

**MARLAND MESSENGER 2018**  
**SPRING EDITION**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Church services:-** .

**Easter** – Dawn Service Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 6.30am, Breakfast in the hall afterwards.

First Sunday of the month Holy Communion at 9.30am. Third Sunday of the month Family Service at 11am.

**Social Group:-** First Tuesday evening of the month at 7.30pm.

**Marland Readers:** - Third Tuesday of the month at members' homes.

**Skittles:-** The Social skittles evening will be on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April, let Trish know if you need to make a team.

**Mobile library:-** Because of the weather disruption at the beginning of March the Mobile Library will be here on the 29<sup>th</sup> March.

**PETERS MARLAND CHURCH**

We thank all those who donated towards the food bank at the Carol service, it was taken to Torrington in time for their Christmas distribution.

You may have noticed we have pruned the trees by the Church path, our thanks to Jim and Stuart Mann, Mike Lamprey, Rob Beasley & Simon Ley for all their hard work, job done for another four or five years. At Easter we have been invited to hold a DAWN SERVICE at 6-30am on Easter Morning 1st April at the Church to be followed by BREAKFAST in the Hall, EVERYONE WELCOME.

Torrige Team Church services are always published on the noticeboard by the village green.

Any enquiries on Church matters to Rev Martin Warren tel 01409 281424 or PCC secretary Christine Ley tel 01805 601264

**SOCIAL GROUP**

We had a lovely demonstration by Jax's Cakes 'n' Bakes on cake decorating with the finished cake being raffled off and won by one lucky member (Me!)

Our visit to Tarka Water will be on March 27<sup>th</sup>, meet at the church by 1.45pm.

Call Chris 601264, Trish 601245 or Marilyn 601552 for more information.

**SOCIAL GROUP CHARITY SKITTLES** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

Due to the success of last year's competition we are again holding a skittles evening.

This will take place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 7pm.

Entry will cost £5, to include a raffle ticket and a good buffet provided by the ladies of the social group.

There will be more raffle tickets available. Mixed teams of 6, names to Trish Ward by 3<sup>rd</sup> April please. As in other years we will supply tea, coffee and soft drinks, please bring your own alcohol if you wish (plastic glasses available).

Our charity is the Devon Air Ambulance, hopefully going towards a night landing site within the village.

**BELLRINGING** – Graham Ward 01805 601245

Due to the lack of local ringers, practise nights are held at Torrington Church on Wednesday's at 7.30pm (contact Clive Ward 07712 078885) Ringers are able, with help from other towers fulfil requirements for weddings and funerals in the local area. It is more difficult on Sunday's because of commitments to other churches.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

**The Council** [www.petersmarland.org.uk](http://www.petersmarland.org.uk)

Mike Lamprey	601331	Chairman. Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator
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Becky Mills	601965	
Trish Ward	601245	
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## **Other Representatives**

Richard Wiseman	01837 810404	Councillor, Torridge District Council
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Geoffrey Cox	01822 612925	Member of Parliament

## **SKITTLES**

The league season has just finished with the 'youngies' (Peters Marland B) ending the season as Runners up! Well done to them. They also had the highest total number of pins scored in one game of 359! (Average 60 skittles each – glad I wasn't setting up!). Reg (aka Ben Kirk) just missed out on having the highest score of the season, he scored a mammoth 81! Top score was 85.

The 'oldies' were placed just behind in 3<sup>rd</sup> place, with the rookie 'midis' team coming 9<sup>th</sup>!! (We do get a wooded spoon!)

Everyone had an enjoyable time with lots of laughs and banter along the way!

In the singles competition John Anstead reached the semi-finals (a good achievement from 40 plus competitors!)

Hope the teams will support the Social group Charity night on the 6<sup>th</sup> April.

Contact Trish Ward on 01805 601245

## **MOBILE LIBRARY**

The Mobile Library will be outside the church on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March. The next visit will be 26<sup>th</sup> April.

The mobile library stops at the church car park on Thursdays at 10.05am – 10.25am. Numbers are assessed regularly so we all must try to use it as often as we can or we could lose it permanently.

## **MARLAND READERS.**

We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Anyone interested in joining us please contact Helen on 601331 or Trish on 601245

## **COFFEE MORNINGS**

If you would like to have a coffee morning please let Trish or Marilyn know.

## **Short Mat Bowls**

If you are interested come along to the Moore-Stevens hall or ring Chris Ley on 01805 601264

## **MOORE-STEPHENS HALL**

If you wish to hire the Hall please contact Howard Wills (Treasurer) 601446

## **MARLAND SCHOOL**

The grand opening of the new residential building at the school is on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> at 2pm with tea and cakes, all welcome.

Gareth MacIver, Head of Pastoral Care and Deputy Principal of Marland School.

01805 601324 / 07969961416



The date has been confirmed for this years' Vintage and Classic Vehicle Rally being **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018**, so for the committee it is all systems GO, GO, GO!!!!

Each year we hold a public meeting where we ask the community to come along and show us their support. This years' meeting is going to be on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30 pm in The Clinton Hall, Merton. Come along and enjoy a coffee with us and find out how you can help us make the day a success. Without the help of the community we would not be able to run the day as we have to cover a huge number of hours, so every little bit of help is very much appreciated.

The Merton Monck's committee was formed to organise the Merton Vintage and Classic Vehicle Rally and groups from Merton, Petrockstowe and Peters Marland have benefitted by thousands of pounds since 2013 when we took over from the Friends of the Clinton School. Last year groups decided that monies raised would be pooled and given to the Devon Air Ambulance to enable them to install night time landing on the playing field in Merton. This facility is now up and running should it be required – hopefully not too often, but there if needed!!

Over the years' the event has grown and it is not just a vehicle rally there is so much entertainment going on throughout the day it's suitable for everyone of all ages – we'll keep you posted when things are confirmed.

If you are new to the village, or perhaps the winter months seem to be dragging come along as this is an ideal opportunity to meet lots of friendly faces, not just from Merton but neighbouring villages too!

Let's make the 11<sup>th</sup> Merton Vintage and Classic Vehicle Rally as good, if not better than previous years. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018, 7.30 pm at the Clinton Hall, Merton to show us your support.



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**<https://alerts.dc.police.uk/pages/3981/1/Home.html>**

If anyone has any information/news they would like included in the Marland Messenger contact Marilyn Hounsome [hounsome.marland@uwclub.net](mailto:hounsome.marland@uwclub.net). Tel 01805 601552