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Ross 07971261466 Neil 07950113153 Happy New Year to all our readers. We hope you have had a happy and safe Christmas and New year! Lets hope 2021 will be much kinder to us.

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The Pump Team

Hello Everyone, I am very honoured to be taking over the role of editor.

By now you will have noticed that we have a new looking pump for this year. A massive thank you to the very talented and brilliant Christina Knights who drew the amazing drawings we now have on our front cover. Please keep a look out for more designs over the coming months.

I would like to wish Neil and Sue Price every happiness in Spain. Neil edited the pump for just over 20 years and I'm sure is now enjoying a well deserved break.

If there is anything anyone feels they would like to see, please send me an email. I would also like to incorporate some pictures too from time to time, so please feel free to send me anything at all and I will try to include them. There will be a full colour pump a couple times a year so please look out for this. A digital copy with full colour cover will also be available online each month.

As I write this, we have now entered our third national lockdown, in times as scary as these, it is important to look out for each other, and keep safe. A big thank you to everyone working in our schools, preschools and local shops. We appreciate you all for everything you are doing for our communities.

Best wishes to all

Where's Wally???

Donna Lewis

Can you find him hidden somewhere in the pump?

Deadline for March Pump

Friday 19th February 2021

Please email all contributions to newhatherleighpump@gmail.com

Hatherleigh pays tribute to our eldest resident Betty Willis, aged 101 years old.

Betty sadly passed away in her sleep after enjoying a Christmas Party at the Nursing Home where she had been the last few weeks of her life.

Betty nee Horn was born on the 14th January 1919, she was the youngest of George Horn's family, they lived in South Street and she attended Hatherleigh School.

She will be remembered for being a great seamstress, making her own clothes and looking so smart, always happy to insert a new zip in trousers or make alterations right up until her late 90's. Her early training was in helping to make the linings for the coffins that her

father made! When WW2 started she joined the Army Pay Corps and was posted to Exeter. In 1944 she married Leonard Willis.

Betty liked nothing better than to bake sausage rolls and meat patties for the coffee mornings, such an active lady in her later years and could be seen wheeling her trolley down from Moor View and round the Market on a Tuesday, always pleased to stop and chat, she was a lady who never travelled far from Hatherleigh.

Hatherleigh pays tribute to Olive Reynolds.



Olive (nee Warren) was born in Iddesleigh 6.4.1929 at Bearland, later moving to Parklane and went on to attended Iddesleigh School aged five until the age of fourteen. She started her working life then at the Parsonage at Dowland but left after the death of Reverend Jackson and went to Parsonage Farm and to Devon Lodge.

When that closed she moved into Hatherleigh and worked in The New Inn (Tally Ho) as well as the George Hotel. After meeting her future husband George Reynolds in 1955 and then marrying in 1957, Olive worked in Fishleigh House until

she started her family.

After the early death of her husband she raised her family of four children on her own, working hard but joining in with many of the events and clubs, especially carnival, bowls, cricket and Women's British Legion as well as becoming a town councillor and Mayor.

Olive served Hatherleigh well during her lifetime and will be missed by many people in the town.



Dear friends,

Well these get trickier to write each time as uncertainty and change become an everyday experience. Whatever I say about our circumstances, writing on Jan 12th, is very likely to be out of date by the time you're reading this. At present, I have taken



the decision to cease church services in the face of escalating risk. This was a difficult decision to make as I believe it is imperative that we continue to invite God to be present and active in our nation at this time, and there seems no better way to do that than to meet for public prayer and worship. That said, I believe the risks involved made that unjustifiable. We are all hoping that with vaccines rolling out, the end is in sight. When we get there we can gather properly and raise our voices to heaven, but until then it seems somewhat careless to put anyone in danger for want of patience.

I know that for many, meeting in church is a lifeline, socially, spiritually and emotionally and I apologise to you for postponing that. The church hasn't dissolved, however; it is made of its living members, and we are all still here: still at prayer, still worshipping our God and still wanting to serve our community. So do make contact if you find yourself in need.

I will still be putting out a little video each week which you can find on fb pages; Hatherleigh building community, Northlew and Ashbury life, and Jacobstowe community group. If you're not on fb but use email, please mail me at <u>lwinsbury@googlemail.com</u> if you'd like to be added to my weekly mail out with a link to the videos.

