



# Milton Damerel Newsletter

Summer Edition



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## Milton Damerel Parish Council

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Meetings are usually held on the third Wednesday of each month. The agendas for all meetings are displayed on the notice boards no later than the Thursday before the meeting and also on the website. Anyone is welcome but the public are not permitted to take part in Parish Council business, however time is set aside on the agenda of all meetings for public questions and comments.

The annual Parish Meeting was held on the 19th April 2017 where the attendance was very disappointing. The guest speaker was Matthew Holden, Torridge Headwaters Project Officer, Matthew gave a very interesting presentation and a talk entitled 'Landowners working together to improve the environment in the Torridge Headwaters', details of future talks and presentations can be found on the Parish Council Notice Boards and from Torridge District Council Website. Representatives of local organisations gave their reports for the year. The minutes of the meeting are available on the web site. Tea, coffee and biscuits were served to all those in attendance.

Milton Damerel Parish Council held their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 17th May 2017. Where Councillor Stephen Moyse was unanimously elected to serve another year as Chairman, being proposed by Councillor Gareth Piper, seconded by Councillor Jim Richardson, a unanimous vote elected Councillor Richard Piper as Vice-Chairman, who was proposed by Councillor Stephen Moyse and seconded by Councillor Gareth Piper.

Councillor Robin Julian who has attended the majority of Parish Council Meetings over the past year is no longer our Councillor, due to the new Parish Boundaries he has been replaced by Councillor Barry Parsons. At the Annual Parish meeting the Chairman Councillor Stephen Moyse thanked Councillor Julian for his regular attendance at Parish Council Meetings and for all his help and support over the years that he has represented Milton Damerel.

At the AGM Councillor Barry Parsons was welcomed by Chairman Councillor Stephen Moyse, Councillor Parsons remained for the AGM and gave a report at the general meeting which followed.

**The step Back in Time Fund** for young people still has a balance of £183.02 Grants can be made from this fund to help young people of the Parish undertake special activities, such as volunteering at an event at home or overseas. Applications in writing can be sent at any time to the Parish Council via the Parish Clerk, outlining the project for which the grant is requested.

**Community Automated External Defibrillator (AED):** A training session was held on the 6<sup>th</sup> January and was attended by Parish Councillors and 14 residents. Those that attended said it was very worthwhile and informative, but because of the confusion and misinformation surrounding the use of Defibrillators another session was held on Friday 10th March, the evening was very poorly attended, which is very disappointing as it was well advertised and it was hoped that those that were confused or worried about the use of an AED would attend. We all sincerely hope we will never have to use an AED but learning how to perform CPR is a vital part of the process. Information and advice is readily available, if in doubt please ask.

**Planning Matters:** There have been very few applications over the past three months, two applications that were approved in March were the application to build a side extension at Windy Nook at Gidcott and Variation of conditions on an application for W. Sanders, Horrelsford Garage. Recently proposed and with Torridge Planning department, is an application for a Single Story Extension at The Oaks. Details of all planning applications are available on Torridge District Council website; applications to be considered by the Parish Council are stated on the Agenda for Parish Council Meetings. If residents have any objections or concerns regarding an application they can convey them in writing either by post or email to Torridge District Council planning department, you can also inform any councilor or the Parish clerk, as there is now a strict 21 day consultation period it is imperative that you get your comments to the relevant department as soon possible.

**Town and Parish Fund:** This is an annual grant available to two or more Parishes that join forces to apply for a grant for a specific project. The amount awarded is equivalent to 10p per elector. For the last two years the grant has been obtained jointly with Sutcombe Parish Council, where the grant has been used by both Parishes to keep verges and hedges tidy, as DCC no longer attend to this, except on main highways. The TAP fund is still available but application forms for the financial year 2017-2018, as yet, have not been circulated.

**Freedom of information:** Requests 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, paper copies will be charged at 10p per A4 side. Copies of the recent Parish Council meeting agenda and minutes are now available on [www.miltondamerel.com](http://www.miltondamerel.com)

Lorraine Buttery Parish Clerk

19<sup>th</sup> May 2017



### CONGRATULATIONS!

**To Pauline Palmer** of Strawberry Bank who celebrates her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday on 27<sup>th</sup> May

**To Ron & Joyce Jollow** of 12 Beech Park, Holsworthy Beacon, who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 17<sup>th</sup> June

**To George & Sybil Kinsman** of 3 Beech Park, Holsworthy Beacon who celebrate their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 18<sup>th</sup> July



### GOOD-BYE & WELCOME

#### Welcome to:

**Heathcliff & Danielle Read** who have moved into South View



### OUR SYMPATHIES

**For those who been bereaved recently.**

\*\*\* We are sorry if we miss any occasions for this page – our coverage is only as up-to-date as YOU provide information to us – see final page for contact details. Thank you \*\*\*



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## Chapel News – June 2017

The Torridge Methodist Circuit has been able to confirm 2 new appointments. From 1<sup>st</sup> June we have a part-time Pastoral Worker, whose duties will include the oversight of our chapel, Milton Damerel. Further details below. Also from 1<sup>st</sup> September, we will have a new Superintendent Minister, Rev Robert Blackhall, who will be moving to The Manse in Torrington, and in addition to Circuit responsibilities will have pastoral oversight for Alverdiscott, Torrington, Langtree and Buckland Brewer fellowships. Welcome services will be held for both – for Revd Blackwell this will be in the late summer, but for Revd Lynne Burgon, the welcome service will be at Milton Damerel on 8<sup>th</sup> June (Election Day) at 7pm – this is an open occasion and anyone wishing to attend will be welcomed. We look forward to working with her and having her as part of our team.

### *Introducing Revd Lynne Burgon,*

Hello, my name is Lynne Burgon and I've been appointed by Torridge Methodist Circuit as a part time pastoral worker. I have been married to Malcolm for 32 years and we live in Monkleigh, we have three grown up children and two grandsons.

I have a varied background – for over thirty years I worked within the NHS – I started my career as a trained nurse and went on to become a trained midwife. Midwifery was a wonderful career and was instrumental in my faith journey. Witnessing the miracle of birth over and over again taught me reliance on God in more ways than one so it was no surprise to my family and friends when I announced that I felt called by God to be ordained. I trained later in life and have been ordained for over ten years, I have served as a Parish Priest in the Church of England caring for five rural churches and latterly served as a Chaplain to our local children's hospice at Fremington. I trained at an ecumenical college and I am looking forward to getting to know more about the Methodist way of being Christian. In our gospel reading this last Sunday Jesus describes himself as the good shepherd, one who cares for his sheep. But he also goes on to talk about those who were not from his pen, he says he cares for them too. This is a wonderful picture of the total inclusivity of God. No one is to be left out, all are welcome through the gate, because Jesus himself is the gatekeeper. As his followers we are called to do no less. We are to care for one another, to teach and encourage, and to share each other's burdens. With the help of God, I hope that over the next two years I shall live up to this great calling.



I commence the role as pastoral worker at the beginning of June and I can't wait to get to meet the people in the communities of Milton Damerel, Sheepwash, Black Torrington and Lake Shebbear to which I have been called to serve. I shall be attending as many church and community events as I can fit into 20 hours a week, do come and say hello! If you would like a home visit to say hello please email me on [lynneburgon@live.co.uk](mailto:lynneburgon@live.co.uk) or leave a message on the telephone 01805 624392 and I will get back to you.

