

The Modbury Messenger

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for the people of Modbury- Best Kept Large Village 2013.



Photograph by Les Howard.

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TWENTY IS PLENTY. Please keep your speed down in Modbury -

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MODBURY ACHIEVES "WALKERS ARE WELCOME"

We are delighted to tell you that Modbury has been successful in its application to join three other Devon towns in the Walkers are Welcome UK Towns Network. You will soon see more of the symbol that is in the parish window indicating our membership.

The application was the result of a chamber launched steering group involving the TIC. Joining the network includes making a contribution to local tourism plans, regeneration strategies, promoting the health benefits of walking and increased participation.

We promoted Modbury as an inclusive destination for walkers of all abilities as well as drawing on the heritage interest. It was shown that Modbury is also a place where you can take a walk, shop, enjoy a meal or coffee all from the same car park or bus stop! We were able to do this because of the hard work of groups like P3 maintaining the parish paths and those who support Walk and Talk project. We also had input from local high street businesses and the Modbury Heritage Group. **"Thank you"** to all.

Walkers are Welcome encourages use of public transport through showing how the town can be reached via bus routes. The more people who use the bus network the better for those of us who need to use the bus.

As members we will gain access to exclusive additional information, events and will be promoted through the website. www.walkersarewelcome.org.uk.
Lindsay Ward (SHDC and Modbury Parish Council)
Margaret Middleton (Modbury TIC)
Jon Sullivan (Modbury and District Business Chamber)

Welcome to the new look Messenger! Thanks to the support of local advertisers we are now printing more pages in colour .

We are grateful to one of our local artists Les Howard, for the beautiful picture above and send a plea for more colour photos of the town, beauty spots or interesting encounters to ensure we keep The Messenger lively, up to date and a true reflection of our vibrant community.

A great big "thankyou" also, to Jeff Booth who took time away from his friends Christian and Anastasia to edit the Messenger in December and January , he then had to escape to Australia to recover!

Modbury Clubs and Groups (page 13) is an invaluable source of local contact and a great illustration of community commitment. On that note please do consider Paul Romney's plea (page 5) regarding the Modbury Fair- it would be such a pity to lose it. Here's a reminder of last year's race!

Ed...





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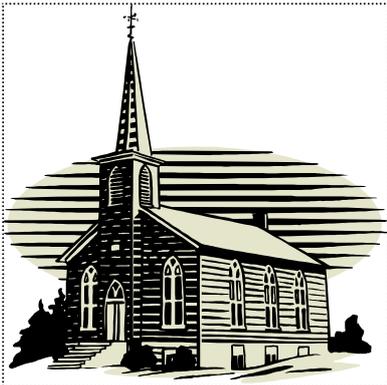
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Sunday Children's Club for under 11s
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ages (that's probably 40 years)

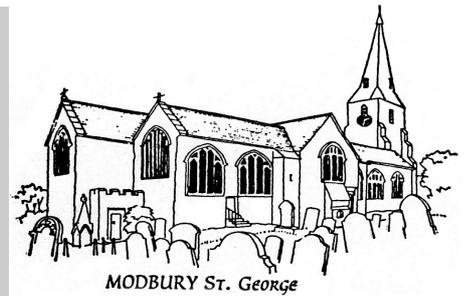
Call David and Karen 01548 831589 or Simon 830857

St George's Parish Church, Modbury

Connecting people to God.

Services and Events in February

Sunday 2nd	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 6th	9.15am	Noah's Ark
Sunday 9th	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Family Service
Tuesday 11th	7.30pm	Magnet meeting at the Vicarage
Thursday 13th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday 14th	3pm	Marriage blessing service
Sunday 16th	9.30am	Family Communion with Sunday Club
Thursday 20th	9.15am	Noah's Ark
Sunday 23rd	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	3pm	Growing leaders at St Andrew's AG
Wednesday 26th	7.30pm	Team Council at St Andrew's AG
Thursday 27th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 2nd March	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday 6th	9.15am	Noah's Ark



MODBURY St. George

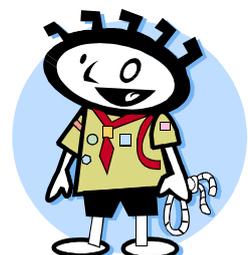
St George's and St Andrew's are open every day for prayer

Caroline Barker is part of Pressgang Printmakers which are having an exhibition in the room above the café at Avon Mill.