With all these changes then, what is timeless? What is unchanging? The bible says that **'God is the same, yesterday, today and forever'**. **There is 'nothing new under the sun'**, **nothing God has not seen before.** Let us lift our eyes to Him who is able to carry us through these things as He has ably carried previous generations through such things and worse. Of course those generations who tell stories of God's faithfulness through darkness were largely people who believed in God and sought his help. I suggest we learn from their example. We are out of our depth and we're not used to it, but He is not, and is able to carry us through this flood if we turn to Him and ask.



Rev Leigh Winsbury

It was lovely to see the Bethlehem scene in the square over Christmas. Thank you to all involved.

Temporary Ceasing of All Church Services.

Dear parishioners of Hatherleigh, Meeth, Northlew, Jacobstowe and Exbourne.

It is with great sadness but a sense of necessity that we will not be holding services in these churches at this time. In agreement with the 5 PCC's, we believe that it would present an unnecessary risk to our communities to continue to meet while the risk of Covid-19 is at its current level, especially now that there is a hopeful end in sight with the rolling out of the vaccination programme.

I know for some this will be upsetting, I hope this will not continue for long and we will constantly review the situation. In the meantime, if you are able to access the internet, there are a number of online options you could join in with. I am releasing a short video each week which you can access on the facebook pages; 'Hatherleigh, building community', 'Northlew and Ashbury life', and 'Jacobstowe community group', or, I can e-mail a link to you directly if you contact me on lwinsbury@googlemail.com. Alternatively, my colleague Revd. Steven Cook is live streaming a service each week at 11.00 from All Saints, Okehampton and producing a more formal recorded service. These can be accessed via the 'grapevine' e- newsletter, again, please ask me if you would like to be included in the weekly mail out for this.

Unlike during the spring lockdown, the churches are open for the same hours as they have been since the summer for your personal prayers and devotions, do please make use of these spaces. And be assured, though the services have stopped, the church is still here and active; in prayer, worship and service.

With my love and blessings for you all, Revd. Leigh Winsbury.

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Our current office hours are Wednesdays 9 am – 12 noon.

Below please find a list of clubs and regular activities that we ran here before the COVID-19 pandemic and hopefully we will be returning to this timetable in the near future.

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Contact Details:

Leadership Team: Patrick & Andrea Kimber 01837 810057 Donald & Sarah Miles 01837 810144 Www.hatherleighcommunitychurch.org.uk info@hatherleighcommunitychurch.org.uk or find us on facebook.

We are a group of Christians who love God and love our community.

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On the third Sunday of each month we meet for a united service with our friends from the Methodist and Parish church.

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Please check before joining us as due to recent COVID regulations we have not been able to meet as usual.

Philippians 4: 6-7

'Do not worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus'

Junior Pump Blog

This months Junior blogger is 10 year old Vanesa. Vanesa is currently home learning due to the latest lockdown but has taken the time to share some of her news with us.

Hello Everyone!

Happy New Year! I hope 2021 started well for you. Did you think of a New Years Resolution? Mine is to eat less sweets (how do you think I will get on with that?) My second one is to learn how to do flicks and somersaults at gymnastics. I have been working really hard on handstand flatbacks and bridge kickovers. One day I would like to be a famous gymnast. My last couple of sessions have ended in a disaster, I tried to master flick but I fell on my bum, (trust me, it hurts.) my favourite gymnasts are Dominick Cunningham and Amy Tinkler. What is your favourite sport? Every sport is good for you it helps your bones to grow stronger, and its healthy! It doesn't matter if its cycling, swimming or even walking, as long as your happy, that's what matters the most!

By Vanesa aged 10









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As we all know the New Year hasn't quite started as we were expecting and that includes the new term at Hatherleigh School. We find ourselves, once more, in a national lock down and the school closed to all children except for those of critical key workers and vulnerable children.

Saying that, we are still determined to ensure all the children receive the best teaching and learning through parents and carers supporting remote provision for those at home and school staff for children in school. Teaching has taken on a new challenge for all staff with recorded lessons or live teaching being prepared and delivered.

Everyone is looking forward to the day when the lock down is over and all the children can return - hopefully this will not be too far in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the Hatherleigh school community; children, parents/ carers, school staff and the governing board for all of their hard work and support for the school during these challenging times.

Stay safe and well. Alan Monger Headteacher



The start to the January
 term was not what we had
 planned. The ongoing
 Covid pandemic and
 subsequent restrictions in
 school attendance have

meant much disruption to what we had intended. The school remains open for key worker and vulnerable children and we currently have just over a third of our children in school. The rest of the children have returned to learning from home. Whilst this brings some significant challenges the school and it's staff have been outstanding in providing support both academically and socially. Weekly bespoke home learning is sent to all children from their class teacher with additional resources such as pre-recorded lessons, instructional presentations and teacher made recording sheets. The children and their teacher are able to communicate via the Class Dojo app which allows children to upload their learning and receive swift feedback. We have recently started to experiment with live assemblies and worships through Zoom. The school is also very aware of the social and emotional pressures placed on families at this time. We have continued to supply eligible families with free school meals hampers or vouchers, digital devices, learning resources as well as emotional support through directing to services.