*Revd Lynne Burgon*

**SUMMER CONCERT** – The **South Molton Circuit Choir** have accepted an invitation to present a **Concert at 7pm on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2017** in the Chapel. Refreshments to follow the concert; no entry charge, but donations will be invited for Chapel Funds. We understand this is a large choir of 40 – 50 members, so the “roof could well be lifted!” We look forward to welcoming ‘old’ and ‘new’ friends for this evening event – so please come along and give your support, it should be a truly wonderful evening!

### CHAPEL FLOWER PLAN for the months of March to May 2017

4<sup>th</sup> June.....Mrs Gwenyth Johns  
 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> June.....Mrs Phyllis Piper  
 25<sup>th</sup> June & 2<sup>nd</sup> July.....Mrs Anita Southey  
 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July.....Mrs Sally Piper  
 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> July.....Mrs Christine Poole  
 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> August.....Mrs Valerie Carter  
 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> August.....Mrs Grace Millman

**FAMILY SERVICES** – All-age worship held at 11am on the last Sunday of each month.. All are welcome to the services which for this quarter will be:

25 <sup>th</sup> June	30 <sup>th</sup> July	27 <sup>th</sup> August
Revd Lynne Burgon	Revd Stephen Hill	Revd Martin Goord

**EASTER** - a good number came along to Easter Breakfast and enjoyed the 'full works' ably prepared by Dan, Phyllis and William. Thanks too to Kaya for help with the Easter Egg Hunt enjoyed by the children. Donations toward the Nappy Change Facility totalled £51.51.

Easter Service followed led by Roy Harris and technician Alan Randall. This was a wonderful celebration of Easter enjoyed by a good and happy congregation, and with special music. Josephine accompanied the organ with her viola and also sang a solo, for which her sister also played the flute..

**SUNDAY SCHOOL RE-ESTABLISHED** - We are now able to offer a monthly Sunday School on the second Sunday of each month. Details from Sheila (Tel: 261466) and Josephine (Tel: 261807). The next session will be on **Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11am.**

**AFTERNOON TEA & CAKES** – £151.00 was raised for the project supporting Holsworthy Community College Youth Worker, Jonathan Schnarr, at the March Afternoon Tea & Cakes. The afternoon was well supported with all age groups being present, from toddlers to the not so young!

The next Afternoon Tea & Cakes is planned for **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> July from 3 – 5pm** with proceeds being donated to charity.

**BIBLE STUDY** – The Bible Study discussion group has returned to evening sessions (Mondays at 7.30pm in the Chapel Kitchen). We completed the Lent Study before Easter and were delighted to have some additional visitors. Currently we are following a study about Prayer.

**'James in June'** is a country-wide Bible study when we delve into the book of James for the whole of June and Sunday Services will also reflect on this. It will be an exciting project and we welcome others to join with us on this. *The Bible boring? Irrelevant? Why not come and find out!*

We are an ecumenical group and we welcome anyone interested - come along and listen, join in the discussion, and add your views.

For details speak to Sheila (Tel: 261466)

**EAST AFRICA FAMINE FUND** – In response to the request of our Chairman, of the Plymouth & Exeter Methodist District, that all churches in our district should have a retiring collection to support this appeal, £125.00 was collected and forwarded from our congregation.

**SEW 'N' SEWS** – This group continues to meet monthly, when we each bring along a piece of work and enjoy each others company. It's a very friendly group and welcomes others to join in. For more details contact Barbara – 01805 601651 or Sheila 01409 261466.

**CONTACTS** – For further information or help please contact: Our Pastoral Worker, Revd Lynne Burgon (01805 624392): Our stewards: Lilian Luxton (Tel: 261355), Roger Daniel (Tel: 261466), Katie Allin (Tel: 261188). Property Steward: Sheila Daniel (Tel: 261466), Caretaker: Mrs Josephine Hilburn (261807).

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#### **SUPERFAST BROADBAND & MILTON DAMEREL – An Update**

The Parish Council has contacted Geoffery Cox, our MP, again to express concern that the information provided in his letter about coverage in Milton Damerel, was insufficient as whilst several Milton Damerel phone numbers were listed as fibre-enabled, the majority of the lines were outside of the parish.

He has responded and suggested Connecting Devon and Somerset officials should meet with the Parish Council to explore the options and how to make progress with fibre-enabling Milton Damerel.

# Holy Trinity Church New

Reverend Richard Freeman Tel 01409 241315

We start this article with the not so good news, for a second time our church has been turned down for a Heritage Lottery Grant. We badly need the money to finance urgent work that has to be done in order to prevent our parish church closure. Yes that's right – closure.

The heritage lottery grant focuses on use of the church by the community at large, as you know we do our best with our small group to raise funds towards the restoration by organising events at the church. We are supported by volunteers who turn up and help in any way they can to maintain the churchyard and help with the many other jobs needed to be done around the church.

With your support and generousness added to donations and grants we have achieved over £10,000 of the £13,000 we initially needed to raise as our contribution, it seemed a daunting amount when we started but we are getting there. So it is a double whammy to be turned down again.

**We need your help and support** to keep a 'living church' here in Milton Damerel. If you have any ideas on how the church can be used more within the general community we would love to hear from you.

We propose to produce a display of the church history and we need **your help**. As well as the long history of the church itself we wish to include modern day memories 'In Our Lifetime'. We would like to hear memories of people in the Milton Damerel area., for example were you baptised or married in Holy Trinity, and do you have any photographs or other documents we could copy? Do you have family members or friends at rest in the church yard? Did you play in the church yard when you were children and what games did you play?

Think about what it would mean to parishioners if the church was to become a derelict building? Not a nice thought, but with other more suitable buildings within the parish for general community events it would be totally redundant. It is and should remain a place of worship for everyone who chooses to use it.

We ask everyone living in this parish to support us and help us to save this 13th century building, 800 years serving the community.

Will we be the generation that fail to keep the heritage of a 'living church' here in Milton Damerel 'for future generations? I wouldn't want to close the church door forever.

Our final application for the Heritage Lottery Grant will be submitted in August, it's final because the rules are changing. Third time lucky - lets hope and pray that we succeed this time.

Send in your memories sooner rather than late you can email them to:- [emailus@fordcapriclub.com](mailto:emailus@fordcapriclub.com) or if you can bring to me at Albatross Venn Green. I can also come to you if you prefer.

## Changes at the church

After giving many years of valuable service to Holy Trinity Church Mr and Mrs Binns have resigned from their respective posts as Church Warden. This position is now held by the Rev'd Richard Freeman (tel number above).

We thank them for all the past work they have done for the church.

## CHANGES TO CHURCH SERVICES AND TIMES OF SERVICES

**Services at Holy Trinity for the next three months are as follows:-**

June 4<sup>th</sup> 11.30am Eucharist

June 11<sup>th</sup> Holy Trinity Patronal service – United Benefice

June 18<sup>th</sup> No service

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am

Holy Communion

July 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00am.  
Morning Prayer

August 6<sup>th</sup> 9.00am

Eucharist

August 20<sup>th</sup> 10.00am

Morning Prayer



### **Springtime in the churchyard** Have you been in the church yard in the last few weeks?

It has looked beautiful with a dazzling array of spring flower. Especially colourful is the wide verge purposely left for the wildflowers. As always the white drooping heads of snowdrops festooned ground with the promise of spring, around the perimeter the vivid blue periwinkles were seen climbing the banks and peeping through the hedgerows. These were soon joined by the daffodils in golden swathes, adding colour to the scene by popping up everywhere you looked were primroses with their pale lemon petals peeping from the dark crinkly leaves. In a blink the scene changed as bluebells seemed to arrive overnight waving their bells amongst a thick carpet of wild garlic whose pretty white flowers appeared from the tightly folded leaves. The wild garlic is filling the air with its aromatic smell, tread on them and their pungency is intensified. Towering over all as it wafts in the breeze is the wild cow parsley, not to be outdone the bright splashes of pink of the ragged robins catch your eye.

