

Swimbridge Newsletter

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Swimbridge Parish Clerk

Lee Wadsworth: 830705

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f Swimbridge Village Forum

f Landkey Village Forum

Village defibrillator is located at front shelter of Jack Russell Inn

Jack Russell Inn

Paul Darch— 01271 830366

f thejackrussells swimbridge

St James Church

Services every Sunday 9.30am

Online services at

<https://www.facebook.com/mission.prayerprogramme>

[mission.prayerprogramme](https://www.facebook.com/mission.prayerprogramme)

Lyncroft Stores, Landkey : 830278

Swimbridge Post Office in Church

every Tues 2-4pm

Swimbridge Jubilee Hall

07714 256379

www.swimbridgejubileehall.com

Swimbridge C of E School: 830437

Swimbridge Pre-school : 830357

Food Bank: Church porch

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 9 March 7 for 7.30 pm

Parish Council meeting, Jubilee Hall

Thurs 10 March, 7.30 pm

Q&A Talk : Rebecca Houghton: The life of the luthier, Swimbridge Chrch

Sat 12 March, 7.30 pm

Hefted, Landmark Theatre

Thurs 17 March, 7.30 pm, Church

Q&A Talk—Peter Morrish: High-tech businesses in North Devon,

Sat 25 March, 7pm, Jubilee Hall

Talk: Beavers in Swimbridge?

Fri 1 April, 8pm

First Friday Jazz Club—

Peter Canter Quartet, Jubilee Hall

Tues 19 April, 10am—2pm

Coffee, cake and art, Old Schoolroom

Sat 30 April

Swimbridge Parklands opening

Mon 16 May, 7pm, Jubilee Hall

Chakra Dancing is back

Weekly regulars

(see overleaf for contact details)

Monday

- Chakra Med & dancing , 7pm, JH

Tuesday

- Slimming World, 6.30 pm, Jub Hall

Wednesday

-Tiddly Om Poms Toddlers,

10 and 11.30 am, Jubilee Hall

- Baby & Toddler Group

1.30 — 2.30 pm, Old School Room

- Healthy Balance Pilates, 6.10, JH

- Yoga - 7.30-9pm, Jubilee Hall

- Jack Russell steak nights

Thursday

- Baby Bloom Classes—9.30, 10.45

and 11.50 am, JH

- Landkey Guides & Rangers, 6.30 pm, JH

Friday

- Jack Russell—Burger night

- First Friday (in mth) Jazz Club, 8pm, JH

Saturday am - Ballet with Marion—

Sunday

- St James Church service, 9.30 am

- Jack Russell—Sunday roasts

It is with great sadness to announce that Roy Smith passed away suddenly on Wednesday 2 March. Roy was well known to so many of us. He always had a smile on his face, he was great fun and an important heart in our community. Roy was also well known across North Devon for his fabulous Blue Gallery craft shop in Joy Street. Our thoughts go to his wife Sarah and children Daniel, Catherine, William and their families. The funeral is **THIS Friday 11 March** at 9.15 am at North Devon Crematorium.



Congratulations

to Leah

Mahoney and

Devon on the

birth of their baby girl,

Rosie Soraya, born on

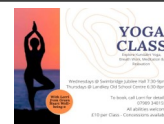
Tuesday 15 February.

A lovely sister to Ivy.



*NEW * YOGA CLASS IN SWIMBRIDGE Every Wednesday, 7:30pm - 9pm, Jubilee Hall

Exploring Kundalini Yoga - Mindful movement, Breath work, Meditation and Relaxation. Suitable for all levels and abilities. Mats can be provided. Please contact Lorri before your first session. £10 per class (concessions available) / £50 for 6 classes, payable in advance / £50 per month for unlimited classes and private coaching. For further info contact Lorri on 07989 340155



HEFTED Sat 12 March, 7.30 pm, Landmark Theatre This wonderful play started its journey in Swimbridge in 2018. Our community worked on it with playwright David Lane, Multistory Theatre and Beaford Arts. It has now been performed in a wide variety of venues by professional actors and is at the Landmark — a great opportunity for us to see it again. A wryly funny play, sweeping across 600 years, starting in 1475 with a supernatural birth and ending in 2075 with stories from the past retold to help heal the present.

SEE OVERLEAF FOR ... SAVE OUR POSTMAN ...

PARTY IN THE PARK — Sat 30th April—Lots of family fun and live music.