I must say a huge well done to the children, their families and our staff who continue to be adaptable, resilient and persevere.

Whilst there is no clear end date to the school restrictions, systematic testing of staff and the roll out of the vaccine give us hope for a return to normality soon. In the mean time we will continue to support one another and our communities through this difficult period.

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A SHORT HISTORY OF NOT VERY MUCH - Jane Payne

Many years ago, in 1993, a sprightly young ex-head of the computer department at the UN, arrived in Petrockstowe with a young daughter and lots of (probably long) hair. Within a few years his talents and enthusiasm saw to it that he became a Governor of Hatherleigh School, and the Editor of the Parish Pump at the express request of Sally Vick.



The Pump had been established as the Parish Magazine in the 1980s by the Rev Nick McKinnel, but in 1998 the then Editor, Barbara Mercer, emigrated to New Zealand and so for the next 22 years the post was filled by Neil Price.

The early editions in A4 format were printed in Crediton, but alas the kindly printer who had only charged "mates rates" eventually retired, leaving the Pump and its Editor alone on an ocean of blank paper. Undaunted, our hero determined that DIY was the way forward and once a month a trusty and eventually tipsy team were to be seen touring the tables in the Tally Ho! picking from precarious piles of print, the pages for the next edition.

Eventually it all became too much, so a collator was purchased to work alongside the printer, but even that was a cumbersome arrangement. The solution was an even better printer and a folding machine and thus, not without misgivings from some, the A5 version of the Pump was born, with Neil Price as midwife.

But the relentless march of technology meant that a still better printer linked directly to the computer on which the copy was written was needed. It was bought and housed in several locations around Hatherleigh before it at last threw in the (paper) towel and stopped working. Ever the innovator, Neil turned to Ink Print in Okehampton, who to this day, turn out 1400 copies of the Pump eleven months a year.

All through this time Neil has recruited proof-readers, distributors and a Treasurer or two, while doing most of the work preparing the Pump for printing himself, losing a little more hair with each edition until he is as we see him today: bald, tired, and ready for retirement . Spain beckons.

Thank you Neil for more than two decades of computer tech, for Hatherleigh and the surrounding villages, providing everyone with the prime link of the Parish Pump. "We will miss him".

Hatherleigh Pink Ladies

We are very pleased to be able to tell you that despite the virus and all the restrictions our online auction in October raised in excess of £10,000. All monies raised went to the following charities: Chestnut Appeal (male cancers), Farming Community Network, Multiple Sclerosis, Madewell, Nepal-ease, Okehampton lights, Okehampton rugby club and Send a cow.

A big thank you to all those who donated, as well as to all the bidders. The Pink Ladies and the Charities couldn't do it without you.

We will be holding an auction again this year, and hopefully we will be able to have a party too. If you would like us to help raise money for your Charity in 2021 then please contact us. We will be starting to organise things very soon.

Business Questionnaire.

The Town Council of Hatherleigh has sent a questionnaire to all businesses asking about the need to promote tourism and business.

Back in 2001 after the foot and mouth problem the Hatherleigh Area Project was started under the government's Market and Coastal Towns Initiative, this in time having raised the money to build the



community hall morphed into The Ruby Country Partnership Ltd, a not for profit company. The aims of Ruby Country are to promote both BUSINESS and TOURISM in Hatherleigh and the surrounding area. To achieve this a website was created and this old site still exists, although due to lack of both support from business and volunteers it is very dated and in need of modernisation... At a later date Ruby Country managed to get some money and joined with D.C.C to build the Ruby Way and establish a new website to promote the area this time biased towards tourism, this is the Ride The Ruby Country site which gained national recognition. Ruby printed and distributed the Hatherleigh Leaflet a few of which still exist and runs the Visitor Centre with the help of a small group of volunteers.