You couldn't plant it like this - nature is just perfect

**Church Gardening** Please note that the church gardening day has changed and from now will be on the Thursday before 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday and before the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month from 2.00pm onwards. It is a more convenient day for most of the volunteers. We hope you can join us.

Summertime means a return to two sessions a month. Cup of tea is free.

The all important *Gardening Dates for the next three months will be*

June 1<sup>st</sup> - June 15<sup>th</sup> - June 29<sup>th</sup> - July 13<sup>th</sup> - August 3<sup>rd</sup> - August 17<sup>th</sup> - August 31<sup>st</sup>

### **Future Fundraising**

**Coffee morning June 24<sup>th</sup> at Holy Trinity Church 10.00am – 12.00 noon**

We look forward to seeing you for our first church coffee morning and bring and buy

**July 14<sup>th</sup> from 5.00pm Church BBQ everyone welcome**

We will have burgers, sausages and all the trimmings, and no washing up.

**New this year - Church Garden Party 19<sup>th</sup> August from 2.00pm**

We invite everyone to our church garden party - the first to be held by the church for many years.

We will have stalls with food, we will have fun and we hope sunshine. (If not it will be in church).

Cake Stall – can you please donate a cake? Bric a brac stall - donations most welcome.

We welcome local organisations and local charity's who would like a stall to raise their own funds.

If you are interested to know more please contact me on 01409 261181



**Christmas Tree Festival will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Church open from 2.00pm each day**

Following on the success of last year's event we want to give you plenty of time to plan your tree decorations.

Let's make it bigger and better. Pass the word around.

Thank you

*Isabel*

## PILATES...

Methodist Schoolroom

Mondays

9.45am – 10.45am

&

11am – 12noon

This has become a very popular class with a good number attending and others wishing to join. Now with 2 classes on a Monday there is room for a few others to join.

Enquiries to Di Sluggett, our tutor, should you wish to join (281637)

**Holsworthy Beacon  
Methodist Church**

## COFFEE MORNING

Last Thursday of each month

10am – 12noon

Chapel Hall

## BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Afternoons @ 2pm

A warm welcome to everyone!

Milton Damerel Methodist Church

## SUMMER CONCERT

## South Molton Circuit Choir

Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm

Refreshments to follow

Proceeds for Chapel Funds

Warm welcome to All!

## AFTERNOON TEA & CAKES

In the Schoolroom

Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> July

3pm – 5pm

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## **JUNIOR /YOUTH NEWS**

### **Baby & Toddler Group**

We meet on Tuesday mornings, 10.30am – 12.30pm. Any local children from 0 – primary school age are welcome; by local, we mean from local surrounding villages and towns. We are pleased to see all who care to join us.

We are really thankful to have our helper, Debbie, with us again, especially as our numbers have grown recently, it can be very hectic! We have been delighted to have our caretaker, Josephine, along for a few weeks to help with music for the song-time. She has brought along a selection of instruments to accompany us, so our singing sounds really good at present! We hope to have a nappy change facility installed soon and thank those who have brought along useful items, including painting aprons and a water play tub amongst other things. We have a trip out to Lizzy's Blackberry Farm soon to see all the animals, always a favourite morning out.

### **Holiday Club**

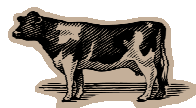
Instead of an Easter Holiday Club we held a Pre-Easter Party, a fun party with Kelvyn Isaac as our MC. Kelvyn has been with us for many years usually following around New Year. A good number, over 30 children came, along with parents and helpers. A great time was had by all, with a real feast of food brought along by each family to share together. Thanks to all who helped make this such a success.

### **Sunday School**

We are now able to offer a monthly Sunday School on the second Sunday of each month. Details from Sheila (Tel: 261466) and Josephine (Tel: 261807).

For our May Sunday School our preacher, Nancy Hall-Tomkin, spoke to the children using 'Hands' as the theme. They were also told the story of the 'Big Picnic' and made picnic food as our activities. Josephine accompanied some lively action songs. We followed this with a Picnic Lunch together and games, and in the afternoon, those who wished, went along to the Toddler Muddy Puddle walk at Newton St Petrock in aid of Save the Children.

The next session will be on **Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11am.**



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## Walking Parish Footpaths

The inter-parish walks continue to be well supported and so far have been blessed by good weather, including our own walk on 8<sup>th</sup>. May. As Evelyn writes such good descriptions of the walks, below is the account of the Milton Damerel walk *"through the eyes of Evelyn"*, which we hope you enjoy.

You only have to look at the photo to see what the weather was like in Milton Damerel on Monday 8th May. Sun hats, sun glasses, short sleeves and smiles were very much in vogue. Mike Jackson had offered us a "new walk" and twenty one of us including Margaret's dog, Mist, set off from the Parish Hall in eager anticipation. Nobody commented on the hill as we turned right from the car park as we were too busy admiring the beautiful spring flowers in the hedgerows. The daffodils and primroses have quickly been replaced by bluebells and pink campions. At the top of the hill by Whitebear Cottage, the handsome black cattle in the field were obviously very curious to see who it was approaching. At Whitebear Farm we picked up the footpath which took us through the farm yard and along the lane crossing a small stream and a grassy field before reaching the lane near Chapel View. This was where the photo was taken but sadly it doesn't do justice to the stunning far reaching views



towards Dartmoor. We turned left along the lane to Lower Walland Corner where we joined another footpath. This took us across another grassy field where the Parish's football pitch used to be, many years ago. We emerged back onto the lane at Whitebear Cross and I was told that there used to be a shop nearby which sold sweets in traditional sweetie jars. This sort of local information always adds interest to our walks and I welcome the company of those that can tell newcomers like myself how it used to be. The route was cleverly devised to take us back past Whitebear Farm and Cottage but instead of returning to our cars that were just a few minutes away, we were introduced to the new permissive path on the right. What a joy to walk amongst the carpet of bluebells. The route was clearly marked and we encountered an extensive length of boardwalk and a footbridge along the way. We entered a field of very inquisitive young heifers and we made their day as they gathered round to inspect us closely as we exited the field by negotiating the stile by Brayleys Cottage. The path brought us out at the rear of the church yard and as we turned left down the lane we passed the Methodist Chapel & Hall where the School used to be. There was a lovely display of Aquilegias (Granny's Bonnets) in the garden of one of the cottages. We turned left at Strawberry Bank and headed up the hill back to the car park. By this stage we had walked the best part of three miles and it was a bit of an effort to manage the last bit up the hill but thankfully we had the prospect of coffee and homemade cakes courtesy of Mike & Roberta in the Hall.

Our next walk will be on Monday 12th June. We will meet in Bradworthy Square & set off at 10am. Daphne Nicholls has kindly offered to arrange refreshments afterwards in the Collacott Room which is above the Village Hall. For any more information, you are welcome to ring me on 01409 259 848.

