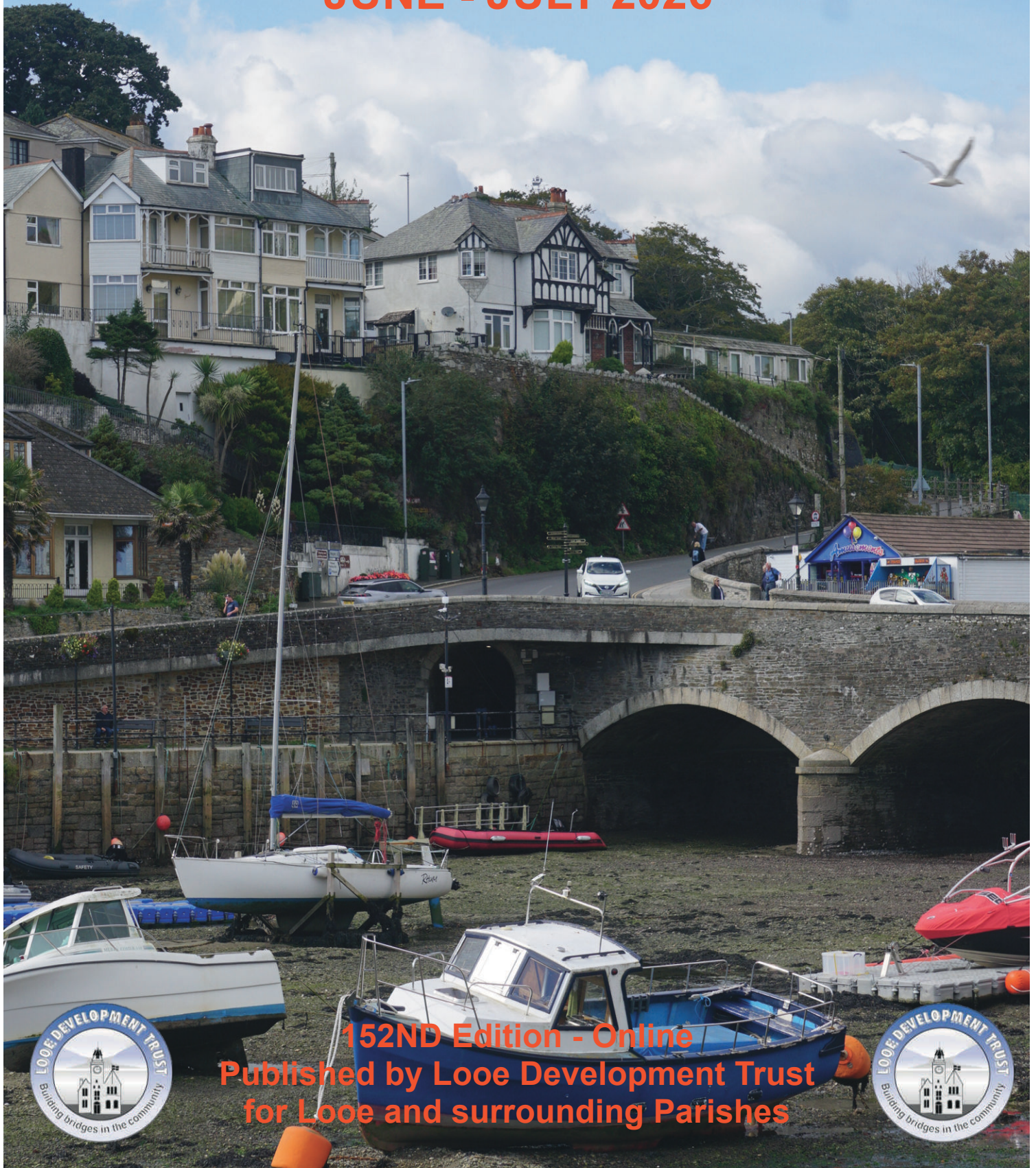


LOOE COMMUNITY NEWS

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Greetings, LCN readers.

I write during the late May heatwave and it's amazing that Cornwall is among the coolest parts of the UK - temperature-wise anyway!

The Bank Holiday weekend has just finished and it has been good to see our glass-bottomed boats doing good business, Pengelly's crammed with delicious fish from our own vessels, busy trade in the shops and the town full to bursting.

We welcomed our new security company – Phoenix – for what sadly turned out to be a difficult weekend. A tiny minority of young people spoilt the mood for everyone that witnessed their brawls.

Not only is there a serious risk of people getting badly hurt but it drags the reputation of our beautiful town into the gutter. My thanks both to Phoenix and to Devon & Cornwall Police who attended each day of the weekend. Looe's key agencies will be working together urgently to protect and promote our community as a great place in which to live, work, visit and invest.

I am grateful to my fellow Councillors for re-electing me for a further year as Mayor of Looe. As well as supporting all aspects of our present and developing work:

- I will continue to build active links with Looe Business Forum, Creative Looe, our Primary and Community Academies, the emergency services, the other three key governance bodies and our many charities, cultural, sporting and social organisations.
- I will actively support the revival of our Town Twinning with Quiberon.
- I want to see our new Looe Youth Council mature and flourish and will give time to supporting it along with any other routes to engaging and supporting our young people.
- I will further develop our connections with other Cornish communities, through their Mayors and Councils, and with Cornwall Council.

I wish every resident and visitor to Looe a wonderful, peaceful and happy summer.

Stephen Remington
Mayor of Looe



MAYOR MAKING CEREMONY 2026



Looe Town Council's Annual Parish Assembly and Annual Town Meeting was held on Tuesday 19th May at the Millpool Centre. Councillor Stephen Remington was re-elected to serve as Mayor for a second year and Cllr Powell was elected as Deputy Mayor, taking over the role from Cllr Jamie Pearn.

In his acceptance speech the Mayor reflected on the last Council year and thanked the organisations, groups, charities and individuals who contribute their time and energy to the town. He said his focus during the coming year will be to deliver the strategic plan and continue to build connections throughout the town. To close his speech, he said: *"At this same moment last year I proposed a very simple mantra for Looe Town Council, and I say it again to the town, to every citizen and to any visitor: how can we help you?"*

During the ceremony, a number of individuals and organisations were recognised for the work they do for the town and in support of the Town Council. In particular, the Mayor thanked outgoing Deputy Mayor Cllr Jamie Pearn and Cllr Jon Holmes who has been working to reestablish the Twinning arrangement with Quiberon in France.

The outgoing Macebearers Alfie and Lee were thanked for their service and the Macebearers for 2026/27 Bea and Lily were passed the maces in a traditional ceremony.

Although unable to attend the meeting, outgoing Mayor's Cadet of the year Jago was thanked for his service and new Cadet Alfie was welcomed to the role.

Other appointments included:

Rev. Ben Morgan-Lundie was again appointed as Mayor's Chaplain

Former Mayor Tony Smith was appointed a Burgess of Looe

The Mayor also made a number of awards and donations.

Antony Scarah, the Maintenance Manager at East Looe Town Trust, was named Citizen of the Year for the work he does to keep the beach clean and his services to the town.

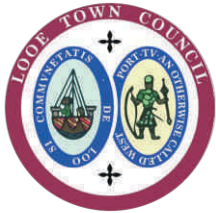
The award of 'Organisations of the Year' was jointly presented to Looe Primary Academy and Looe Community Academy.

Mayor's Fund donations were made to Age Concern Looe, Cornwall Wildlife Trust for their work on Looe Island, Looe Festival of Words and Looe Pioneers Running Club.

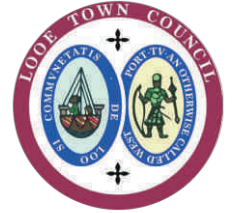
The Mayor also mentioned that this year marks the 50th anniversary of the original signing of the twinning relationship between Looe and Quiberon, in France. A delegation from Quiberon will be visiting the town in October and he thanked the whole town in advance for making them feel welcome.



Cllr Jamie Pearn presents chains to Deputy Mayor Cllr Michala Powell



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Summer 2026

LOOE LIBRARY

NEWS

Stories & Songs

Smarter Smiles & Dylan the Dragon joined a special session and taught us all about oral hygiene (Dylan had splendid sparkling white teeth!).



Children brought their teddies to **Share a Story**. The teddies loved joining in with **Going on a Bear Hunt**!

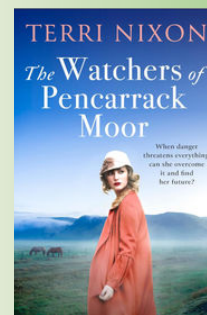
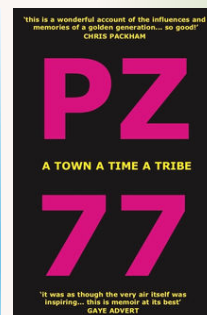
Lots of exciting events lined up for the summer. Date for your diary **3rd - 8th August, the Looe Library Festival Week**. Plus an opportunity to have your masterpiece on display with our **Draw & Explore Competition & Exhibition** for all ages. ➔

Catherine
Supervisor, Looe Library & Community Hub

FREE CLUBS & GROUPS

Stories & Songs	EVERY MONDAY 10:30-11AM
Knit & Natter	EVERY TUESDAY 2-4PM
Saturday Club	EVERY WEEK 11AM-1PM
The Write Place	1ST TUES O/T MONTH 10:30AM

Author Talks



To continue with our **National Year of Reading** celebrations, we are excited to welcome authors **Simon Parker, Frances Gaudiano and Terri Nixon**. Phone 01503 262390 for details of our **FREE** talks.

