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NO NEW VILLAGE HALL

A public meeting, well publicised on the front page of last month's Trio and by posters around the village, was attended by about thirty people – about 3% of the population.

Rather disappointingly, no plans for a new football and cricket pitch were available but a hastily scribbled diagram was passed around.

We heard a comprehensive report by Chrissie Everett, Village Hall Hon. Secretary, who had discovered the costs incurred by new halls in various parts of the country. The £1.50 per hour Port Isaac pays for the use of the hall, is very low, anywhere else, hourly rates range from £5 to £20 per hour. New halls are involved in health regulations, etc., and are expected to have permanent cleaning staff, to be properly heated, etc.

The parish council committee set up to investigate the possibility of a new hall had apparently not done any costings. Grants, etc. for the building of the hall had been discovered but day-to-day running costs had been overlooked.

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

We're a small organisation, supporting a small school, in a small community – but a huge success at only two years old!!

Annual General Meeting

This was held on 27th. February, and the Hon. Treasurer presented the accounts which clearly demonstrate how early success has been built upon, our efforts have been even more fruitful this year, and from 'birth' to now over £4,400 has been raised. This money goes directly for the benefit of the pupils, it is not used as a 'top up' for government funding but is carefully spent so that the childrens' experience of primary school is enhanced above and beyond the National Curriculum.

Auction

If you can, please come along for an entertaining evening tomorrow, at the Shipwright Inn, 7.30pm. for our Promise Auction.

Linda Carey, Secretary.

TOM CLEAVE HAPPY 16th BIRTHDAY

31 · 3 · 81 Love from all the family

PORT ISAAC & DISTRICT PERFORMING APTS CLUB

The newly formed 'PID's be presenting its 'First Little Entes a short parlour-style variety show, which be held at the Old School Hotel, Port Isaac 14th. April at 8.00pm.

The evening will include an opportunity or anyone interested in any aspect of the particular forming arts to join the club. From writing through managing and directing, to 'onstage' performing, and all the ancillary operations, we need members with enthusiasm for a vast range of activities. It is enthusiasm which is the key. All ages and abilities will be welcomed. The Founders hope PIDPAC will have a long and fun filled life.

Entrance to the 'First Little Entertainment' will be free to PIDPAC members, including those joining on that evening. A small charge of £1 each will be made for the rest of the audience.

For more details, or if you might like to join PIDPAC but cannot come to the 'First Little Entertainment' contact Carole Lee on (01208) 880106

P.I.D.T.A.

Annual General Meeting

This will be held at the Castle Rock Hotel on Thursday 10th. April, 7.00 for 7.30pm., by kind permission of June and Derek Mann. The bar will be available from 7.00pm., and there will be light refreshments.

The main purpose of this meeting is to detail the work done during last year, decide what needs to be done this year, and to find volunteers to form a new committee. Anyone in business, or living in the district is eligible for nomination; interested persons should notify Chris Harris, Headlands Hotel, before the day of the meeting.

Internet

At the A.G.M., Bob Savage, 'Comwall Direct', will demonstrate the Port Isaac Internet page.

The New Guide

The New Port Isaac and District Guide with its colour photograph cover has been distributed to the local Tourist Information Centres who have given it a warm welcome, glad to have the information available in concise form, for handing to people wanting to know about us. Copies will be available at the Annual General Meeting for anybody who would like to have some for distribution.

Many copies have already been sent off in response to postal enquiries as well. Bookings, we are told, are already more than favourable so far this year.

Subscriptions

This year it is proposed to combine the subscription with the price for advertising in next year's guide so people taking advertising space will not be asked to make two payments. There will be a nominal subscription for private, non-advertising, supporters of the Association.

Newsletter

As Chairman, I am preparing a Newsletter, to be circulated to local businesses, detailing the year's activities and achievements and indicating the route Port Isaac and District Tourism Association hopes to take in the coming year.

Chris Harris

GARDEN SOCIETY SHOW

The members of Port Isaac Garden Society will hold their Annual Open Show on Saturday 6th. September at 2.00pm. in the Church Hall. There will be extra classes – start sowing/sewing now!

Robin Elgar.

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Exhibition time once again – in the Penhaligon Rooms as usual.