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### Finance / Property News

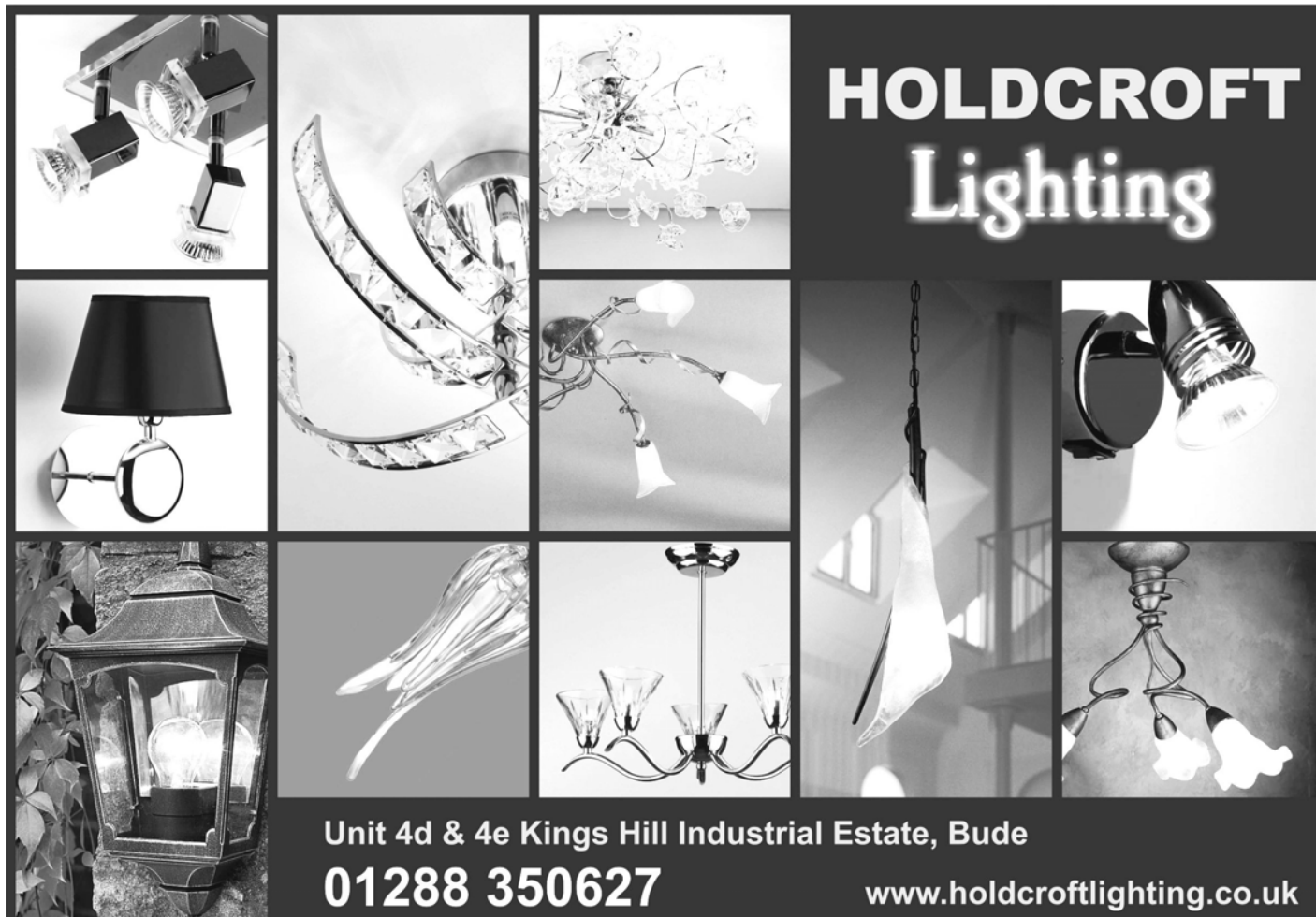
The UK property market has stabilised with a number of factors affecting general market conditions. The forthcoming general election, Brexit and first time buyer's apprehension has all taken its toll. Along with the extensive building programme in the area this also means that vendors are having to be more realistic on their asking prices. However the South West still remains one of the most popular places to live with the stunning coastline and beautiful countryside being a magnet for those seeking a better quality of life coupled with a more relaxed lifestyle.

The increase in stamp duty to 3% for those seeking to buy a second property has affected the holiday home market although those seeking to purchase a buy to let investment property remain undeterred. The returns are generally quite good, in the region of 5-6%, plus the capital appreciate of the property. This can sometimes out perform the average pension.

In my opinion property still remains a good long term investment, although there will be peaks and troughs. Most of us will recall a family member proudly declaring they purchased their first house in the £100's rather than the £1,000's!

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## Recently, I was diagnosed with A.A.A.D.D. – Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder.

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I decide to water my garden. As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing. As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the porch table that I brought up from the mail box earlier. I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car.

I lay my car keys on the table, put the junk mail in the garbage can under the table, and notice that the can is full. So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the garbage first. But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the garbage anyway, I may as well pay the bills first. I take my check book off the table, and see that there is only one check left. My extra checks are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Pepsi I'd been drinking.

I'm going to look for my checks, but first I need to push the Pepsi aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over. The Pepsi is getting warm, and I decide to put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold.

As I head toward the kitchen with the Pepsi, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye—they need water. I put the Pepsi on the counter and discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers.

I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table. I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers. I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor. So, I set the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill.

Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do. At the end of the day: the car isn't washed the bills aren't paid there is a warm can of Pepsi sitting on the counter the flowers don't have enough water, there is still only 1 check in my check book,

I can't find the remote, I can't find my glasses, and I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all the damn day, and I'm really tired. I realize this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my e-mail....

Do me a favor. Forward this message to everyone you know, because I don't remember who the hell I've sent it to. Don't laugh — if this isn't you yet, your day is coming!

## MILTON DAMEREL & DISTRICT OVER 60s CLUB

Club normally meets on 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 2.30pm in the Parish Hall. (Except January).  
It is good to have a regular good attendance for the Tuesday meetings – new members are always welcome.

At the Annual meeting in May the officers were confirmed, but June Vanstone 'retired' as Treasurer and Iris Fry has been 'promoted' to Treasurer, with Pam Pidgeon becoming Assistant Treasurer. June was thanked for her services.

Monthly coach trips started in April with a trip to Trago Mills at Newton Abbot, a coffee stop House of Marbles and fish & chips at Okehampton. In May, there is a tour through Cheddar Gorge, with coffee stop at Blackburn Garden Centre and fish & chips at Burnham-on-Sea.

Planned trips are:

20 <sup>th</sup> June	Newquay, coffee at Trelawney Gardens
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Torquay, coffee at Bernaville Nursery
15 <sup>th</sup> August	Knightshaye, coffee at South Molton Honey Farm and fish & chips at The Pelican
19 <sup>th</sup> September	TBC (Steam Railway – Totnes)
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Shopping in Plymouth, coffee at Tavistock

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### LANDLORDS AND TENANTS

On 6 April 2017 we saw the introduction of new penalties for landlords. It has therefore become ever more important for landlords and their agents to ensure they are in compliance with the Housing Act, and for tenants to know their rights. This compliance check-list will be of some help to home owners who rent out their property and for tenants living in rented accommodation.

Before the tenancy begins it is essential for landlords to:-

Obtain tenant and guarantor details

Agree heads of terms

Obtain references

Apply for the mortgage company's consent to the grant of the tenancy if that is required under the terms of the mortgage

Have an inventory prepared

On granting the tenancy it will be necessary to use an appropriate form of agreement such as an Assured Shorthold Tenancy Agreement, a Home Business Tenancy Agreement, a Contractual Tenancy Agreement, a Company Let Tenancy Agreement, Room Licences, or Student Letting Agreements.

