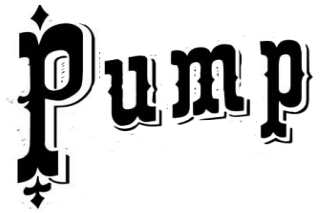




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Look out for others!

Hello again to you all. Well, who would have imagined such times as this? Being an optimist I'd thought it would all have blown over by now and we would all have been in the recovery stages as a nation without too much harm done. Sadly I was wrong; there appears no obvious end in sight, and the recent 'developments' don't seem to have helped much. To quote Will Smith 'We all confused!'

I continue to live in true gratitude for being where I am though; here we are with wide open spaces, a far flung community [naturally socially distanced] and seeing the best weather we can remember; for us here, it could be so much worse. I continue to pray [and encourage you to join me] for those living in cities right now, the many who have lost loved ones and those losing employment with all the fear and insecurity that causes.

That said, an optimist I remain, not based on circumstances but my confidence in God to 'redeem all things' as He has promised. I have been drawn back to a familiar verse from the New Testament book of Romans (chapter 8) 'all things work together for good to those who love God and are called according to His purpose', written by Paul the apostle, a man who knew no end of trouble and hardships.

Also, I sense in my heart that God is far from inactive; indeed his footprints are everywhere to be seen for those with eyes to see. I don't know what will become of our churches after all this, whether they will be full, empty or bankrupt, but the Kingdom of Heaven is alive and well in our communities. It sometimes takes a dark challenge to rouse the best that is in us, and I've certainly witnessed that happening around here. I salute all who are looking after their neighbours and the vulnerable, working with the various volunteer groups and who have donated to those in need. Not forgetting all the keyworkers living amongst us who are facing greater risk and pressure at this time. This is the stuff of the kingdom of God; to guard the weak, supply the needs of those in want and to look out for the other rather than just the self. This is true redemption, true repentance, and beautiful to behold; well done to you all! **Rev Leigh Winsbury**

July PUMP. I am considering producing a full size Pump next month; due to the emergency we are experiencing we may have a problem getting it delivered. We don't want to put any pressure on our distributors to start delivering again, but if you could deliver the Pump at the end of June, please email me at Hatherleighpump@live.co.uk of phone 01837 811216 and leave details, by the 15th June, of which streets you could deliver to.

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

Hatherleigh Town Council would again like to take the opportunity to say a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone in this parish who is helping to keep everyone safe and well.

We are also grateful to all residents for trying to follow Government instructions, we all know that it has not been easy. With the relaxing of some of the rules please still be aware of the 2 metre distancing rule, it is going to be there well into the foreseeable future.

The Town Council are still attending to matters considered necessary using **ZOOM**. Please visit our website for details.

There is also information relating to the current situation on **West Devon Borough Council** and **Devon County** websites.

Please stay safe and "be alert". We will see you on our doorsteps on Thursday evening clapping the **NHS** and all key workers while hearing the chimes of Big Ben which now are ringing out over the town! **Rachel Laylock**

Derek Sanders RIP

Derek Sanders was someone you would have bumped into if you were in Hatherleigh for more than day or two. If you dropped-in at the coffee morning on Tuesday in the Old Schools in the square, he'd probably be there. Maybe you walked past a car parked near the monument in the afternoon and heard some snoozy growls drifting out of the car window. That was my father, too.

This was not always the case though.

The snoozing was well-deserved after an active hardworking life spent (apart from the RAF 'war years) in Hatherleigh. He was a volunteer fireman for 32 years and a long-time member of the Royal British Legion. He really enjoyed the band and any local event that might present him with the opportunity of having a good chat with other locals. He used to take part in the carnival and played football for Hatherleigh for many years. Above all he was a moral and honest man and was determined to provide for his family through honest endeavours that ranged from working as a butcher, a farmer, a builder and painter and decorator. His strong independence helped keep him going for 95 years with just a modest amount of help in the last year or two. He helped Hatherleigh be what it is - a special community that we need to cherish.