DRAW & EXPLORE

Looe Library Drawing Competition & Exhibition

Three Competitions

- Age 4-12
- Teenagers
- Over 18s



Pick up your **FREE 'Draw & Explore Pack'** from Looe Library & Community Hub

Closing date for entries - Mon 31st August



Best pieces will be displayed at Looe Library. Competition winners will be announced in September.

Don't miss out!
Follow us:
Looe Library & Community Hub



Shouts

Our crew at Looe have been ready to answer the pager and rescue those in difficulty. Between 12 January and 8 March 2026 our volunteer crew have launched the charity's inshore lifeboats on three occasions in response to four shouts.

Souvenir Shop

Our souvenir shop is now open for the 2026 season. Subject to volunteer availability, and the weather, it will be open daily between 11 am and 4pm. Our shop has a wide range of gifts and 2026 products for you to choose from.

Albatross Boathouse

Subject to the weather, our boathouse will reopen daily to the public from Easter and like our shop it will be open daily between 11 am and 4pm. Our team of volunteer boathouse guides will be on hand to show you the charity's inshore lifeboats and launch tractors. They can answer all your questions and tell you more about the RNLI, the Looe volunteer crew, our shouts and how to keep safe on the water.

The 2026 Looe raft race

The Looe raft race is back, it's time to get a team together and build a raft. Thanks to the Looe Boat Owners Association the raft race is on Sunday 21 June, starting at 11.30 am. More information and details on how to register your raft can be found at www.looeraftace.com Also see poster on page 10

Summer Hamper Raffle Draw: Our Looe and Liskeard RNLI fundraising team have organised a summer raffle, with the help of Ali from Purely Cornish, they are putting together a wonderful hamper filled with all sorts of treats and goodies. The total value of the contents will be £150. Raffle tickets are £1 each or £5 per book. They will be on sale during all of our summer events and concerts as well as in the RNLI's souvenir shop next to the lifeboat station.

Please note - the attached photo gives an impression of the hamper.

Once the draw takes place the hamper will be prepared with products that are 100% Cornish and will be as local as possible, including a bottle of Camel Valley sparkling wine, Cornish tea and Coffee, honey, chutney, and a beautiful St Eval candle. The draw will take place during the Stargazy concert in the Albatross boathouse on 22 September 2026, between 7.30pm and 9pm, after which the hamper will be prepared either for collection or posted on to the lucky recipient.

 Lifeboats
RNLI Looe
With your support, we save lives at sea

RNLI Summer Hamper



Raffle Tickets for Sale £1 each / £5 per book at RNLI Looe Events or for cash only from RNLI Shop

Draw takes place in RNLI Boathouse between 7:30 and 9pm on 22 September 2026

Visit <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/looeifboatstation> or scan the QR code here to donate

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea.


Keeping safe on the coast

This year the RNLI celebrates 25 years of lifeguarding on UK beaches and lifeguards from our RNLI SE Cornwall team return to Tregonhawke beach for Easter with daily patrols, 10am to 6pm, between 3 and 19 April, the weekend 25, 26 April and daily from 2 May for the summer season. Daily patrols on Seaton, Tregantle and Sharrow beaches start on 16 May and weekends at Freathy from 16 July. When there are no lifeguards on the beaches it is important to Respect the Water, check the tide times, wear appropriate buoyancy aids and take a method of calling for help

Please remember No Flags = No Lifeguards

If you are on East Looe beach check the orange windsock on East Looe Town Trust's building by the Old Lifeboat Station. If it is pointing out to sea this denotes an offshore wind which can easily blow an inflatable, stand up paddleboard, kayak or canoe out to sea and hinder your attempts to return to shore safely.

Open water / cold water swimming

Open Water Swimming is becoming more popular around our coasts - whether you're swapping the swimming pool for open water or just enjoying a quick dip, please take care. Safety information can be found on the RNLI website

<https://rnli.org/safety/choose-your-activity/open-water-swimming>

Choose your spot

When open water swimming at the coast, make sure you know:

Where you can enter and exit the water

Your location – are there any hazards you need to be aware of?

What the tide and currents are doing -

check the tide times before entering the water

Keep an eye out for rip currents and know what to do if you get caught in one

Don't try to swim against it. If you can stand, try to wade rather than swim

Swim parallel to the shore until free of the rip and then head for shore.

Raise your hand and shout for help.

For more information and how to spot rip currents head over to:

<https://rnli.org/safety/know-the-risks/rip-currents>



However you end up in the water, if you get into trouble, remember to Float to Live.

Cold water shock is our body's natural response to entering cold water and can very quickly lead to drowning. Floating, even for a short time, allows the effects of cold water shock to pass. It enables you to regain control of your breathing and your survival chances will greatly increase.

If you see someone struggling in the water,

Fight your instinct to jump in and help.

Stay on land and 999 and ask for the Coastguard at the coast, or Fire & Rescue when inland.

Tell the person in danger to float on their back and throw them something that floats, which they can use for buoyancy.

Find out more at <https://respectthewater.com/>

AGE CONCERN

Age Concern meet every Tuesday afternoon between 1.30pm & 4pm in the bottom bar of the Looe Social Club We play bingo, have a raffle and a cup of tea and a chat.

We also have trips out, plus a lot more

We look forward to seeing you

Pat



EAST LOOE TOWN TRUST

As spring turns into summer we hope to see a lot of people enjoying everything Looe has to offer, including our open spaces – particularly the Wooldown and our amazing beach.

We are fortunate to have the assistance of Kernow Ecology advising us on managing The Wooldown – particularly with the meadow and the bee glades – have you spotted the very rare long-horned bee? The Wooldown is a popular spot for locals and visitors but please be conscious that it is also a habitat for many varieties of flora and fauna, how many have you spotted? Our maintenance team are often seen up there doing routine maintenance and emptying the bins. Please would you help us by picking up after your dogs and using the bins provided.

As you are probably aware, the beach and seafront is privately owned by ELTT, who are proud to maintain the beach and provide it for use for the general public. Our maintenance team start work early in the morning and after litter picking the beach and blocks, they will be out on the tractor and surf-rake. The tractor is used to regrade the beach and move large amounts of sand around the beach. The specialist surf-rake picks up smaller bits of litter and plastics to leave the sand clean and ready for visitors to enjoy. We would ask that everyone does their part to keep the beach and seafront clean and tidy – as the weather improves it is lovely to see people outside and socializing. However, this also seems to increase the amount of broken glass and other litter left around. Please do use the bins provided and if glass does get broken – please do not hide it in the sand where it can injure someone. If you can safely clean it up yourself, please do so – or inform a member of ELTT staff.

Seaweed is an important part of the ecology of the coast and we deal with this appropriately, following advice from conservation and ecology specialists. The seaweed is not suitable to be used as fertilizer due to the amount of micro-plastics in the sea, however there are numerous creatures that rely on seaweed and so it is needed but also is not always welcomed by beach-users. We generally move the seaweed to the east where it is picked up by the tide and then moves out to sea (rather than just coming straight back in on the next tide). After a storm or strong winds there can be an awful lot of seaweed deposited.

The Bathing Water Quality season runs from May to September – and during this time, ELTT receive a notification from the Environment Agency which gives a prediction on water quality for that day – the notification is displayed on the noticeboard on the main slipway to the beach, with other information. We are pleased that over the years our rating has improved and has been “Good” for the last few years. The, now familiar, bright yellow buoys are out in the bay – these mark the “swim zone” to keep swimmers and powered craft separate. However, you will see Looe Rowing Club, Looe Sailing Club and the RNLI launching from the beach.

There are safety and information signs on the seafront in various places – please take the time to read them and always be aware of the direction of the wind (there is a bright orange windsock there) especially if you take inflatables onto the water. We are very fortunate to have Looe Beach Hire on the seafront – catering for all your deck chair, sunlounger, windbreak and parasol needs – not to mention the famous octopus roundabout and kayak hire.

We are pleased to co-operate with various organisations to put on numerous activities on and near the beach – including sailing championships, Looe Carnival (organised by Looe Lions), the lantern parade, Punch and Judy shows and the Kernowfornia music festival.

To manage all our land, buildings and events, the Trust is governed by a board of volunteer Trustees and we are looking for more Trustees, please contact the office for more information.





LOOE RAFT RACE 2026



Sunday 21st June - 11.30am

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Have you ever looked at our beach, seafront, Wooldown or museum and wondered who makes the decisions on how they are looked after and managed?

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Do you have time to attend one evening meeting a month (second Tuesday) and occasional working meetings and be involved in areas of Trust business that interest you?

If you have answered yes, then why not become a Trustee of East Looe Town Trust?

Charities require a diverse Board of Trustees with members having a broad range of experience, of different genders and ethnicity.

We welcome anyone who is happy to give time and energy to furthering the Trust's aims and the wellbeing of Looe and its residents.

Applicants must be over 18 years of age, live in Looe or adjoining parishes and not be (or a household member of) a contractor, staff member or tenant of the Trust.

Trustees are volunteers but expenses are payable.

They are generally co-opted for a period of four years and thereafter may be reselected.

For full details of the Trust activities, see our website or contact the office.