Before the closure of the cattle market the running of two highly successful Ruby Country Markets financed this, now there is no regular income and we struggle on trying to do the job we were set up to do. Instead of reinventing the wheel if you want to help promote your area and businesses please support our nationally recognised brand and put some time, energy and money into Ruby Country. The website need managing by a person or group who are capable of this and any businesses that advertise on them must pay for the privilege EVERY year not just for the first year. If there is enough support a new promotional leaflet can be produced and a distributor paid. If anybody has the right skills there is still money that can be found to help with all this, but unfortunately bid writing is an art beyond my abilities so please help if you can. It remains the desire of Ruby Country to serve the community that set it up, please help us if you can, it is in your interest to do so. We helped to save the Tuesday market and have always supported the Hatherleigh Festival and Carnival. We are open on the square to provide for your businesses and tourism as well as providing a drop in centre for anyone who needs help or a chat. Please give us your support and help us to continue to do what we can for you without you it is pointless our existing, we need all of you to come and work with us to help Hatherleigh and the surrounding villages to progress. We all need each other and great goodwill to succeed please contact the Visitor Centre or email me :

<u>charlesdumpleton@yahoo.co.uk</u> If you want this to work please support us to be the hub for business of all types.

Charles Dumpleton

Under 5's Playpark Update:

We have been really pleased of the progress and transformation this year of the toddler park. Our aim was always to make it more accessible, safe and more variety for the children. Last summer saw the new multiuse activity centre, the den and tractor and trailer. We replaced all the fencing and removed the equipment which was no longer usable. None of this would have been possible without the kind and generous

donations and grants which we received from the Lottery Fund, Moor Management, Town Council, Carnival, and the local community.



We are really pleased to share the continued developments to the under 5s playpark. This week, 3 interactive finger boards have been installed for the children to enjoy. In addition, weatherproof surfacing is being laid with artificial grass being laid in the playhouse. Rubber mulch surfacing

around the play equipment will be installed as soon as the ground dries up a bit! Due to the work being done, the park is now very muddy and is temporarily closed until the mulch can be laid when the weather improves. **Donna Lewis and Adam Hill**







Hatherleigh Carnival



2021 is upon us, and hopefully a better and brighter year!

In the meantime, unfortunately we've not been able to meet since our last update, so don't have lots of fantastically uplifting news for you all at the moment (as much as it may be needed).

We are currently looking at holding meeting virtually, which may well mean we are able to announce the winning badge numbers and photography competition winners fairly soon, so keep your eyes peeled for any updates.

In the meantime, keep yourselves safe, and keep looking after each other.



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- If you are a new volunteer, please send your contacts
- Hatherleigh food bank has re-opened for donations of tins, dried goods and other long-life food staples at the back of the church. All will be delivered to the Okehampton Food Bank. Support offered:
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Notes from last meetings 8th Dec & 12th Jan held via Zoom. Next meeting 9th February 2021 at 7pm.

Your 10 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/ Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Kay Walters, Donna Lewis, Paul Bolland, Callum Entwistle and Ellie Holland.

Due to current restrictions meetings are held using Zoom, a remote meeting platform. The meeting and Public Session remain available. Check our website 'minutes page' for details of the Zoom link, code and password. Alternatively see the agenda on the notice board.

Covid Restrictions: Once again we are in national lockdown. Please see Government guidelines for the restrictions that apply. Information of links for Business Support Grants and Community Support are on our website.

The skate park is again closed and we are aware that police do monitor the area.

Hatherleigh Covid-19 Volunteer Group: the group continues to offer support and help to the vulnerable members of this community. If you wish to volunteer or seek help then please contact: WDBC Cllrs.

Clare Kemp 07563 154 245 / 01837 811 784

Patrick Kimber 01837 810 057 / 07840 538 357

Or Rev Leigh Winsbury Tel: 01837 810 680

Thank you to all those offering support and help to elderly and vulnerable members of our community.

Town Centre Boost Grant: as reported last month Hatherleigh received a grant from West Devon Borough Council to help support its town centre businesses. We therefore compiled and delivered a 'High St' survey to businesses in town. We've had a modest return so please still complete and return this if you received one. **Council Tax Precept setting:** Councillors discussed the setting of the precept. It was agreed the precept be maintained at the level of previous years of £25k.

Maintenance Issues:

Swing seats in the toddler park are now replaced. Zip Wire issues are still being looked at.

Millennium Corner posts/bollards: after seeking quotes on replacements it was decided not to proceed and instead remove remaining posts, repair the wall and add extra planting.

Seats/Benches: it has been highlighted a couple of these in need of repair. A full review is taking place.

Dogs loose in Church yard: reports that dogs are being freely exercised around graves. Please show respect and keep dogs on leads.

Hatherleigh Market: continues to operate thru lockdown under covid guidelines and the town car park continues to be free market mornings. Kingswood Homes' planning amendment (primarily a road re-alignment) was discussed and supported.

