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HALLOWEEN FAMILY DISCO

In aid of the Christmas Lights Appeal

Saturday 31st October

Town Hall
6.30pm— 9.00pm

Fancy Dress & Pumpkin competition
Refreshments

Tickets available from the Town Hall & Kivells Estate Agents

All children under the age of 11 MUST be accompanied by a responsible adult

The copy deadline for the November issue is Friday 16 October 2009

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The Town Clerk's Office and One Stop Shop are open 9am-2pm Mon-Fri. At other times an answerphone is available. Post can be put in the letter box in front of the office or through the entrance door.



Callington Honey Fair.....

Did you know that the Honey Fair was revived by local man John Trevithick in 1978 following a twenty five year absence?

The following year (in March 1979) the organisation of the Honey Fair was handed over to the Lions Club as John felt that no one person could run it continuously, and that the Lions Club with its group of young men with young ideas would be the very organisation to do it.

The Lions Club thought over the proposition and decided to set up a committee that endeavoured to carry on what John had started. Well here we are 30 years later and the Lions Club kept their promise and with the loyal support of its



members the event is very much alive!

Come and support the Honey Fair this year which is to be held on Wednesday 7th October.

Please note: The Co-op car park and New Road will be closed to motor vehicles all day; alternative parking can be found in the Town Councils free car park off Saltash Road or in the overspill car park in Saltash Road Recreation Ground. All buses will stop and start from the temporary bus stop situated adjacent to the Callington Bowling Club in Liskeard Road.

David Jones 07875 075 755



CALLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL Election of a Parish Councillor



1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a vacancy for a Callington Town Councillor has occurred on the Callington Town Council.
2. This vacancy will be filled by election by ballot in accordance with the Election Rules if before the 21st day of October 2009, * a written request for such an election signed by ten electors for the electoral area is received by the Returning Officer, Cornwall Council, Luxstowe House, Liskeard. Alternatively, the Parish Council will themselves co-opt a person to fill the vacancy.

Vernon Anderson
Clerk to the Town Council

Callington Town Council
The Town Hall
New Road
Callington
PL17 7BD

1st day of October 2009

* Fourteen days excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays from the date of the Publication of the Notice.

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT IN CALLINGTON!

The autumn season of live entertainment continues in the Town Hall.

On Friday 23 October an evening of pure entertainment will be held, starring local actor and former Callington Community College student Kyla Goodey. As all our belts tighten and the economy frightens us into cutting back and scrimping, Trifle Gatherings hits the road with the group's exhilarating 'Charity Shop Cabaret'. The South West's leading exponents of delirious wit present a hilarious tour through Elspeth Garter's charity shop - a welcoming world of romance, rummage, jumble and joy.

Not having seen a customer for eight months Elspeth and her volunteers have been forced to take their charity shop on tour. They fill their days with pin-board news, dance routines, tea ceremonies, frugal tips for frugal times, and the saucy delights of Mills and Boon. . . all set



to the classic sounds of their vintage vinyl resident DJ. . . while an extraordinary love story unravels that will leave the audience gasping.

Trifle Gathering has teamed up with True West's Nick Whitby (writer on C4's 'Smack The Pony' whose plays have been produced on Broadway and at the Donmar Warehouse) to bring you a new and expanded version of this boisterous pot-pourri of pure entertainment. Using film, physical theatre and a mesmerising musical score, you will enter a unique and loveable world of Bingo and the Bizarre.

It was described in the Western Morning News as 'Fantastically funny and surreally absurd from start to finish. Go see, and prepare to fall in love.' Don't miss out on this wonderful evening.

Contact the Town Hall for information on performance times on 384039. There is much more to come in November and December - so watch this space!

New Outlook

Now that the rainy season is over (loosely known as Summer) it is time for the Callington New Outlook to regroup at the Callington Cricket Club every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m.

We commenced on the 8th September with a Skittles match, involving 25 players. This event is always great fun, and the Trophy for the winner is a much coveted prize! We have a great list of activities, talks, outings, etc. planned for the Autumn term, but one of the highlights is the Jumble Sale to be held in the Scout Hut on Tuesday 3rd November. This is in aid of our charity for this

year - the Children's Hospice South West, Precious Lives Appeal - so we hope that it will be a great success. It starts at 9 a.m. and there will be bargains to be had.

Another evening to look forward to is the Quiz Night on 10th October in the Town Hall.

Please come to one or other or even both of these events if possible.