The exhibition will run from Friday 31st January till 4th April. So if you are over at Avon Mill enjoying a morning coffee or cream tea, don't forget to pop upstairs and see this exhibition by local artists.

If you were or are a cub scout, brownie or girl guide or a leader of the uniformed organizations, St. George's Church are holding a scout themed Family Service on Feb 9th at 9.30am. We hope that as many members of the Modbury uniformed organizations will be there and we are asking them all to bring a photo, for display, of themselves in uniform.

(It could enable us to see friends in a new light !)



News from the Parish Council

Parish Clerk

The council was pleased to welcome our new clerk Sally Walsh to the January meeting, who was understudying David Hansford, our outgoing clerk, at this meeting. The councillors all joined the Chairman Peter Watts in showing their appreciation of the work David has done for the town in his time as clerk. David said that he has made many friends here and has 'nearly always' very much enjoyed the work. A small event to mark his retirement will be held for David by the councillors before he officially retires at the end of the month. The contact details for the clerk and the parish office will remain the same.

Precept

Much of the last meeting was taken up with setting the precept because the finances of the town have changed over the last year. It has been decided to increase the Modbury precept from £23,000 to £25,000 for the financial year 2014/2015. This is because our reserves are now very low and the council wish to maintain services to the same level as have been provided previously. The reserves are low as the council has contributed as agreed towards the building and completion of the new pavilion on the sports field. The building of this has given the town a valuable asset which will benefit many residents for many years into the future, but it means that the council will need to control its finances very carefully over the coming months.

PCSO Paul O'Dwyer is now our Police Community Support Officer.

20 is plenty

A reminder from our District Councillor that this very much applies to towns such as Modbury where there are built up areas and hazards are easier to see at lower speeds. **Nicky Shepley**, Parish Councillor.

CHERNOBYL CHARITY SEEKS HOST FAMILIES

Local charity Chernobyl Children's Lifeline is once again welcoming a group of ten children from Belarus this summer and is looking for more host families. The children come from a deprived and contaminated region of the former Soviet republic which is still suffering the effects of the 1986 explosion at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant. A holiday in the South Hams benefits them enormously; they go home after a month of fresh air, healthy food (and a lot of love!) much stronger and more confident. We have met some of the parents of children who have stayed with us in previous years and they have told us that the visit benefited the whole family.

Would you consider hosting two ten-year-olds for two weeks? The dates are 7th – 20th July and 21st July – 4th August. During the visit the children are taken on two or three group outings each week (for instance to Woodlands and the Rare Breeds Farm) and parties and barbecues are arranged for them by support families. In previous years hosts have found the experience to be most rewarding and the children delightful and appreciative guests. Language never seems to be a barrier!

If you feel you can help host these children or assist in any way please ring our chairman Sue Wyeth on 01548-821201. More information about the work of Chernobyl Children's Lifeline can be found on our website www.ccll.org.uk/totnes

Ian McClure

Vice Chairman & Publicity Officer Totnes & South Hams Link Chernobyl Children's Lifeline Tel:01548-830578

Local News

MAYFAIR 2014 - CARNIVAL AT CRISIS POINT!