There will be many old photographs, and the chance to research your family history if you are a local. The refreshments are well known and mouth-watering.

Henry Symons will probably find something from the family's collection which would make the Comish Studies Library drool.

Saturday and Sunday, March 29th. and 30th. Cors open 10.30am and close when we have taked ourselves out.

We have had two excellent speakers over the winter in Tony Blackman and Donald Rawe. We already have more lined up for the next autumn/winter season.

See you at the exhibition, and be early before Peter Rowe gets to the refreshment table.

George Steer.

The Quiet Corner

Take time to play – play is the secret of perpetual youth.

PARISH COUNCIL

No Axes to Grind?

At the Trelights meeting recently, not one member of the public was present. This is apparently because the Council never discusses anything of interest to Trelights. Does this mean there is nothing in the village for the Council to discuss or is nobody bringing anything forward?

Direction Sign at Tintagel Terrace

This sign is causing drivers to turn up Tintagel Terrace instead of following the main road. The sign at the top of Back Hill is quite adequate so there is no need for the newer one, which was actually not asked for in the original plans for directing visitors into the village and the Parish Council does not feel it should be asked to pay for alterations. The decision has been made, therefore, to remove the sign so avoiding further costs, and to replace it only if this action is not effective

Parish Survey Questionnaire

All members of the Council have vetted copies of the questionnaire which was discussed in detail at a special meeting in February, and final approval of the scheme was given at the last meeting when the accompanying Chairman's letter was accepted. The questionnaires will be circulated to all members of the parish shortly.

Parish Warden

This matter was also discussed in detail at the special meeting. One of the warden's duties would be to keep grass cut in between cuts by County Highways so this will be discussed when the dates were known. A warden would of course have other duties as well.

Annual Parish Meeting

This will be held on Thursday 24th. April at the Church Rooms, Port Isaac.

Cornwall Landscape Project 1996 -2000

The Planning Directorate at County Hall are seeking to encourage community projects for environmental enhancement work, tree planting (there are 400,000 trees available throughout the county), etc. There are 50% landscape conservation grants for schemes of up to £1,000. The information has been passed to the Playing Fields Committee.

Port Gaverne Toilets

The toilets will now be open at 9.30am. instead of 8.00am. Holidaymakers use the toilets as washing and changing rooms first thing in the morning and a queue of cars blocks the road every day as people come to have their early morning wash. The toilets were never intended to be used like this and opening them later in the morning will save £100 on water rates. An anonymous donation of £20 per annum, while it was appreciated, only helps slightly as it represents about 1% of the costs. Requests for tenders for the caretaking of the toilets have been displayed on Parish Council notice boards.

Light at Trewetha

People who visit Trewetha at night on foot run a considerable risk when walking between Dane Cottage and the grass verge opposite Trewetha Farm with traffic driving very fast where there is no footway. It is realised, however, that the County Council have already refused to install a street light because there is no 30mph speed limit in Trewetha and economic strictures mean that street lights are not being installed anywhere. The Parish Council could certainly not afford the installation and running costs. It was suggested that residents could put up their own lights.

Light at Old Coastguard Station

A request for better illumination at the entrance to the courtyard will be followed up on the grounds of safety for vehicular traffic. The road in question, however, is privately owned by the Fortescue family apparently, and it is doubtful if the Highways Department will grant any

Footpaths

Under the Parish Paths Partnership which is 100% funded by the Countryside Commission, work will be carried out on the foopath linking St. Endellion with Chapel Amble at Trevathan. A small footbridge over a stream will be built plus new stiles, etc. Volunteers for the work should contact Malcolm Lee. The owner of the farmyard at Trevathan has agreed to dedicate a right of way across the yard to connect paths nos. 24 and 25.

Tenders are to be sought for the annual cutting of allocated paths in the Parish. This work is 75% funded by the County Council.

Criticisms have been voiced about the brainbles, etc., growing out of the banks on Church Hill, Back Hill, and elsewhere making it difficult for pedestrians to avoid cars.