If you want to know more about the Club, please contact Shirley on 01579 350336 or Josee on 01579 382626. If you want to join us on Tuesday mornings, please do so and you will be made very welcome.

Dog Control

Cornwall Council has authorised Dog Wardens, Animal Welfare Officers and other relevant staff to serve fixed penalty notices for £80 on people who do not pick up after their dogs.

With such a large area to patrol it is difficult to witness some of the dog fouling that goes on. However, if a member of public sees someone not clearing up after their dog and they know either name and address of the person or the registration of a vehicle they were using, then the Council will



consider giving them a fixed penalty.

Please report any areas where there are particular problems with dog fouling and Cornwall Council can then target those areas for patrolling and enforcement action.

The contact for the Dog Warden that covers the Callington and Kelly Bray area is 01579 345439

CALLINGTON TOWN BAND

Members of Callington Town Band bade a fond farewell to Claire and Apollo Blaze who, with two-year-old daughter, Esme, are moving to the continent to join Apollo's parents. Apart from being a delightful couple who will be greatly missed they formed the flugel section of the Town Band and the search now goes on to find replacements. Any interested person should contact Bill Leith on 351198, and he will also be pleased to hear from players of other instruments who would like to join this really happy crew!

The Training Band is going great guns with folk of all ages playing side-by-side but it can always make room for more. Free instrument loan, and tuition during practices, is available to anyone who would like to try their hand at a brass instrument or percussion. You are never too old or too young (the ages range from 9 to 76 at the moment) to take part in this really enjoyable activity.

The Band has a really busy season ahead that includes three concerts and much caroling. On Friday 6 November it's playing at St Mary's Church for the British Legion Concert, on Saturday 21 November it's holding its own charity concert in aid of Ellie's Haven in Callington Methodist Church, and on Sunday 6 December it has a Christmas Concert in Harrowbarrow Village Hall. All the concerts start at 7.30pm and if you would like more information please phone Shirley Morse on 350336.

CALLINGTON HERITAGE CENTRE

The Heritage Centre first opened in June 1994, and is situated a few minutes walk from the town centre along Liskeard Road.

The Centre's interests span all aspects of the social and economic history of Callington, Kelly Bray and adjacent parishes. As well as being an interesting place to visit, with regularly changing exhibitions, the Centre aims to provide resources for those interested in local history, or researching family and house history.

It offers research facilities to examine the information held relating to Callington and the surrounding parishes. Census information for Cornwall &

Devon is held; it has indexed transcripts for most parishes; and a selection of transcribed parish registers for Callington and many surrounding parishes. The Edwardian photographic exhibition has been a great success - if you **haven't seen it yet, do visit** before the end on the season.

The Heritage Centre is run entirely by volunteers, so any potential frustrated historian who would like to help out three hours a month from April to October would be most welcome. Also anyone interested in helping on the Committee, do go along to the Heritage Centre between 10am-4pm Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays, to pick up a leaflet, or leave a message on 389506.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Temporary retirement
Due to family circumstances, Katherine and Julian Reeves are having to retire until at least Christmas. They thank everyone for their good wishes.

New Outlook events
Callington New Outlook is holding its annual Quiz Night in the Town Hall on Saturday 10 October from 7.30pm in aid of the same charity. Teams of six (maximum) can enter and it costs £2.50 per person. The Group is to hold a jumble sale on Tuesday 3 November in the Scout Hut in the Co-op car park from 9-11am. All proceeds to CHSW Precious Lives Appeal.

Ex-members wanted
Prim-Raf is still looking for ex- and present members to attend the the Gala Night, celebrating the 60th anniversary, on Saturday 17 October in the Town Hall. Names please, ASAP, to Sheila Tredinnick, on 383717.

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).



Inter-Link
Cornwall

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Callington Showcase Event – Saturday 3 October
Are you a community or voluntary group in Cornwall **working alone? It doesn't have** to be that way. The Cornwall Inter-Link Project is there to help you!

Cornwall Inter-Link was established to bring together a network of community and voluntary groups, statutory agencies and individuals. Inter-Link provides a chance for groups to talk about their common issues, exchange information and communicate with other agencies, groups, projects and organisations.

Vicki Horner is your Inter-Link Development Officer for North Cornwall and Caradon and would like to contact more organisations in this area. We hold locality meetings in: Liskeard; Saltash; Bodmin; Bude; Launceston; Wadebridge and now in Callington!