It will then be necessary to ensure that any tenancy deposit is protected in an approved Tenancy Deposit Scheme within 30 days. It will also be necessary to give a receipt for the tenancy deposit, and prescribe information about deposit protection.

The landlord needs to ensure the tenant has been provided with the following documents and send a letter confirming the same:-

Energy performance certificate

Gas safety record

"Prescribed information" regarding protection of any tenancy deposit

A copy of either the Department for Communities & Local Government's "How to Rent: The Check-List for Renting in England" or the Welsh Government's equivalent

Ensure compliance with Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm (England) Regulations 2015 and send a letter to the tenant confirming the same

Advise the council tax department of the name of the new occupier

Ensure compliance with housing health and safety rating system

(If the property is a house in multiple occupation) ensure compliance with the 2006 Regulations

During the tenancy the landlord needs to ensure that the tenant is given up to date information about the landlord's address for service and gas safety checks. The landlord should carry out a mid-term inspection of the property.

On termination of the tenancy, the landlord should ensure that the Section 21 notice, Section 8 notice or other termination notice is prepared and served correctly.

Hopefully by compliance with this check-list both landlord and tenant will have a good relationship, and one which passes the necessary statutory requirements.

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### Do you know what Holsworthy Rural Community Transport offers you?

Are you stuck at home with transport troubles? If so, then Holsworthy Rural Community Transport may well be able to help you out. Holsworthy Rural Community Transport is a small charity dedicated to providing community transport for the people of Holsworthy & the surrounding area, so Milton Damerel is a key target for our operations. This organisation offers real support to people *of all ages* who need transport living in our rurally isolated area with its limited public transport network & you may perhaps not be aware of all that it has to offer. Users of our service say that it provides a “lifeline” & that it makes them feel more independent because they don’t need to rely on asking friends or family to give them lifts.

### Who is Eligible?

Many people in our community are not even aware that they are eligible to take advantage of our services. Are you one of these people? If you have difficulty accessing public transport, have *no access to transport of your own during the day* or if you have special mobility needs then you will be eligible to take advantage of our services, *whatever your age*. Even if someone else in your household has a vehicle, if he or she uses that vehicle during the day to go to work, leaving you at home without any transport, then you will be able to use our services. In addition, if you are temporarily unable to drive, for example due to illness or injury, then you would meet the eligibility criterion. Here is a summary of the services we offer:

### Ring & Ride Service

Our Ring and Ride service offers a wheelchair accessible minibus picking you up directly from your own home & taking you to great destinations, including places of interest, supermarkets & shops & venues for lunch trips. There are daily trips to predefined destinations which our users may otherwise be unlikely to be able to visit. Our registered users receive a timetable pack every two months detailing the trips which are on offer. To use the service all you need to do is register with our office (call 01409 259001) & then you can start booking trips! Our driver will collect you from your home & take you back there afterwards, helping you with shopping bags if necessary. The price varies in relation to the destination, starting from £4.50 for the shorter trips & starting from £5.50 for the longer trips.

### Volunteer Car Service

Our Volunteer Car scheme offers a taxi style service using volunteer car drivers for people requiring transport to important appointments, such as at GP surgeries and hospitals. This taxi-like service, used when no other transport arrangement can be made, is provided by volunteer drivers who use their own transport. They pick you up from your home, take you to your appointment, wait for you & bring you back home afterwards. As well as those who have no access to transport of their own or who have difficulty accessing public transport, if a person is temporarily unable to drive, perhaps for medical reasons, then he or she would also be eligible to use this service. There is a charge of 45p per mile to cover the volunteer’s cost of fuel.

### Community Mini Bus Hire

Are you part of a local community group, youth group, sports team or charity which needs to transport your members to venues? Our two 16-seater minibuses are available at evenings and weekends for hire to local charities and community groups. They can be either self-drive, or hired with a driver & the cost is very reasonably priced at £40 per day or £25 per evening plus fuel (plus driver cost if applicable).

### Holsworthy Town Shuttle

This is our most recently launched service which is currently being trialled. It is a regular bus service which anyone can travel on, making a circular route within Holsworthy (Number 637) which encompasses the whole town & running seven times per day, Monday – Friday. The fare is a flat £1 per journey for adults, 50p for Under 16s & free for Under 5s. You are able to use your bus pass if you have one.

I hope this article will give readers in Milton Damerel a flavour of what this organisation has to offer. For those with access to the internet, you might like to have a look at our website at the following address: <http://www.holsworthyruraltransport.co.uk/> which gives lots of useful information about the services offered such as timetables for the Ring & Ride trips & maps of the areas covered (Milton Damerel is located in the pick up Zone 2).

If you would like to talk to someone personally in more detail about the services available or if you would like to register for the service & book a trip, then please call the Holsworthy Rural Community Transport office on 01409 259001. Alternatively, if you prefer, you can email the office on: [info@holsworthyruraltransport.co.uk](mailto:info@holsworthyruraltransport.co.uk). The office is open Monday – Friday from 10.00am – 1.00pm & we would love to hear from you.

Julia Foster, Holsworthy Rural Community Transport

## Roads around Milton Damerel

It’s getting a bit messy around here!! Items such as plastic wrappings and bags can be lethal if ingested by farm livestock or wild animals. I walked back our road this week and collected a whole (plastic!) bag of empty cigarette packages, half drunk soft drinks bottles, plastic bags, sheets of newspaper, drinks tins, bread plastic bags etc. “Please keep your litter in your vehicle and dispose of it at home”

But also the roads are being seen as an opportunity to try out their vehicles performance and try to accelerate as fast as possible. Whilst most of the back roads are 60, the conditions or visibility don’t often allow a vehicle to go at half that speed. In April there was an accident on a T junction which resulted in a broken sternum for the passenger and a motorcyclist was knocked off his bike on a bend.

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## The Mature Movers Group

The Mature Movers Group is a seated exercise class for the over 60s held in Pyworthy Village Hall every Thursday morning between 10.00 am and 11.30 am. and at Halwill Baptist Church Hall on Thursday afternoons 1.00 pm to 2.30 p.m. The exercise routine works all the major muscles and a few we didn't know we had! We generally have a few laughs along the way and then finish in time for tea, biscuits and a chance to have a chat with other members of the Group.

The exercises have been designed in conjunction with NHS University Hospital Birmingham and Centre for Healthy Ageing and Research. Research has shown that remaining active and taking regular exercise improves mobility and balance which can help the older population maintain their independence.

In February 2017 the Pyworthy Group was joined by Jo Horne, Assistant Practitioner with the Holsworthy Community Health and Social Care Team who runs the Strength and Balance class at Holsworthy Hospital. Jo enjoyed taking part and felt that the class is a positive and fun way to maintain and improve muscle strength and reduce the chances of a fall.

For some of the exercises we use resistance bands which are a safe way to add variety, help tone and strengthen muscles and increase coordination. Thanks go to Councillor Ian Parker who kindly awarded the funding to purchase the bands through Torridge District Council's Councillor Community Grants Scheme.

The classes are £3 per week including tea and biscuits.

If seated exercises aren't for you then you could try Forever Fitness in the Scout Hut, Holsworthy on Monday afternoons between 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm. This class is jointly supported by Age UK Devon and Active Devon and offers a bit more of an aerobic workout as well as focussing on balance, flexibility and strength. These classes are £3.50 per week.

If you would like more information on any of the classes please call Gill Aston on 01409 254642 or just turn up.

