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What a scramble it has been this month! The need to get to the printers before the weekend so they can complete in time for the distribution, and postage of the subscriber copies, leaves very little time for the actual page layout and this month happens to be one when there are some very long articles that need to be kept together and not enough shorter ones to fill the rest of the space so it is rather a 'windy' issue. I hear that our usual printer will be back next month so with any luck things should soon return to normal.

LETTING GO

This is probably the moment when I have to say that I shall probably not produce the Trio much longer. After more than sixteen years, I feel that it will soon be time to hand over to somebody else. I hope that a new compiler will come forward. Trio was originally produced by a committee and it might be a good idea to return to this practice - as they do in Delabole for example - the work is spread among several people. It might be better also if more than one person was responsible for 'editorial' policy to avoid the suspicion of pushing a particular point of view. I have never had any editorial policy myself and have always printed all items submitted that are fit to print.

Anyone who would like to consider taking over, therefore, is invited to contact me so that I can tell them the 'tricks of the trade'.

Robin.

The Quiet Corner

I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

Psalm 40 v. 1.

Michael John Bate (Mike)

Those who knew Mike will be saddened to learn that he passed away at Cosham Hospital, Bristol on the 31st. July, aged 59 years. The funeral service was held at the St. Nicholas Family Centre, Abbotswood, Yate, Bristol, followed by cremation.

Michael was the eldest son of Mrs. Katharine Bate and the late Mr. Steve Bate. He was born and bred in Port Isaac where he attended the local school and was a communion server at St. Peter's Church. His fondest memories of his early years were the times spent on the beach, messing about in boats and out to sea fishing. He always had a keen interest in boats and learned dingy sailing at Rock. This was a hobby he was able to continue in later life.

In 1956, he joined the Merchant Navy but unfortunately, it was a promising career cut short by a back injury while on board ship. This was followed by a stay at the Bristol Royal Infirmary where he met his wife Celia. Initially, they lived in Cornwall but later moved to Bristol where he worked for the Imperial Tobacco Company and later, Avon County Council before taking early retirement due to ill health.

Mike was a respected member of the local community. As well as being a church warden at the St. Nicholas Family Centre, Abbotswood, he was also renowned for his work with the 1st. Abbotswood Scout Troop where he was Leader for 20 years.

Family mourners were Celia, widow, Bridget, daughter, Graham, Keith and Simon, sons. Philippa and Michelle, daughters-in-law, Neil, son-in-law. Katharine, mother, Christine, sister, Raymond and David, brothers, Geoff and Aubrey, brother-in-law. Michael leaves five Grandchildren.

The service was attended by colleagues, friends and a large number of the local community.

Following interment, refreshments were provided by members of his church where we all shared memories and anecdotes of him.

Donations were given to Imperial Cancer Research.

Jim Thrush

We are sad to inform you of the death of Jim Thrush on an island in Greece several weeks ago. Jim was the son of Peggy Thrush who lived in Port Isaac for many years and was employed at the Golden Lion for a while. In the early eighties he ran a tile shop in Wadebridge.

A Memorial Service is to be held at St. Peter's Church at 2.30pm. on Sunday 27th. September.

Wyn Waters

We are sad to announce the death on 16th. August of Wyn Waters of 32 Trewetha Lane. She was a severely disabled person and lived alone at the bungalow for many years.

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VILLAGE HALL

Representatives

The management committee needs to know the names of the current representatives of organisations using the hall. Please contact the Secretary, Chris Everett (880378).

Public Entertainment Licence

The annual licence has been granted and certain safety improvements have been made in accordance with the latest requirements including the installation of smoke alarms.

Clean Up

Committee members are arranging to clear up the front of the hall in time for the Rock and Roll Concert.

Rock and Roll Extravaganza

This concert will take place tomorrow night - assuming Trio has appeared on the right day - Saturday 19th. September, and will be a joint venture with the Friends of Port Isaac School. It is a fund raising effort and is being organised by Steve Appleby. A beer, wine, and cider licence has been granted.