Inter-Link now meets in Callington and would like to hear from voluntary, community groups, statutory agencies and individuals in the area. We held our first initial meeting at the Town Hall (Council Chamber) on Tuesday 16 June at 2–4pm, which was well attended. We would now like to hear from more groups and organisations who would like a FREE stand to showcase their group/organisation and

what they do to the local community as well as each other, at the Callington Showcase Event, which is being held in partnership with the Callington Town Council.

Callington Showcase Event is on Saturday 3 October from 9.30am–12noon, which is being held in partnership with Callington Town Council. FREE tea/coffee and biscuits!

Callington Portreeve Richard Lumley is really impressed with the service provided by Inter-Link: 'It is just what small organisations need. The Inter-Link meetings provide the opportunity to meet up with groups and individuals, who can be a tremendous boost and provide mutual support, and there is also access to a range of grants and funding that could just make all the difference to small groups in these hard times.

'I hope that the Callington Showcase Event is well supported by groups from Callington as it will give much needed, and free, advertising for the groups and organisations and it will also allow contacts to be forged between groups which could well be very beneficial.'

For more information or booking a space, please contact me, Vicki Horner on 01208 832763 or v.horner@eccvs.org.uk

NEWS IN BRIEF

Prim-Raf's Ghost Train

Arnold Ridley's Ghost Train will be performed at 7.30pm on Friday 2 and Saturday 3 October, as well as Thursday 8, Friday 9 and Saturday 10 in the Prim-Raf theatre in Biscumbes Lane.

Tickets are available from Noakes & Habermehl in Fore Street (or on the door), and cost £6 for adults and £4 for children. (The first night only is £4 for everyone.) For further information contact Andy Frost on 382279.

BIG BREAKFAST

4 years ago Callington Methodist Table Tennis Club served a Big Breakfast in the Town Hall for Shelterbox. Now they are off again!

This time its for Shelterbox and Help for Heroes (our injured servicemen in Afghanistan)

If you came last time and enjoyed the food, why not come again and bring your friends. There will be a six item breakfast followed by unlimited toast, tea or coffee—with quick service and friendly staff! The price is £4 (children under 10 £2.50). This is all happening on Saturday 24th October from 8.30am to 1pm in the Town Hall.

Come on Callington, let's really 'help our heroes'. See you there!

A Harvest Offering

Sunday, 4th October at 10am, St Mary's Church will be holding our Harvest Celebration as part of our Family Service (all are welcome). As before people have been encouraged to bring non-perishable food items as a harvest offering and we will be sending these to the Shekinah Mission in Plymouth.

However, this year we thought that we would like to make some of these food offerings available to Callington rather than just sending them to Plymouth. So, if you know of someone in our local area who is struggling (perhaps through illness, lack of employment or other issues), come down to St Mary's on Monday 5th October (preferable from 9am to 1pm) and we will be delighted to let you have a food gift to make a difference

Rev Pete Sharpe

CALLING ALL KELLY BRAY RESIDENTS!

Do you care about where you live? A Kelly Bray Residents Association is about to be created.

If you are at all interested please come to the first meeting which is at the Swingletree public house, on Monday 12th October at 7pm. See you there!

Heather Jones

MEMBERS WANTED!

The Caradon Community Support Group Befriending Scheme are looking for volunteers to help with the administration of their organisation.

If you are interested in helping please contact:

Mrs Young
4 Pannier Market,
Callington
01579 384881

More on the fund-raisers

Regular readers of Callington News will remember a year ago I featured the latest business in town, Vix Nails in Church Street, *writes Gail Buttery*. Now Vicky Worth is back in the news this month for her focus and energy in raising awareness of the plight of a local resident.

One of her customers, Debbie Clemens, suffers from multiple sclerosis. Debbie is finding it increasingly difficult to get about. She needs a wheelchair to go everywhere but is dependent on others to transfer her from her wheelchair to her car to enable her to leave the house. Vicky saw how difficult it was for Debbie's husband, Tim, to help her and thought something should be done for Debbie. She wrote many letters to influential people asking for help; Local MP Colin Breed, Prime Minister Gordon Brown and even Prince Charles. Although all were sympathetic to Debbie's situation there was very little practical help offered. Vicky has taken things into her own hands now and set up the "Free Debbie Appeal". She hopes Debbie will be given funding to enable her to lease a wheelchair-accessible vehicle through the Government's Motability scheme. If the scheme awards a grant to Debbie the fund-raising appeal only needs to raise a few hundred pounds as deposit. If Debbie's application is unsuccessful she needs £20,000 to pay for the adaptation to her car. It is so important to her as this type of vehicle means Debbie could get in unaided via ramped access at the rear. It is adapted so she could drive it while seated in her wheelchair, giving her the freedom and independence of travel so

many of us take for granted. Currently she is only able to drive if someone is there to transfer her from her wheelchair to the driver's seat.