Please register your interest by email or letter, giving your background, anticipated contribution and areas of particular interest, with the Trust office before 26th June 2026.

**The Trust Manager,
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The Watchtower,
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East Looe,
Cornwall
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Email: info@eastloometowntrust.co.uk or telephone 01503 263709 / 07494 127778.

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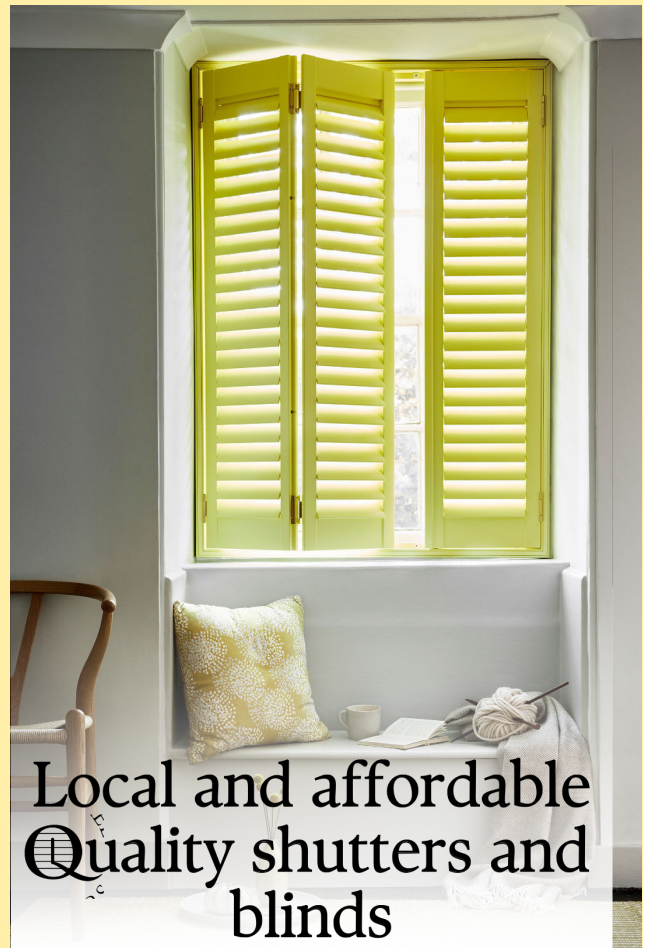


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LOOE IN BLOOM

Summer is almost upon us and we can't wait to make Looe look Bloomin' marvellous again.

We're currently busy tidying beds and getting them ready for summer planting at the end of May/ early June, although some planting has already begun. We're looking forward to seeing the gorgeous plants that Brown's Nurseries are growing for us.

Our lovely new van is here (hoorah!) and it's started its working life with us. Thanks again to our main sponsors of this vehicle – West Looe Town Trust and Looe Garden Club – plus of course all the wonderful people of Looe who donated via our GoFundMe link. We are now continuing to fundraise in earnest as we will need to replace our final old vehicle within the next year to 18 months.



Colin Crabb, Chair of WLTT, Susan Barnes, Joint Chair of Looe Garden Club and our own Chair, Susan Rowe

We enjoyed a fun and successful day at the West Looe May Fayre with our BBQ and Cake Stall. It was great dancing around the Maypole! Thanks so much to the organisers for a lovely community event, to our fantastic volunteers for their time and delicious cakes. Special thanks to Zoe and Garry from the Jolly Sailor for the kind loan of their BBQ and generous supply of gas – we really appreciate you.

We are looking forward to helping at the Summer Shanties again this year and thank the organisers for nominating us as one of the organisations to benefit from the proceeds. These are wonderful events. Please do support them if you can. You can find details here:

<https://www.facebook.com/SummerShanties>
or email - info@welcometolooe.com

Finally, we are very excited to be taking part in the Looe Carnival Procession this year. More info to follow...

Thanks as always to all our supporters old and new and to our funders – we so appreciate you.

Continuing donations are all gratefully received to help keep Looe in Bloom on the road. This link will take you to the GoFundMe site: - <https://gofund.me/7517fff4> or here is the QR code:



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Summer concerts

The RNLI's Looe and Liskeard fundraising team have been working hard to bring you a summer line up of concerts in the boathouse. The season started with our ever-popular Songs of Praise on Sunday 10 May. We will advertise events closer to the date on social media and as ever they are all subject to operational commitments

Summer Shanties are back for 2026

Six Dinner-Concerts - Looe, Cornwall - Summer '26



SUMMER SHANTIES 2026
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Juliet Dawn Diva Roadshow

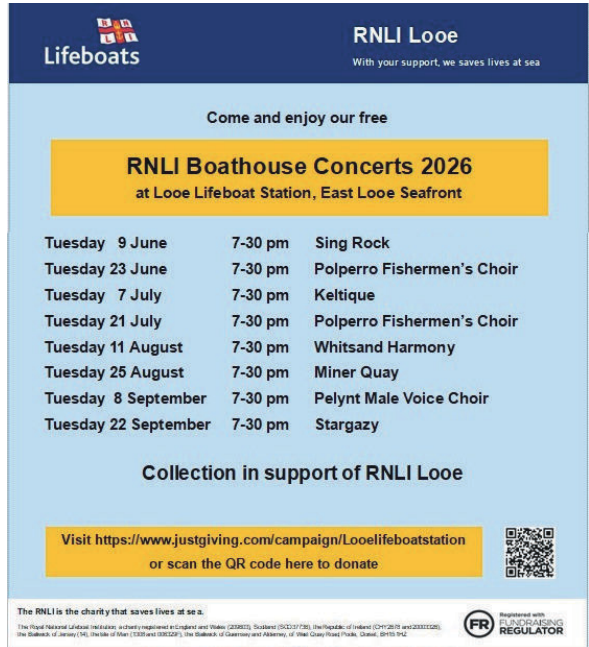
Hannafore Point Hotel 7.30 pm, Saturday 11 July 2026

Celebrating the big Diva Classics and Disco Vibes! Dust off your dancing shoes and "hairbrush microphone" and join our fundraising team for a night of the big Diva classics from the likes of Aretha Franklin, Whitney Houston, Shirley Bassey and many more, its a night to sing and dance your heart out. Juliet recently returned home to Looe from Nashville where she recorded her latest CD so expect the unexpected in this high energy performance.

Bar facilities will be available, and we will also be holding a raffle on the night.

Tickets are £14 available from our RNLI shop (cash only) Quirky;s or via eventbrite (booking fee applies)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rnli-looe-presents-juliet-dawn-diva-roadshow-2026-tickets-1988906878012>



Lifeboats RNLI Looe
With your support, we saves lives at sea

Come and enjoy our free

RNLI Boathouse Concerts 2026
at Looe Lifeboat Station, East Looe Seafront

Tuesday 9 June	7-30 pm	Sing Rock
Tuesday 23 June	7-30 pm	Polperro Fishermen's Choir
Tuesday 7 July	7-30 pm	Keltique
Tuesday 21 July	7-30 pm	Polperro Fishermen's Choir
Tuesday 11 August	7-30 pm	Whitsand Harmony
Tuesday 25 August	7-30 pm	Miner Quay
Tuesday 8 September	7-30 pm	Pelynt Male Voice Choir
Tuesday 22 September	7-30 pm	Stargazy

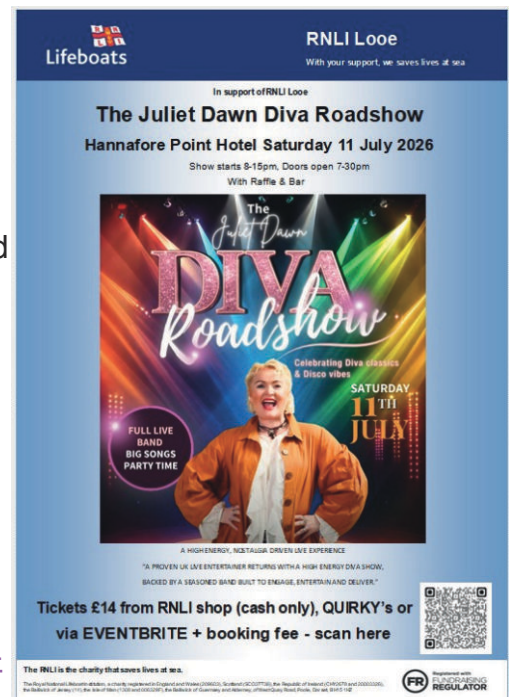
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We would like to thank the teams at Welcome to Looe & Polperro and Portbyhan Hotel, together with Catch and Pengelly's Lobster shack for arranging 3 Fish, Chips & Fizz Fridays and 3 Seafood Saturdays during the evenings of June 12 & 13, July 17 & 18, August 14 & 15- Tickets are priced at £45, with all profits from the six evenings being equally shared between Looe RNLI, being equally shared between Looe RNLI, Looe In Bloom for more information and to



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In support of RNLI Looe

The Juliet Dawn Diva Roadshow
Hannafore Point Hotel Saturday 11 July 2026
Show starts 8-15pm, Doors open 7-30pm
With Raffle & Bar

The Juliet Dawn Diva Roadshow
Celebrating Diva classics & Disco vibes
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Arts and Craft fair at Kilminorth

Our fundraising team have organised an Arts and Crafts fair at Kilminorth. It promises to be a relaxed summer's day celebrating local craft makers, creativity and community. The fair is open from 11am to 4pm on Sunday 2 August 2026. As well as a kids play area, food and drinks from the bar can be found on site. Tickets are £2.50 per adult, children go free.