Chairs and Tables

There is a frequent demand to borrow the trestle tables and chairs from the hall which is resulting in a fair amount of wear and tear and in future a donation to hall funds will be asked for.

Robin Penna.

Mike and Nikki would like to take this opportunity to say a really big thank you to everyone involved in the very dangerous lifeboat rescue on Sunday night, 6th. September.

We know that lots of you who are not in the emergency services were willing to do anything - big or small - to assist.

We have been absolutely overwhelmed by the love and support that everybody has shown us, not just on the Sunday but every day since.

It really shows what a very special village we are.

Mike Edkins.

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PARISH COUNCIL

Notes taken on Monday 10th. August.

New Member

Peggy Richards was signed in as member of the Parish Council to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mr. Stickland.

Public Discussion

Dennis Knight said he was glad to see that work had been started on trimming the roadside hedges but complained that there were still a lot of weeds on the paths. His suggestion that trees could be planted near the telephone box at Mayfield was declined as there are underground services there. He asked for the ground around roadside trees at Coldstanton and Poltreworgy to be cleared and heard that this is the responsibility of the Cornwall County Council Transportation and Estates Department which has been asked many times to do the work but so far with no result.

Planning Applications

Minor plans, for a garage/shed at 3 Trewetha Lane, and for the refurbishment of the public toilets at New Road, had been returned to North Cornwall District Council Planning Committee marked 'no observations'.

Approval has been given for an extension at Tregole, St. Endellion, and for retention of the new roof on the garage at Cleardaze, New Road.

The Parish Council is to send in the same observations made originally to an appeal by Castle Communications for the Telecommunications Mast at Mayfield.

A Siting Sub-Committee of the Planning and Development Committee decided at the site meeting on Thursday 30th. July to recommend refusal for a parking bay at 14 Trewetha Lane, Mr. M. Rowe, but said they might look favourably on a new application on a smaller scale.

Planning application no. 98/1162 - erection of a 15m. pole type mast, installation of 3 no. antenna, two link transmission dishes and erection of accompanying equipment cabinets and associated works, on land at Port Gaverne, Orange Personal Communications Services Limited: The meeting objected to another mast in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. A letter will be sent to Paul Tyler MP to ask for government consideration of the problems that will be caused if such masts proliferate in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The many companies could make combined use of one mast and possibly to visit the Parish Council to discuss the problem.

Planning application no. 98/1164, provision of 1.4m high entrance gate and formation of hard standing, Higher Barn, 27 Rose Hill, (Trewetha Lane). Mr. V. W. Townsend: The meeting made no observations

Financial Statement

£1,400 is to be transferred from the high interest account which, after payment of monthly accounts of £2,171.45, will leave

£5,204.16 in the high interest account and £112.93 in the treasurer account.

A £525 donation is to be made to St. Endellion Churchyard Fund and a contribution of £30 to Truro Hospital Radio Fund.

Cliff Edge Slippage, Waddy Gug

David Phelps reported that a new path above Waddy Gug on the Main had been cut further from the edge and a temporary railing erected to move walkers away from the place where a portion of the cliff had fallen away. He had also learned from Mr. Paul Allen of Transportation and Estates that notices would be served on all landowners and occupiers who did not trim roadside hedges.

Seats Committee

Bryan Richards reported that the Spike Jones seat had been put in position in time for the anniversary of the tragedy. He recorded thanks to Andy Penny, Dave Dingle, and Jamie Hewett who did the work free of charge. The Parish Council is to draw up a new policy for the oiling and repainting of all the Parish Council seats.

State of the Hedges in the Village

A letter was read, from Cornwall County Council Transportation and Estates, seeking assistance to find out the names of owners of offending hedges in Back Hill and Trewetha Lane. The clerk is to advise her that the Parish Council believes the Hills Trust to be the landowner of one piece of ground in question. Small numbers of members of the Council will walk around the village and Trelights, and compile a list of trouble spots.

Millennium Project

After learning that the public were mostly not in favour of Parish Council money being spent on this, the project to plant daffodils along the roadsides was abandoned.

