

LOPEN EYE

Lopen Parish Newsletter

APRIL 2019



Lopen Village Spring Plant Fair



Saturday 11th May
10.30am to 1pm

In preparation for the Plant Sale, we would welcome contributions in April of any old gardening equipment.

As we get closer to the fair, donations of plants would also be most welcome,

so please remember us when you are in the garden or greenhouse!

Donations please to Marian at The Old Bakehouse - 240 179.

WEDNESDAY 3rd
APRIL

LENT LUNCH at the
SUNDAY SCHOOL
ROOM 12 noon to 2pm

*Proceeds to a local charity
helping refugees*

*Details from Sally-Ann
01460 241765*



SUNDAY WALK WITH PUB LUNCH

We are starting a Sunday pub walking group on the first Sunday of each month, with the first walk planned for **Sunday April 7th.**

Meet at The Sunday School Room at 11.30am and enjoy a sociable walk to one of the local pubs for lunch. If you are interested please contact Belinda on 240 973 or email belinda.bezance@gmail.com at least one week prior so she can gauge numbers for the pub booking.

LOPEN VILLAGE PICNIC
SUNDAY 14th JULY

Held every other year it's time for Lopen's biggest get-together. So please make a note of the date.

Further details to follow.



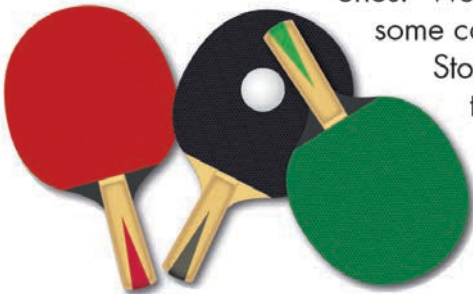
JONATHAN DELBRIDGE PLAYS TO A CAPACITY AUDIENCE IN LOPEN CHURCH

On March 9th new Lopen resident Jonathan performed a varied programme of music for the piano and the church organ to a highly appreciative audience. The concert, very generously sponsored by the Trading Post at Lopen Head, raised £900 for improvements to the Sunday School Room.

Photo: Jeffrey Hutson

TABLE TENNIS DATES

Remember the fortnightly table tennis 'Club' will be held on Sunday **April 14th & 28th** from 3pm until 5pm. Open to all ages from little ones to elderly ones. We have a kettle and some cake/biscuits for a 'Tea Stop'. We shall have to make a charge of £1 to cover the cost of the hall and the electricity. I look forward to seeing you - Carolyn.



SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM *improvements*

Work is now well underway and there will be an update with photos. in the May edition of Lopen Eye.



**ELECTIONS -
Thursday 2nd MAY
for District and Parish Councils***

**VOTE at the Sunday School Room in
Church Street, Lopen
POLLS OPEN 7am - 10pm**

***An election will take place for Lopen
Parish Council (7 seats) only if there are
more than 7 candidates.**



YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!



With just five of a possible seven positions occupied, the Council currently has two vacancies and needs your help. If you are interested in village matters, have a little time spare and count common sense, patience and a sense of humour

among your virtues, why not consider becoming a councillor? If you are interested, we'd very much like to hear from you. Please contact Lisa or one of the councillors for more information.

Should you be thinking of standing for election please obtain Nomination Papers from the Parish Clerk Lisa Wilson **URGENTLY (see back page for contact details) or from SSDC (website below).**

Nominations are open from now until 4pm on Wednesday 3rd April.

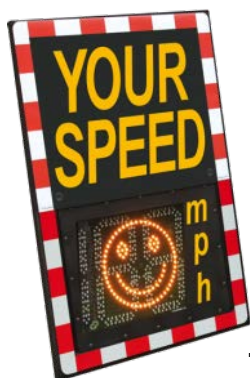
To receive full information about the elections please contact South Somerset District Council at www.southsomerset.gov.uk

**Parish Council Meeting
Thursday 11th April at 7pm
Annual Parish Council Meeting
Monday 13th May at 7pm**

RESULTS OF MONITORING IN LOPEN BY THE SPEED INDICATOR DISPLAY FOR A SINGLE WEEK IN MARCH

(from Roger Gurner)

Drivers recorded at 30mph and under	3063
31 - 40mph	4131
41 - 50mph	659
51 - 60mph	41
61 -70mph	4



These speeds are rather lower than those recorded before the start of extensive roadworks and traffic signals in Holloway and Merriott Road earlier in the year when two vehicles were clocked at over 80 and one was recorded in excess of 90mph. Unbelievable.





Our next meeting will be on
Tuesday 9th April
 at 7.30pm in the
Sunday School Room



Making Potions
A talk by Stephanie Hafferty

A talk on how to make your own natural, plant based cremes and potions by professional organic no dig kitchen gardener, plant based cook and award winning writer.

Non-members welcome.

For further information please contact Pauline Rook T: 240 644 E: prook12@gmail.com

Around All Saints

Services and activity in the church for Easter Week

Tuesday 16th April 8 p.m. **Compline**. Night prayer, a short quiet service

Friday 19th April. **Good Friday** 2 p.m. service

Sunday 21st April 10.30 **Easter Day** service with communion to which all are welcome

Mothering Sunday 31st March 10.30am: All Saints Church, Merriott.

A family service followed by Mothering Sunday gift-making and refreshments.



Have you 'liked' the Lopen Events Facebook page? Have a look - www.facebook.com/Lopen-Events-277018432630673/

CONTACTS

Village website - www.lopen.btck.co.uk

PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Clerk	Lisa Wilson	07587 211150	loopenpc.clerk@gmail.com
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COUNTY COUNCIL	Cllr Adam Dance	07767 224 213	adam.dance@southsomerset.gov.uk
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MEMBER of PARLIAMENT	Marcus Fysh		marcus.fysh.mp@parliament.uk
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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Benefice Office	Issy Welsh	73226	
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Rector	Rev. Bob Hicks	76406	bobhicks66@gmail.com
Churchwarden	Angela Naunton Davies	240 921	nauntondavies@btinternet.com

JUST WOMEN

Chairwoman	Pauline Rook	240 644	prook12@gmail.com
Treasurer	Christianne Long	249 766	christianne@loopen.me.uk

POLICE CSO	Teresa Lines	Dial 101	teresa.lines@avonandsomerset.police.uk
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COFFEE STOP
 at the
Sunday School Room

Only **£1** for a hot drink (including refill) and a slice of homemade cake.

APRIL DATES

Wednesday 10th & 24th
 10.30am to 12.00 midday



Everyone welcome - including parents with young children.

All proceeds to
 The Epilepsy Society