



Callington News

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STOP PRESS

Saturday 7 November at 7pm sees the wonderful Firework Display to be held at the Community College in Launceston Road. Many thanks to Ginsters and the College for this fabulous annual show.

Callington New Outlook is holding a jumble sale in the Scout Hut on Tuesday 3 November from 9am. Contact Shirley on 350336 or Josee on 382626 for more details.

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Remembrance concert and parade



It is the time of the year again when we remember the service personnel and civilians who

gave the supreme sacrifice, and those wounded or infirm because of their injuries.

The Royal British Legion has a series of events to commemorate this occasion. The selling of poppies started on Monday 26 October and it is hoped that last year's record in this area of £5507.43 can be beaten: in fact, in Cornwall £414,282 was collected, an increase of 16%. This year's target for Cornwall is £450,000.

Once again the Callington RBL branch is holding a Remembrance Concert on Friday 6 November in St Mary's Church starting at 7.30pm. We will be joined by Callington Town Band and the renowned Liskerret Male Voice Choir. There will be a short service of Remembrance during this concert. Tickets are £4 and can be obtained from the Town Hall. All proceeds to the Poppy Fund.

On Remembrance Sunday (8th) there are two parades in the District. The first is at Albaston, marching off at 9.30am from Delaware School and proceeding to the memorial in the centre of Albaston where a short service of remembrance and wreath-laying is held.

The second is in Callington, marching off at 2.30pm from the main car park. A wreath-laying and remembrance ceremony will be held at the memorial, followed by a short service of remembrance in the church.

It is requested that as many service and ex-service personnel parade as possible. There is a platoon for RBL members, as well as service and ex-service personnel. There was a large turnout last year: please wear your medals or insignia, and let's remember our comrades who are no longer with us.

It is hoped that this year a small Remembrance Garden beside the memorial will be available for placing small remembrance crosses.



Local GP wins Rotary duck race

Over 1700 competitors could be seen wandering down the river Lynher at Newbridge in September. They had entered the Duck Race, with each duck costing £1, with the winning duck receiving a prize of £200. The winning duck's owner was local GP Dr Simon Chaplin.

Sarah Bradley, the organiser for Callington Rotary, said: 'The duck race is a fantastic opportunity to have fun, raise money for a range of good causes and have the chance to win £200. We are very grateful to the National Trust for allowing us to use this lovely stretch of river again.'

Last year's race raised more than £1500 for Callington Rotary, enough to fund an outing for over 30 disabled people, fitness equipment for the Launceston Road activity park, and send a young candidate on the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards scheme.

Play area condemned by the Town Council

It is with deep regret that the Town Council has had to make the urgent decision to remove the older children's adventure play facility situated in Saltash Road recreation ground for safety reasons. This decision was not taken lightly and has no bearing on the plans to revitalise the park itself.



Many of you will know that the equipment was not only looking tired, it was also actually starting to fall apart and the wooden structure was becoming more unstable, through decay, as time moved on.

The equipment was installed approximately 20 years ago with a 15-year life expectancy: I am sure many of you will have fond memories of yourself or your children playing on it over the past years.

Recently the equipment has been subject to many complaints, not only about its condition but about the abuse it has been receiving through anti-social behaviour - you only have to look at the broken tunnel in the toddlers' area to see the results of that!

What happens next?

Well, this is an issue that needs urgent attention. As the refurbishment of the Launceston Road site nears its completion, focus is very much on making positive changes to the Saltash Road site. Currently there has been a bid submitted to Cornwall Council's Playbuilder Fund to kick-start that process, though the success of that bid will not be known for a few weeks. If the bid is successful it will mean that the older children's play facilities can be replaced with something the children of Callington have said they want - this will be identified through the extensive consultation that has been going on over the past few months.

If that bid is unsuccessful the Town Council will have to look at other ways of raising funds to deliver the project and, as reported by the local press, one possibility is to release land next to the free car park to raise part of the capital funds required.



Hopefully by the time the next Callington News is published I will have more positive news to report.

Vernon Anderson - Town Clerk

Heard of the Celebrated Callington Cake?

Gail Buttery writes:
I am grateful to Peter Skinnard for bringing to my attention a piece of local history.

He has shown me a copy of an invoice dated April 1924 from B Griffin & Sons. At the time their address was Steam Bakery, 17 North Road, Saltash.

The invoice was for 10 Sultana cakes, 20 Saffron cakes, 6 brown and 6 white loaves: the total was £3 5s 1½d. Pre-decimalisation of course, so we would call it £3.26.

How times have changed - we would just about be able to buy two loaves today for that money.

The other interesting item on the invoice was the services offered by the bakery. They list them as Wedding and Fancy Cakes made to order; Schools and Public Teas provided for at short notice; High-class Bakers and Confectioners, Flour, Corn & Forage Merchants. The thing which really captured my interest is their claim to be the 'sole maker in Saltash of the *Celebrated Callington Cake*.'

