

East Down and Arlington Newsletter

July is a very busy month

Pat and Peter are moving

Pat and Peter Bunch are moving from the village at the end of the month. Fortunately they are not going too far, so no doubt we will see them at some future events. They have both made a huge contribution to the Village Hall including the production of the Newsletter. Peter has been Chairman of the Trustees for eight years and has overseen, among other things, a recent massive refurbishment, leaving the Village Hall in a really good place. Thanks to you both.

The Newsletter

Ray Thomas is picking up the task of producing the Newsletter from Pat and Peter. So if you want to share a message or an event within the parishes of East Down and Arlington please let him know by the 20th of each month. The more contributions we get, the more interesting and useful the Newsletter will be.

If there are any volunteers willing to take on the newsletter they will be welcomed with open arms.

Ray Thomas on 01271 850464 or ray@west-gate.co.uk.

Nancy Fry

Nancy Fry's funeral took place at the Church of St John the Baptist, East Down on Monday 17th June.

Nancy was very active in the parish, well known to the local community and also to the many visitors who stayed on the farm. Her popularity was indicated by the number of mourners who completely filled the church, and attended the wake held in the village hall afterwards.

The family would like to thank Rev. Rosie Austin for a lovely service, Gordon Tamlyn, the pall bearers and Leslie Nicholas for preparing the food.

They would also like to thank everybody who came from near and far to share the celebration of Nancy's life, and apologise for not getting to chat with everyone.

The Village Hall

Although there is quite a lot going on in the Village Hall, it is free most weekends. It is an excellent venue and people have found it ideal for children's parties and similar events. There is a minimal charge and if it is a charity event that may be waived.

Please book the hall through Ray Thomas on 02171 850464 or ray@west-gate.co.uk.

People can borrow equipment from the hall for events elsewhere in return for a donation. The hall carpark is also sometimes used for various outside events, particularly as there is very little parking at the church. Please book equipment or car parking through Ray as usual, so that if there is already a hall booking there won't be a clash.

Regular Events in July

YFC Meeting Tuesday 2nd July at 7pm
Contact Amanda Smyth 850808

Coffee Shop Thursday 4th July
10.30 to 12.00 noon
Hosted by Joyce and Liz Smyth

Parish Council Meeting 15th July 7.30pm
Contact Margaret Done 850432

There will be no Short Mat Bowls in July

Public Hearing

There will be a public hearing at the Village Hall on Tuesday 6th August 2019 at 10:00 am to consider modification of the Definitive Map in respect of Restricted Byway No. 50, East Down.

For further information see the Village Hall Official Notice Board or the Parish website www.eastdownparish.co.uk

Charity Coffee Shop

June 6th unfortunately coincided with early Summer holidays for many of the regulars reducing the usual attendance numbers. Nevertheless donated savoury and sweet food levels were as usual generous, coffee, tea and chat flowed freely and the proceeds of some £52 will be sent the Devon Air Ambulance to assist their worthwhile activities.

East Down Parish Website

Do you ever look at the East Down website? You may not even be aware there is one. If you have access to the internet it is well worth a browse. There is lots of information about the village and its history, Parish Council information, details of footpaths and walks in the Parish, and much more.

www.eastdownparish.co.uk



An Evening of Entertainment

Saturday 6th July at St James Church, Arlington starting at 7pm.
Optional refreshments of Pimms and Strawberries and Cream.