Trelights Village Pump

Dave Dingle is to be asked to dismantle the pump, discover the cause of the problem, and assess the probable cost of repair. If this is likely to exceed £100 he is to discover the price of a new pump. The original casing will be retained.

Delegated Planning Applications

The procedure is to be revoked whereby the Chairman and Vice-Chairman can decide, without calling a meeting, to return minor 'subject to delegation' planning applications to North Cornwall District Council Planning Department marked 'no observations by the Parish Council'.

Police, and Parking Problems

A letter is being written to the Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall Constabulary indicating that the village is not happy with illegally parked vehicles blocking Fore Street and asking for his reassurance that steps will be taken to ensure that all emergency vehicles will have a clear path to the bottom of the village.

Ragwort

Letters will be written to Cornwall County

Council and North Cornwall District Council requesting that ragwort be removed from their land.

Maps of Public Footpaths

Copies of the new Definitive Footpath Maps will be obtained from the County Council, mounted and laminated for display on the Parish Council notice boards at the Co-operative Society forecourt and at Trelights.

Clerk's Correspondence And Report

1. Wording for an article about the problem of Japanese Knotweed has been received from the Environment Agency and printed in Trio.

2. More Posters against Illegal Poisoning of Wildlife received from the Department of the Environment Transport and the Regions have been displayed.

3. A Directory of Death, Bereavement and Trauma Support Services in Cornwall 1998 is to be kept on file.

4. A poster: 'Cornish Talking Newspaper Free to blind people', will be displayed on the Parish Council notice board at the Co-operative Society

5. There will be discussion next month about notice boards. Whether to keep the board on the Fish Cellar wall, and if the existing board at the Co-operative Society could be moved to the Mayfield Road site, while a new, larger board is commissioned for the site at the forecourt of the Co-operative Society shop.

6. Following a complaint from Dr. Baird that footpath 25, below Trevathan, was overgrown. the clerk has arranged for the Parish Council contractor to clear the path under the provisions of the Cornwall County Council and Parish Council Public Footpaths Local Maintenance Agreement.

7. An invoice for repairs to the wall on the coast path was received from the contractor who complained about unexpectedly difficult working conditions and vandalism. Some of the stone he was using had been illegally removed, costing him extra money.

Next Meeting

The next Parish Council monthly meeting will be on Monday 21st. September at 7.30pm. in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac.

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LIFEBOAT

There have been several incidents during August – normally our busiest month.

German Student Rescued

Our first service of the month was on Tuesday 4th. August when the Inshore Lifeboat (I.L.B.) was called to Hole Beach (again!). We recovered a young German student who had been washed into the surge. Unable to climb out, she was scratched, bruised, and cold. She was very lucky that someone saw her and raised the alarm for us to reach her in time – just. She was taken by Air Ambulance to Treliske Hospital.

From Down Under?

Just a week later, Tuesday 11th. August, we were back at Hole Beach once more; this time we picked up two Australians and a surf board. They were landed at Trebarwith. (One of the I.L.B. crew was also Australian but did not recognise his own countrymen!)

Engine Failure

On Sunday 16th. August the I.L.B. was out on exercise when she was directed to aid a boat whose engine had failed. The boat was towed in to Port Gaverne from about a mile away, there were divers aboard from Bude Haven Sub Aqua Club.

Never a Dull Moment

On Sunday 30th. August the boat was again out on an exercise, this time in the Polzeath area which is usually covered by Rock I.L.B. Being so close our boat was diverted to see to some children whose rubber ring had tipped over and they were in danger. However, by the time we arrived on scene the children were safely ashore. Within minutes the I.L.B. went to another incident close by – this time another divers' inflatable craft had a problem. It had a gash in part of its tubing but as the sea was flat calm at the time it was able to proceed under its own power back to Port Gaverne. Two of the four people aboard and some of their heavy diving gear was transferred to the I.L.B. which accompanied the damaged boat back to the safety of the beach.

