

Launceston & Plestin Packet



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THIS was the scene as the advance guard crossed the river Lyd during our superb July walk. Nine twinnings enjoyed stunning views from Dartmoor on the climb to Brat Tor and Widgery Cross. The weather was perfect for walking and for the picnic enjoyed in the warm evening sunshine. More photos on our website at: <http://launcestontwinningassociation.weebly.com/widgery-walk-july-2017.html>

A second summer walk is planned

EVERYONE enjoyed the July walk so much that it was unanimously agreed that we should do another Dartmoor walk this summer. The date has been set – Friday, 18 August, and the walk will take us to the area above Okehampton Camp.

This will provide a pleasant drive up on the moor for those who don't want to walk too far, with traffic-free roads for those who prefer a stroll while the fitter ones will be able to climb up on to the moor. Everyone is welcome and we'll meet at 6pm beyond the camp.

Finding the camp is easy. In the centre of Okehampton take the George Street and Station Road turn at the traffic lights. Instead of branching off to Okehampton Station, continue all the way up to the moor on Tors Road which turns into Camp Road.

After the camp go over bridge, don't turn right but go up hill and continue up the road until there is an area on the right of the road for parking, just before a right road which is blocked for traffic. If wet, walk will be off. There is a network of mostly unpaved roads where you can walk safely and easily all the way to the end of the roads into some of Dartmoor's most remote territory.

As the light will be fading at the end of the walk, it is suggested that we all go off to a pub afterwards instead of taking a picnic. ***Please let Jenny Worth know if you're planning to join the walk – so that nobody gets left behind! Jenny can be contacted at: jaw53@hotmail.com***

Pauline's paintings will be on show

TWINNER Pauline English is currently busy working on paintings for Launceston Area Art Group's exhibition, in the Blanchminster Room, at Bude Castle, from 23 September to 12 October.

Pauline, who joined the art group ten years ago, uses all sorts of different media including oils, acrylics and watercolours.

"The Art group has a summer exhibition every year, so this is the tenth time I have exhibited," said Pauline. "Each of the group is allowed to select four paintings for the show and I'm concentrating on some new works especially for the exhibition. This year I am trying out some semi abstract works based on the Cornish landscape."

Launceston Area Art Group was formed in 1980 by a band of individuals who shared a passion for art. The group is still going strong and meets weekly on Thursdays. During October- April they meet at Trebulet Church Hall when the programme includes a variety of workshops, tutorials and lectures delivered by visiting artists and members of the art group. During the summer they visit various locations to paint and sketch en plein air.

It is a small group of about 20 with mixed abilities whose members share an interest in art and are willing to "have a go" at trying a variety of mediums and approaches in their work. More information on Facebook (Launceston Area Art Group) or at www.launcestonareaartgroup.co.uk

ARE you one of the twinnings missing from the photo gallery of twinnings being created by committee member Jason Thorns? The idea behind the gallery is to enable twinnings to identify other members – especially important now that we are gaining more and more members.



So, now that the summer holidays are here and everyone is getting out the cameras/tablets/phones for some nice snaps, how about getting someone to take a photograph of you – or the whole family together – and emailing it to Jason at jason@maunderandsons.co.uk

And finally...

...news of former twinnings from Maureen Amy who reports:

"While at Roadford at the weekend I met up with the Hamilton family. Andy is now an inspector in the Devon and Cornwall police force. He was recently on the Spotlight local news demonstrating the new drone that D&C police had just acquired and he was the chief in charge. They send their best wishes to all the Twinnings and were glad to hear (and a little surprised) that we were still going strong and have increased our numbers!"
