



Callington News

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FREE Film Shows

Due to a grant and the generosity of several groups within Callington, from May the film shows for children will be **FREE!**

The Town Forum have successfully obtained a grant of several thousand pounds from Awards for All, which allows the purchase of the equipment for showing films which is currently being hired. The new equipment will provide better pictures and improved sound. Several groups in Callington such as the Rotary, Lions, Town

Forum and T Burnard & Sons have agreed to sponsor the cost of the hire of films. The fee for film hire includes the Public Viewing Licence which is mandatory. A fund raising event is also planned for September to raise further funds to allow the continuation of free shows. Any parents leaving children unattended at the shows are reminded they must fill in a contact details form before their children can be admitted. Whilst every reasonable care will be taken with

unattended children we cannot be responsible for them leaving the building.

The next show is on May 20th. Doors open at 14.00hrs for 'All Dogs go to Heaven' a Cert. U film, which stars Charlie, & Itchy, heroic, roguish mutts who get into all sorts of scrapes. At 19.00hrs there is 'Harry Potter, Goblet of Fire', as this is a Cert. 12 film it makes an ideal outing for families with older children.

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The Town Clerk's Office is open 0900-1400hrs Mon-Fri. At other times an answer phone is available.

Mail can be put in the letter box in front of the office if the hall is open or through the entrance door.

East Cornwall Gamers Launch in Callington

Newly formed East Cornwall Gamers will be using Callington Town Hall as their venue, ECG hope to give anyone that plays table-top games in the area the chance to meet up once a month and test their mettle against fellow players.

"Everyone likes to play games, most people play at home with one or two friends, or their kids."

"Our plan is to bring those small groups together on the second Sunday of each month and give them a place to mix and play the games they enjoy,

maybe even find some new ones"

The aim to provide a central resource and community focus for anyone who enjoys this particular hobby, or would like to give it a try. Open to all genres of tabletop gaming, from card games to serious war-games, a dozen members are already eager to get involved. With 8 year old Yu-Oi-Oh players, 42 year old veterans of World Championships and Role Players on board, there should be something for everyone.

"People of all ages will

be made welcome, but we have to insist that young children be accompanied by an adult"

ECG are opening the Town Hall doors from 11.00.a.m to 5.00pm on Sunday May 14th to anybody with an interest in games.

Further meetings will be on the second Sunday of every month at the same time.

Feel free to drop in, first sessions are going to cost you nothing. More information from Nigel of GMS on 07818037791.

Callington Young Farmers

Correction: The current Secretary of the CYF is Dan Nattle

Celliwic Evergreens

Correction: The monthly meetings start at 2.30.p.m. Celliwic Evergreens have also kindly agreed to sponsor a hanging basket for the summer.

Kidney Research

Ron Deacon would like to thank everyone who donated towards Kidney Research. £30.50 was raised.

Lifeboat Appeal

Following the sad death of Ted Clarke, Secretary of the Callington & District R.N.L.I., volunteers are urgently sought to assist on flag days and at outdoor events during the summer. Anyone with secretarial skills would be most welcome. Please telephone the Chairman, David Atkinson on 01822 833888.

Prim-Raf

'A Fish Out of Water', a farce by Derek Benfield, will be showing at the Prim-Raf, Biscumbes Lane from Wed. 24th-Sat. 27th May. Tickets £5 and are available from Noakes & Habermehl, Fore Street.

NEWS FROM CLUBS & GROUPS

Callington Rugby Club

With the weather almost at its worst for this season Callington played host to Veor, for the latest league game in the season. It would see both sides contending for control of the game, but Callington showing some dominance in the pack. As for the line-outs, its was difficult to judge with the wind throwing the ball around so there was little in the way of defined success for either team. As it was Veor scored first with a try that was successfully converted with a second unconverted try coming later in the first half. Callington would not get their own back until later in the first half after Gareth Wamouth made a break through the centre of play to score under the posts. Scrum-half Kieran Wamouth went on to convert it. But this was to no avail as the final score was Callington 7, Veor 12. This game was graciously sponsored by Kivells Estate Agents of Callington.

Scouts to raise Money for WaterAid - 29th Apr.

This last term we've been revisiting the Scout Promise and in doing this we have looked at how we can help our local and global communities. With this in mind we have thought about how we can do more recycling, how fair-trade works and how we can help other communities where people don't have the opportunities that we have.

As a group we have

U3A

Displays from many and varied interest groups in Callington U3A were on show at the Annual Meeting held on 3rd April in the Town Hall. Chairman, Don Jackson, complimented all those who had worked together to make their group a success. This shows that there is something for everyone whether it is exercise through table tennis to

Bowling

After a successful season in the Short Mat League, Callington Bowling Club's Blue Team has been promoted to play in the Premier Division next season. The Red Team will join the White and play in the First Division. The building work to provide disabled access was completed in time for the opening of the Outdoor Season on April 8th. Although the weather was unkind the members enjoyed a competitive afternoon.

chosen to raise money for WaterAid, as water is something essential, which we take for granted (and even use to wash our cars! Such luxury!).