Abandoned Clothing

The following day was a Bank Holiday and we had two calls for our services; ironically both proved to be false alarms. The I.L.B. launched initially to search the area between Port Isaac and Port Gaverne following the discovery of a quantity of clothing on Port Gaverne beach. It was thought that someone had failed to return after going swimming and, the initial search having failed to find anything in the immediate area, it was extended further out to sea and also up the coast where the flood tide would have carried someone in difficulty. Whilst up in Port Isaac Bay the I.L.B. was diverted to Penhallic Point (near Hole Beach) following a report of a wind-surfer being blown out by off-shore winds. On investigation this proved not to be the case and there was no-one in danger, the I.L.B.

therefore started back to continue the original search. Meanwhile the owner of the clothing which had started this chain of events had been identified and found safely ashore – somewhat red faced.

SUNDAY 6th. SEPTEMBER

After all this activity there followed a quiet week until the dramatic events of Sunday 6th. September occurred. At the risk of repeating what many readers will have heard already through the massive T.V., radio, and newspaper coverage which ensued I will set out the story as concisely as possible for the benefit of our readers 'up country' who may not have heard the whole narrative.

The Last Trip of D517

Our I.L.B. (service number D517, named 'Spirit of the Postal and Courier Service, Royal Engineers') which had arrived at our station only in May 1997 and had been officially handed over to us on the 13th. September 1997 [see Trio issues 166 and 169] set out on what was to be her last journey. She was launched shortly before 5.00pm. in relatively calm conditions with a crew of three men to go to the aid of a boy who had been swept into the sea at Tintagel. During the trip to Tintagel further information was radioed to the crew that the boy was by now ashore in a cave with his father at Bossinney, a mile or so further to the north of Tintagel. Once round Tintagel Head the boat had to slow down due to worsening sea conditions and finally arrived on the scene where there was an R.A.F. helicopter already searching. The I.L.B. was directed by the helicopter crew to investigate what proved to be items of clothing floating about, then began a search of some caves. Two caves were found to be empty but the boy and his father were spotted in a third cave. After assessing the situation the crew of the I.L.B. felt there was a reasonable chance of saving the two if the I.L.B. could be steered backwards into the cave. The anchor was dropped and the boat motored astern whilst the anchor rope was paid out over the bow. The wave pattern at the time allowed this to proceed until the I.L.B. was inside the cave mouth but suddenly three huge waves hit the boat in quick succession; the first slammed the boat against the roof of the cave smashing the bow board and the radio, the next wave swamped the boat and stopped the engine, and the next washed two of the crew right out of the boat and into the cave.

The remaining crewman pulled the I.L.B. on its anchor rope back into deeper water and he then tried to re-start the engine. In spite of his efforts he was not successful and shortly afterwards he was winched up into the helicopter still hovering overhead.

Terrifying Ordeal

Meanwhile the four people in the cave were being washed about by the increasingly rough seas and the ever-rising tide. Their ordeal was to last for several hours until the tide turned and eventually ebbed far enough

for someone to reach them. At first in fading light and later in darkness they managed to hold on and survive through a terrifying time. In due course the I.L.B. (which contrary to many reports had not capsized – she had been swamped) was washed into the cave and wedged there where, rather like a barn door, she saved those inside from some of the worst of the waves.

Rescue Attempts

Outside in gathering darkness a large number of people was assembling to try and effect the rescue of the trapped people but it was soon apparent that nothing could be done until the tide dropped. When that eventually happened two coastguards of the Port Isaac Auxiliary Company were lowered on ropes and heard shouting coming from the cave. Shortly afterwards, to everyone's immense relief, the four were brought out alive – battered, bruised, cold and tired, but alive. They were winched one at a time into the helicopter which took them to North Devon Hospital in Barnstaple. They were given oxygen during the flight having been breathing petrol fumes during their time in the cave, the fuel tanks on the I.L.B. having ruptured.