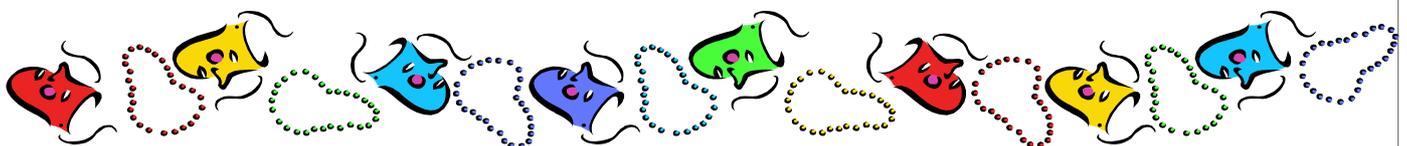
The provisional dates for this year's May Fair are 4th-11th May. I say provisional because following the first planning meeting it is clear we have a couple of large hurdles to overcome before we can declare the Fair for 2014 as 'on'.

After many years of amazing community service, Jane Brown, Pauline Ryder and Claire Hagger are all taking a very well deserved backward step from the coal face of May Fair planning. Whilst we are not losing their expertise and experience completely, they are not going to be leading affairs and consequently two of the Fair's flagship events are now in jeopardy unless we can find some volunteers to take them forward. However, before appealing for assistance I would like to register a massive thank you from Modbury to Pauline, Claire and Jane for their tireless support to the Fair over many years. For anything to be sustained for 42 successive years it is absolutely essential that new people get involved each year and sometimes a small crisis is needed to regenerate this momentum.

So, the 43rd Carnival Parade and Fair's own Royal Family are at risk in 2014. The May King and Queen and their attendants are chosen from within the School Year 6 community resident within the Parish of Modbury, irrespective of which school they attend. Absolutely key to a successful Royal Family is parental involvement in getting royalty to the right place at the right time and in the appropriate attire and crucially aboard the Royal Float for the carnival; with the float prepared in line with the Fair week theme and usually the specific wishes of the Queen and her Ladies in Waiting. A May Queen is an English tradition dating back centuries and has been part of the Modbury Fair since it was first staged in 1329 (that is NOT a misprint). For it to happen in 2014, we absolutely need the commitment and active participation of the wider Royal Family, so please do consider this carefully before registering your child to be considered for the role as the Fair team do not have somebody to do it for you. Registration forms will be available in the next few weeks and the selection process will be detailed in next month's Messenger.

The Carnival needs the support of a small coordination team and leader. This involves identifying and booking bands etc that might be wanted for the parade, advertising the parade and coordinate entries. On the day, this team spends a couple of busy hours handling late entries, ensuring entries are in the appropriate classes, coordinating judging and prize giving and finally organising the parade into some form of order to march off. Traffic marshalling and road closures are all handled by a separate team. So if you don't mind a bit of hassle and bustle and can cope with a crowd of happy people dressed to make you laugh, then we need to hear from you. If we don't have a Carnival coordinating team in place by the next planning meeting in February, then we will be faced with two difficult decisions. First can we run a May Fair without a Carnival Parade and second, if we can't, we will have to cancel plans for a 2014 Fair week.

In the meantime please do give some thought to specific events you would like to see and are prepared to coordinate for Fair Week and pass these details to me, Paul Romney (831126 or paul.romney415@btinternet.com) for inclusion in the programme. If you'd like to get involved with one of the established events then you will be very welcome, be this the Modbury Mile, Fair Market, the P3 Fair walks (who are very keen to encourage more people out onto the paths surrounding the Town), Bingo, BBQs, Pet Show, Live Music etc; we have something for everyone. The next Fair planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 11th February, at 7:30pm in the White Hart. We really need to hear from you. ***Paul Romney.***



Local Adverts & Events.

Kingsbridge Estuary Design and Fine Arts Society.

Wednesday February 26th - Methodist Church Kingsbridge at 7 for 7.30pm

The Bayeux Tapestry: An Embroidered Tale - Mark Cottle

Thursday February 27th - Methodist Church Kingsbridge at 10 for 10.30am

The Bayeux Tapestry: An Embroidered Tale - Mark Cottle

No need to be a member, all welcome. Donation towards expenses £8.