Swimbridge School Current vacancy : Mealtime Asst

Salary (NJC Grade A) £9.25ph 5.85 hours per week. We require an enthusiastic, patient and highly motivated person, who enjoys working with young children, to support pupils over the lunchtime period. The role will involve developing excellent relationships with the children, supporting and monitoring their safety and wellbeing, engaging with their play, promoting good language development and helping them to adopt appropriate manners and mealtime behaviours. Applicants will need to demonstrate commitment to the role and an ability to relate well and work successfully with children from the age of 4-11yrs. Previous experience is not essential as training will be given to the successful candidate. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. **To request a job description and application form contact admin@swimbridge-primary.org**

BEAVERS IN SWIMBRIDGE

Presentations by Chris Jones, Beaver Trust

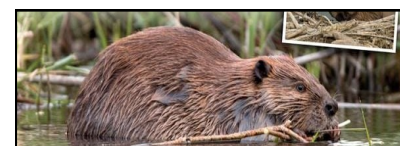
and North Devon Biosphere

How beavers could help to reduce flooding in Landkey, Bishops Tawton and

Swimbridge as well as bringing environmental benefits

FRIDAY 25 MARCH, 7PM

For info: Toby Willcocks 07783949490



FRIENDS OF ST JAMES SPRING Q&As 2022

Talks in Swimbridge Church. £3 (Friends free).

7.30pm Thursday 10 March : Rebecca Houghton: The life of the luthier

Rebecca is a professional luthier (violin maker/restorer) who runs her successful business from a workshop in her Landkey garden. You might have seen her recently on the BBC's The Repair Shop. Come armed with any questions you might have and expect to learn how to make a violin! This talk aims to give an insight into the day to day running of a successful stringed instrument making and restoration business. Rebecca will show us how to make a violin as well as showing some repairs, which ones will depend on what is on her bench at the time!

7.30pm Thursday 17 March : Peter Morrish: High-tech businesses in North Devon

Peter works as Technology and Customer Support Manager at Condition Monitoring Group in Torrington; a local and now International business that Peter has helped develop since 1990. Whilst Northern Devon is predominately known for its Tourism and Agriculture, Peter will shine a light on the important role that High-Tech businesses play in the regional and UK economy. From how to balance a helicopter and achieve a smooth ride, to the clever cycle clothing for Tour de France riders, Peter will talk about some of the most innovative technology businesses in the area, the challenges they face and the benefits that they bring to Northern Devon.

All welcome. For info: Mark Haworth-Booth 07813 776349 markhaworthbooth@gmail.com

USEFUL CONTACTS

Swimbridge Parish Council
www.swimbridgepc.org.uk
Clerk: Lee Wadsworth, 830705
(NEW REG DATE 2nd Wed in month)
Post Office in the Church:
Tuesdays, 2-4pm
St James Church Services
Sunday morning service: 9.30 am
f Mission Prayer Programme
www.swimbridgeparishchurch.org
Rev Shaun O'Rourke, 830950
Friends of St James Church:
Mark Haworth-Booth, 07813 776349 /
markhaworthbooth@gmail.com
Food Bank Collection Point:
St James Church porch
Jack Russell Inn: Paul Darch, 830366
https://www.facebook.com/
thejackrussellswimbridge
Lyncroft Stores: 830278
Shop opening times: Mon-Sat 8am-
6pm / Sun 9am-noon **Post office:**
Mon-Sat 9am-4.30pm/Sun 9-noon.
Swimbridge C of E School, 830437
Swimbridge CE School PTFA
swimbridgeprimaryPTFA@gmail.com
Swimbridge Pre-school, 830357
Swimbridge Jubilee Hall 07714256379
www.swimbridgejubileehall.com
Chair: Colin Wadsworth, 830705
Regular activities in Jubilee Hall
Monday
Chakra Dancing & Creative
Meditation Claire 07725 173961
www.soulsoulholistictherapies.com
Tuesday
Slimming World : 07584 372638 f
Swimbridge Slimming World with Claire
Wednesday
Tiddly Om Poms Cathy Rowe 07766
931170 tiddlymusic@gmail.com
Healthy Balance Pilates Classes
07706 042746 / f HealthyBalancePilates
Thursday
Yoga — Lorri on 07989 340155
Bloom Baby Classes Andrea
07926 034130
www.bloombabyclasses.com
Landkey Guides & Rangers
Phoebe 07795218579 or
Landkeyguides@gmail.com
Friday
First Friday Jazz Club
01598 740114 info@firstfridayjazz.uk
Saturday
Health Balance Pilates (see Wed)
Lindsay Ballet Studios
www.facebook.com/Lindsay-Ballet-
Studios 01271 374272
Sunday
Badminton Club—Matthew Smith
f: Swimbridge Badminton Club
07739 344343.
Upper Old School Room: 830587
david.netherway@btinternet.com
Swimbridge Parklands
Chair: Colin Wadsworth 830705
To donate: <http://bit.ly/swimbridgepark>
Swimbridge Green Team
David Netherway, 830587
Swimbridge Feoffees
Mike Clift, 831188.
Swimbridge Book Swap — FREE
St James Church on back pew
D&C Neighbourhood Police: PCSO
Marcus Jarvis & Lucy Robinson
non emergency: 101
Snow Warden: Mel Bartlett: 831200
Allotments (The Square) and Piano &
Flute lessons Lindsay Cooper, 830347
Avon representatives
Charlotte Smart, 075 7288 3130
Fremington Contractors plumber Matt,
Swimbridge: 07891534817
Salon at the Saloon Hairdresser
Melissa Darch, 079 7090 6421
Clean-Me Chimneys
Keith Clarke 01271 830602
Darren Knill, Rhino Contractors
property maintenance 07928384916
Oliver Morrish Garden 07583641802
Swimbridge Nursing & Res Home
Person in Charge, 830599
Riverton Fishery, 830009
A Barrow Full of Flowers (florist)
07765345083/gailrogers205@gmail.com
Chris Pavord, Oil & Gas Engineer
07766334242