On the 29th April our scout troop will play host to a car wash and tabletop sale with fairtrade refreshments in the Scout Hut (Pioneer car park). Come and have a look at our stalls offering fairtrade items,

relaxing with flower arranging, or indeed a combination of several interest. With the better weather, many member will be out and about with walks [or strolls if you prefer] to bird-watching and garden-visiting. So if you would like to join us, our next meeting will be in the Town Hall on Monday 8th May at 10.00.a.m. or phone Pam Barnett on 01579 384309 for further information.

Fair

St Mary's Church in Callington will be holding a Midsummer Fair on Saturday 24th June in the churchyard from 9.00.a.m. There will be stalls, games, refreshments and a raffle; activities include children's crafts, an opportunity to see the clock and bell tower and its workings and lots more. Put this date in your diary and don't miss the fun!

books, games, a tombola, raffle, toys, and videos whilst having your car washed.

Come and learn more about fair-trade or recycling with our interactive CDs. Have a go at a wordsearch or the young ones can do some colouring.

Please support us. We look forward to seeing you. 10.00 – 13.30 in the Scout Hut.

Letters to the Editor

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Search for Films

For many years I have been searching for two films called "Highlights of Callington". Phillip Mutton, a local man was the photographer and it was filmed during 1954-1958 approx. Like many of you at that time I am on the film with my three brothers, the youngest deceased. If anyone knows where I can obtain a copy I would be most grateful.

Mrs Rosamund Newton
☎01271 376696

Help for the Elderly

I would like to bring Independent Age to your attention, this is a registered charity which covers the whole of the UK and Ireland. This organisation gives a small, monthly charitable payment which doesn't affect income support, disability allowance or other benefits. If you

have a low pension, low savings and are aged over 65, the charity might be able to help you. Independent Age also offers assistance in many other ways, such as mobility aids, bedding, clothing and grants for appliances, as well as other essentials. The main aim is to help older people on low incomes to live independently with dignity and peace of mind. Contact

Independent Age at 6, Avonmore Road, London W14 BRL, or phone 020 7605 4200. There is also a web site at www.independentage.org.uk/home

Farewell

Shirley and I thank you for the privilege of being part of your community and part of your lives for these past eleven years! Callington has been our home and Callington has

been my town. Through fellowship and service at the Primary School and in the Rotary Club, but especially through the ministry at the Mustard Seed from where I have sought to serve as an ambassador of Jesus, our paths have often crossed through the tapestry of personal friendships throughout the community.

Thank you to the large group who shared in the wonderful farewell day on Sunday 12th March. The kind words and gracious farewells so many of you have offered over the last few weeks have touched me more than I can say and have ensured that you will always have a place in my heart, as we too leave a large part of our own hearts in Cornwall.

Warm regards, Bruce

Rev'd B. R. Brown
Pastor 1995 -2006
Mustard Seed Evangelical Church

Primary News

It has been a very busy term at the Primary School. Congratulations go to our Netball High 5's Team and Tag Rugby teams, who all recently won local competitions.

We held a very exciting Book Day where all the children and lots of the staff dressed up as their favourite book character. An assembly was held where all the teachers talked about their favourite childhood books.

The term ended with two dramatic Year 4 class assemblies, re-enacting the life and times of Sir Francis Drake. It was a very entertaining way of showing the whole school all they had learnt and it was wonderful to have over 50 parents and friends of the children were able to attend for the performances.

Matthew Shirley
Headmaster

Motoring Matters

It's that time again when all of us who are responsible for the movement and control of our "killing machines" (road vehicles to us) have to think again about safety.

There are many aspects of safety and this month we are going to consider OBSERVATION, in other words being totally visually aware of what is going on all around when we are driving.

The most important requirement for effective observation is good CONCENTRATION and that means no

distractions such as, use of mobile phones, radio or music programmes particularly if loud, quarrelling or heated discussions with passengers and looking too long at unrelated events to name just a few.

There are particular visual zones or areas which need to be continually observed to check for the onset of potential dangers or hazards. When a potential hazard is determined then it demands more attention and possible early

response action.

Some typical observation hot-spots are:-

Don't follow too close to the vehicle in front, allowing you to see around or even under it.

Parked vehicles - look for wheel movement or exhaust, children, prams or pedestrians crossing the road, possible movement under the vehicle.

Read ALL road signs – they are there to help. Obey the regulatory ones in a red circle and take note of the

warning ones in a red triangle. Also most important, obey the double white lines, continuous means do NOT straddle or cross.