Combined Operation

The rescue was prolonged and involved Padstow Lifeboat, the Falmouth Coastguard Headquarters, the local Coastguard companies from Boscastle, Polzeath, and Port Isaac, the ambulances and para-medics of the West Country Ambulance Service, the Police, a Royal Navy helicopter from R.N.A.S. Culdrose, an R.A.F. helicopter from R.A.F. Chivenor, and the Fire Service. At one stage Bude Lifeboat launched but returned to her station when her help was not needed and the Air Ambulance also landed at the scene but flew off when not required. This wonderful combined operation was helped by many others who went along to do what they could; all available members of the Port Isaac Lifeboat crew and station officials went, as did the Hon. Secretary of Rock Lifeboat – it was amazing to see how spontaneously and willingly they and others did whatever was possible. During all this time a crowd of anxious friends and relatives was waiting for news back at Port Isaac Lifeboat House.

That the whole episode ended with the survival of the four is astounding, the outcome could so easily have been different, and all at Port Isaac Branch are so grateful and thankful.

Reserve Boat in Service

Following the loss of D517 a new boat was despatched from the reserve fleet held at R.N.L.I. headquarters in Poole, Dorset. The relief boat arrived in Port Isaac shortly after midnight, she was then fitted out by the crew and depot staff and by 3.00am. Monday 7th. September I was able to telephone the Coastguard H.Q. at Falmouth to report that PORT ISAAC LIFEBOAT WAS FUELLED AND READY FOR SERVICE.

Ted Childs, Station Honorary Secretary.

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CHURCH NEWS

ST. ENDELLION

Fortieth Music Festival

Once again queues formed very early each evening before the church door was opened for concert goers attending the fortieth annual summer music festival. Highlights of the Festival were performances of Benjamin Britten's operetta 'Paul Bunyan', which director Richard Hickox had previously presented to enthusiastic audiences in London, and a new work by John Tavener dedicated to the Festival's founder the late Revd. Roger Gaunt. Before the final concert in the church, Louis Carus, a member of the very first St. Endellion Festival spoke movingly of Roger Gaunt's vision and inspiration. The Festival opened with Choral Evensong at which the preacher was the Very Revd. Michael Moxon, new Dean of Truro, and concluded with a Festival Sung Eucharist where the Rector welcomed the Ven. Rodney Whiteman, Archdeacon of Bodmin as celebrant and preacher. Each concert was preceded by prayer led by the Rector and on some evenings the late evening office of Compline was sung by candlelight. Audiences were encouraged to give generously towards the exciting project of a new organ for the church and retiring collections amounted to about £1769.00. During the festival a new roof angel carved and erected in memory of the late Mr. Mark Sharpe was dedicated by the Rector.

Bellringers

During the summer months bell ringers from the Reading, Oxford and Bristol areas have been welcomed to ring at the church by Mr. Roger Richards, churchwarden and tower captain.

'Friend of St. Endellion' Mourned

Mrs. Pearl Allison Metcalfe, a member of the 'Friends of St. Endellion' and a regular attendant at the United Benefice Healing, and Julian, groups when she was in Cornwall, died suddenly at her home in Rock on 10th. August. For many years, with her husband, Dr. Hugh Metcalfe, she sang with the St.

Endellion Easter and Summer Music Festivals, until illhealth prevented her. Her thanksgiving service and funeral was held at WestburyonTrym. Parish Church, Bristol.

Successful Barbecue

Over £460.00 was raised for church funds at an enjoyable barbecue held in the Rectory garden in August by kind invitation of the Rector and Mrs. Liz Bartlett. The event was organised by the church's fundraising committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Katrina Gill. The event was blessed with a warm, dry evening and cooks and stall holders were kept busy.

Whist Drive

The August whist drive was held in the church hall with Mr. F. Milton as MC. Whist winners were: Ladies - Mesdames M. Parker, S. Mitchell, E. Hill, P. Flint, and P. Richards. Gents: Messrs. C. Reynolds, W. Dawe, and F. Milton. Raffle winners: Mrs. P. Richards, Mrs. F. Reynolds, Mrs. E. Hill and Mrs. M. Parker.

