

Liskeard Unlocked

7th to 10th September 2017



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Discover Liskeard's Doors

Stuart House, The Parade, Liskeard and Liskeard Methodist Church, Bay Tree Hill

In the lead up to the Liskeard Unlocked events, come and test your observation, knowledge and appreciation at an exhibition of photographs of interesting doors, tempting you to see what's beyond.

Monday 21st August to Saturday 2nd September - Stuart House: 0930 – 1530 (1230 Saturday)
Monday 4th to Saturday 9th September – Methodist Church: mornings, extended hours some days

Evening Heritage Walk Around Liskeard

From The Liskeard & District Museum, Foresters Hall, 1 Pike Street, Liskeard, PL14 3JE

On Thursday evening enjoy a free walk around the town with guide Brian Oldham who will stop outside the buildings being opened as part of the Heritage Open Days event giving interesting facts about the town and its beautiful buildings.

The walk will start at The Museum on Pike Street and finish at the Eliot House Hotel, Castle Street approximately an hour and a half later. When the walk reaches the Eliot House Hotel St Martins Church will have exhibition bell ringing by the Devon Call Change Ringers welcoming the walkers to the area.

While you are walking around the town don't forget to admire the beautiful floral displays that Liskeard in Bloom are tending with great care.

Thursday: 1830

St Martin's Church Bell Ringing

St Martin's Church, Church Street, Liskeard

Brian Oldham's walk is due to finish at the Eliot House Hotel where you will be able to hear the St Martin's Church bells ringers and their guests Heritage ringing.

Thursday: 1930

Children's Trail around the Buildings

Eye Spy Quiz available from The Hub, the Tourist Information Centre and many properties taking part

See how much you already know and how much more there is to learn about the amazing properties around the town that are taking part in the Liskeard Unlocked event.

Saturday: 1000 – 1500

The Home of Henry Rice's Mother

1 Manley Terrace, Liskeard, PL14 4DW

View the magnificent hall in this house which Henry Rice designed and built for his mother.

Friday: 1030 - 1230

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Stuart House Arts & Heritage Centre, its Secret Passage and the Old Cornwall Records Room

Stuart House Arts & Heritage Centre, Barras Street, Liskeard, PL14 6AB

Learn more from a Steward about the story of Stuart House and the 'Secret Passage' and imagine how it might have been used. Access to the secret passage will not be possible on Thursday.

Stuart House is a Grade II Listed late medieval town house. Its most illustrious visitor was King Charles I who stayed here during his Cornish campaign in 1644 and from whom the name of the house derives. The house was once again subject to a royal presence by a visit from Prince Charles during the Royal Jubilee year of 2002.

The garden to the rear of the House has been laid out as a 17th century Gentleman's Garden and the Old Cornwall Society's Records Room will be open to the public.

Thursday: 1000 – 1530

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Saturday: 1000 – 1600

Geology Focused Walking Tour of Liskeard

Liskeard & District Museum, Foresters Hall, Pike Street, Liskeard, PL14 3JE

Join Calum Beeson on his free guided walking tour looking at buildings around Liskeard that are part of the Heritage Open Days event, focusing on looking at the stones used in the beautiful old buildings around the town.

This tour starts and ends at The Museum on Pike Street where refreshments will be served after the walk.

Friday: 1900

Liskeard and District Museum

Foresters Hall, Pike Street, Liskeard, PL14 3JE

The Museum is housed in a Victorian Gothic Style stone building that was the former East Cornwall Savings Bank. Called Forester's Hall, it was designed by one of Liskeard's foremost architects, Henry Rice. The building was built in 1835, a time when Liskeard was becoming prosperous thanks to wealth from local mines. The history of the area is tied up with the early extraction of tin and agriculture.

Explore the 'Tin, Toys and Tales' exhibition. See the wonderful exhibition with iconic toys from the past such as James Bond's Golden Gun and Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Learn about the history of the area and the many trades and crafts which flourished in the past. The museum is part of the World Heritage Site for Mining. Displays include mining and geological artefacts. Explore the development of the town from Mesolithic settlers to the present time...from the Iron Age to the Plastic Age!

Research Your Local Family History at Liskeard Museum. The Church records of baptisms, marriages and burials for the parishes of Herodsfoot, Lanreath, Liskeard, Quethiock, St Cleer, St Ive, St Keyne, St Neot and St Pinnock are available in the Museum.

Thursday: 1000 - 1600

Friday: 1000 - 1600

Saturday: 1000 - 1500

Liskeard District Methodist Church

Bay Tree Hill, Liskeard, PL14 4BG

Come along to see the Grade II Listed Building which was built in 1846. The Gallery in its original condition with its plaster ceiling. The Basement which was used as a school in WW2 and the main Sanctuary will be available to look around.

The organ will be played on the hour throughout the event.

Friday: 1000 - 1500

Saturday: 1000 - 1500

Pendean

Pendean, West Street, Liskeard, PL14 6BT

The large entrance hall of this former children's home will be open and there will be display boards about the history of the property. The front garden wall of Pendean is Grade II Listed.