Paul Sanders

John Entwistle RIP

John was born in Oxford in 1943. At a very young age he moved with his parents back to their native county of Lancashire. After growing up in the northern village of Newburgh, John worked in the family poultry processing business. It was the largest company in the area, employing people from many of the neighbouring towns and villages. In 1972 John made the decision to move with his children to Hatherleigh. The town instantly captured his heart and he was proud to be involved in all aspects of community life. In 1977 he married his late wife Jackie. Until they retired in 2003, John and Jacky ran the family greengrocers at 49 Market Street before moving the shop down the hill to No 1, Market Street. He was affectionately known as 'Arkwright' from BBC's Open All Hours. His mannerisms and customer service closely mirrored those portrayed by Ronnie Barker in the sit com, that is was widely believed the script writers of the show must have based their character on Dad. His friends Michael and Claire Morpurgo remember when the town's only supermarket was forced to close, John extended his range from green grocery to a 'Happy Shopper', selling everyday items as well as delicatessen goods. Even selling 'four candles'.....A lifeline for people unable to travel to Okehampton. Although there were huge family and business demands on their time, John and Jacky still found time to be avid members of the Baden Powell scouting group, running both Cubs and beavers for many years.

John was also awarded the title of 'Ale taster' by the then Lord of the Manor, Tim Lang, a position he took very seriously!! He was a great supporter of Hatherleigh carnival and proudly accepted the invitation to become carnival president. He also held the silver band close to his heart. He played in it himself and was followed into the band by many of his children and grandchildren.

In 1978 Hatherleigh was cut off from the outside world for several days by snow. John arranged for the Armed Forces to airlift the bread order for his shop, from Okehampton, and had it deposited just outside Hatherleigh. Half the town turned out to meet the helicopter. He then organised a human chain gang to get the bread back into the town. Mission accomplished, everyone had bread that night!

Even though he still had traces of his northern accent he always felt Hatherleigh was his home.

Donations may be given in lieu of flowers and will be donated to the charity 'Sightsavers'. Please send any donations to N Lock and son Gardinia, Black Torrington EX21 5QD.

John said when he passed he would like to be remembered by the scouting motto, 'Gone Home.....I did my best'. *Heather Edwards Entwistle*

Keep Safe! Be Happy!

Hatherleigh.net, Local Matters

Hatherleigh School

The COVID-19 school closures have put the Hatherleigh School community into challenging and uncharted territory and created many worries and uncertainties. However, it has shown the strength and positive values of the whole school community including children, parents/carers, school staff and governors in coming together and working hard with belief and determination to do the very best for the school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for working so hard over the last two months to ensure we have met our children's learning, social, emotional and wellbeing needs as best we can.

We will continue to face many challenges during the remainder of this school year and beyond, including the reopening of the school following the half term break, but I am confident that we will successfully overcome all barriers and continue to take Hatherleigh Community Primary School forward.

Alan Monger, Headteacher

Hatherleigh Volunteers.

I've phoned lots and emailed lots and texted a few and shouted at some across the road (!!!) and everyone has always been kind and thoughtful and delightfully long suffering with me as I try to ease them in to our system.

In the next few weeks we have changes on the near-horizon. Lots of people will soon be back to work and some schools are going back too. The pressures in our lives are changing.

Although Hatherleigh Volunteer Group as an organisation will remain for as long as needed, we all know volunteers come and go.

If you are a volunteer who is already looking after someone, is there a time after which you won't be able to look after them anymore?

If you volunteered and will not be available from the beginning of June, or if you want to volunteer. It is very possible that we will need lots of new volunteers soon.

Please Contact me Clare Kemp: 11, South Street Hatherleigh, 07563154245, ckmultimedia@gmail.com

Thank you so much to everyone who is helping out. None of us really knew what we were volunteering for at the beginning of this crisis, but what makes everything possible are the wonderful people of Hatherleigh.