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At the Woodford Bridge Hotel & Country Club we were asked if we could hold an event by the North Devon Hospice Team to raise funds and also awareness for the Long House Outreach Centre in Holsworthy - so we thought that an Easter Coffee Morning might be a rather nice idea.

We were so thrilled with the amount of people that came along to the Coffee Morning and we have raised over £780 (final figures still to come in) for The Long House. Tremendous thanks goes to everyone who came for their support and generosity and to the local businesses that kindly donated prizes for the raffle.

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## What to do in your garden in June

### Flowers

Sowings can now be made outdoors of alstroemeria, achillea, arabis, canterbury bells, coreopsis, erigeron, myosotis and sweet william seeds.

Sow in the greenhouse polyanthus, primrose and pansy for autumn planting to flower in spring.

In early June apply general purpose-pelleted organic fertiliser prior to planting out summer bedding plants.

Thin out hardy annuals sown direct in their flowering positions.

Plants in the home are always popular and June is an ideal time to raise foliage plants such as coleus and the sensitive plant (mimosa pudica).

To brighten up winter and spring displays indoors, make sowings of calceolaria, cineraria and primula obconica.

Although it will be some time before they flower, sow cactus and the amazing strelitzia seed.

If you have any spare bedding plants left over such as celosia, begonia, geranium or impatiens (busy lizzie) pot them up to provide a colourful display in a light porch or on a windowsill, to provide colour throughout the summer.

### Vegetables

Plant out greenhouse raised brussels sprouts, cabbage, celery, courgettes, cucumbers, marrows, runner and french beans.

Beetroot, carrots and lettuce rows can be thinned out and further sowings can be continued.

Remember smaller crops will be produced when over-crowded sowings are made, and any unwanted seedlings should be carefully removed.

In the case of pumpkins, courgettes and marrows hand pollinate to encourage good fruit set.

Protect carrots from carrot fly and cabbages from caterpillar damage by covering the crop with Envirofleece or Enviromesh.

When digging up early potatoes take care not to pierce or damage the tubers.

Keep the greenhouse well ventilated during the day as temperature fluctuations caused by quite hot temperatures in the day, then going cool at night could very well affect tomato plants fruiting. Also tapping the flowers of greenhouse tomatoes will improve pollination.

### Fruit

Inspect fruit bushes and trees for pest and diseases, and treat as necessary.

As new canes of raspberries and blackberries appear, tie to support wires but remember to keep them away from last year's growth as this will flower and fruit this summer.

It is a good idea to either use a fruit cage or drape netting over soft fruit bushes such as currants, as well as strawberries which are either growing in rows or containers, to prevent birds, especially blackbirds, from stripping unprotected plants of their fruit.

Strawberry crops that have been kept under glass, cloches or fleece should now be uncovered so that pollinating insects can gain access.

Also if strawberries are being grown in a greenhouse open doors fully now.



# Tea cake Recipe

## The Fermenter

7floz lukewarm water  
1 sachet dried yeast  
2tsp caster sugar  
2oz Bread Flour  
1 egg



## Teacake Mix

1lb Strong White Bread Flour  
3oz Caster Sugar  
3oz Margarine  
2tsp Mixed Spice  
1tsp Salt  
6oz Mixed Dried Fruit

## Method

1. For the fermenter, measure the water and add the egg, whisking gently until mixed. Put the dry ingredients into a basin, gradually add the water/egg, stir until mixed, cover the bowl with cling film and leave to ferment in a warm place for approx. 30mins.
2. Put Flour into a larger bowl, add the salt then rub in the margarine to resemble breadcrumbs, add the caster sugar, mixed spice then the mixed fruit, mix all ingredients together then leave to one side until the fermenter is ready.
3. Add the fermenter then knead until it forms a dough, take out of the bowl, place on the work surface and knead for approx. 5mins until springy to the touch, place back in the bowl, cover with cling film and a damp cloth, leave to rise in a warm place for 1 hour.
4. After 1 hour, take the dough out of the bowl and knead the mixture for about 5mins, place back into the bowl, cover and leave to rise for 30mins.
5. When 30mins is up, take dough out of the bowl and divide mixture into 12 buns, shaping them as you divide them, then place each one onto a baking tray covered with baking parchment, use two baking trays if required, cover with a cloth and leave to rise in a warm place for approx. 45mins.
6. Pre-heat your oven 180oC, after 45mins, place in the pre-heated oven and bake for around 10mins, checking regularly as not to brown them too much.
7. Take out of the oven and leave to cool, serve either toasted with butter or cold.

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## **MILTON DAMEREL GARDENING CLUB**

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June 19<sup>th</sup>. Talk on Bee Keeping, by Anne Binns

July 17<sup>th</sup>. Talk on Landscape Gardening, by Robin Julien

August 21<sup>st</sup>. Bring and Share Tea at Lesley Self, Tor View.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2017. **GARDEN SHOW**

Watch for Schedules at Sanders Garage, Horrells Ford.

October 16<sup>th</sup>. TBA

November 20<sup>th</sup>. Making a Pond/Bog Garden

December 18<sup>th</sup>. Quiz.

**All above are subject to Change.**

Contacts New Officers: - Jim or Mel Richardson 261 353  
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### The Newsletter and Colour Printing including Photographs

We would like to offer some guidance to our contributors and future contributors when submitting photographs or articles / events posters containing colour fonts or blocks of colour. It is our aim to keep the costs of each edition within the income received from subscribers and advertisers and we do use software to calculate the cost of printing, particularly pages containing photographs and items with blocks of colour.

Some colour throughout the newsletter is attractive and is effectively used to illustrate the material, highlight or draw the reader's eye to significant information. So please continue to consider submitting colour material, but **we do ask that if a contributor wants to include photo/photos to contact Terry / David for advice on how much may be included.** Please do not be offended if we come back to you when colour/photos have been included in your contributions.

Often the photographer for an event takes several photos and wishes to share them; it would be very helpful that an order of preference is given where multiple pictures are submitted but not all the pictures can be used in the Newsletter. With several photos, one of the options is to forward them to Terry for loading on to the Milton Damerel web-site gallery, and a note can be added to the foot of the article advising more photos can be found on the web-site.

We do however bring to your attention a safe-guarding matter if the photographs for the newsletter or the web-site include children or vulnerable adults – you should be able to confirm to Terry that permission has been obtained from all the children's parents/guardians. In such situations verbal consent is not sufficient, there should a signed document, for each child, held by the organisation/club to confirm permission to publish. If not, faces of children for whom permission has not been obtained, will need to be obscured before publication.

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selection of local meats and an abundance of fresh seasonal vegetables served from 12pm – 5pm  
Booking advisable call :- 01409 261481 Ext 876

Small & Large groups catered for 2 courses £15.95 or 3 courses £17.95

# Milton Damerel Parish Hall

Registered Charity No. 281123

## Events Report

The Bingo held on the 8<sup>th</sup> April was very well attended and raised £278.46 for Parish Hall Funds. Thanks to Kate for organising and getting all the wonderful Easter Egg prizes.

The St George's Day Lunch on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April was an amazing success. The Hall looked lovely decorated in red and white and all who came said that they enjoyed the 4 course meal, served by the charming waitresses in their matching Parish Hall aprons. We had some wonderful raffle prizes donated and the final amount raised was £686.69 which will go towards our next project to improve the hall. Grateful thanks to Mel and Debbie again for joining us to help on the day.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Coffee Morning on 11<sup>th</sup> May and helped to raise £104.