The first fund-raising event will take place on Saturday 10 October, starting at 10am at Vix Nails Salon. Vicky, together with her mother Gwenda, is holding a raffle and open house, with refreshments, to which all are invited. Support Vicky in her endeavours as she and Donna Williams battle on a running machine, not so easy in fancy dress.

Are you busy at the weekend? Would you be able to swim two and a half miles in a reservoir? Easy you may say, but how about getting out of the water and jumping on to a bicycle and cycling for 112 miles, then finish by running a marathon!

Put me back on the sofa I hear you groan, yet that's what taking part in the Iron Man Competition means and that's just what Neil Hodges did earlier this year. Neil has enjoyed road running for a number of years and entered the Dublin Marathon in 2006, finishing with a very respectable time of 3 hours 50 minutes. As a member of Callington Running Club he thought he could attempt the Iron Man when a fellow club member took him to watch as he entered the competition. Neil felt the time had come for him to take up the challenge. In April 2008 he took part in the Penzance Triathlon. Classed as a sprint distance event, it is much easier by comparison, a mere 16 lengths in a swimming pool, 15 miles cycling and a short 5 mile run. Successfully completing this motivated him to enter the Iron Man. As a training run he ran the Eden Marathon at the end of May, in a time of 3 hours 39 minutes - Neil says this gave him a fantastic sense of

personal achievement: all this is part of the build up towards the Iron Man in Bolton in August this year.

This event marked the culmination of months of training, often starting at 6am before he left for work. Finally the big day came in which 1600 people took part. Competition rules state that there are cut-off times for each element and 17 hours is allowed to complete the entire course. Neil was competing with people from all over the world as this is a qualifying event for the world championships, to be held next month in Hawaii. His finishing time of 14 hours was an excellent result for someone new to the sport and for his first attempt. The first ten to finish have automatically qualified to go, all expenses paid, to take part in the World Championships, although, **sadly, Neil won't be with them.**

However, he has turned all this effort into a charity fund-raiser on behalf of Ellie's Haven. If you have been impressed by his personal achievement and would like to donate to this very worthwhile local cause please visit the "just giving" website to donate on line at www.justgiving.com/neilhodges1. Alternatively contact the Editor and send a cheque made out to Ellie's Haven, all donations no matter how small, or large, will be gratefully received. Much easier to lift a pen to write a cheque than swim, cycle and run a marathon.

Next month, Gail Buttery will be preparing for her cycle ride through the desert so there will be a short break before normal service resumes.

DIARY FOR OCTOBER

Fri 2, Sat 3, Thurs 8, Fri 9, Sat 10:		
	7.30pm	Prim-Raf's Ghost Train, Prim-Raf theatre, Biscombes Lane
Sat 3	9.00am-1pm	Interlink Organisation Day, Town Hall
	10.00am	Autumn Activities, Callington Methodist Church
	6.30pm	Ballroom & Sequence Dance, Town Hall
Sun 4	10.00am	Harvest Celebration, St Mary's Church —please give non-perishable foods items
Mon 5	9.00am—1pm	Harvest Food Offerings- to those in need within Callington— St Mary's Church
Wed 7	All day	Honey Fair
Thur 8	1.30pm	Tea Dance, Town Hall
	6.00pm—9pm	Effective Meeting Training, Council Chamber, Town Hall —Free training by ECCVS
	7.30pm	Film Night showing 'Amelie', Town Hall
Sat 10	10.00am-noon	Kelly Bray Councillor's Surgery, WI Hall, Kelly Bray
	9.00am	Coffee Morning in aid of 'Get Kids Going' charity, Town Hall
	7.30pm	New Outlook Quiz Night, Town Hall
Thur 15	6.00pm—9pm	How Groups Work, Council Chamber, Town Hall—Free training by ECCVS
Sat 17	2.00pm	Children's Free Film Show, Town Hall
	7.30pm	Prim-Raf Gala Night, Town Hall
Sun 18	2.30pm	Mayor's Civic Service
Thur 22	1.30pm	Blood Donors, Town Hall
Fri 23	7.00pm	'Charity Shop Cabaret On Tour', Town Hall
Sat 24	10.00am-noon	Councillor's Surgery, Town Hall (Committee Room entrance via the Pannier Market)
Thur 29	2.00pm	Callington & District Diabetes Support Group—Speaker Mr Kelly
	6.00pm—9pm	Getting Active in Your Community, Council Chamber, Town Hall Free event ECCVS
Sat 31	6.30pm	Halloween Family Disco, Town Hall

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

South West Kickboxing Academy: every Friday 7.30-9pm, Community College Sports Centre dance studio

A very brief history of the Prim-Raf...