Proms at Kilminorth returns on Saturday 22 August 2026

The RNLI's Looe and Liskeard fundraisers are helping the team at Kilminorth, who are hosting a Proms evening along with St Pinnock Band and Liskeard & Looe Radio, for more information and tickets please visit

<https://kilminorth.co.uk/event-rnli>



Lee Quinney as Elton John returns on Saturday 17 October 2026

The legend that is Lee Quinney aka Elton John Rocketman! is returning, by popular demand, to the Hannaford Point Hotel on Saturday 17 October 2026. His appearance last year was an electric, sell-out performance, talked about in Looe for weeks. Along with his band, Lee covers the greatest hits of Elton John encouraging audience participation both vocally and on the dancefloor.

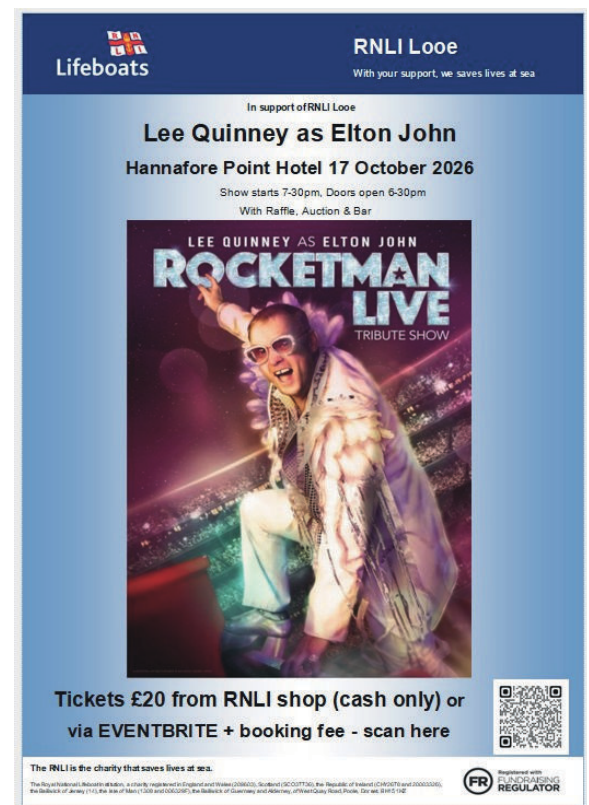
It's a night to let your hair down and enjoy the music of one of our finest singer songwriters, the fabulous Elton John.

During the interval, our fundraising team will hold an auction and draw the raffle (cash and card payments available).

There is a bar available in the ballroom, food available by arrangement with the hotel on 01503 263273 prior to the event.

Tickets – £20 from RNLI Shop (cash only) or online plus booking fee from

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rnli-looe-presents-lee-quinney-as-elton-john-rocketman-2026-tickets-1985581432515>



Community Creativity Gathering Momentum

CreativeLooe has quietly grown into an umbrella organisation supporting a widening range of community arts projects across the town — bringing together schools, artists, volunteers, businesses, and community groups to celebrate what makes Looe special.

Its most recent success is *Flavours of Looe*, an illustrated community cookbook celebrating local food, art, and storytelling. Since its launch in March, the book has attracted huge interest, showcasing Looe's fresh seafood, talented chefs, and artwork created by local students. The project even includes a recipe donated by Her Majesty The Queen. Social media videos featuring the young artists and participating chefs have now generated more than 50,000 views.

The project highlights an important part of *CreativeLooe*'s mission: building partnerships between the community and local businesses while creating opportunities for young people to shine.



Our *Flavours of Looe* cookbook brought together schoolchildren and local businesses

See the Artwork Again

If you missed the launch exhibition, the student artwork is on show in the Ebenezer Gallery in Polperro in May and will return for one day only during the Looe Food Festival on Sunday 14 June in East Looe Guildhall, thanks to East Looe Town Trust.

CreativeLooe will also have a stall in the Guildhall tearoom and rose garden, selling *Flavours of Looe* cookbooks, tea towels, t-shirts, and "little fish" keepsakes. Every purchase helps fund future community projects in the town.



Looe's schoolchildren made more than 700 ceramic fish for our *United by the Sea* project

Meanwhile, *United by the Sea* continues to grow. Pupils from both Looe schools have created more than 700 handmade ceramic fish, glazed with help from a dedicated team of volunteers. Residents saw the extraordinary collection displayed together for the first time in March.

The project is now moving into its second phase, with plans for the ceramic fish to become part of a major new public artwork celebrating Looe's connection with the sea and the creativity of its younger generation.

CreativeLooe has also celebrated the people who help make the town special through its *Looe's Unsung Heroes* calendar project, which inspired the much-loved *Fishmas* film that even caught the attention of ITV West Country.

And there is more to come. Currently in development is *Onyon*, a large-scale dance performance planned for September to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the twinning of Looe and Quiberon. The production will involve students from Looe Community Academy alongside local dance groups, continuing *CreativeLooe*'s aim of bringing generations and organisations together through shared creative projects.

As *CreativeLooe* continues to grow, so too does the number of people contributing their time, ideas, and talents. The organisation hopes these projects will not only create memorable events and artworks, but also strengthen community connections and civic pride across the town.

Residents who would like to follow future projects, buy merchandise, or get involved can find *CreativeLooe* online and on social media — or meet the team during the Food Festival on Sunday 14 June.

<https://www.creativelooe.org>



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WEST LOOE TOWN TRUST STUDENT GRANTS

Applications are now invited for the School Grant 2026/27 School Terms.
The new application form is available from the office (as above) or can
be downloaded from our website www.westloometowntrust.co.uk.

As normal the closing date will be 1st July 2026.

Please do read the criteria page
to ensure you are eligible before sending in your application.

If anyone needs any help or has any further queries please do not
hesitate to contact me and I will be happy to help.

Sue Pengelly
CLERK TO THE TRUSTEES

Old Guildhall Museum & Gaol, East Looe



We re-opened for the current season on 30th March in time for Easter.

There was a good steady flow of visitors, many of whom gave positive feedback (I hope those who didn't say or write anything still enjoyed themselves!).

As ever there are quiet and busy days but we are looking forward to increasing footfall over the next few months.

I was looking through our Postcard Collection the other day, and it made me realise just how much has changed in the way we communicate with each other.

A card from 1925 from Grace is letting her friend know that she will see her tomorrow and will be arriving on the 11.00am train, Grace was totally confident that the card would arrive in time for her friend to meet her at the station the next day. (That is not a dig about the postal service today, just making a comparison).

It is obvious from some of the postcard correspondence that questions are answered and new questions asked, a long-winded way of conducting a conversation but when people didn't even have a phone to chat on, how else would you do it?

Many of the cards are telling family what a beautiful place Looe and Cornwall is, how much fun on the beach they are having, cream teas, ice-cream and about where they are staying. One from 1956 says "We've had 2 lovely days but the others were stormy. Quite a lot of damage last Sunday." So, no change there then!

Let's hope this coming batch of holidaymakers will all go away with happy memories of our very special town.

Penny McHugh
Volunteer Curator, Old Guildhall Museum & Gaol



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LOOE LUGGER CLASSICS 2026

Looe's reputation for hosting regattas of former fishing Luggers and other traditional working and sailing boats is gaining a global audience.

While promoting this summer's Looe Lugger Classics (July 31-August 2) the organisers have heard from boat owners in North America and Germany, as well as long-term friends across the Channel in Brittany.

After nine years, New England shipwright Andrew Guest has finally completed the restoration of the 40-ft Rosalind, an historic 1903 Cornish Lugger built by William Paynter in St Ives. Andrew saved the vessel (sail number: FY26) from the chainsaw in Maryland, USA, and relocated to the perhaps appropriately named seaside town, Mystic, in Connecticut, where he undertook a lengthy and costly renovation project. His objective now is to visit Cornwall, taking in both Looe and St Ives, but a recent knee injury may have scuppered hopes of making it in time for Looe's big maritime festival weekend.



"Unfortunately I have experienced rapid degenerative changes in my knees, possibly brought on by recent flu+shingles in close succession," said Andrew. "Both knees were injured at work in 2018, but while I've had to make accommodations I've managed since then without debilitating difficulty. That started changing a couple of months ago, now my mobility is restricted and pain management is difficult. So, my plans for the season are uncertain."

GUEST AWAY FROM HOME: American shipwright Andrew Guest has spent nearly a decade restoring his Cornish Lugger, Rosalind – 3,150 miles from her original home in St Ives, where she was built by William Paynter in 1903

Back in Europe and a stricken engine may also have put paid to Markus Frankenstein's hopes of a research-seeking visit to Cornwall on board his ex-Mevagissey Lugger, Good Intent II. Built in 1879, the 39-ft gaff cutter is a regular sight on the Baltic Sea but just latterly has been confined to her mooring in the historic harbour of Kappeln in northern Germany.

"Sadly, she is now on land, waiting for the Perkins engine overhaul to finish," said Markus. "It means we won't be able to attend Looe this year but one day, having enough time, we'll make it to Cornwall with Good Intent, I hope." Markus is keen to hear from anyone who knows anything about the history of the Lugger he has owned for the past decade. "From what we have gathered, Good Intent II was named like that ever since she was built. She sailed as a pilchard driver in the Falmouth area and after finishing her career as a fishing vessel, she served as a Falmouth quay punt. She had an 'FY' number, as my pre-owner discovered, but unfortunately the number itself was unreadable."



