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So much going on! Bonfire parties on the field here and at Bratton Sports Club too. A performance of Glorilla at Shirwell soon to be followed by Black Voices..

At our hall the recent Harvest Supper was attended by 50 people, and after expenses, £133 has been donated to NDADA (women's refuge) and £66.50 each to the Loxhore churches.

The quiz was cancelled due to insufficient interest. By the Wednesday before only a few teams had booked and it was decided that there needed to be more than that to make it either viable or fun. It is hoped that there will be a better uptake if it is offered again some time in the New Year.

The level of applause that followed the Sam Green concert indicated that it had been a great success. Nearly 60 people enjoyed both the performance and the tasty selection of homemade snacks provided by the village hall committee. Thanks to all involved in the organisation and in particular to Toni Carter who 'talent-spots' from a diverse range of entertainments offered by Beaford Arts.

The Christmas Market will be held again on Saturday 3rd December, this year starting at the earlier time of 3.00pm and concluding at 6.00pm. Refreshments will be on sale as before but with fewer stalls to give space for those who simply want to socialise – a sort of glorified coffee morning but in the afternoon. Rosemary Carter who has produced such lovely Christmas wreaths in previous years will be making a limited number for sale at the market but is willing to take orders on the day if demand exceeds supply.

Chris Harrington, the Loxhore correspondent for the Community News columns in the North Devon Journal, submits local news each week. He also passes this on via email to anyone who wishes to receive this news directly. If Chris doesn't already have your email address and you would like to be included in his mailshots please contact him on 2012loxhorenews@gmail.com

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

+ LOXHORE CHURCHES +

METHODIST CHURCH: Sundays 10.00am.

Revd. Robert Manning 01271 812574

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS PARISH CHURCH:

1st Sunday Holy Communion at 11.15am. 3rd Sunday Evensong at 3pm.

Team Rector: Revd. Rosie Austin 01598 711962

LOXHORE PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Mike Matthews Vice Chair: David Smith

Councillors: Carole Delve, Julie Moir, Carole Nicholls

Treasurer: Syd Delve Clerk: Priscilla Gellatly 01271 850610

Minutes of meetings are available to view by arrangement with the Clerk.

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VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

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LOXHORE LINES.....

AFFORDABLE HOUSING - One of the responsibilities of the district council is to assess current and future housing need in the area and this is taken into consideration when planning applications are made. Loxhore hosted a drop-in event on October 20th when 2 members of NDC and a representative of Devon Communities Together spoke to 9 parishioners about affordable housing either to rent or to buy at discounted prices. Neither of these options exists in Loxhore, although they are available a little further afield, but the consensus at the meeting was that neither of these options would be required. However it was felt that open-market, lower cost housing was needed because house prices in Loxhore are in the main out of the reach of younger people but it seems unlikely that a developer would be interested in building smaller, cheaper homes to sell on the open market even if land was available. The parish council is able to put anyone seeking housing for rent or to buy at discounted cost in touch with Devon Home Choice or Colin Savage, a Rural Housing Enabler.

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GREEN WASTE – No decision has been reached by the district council with regard to changes to the collection of household or garden waste although a statement is expected soon. Only one Loxhore household responded to the suggestion in the last issue of LL regarding the setting up of a community composting scheme and so this idea has been dropped by the parish council.

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TRESPASS – NDC has reported to the parish council that a local landowner has complained about walkers trespassing on his land. We have been asked to remind everyone to use only marked public footpaths and rights of way across fields etc.

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A message from the Reverend Rosie Austin “The congregation of St. Michael and All Angels Loxhore appreciates all support and involvement to enable it to continue to thrive as an important part of Loxhore parish life. We hope to be there for all at times of celebration and difficulty, as we together live out our faith.

For those who might consider supporting us financially on a regular basis, a new scheme called ‘The Parish Giving Scheme’ makes this simple. It also enables us to claim Gift Aid on donations. Even a small regular gift will make a huge difference. Leaflets with more information are available at the back of the church. Thank you!”

Visit <https://www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk>

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

at the village hall unless stated otherwise and in date order

- + **Coffee morning** Thursday 1st December 10.00am
- + **Christmas market** Saturday 3rd December 3.00 – 6.00pm.
- + **Christian Fellowship Group** Monday 12th December 2pm at Meadow Park
- + **Coffee morning** Thursday 15th December 10.00am
- + **United Village Carol Service** Sunday 18th December 6.30pm at Loxhore Parish Church. Everyone welcome.
- + **Carol singing** Friday 23rd December 6.00pm Meet at Brooklands
- + **Holy Communion** Christmas Day 8am at Loxhore Parish Church. Everyone welcome.
- + **Coffee morning** Thursday 5th January 10.00am
- + **Parish Council Meeting** Thursday 5th January 6.00pm
- + **Christian Fellowship Group** Monday 9th January 2pm at Meadow Park
- + **Coffee morning** Thursday 19th January 10.00am
- + **Christian Fellowship Group** Monday 23rd January 2pm at Meadow Park
- + **Village Hall Committee Meeting** Tuesday 31st January 7.30pm

For further details look out for posters on the noticeboards

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100 CLUB PRIZEWINNERS

OCTOBER 1st Ray Comer 2nd Linda Matthews 3rd Sue Southcott
NOVEMBER 1st Claire Thompson 2nd Rossy Comer 3rd Eunice Comer

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Chris and Lauri Golds write; “We give thanks to all who helped to make our birthday celebrations so successful. The hats were fantastic and the total donations for Devon Air Ambulance Trust amounted to £545.00. Needless to say that DAAT were very pleased. Many thanks for your generosity.”