

Live music

WLMA (Wiveliscombe Live Music Association) is now holding an electric jam on the first Friday of every month at the Bear Inn, Wiveliscombe, from 8.30pm onwards.

We have a full drum kit and P.A. mics etc, musicians can either have a jam with everyone else or perform on their own. Bands also welcome to come and do a few numbers.

Our session nights are very relaxed and open to everyone, any age, any music style, professional or amateur, all are welcome to play, sing or just listen and maybe have a bit of a dance! It's free and fun.

The 3rd Friday of every month is acoustic jam night at the Courtyard Inn, Wiveliscombe. A welcome return to the cellar bar! All welcome to play, sing or listen. 8.30pm onwards.

WLMA have had a good first year, and 2006 looks to be even better: 3 Daft Monkeys are booked to record a live album in Wivey Rugby Club on March 3rd (need audience). The Hamsters are booked to do a concert on April 1st at Kingsmead (backed by Crimson Love).

We hope to get a fantastic band called Blackbud (as heard on Radio 1 and 2) in February, and we will be holding another X Factor competition on the back of last year's success.

So Wivey is the place to be: usual ticket vendors are Martian Records, Ted Turner Music and Wilkies in Wivey. Watch this space!

Phone Kate Whitfield for details on any of these events 01984 623031

Music concerts in Milverton

MILVERTON Concert Society is presenting two concerts at Milverton Parish Church this February and March. They are:

Friday, 10 February 2006 at 8.00pm - Duo Del Fuego, violin and classical guitar performing music from Italian and Spanish masters.

Friday, 10 March 2006 at 8.00pm - Aurora Ensemble, wind quintet (flute, oboe, clarinet, horn and bassoon) playing works by Vivaldi, Barber, Nielsen and Zemlinsky.

Tickets for each concert are available from 01823 400200 or Milverton Post Office at £10, £8 and £6. Concessions are available for students.

The Jim Laker Fund

ON Sunday 18th December we held our Christmas quiz at The Bear Inn. We had ten teams playing and everyone appeared to have a good evening.

We increased the JLF funds by about £100. Our thanks go to all who took part, to Andy and Heather and to our two generous local breweries for their raffle prize donations.

Now a date for your diaries. On Friday 24th February at The Bear Inn, we shall be holding an Auction of Promises.

Let's have a look at some of the things on offer. A sailing boat trip, a wind surfing lesson, a baby sitter for an evening, a piece of sculpture and a pencil portrait by local artists, a housework session (which could include an oven clean. How much is THAT worth?)

We also have an advertising spot on the Wiveliscombe website and the original watercolour painting of the 10 Parishes map on the website. The ever supportive Andy and Heather are again generously offering a pint of a beer a day for a year.

These are just a few of the things on offer to whet the appetite. We have also invited organisations whom we have helped over the years to put up a promise and they will keep any proceeds from the sale. So remember the date. Friday 24th February. Be there.

The JLF has a very high profile at the moment and as a result many people have asked us where the money goes that we raise. Since the formation of the JLF in 1997 we have donated over £11,000 to the following local worthy causes and organisations:

Busy Bees Playgroup, Wivey Swimming Pool, Pulsford Lodge Comfort Fund, Rainbow Playgroup, Wivey Brownie Pack, Scallywags Toddler Group, Ashbrittle Arts Group, Parish Maps, Kingsmead Short Mat Bowls Club, Youth Matters, Wivey Community Centre, 1st Wivey Guides, Wivey Arts Consortium (Heritage Trail), Wivey Community Centre, Wivey Cricket Club, Milverton Rangers Football Club, Wivey Congregational Church, Wivey Woodcraft Folk, Wivey Children Appeal, Wivey Live Music Association, Gardening Care, 10 Parishes Arts Festival, 10 Radio, Reminiscence Learning, Wivey Primary School (Drum Kit), Wivey Website.

We also made a donation to local equestrian Debbie Criddle to help her on her way to the Paralympic Games as a member of the British Equestrian Team.

I think you will agree that we have covered a very wide area of the community here. I'm sure that Jim Laker would have been proud of what we have done in his name. We certainly are and we hope, with your support, to continue to do so for a very long time.

Finally could I just say a word about our friend Andy Ware? At time of writing (early January) he is currently making the supreme sacrifice, by having a sponsored alcohol free month.

Any money raised he is donating to the JLF. Thanks Andy and we look forward to seeing you in The Bear at the end of the month.

10Radio Update



10Radio is still very much alive and gearing up to broadcasting to the 10 Parishes in the autumn.

A small co-ordinating group of 10Radio presenters and helpers are meeting on a monthly basis to put the necessary organisation and resources/finance together so that 10Radio can return for a further 4 weeks of live broadcasting. There will be an initial evening launch event in late April (hopefully

25th April at the Community Centre) which The Messenger will have more details of in the next edition.

10Radio will be seeking additional presenters, helpers, technicians etc and will provide the necessary training and support, no matter what someone wants to do.

Pictured are Explorer Scouts and Young Leaders from Wiveliscombe Scout Group listening to 10Radio's first broadcast.

New Year's Day walkers



THE year 2006 dawned very windy and unsettled looking but this did not deter 32 Wivey Walkers.

They donned waterproofs, woolly hats and boots and gathered in Wiveliscombe Square to start their New Year's fitness campaign.

The walk was wonderful and there was so much chat that the mud, wind and hangerover were not noticed. In no time at all mulled wine and sausage rolls were being gratefully consumed in the Homeshaw's greenhouse.

Everyone really appreciated this invitation by Bob and Pauline and would like to say a big "thank you" to them.

The rest of the walk was completed easily and the last refreshment was consumed at The White Hart in Wiveliscombe. Again, a big "thank you" to the staff who patiently served lovely homemade soup and sandwiches and were very relaxed about our muddy boots.

This start to the Wivey Walker's 2006 programme

St Andrew's Big Breakfast

COME and enjoy good food and good company; bring your friends and family.

"Fry Up" or Continental Breakfast at the Community Centre 8.30-10.00am on Saturday February 25th.

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