CORNISH ROOTS: Well-known on the German traditional sailing scene, the skipper of Good Intent II is now hoping to discover the history of his Lugger which he believes was built at Mevagissey in 1879

Later, a Spanish owner lived aboard her on the River Thames during the 1939-45 War years before she was moved to the South Coast (possibly to either Southampton or Portsmouth) where an antiques dealer also used her as a houseboat. Continued Markus: "We know that in the mid '70s, a Hamburg shipping merchant (Hans-Peter Baum) found her; bought her and brought her to Germany. She was then refitted and refurbished at the Hatecke Shipyard in Freiburg on the River Elbe and became well-known on the German traditional sailing scene as a very good sailer and a beautiful ship. Mr Baum sold her to an architect in Hamburg who owned her with his family for almost 30 years. We are still in contact with him but, unfortunately, Mr Baum died two or three years ago, so we weren't able to ask him any more questions about Good Intent II."

During the past 10 years, Markus has spent the winters working on the vessel before summer sailing on the North Sea and the Netherlands, including trips around the Frisian Islands and the IJsselmeer. She had

her deck renewed three years ago, including around 25 new frames and a new bulwark, and once the engine issue is resolved she will be in tip-top condition. Added Markus: "It would be lovely to find out a bit more about our beautiful ship's history."

Meanwhile entries from Lugger skippers and owners of vessels 'Made-in-Looe' are already being received from those much closer to home!

Plans for the regatta are shaping up well. This year's event will follow on from Fowey Classics and again be part of the Hattiers Rum Classic Series that includes regattas at Falmouth, Fowey and Dartmouth.

As well as three races in Looe Bay over the July 31-August 2 weekend, the Regatta Village at Mally's Shed on West Looe Quay will host three days of live music, a licensed bar, barbecue, coffee and tea refreshments, pictorial and model boat displays, and heritage talks.

Entry forms for this summer's Looe Lugger Classics (incorporating the Made-in-Looe regatta) can be downloaded from the website:

<https://welcometolooe.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/LUGGERS-entry-form-2026.pdf>

Alternatively, owners can request one by e-mailing: office4luggers@btinternet.com

John Collings



SAMWORTH BROTHERS COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY FUND

The Edwina Hannaford Skatepark working group are delighted to announce that they have been awarded a grant of £20,000 by the Samworth Brothers Community Opportunity Fund. We were made aware of this fund by Mr Paul Large, Senior Site Director of the Cornwall Bakery in Callington and we would like to extend our thanks to him and all of the team involved for their encouragement to apply. The support of this well – respected local business with such a substantial award has given a boost to both our fund raising total and our ability to deliver this important project in Looe.

The Fund was originally established as the Sports Opportunity Fund in 2013 following the success of the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics and a desire to support local communities to thrive through the legacy of the Games.

By giving a helping hand to young people to become more active, or to support an initiative that benefits their communities, the Fund helps improve their sense of worth, gain new skills, create opportunities and has a positive outcome for their communities.

Our Skatepark ticks all of these boxes and this support takes us several steps nearer our goal of a skatepark for Looe. Our fund-raising total goes into 6 figures , an important milestone to have reached in 5 months.

We would like to sincerely thank the Trustees for choosing to make this award to our project and investing in the young people in our community. We can only build our Skatepark if we secure the funds to do it and that is why the support of local businesses are vital.

EDWINA HANNAFORD SKATEPARK – UPDATE

It's been a very busy few months for the project team since we launched our Crowdfunder in January 2026. In those first 5 short months we have raised over £108,000 towards our target of £250,000 plus VAT.

Funding projects like ours is a mix of local events, donations and funding applications. We need all 3 in order to be successful and hit our target.

No amount raised is too small because every donation takes us a step closer and every organisation, business or group that helps us can be named in our larger funding applications. This shows to funders that we have a broad range of community support and this is vital if we are to be successful with the bigger applications.

We put all of the information about fundraising events and funders on our Facebook pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/MillpoolCentre>

<https://www.facebook.com/Looeskatepark>

So, whether it's a quiz evening by Pauseland or the Bullers Arms, a stall at the May Fayre in West Looe, the Business Awards evening or a grant from Samworth Brothers Community Opportunity Fund all of this adds up and will make this project happen.

There is no magic wand we can wave to make funds appear. It takes time and effort and the more people join in and help us, the quicker and easier this will be. So, if you really want to see a Skatepark then now is the time for action because if we don't raise the funds then it's not going to happen. There is no plan B, there is no alternative site. We don't have spare money to pay anyone to do this for us, it's all about volunteers giving a few hours of their time or perhaps working together as a small group to put on an event.

HERE IS THE BIG ASK....

EDWINA HANNAFORD SKATEPARK – WE NEED YOU!

Can you spare a few hours to help bring a new skatepark to Looe?

We need volunteers to help with:

Social media Fundraising ideas & events A simple website

No experience needed — any help makes a difference.

Join us for tea and cake at the Millpool Centre:

Wednesday 10th June – 6:00pm

Help create something amazing for Looe's young people.

If you want to help in some way and can't make this meeting, please email Kim looewsf@gmail.com or phone 01503 240685.

Watch this space for even more fundraising events coming soon!

Crowdfunder: <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/looeskatepark>



FACTS

WHY £300,000 FOR A SLAB OF CONCRETE?

It is aimed at the 8 – 18 age group. Maverick and a group of young skaters were involved in designing this project to what THEY wanted, with limited space given. A huge amount of care, time and attention has been put into the planning. Once the money is raised we WILL make tweaks according to the skatepark committee requirements and within planning limits.

CAN THE SMALL AMOUNTS OF MONEY RAISED MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

The big funders (10k plus) want to know that the community are committed into wanting a community skatepark. They want proof that businesses, voluntary groups and clubs are behind the fundraising as is incredibly competitive and very specific on requirements.

IT HASN'T HAPPENED BEFORE, IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN NOW SO I AM NOT GOING TO SUPPORT IT.

It will not happen without support!
This is the furthest we have ever got, raising a third of the funds. Let's keep going!

DONT LET THIS

GENERATION

MISS OUT!!!



FACTS

WHAT ABOUT THE LOSS OF THE 35 OR SO CAR PARKING SPACES?

After setting up a new project Team consisting of LDT, Boundless, LTC and Rusty Bucket, this portion of the Car Park became available. Edwina arranged that when re white lining the Car Park, there would be no net loss of spaces. The layout today shows this with some disappearance of planter features.

The number of spaces after the build will be the same as the number before the white lining was carried out.

CONCERNED ABOUT NOISE AND DRUGS?

The design of the skatepark will not give rise to a Statutory noise nuisance. Planning agreed this as part of the application.

The Police fully support the skatepark and this will reduce the spread of antisocial behaviours. The Boundless Trust see the skatepark as a positive opportunity to be more involved with young people. Many retailers are in favour of this to help reduce skateboarders outside premises in Town.

OTHER SKATEPARKS IN CORNWALL GOT GIVEN MONEY, WHY NOT LOOE?

Other skateparks in Cornwall also had to apply for funding. All the sources that we are approaching today. Raising the £300,000 for the build is going to take a lot of work by volunteers applying to funds and relying on donations (you).



FACTS

WHY CANT THE SKATEPARK GO ON THE GRASSED AREA NEAR THE CHILDRENS PLAY AREA?

Looe Town council made several attempts to get planning permission in this area. On each occasion it failed on noise nuisance grounds.

WHAT ABOUT PUTTING THE SKATEPARK UP AT THE CHURCH?

Issues raised - noise to those in church/hall, lack of public visibility, location (busy crossing of roads), limited lighting, no toilets.
The Police and Highways raised safety concerns.

WHERE DID THE MONEY GO THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY ALLOCATED?

The small amount of money the community previously raised is safely held, some went to planning reports. The grants promised were withdrawn at the time due to no build.

WHY MILLPOOL CARPARK?

The requirements were...central to Town and easy to reach. Publically visible, close to the toilets and other facilities and most importantly land that was available AND would not cause a noise nuisance.



LOOE SAILING CLUB

The recent period started with the clubs Annual General Meeting at which Toby Bray was confirmed as our new Commodore, we all wish him the best of luck for his two-year period.

This year's sailing season proved to be a slow burner with all the first three races being blown out due to strong gusty winds, finally it was forth time lucky and everyone raised a cheer of relief. The first time in living memory this has happened.

Fleet numbers have increased over recent weeks, particularly on Saturdays, also junior sail training is now under way on Saturday mornings with a group of keen youngsters eager to get out in the clubs Mirror dinghies. Hopefully this will also produce more boats on the Mirror start line in years to come.

Over the second weekend in June a Mirror Open meeting is being scheduled an event the club ran for many years but has dropped off the programme in recent times so hopefully it will promote some interest amongst the local clubs.

Looking a little further ahead, early July sees the Redwing fleet taking part in a three-day event for their National Championships. This should make a lovely sight out in Looe Bay.

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Spring has sprung and the island is popping with new life and new activity.

One of the most exciting things is that residential volunteers Rosie and Leonard have joined us for the season.... but I'll leave them to say more about this later!