Look ahead, not just at the back of the vehicle in front and use the scanning technique – distant, middle, close, rear, sides continuously.

Well these are just a few thoughts on observation which compliments anticipation and helps to avoid the dreadful word 'suddenly' if something should happen.

SPONSORS

The Town Council are very grateful to the following businesses and groups who have agreed to sponsor flower displays around the town.

FLOWER BEDS

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Age Concern
Barclays
Celliwic Evergreens
Kivells
Gist Insurance
Nat West
New Outlook
U3A
Tea Dance
John Smith Tyres

Thanks are also expressed to Orchid Plastics for the new Fore Street troughs, specially designed for the town.

Window Box Holders

The Town Council have some wrought iron window box holders for sale. These are the same as the trough holders on the rails in front of the Council offices [leading up to the bus station]. They are £5 each and will be available at the table top sale on the 13th May.

Food Hygiene Course

Do you prepare, handle or serve food outside your own home?

If you do you are advised to have a Basic Food Hygiene Course. If you have a certificate that is more than 3 years old, you should consider taking the course again.

The Town Council have organised a recognised course ending in a nationally approved

certification. This will run on two Saturdays, June 3rd and June 17th from 09.00 — 13.00hrs, attendance at both sessions is necessary. The price for the course is £25 which includes course booklets, examination fee and refreshments. Please book with the Town Council office as soon as possible, space is limited and bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

REFUSE COLLECTIONS

There will be the normal refuse collection on the Bank Holidays Mondays, 1st & 29th May/ Please place your refuse out by 7.30.am. Garden waste collection schedules are available at the Town Hall. Recycling continues on a fortnightly rota on Wednesdays.

News from the Town Council

TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION. The County Council have now confirmed that they will undertake the initial traffic counts, evaluations and preliminary design options that are necessary before any redesign of the town centre can be considered. This process will take about 6 to 9 months. The Council are obliged to employ consultants to regularly liaise with the County, but these consultants should help us source funding, not just for their fees but for anything that may be proposed.

NEWSLETTER. The Town Council have decided that it would be more economic if we produce the Newsletter ourselves. The savings made will soon recoup the cost of the photocopier that will be purchased. So, as from the June issue, all production will be in-house.

CAR PARKING. If the anonymous person who

put a note through the Town Council post box about car parking and expressing his opinion "Sack the Councillors", read these pages, he/she would know that the Town Council have nothing whatsoever to do with the Caradon District Council car parks in New Road, other than we have written on many occasions to complain about the parking fees. The Town Council are only responsible for the FREE car park at Saltash Road.

CEMETERY CHAPEL & MUSEUM. Following the provision of the Heritage Lottery Fund grant, the work on repointing and repairing the stonework at the Chapel is well underway and two new doors to fill the archway are being constructed. An archivist will shortly be employed to bring all the records up to date and discussions are taking place about the interior design of the Museum. Ian Pethers has produced some excellent pictorial maps

for the Heritage Trail leaflets. These will be launched at the same time as the re-opening of the Museum which we hope will be at the end of June. The Museum will have to close for about a week but will remain open through May and most of June.

TOWN HALL OPEN DAY. On Saturday 13th May the Town Hall will be open for anyone to have a look round, as so many people say they do not know what is there. Courtesy of a radiator explosion and the insurance company there is a brand new carpet in the Council Chamber. All the new visual and sound equipment, courtesy of Awards for All will be on display. So whether you are thinking of a party [from children to 80 year old celebrations], small or large meetings, training or brainstorming days, or other functions, do come and have a look. There will also be our monthly Table Top Sale on in the Town Hall so there will be plenty to see.

Lynda Small, Town Clerk

Who Was James Venning?

Born in 1850 but an orphan at the age of 12, James came to Callington, and was engaged as a clerk to the solicitor, Mr. E. Nicholls. He imbibed a good deal of his public spiritedness from Mr. Nicholl's many efforts for public service in Callington.

By the time he was 20 he was a Methodist preacher and manager of the Gas Company. His devotion to Methodism was life long. When he was 24 he married Asenath Susannah, and they celebrated their diamond wedding some 60 years later.

His printing business in Fore Street started in 1878 in premises he converted, which were formerly the Wellington Inn, now the Post Office and next door shop. It was here that the 600 individual posters were found folded and stuck on a nail in the rafters of a shed at the back of the building. A selection of the most interesting ones will be on display at the Callington Museum until the end of June. These reflect many aspects of life in Callington at the start of the 20th century.

In 1885 he inaugurated a water supply for Callington. His enthusiasm for supplying water to the town was the paramount object of his life, and in his own words

"I've got into hot water, more by bringing cold water into the town than by anything else in my business career". His first reservoir was on Florence Hill at Ashburton Farm. He continued to improve the supply right up until his death in 1938.