Swimbridge Parish Council: The next meeting takes place on Wednesday 9 March at 7
for 7.30pm start. All are welcome to attend. At 7pm, tea, coffee and biscuits are available
as well as the opportunity for an informal chat with the Councillors. Please send news and
articles for the Parish Council website via Swimbridge Parish Council Clerk Lee Wadsworth
website: www.swimbridgepc.org.uk The new regular date is 2nd Wed in the month.

KEEP OUR POSTMAN

There is a strong possibility that Royal Mail may be transferring our fabulous village postman Martyn Mules to another area in June.

Those of you who are on Swimbridge Village Forum facebook will know there is a strong feeling to keep him here, Martyn was amazing throughout the pandemic and beyond keeping our isolated community connected. A petition is being circulated shortly.

Friday 1 April
8-10.30 pm, Jubilee Hall
First Friday Jazz Club

Pete Canter Quartet
An evening of swing and

Latin jazz. Pete Canter saxophone, James Clemas keys, Kevin Sanders double bass, Gary Evans drums. Music starts 8.30pm prompt. Tickets £10 on door or to purchase beforehand visit **www.FirstFridayJazz.uk** 01598 740114 / info@firstfridayjazz.uk



SWIMBRIDGE COFFEE MORNING

The Friends of St James Church coffee morning and art/village history display will resume on **Tues 19 April from 10am to 12 noon** in the Old Schoolroom (behind the Church). They will continue on the 3rd Tues of the month. All welcome.

SWIMBRIDGE PARTY IN THE PARK ...

Sat 30th April, 2pm—9pm, Swimbridge Parklands

The official Swimbridge Park opening party is being organised by Cllr Darren Knill and a dedicated team for **Sat 30th April**. There will be sports and fete activities—football, tug of war, games, cakes, tea, BBQ, bar and live music. Lots of fun for all the family with the aim to raise a lot of money to purchase more park equipment.

If you can lend a helping hand with any of the following we would love to hear from you—

- ◆ Do you have a gazebo or marquee we can borrow? We need several.
- ◆ We need people to help with stalls, activities, car parking, setting up, etc
- ◆ We need a couple of qualified first aiders on site
- ◆ Would you be interested in sponsoring part of the event such as the table tennis tournament, the football tournament or ... even the toilets?
- ◆ Can you sell raffle tickets? Can you donate a prize for the raffle?
- ◆ Can you sell duck numbers for the duck race?
- ◆ Please submit photos for the BEST photograph of Swimbridge Parklands competition— it could be a photo of the play area, river, orchard, sport events, etc. Please submit to David Netherway. **david.netherway@btinternet.com** Please remember to add your name, email and your consent for us to use the photo if any young people are in it.
- ◆ Would your village group like a stall to promote your activity?

If you can help with any of the above, please contact Julie on 830311

julie@theyews.org.uk Please come on board—together we will make it happen!

If you go down to the PARK today .. You're sure of a big surprise

In January and February Swimbridge Parish Council, Swimbridge Parklands and their supporters were very busy developing the park. Darren, Colin Wadsworth and their team have put in the gates, fencing and pathway for the car park which will also enable Devon Air Ambulance access. This was thanks to a grant from ND Councillors Lane and Luggar. We also had £1K grant from DCC Cllr Paul Henderson. A big thank you to Geoff Horrell and Ben Horrell-White at Hearson Quarries for the large stones. A big thank you to Mark Haworth Booth and his team for the work to the riverbank which has now been weeded and resurfaced, the Project sign is up and the primroses planted (given by Tarka Country Trust). The table tennis base is prepared and the new metal table tennis table should be with us shortly. A big thank you to David Netherway and his team for making this a reality and to MR Yeo & Sons for tarmac. We had a great morning at the Old Orchard where Michael Gee gave us advice on pruning the trees. Around 15 volunteers turned up to help and maintain the pathways. We've also got through to stage 3 of the ASDA grant for the pathway—fingers crossed!
So much good work done and it all looks fabulous.

Thanks Steve for helping to plant the new flowering almond tree in the Jubilee Hall grounds. It was kindly donated by Sarah Tandy to replace the diseased ash tree recently removed. David Netherway's snowdrops which he planted around the village last year are looking amazing. Thank you David.