We know that many of you enjoy the link on the Cornwall Wildlife Trust website to the island's webcam, so you'll be pleased to know that after its winter 'hibernation' it's back up and running.



The webcam is fascinating as it allows you to watch the changing tides and seas conditions. You can also follow the antics of wildlife such as the nesting great black-backed gulls and herring gulls or maybe spot a resting grey seal – all with the knowledge that you are viewing natural, undisturbed behaviour.



Oystercatcher with a muddy bill

With the help of the residential volunteers we have freed up time to bring back our popular Guided Walks. There are walks that focus on Island Life and the practicalities of living on and running an island nature reserve as well as walks that focus on island wildlife and how it is monitored. This season Cornwall Wildlife Trust have also introduced walks that explore the island's historic tales, smugglers and ghosts! To find out more information and to book a place visit <https://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk/events>



Herring Gull on nest

As many of you know the island's shores are not only a resting and feeding ground for wildlife but also a place where many birds breed. One of our favourite nesting birds is the oystercatcher. With their bold black and white plumage and long orange bill they are very distinctive. However, their nests, which are really just simple scrapes (small depressions) on the ground, are not so obvious! And the parents' habit of walking away from a nest when disturbed makes their well camouflaged eggs very vulnerable to trampling and possible predation. Fortunately, as all access to the island is carefully managed and landing can only occur through the authorised trips, we are able to raise awareness with our visitors to the need to give all wildlife space so it can thrive.



Great black-backed gull on nest

And now for more from those residential volunteers...

Hello, Rosie here!

Myself and Len are volunteering on Looe Island this season. So far, we've spent the last few weeks learning as much as we can about wildlife and the rhythm of island life. One part of this has been doing tractor training so that we can position the mobile jetty and help visitors arrive on the main beach.



Rosie and Leonard



Bottling (Sleeping) seal

We have also been helping to set up camera traps to monitor the nest of oystercatchers, herring gulls and great black-backed gulls. The data collected is being shared with the RSPB. Cornwall Wildlife Trust and RSPB are working together to understand more about nest predation and the footage will help inform the best way forward. We have already seen lots of interesting behaviour but not caught any predators red-handed yet!



Logging (sleeping) seal

Another highlight has been learning about grey seals. It's fascinating to learn about how they need space to thrive. Did you know that they sleep in the sea as well as on land? If left undisturbed they don't get stressed. They won't waste energy going to investigate or flee from disturbance. If they rest well, they will be better prepared to for the challenges that lay ahead, challenges such as moulting and breeding. It's all fascinating and we are looking forward to sharing what we've learnt with visitors.

If you want to find out more about what makes Looe Island special, then check out our pages on the Cornwall Wildlife Trust website. From there you'll also learn how you can book your visit with Looe Sea Safari: <https://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk/explore/visit-looe-island>

Claire Lewis
Warden's Assistant Looe Island Nature Reserve

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You could learn how to make something from wood, try a bit of crafting, or simply enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

If you would like a new hobby, new friends or a great way to give something back to our community, check our **online calendar** to see what's on next.

www.looeshedders.co.uk/calendar.html

Look for **Shedders Open Session**.



Looe Shedders is part of the worldwide “Men’s Sheds” movement but despite the name we welcome both men and women.

The idea is simple. Bring people together to connect and chat and provide them with an opportunity to learn, create and repair.

But Looe Shedders is about far more than woodwork and tools. Many people join simply for company, conversation and friendship.

Some come with years of experience to share and others arrive knowing very little but wanting to learn. Many just enjoy helping with the practical projects that have made a real difference to our community.

So whether you are working, retired, highly skilled or just wanting to learn, please join us.

If you enjoy making, or mending, chatting, creativity or simply meeting friendly people, you'll fit right in.



Looe Shedders currently meet at St Martin’s Community Hall and a workshop near Hillcrest nursing home.

Interested? Visit www.looeshedders.co.uk to find out more or come along to one of our monthly Repair Cafés and have a chat with the team.

SUMMER CEREMONIES IN BEAUTIFUL LOOE

Booking the Banjo Pier in Looe for your private ceremony is now a reality. Having enjoyed working with its owners, Looe Harbour Commissioners, over a number of years; I can help guide you how to book to hire the Pier for private access for a significant ceremony.

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Branch News: As we head to the summer, the Looe Branch of the Royal British Legion (RBL) has already held its first successful fundraising event, on Friday 8th May – VE Day with a RBL Stall in the Rose Garden. A total of £262 was raised, so thanks to all that contributed. There are further organised Legion, armed forces and poppy appeal events to come, details below.

Our efforts to raise the profile of the Legion and our Branch continue. You will hopefully have noticed the new fliers and posters in windows and on billboards across the town. We thank the townsfolk, local traders and officials for allowing us these spaces to advertise.



The 'refresh' of the Looe RBL website is still underway and, for those that use Facebook, you may have noticed far greater use of the Group's pages. If not, please take a look - Link: <https://www.facebook.com/LooeBranchRBL/>.

Looe War Memorial: As reported in the last newsletter, the damage to the Silent Soldiers has been resolved and two new Silent Soldiers are under construction, with a special thank you to Jewson's Looe for the donation of the large sheet of plywood.



Events:

About VE (Victory in Europe) Day – 8 May 2026

VE Day, short for Victory in Europe Day, is a deeply significant annual observance marking the end of World War II in Europe.

On May 8, 1945, the Allies formally accepted Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender, bringing six years of brutal conflict to a close across the European continent. VE Day represents not only the victory of the Allied forces but also the triumph of hope, unity, and resilience over adversity and tyranny. VE Day 2026 offered a unique opportunity for people of all ages to reflect on the lessons of history, honour the courage of past generations, and renew our commitment to peace and freedom today.

Forthcoming local and national events including:

Saturday 27th June - Armed Forces Day (Looe RBL Stall)

Saturday 15th August – VJ Day (Looe RBL Stall)

Friday 23rd October – launch of the Poppy Day Appeal

Saturday 24th October – Poppy Day (Looe RBL Stall)

Branch Trips: For the benefit of members, Looe RBL Branch organises trips to various local and national military sites and, for example, the National Memorial Arboretum, Staffordshire. Three imminent trips include: Jupiter Point Royal Navy Establishment, to Trebah on 30th May and a trip to Babcock's Devonport Open Day 24th July.

Funeral for a Hero – Wednesday 20 May 2026

A contingent of Looe Branch RBL members answered the Bodmin Funeral appeal for a Royal Air Force (RAF) Pathfinder who flew a grand total of 80 sorties. The 104-year-old RAF Bomber Command pilot recently died in Cornwall with no surviving family. Albert "Barney" Barnett flew 80-combat sorties over Germany during the Second World War, later serving as a Pathfinder.

To put that in context, a standard Bomber Command tour was 30 operations. Survival rates across Bomber Command were among the worst of any Allied service in the War.

His funeral was held at Bodmin Crematorium on Wednesday 20 and a large contingent of veterans across Cornwall and beyond provided him the send-off he deserved.



About the Royal British Legion: Remember that the Royal British Legion (RBL) supports the entire UK Armed Forces community, including serving personnel, veterans, and their families, offering help from just one day of service onwards with financial aid, housing, employment, welfare, health (physical/mental), and support for carers, aiming to help them transition to civilian life and live independently. If you think you, or someone you know, qualifies for help from the 'Legion', then see the help details at the end of this article.

Meetings: If you are interested or simply curious about the 'Legion' then please come along to one of our friendly meetings. They do not last long and then transcend into a social evening. We meet on the first Monday of each month in the ground floor bar of the Looe Social Club, starting at 7.30pm. You do not have to be a member of the Social Club to attend and there is no pressure to join the Royal British Legion.

Help from the Royal British Legion: You can call them on **0808 802 8080** from 8am to 8pm, seven days a week. Calls are free from UK landlines and main mobile networks. Also available is an online chat service from 8am to 8pm every day or email on: info@britishlegion.org.uk. Another alternative is the Veterans' Gateway which is a consortium of forces charities, including the RBL, with telephone access 24 hours a day on **0808 802 121**

Looe Royal British Legion email: rbl.looe@gmail.com



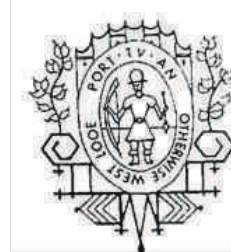
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The Charity continues to support many groups within the Looe area, including more recently:

Looe Champs Boxing , Looe Exercise Group, Looe Age Concern, Darby & Joan, Looe in Bloom, Looe Primary Cheer Club, Looe Valley Singers, Looe Pioneers, Looe Luggers, Looe Festival of Words, West Looe Playgroup, Looe Rowing Club, Looe Sea Scouts, Looe Lions, Looe May Fayre, Looe Social Club & Looe Rifle Club.

Our Education Grant program for the next term starting in September 2026 is now open for new applicants and the criteria details are available on our website [-https://www.westloometowntrust.co.uk](https://www.westloometowntrust.co.uk).

Closing dates for completed forms is 1st July 2026.

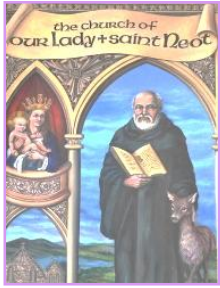
In the background the Board is working hard to maintain and improve Trust facilities which includes residential affordable houses, commercial properties, car parks and amenity areas.