Friday: 1000 – 1500

The Cornish Times Records and Photograph Room

The Tindle Suite, Webb's House, The Parade, Liskeard, PL14 6AH

Have a look at the archive records and photographs at the Cornish Times offices in the beautiful old building that was for many years Webb's Hotel. You never know who you might see listed or photographed.

Friday: 1130 - 1330

Old Cornwall Society Talk on Sir Richard Carew

The Long Room, 3-5 West Street, Liskeard, PL14 6BW

Come to the Long Room at the Public Hall and listen to a free Old Cornwall Society talk about Sir Richard Carew, a 16th Century gentleman, by Carole Vivian.

Friday: 1430

The Mayor's Parlour and Council Chamber

3-5 West Street, Liskeard, PL14 6BW

Come and take a look in the Mayor's Parlour, and see the Mayor's robes and Chain of Office.

Then go upstairs to the Council Chamber, sit in the Chairman's chair and bang the gavel.

View photographs of past Mayors of Liskeard back to 1894 and photographs that were previously held at The Guildhall and not normally available for the public to see.

Friday: 1000 - 1500

Saturday: 1000 – 1500

The Hub of Information

The Town Council Gazebo, The Parade, Liskeard, PL14 6AF

Come to the Town Council's gazebo on The Parade, it will act as the hub, signposting to all the buildings that are open for free as part of the Heritage Open Days event.

It will also have a Cornish language activity for adults and children can try.

Saturday: 1000 - 1500

St Martin's Church Tower

St Martin's Church, Church Street, Liskeard, PL14 3AQ

Come along to St Martin's Church where you will be able to try Church bell ringing using a Mini Ring. Captain of the Tower, Mr William Carew and other tower members will be on hand to give guidance. It might even give you an idea to take up the hobby.

You will also be able to go up the Tower to the roof with a guide where you will be able to take in the magnificent views stretching for miles. This is a rare opportunity so don't forget your camera as you may want to take some photos, just don't drop it!

Saturday: 1000 – 1200

St Martin's Masonic Hall

Masonic Hall, The Parade, Liskeard, PL14 6AF

Visit the Main Hall and Exhibition. This purpose built building forms a feature of Liskeard's Parade.

Designed by architect John Paul it has remarkable stained glass windows.

There will be information available, and stewards to answer questions and give guidance.

Saturday: 1000 – 1500

The Pipewell

Well Lane, Liskeard

This Well was once the principal water source for the town centre and is fed by four springs. At one time it was reputed to be drunk daily by residents who thought it had healing powers (especially good for 'weak eyes') and is never been known to run dry.

The iron gates which are normally locked to protect the well (and the magic stone it contains) will be open so that visitors can see the full extent of the water source.

Saturday: 1000 - 1500

The Long Room at The Public Hall

3-5 West Street, Liskeard, PL14 6BW

Do you know what the Town Council's Muffineer is? Come and have a look at it and listen to the informative presentation. By repute - Captain Lapenotière of Liskeard, commanding the Sloop "Pickle" at the Battle of Trafalgar was deputed to bring home the news of the victory, and on his arrival in this country went to see the King, who was so delighted that he seized the first thing he saw on his table, namely the Muffineer, and gave it to the Captain. The time of the presentation will be confirmed nearer the time. An intriguing tale for sure.

The Liskeard Key presented to the Mayor A Glubb in 1905 from the town's plate collection will also be on show. The key is engraved with the Borough Arms and inscribed on the reverse "Presented to A C Glubb Esq, Mayor on the opening of the Cattle Market, July 31st 1905.

Come along and see an exhibition of work from the artists workshops run as part of Heritage Open Days.

Saturday: 1000 - 1500

St Martin's Church Family Service

Church Street, Liskeard, PL14 3AQ

Everyone is invited to hear all 8 bells ringing from 10.30 am, prior to the 11 am Family Service where Reverend Steve Morgan will recall some of the Church's heritage.

Sunday: 1030

Liskeard Unlocked Artist Workshops

Booking is essential as spaces are limited. Book at the Tourist Information Centre, Pike Street or ring 01579 349148. Fee £3, which includes all materials

Behind Closed Doors with Carol Whibley

The Public Hall, 3-5 West Street, Liskeard, PL14 6BW

Make a hinged doorway from recycled cardboard, then use collage and mixed media to create your view of what could be found behind Liskeard's locked doors. Adults only.

Tuesday 29th August: 1000 – 1600 (with a break for lunch)

Whiteline Printing with Nicky Harwood

The Liskerrett Centre, Liskeard, PL14 4AP

A simple alternative to traditional Japanese woodcuts, using watercolour paint. Draw inspiration by looking at Liskeard's buildings in abstract ways. All ages from 8 years up (no unaccompanied children)

Friday 1st September: 0930 – 1500 (with 1200 – 1300 break for lunch)

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A simple alternative to traditional Japanese woodcuts, using watercolour paint. Draw inspiration by looking at Liskeard's buildings in abstract ways. Learn a new technique and draw inspiration from the buildings you have visited during the Liskeard Unlocked event. All ages from 8 years up (no unaccompanied children)

Sunday 10th September: 0930 – 1500 (with 1200 – 1300 break for lunch)