Association of Friends

The Collegiate Church of St. Endellion drew many members of the association of Friends to its annual meeting and services of celebration in the church on Sunday of the Bank Holiday week end. In the morning, church bells chimed out and the Revd. Preb. Michael Bartlett, Rector, welcomed 'Friends' from far and near as well as the local congregation. The Rector presided and preached. After Choral Evensong on Sunday evening A talk on the proposed new organ was given in the church to the Friends of St. Endellion by Mr. Dominic Gwynn, organ builder. Mr. Gwynn gave a brief description of the history of organ building, played tapes of organ music to give an idea of the range and variety of sound which will be made by the new organ and also displayed photographs and drawings of a similar instrument. He was thanked by Dr. Robert Gilchrist.

The Annual Meeting was chaired by Dr.

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Hugh Metcalfe. Officers were reelected en bloc and Mrs. Diana Maberly was welcomed as a new committee member. The Rector reported on Church activities during the past year. The Rt. Revd. Richard Cartwright, Founder and Patron of the Friends presided at Choral Evensong. The Office was sung by the Rector and a large choir especially gathered for the occasion was directed by Mrs. Elizabeth Fryer with organ accompaniment by Mr. Henry Doughty. Tea for the choir was arranged by Miss Violet Baker and a delicious supper provided by members of the congregation, organised by Mrs. Sandra Warne and Mrs. Pam Richards, was held in the Church Hall. Thanks were expressed to all the helpers by Dr. Metcalfe.

Cream Tea

An excellent farmhouse Cream Tea organised by Mrs. Pam Richards and Mr. Roger Richards was held at their home Bodannon Farm, Trewetha, on Wednesday last. Over £190.00 was raised for St. Endellion Church funds.

The recent barbecue held in the rectory garden raised £464.24.

Saint's Day

The Feast of Saint Bartholomew was marked by a Said Eucharist on Monday 24th. August. The rector presided and server was Mr. Russell Pollinger.

Evening and Coffee Worship with Taizé Music

The September service of evening worship with Taizé music was held by candlelight and arranged and led by the Curate who presented a meditation based on Psalm 139. Bells were rung before the service and singing was accompanied by Mrs. Helen Bennett, organ. Prayers and readings were by the Rector, who was also cantor for the psalm, Mrs. Ceinwen Greenwood, Mrs. Sandra Warne, and Mrs. Maida Davy. Helpers in preparing and clearing the church and serving hot drinks were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Warne, Mr. Russell Pollinger and Mr. Ernest Tucker.

UNITED BENEFICE

Mothers' Union Wave of Prayer

The Revd. Judith Pollinger, Curate presided at the 10.00am. Wednesday Eucharist in St. Peter's Church and afterwards led the service for the Mothers' Union worldwide

'Wave of Prayer'. The lessons were read by Mrs. Pam Richards, United Benefice Branch Leader and Deanery Chairman and Mrs. Rosemary Castle, and prayers were led by Mrs. Margaret Cann. Organist was Mr. Charlie Honey.

Healing Service

The Rector presided at a Healing Eucharist in St. Endellion Church on Wednesday 2nd. September. The Curate led the service. The Rector shared in the laying on of hands with Mrs. Frances Kent and scripture readings were by Mrs. Pam Richards and the Rector. Mrs. Richards provided tea afterwards.

Judith Pollinger.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

We give thanks in our prayers for the four lives saved from the cave at Bossiney and for the bravery of those who helped in the rescue.

Confirmation

Those who wish to be confirmed, please get in touch with Father Michael. Classes will be held at the Rectory on Saturdays at 10.00am. If you wish to attend but have a problem with transport, please let me know. The Confirmation Service is at 7.00pm., Thursday 22nd. October at St. Peter's

Sunday School

Sunday School begins again after the summer break. On the third Sunday in the month there is a Family Service in the church at 10.15am.

Church Council

A reminder that there is a file at the back of the church containing the minutes of our meetings. If you want to know what we are doing, why not go and have a read.

Prayers

If you wish prayers said for anyone you know, please write their names in a book at the back of the church or contact the church wardens.

Blessing

Best wishes to Scott and his wife. The Blessing of their Marriage, a very happy occasion, was held on Saturday 15th. August.

Thanks

Our thanks to all those who have helped and supported St. Peter's in the events held during the summer.