My normal working hours are Monday to Thursday from 9am to 11am.

or you can email me on wltt2@westloometowntrust.co.uk.



Sue Pengelly
CLERK TO THE TRUSTEES



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 Thursday – 10.00am



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 for Mass
 Times.

Our Lady & St Neot Liskeard

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MASS TIMES
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 Friday – 10.00am

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Please Visit Our Website.

For up-to-date Mass Times and
 Events over the Festive Period. Or
 call the Presbytery Office on Wed/Fri
 between 10am - 2.30pm.

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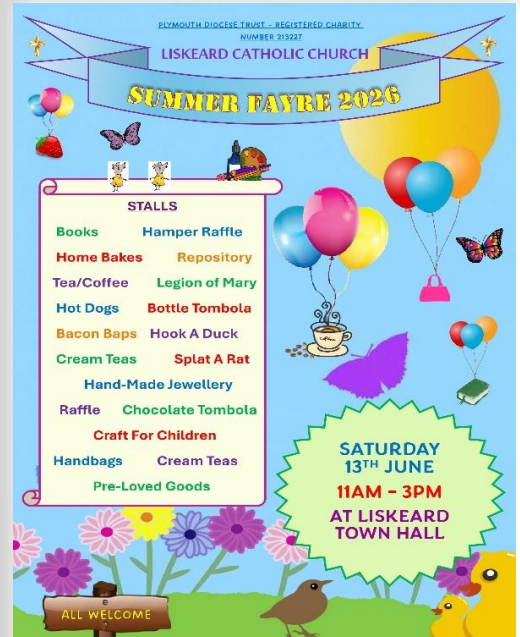
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MASS TIMES
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Millpool Launching Area Local Permits: 1st April 2026 – 31st March 2027

1. Annual Local Permit (Motorised)

To include conservancy plus parking of car & trailer (unlimited use) - £285 (including VAT).

2. Annual Local Permit (non-motorised)

To include conservancy plus parking of car (unlimited use) – £143 (including VAT).

3. Annual Local Permit (motorised)

conservancy only, no parking - £150 (including VAT).

4. Annual Local Permit (non-motorised)

conservancy only, no parking - £60 (including VAT).

5. LHC Kayak Storage (including conservancy)

(Polean area, near Jewsons) - £105 (plus VAT).

For further information, please contact:

Looe Harbour Commissioners,

Looe Harbour Office,

The Quay,

East Looe PL13 1DX,

Telephone: 01503 262839 or email: reception@looeharbour.com

Quay Wall Works

(i) Repair works – West Looe

These works were completed in April 2026 at a cost of £224,950 + VAT.

No funding opportunities were identified. The quays are also 'non insurable' therefore the works have been funded from LHC reserves.

(ii) Stabilisation Works – East Looe (Fish Market area)

Shortly after the collapse at West Looe, a bulging section of wall was identified at East Looe during a routine wall inspection. A scheme to stabilise the area was developed by the project team and marine contractors.

Stabilisation works started on East Looe Quay on 9th March 2026. The works were unable to be completed due to the discovery of an impenetrable structure.

An alternative plan has now been agreed. Work will commence on 1st June and is expected to take two weeks.

We have delayed the start of the works until after the May Bank Holiday, so as to keep possible disturbances to businesses in the area to a minimum.

The cost of the works is expected to be in the region of £70,000 + VAT. Once again, the works will be funded from LHC reserves.

Unfortunately, during the works, access to the Fish Market via the northern gate, will be unavailable. There is also likely to be periods of noise disturbance.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused during these essential works.

Looe Harbour Commissioners May 2026

LOOE ROWING CLUB CELEBRATE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SUCCESS IN THE SCILLIES

Looe Rowing Club are celebrating a hugely successful trip to this year's World Pilot Gig Championships on St Mary's in the beautiful Isles of Scilly, returning home with three podium finishes and three trophies after an incredible weekend of racing.

The championships are one of Cornwall's most spectacular sporting events, combining world-class gig racing with live music, fancy dress, harbour celebrations and an unforgettable atmosphere. Set against the stunning backdrop of the Scillies, the event welcomes thousands of visitors every year and has become a true celebration of Cornish culture and community spirit.



Looe travelled to the islands with three beautiful wooden gigs — Currah's Pride, Talisman and Samphire. The Club was also rewarded for entering an ambitious Under-25 crew as the sport continues encouraging more young people into gig rowing.

The performances on the water were outstanding across the board. Looe's Men's A crew achieved a remarkable silver medal finish, placing 2nd in the world after an exceptional campaign against the very best crews in gig rowing.



The Women's A crew also delivered a superb performance, finishing 16th overall out of around 150 crews in the fiercely competitive Ladies' Open Championship. Looe's Women's Veterans A crew raced brilliantly to secure 8th place in their category while also finishing an impressive 37th overall in the Open standings — earning a well-deserved place on the podium.

Looe's Men's Veterans A crew battled strongly throughout the championships to finish 19th overall, while the Women's Veterans B crew secured a solid 42nd place finish.

Another major highlight came from the Women's B crew, who powered their way to 61st overall and celebrated a podium finish in their category after a series of determined performances throughout the championships.

Meanwhile, both the Men's B crew and Looe's exciting Under-25 squad finished in the top three groups of the tournament in Group C — an incredible achievement considering the U25s' young age and limited experience. The Men's B crew finished 33rd overall, while the Under-25s secured 35th place overall and an outstanding 4th place in the Under-25 competition. Many are already calling them a team to watch for the future.

The Club also extended a huge thank you to Huxter & Davy Opticians for sponsoring the Ladies' Veterans and Under-25 crews.

From experienced rowers to rising young talent, Looe Rowing Club once again proved they can compete with the very best on the world stage, bringing pride to the town of Looe and showcasing the strength, spirit and future of Cornish gig rowing.

Need a venue for small or large gatherings?

St. Martin's Community Hall is the perfect choice

Please visit our website stmartinscommunityhall-looe.co.uk

For more information and easy booking,
simply scan the QR code to go straight to our website
or ring **07775 606852**



Notes for contributors

Just a few lines to explain the why your carefully laid out submissions may appear in a slightly different form in the magazine.

Assembling a page is a bit like arranging furniture in a room, we may have to reformat items to make them fit in the available spaces.

Where possible, we try to reproduce the original submission while maintaining a consistent style across the magazine, e.g. where possible all live links are purple and underlined.

We only use open source software, no Microsoft Office or Adobe software for example.

1. Word documents.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to import Word documents directly into our DTP software, so the text and images have to be copied separately and reassembled.

Images in Word often appear blurred when imported into any other software, so we ask for the original images if possible.

2. PDFs.

We often have to edit PDFs to make them usable, as they don't always work with our DTP software. Web links don't always work and they may use fonts we don't have.

Multi page PDFs appear to our DTP software as a single image, so need splitting.

Depending on which program is used to produce it, a single page PDF can be quite large, occasionally 40MB or more!

As we send the magazine to some subscribers via email, 10MB is the optimum size for the whole magazine.

Assembling the magazine is a sometimes challenging, but mostly enjoyable task, and we would like to thank our community contributors, without which it would not exist.

Leo Maxwell

MAY FAYRE 2026

There was plenty of colour and community spirit on display in West Looe on Saturday 2nd May as the annual May Fayre returned in style.

This wonderful, vibrant tradition, which celebrates the coming of spring, saw locals and visitors come together to enjoy the party atmosphere and partake in some fun and games.



Local dance groups, Bond Dance Company and Sheila's School of Dancing performed and there was traditional maypole dancing, firstly led by Looe Primary School and then with spectators taking part.

Music on the day was provided by local acts Tyler Shea and Rob C and also, Looe Primary School Choir, while an array of craft stalls and entertainment helped to ensure that the event was a hive of activity. A delicious BBQ and cake stall was provided by Looe in Bloom.

West Looe Town Trust, who are a keen supporter of the event, provided a grant towards this year's event as they have done in previous years and this meant that we were able to provide some of the activities for children for free.

Looe Fire Station lent support with the bunting and providing the venue for the event and as always, were fully supportive.

Looe Lions kindly supported with marshalling of the event, keeping everyone safe, while Looe Development Trust and Looe Harbour also lent a much-needed hand.

Thanks to our Mayor, Stephen Remington, for crowning our fabulous May Queen, Imogen.

Thanks to everyone who came and supported the May Fayre. It was a lovely event - despite the rain making us end abruptly.

What an amazing community we have!

This year's event was organised and run by Jo Gale and Zoe & Garry Seymour from The Jolly Sailor Inn. It takes a lot of work behind the scenes to put on this sort of community event and if we wish to keep it going as a town, then we really need more people who are willing to get involved and form a team to help run the event going forward. If you are willing to be part of this, then please contact either

Jo – jogalelooe@gmail.com or Zoe – info@jollysailor-looe.co.uk





KAYAK STORAGE AVAILABLE AT POLEAN WEST LOOE

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for further information**

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Email: reception@looeharbour.com



LOOE GOLF CLUB LADY VETS SECTION: THE JASPER CUP

In decent golfing weather a good field of Lady Vets played their annual Jasper Cup singles Competition over 12 holes off the blue tees.

Results: Winner with 25 points on count back was Lady Captain, Jill Westbrook, second with 25 points was Wendy Buckland and third with 24 points was Toni Stokes. Nearest the pin on the 1st for h/cs under 26 was Shirley Nicholls and h/cs 26 and over was Jane Tate. Wendy Shore had a "2" on the 9th.



left to right: Pat Butler, Lady Vets Captain,
Winner Jill Westbrook, Lady Captain
and Carole Day.