South Hams Mobile Library

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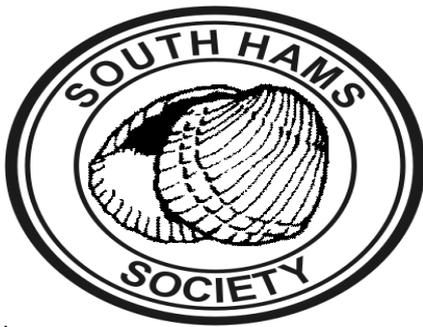


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For more information: Vivien Napper t; 01548 842405 e; viv@rathlyn.eclipse.co.uk



Devon Rural Archive.

The DRA will be open every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 6th January between 11am and 3pm for private research. There is no need to book and entry is free.

Our next event is on Thursday 6th February at 7pm when Adam Hart-Davis will be giving a talk entitled ' The Eddystone Lighthouses '. Tickets are £5 each and include refreshments from 6.30pm when doors open. Booking is recommended.

Modbury Caring Befriending Service.



Following a successful recruitment drive for volunteer befrienders, we

can now accept referrals. Befriending may take many forms, including spending time with someone who is lonely or isolated, there may be a need to help with shopping, a little light gardening or some simple form filling, maybe a carer needs a regular break and a befriender could help fill that gap. Our volunteers are from a variety of backgrounds and a wide age range and our plan is to match the most appropriate volunteer to the individual need. This service is available to all ages and all needs/ requests are considered. Referral forms are available at Modbury Health Centre.

For more information .please contact Gill West, befriending co-ordinator, on modburycaring@gmail.com or on 07554997140. If you are making a referral on behalf of someone else please ensure that you have their permission.



Communities Supporting Health in the South Hams!



South Hams Community & Voluntary Services has received an award from the Big Lottery 'Awards for All' programme, to help local organisations provide 'healthy activities' for older people in their communities. Do you have an idea for new healthy activities which will help people, over 50, in your parish? Would you like to help us host a meeting bringing your local groups together to come up with some ideas?

Contact us now, to discuss how we can help and the small grants which may be available to put your ideas into action!

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Breakfast CLUB

Issue 6 Brought to you by The Breakfast Club in association with Modbury & District Business Chamber

Phew! If you are reading this then you have got through January and are almost back to your usual routine. This month we have some more interesting Modbury folk for you to read about – if you are looking for garden inspiration, have a read about the Rathbone Partnership. Planning your dream holiday – Zambezi Travel and Safari can help you get there! Meanwhile plans are afoot for the Modbury Fair 2014 (volunteers always needed!), and the Breakfast Club also has a few exciting projects which we are working on.

John and Trish Berry - Zambezi Safari and Travel Company.



Above - John and Trish Berry (on the left) with other members of their company

Where do you come from?

John was born in Earls Court, London before emigrating with his parents by ship, to enjoy a free range, organic upbringing in South Africa. I was born on a tobacco and cattle farm in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), enjoying a typically colonial lifestyle including being at boarding school from 6 yrs old.

Why did you move to Modbury?

In April 2000 political upheaval caused us to move overnight to England, as it was no longer safe for us to live in Zimbabwe. We arrived at Heathrow with a suitcase each. Our computers took up half of that space! We rented a two bedroomed house from an English friend in Newton Abbot. My mother and the two children shared one bedroom and John and I used the other bedroom as an office! We used our small bit of savings to live on and keep the company going.

When did you start the company?

In 1995 we were living in a national park on the edge of Lake Kariba working at my father's engineering business. Our garden was regularly visited by elephant and there were hippo grazing the lawn, spectacular stars at night. Our visitors were always commenting on how amazing it was and saying we should start a safari company, so we did!

What are you most proud of?

Besides our 2 children whom we're terribly proud of, our business has provided us with a living through thick and thin, given employment to a few in Africa, England and USA. In addition, we're the biggest safari company in Modbury!