Crime and Harassment

After they had given information to the police concerning the whereabouts of a stolen dog, a couple of Port Isaac pensioners have been subjected to harassment - and received, unsolicited, delivery of a skip, enquiries about a dead horse, and a load of Readymix concrete. Fortunately they were at home on each occasion and able to refuse the deliveries. This is, apparently, only one example of criminal activity in Port Isaac and it was said that Neighbourhood Watch should report to the public more of what is going on. St. Kew community policeman puts an article in the local newsletter.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported on the Devon and Cornwall Police Liaison Meeting where they heard of a £500,000 shortfall in police funds, also that 83% of police expenditure was wages, leaving only 17% of the budget for the rest. Getting protesters out of tunnels at Fairmile, on the proposed A30 road site, had been a very expensive exercise.

Cable Undergrounding?

Two men with clip boards, purportedly South West Electricity Board workmen, have been examining the old village. They had no evidence of identification but claimed to be surveying for the undergrounding of all the electricity cables very soon.

If the streets are to be dug up for this purpose it was thought that it would be better to have the telephone wires buried at the same time but British Telecom's response is that if the village wants their wires buried, they will have to organise the funding! [Checking with S.W.E.B., however, reveals that they only intend to finish underground work already started in higher Fore Street. Further work is only likely if there is a strong demand from villagers.]

Millenium Fund

The Parish Council's application for funds has not reached the initial stage as no recognisable scheme has been presented.

Removal of Noticeboard at Car Park

Port Isaac and District Tourism Association enquired about the removal of this board which they had helped pay for. Apparently the board has become difficult to use and is being modified. It will be resited at the Pea Pod shop.

Display of Minutes

In accordance with a decision made formerly, copies of minutes of meetings after they have been approved by the Council, will be displayed on the notice boards at the Liberal Club, the Co-op and at Trelights.

Playing Fields

The Council drew 4:4 on a vote to take no further action at this time on any project of the new playing fields and the matter will be discussed again at the next meeting. Feasibility plans drawn up by the committee appear to show that the costs of running a new village hall, for instance, would be far beyond the reach of this village.

A suggestion was welcomed that a running track could be provided around the perimeter of both fields if enough people showed an interest and funds could be raised.

Cub Scouts

The Cubs are seeking funds and the Council granted a donation of £150 to the pack. Permission was also given for a parade in the village on Saturday 19th. April.

Planning Applications

Recommended for approval by the Parish Council: Alterations to bungalow on Tolraggott Farm drive, conversion of the old telephone exchange to dwelling (subsequently refused by the District Planning Committee), renewal of permission to demolish sub-standard dwelling at Trewetha Farm and replace with new dwelling, single storey dwelling and garage at Furze Park, Trelights, an aquarium and information centre in the tish cellars, extension to garage at junction of Rose Hill and Trewet Lane

No observations were made on applications for an agricultural building at Treswarrow or for a dwelling and double garage at Plot 2, St. Endellion Lane, Trelights.

St. Endellion, along with neighbouring parishes, is to be transferred from the Bodmin Division of the District Council to the Launceston Division under North East Division Surveyor Paul Allen.

The next monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 14th. April at 7.30pm. in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac.



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LIFEBOAT

Inland 'Cruise'

The boat went on a slightly unusual 'shout' on Saturday 15th. February. To celebrate 30 years in service, the crew, boat, and quad [4-wheel drive tractor] made the rounds of local villages in order to raise awareness. It was a successful day and people were supportive and interested. The crew entourage visited St. Teath, Camelford, Boscastle, Tintagel, and Delabole, where they chatted to people and gave out leaflets.

Thanks to each of the local pubs which supported the exercise with refreshments, and to the locals who gave a great welcome. Thanks also to the crew who gave up their day. £91.00 was raised.

The day went smoothly except for one hiccup as the boat started off when there was trouble with one of the wheel bearings but thanks to Dennis Knight and a friendly visitor from Gweek the convoy was soon on its way, albeit a little late. The longest trip the trolley makes usually is a launch at a low spring tide.

Show of Hands Concert

The former chapel in Roscarrock Hill, now the home of Billy and Barbara Hawkins' Port Isaac Pottery, had probably not seen such a large 'congregation' for many years. Both the hall and gallery were full for the concert given by 'Show of Hands' on behalf of the R.N.L.I. in Exhaust I saking like two hearded charisters. February. Looking like two bearded choristers with (acoustic) guitars and a lute, they enter-tained us with up-to-the minute 'country' blues and songs wittily and penetratingly dealing with many aspects of present day life.