This annual competition is played in memory of the Club's beloved cat and has been competed for since 2011. Many thanks to Pat Butler, Lady Vets Captain for organising the event and also Jax Wailes for kindly checking the cards. It is sponsored by Carole Day and everyone received a prize.



LOOE COMMUNITY TEA ROOM

The Community Tearoom in the Rose Garden is open from
10am until midday Monday to Saturday.

It is run by volunteers.

We also have two trips a year.

Do come along and have a tea or coffee and biscuits and a chat.

Everyone is welcome. We all look forward to seeing you all.

Pat and her team



Concerts

Our programme of summer concerts started on Saturday 16th May with an outdoor concert on West Looe Quay. Saturday 23rd May proved to be a busy day as we supported the Liskeard Relay for Life early in the afternoon and in the evening, we had been invited to join the Tamar Concert Choir in The Church of the Holy Spirit, Southway, Plymouth.



Here are a few dates for your diaries:

- **Tuesday 7th July at 7.30pm:**
Concert in aid of the Looe RNLI, The Boathouse, Seafront, East Looe
- **Saturday 11th July 10.00am:**
Liskeard Show
- **Sunday 2nd August at 5.00pm:**
Made in Looe Concert, the Luggers Day, Looe Quay
- **Saturday 8th August at 3.00pm:**
Outdoor Summer Concert, West Looe Quay
- **Monday 24th August at 7.00pm:**
Outdoor Summer Concert at The Heritage Centre, West Looe

Keep an eye on social media, our website and on posters around Looe for updates.

Our AGM

Our friends and supporters are very welcome to attend our AGM which will take place on Monday 29th June at 7.15pm in Riverside Church, West Looe.

Fundraising

Our next fundraising event will be on Sunday 12th July when we will be running a “pre-loved” clothes and accessories event in the Millpool Centre, Looe.

Watch out for further details on social media and on posters. There will be amazing bargains!

For more information about Keltique, including details of events, check out our website at www.keltique.org.uk our Facebook page, our YouTube Channel or contact Penny at pennyweston@outlook.com.

SCLERDER ABBEY: EVENTS MAY TO AUGUST 2026



IGNATIAN SPIRITUAL EXERCISES residential silent retreat: Saturday 30th May to Saturday 6th June 2026 (from 6 pm 30th May, ending 10 am on 6th). An opportunity to be immersed in the quiet and peace of Sclerder Abbey to come closer to God and discern his will for you.

CANA WEEK FOR COUPLES AND FAMILIES. Sunday 26th July to Saturday 1st August 2026. A week to enrich your relationship with your spouse or partner. Children are looked after and follow their own exciting programme, to give the parents space for themselves.

THE GREEN ABBEY PROJECT Working with nature on a small area of land to produce vegetables, salad and fruit ecologically and organically. This Winter we will start making beds ready for sowing spring and summer crops in the new year. We have construction projects to improve rainwater collection and irrigation. We will collect and turn material to make compost. Would you like to volunteer for a couple of hours, half a day, or more (including as a residential volunteer for 1 week or more) to help us develop this project? Volunteers are also welcome to join the daily community life and prayer in the Abbey.

PERSONAL RETREATS: At times it is possible to do a personal retreat. Contact us to apply.

For more information about quiet days and retreats or the Green Abbey project or to apply, please email to sclerder@gmail.com , or ring 01503 272 238.

You can also get information about all our activities or apply online by going onto our website at <https://www.chemin-neuf.org.uk/>



SAVE THE DATE!

28th September – 4th October
2026

A FREE celebration for readers,
writers and anyone who loves
words!



Summer sunshine and heat is forecast over half term week!! **And for the rest of summer, our activities switch to the great outdoors.** Now is a perfect time to join us on the shore.

ROCKPOOL RAMBLES - Dates for your diary!

May Rockpool Ramble

Friday 29th May 10.30 – 12 noon

Summer rockpool ramble

Saturday 15th August 1.45 – 3.15

HANNAFORE BEACH WEST LOOE- below Coastguard Station

Whatever your age, enjoy exploring Looe's fascinating rocky shore with knowledgeable local knowledgeable experts. You'll be amazed at what's waiting to be discovered. Learn about starfish, crabs, fish, anemones and lots more at these FREE educational events that are guaranteed to satisfy and enthrall the whole family. Booking isn't required but we do ask that all attendees come along with suitable footwear (no flip flops) and leave their nets at home as they can harm delicate rockpool creatures.

Check our Facebook page for pop up events throughout summer

<https://www.facebook.com/LooeMCG>

CRAB LINE RECYCLING SCHEME

Our Crabline Recycling volunteers can, once again, be seen regularly collecting and recycling the crab lines along the quay. This is an excellent opportunity to get involved in protecting our marine wildlife and habitats around Looe. Read more about this volunteering opportunity - **Make this the year you help make a difference!**



<https://looe marineconservation.org/conservation/crab-line-recycling-scheme/>

- Our events are FREE to attend but we request donations.
- No knowledge needed to become a member or contribute to the running of our group
- There are training opportunities via Cornwall Wildlife Trust.
- We meet monthly on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.
- Over summer, our talk series takes a rest. Meetings are informal - sometimes we meet on the beach. **On June 16th, you'll find us at the Jolly Sailor pub, West Looe 6.15 pm**

Our winter talks programme ended with two great presentations. **Surfers Against Sewage** (Marcus Kern) gave an informative, evidence-led talk about sewage pollution in our area. We promised to share these useful links/ apps as local residents can be part of the solution:

- **Safer Seas and Rivers Service (SSRS)** App in iPhone & Android app stores
- **Water Quality Report** <https://www.sas.org.uk/resource/water-quality-report-2025>
- **SAS Data HQ:** <https://datahq.sas.org.uk>
- **Top of the Poops:** <https://top-of-the-poops.org>

Further details on our [website www.looe marineconservation.org](http://www.looe marineconservation.org) and [Facebook page](#).

All enquiries to looevmca@Gmail.com



AMAZING PROGRESS ON THE LOOE COASTGUARD FLATS

We thought it would be good to give everyone an update on the Looe Coastguard Flats. Work is progressing really well, as you'll see below!

The other projects in Donderry and on Scilly are trundling along, we'll be sending out updates on those when we get it, via our newsletter.

Our contractor Wanless PK has been hard at work over the winter months, pressing on through wind and rain. Thanks to their efforts, progress on the Looe Coastguard Flats is going really well.

We have fully rebuilt all the historic chimneys. They are not in use but are now securely sealed against damp. With the solar panels fitted on the rear side, work on the roof is now about 90% finished!

Inside, new insulated and acoustic barrier floors have been laid in two of the flats, and plastering has begun. Though there have been some issues with the lime finish due to there still being a lot of moisture in the walls from years of leaks and disuse, it is nothing we can't handle.

Refurbishment of the windows is also underway. Sadly, the beautiful bay windows over the arch at the front of the building are rotten and in poor condition, so we will need to completely rebuild them.

All in all the team has made fantastic progress, and now with the weather brightening up we are expecting momentum to really pick up.



RESURRECTION OF HESSENFORD BIG LUNCH

Saturday 6 June 2026 12.30
Hessendorf Church Hall
Everybody welcome

Bring food to share, enjoy meeting other
villagers
and more distant neighbours.
Tea, coffee etc available
but bring any other drinks you want.

Contact Angela Crook 01503 240749



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Then why not join Looe & district u3a.

We are a friendly organisation meeting once a month in St. Martin's Hall to listen to informative speakers covering a wide range of topics. We also have smaller interest groups: from Art to Wild swimming and everything in between! Enjoy social events? We arrange many trips, concerts, quizzes, lunches and teas.

The motto of the u3a organisation is
Learn, Laugh, Live and that's what we do!
Check out our website on looeu3a.org



For more information,
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Alison Currah on
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or the Membership
Secretary on
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MILLPOOL CENTRE

LOOE



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Contact Wendy: 01503 265947



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Tue	8.30am & 9.45am 11am - 12pm 2pm - 3.30pm	Pilates with Barabara - 1st floor 50 Plus Dancercise with Sheila’s School of Dance 07866771429 Exercise Class with Looe Exercise Group - 01503 265947 1st floor
Wed	8am—9am 6pm - 7pm 7pm - 8pm 4.30pm—6pm	Yoga with Gocha 07539 178 840 1st floor (Check for term dates) Adult contemporary dance with Gocha wellness 1st floor Pilates: Gocha Wellness 1st floor Last Wednesday of each month - Community Meals - 07766 020 524
Thu	11am - 12pm 1.45pm-3.45pm 4pm - 8.30pm 7pm - 9pm	Sheila’s School of Dance Adult Dancercise - 07866 771 429 1st floor Cornwall Mind Community Café 2nd Thu of month Ballet & Tap classes, contemporary & street Child & Adult with Bond Dance Company: contact Rachel 07969 212 902 1st floor (TERM TIME ONLY) Ukulele Club (Ground Floor) contact Roger Lane: 01503 262775
Fri	4.30pm - 7.30pm 7.30pm - 9pm	Looe Youth Theatre - 07920 282 818 (Fiona) ground floor (Term time only) Looe Karate club 01503 264767 (Dave) 1st floor
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