This has prompted me to ask if anyone can give me any information about the Celebrated Callington Cake. If you have the recipe or know anything about it please send your information to the Editor, care of the Town Hall. I may be able to persuade Anton to bake some for the next charity lunch at Langmans: after all we were once the site of Callington's very own Master Baker, Thomas Langman. I'm sure he would have made and sold Callington Cakes at the shop in Church Street.

Town Hall project gets green light



Back in July I asked the public for comments regarding the redevelopment of the Town Hall. This was to make minimal building alterations to facilitate an accessible external corridor at the rear of the building (from the reception to the bar area) and internally through the kitchen areas which will involve moving the kitchen servery forward and thus improving access through the serving hatches.

At the same time as the structural works occur it is planned to replace an aging central heating boiler (over 20 years old) with a more economic and fuel-efficient condenser system that will provide better control of heat over four zonal areas.

To deliver the whole project successfully it means that the kitchen will also require a total refurbishment and that the bar area needs to be reworked to provide a more flexible community café/bar area as the café space will be lost in the main hall.

Well, the good news is that SITA Cornwall Trust has awarded a grant of up to £25,000 towards this project! How fantastic is that?

SITA Cornwall Trust provides funding through the Landfill Communities Fund. Funding is available for

community and environmental groups to carry out a range of improvement projects.

We now have all the funding in place to forge ahead with this project and it's now down to Cornwall Council's Building Control to approve the building alterations. While Building Control is deciding the final detail we shall be busy preparing a detailed specification in readiness for the tendering of the main construction work, replacement of the heating system and the refitting of the kitchens.

Providing there are no major hold-ups it is anticipated that the construction work will start in stages to reduce the impact on bookings: this is likely to be started in February 2010 with completion by Easter. As the kitchen refurbishment cannot be done until the construction work is completed it may be a while later before that element is complete but rest assured we will provide temporary kitchen facilities when they are required.

Once the project is complete the Portreeve has suggested that it would be great to celebrate the occasion with a civic function along the lines of a May Ball.

If you are interested in tendering for the building work, or tendering for the refitting of the kitchen and the café facilities (non domestic), please contact the Town Clerk on 384039 or email clerk@callington-tc.gov.uk to register your interest now.

Vernon Anderson - Town Clerk

NEWS IN BRIEF

Town Band in concert
Callington Town Band is pleased to announce that it will be joined by the Saltash Ladies Choir for its concert on Saturday 21 November.

An evening of light music is planned and all profits will go to the local charity, Ellie's Haven.

Also taking part is former member, flugel player Yasmin Stevens, who was the first CTB member youngster to audition successfully to join the Cornwall Youth Brass Band. She is now a member of the National Youth Brass Band.

The concert will take place in the Methodist Church in Hays Road, beginning at 7.30pm. Admission is £4 payable at the door, with under 16's free.

Coffee for St John's

There will be a St John Ambulance coffee morning on Saturday 14 November from 10am-12noon at the Methodist church in Hays Road.

New Fitness Facilities

The Town Council, with significant funding from Viridor, are pleased to announce that the final stage has been completed with installing fitness equipment to Launceston Road Recreation Ground.

This brings the total number of pieces of equipment up to eight—something for everyone regardless of their current fitness level or abilities.

The Mayor & Portreeve, together with Mr Roger Jones from Viridor, will be officially declaring the project complete on Wednesday 4th November at 10 am on site.

Please come and join them.

Neil Oliver is taking over Julian Reeves' chiropody practice: Julian has now fully retired.

Neil welcomes all Julian's former patients, and offers them, and any new patients, the same professional care and reasonable rates. Home visits are also available. You can phone him on 01752 793011 or 07828 737814.

This month in the CAVe.....

On Friday 20 November we are delighted to be hosting Louise Parker (pictured). Growing up in a house filled with music, from the folk, calypso and



opera enjoyed by her Jamaican-born mother to the trad, swing and be-bop from her jazz-obsessed father, Louise Parker, aptly named after Louis Armstrong, was born to create the sort of soulful jazz she is rapidly gaining a reputation for.

A big hit on the festival circuit and a regular on Radio 2's Best of Jazz, British vocalist Louise Parker is a powerful live performer and a skilful interpreter of swing, blues and gospel classics. She commits to each song with the warmth, spirit and passion of the great jazz divas.

Combining a potent mix of funk and gospel, Louise blends an effortless rhythmical style with a sweet warm tone and daring scatting to create a performance which truly stirs the soul.

Citing influences that include Sarah Vaughan, Ella Fitzgerald and Billie Holiday, Louise Parker has been enchanting audiences at venues and festivals around the UK, including Glastonbury Festival, The Isle of Wight International Jazz Festival and Plymouth Orange Music Festival

among others.