The R.N.L.I. flag draped over the front of the 'pulpit' gave the finishing touch to the eccle-siastical effect, resembling to all intents and purpose an altar cloth. ·

Tuneful and with clearly enunciated lyrics, the songs were both amusing and offered a pertinent commentary on our times. They were linked by endless repartee, often involving audience participation, from the two performers, Steve Knightley and Phil Beer, who ceres the accordance of the performance of the performan tainly gave more than good value for money.

Interesting, also, is that there were many unfamiliar faces in the audience which shows that if Port Isaac puts on good entertainment, people will come from afar to enjoy it. We could do with more concerts like this in the village.

Mary Taylor and Robin Penna.

Service Report - 1997 Season

Our boat has now returned to her station following her winter re-fit at Cowes; she has a new 1997 model engine which seems to give her one or two knots of extra speed - that may come in

We go 'On service' officially on Saturday 22nd. March, meanwhile the crew has started exercises and we could act in an emergency if required.

Our present D Class boat (no. 366) is nearing the end of her operational life, having been at Port Isaac since she was given to the R.N.L.I. in 1988, the gift of Peter and Molly Tabor. We are

now promised a new boat which will be delivered to us sometime in the next few months.

The new boat will be one of five presented to the R.N.L.I. through the fund-raising efforts of members of the Royal Army Logistics Corps. All five will be stationed at Cornish lifeboat

When the new boat is here, there will be a proper Service of Dedication and hand-over watch this space for further details!

A delegation of the Committee of Management from Poole called at our boathouse on Wednesday 19th. March and met several members of our crew, station personnel, and branch committee members.

Following the very good service at the end of the 1996 season, a letter has been received from the Chief of Operations at R.N.L.I. Headquarters in Poole. The letter has been framed and is now on display in the boathouse.

Ted Childs, Station Hon. Sec.

PENDOGGETT FIRE

We were horrified to hear about the devastating fire at Pendoggett Post Office and to see how the building has been completely gutted. We send our sympathy and hope that the business can be quickly restored. Full marks to the weekly Cornish Guardian, published the following day, on carrying a report.

CHANGE OF NUMBER

Mrs. Hooper has moved. People who are interested in her Norway Holiday Trip should please now ring (01840) 212310.

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ST. ENDELLION CHURCH

Julian Meetings

The January meeting of the United Benefice Julian Group for contemplative prayer was held at Hillows House, St. Teath, home of Mr. Russell Pollinger and the Revd. Judith Pollinger, Curate. The meeting was led by the Revd. Preb. Michael Bartlett, Rector. The February Julian Meeting for contemplative prayer was held in the Rectory and led by Mrs. Biddy Holden.

A well-attended eucharist for healing was also held at Hillows House, St. Teath. The Rector presided at the eucharist and led the healing service. Lessons were read by Mrs. Julia service. Lessons were read by Mrs. Julia Mitchell and Mrs. Ceinwen Greenwood. A well-attended euchanst for healing was held at Pityme at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kent on Wednesday last. The Revd. Judith Pollinger presided and the service was led by Mr. Peter Coster, Reader.

A well-attended eucharist for healing was held in the Rectory on the third week in February. The Rector presided and the service was led by Mrs. Frances Kent.

The Revd. Judith Pollinger presided at the eucharist and led the healing service held at Bodannon Farm, the first Wednesday in March.

Deanery Candlemas Service

About 100 people from parishes in the Bodmin and Trigg Minor Deanery attended a candlelit sung eucharist for the feast of Candlemas. The Rector presided and the Revd. Brian Anderson, Rural Dean and Vicar of Wadebridge read the gospel and assisted with the distribution of Holy Communion. The Revd. Judith Pollinger led intercessions and also assisted with the distribution of Holy Communion.

Evening Worship with Taizé Music.

Thirty people attended evening worship with music from Taize by candlelight, on the Sev-enth Sunday before Easter. The service was devised and led by the Revd. Judith Pollinger who welcomed those present, thanked helpers and led a pre-Lenten meditation. In March the Rector arranged evening worship with Taizé music and led a meditation on the Transfiguration of Christ.

