

Shop News

Kennerleigh and District Community Stores Limited



*Summer Newsletter
August 2016*

Shop “Coffee-shop”

The Coffee Morning held in the Shop in May was a lively affair attended by about 30 people. Shop staff and helpers were able to try out its capacity to serve coffee and cakes to customers from the limited space and facilities available.

As a result, coffee (£1.50) and coffee-and-cake (£2.50) will be available to customers on a “when-we-are-not-too-busy” basis. Choose a quiet time to drop in and see what is on offer.

Safari Supper—Social Event of the Year!!!

Over 60 people signed up for the Shop Safari Supper on Friday 12th August. Numbers had to be capped and “supper-ees” broken into groups of 20 in order to fit everyone in. At one point, the main road was crowded with residents and customers of the Shop milling between houses.

Costing £10 per person, the Supper was hosted by Julia and Adrian (canape’s and starters), Laura and Hollister (4 main courses including a vegetarian option) and Pippa and Tom (desserts) with the final course being tea, coffee, cheese, biscuits and port in Kennerleigh Village Hall. Over £400 was raised for Kennerleigh and District Community Benefit Society. Many thanks to Laura for her initiative and hard work of the hosts and volunteers.

Know Your Shop

Many customers may not know how the Shop is organised and who or what is in charge. Basically, the Shop is an activity of the Kennerleigh and District Community Benefit Society. The Society owns the shop premises which were bought by residents of the district who became members of the Society by purchasing shares.

Since March 2016, Mike Perryman has been Chair of the Management Committee with Laura Austin as Secretary and Sheila Kirby as Treasurer and it has oversight of the Society's affairs in general as well as the legal, financial and physical structure.

The day-to-day running of the Shop has been delegated to a volunteer Shop Manager – Helen Lee, and a Retail Committee, chaired by Ann Pollard. Jo and Kelly are, as you already know, the Shop Assistants.

Summer Special

The Shop is now stocking locally-produced barbeque charcoal from a privately owned woodland near Rose Ash. The charcoal is produced from wood coppiced on an 8 year rotation and managed to encourage wildlife. Contact Tim Backhouse on 07773992105 for further details. 5lb sacks are selling for £8.00 each (2.5lbs and £4.00). Here's your chance to enjoy your late summer barbeques in a sustainable way and to support a local business.

Bread and Pies

Bread from the organic baker in Crediton, Stevie B, continues to arrive on Friday mornings and sell out quite fast. Don't forget, we are willing to take particular orders for pies and can order in large quantities in advance for you. We also have bread, danish pastries, pasties and sausage rolls from the Chulmleigh bakers arriving on Wednesdays.



Bulk Orders

Don't forget you can make bulk orders of wholefood products from Essential Trading through the Shop. Ask Jo or Kelly for the next ordering date (Minimum order is £20). The mark up on cost price is only 10%. The same goes for orders via the Shop to our grocery wholesaler, Bookers. Some of our customers who cater for holidaymakers buy toilet rolls in bulk! Having a party or event? - We can also do a Bookers wine and beer order for you with only a 10% mark up on cost price.

Update on Calendar

Thank you for all your fascinating photographic contributions to the 2017 Calendar. This should be available in late September and will be a fund-raiser for the Shop. Many thanks to Jo and Pete Scott-Smith for taking on this project.



New Lines

We are always trying out new lines to see what people would like. Three new items in particular have been introduced this summer:

Olive oil soap made from pure unrefined olive oil which is supposed to be kind and gentle to the skin. *Oliva* is not tested on animals, contains no artificial colours or perfumes, is completely vegetarian and is 100% biodegradable.

Then we have organic chick-peas to make your own hummous! They are also a tasty addition to stews and now come with the convenience of a ring pull tin. Fast food with a Middle East twist.

And, finally, to tie-up with the Olympics in Rio, the super-food – Beetroot Juice – pressed and blended by Cawston Press. *Go Shop Go.....*

Extending the Range of Cards

Our already varied and interesting range of cards will be extended with new cards of scenes of Dartmoor by Tracey Elliot-Reep, and other scenes by Noel Tatt.

Shop Heroes and Heroines

*As well as the contribution of the Committee members, much of the work of the Shop is run by volunteers. They help stock the shelves, clean the premises, collect the vegetables, bread, dog food, items from Cox's the Butchers and Sandford Orchards, delivering papers to Black Dog, recycling and many more tasks. **Volunteers are a vital part of keeping the shop running smoothly and the shop could not stay open without them. So a BIG THANK YOU to all our volunteers.***

Focus on:

Gift-y Things

While the Shop concentrates mostly on groceries and household items, we have been increasing our range of small gifts over the past year. New shelf space has been created to display these items and you are welcome to come in and browse (perhaps sipping a cup of coffee and munching a cake too!)

Reasons to Support Your Local Shop:

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Save Fuel and Money! Be Green!

If it costs 50p a mile to drive 10 miles to Crediton and back – think how much you can save every week by using the shop.

50p x 10 miles x 2 trips a week = £10. Over the year, say 50 weeks, that amounts to £500 a year. Enough for a few extra bars of chocolate, no?

	9am to 1pm	2 to 5pm
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		

Shop Opening Hours

Monday	9am-1pm	closed
Tuesday	9am-1pm	2pm-5pm
Wednesday	9am-1pm	2pm-5pm
Thursday	9am-1pm	closed
Friday	9am-1pm	2pm-5pm
Saturday	9am-1pm	closed
Sunday	closed	closed

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Brain Teaser on Opening Times

The reason for the difficult-to-remember opening times are partly historical, partly because we did not wish to confuse customers by making more changes and partly so that the Shop is open on Wednesdays when most other stores are closed. But we need a simple way to remember them. Adrian Miller suggested a colour coded diagramme, see left.

I am working on a limerick:

*There is a small shop
 down the road
 That is open more often
 than closed.....*

But need some help finishing it! All suggestions (not rude) are welcome.

Would someone like to try a mnemonic, like *Richard Of York Gave Battle In Vain* for the colours of the rainbow?