Shops

CO-OP Bridge Street 7am—8pm

Post Office/Paper Shop 8am 9-12am

Bridge Garage Fuel/Store 7am-9pm

The Burrow Exbourne, M-F 8.30-4

Sat 9-1 Post office M-F 9-1 Sat 9-12.30

Sue Edwards M-Sat 9 am

Bow Garden Centre

www.bowgardencentre.co.uk

Vets

North Park Vets 810455

Food Services

Cheryl Eggs 07870207522

Ex Valley Pizza 07402 147335

Funeral Services

Norman Lock and Son 01409231281

Funerals by Design 07805450565

Garden Services

Rob Love 07795597068

Adam of Eden, Tree Care

07398268877

The Garden Shop Ellie 07478757525

Gardener Sarah Woollacott 811767

Gardener Sarah Brennan

07883405517

Lawncare Mac 851874

Top Cut Tree Services 07971261466

Second Nature 810735

Piers' Sheds 52406

Building Trades

Reid Electrical 07774798296

TCM Plumbing 810599

Belstone Joinery 07838175016

S L Passmore Plastering

07584284256

Gavin Topham 811037

PS Electricians 811112

Handy Andy 811201

AJL Plumbing 07710790010

Steve Attfield Plumber 811122

Hatherleigh Aerials 08000930625

Malcolm Like Decorator 810909

Computer Services

Luke Matthews 811104

Bytes Computers 0136382842

Pet Services

Paw Prints 07392072463

Riverside Kennels 810424

Removals etc.

Man and Van 811172

Shift it Swift 07778574468

When Hatherleigh Stood Still - Lockdown 2020

Memoirs of Hatherleigh

Plans are in motion to record in a book for future generations to understand what it was like for people living in Hatherleigh during the 2020 Coronavirus Pandemic. We are in an unprecedented time and are all having different experiences. It will be nice to have something that we can show future generations just how it was for us, how we came together as a community and how we coped all here in our little town. Are you able to write a poem, letter or diary entry. Draw or paint a picture, take a photograph, or anything which will show how you have felt during lockdown. How have you spent your time? Who and what have you missed, have you been self isolating the entire time, are you caring for a vulnerable person or an older member of your family. Maybe you are a volunteer and serving our community, working from home, or home-schooling your children, how are they finding it being at home and not at school? Do you clap and cheer for the NHS and other Keyworkers on a Thursday evening, have you lost a loved one, or had a baby? It really doesn't have to be a lot, just something you would like to contribute.

There will be a dedication in the book for Dennis Bater, who spent most of his life recording events in film, photography and stories. All of which have been enjoyed by many people and will be available for others to see in the future, and this is certainly a project that he would have been a part of.

All submissions can be sent via email to fundraisingcommittee15@gmail.com as a word document, email or text file. Pictures can be sent as a high resolution jpeg. Handwritten is also fine scanned or delivered to me at 35 Bridge Street.

Please have a go. Kind Regards Donna Lewis

ONLINE SHOPS

Solland Farm Shop ** website www.cidervat.co.uk email alison@solland.co.uk Tel 0183785124 EX20 3QT We are offering an order and collect service and this will be for foods and other household products, which will be available to view on our website with an online click and pay or a collect option. The basic idea is to avoid mass social interaction. see website for more details

Curworthy Cheese ** website www.curworthycheese.co.uk/shop.php Tel 0183781058 For the last 25 years Curworthy Cheese has been made at Stockbeare Farm situated in the mid Devon countryside under the shadow of Dartmoor. A perfect area for grass growing with its unique climate of rain and humidity. The milk is sourced from local dairy farmers in the area.

Tally Ho Brewery ** website www.tallyhobrewery.co.uk email julian@tallyhobrewery.co.uk Tel 07779339089 Location EX20 3JN [directions](#) Pale Ale brewed here in Hatherleigh and delivered to your door

SERVICES

Richard Tidball Insurance Services Ltd ** website www.tidballinsurance.co.uk email gareth@tidballinsurance.co.uk Tel 810010 Location Whilst the office is closed to visitors, we are still able to provide our usual level of service as insurance brokers. Amended opening hours Mon-Fri 09:00-17:00

Please enter your Photographs for the **Ruby Country Calendar 2021** by emailing CharlesDumpleton charlesdumpleton@yahoo.co.uk

Hatherleigh Pink Ladies

The Pink Ladies are still going ahead with plans for the Bash on September 26th even if it is a cut down version with cut down prices to match hopefully more details in Next Month's full Pump!!

Exbourne Council is holding its meetings online for further details if you email either Zena, exbournewithjacobstowepc@gmail.com or steveblakeman@gmail.com we can email the zoom link to you.

Dog exercise area wanted

I am seeking a fenced field, or garden, in Exbourne, or nearby, where I can safely let my rescue greyhound off the lead for exercise - I would be willing to either buy or rent. Please get in touch with me on 01837 851741 or email me jilly@pottyforpainting.co.uk. Jilly Chandler

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