What is your secret skill?

John makes teeny little cherry tomato butterflies to decorate the dinner plate and is an amazing chef. I love food - its a perfect match when the world is in harmony and John agrees to do the cooking!



Above - stunning photo of a leopard taken in Zambia by Ashton Berry, John and Trish's son.



Put this date in your diary
Saturday, 19th July, 2014
 No, we have no idea what it's all about but Kay from Wild Goose will let us know soon!

Right - Wonwell - Modbury's favorite beach, according to this month's interviewees! (Lovely photo taken by Ron Wood)



Justine Slade - Modbury Post Office

What made your family decide to move to Modbury?

We were looking to buy a business and the Newsagents came up for sale so we thought we'd give it a go! The time was right with our son Alex starting school. When the Post Office came on the market we thought that the Post Office and a newsagents would blend well together.

Any regrets?

No, it was a good decision. The hours are very long and it's six and a half days a week, but we have great staff so we don't have to get up every morning!!

What are you most proud of?

My children and after them it would be my time as a Fire Fighter.

What is so interesting about being a Fire Fighter?

The work and training is really intense as is the commitment of the people who do it. You are training all the time either to keep yourself fit physically or for different scenarios that might occur - for instance - resuscitation or other acute medical situations you might encounter. A Fire Fighter has no idea what they will encounter when there is a call out so you have to be prepared for anything. Also you get to go to the most amazing places that you never knew existed.

Any hobbies?

Peter and I really enjoy walking and I love gig rowing in Salcombe. At the moment I am training hard to be fit enough to hopefully for the World Championships on the Scillies in May.

If you won the lottery what would you like to be doing next year?

Nothing different really, except maybe more holidays!

Favourite place?

Wonwell.





*Jennifer Johnson
Artist*

Are you from Modbury?

No, I was fairly nomadic till I moved to Devon. And have now lived here for 35 years.

What is your favourite thing about Modbury?

Its central location in the South Hams and I love the Georgian architecture.

Tell us about your career

I have always worked as an artist and previously have done more book illustration and design, I am now often commissioned to paint portraits and animals.

For the last 21 years I have tutored painting holidays at a chateau in France for 4 weeks a year, teaching all abilities and all mediums.

When you're not working what do you like to do?

I like to sketch in my spare time.

What are you most proud of?

For the last 7 years I have been the artist in residence at Dartington's Way with Words festival. I have sketched lots of famous people including Michael Palin and Darcy Bussell.

Where would you like to be right now?

My favourite places in the world are the Isles of Scilly and Wonwell beach.



Come and join us for Breakfast!

Bright and early and full of ideas at the Lazy Cow on Thursday mornings, 8.15 - 9am.

*On **Thursday 6th February** please come to our evening meeting at the Modbury Inn at 6.30pm. We hope this will suit those of you who can't make the morning meetings.*

If you are a business owner and would like to 'spread the word' about what you do, then please email Lizi Watson - breakfastclub.lizi@gmail.com and she will arrange to interview you for a future edition of The Modbury Messenger.



update

THE BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club is an informal group which supports small businesses. Its main aim, along with the Modbury and District Business Chamber, is to promote Modbury and the surrounding area. Please feel free to join us if you would like to - everyone is very welcome.

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*Charlotte & Andy -
Rathbone Partnership*

When and why did you move to Modbury?

We came here in 1995 and started our business, Rathbone Partnership, in 1996. We bought this house because it suited our needs as we wanted to work from home and also have time with the children and the community.

You are both Chartered Landscape Architects and in business together, how does that work?

We share most of the routine day to day running of the house and children - Andy is a dab hand with the Hoover and ironing!!

Where were you before you moved here?

We spent nearly four years working in Hong Kong and Josh, our son, was born there.

What type of landscape architecture did you do in Hong Kong?