Margaret Cann.

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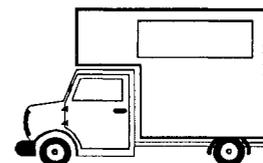
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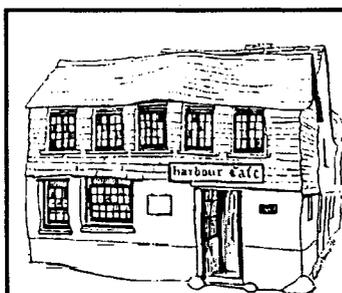
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ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND AT PORT ISAAC.

Last 'Nite of the Proms.

No wind blowing and a clear sky, low tide and a large enthusiastic crowd, sweets and Party Poppers for the children, supporters in Fancy Dress, the Coastguard on exercise with flares and Thunder Flashes to support 'Rule Britannia and the Sea Songs. Who could wish for a better end to a 'Tongue in Cheek', SUMMER Season? The weather frustrated our efforts more than in previous years. Our visits would not be possible without the support of many people in the Village in various ways, and we would like to express our Sincere Thanks to every one, too numerous to mention.

Our first visit to the Platt, at Port Isaac was on July 26th. 1960, and the collection was £6 13 9½d.

The Band was founded in 1899 so it is back to the Bandroom to plan events for the Centenary Year, hopefully we shall make another Cassette.

Ted tells me that the R.N.L.I. is 175 years young as well, so perhaps we can do something together.

Meanwhile, Our Very Best Wishes and Sincere Thanks to Everybody.

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ST. ENDELLION RECREATION GROUP

New Chairman

At the August meeting of the Group, I asked to stand down as Chairman. I found that working full time and with all my other commitments, I had difficulty in putting the amount of time needed toward the project. Liz Rowe was elected in my place and I stayed on as a Committee member.

No Lottery Grant

September brought the bad news that we have not been awarded a Lottery Grant for the feasibility plan. There was nothing wrong with the application. We were told that the volume of applicants is great and we were not one of the successful ones.

Money Raising

We are continuing to raise money by organising functions. The next one is on Tuesday 6th. October in the Village Hall – a Musical Concert. Just to prove a point, I am not able to be there.

Parish Council Support

We are now applying to The Community Environmental Trust for a grant. To qualify for this we have to show we have the support of our Parish Council. It would be on the lines of a multi purpose facility incorporating changing rooms and general purpose rooms for groups.

David Morgan.

MACMILLAN CANCER RELIEF COFFEE MORNING

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Before I leave idyllic Port Isaac, where I owe so much gratitude for my employment, I would like once and for all to scotch all ugly rumours and tittle tattle, based on no foundation of truth, and whispered behind closed doors or smoky corners.

With my hand on my heart, I can honestly say that I have never done anything I am ashamed of. In every community where I have lived, I've *always* been an asset rather than a handicap and have no criminal record. (Apart from one digression as an adolescent when I caused several obstructions during a Nuclear Disarmament demonstration!)

My achievements, in spite of a lack of education, are a matter of pride to me and I have achieved small successes in many fields. Married once, officially then 'unofficially', plus several happy relationships – a life style enjoyed by many others – I have always conducted myself to the best of my ability.

If anyone knows of any wrong-doing on my part or has any evidence of such I am perfectly willing to answer to their accusations, tomorrow, in a court of law.

Meanwhile best wishes to all those I have met in Cornwall – and those I haven't! – and may the rest of your lives be long and happy ones.

Yours sincerely, Mick Shrapnell.

GOLDEN CIRCLE

Meetings are now once a month, in the Cornish Cafe, on the first Thursday as reported in a previous Trio. This is due to lack of helpers for our Senior Citizens. The first meeting of the 1998/99 session is on Thursday 1st. October at which the guest speaker will be Mrs. A. Pethick who will talk about The National Trust.

Open Meeting

The November meeting on Thursday 5th. will be an 'open meeting' to which all are welcome. The speaker will be Judy Polkinhorn from Mount Edgcombe Hospice and there will be the usual Hospice Christmas Stall. Please come along; perhaps purchase some Christmas cards and learn more about your hospice.