....with acknowledgement to the late Humphrey Buckingham.

During the summer of 1949 the Parent-Staff Association of the Primary School formed a drama group. However, as there were few men, Francis Monk, the headmaster, said he would mention it at the next meeting of The Royal Air Force Association - and so the Prim-Raf Drama Group was born, with the aim 'to foster drama and arts in this rural community', and so its name was born. In return for being allowed to rehearse and read plays at the primary school all profits from performances went to the school.

The first performances of three, one-act plays took place in the school on 13 and 14 January 1950. The 'stage was made from long tea-tables, laid on the top of desks. The first three-act play, 'Easy Money', was performed in the Town Hall in October 1951, the first of many to be presented in the Town Hall and at various villages around

Callington.

In November 1964 Bryon Pascoe, secretary for many years and still a member, stated that as the primary school was closing new premises were being sought. This resulted in the purchase of the present theatre, then a series of rooms and garages, from Maurice Biscombe, (hence Biscombes Lane). This was done with the help of a £1600 loan from Barclays, on 14 January 1965.

And so started over 40 years of pantos, plays and variety shows by numerous members in our present theatre, as well as in the Town Hall.

We are hoping that many of these old members will come to the 60th Anniversary Gala Night in the Town Hall on Saturday 17 October, where we will share many memories and a million laughs. All we ask you to do is contact Sheila Tredinnick on 383717 so that arrangements can be made.

We are also always on the lookout for new members to join our very welcoming society. A call to Sheila or a note through the Prim-Raf door is all that is required.

by Andy Frost

FORTHCOMING EVENTS & REMINDERS

CALLINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

'Autumn Activities'

Saturday 3rd October

10am to 2pm

Lunch £1

01579 383479/ 383490

www.callingtonmethodist.org

GET KIDS GOING CHARITY

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&

Saturday 7th November

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CIVIC EVENTS—**Don't Forget!**

MAYOR'S CIVIC SERVICE

Sunday 18th October, 2.30pm for

3pm Service

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Sunday 8th November, 2.30pm

for 3pm service

Don't forget to order your

wreath now!

CALLINGTON BROTHERHOOD

'Grand Concert'

To celebrate their 85th

anniversary

Holman Climax Male Voice

Choir

Saturday 25th October

7.30pm

Callington Methodist Church

CALLINGTON AGE CONCERN

Coffee Morning

Thursday 29th October

10am to 11.30am

Lower Hall at the Mustard Seed

Evangelical Church, Launceston

Road

Various Stalls—Cakes, card, bric

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

REMEMBRANCE CONCERT

Friday 6th November

St. Mary's Church

CALLINGTON FIREWORKS

DISPLAY

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TWINNING ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL QUIZ

Saturday 5th December

Harrowbarrow Village Hall

7.30pm

Teams of up to 6 £2 per head

FACT OR FICTION?

*Goldfish have short memories

*Septic tanks don't need emptying regularly

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And the goldfish? It's **fiction** again. Actually, scientists say the creature has a three month memory span!

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Callington Astronomy Group

was originally set up in September 2001 and has been steadily growing ever since. We are very active within the community and aim to improve the knowledge and ability of members by providing hands-on experience in using astronomical equipment, and to offer something for everyone – any age, any ability, from complete beginner to astrophysicist! Above all, we are about having FUN – sharing our interest in astronomy with friendly like-minded people, getting out there and looking at the stars and going home feeling we have spent a pleasant and worthwhile evening.

Club Fees:	To become a member	£5.00 per person (a one-off payment)
Attendance	Member	£2.00 per meeting (or £15.00 per year if paid annually)
	Under 16	£1.00 per meeting (or £7.50 per year if paid annually)
	Non-member	£2.50 per meeting

Contact – Anne Shorter (01752 316404) or Beccy Watson (07891 573586)

Website address – www.callington-astro.org.uk

Meet Callington Space Centre in grounds of Callington Community College 7.30 pm on the first Friday of every month