Because Hong Kong is densely populated the government employed us to design public parks. These parks were on a huge scale where we had to reclaim part of mountains to build the parks. It was a very exciting time and it was wonderful to experience another culture at such close quarters.

Secret skills?

Andy built a boat which we sailed for several years and I love cooking with locally sourced foods.

What are you most proud of?

Balancing bringing up children and working. We are also so proud to still be living in the South Hams which is such a beautiful place!

Where is your favourite place?

It has to be Wonwell.



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Clubs and Groups in Modbury

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History Society	David Mitchell	01548 830446
Fruit and Produce Show	Angela Peters	01548 830638
Footpaths	Brian Weeks	weeks.fam@virgin.net
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Modbury Information Centre

MODBURY INFORMATION CENTRE
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If the rain ever stops (and we can get through the mud!) there are lots to do during February whether you prefer to get out for a stroll or enjoy something indoors.

For the energetic walkers amongst you, on Saturday 8th February, Dartmoor National Parks have a ranger led walk on the north of the Moor starting at 10.00am and lasting 6 hours. Call 01626 831040 to book.

The Devon Wildlife Trust, South Brent & Ivybridge branch, have arranged a saunter through the snowdrops along the River Yealm on Saturday 15th, starting at 10.30am from near St Bartholomew's church in Yealmpton. There is an optional extension for birdwatching along the estuary after 12 noon, bring a picnic lunch if you would like to do this. Call Margery Evans on 01752 892984 for further details. For a day out during half-term why not pop up to Moretonhampstead for a family activity day on Thursday 20th from 11am – 3pm at Dunsford nature reserve. There will be tree ID games, nature quiz trail and woodland craft activities for all ages.

An exciting exhibition starts on the 8th February until the 26th at Harbour House in Kingsbridge. Twelve local primary schools have contributed drawings, paintings, collage and printmaking, and sculpture in its many forms. The exhibition is titled Primary Colours and is guaranteed to brighten up drizzly days, raise the spirits and celebrate the children's creative talents.

Annual General Meeting

All members of the association, (that is volunteers, advertisers and committee members) are invited to attend our AGM on Wednesday 26th February at 6pm in the meeting room of the Memorial Hall in Back Street. Please try to find time to attend this important meeting to discuss the future of the TIC.

Sadly this is my last report for the Messenger as I relinquish my position as Manager of the TIC. I hope you have tried one or two of my suggestions during the last 3 years and will continue to enjoy our wonderful surroundings in the future. Thank you also, for the many favourable comments I have received during my tenure.

Margaret Middleton, Manager.

ST LUKE'S COFFEE MORNINGS GET A MAKEOVER



St Luke's Hospice Plymouth invites you to join them tin holding a coffee morning this February.

Coffee mornings aren't something new to St Luke's, in fact, they have been an important part of the local charities fundraising activities for over 30 years.

As the charity starts a New Year of fundraising, St Luke's coffee mornings are about to get a complete makeover with a new look and the introduction of a pack to support you every step of the way as **Assistant Community Fund-raiser at St Luke's, Rebecca Bristow explains:** "The coffee morning pack includes, a poster to promote your event, recipes for some scrumptious cakes, fun games to play and loads of ideas to make sure your event is the talk of the town. With over £4.5 million to raise every year to fund the hospice

You can make a real difference to the people who need us most in the last months, weeks and days of life". A coffee morning with your friends, W.I groups, toddler groups, churches or local businesses, anyone can join and help raise money for St Luke's.

So dig out your best crockery, turn on the kettle and get the whole community drinking coffee for St Luke's this February.

To request your coffee morning pack, call 01752 246597

or visit ww

w.stlukeshospice.org.uk



Modbury Societies



MODBURY LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The talk on Devon Castles by Robert Hesketh (Jan 8th), attended by at least 50 members, was very interesting .We were surprised to learn how many there are – Blackdown Rings near Loddiswell was included as there are remains of buildings to be seen and it was an important fortification. Robert was thanked by our chairman, Mary Timmis, who said no doubt many of our members will be visiting some of the interesting places mentioned. One of our more recent members – Lesley Allsopp , with her husband Stephen, settled here in 2010 and she has been encouraged to give a talk about her experiences. Her family has connections with Modbury going back many years and she will give a talk on Wednesday February 12th at 7.30pm in the White Hart, thanks to the management.