Okehampton Rail Link: following the announcement of Govt support to this project. The Council is to send a letter to local bus comps highlighting the need for a supportive service.

Winter issues:

Our Road & Snow Warden is ONLY responsible to clear certain pathways listed in our Extreme Weather Plan. In an Emergency Only please call Road Warden Stefan Farley on 07825 232331.

Volunteers: If anyone is interested in helping Stefan grit a small number of pathways in snow/ice conditions please contact our Clerk.

Sandbags: If residents need sandbags during bad weather they are available from the Community Centre during office hours 9-12 midday weekdays (01837 810329). Sandbags are not pre-filled and are for self-filling. Sand is available at the Community Centre.

Grit Bins: please check Grit Bins in your vicinity and report to us any bins that need topping up. Grit bins don't get automatically filled.

Space is short here. A full account of meetings are available in the minutes on the Town Council website and notice board in Millennium Corner.

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Conservation Communities Project

The Conservation Communities project is a new initiative from Devon Wildlife Trust to work with residents to discover, record and protect wildlife across 11 parishes between Great Torrington and Hatherleigh.

It is known that this area has been rich and diverse in wildlife, but there are very few wildlife records to show that this is still the case. We're calling on local people to help Devon Biodiversity Records Centre (DBRC) to collect wildlife records.

If we know what wildlife we have, we can help protect it. To ensure that your wildlife sightings are used to protect Devon's wildlife, we ask that you follow the online Wildlife Records form at **www.dbrc.org.uk**. If you'd like to find out more about the Conservation Communities project and the training opportunities, Email Jo at **conservationcommunities@devonwildlifetrust.org**

Mini Meadows Challenge

Conservation Communities Project is teaming up with our Environmental Forum to launch the Mini Meadows Challenge.



This wildlife challenge is about us pulling together as a collective to have a big impact on our local ecosystem by each of us taking a small action. The action is as simple as planting some wildflowers and watching them grow. Wildflowers are central in supporting our entire web of life. Did you know that a square metre of wildflowers can produce sufficient nectar to support over 15,000 bee visits per day.

Would you like to get involved in growing some wildflowers in your patch? - this could be a corner of a field, a square metre or more of your garden, or just a plant pot. Please send us the details of how much space you are setting aside or the size of an existing wildflower area to <u>HatherleighEnvironmentalForum@gmail.com</u>. If you need help getting started with this challenge let us know, we're happy to give some advice. We are also hoping to have some packs of wildflower seeds that will cover 1m square to give away.

Let's see what we can achieve together for the Mini Meadow Challenge!

Wildlife Reports:

 In December and January Harvest Mouse Survey Training took place as part of the Conservation Communities Project, new records of this mouse are now being reported in the area.

Hatherleigh volunteers contributed to the New Year Plant Hunt 2021 by Botanical Society of Britain & Ireland (BSBI).

Up and Coming Events :

Wednesday 3rd February, 2pm - Winter Twig ID. This is an online event for those who would like to learn how to identify common tree species in winter months. Led by Devon Wildlife Trust's Conservation Communities Project (see above for contact details).





Hatherleigh History Society

So, still in Lockdown! What a way to start 2021, but very necessary to try and get the numbers down and keep everyone as safe as possible from this dreadful Covid 19 virus. It has taken its toll of some of our well know townsfolk who will be greatly missed.

There is obviously no way that we can meet up for History Society meetings for some time yet but we have been quite busy. Our Treasurer Martin Hartnett has been posting lots of interesting articles on the website www.hatherleighhistory.co.uk and Alan Beaman has been researching the shops and businesses in town and using it to date many of the photographs we hold, this is a work in progress. We have restarted the `Hatherleigh History Society` Facebook page after a break and post photographs and items of interest on Mondays to Fridays. We are grateful to the many people who have given/sent us photographs, letters and connections to families in Hatherleigh.

If you have been looking through your old photographs during Lockdown, or perhaps it is something you have been meaning to do, please think about writing on the back of them who people are, the occasion, the relationship or even a date, it will be so important for the next generation when these items get passed on. Now that we have the mobile phone camera and digital cameras which download and save photos I wonder how many people actually print any of them, does it mean that gone will be the albums and shoe boxes full of photos?

We are always interested in photographs, postcards, letters or documents of old Hatherleigh houses, families or celebrations, if you have some that you could scan or copy and send to us please let us know or when Lockdown is lifted we can do that for you if you are not connected to the internet, that way the items stay with the family.

Good luck to Donna with the new look Parish Magazine from the Hatherleigh History Society.

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