100 Club

The 100 club is an excellent way of supporting the Village Hall so we can continue to maintain it in this great condition. For an outlay of only £12 per year each number goes into a monthly draw. Prizes are £25 and £10 every month, January to November, and £50 and £20 in December. The draw usually takes place at the monthly coffee morning. The year runs from August, so now is a good time to join and is also the time to renew your membership. The easiest way to pay is by direct debit. Forms are available in the Village Hall and should be returned to Rod, Alison or one of the trustees. Contact Rod on 850704

Regular Weekly Village Hall Activities

Senior Keep Fit:

Monday 10-11am Carol Thomas 850464

Table Tennis:

Tuesday 7pm Peter Bunch 850215

Art Group:

Wednesday 2-4pm Margaret Smith 850727

Intensive Fitness:

Wednesday 6-7pm John Denyer 07402 920720

Short Mat Bowls:

Tuesday 7pm Rod Crossman 850704

Yoga:

Thursday 7-8.30pm Ali Crossman 07762 056514

Church Information

Services this month

Sunday 7th July at **East Down** at 11.15am

Sunday 21st July at **Arlington** at 11.30am

Flower and Church Cleaning Rota

Debbie Fry 7th – 14th July

Linda Watt 21st – 28th July



J.P's Vintage Tractor Run

Saturday 13th July at The Barn, Lower Viveham Farm, Muddiford.

Tractors will assemble during the afternoon to leave at 4pm.

Bouncy Castle, Barbecue, Disco and Late Bar.

All proceeds to East Down Church. For details ring Pam or John on 01271 850274.

A great evening and everybody welcome.

Village Hall Cleaning Rota

July: Liz Smyth

A volunteer is still needed for September.



Friday 19th July at the Village Hall

Food will be served at 7.30pm followed by the Quiz.

Teams almost full but contact Rod 850704

July events in other parishes

Loxhore Village Hall

Summer Extravaganza: Saturday 6th July, 7pm. Live band; BBQ and Green Man Cider on sale. Admission £10 advance booking (phone 850335) or £12 on the night.

Sewing Group: Mondays, 5 pm - 7 pm at Loxhore Village Hall. Cost is £3.00 per session. Come when you wish and only pay when you come. Penny Hewitt

Shirwell

Supper Club Saturday 6th July at 7pm.

Parracombe

Open Gardens
Sunday 21st July 10am to 5pm

Eight gardens including Heddon Hall with a walled garden and many rare plants. All gardens within walking distance around the village, which has a pottery, ancient church, and via a short walk on a public footpath, a steam railway terminus.

£6.00 for gardens entry (children free). Well-behaved dogs welcome on short leads. Plants for sale in some gardens. All proceeds to Parracombe Community Trust. For more details call 01598 763469.

Future East Down Dates

The Produce Show	Sunday 11 th August
	More information soon
Bridge afternoon	Saturday 14 th September
60's/70's/80's Disco	Saturday 23 rd November
Bingo	Saturday 26 th October

The Pyne Arms

At a time when many village pubs are struggling or non-existent, we're lucky to have a thriving pub in the village. It's a proper country pub with well-kept ales and great pub food. It now offers bed & breakfast with 3 beautiful ensuite rooms.

July Opening Times

Monday Closed all day

Tuesday 12 noon to 3pm
(food served noon to 2:30pm)
5.00pm to close
(food served 6 to 8:30 pm)

Saturday 12 noon to close
(food served noon to 2:30pm)
(food served 6 to 8:30 pm)

Sunday 12 noon to close
(food served noon to 7pm)

See facebook for any special events or changes to times. For further information, including menus, visit www.pynearms.co.uk

Warewasher

Thanks to the help of the Sweetings Charity the Village Hall now has a warewasher (because it does glasses, crockery, cutlery). It will be a great help, particularly on quiz nights, discos etc, as it has a wash cycle of just two minutes. There are operating instructions on the machine but be aware you need to turn it on at least 50 minutes before use.

Future Events in Other Parishes

Loxhore

Summer Show	Saturday 12 th August
Summer Skittles	Saturday 7 th September
Quiz	Saturday 12 th October
Bon Fire	Saturday 2 nd November

Marwood

Barnstaple Badminton Club has relocated to Marwood Community Hall and are now meeting every Tuesday from 7:30 to 10:30pm. Please contact Simon Polak using the following email: bbc.badminton@btinternet.com