David Mitchell



The Royal British Legion Modbury Branch

The first branch meeting in 2014 will take place on February 3rd at our usual venue – The Modbury Club, commencing at 7.30 pm. The Modbury Branch was represented at the recent Devon County Conference in the Crownhill Royal British Club. This month we shall also be represented at the group meeting in Totnes by our chairman and secretary. We belong to the South Devon group, which consists of 12 branches.

New members welcome, you do not have to be ex-service.

David Mitchell 830446

Calling all local outside caterers



Modbury Association of Recreation & Sport is currently inviting any local outside caterer who would like to promote their services to hirers of the Pavilion at the QEII Recreation Ground, to contact us in the first instance with their details. You can do this by visiting www.marsport.org and completing the Enquiry Form on the Home Page.



The next general meeting will be held in The Watermark on Monday 17th February at 2pm The speaker will be Tom Maddock talking about Scobell RM of Sevastopol

Doreen Flood

Modbury Silver Threads

We hope to see all our members and friends as usual in early February

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School Report



Modbury Pre-School.

We are holding a quiz night at the Exeter Inn Modbury to raise funds for a new sandpit for our outside play area. It will be held on 1st March 8.30pm start. Entry fee is £1 per person, teams of up to six people. There will also be a sponsored head shave on the night by Mrs Fiona Baker! You can sponsor Mrs Baker by sponsorship form on our information table at the entrance to preschool. All funds raised from Mrs Baker's head shave will also go to buying a new sandpit. Please come along for a fun filled night!

Nicolle McKenzie Modbury preschool committee

Are you fed up with winter? Do you need a bit of cheering up? If the answer is yes, then make sure you head to the Modbury Memorial Hall on Saturday, February 8 for the 2nd running of Live and Local.

Even if you are a cheery soul whatever the weather, it 's a night not to be missed as three fantastic local bands will be taking to the stage, not at the same time of course, to provide musical entertainment.

There 's Hillhead, for funky happy tunes that make you smile and tap your feet, Fifty3Four, who play covers that make everyone want to get up and dance, and Dead Horses, another fantastic band.

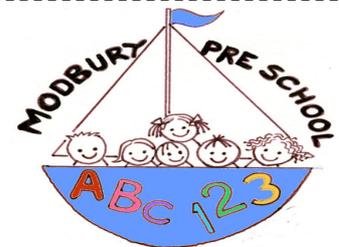
Please come and support this brilliant evening – the bands are providing their time free, and all proceeds will go towards Modbury Primary School.

Tickets cost £5 in advance and £6 on the door and are available in Pickles.

We 'll be collecting for **Phil the Bag** in March so please do keep any textiles and clothing. It 's a great initiative that really benefits the school and the environment because by recycling your clothes for people to re-use, you will be helping to reduce landfill.

If you 'd rather not hold on to your textiles until March, please give Clare Hagger a call as we have storage space at the school. 01548 830957.

Lucy



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Bob Knightly.



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Ivybridge Food Bank.

Please continue to give generously to the Ivybridge Food Bank.

There are two 2 collection points one in Petty Cache (with thanks to Margaret Middleton) and one in St. George's Church (at the back by the bells).

Please remember those families in crisis this spring when you are doing your shopping, or if you are donating goods from your store cupboard please ensure they are still in date, as out of date produce cannot be distributed.

The Ivybridge scheme covers Ivybridge, Yealmpton, Modbury, Sparkwell, Shaugh Prior and Lee Moor.