One reviewer **states: 'I don't think I've heard a better Jazz voice in this country. You can often tell the studied music college singers as**

they're often so clinical and soulless but Louise has such a big, gutsy, soulful, full sound with impeccable intonation and it just all sounds so effortless to her.' But what better recommendation than the late, great, Humphrey Lyttelton who simply said of her: 'A splendid **new voice on the block...**

Swings like fury.' This is one not to be missed.

'The main thing now,' added the Portreeve, 'is that the people of Callington come out in numbers to support the programme of events. Our aim is to bring items which will suit all ages and tastes, so we would welcome any suggestions for future bookings.'

Anyone who would like to become involved in the planning and running of arts events in Callington should contact Richard Lumley on 382705. Similarly any performers who might like to become part of the events programme should give Richard a call or get in touch via the town clerk's office in the town hall.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Coffee for kids

Saturday 7 November sees a coffee morning/table-top sale in aid of 'Get Kids Going' charity in the Town Hall from 9am.

Stalls will include toys, die-cast toys, silver, crystals, cards, bric-a-brac, hand-made goods and much more. Also a raffle and lucky dip. Some tables are still available - please contact 07795 000628.

Lions jumble sale

Callington Lions Club is holding a jumble sale in the Town Hall on Saturday 21 November from 10am-12noon. There will be bric-a-brac, clothes, toys, books, nearly new, as well as refreshments and a raffle. Admission is 20p. All proceeds will go to charity.

Donations of jumble are very welcome - please ring 383695 to arrange collection, though no mains electrical items.

YOU SAY. . .

Plea for a clean-up

I have recently moved into the town and have had three sets of visitors from various parts of the country. They have all commented on how shabby Fore Street looks.

Although I agree with them, on closer examination it is only about 20% that require their outside walls painting. I am wondering if a letter from the Council requesting in a polite manner, how much it would enhance the Town Centre if they painted the walls of their houses?

The houses opposite the old Masonic Hall have recently been repainted and see how wonderful they look. . .

MK White
Address supplied



Cats Protection (Callington Branch) now offers reduced neutering costs.

Phone the branch now for information on the voucher scheme which covers part of the cost of having cats neutered, if you are on a low income or pension.

Contact 382794 - it may be an answerphone, so be prepared.

Village offers 'box help

Callington Village (Village Collection) has a very go-ahead and active ladies' sewing group which has produced very many hand-made items, that have been sold to raise money for various charities including a local primary school.

Each spring the group makes themed items to be sold at the Village's Spring Plant Sale, held on the village green. The proceeds from this sale are used to buy bulbs, trees, shrubs and plants to be planted around the estate. Last year the gardening group planted over 1000 Cornish daffodil bulbs in the avenue leading up to the mini-roundabout on Werrington Drive and everyone was delighted at the wonderful display of golden daffodils in evidence from January through to March. This year the gardening club used the money raised to purchase over 2000 mixed daffodil bulbs that were planted on Liskeard Road, either side of the entrance to the estate, so that the people of Callington could see and enjoy them. The club will also buy some Tamar Valley apple trees and cherry trees to plant on the green. The fruit will be available for all residents to harvest in the autumn in years to come.

The plants that were left over from last year's spring plant sale were donated to the ladies' sewing group who set up a stall and sold them at Honey Fair. The group has also spent many hours sewing beautiful hand-made items such as Christmas tree decorations, cotton bags, table-mats, teddy bears and much more; all of which were sold on the day. All money raised on the day will be donated to Shelterbox, which is the estate's chosen charity. The ladies' sewing group, under the guidance of Sylvie, has decided to raise enough money on the estate to buy a Shelterbox. To do this the group has already held a Cheese and Wine evening which was very successful. It is also planning an afternoon tea, a coffee morning and a crafts and cake event, where those taking part can not only purchase quality handmade items but also sample some **of Sylvie's famous homemade cakes.** When it has raised the sum of money needed, Sylvie and her team will visit the Shelterbox headquarters to hand over the money.

At this time, when the world has been hit by many natural disasters, the residents of Callington Village can feel justifiably proud that their community is doing something positive to help.

If you would like to donate or offer fund-raising events to provide more Shelterboxes, please contact the Helston headquarters on 01326 569782. The office is open Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm.

CALLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

1. A vacancy has occurred for a Callington Town Councillor to serve on the above-mentioned Parish Council.
2. Written applications to fill this vacancy should be submitted to the Clerk to the Town Council at the address below by Monday 15th November 2009.
3. If more applications are received than vacancies to be filled, the Town Council will decide which of the applicants is to fill the vacancy.