He was elected Portreeve in 1909, and in conjunction with the new young Earl Compton, Lord of the Manor, organised a new gold chain of office to be presented by the Earl, and which was worn by him for the first time when the then Prince of Wales, later George V stopped on his way through Kelly Bray.

This is just a glimpse of the life of James Venning, a man who did so much for the Callington area in a variety of different ways.



Grant News WANT A SHARE OF OUR £150,000?

The official opening of the Lean Quarry Landfill site by Viridor Waste last year means that we have secure Landfill Tax Credit Scheme project funding of £150,000 each year for use within the Caradon District Council Area. You are invited to submit applications for community based projects. Uses include community buildings including Churches and buildings of local importance, other assets and open spaces as well as environmental projects.

The maximum grant is normally £10,000 and the application and decision process is straightforward. The Board meets quarterly and is looking to achieve good value for money for the community. Approved schemes are subject only to approval by regulatory body Entrust.

Further details and applications forms are available online at <http://www.viridorcredits-caradon.co.uk> or contact the Administrator for further information on 01579 347179

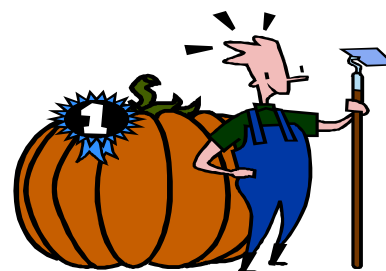
Time for bedding plants?

The ground should now be warming up and everything springing into life after the very slow start we have had. Nurseries are full of colourful plants and the longer evenings and warmer days are tempting. However, beware! The unscrupulous garden centres profit from impatience and ignorance. They frequently will not tell you that the plants you are buying are tender and must be protected from frost. If you do not have a greenhouse or conservatory do not consider buying bedding

plants until the third to fourth week in May, one light air frost and you could waste all your money.

The same applies with vegetables, don't think about buying tomatoes, cucumbers or peppers unless you can protect them. However many other plants in the vegetable garden can be sown. If the seed packet says it is 'Hardy' you are OK.

Have your pumpkins germinated? If not there will be a few for sale at the Town Hall, only to those of you



who are joining in the fun and having a go at the Callington Grand Pumpkin Challenge.

MAY EVENTS

- Fri. 5th Tea Dance in Callington Town Hall, everyone welcome. 14.30hrs
- Sat. 6th Callington Town Band, Car Boot Sale, Saltash Road Car Park 09.00hrs
- Mon. 8th U3A Meeting, Callington Town Hall 10.00 hrs
- Wed. 10th Celliwic Evergreens monthly meeting 14.30hrs, Callington Town Hall
- Fri. 12th Town Hall Market, Callington Town Hall, 09.00-13.00hrs
- Sat. 13th Table Top Sale, Town Hall, 09.00-12.00hrs. Tables should be booked with Town Council.
- Sat. 13th Town Hall Open Day, 09.00 –12.00hrs
- Sat. 13th Callington Bowling Club, Car Boot and Plant Sale at Liskeard Road 9.00.a.m to 12.00 noon, stalls in car parking area with a maximum of 15-20 cars.
- Sun. 14th East Cornwall Gamers, Town Hall, 10.00—17.00hrs
- Sun. 14th Tamar Historic Transport Club, Festival of Transport, field at Liskeard Road
- Mon. 15th Callington Town Forum, Annual General Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers 19.00hrs
- Wed. 17th Caradon Social Club for the Disabled, Callington Town Hall, 14.00hrs
- Fri. 19th Tea Dance in Callington Town Hall, everyone welcome. 14.30hrs
- Sat. 20th Film Shows, Callington Town Hall, doors open 14.00 & 19.00hrs
- Wed. 24th-27th Prim-Raf, Biscombes Lane. 'A Fish out of Water'. Tickets from Noakes & Habermehl, Fore St.
- Fri. 26th Town Hall Market, Callington Town Hall, 09.00-13.00hrs
- Fri. 26th Callington & District Diabetes Support Group meeting 14.00hrs Cricket Club

Country Markets: every Wednesday 0845-1130hrs Scout HQ, New Road Car Park

Weekly events in the Town Hall;- Weightwatchers, Taekwondo, Yoga, Activity Club, Scratch Orchestra, Fit 4 Life, Short Mat Bowling, Contemporary Dance, etc. Please contact the Town Hall [384039] if you want details of any of these activities.

Town Hall

Open Day &

Table Top Sale

Saturday 13th May
9.00.am to 12.00

The Town Hall

Refreshments

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NEXT TABLE TOP SALE 10th June

FILM SHOW

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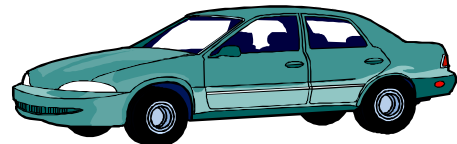
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