Whist Drives continue to be held on the third Saturday of every month and with other regular bookings of the Hall by various organisations we manage to keep up the maintenance of the hall.

## Future Events for the diary

- 10<sup>th</sup> June**      **QUIZ NIGHT**      7.30 pm for 8 pm    **Booking essential 261196**  
                          **Bring your own drinks**  
                          **£5 per person including Ploughman's Supper**
- 17<sup>th</sup> June**      **Whist Drive**    7.30 pm start
- 15<sup>th</sup> July**      **Whist Drive**    7.30 pm start
- 19<sup>th</sup> August**    **Whist Drive**    7.30 pm start
- 11<sup>th</sup> September**    **Parish Hall AGM**    7.30 pm    **Everyone welcome to attend**
- 16<sup>th</sup> September**    **Whist Drive**    7.30 pm start
- 29<sup>th</sup> September**    **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING** 10 am – 12 noon in the Parish Hall  
                          **Bring all your friends and support this worthwhile cause**
- 30<sup>th</sup> September**    **SOUP AND SWEET SOCIAL EVENING** Starts at 7.30 pm    Please book.  
                          **£5 adult, £3 child. Choice of soup and sweet, and tea and coffee.**  
                          **Bring your own drinks if required**

We are always looking for new people to join us on the committee, particularly younger people and men! If you think that you might have some good ideas for helping to keep the hall functioning or ideas for fund raising events we would love to hear from you. Chairman: Lesley Self, Secretary: Kate Moyse, Treasurer: Roberta Jackson, Publicity: Sara Lawes. Ann Poole, Mary Carter, Margaret Fishleigh, Elizabeth Bellew and Christine Cook.

## Hiring the Hall

The hall is available for hire for events and private functions at very reasonable rates. See the community website [www.miltondamerel.com](http://www.miltondamerel.com) to download a booking form and Terms and Conditions of Use, or contact:

Booking Secretary: Roberta Jackson on 01409 261196. If unavailable telephone  
 261294 or 261151

### LINE DANCING

At Milton Damerel Parish Hall

Tuesdays 7.00pm to 8.30pm

£2.00 per session

Tel: Lesley 261294 to check times

## SKITTLES

### Milton Damerel Ladies

The Milton Damerel Ladies Skittles Club play in the Holsworthy and District Ladies Skittle League during the season from September to March. Home matches are played at Milton Damerel Parish Hall and away matches this season in Village Halls at Clawton, Launcells, North Tamerton, Northlew, Petrockstowe, Poundstock, Sheepwash and St Giles plus at the New Inn at Kilkhampton

The Club end of season Dinner & Presentation was held on 30<sup>th</sup> March at Woodford Bridge when trophies for highest score and highest averages were presented to players in both teams. For the A team Mikaela Rofe had the highest score with 91 and also the highest average of 56. For the B team Kate Moyse had the highest score with 77 and Lesley Self had the highest average with 51. The wooden spoon for lowest score is also awarded each year!

The 'A' team have again topped the Division for the eighth consecutive year and were presented with their trophies, Shield and Certificate at the League Annual Dinner & Presentation Evening on 5<sup>th</sup> May at Holsworthy Golf Club, they also got the George Edwards Memorial Trophy for the highest away score of 416. Milton Damerel was runner up on aggregate in Division 2 and was presented with a certificate. The Club is likely to be promoted to Division 1 when the teams will be playing at a whole new set of away venues on alternate weeks next season. Mikaela Rofe and Shirley Grills (both A team players) with their high averages, qualified for the Devon County Team and were presented with glass wear.

### Milton Damerel Men

Milton Damerel Men play at the Parish Hall for Holsworthy and District Men's Skittles League on Tuesday, during the Skittle session. They are in the first Division. This season the B Team won the Launcells and Bridgemans Cup. Team member, Ray Daniel will be representing the Devon County Team, when playing in the finals, at the end of May.

### Thornbury Men

Thornbury Men also play at the Parish Hall on alternate Tuesdays for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division. No Cups were won this year.



St George's Day Lunch



Police Co-ordinator:

PCSO Raquel Rowe

Tel: 101

Local Co-ordinators:

Strawberry Bank  
 Gratton, Whitebear & Fore Street  
 Venn Green  
 Gidcott  
 Holsworthy Beacon

Roger Copp Tel: 261681

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Position Vacant

With identity fraud now representing over half of all fraud recorded in the UK it is timely to remind everybody of a scam which is becoming more prevalent:

**Unexpected Delivery Scam:** This scam seems to be becoming more common and can happen to anybody who has had their personal information stolen, whether they know or not. What happens is that you will receive a package containing an expensive new phone or laptop which you have not ordered. Shortly after you have taken delivery you will receive a phone call supposedly from the reputable company (e.g. BT) stating that they have made a dispatching error and that they will send a courier to collect the package. This courier will be a bogus company and if the package is handed over then the criminals will have got away with the goods leaving you to sort out the mess and possibly be out of pocket. If you receive any unauthorised packages then contact the sender direct and send back the package using their instructions. You should also contact the police and Action Fraud (0300 123 2040 or via their website). If the company says that they will be sending a courier ask for the details and what ID they will have.

**Property Marking:** Raquel recently hosted a drop-in event at the cattle market where she had available a special offer on the forensic marking product "SelectaDNA". This is a chemical based liquid containing micro dots which can be put onto most surfaces to form a robust, long lasting security ID which is virtually invisible until seen under ultra-violet lighting. The micro dots contain an unique number which is registered to the owner to make tracing very easy. This product is far more robust than the UV marker pens which need to be renewed annually and it can also be used outdoors. These kits normally retail at £59.50 via their website but were on offer at £20 through a special deal which has been arranged with DaCCWA (Devon & Cornwall Community Watch Association). There are still some kits available at this offer price and they can be obtained from Raquel. Full product details are available at [www.selectadna.co.uk](http://www.selectadna.co.uk).

**Heating Oil Thefts:** We have recently seen a rise in the number of thefts of heating oil from garden tanks in the surrounding villages and within our own Parish. As many properties in the Parish use oil, please keep a look out for any suspicious activity in the area of storage tanks. Oil tanks, especially the plastic one are particularly difficult to fully secure but there are measures that can help prevent thefts and act as a deterrent e.g. fuel cap locks, fuel cap alarms to prevent tampering, tank alarms which warn you when the level starts to drop quickly either from theft or leakage, security lighting and CCTV. With tanks sited in many differing locations, if you need any advice concerning making them secure, any of our PCSOs will be happy to speak to you.

**BT Scams:** Calls appear to be coming from 08000 285085 however these are not genuine BT calls. Hang up rather than get into a discussion with them.

**Holsworthy Beacon:** We are still without a co-ordinator for this area. If anybody is interested in taking on this position or would like further information, please contact Roger who is the area co-ordinator for the Parish. We are fortunate to live in a low crime area and we would like to keep it that way. The duties are not onerous, so please give some consideration as to whether you can help us.

Please remember *"Crime cannot flourish in a community that cares."*



Launching for SelectaDNA ADVANCE FORENSIC MARKING to discreetly mark your items from jewellery to farm machineries.

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The product is available for sale at £20 a bottle which will mark at least 50 items. Please bring a cheque to pay for the items, address to DACCWA (Devon and Cornwall Watch Association).

Please contact PCSO 30099 Raquel Rowe for any further information.