Vernon Anderson
Clerk to the Town Council

Callington Town Council
The Town Hall
New Road
Callington
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22nd day of October 2009

CAB with timely advice

As we move towards winter's inevitable cold weather, have you considered the extra money needed to pay towards increased heating and lighting bills? Is there scope for some extra help from the government in the form of Pension Credit? Are you eligible? Would you like to find out in confidence if you are? Has your health deteriorated and would you like to know if this could qualify you for extra benefits? Contact Cornwall Citizens Advice Bureau: Jane at Saltash 01752 848626 (18 Belle Vue Road) or Jean at Liskeard 340947 (21 Dean Street).

NEWS IN BRIEF...NEWS IN BRIEF

Light party

All children/young people and their families are invited to a Light Party to be held in The Mustard Seed Hall on Saturday 31 October from 6-8pm. There will be games, crafts, food, entertainment and a fancy dress competition. The event is organised by Churches Together in Callington. Details are available from 382944 or 384453.

Church Bazaar

St Mary's Church is holding its Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 28 November from 10am. There will be a variety of stalls, as well as a raffle.

Does God exist?

To answer this question, St Mary's Church intends to run an Alpha course starting in early November. For more information phone Garry on 383841 or Bill on 384547 or the Rectory on 383341 or email rector.callington@gmail.com

Draw and coffee

There is to be a Grand Christmas Draw and Coffee Morning in Harrowbarrow Village Hall in aid of Children's Hospice Southwest. It is on Saturday 14 November from 10am-12noon. Entrance is £1 to include mince pies and coffee.

DIARY FOR NOVEMBER

Sat 31 Oct 6-8pm	Light Party Mustard Seed Hall
Sat 31 Oct 6.30pm-9.00pm	Halloween Family Disco Callington Town Hall. 50p entrance
Tues 3 Nov 9am	New Outlook Jumble Sale Scout Hut, New Road car park
Thur 5 Nov 7.00pm	Film Show—'Goodbye Lenin' Callington Town Hall
Fri 6 Nov 7.30pm	Remembrance Concert St Mary's Church
Fri 6 Nov 1.30pm-5.00pm	Tea Dance Town Hall
Sat 7 Nov 9am	'Get Kids Going' coffee morning/table top sale, Town Hall
Sun 8 Nov 2.30pm	Remembrance Parade Main car park, then St Mary's Church
Sat 14 Nov 10am-12noon	St John Ambulance coffee morning Methodist Church, Haye Road
Sat 14 Nov 10am-12noon	Councillor Surgery Kelly Bray WI Hall
Sat 14 Nov 6.30pm-11.00pm	Ballroom & Sequence Dance Town Hall
Fri 20 Nov 7.30pm	Louise Parker in concert Town Hall - tickets available from the Town Hall & Kivells Estate Agents
Sat 21 Nov 10am-12noon	Lions Jumble Sale Town Hall
Sat 21 Nov 2.00pm	Free Children's Film Show - 'Monsters vs Aliens' Town Hall
Sat 21 Nov 7.30pm	Callington Town Band in Concert Methodist Church, Haye Road
Fri 27 Nov 2pm	Callington & District Diabetic Support Group Callington Cricket Club
Sat 28 Nov 10am	Christmas Bazaar St Mary's Church
Sat 28 Nov 10.00am-12noon	Councillor Surgery Committee Room, Callington Town Hall
Sat 28 Nov 10.00am-4.00pm	Book Fair to be opened by best selling author Lilian Harry Town Hall

The Catholic community is ecstatic to learn that it has received an award of £8000 from the 'Awards for All' Big Lottery Fund.

This grant will be used to enhance and surface the area (Project Access to Callington Mission). This project is long overdue, as the ground has become somewhat dangerous - it's now become a health and safety hazard.

The Catholic community says a big thank you to Awards for All.

Town Hall Market: 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month, Town Hall 9am-1pm.

Country Markets: every Wednesday 8.45-11.30am, Scout Hut, New Road car park

Results: art/painting competition winners

At a recent assembly held in Callington Primary School the Portreeve proudly presented the winners of the painting and art competition with their certificates. The first place winners from the two age categories, 7 and under, and 8 to 11, will have their personal handprints embedded into new signage for Saltash Road recreation ground once the play project has been completed. As it may take some time to complete the overall play project, the children's coloured handprints will be scanned and saved until they are required for the sign making.

The winners are:

Holly Kitchen – winner, 7 and under
Finn Hilsdon – highly commended, 7 and under

Marc Mead-Crebbin – winner, 8 to 11
William Smith – highly commended, 8 to 11

All of the competition entries were placed into a separate draw so that one child could be selected to help the Portreeve switch on the Christmas Lights on Saturday 5 December.

That winner was:

Lauren Clatworthy

Well done to all of the children who have taken part in the competition!

Your pictures will now be added to other information gathered from recent consultation with other children to help a specialist landscape architect to design and draw up a master plan for the revitalisation of Saltash Road recreation ground and play facilities.

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