

COMBE MARTIN MUSEUM

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER



From Shirley, Chair of Trustees

August has probably been one of our busiest months ever, with so many visitors in the village enjoying the amazing weather. It has been lovely and cool in the museum, so we suspect some people have been coming in to get out of the heat! As well as many families doing a tour of the museum, there have been lots of sales of maps and goodies in the shop and of course our second-hand books are always in demand.



Coffee mornings have continued through the summer months, and have been really busy, continuing to raise funds for the museum. Our thanks as always go to the team who run these for us, headed by Jan. If you haven't been to one of these do give it a try and come along to meet up with friends as well as making new ones. There is always a raffle and the price of your coffee and cake includes free entry to the museum.

During August we had a second meeting with our specialist consultant, Sam Hunt. This time we held the meeting at the museum and we had a constructive discussion on the way forward to ensure our sustainable future. Sam was impressed with the success we are enjoying as a solely volunteer-led museum and lots of ideas were put forward to continue the progress we have made. We will look forward to receiving his report and his suggested business plan in the coming weeks.



Our events begin again in September – please put the dates in your diaries. Booking is essential for these so that we know how many to cater for, so do remember to book your seats by ringing the museum or emailing your order in plenty of time.

Thanks to all for a successful summer season!

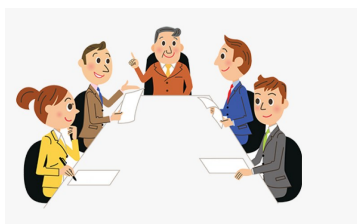
Important Dates

Dates for your September Diaries



Coffee Mornings this month are on **Tuesdays 8th and 22nd**. 11am – 12.30pm as usual. We look forward to seeing all the regulars and hopefully some new faces too.

A Harvest Evening will be held on **FRIDAY 11th** at 7.30 pm. Jill Sidebottom will be giving a talk on the village harvest celebrations in days gone by, and then we will hear all about smocking and corn dollies! The ticket price of £7 per person includes cider and nibbles to help us all celebrate.



Volunteers/Management Meeting this month is on **MONDAY 14th** at 1.30 pm in the Sail Loft. As always please bring your diaries so that we can complete the rota for the next few weeks. This is especially important during the holiday season as we need notice of when volunteers are not available!

Advance Notice: a date to put in your **October** diary – Friday 23rd at 7.30pm is the date we shall be welcoming the Ilfracombe Harbourmaster to give us a talk on living and working by the sea.



We hope all our volunteers will be able to come along to one or more of these events and please encourage your friends, neighbours and visitors to join in as well.



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The deadline for the October newsletter will be Monday, 21st September