by an error or inaccuracy in the printing of any advertisement. b) Shall not be liable for any loss caused by the failure of the advertisement to appear on any particular day, in any specified position or page or by its failure to appear at all, and they reserve the right to refuse to continue its publication regardless of terms and conditions of any order or contract. Trades Descriptions Act 1968—All traders are reminded of the needs to ensure that goods offered for sale by advertisements comply with all relevant provisions of the above mentioned act.

To advertise in this newsletter contact Margaret on 01409 261486 for more details.

The deadline for submissions of articles and advertisements for the next newsletter is 22nd May 2009

WHAT'S ON .. a selection from local arts...

WHAT?	WHEN?	WHERE?
<b>Rotary Club “Variety Show”</b>	Thursday, 26 <sup>th</sup> & Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm	H.A.T.S Theatre, Holsworthy Tel: 01409 253826 www.holsworthytheatre.co.uk
<b>Musical Showcase</b>	Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Saturday, 6 <sup>th</sup> June	
<b>The Kirsty McGee Hobopop Collective</b> “vaudebilly music for new depression era”	Saturday, 7 <sup>th</sup> March @ 8pm	The Plough, Torrington Box Office: 01805 624624 www.plough-arts.org
<b>Heartbreak Productions present “Emma” (Jane Austen)</b>	Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> March @ 8pm	
<b>John Hagley</b> <b>Beyond our Kennel</b>	Saturday, 14 <sup>th</sup> March @ 8pm	
<b>Richard Durrant</b> <b>The Guitar Whisperer</b>	Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm	
<b>James Seabright presents</b> <b>The Three Musketeers</b> <b>Written &amp; performed by Judith Faultless &amp; Alys Torrance</b>	Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April @ 7pm	
<b>Brian Fraser-Smith</b> <b>“The Real ‘Q’ of World War II”</b> (story of his father, Charles)	Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April @ 7.30pm	
<b>Workshop: Spring Carnival with Sue Russell</b> (make & wear a simple Carnival costume ready for the Springtime festivities in Torrington)	Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April from 10am – 4pm	
<b>Fiddler on the Roof</b> Barnstaple Amateur Operatic Society	Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday, 14 <sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm, also 2.30pm on Saturday	Queen’s Hall Theatre, Barnstaple www.northdevontheatres.org.uk
<b>Joseph &amp; His Amazing Technicolour Dream-coat</b> The Smash-Hit West End Musical	Monday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March to 1 <sup>st</sup> April Performances at 2pm & 7.30pm daily – also 5pm on Saturday	
<b>The Essence of Ireland</b> Traditional Irish dance, music & singing	Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April @ 7.45pm	
<b>Chuckle Brothers</b> <b>‘Chuckle Trek – The Lost Generation</b>	Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April @ 2pm & 5pm	
<b>Paul Merton’s Silent Clowns</b> Spring 2009 Tour	Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> May @ 7pm	
<b>Anything Goes</b> Barnstaple Young Generation	Thursday, 21 <sup>st</sup> – Saturday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May @ 7pm	
<b>Carbaret</b>	Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June @ 2.30pm & 7.30pm	

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The Crucifixion' by Stainer	5th April 7:30pm	5
Newton St. Petrock Male Voice Choir	12th April 7:30pm	4
MD Annual Parish Meeting	15th April	2
Book Review	23rd April 7pm	4
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## Parish Hall

Whist Drive	20th March 7:30pm	18
Wine and Wisom	28th March 7:30pm	18
Beetle Drive	4th April 7:30pm	18
Skittles Fun Night	9th May 7:30pm	18
Coffee Morning	4th June 10am - 12pm	18
Cider and Pasty Walk	Late June	18

## Regular Events

Line dancing	Tuesdays 7-9pm
MD & District over 60's Club	1st Tuesday of each month
Needlework	Monday afternoons 1.30pm

## Missing local events?

Why not detach this diary from the main newsletter and put it somewhere where you can see it, perhaps on your fridge or on your pin board.

### March 2009

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