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Thank you to Liz Cooke, and all who helped, for selling Cream Teas at Trewetha Farm. £150 was raised for the R.N.L.I.

Lifeboat Larks

In spite of the rain, Lifeboat Larks was a great success, raising £1,100 for the R.N.L.I. A big thank you to everyone who helped with the setting up, the clearing away, and everything in between. It could not be done without the help and support of you all and it is very much appreciated.

Thanks

A special thank you to Jon Cleave for entertaining everyone through the rain, the Coastguard for standing by to give a demonstration which had to be cancelled due to the weather, and those involved in the demonstration on how to save a beached whale. Also to Byron for donating the proceeds of the day's car parking, and to Homer Park for donating the proceeds from the pony rides, and all those who donated prizes.

Film Show

The Film Show given by Jo Phillips was a sell-out and much enjoyed by all. £94 was raised for the R.N.L.I. Thank you to Jo for giving us his time and to Sandie and Bob Bulgin for organising the event.

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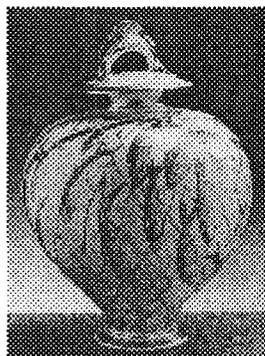
Regular Fixtures in Port Isaac:

BABY/TODDLER CLINIC: First Tuesday every month, 1.30-3.30pm. at the surgery.
CHILD HEALTH CLINIC: 1.30-3.30pm. on first Wednesday in the month at the surgery.
CONFIRMATION CLASSES: 10.00am every Saturday morning in St. Endellion Rectory.
CUBS/SCOUTS?: 6.00-7.30pm. Tuesdays at the village hall?
GOLDEN CIRCLE: monthly meetings - first Thursday in the month, at the Cornish Cafe, 2.30pm.
LOCAL HISTORY STUDY GROUP: 7.30pm. on the first Friday in the month in the Penhaligon room.
METHODIST CHURCH: 6.00pm. at Trelights chapel.
PLAYGROUP/UNDER 5's GROUP: Monday and Thursday 9.30-11.45am. at the village hall.
PORT ISAAC CHORALE: Tuesday evenings at 8.00pm. (term times) at St. Endellion church hall.
SUNDAY SCHOOL: St. Peter's church rooms, every Sunday at 9.50am.
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8.00pm: R.N.L.I. Harvest Festival and Auction, Cornish Arms, Pendogett.

Saturday 19th. September:

Rock and Roll Extravaganza at the Village Hall. See posters for details.

7.00pm: Thanksgiving Service for Roof Restoration with Bishop Bill at St. Kew Parish Church

Sunday 20th. September:

11.00am: St. Endellion Harvest Festival Sung Eucharist. 6.00pm: Evensong, Supper and Auction.

Date to be arranged:

North Cornwall Conservative Association Coffee Morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pethick.

Thursday 1st. October:

2.30pm: Golden Circle, Cornish Cafe. Mrs. Pethick speaking about The National Trust.

Friday 2nd. October:

Macmillan Cancer Relief Coffee Morning, 1 Silvershell Road, Port Isaac. See posters nearer date for more details.

Tuesday 6th. October:

7.20pm: A Concert of Music in the Village Hall, in aid of the Playing Fields Development Fund. See posters for details.

Tuesday 20th. October:

7.30pm: Whist Drive at St. Endellion Church Hall.

Thursday 5th. November:

2.30pm: Golden Circle 'Open Meeting', Cornish Cafe. Speaker from Mount Edgcombe Hospice. Christmas Stall.

Tuesday 17th. November:

7.30pm: Whist Drive at St. Endellion Church Hall.

Saturday 21st. November:

St. Peters Christmas Mini Market.

Wednesday 25th. November:

10.30am: R.N.L.I. Christmas Coffee Morning, Valencia House.

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