The following is a list of food they would like donated;

Milk (UHT or powdered), Sugar (500g), Fruit Juice (carton), Soup, Pasta sauces, Sponge pudding (tinned), Tomatoes (tinned), Cereals, Rice Pudding (tinned), Tea bags/ instant coffee, Instant mashed potato, Rice/ Pasta, Tinned meat/fish, Tinned vegetables, Tinned fruit, Jam, Biscuits or snack bar.

Thank you!

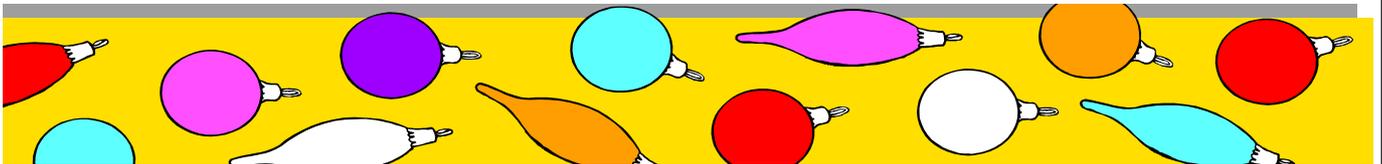
Christmas lights

Thank you

Now that the Christmas lights and signs are neatly put to bed for another 10 months we must thank everyone who helped make this last Christmas lights again a spectacular sight.

Phil Ainsley and his Elves made this happen along with the enormous Christmas tree donated by Colin Campbell from Flete Gardens allowed us to complete the high street's Christmas effect. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Lights and the donations from some of the shops in the high street was a welcomed gesture.

Tim Rolt.



Modbury Caring 100 club.

Modbury Carings 100 club January draw took place at The White Hart, the lucky number was drawn by landlady Claudia Gales, the winning number belonged to Lois Lloyd.

Thank you for supporting Modbury Caring.

Modbury Caring Christmas Hamper.

The draw for the Christmas hamper took place on the 20th December at the Health Centre, the lucky winning ticket drawn by Cllr Lindsay Ward, belonged to Ian Leonard.

The raffle raised £454, and Modbury Caring would like to say thank you to all those that supported this latest fund raising event.

Helen Prosser



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Contacting Parish Councillors

Parish Councillors attend the Parish Office, on a rota basis, on Saturday mornings from 10.00 - 11.00am. Should you have any parish matter you would like to discuss come along to the Office on Galpin Street. You can also call in to the Office on Mondays from 9.00am - 1.00pm and speak to the Parish Clerk, Sally Walsh.

The Parish Clerk can also be contacted by phone on 01548 830222 or e-mail at parishclerk@modburypc.co.uk

At all other times you can leave a message either by phone or e-mail (see above) or alternatively you can write a letter or speak at the public forum held at the beginning of each monthly meeting of the Parish Council, held on the second Monday of each month at 7.00pm in the annexe of the Memorial Hall.

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Look & size	Same as incandescent	Larger so may not fit all light fittings	Not all equiv wattages and shapes available yet
Brightness	Instant	2 mins to achieve 100% brightness	Instant
Bulb life	Short - approx 2,000 hrs	Long - up to 10,000 hours	30x longer - up to 30,000 hrs
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INGREDIENTS

120 g plain flour, 2 eggs, 300 ml milk, vegetable oil, for frying. Prep time: 15 min, plus standing
Cook time: 15 min / Serves: Makes 8 pancakes

METHOD

1. Sift the flour into a bowl and make a well in the centre. Add the eggs and beat with a whisk or fork. Gradually beat in the milk, drawing in the flour from around the edge, until you have a smooth batter.

2. Cover and leave to stand in the fridge for at least 30 mins.

3. Heat a little oil in a 18cm heavy-based frying pan, tilting the pan to spread the oil evenly.

4. Pour in just enough batter to thinly coat the base of the pan. Cook for 1-2 minutes until golden on the under side. Flip over, and cook the other side until golden.

5. Transfer to a plate, keep warm.

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