#### Bradworthy Primary Academy Diary Dates

Monday 29th - Friday 2nd June - Half Term

Monday 5th June - Second half summer term begins

Thursday 15th June - Sponsored Walk around Tamar Lake

Monday 19th June - Friday 23rd June - Year 6 Residential to London

Wednesday 28th June - Open Evening at Holsworthy Community College

Monday 10th July - Friday 14th July - Year 5 Residential to Wales

Thursday 13th and Friday 14th July - Year 6 Visit to Holsworthy Community College

Tuesday 18th July - Parent Information Evening at Holsworthy Community College

Wednesday 26th July - Break Up for Summer Holidays

Wednesday 6th September - Autumn Term Begins

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October - Half Term

Friday 15th December - Break up for Christmas

Monday 8th January 2018 - Spring Term Begins

Monday 12th February - 16th February - Half Term

Thursday 29th March - Break Up for Easter

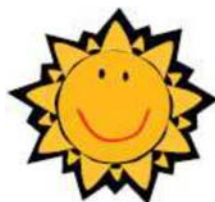
Monday 16th April - Summer Term Begins

Monday 7th May - May Bank Holiday

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June - Half Term

Thursday 26th July - Break Up for Summer Holidays

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.



# WELCOME SUMMER

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**To advertise in this newsletter contact David on 01409 261577 for more details.**

**The deadline for submissions of articles and advertisements for the next newsletter is 11th August 2017**

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## WHAT'S ON .. .....a selection of local events in Holsworthy, Torrington and Barnstaple

WHAT?	WHEN?	WHERE?
'Take a Chance on Us' ABBA Tribute (Outside Organisation)	30 <sup>th</sup> June –Doors open at 7pm	H.A.T.S Tel: 01409 253826 <a href="http://www.holsworthytheatre.co.uk">www.holsworthytheatre.co.uk</a>
Cameron Mills and Friends in Concert	22 <sup>nd</sup> July – Doors open at 7pm	
<b>Films, Live Events – Theatre, Open Air, Music, Visual Arts, Regular &amp; Special Workshops for Children and Adults</b>		The Plough, Torrington Box Office: 01805 624624 <a href="http://www.ploughartscentre.org.uk">www.ploughartscentre.org.uk</a>
<b>Films / Live Screenings:</b>		
<b>Beauty &amp; The Beast</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> June @ 2pm	
National Theatre Live <b>Peter Pan</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> June @ 3pm	
<b>Workshops:</b>		
<b>Myths &amp; Legends Play in a Day 7-12 yrs</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> June @ 10am Guildhall, Barnstaple 2 <sup>nd</sup> June @ 10am Plough Arts Centre	
<b>The Emperor's New Clothes</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> June @ 3pm Castle Hill, Filleigh	
<b>Making Silver Bird House Pendants using PMC</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> June 10am – 4pm	
<b>Flowers in Felt</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> June 10am – 4pm	
<b>Experimental Fabric Screen Printing with Flowers &amp; Birds</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> July 10am – 4pm	
<b>Peter Pan in a Day 7-12yrs</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> August @ 10am Guildhall, B'staple 17 <sup>th</sup> August @ 10am Plough Arts Centre	
<b>Theatre:</b>		
Illyria present <b>The Emperor's New Clothes</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> June @ 5pm Castle Hill Filleigh 29 <sup>th</sup> July @ 5pm Badock Gardens, Holsworthy 11 <sup>th</sup> August @ 5pm Hartland Abbey	
<b>Oliver - Plough Youth Theatre Juniors + Junior Jazz</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> June @ 7pm	
<b>Far from the Madding Crowd</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> June @ 5pm Hartland Abbey	
Illyria present <b>A Comedy of Errors</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> June @ 7pm RHS Garden Rosemoor 8 <sup>th</sup> July @ 7pm Hartland Abbey	
Heartbreak Productions present <b>Taming of the Shrew</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> July @ 7pm The Vicarage Gardens, Torrington	
The Pantaloons present <b>A Midsummer Night's Dream</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> July @7pm Hartland Abbey	
Box Tree Productions <b>Wind in the Willows</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> August: RHS Gardens Rosemoor Drama Workshop 6-11 yrs 3 – 4.30pm Theatre @ 5pm	
The Handlebards present <b>As You Like It</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> August @ 6pm The Vicarage Garden, Torrington	
The Festival Players present <b>The Merry Wives of Windsor</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> August @ 5pm Hartland Abbey	
Heartbreak Productions present <b>The Secret Garden</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> August @ 6pm The Vicarage Gardens, Torrington	
<b>Music:</b>		
<b>Andre Rieu Maastricht Concert 2017</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> July @ 3pm 30 <sup>th</sup> July @ 3pm	
Illyria present <b>The Mikado</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> August @ 7pm Badock Gardens, Holsworthy 23 <sup>rd</sup> August @ 7pm Hartland Abbey 24 <sup>th</sup> August @ 6pm RHS Gardens Rosemoor	

## What's on Diary

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Holy Trinity Church Gardening	1 June	2pm	7
South Molton Circuit Choir	4 June	7pm	8
Quiz Night	10 June	7:30 for 8pm	24
Walking Footpaths	12 June	10am	10
Holy Trinity Church Gardening	15 June	2pm	7
Whist Drive	17 June	7:30pm	24
Cider and Pasty Walk	18 June	2:30-4pm	17
Milton Damerel Gardening Club	19 June	7:30pm	22
Over 60s Trips	20 June		13
Holy Trinity Church Gardening	29 June	2pm	7
Walking Footpaths	10 July	10am	
Holy Trinity Church Gardening	13 July	2pm	7
Church BBQ	14 July	5pm	7
Whist Drive	15 July	7:30pm	24
Milton Damerel Gardening Club	17 July	7:30pm	22
Over 60s Trips	18 July		13
Coffee morning, Albatross, Venn Green	27 July	10-noon	7
Afternoon Tea and Cakes	29 July	3-5pm	8
Holy Trinity Church Gardening	3 Aug	2pm	7
Over 60s Trips	15 Aug		13
Holy Trinity Church Gardening	17 Aug	2pm	7
Church Garden Party	19 Aug	2pm	7
Whist Drive	19 Aug	7:30pm	24
Milton Damerel Gardening Club	21 Aug	7:30pm	22
Holy Trinity Church Gardening	31 Aug	2pm	7
Milton Damerel Gardening Club Garden Show	2 Sept		22
Parish Hall AGM	11 Sept	7:30pm	24
Whist Drive	16 Sept	7:30pm	24
Over 60s Trips	19 Sept		13
Macmillian Coffee Morning	29 Sept	10-noon	24
Soup and Sweet social evening	30 Sept	7:30pm	24
Milton Damerel Gardening Club	16 Oct	7:30pm	22
Over 60s Trips	17 Oct		13
Milton Damerel Gardening Club	20 Nov	7:30pm	22
Milton Damerel Gardening Club	18 Dec	7:30pm	22

## Regular Events

Bible Study	Mondays 7.30-9pm
Mobile Library	Wednesdays – every four weeks 3:45pm - 4:30pm
MD & District Over 60s Club	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month (not Jan) 2.30pm
Line Dancing	Tuesdays 7-8.30pm
Parish Council meetings	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 7.30pm
Coffee Morning – Holsworthy Beacon Methodist Church	Last Thursday of each month 10am
Methodist Morning Service	Sundays 11am
Parish Church Holy Communion	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month 9.00am
Parish Church Eucharist/Lay Service (alternates monthly)	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month 11.30am
Pilates	Monday 11:00 - 12pm
New Baby & Toddler Group Methodist schoolroom	Tuesday morning 10.30 till 12