Jumble Sale

Over £145 was raised for St. Endellion Church at a very successful jumble sale held in the Church Hall on Shrove Tuesday. Many people from a wide area crowded into the hall and were rewarded with many bargains.

Ash Wednesday

The traditional penitential sung eucharist with ashing took place in St. Endellion Church on Ash Wednesday evening and was well-attended by parishioners from St. Kew as well as St. Endellion. The Rector presided, read the gospel, and placed ash in the sign of the cross on the foreheads of the congregation as a symbol of their penitence and their mortality. The Revd. Judith Pollinger led intercessions and assisted with the administration of the chalice

A series of Lenten addresses given in Truro Cathedral by the Prebendaries of St. Endellion have taken place on Thursday evenings. The course entitled a 'School of Prayer' examines different aspects of prayer and ways of praying each week in Lent. The Revd. Preb. Robert each week in Lent. The Revo. Prep. Robert Strange, Vicar of Newlyn opened the series and the second address on 'Praying with Words' was given by the Rector. The Revol. Preb. Tim Gouldstone, Vicar of Tresillan spoke about using the Scriptures in prayer and the fourth address was given by the Revd. Preb. David Wills. The Prebendaries have also visited St. Endellion on Sundays during Lent.

Baptism with sung Eucharist

The baptism of Ronald Edward Young took place during the sung eucharist in St. Endellion Church on the first Sunday in Lent. The Rector administered the sacrament of Holy Baptism and presided at the eucharist. The new member of the church family was welcomed by the Rector and congregation and a posy of flowers was presented to his mother on their behalf by Mrs. Pam Richards, churchwarden.

A Lent Course arranged by two Readers from the United Benefice of St. Endellion, Port Isaac and St. Kew has been held in different venues in the united benefice. The Rector introduced the course which explores the theme of the previous Sunday's worship. Mr. Peter Coster, Reader from Pendoggett and Rear-Admiral Alec Weir from St. Kew have led the course.

Ministry Training Course Reunion

Candidates who had trained together for the ordained ministry on the South-West Ministry Training Course held a reunion last weekend arranged by the Revd. Judith Pollinger. On Saturday morning, one of their number, the Revd. Julie Nelson from Tavistock, gave a lecture on 2,000 years of hymnnody, in the church of St. James the Great, St. Kew.

Mothering Sunday Service

Colourful posies of flowers picked and aranged by members of St. Endellion congregation were blessed by the Rector and distributed to everyone in the congregation at the end of the sung eucharist in the Collegiate Church of St. Endelienta on Mothering Sunday. Preacher was the Revd. Judith Pollinger.

Judith Pollinger.

PORT ISAAC CHORALE

The Chorale gained distinction marks at the Wadebridge Festival, coming second out of four choirs with just one point behind the winning choir.

Concert

There will be a concert by the Chorale in the Village Hall on Tuesday 1st. April at 8.00pm. Judging by our very successful concert in the hall last year, this is an event not to be missed.

A jumble sale will be held in the Church Rooms on Saturday 12th. April at 11.00am. There will be a cake stall and a raffle. Proceeds will towards choir funds.

Come and Join Us

We welcome new members to the choir, particularly men, so if you enjoy singing and would like to try out your vocal cords, please come an join us on Tuesday evenings at the Green Door, Port Gaverne from 8.00pm. We have a lot of fun learning new songs and singing ones we know – we have a wide and varied repertoire – and there is always the bar afterwards for a well-earned drink to refresh the cords! So do come and join in and give it a go! Liz Rowe.

When we were children and teenagers in Port Isaac and Trelights, there were no burglaries, no drugs, and no vandalism as such. We had dear schoolteacher Boss Richards whom we all respected (good memories), policemen Dyer/ Maurice Baines, and a thick ear and a sore backside from our parents. Now we have drugs, burglaries, and vandalism every day.

If the people who reported Janet Chadband, and others, for selling raffle tickets in aid of good causes, were to put more time into watching for the above crimes and reporting them, think what a better place Port Isaac would be.

Dave Dingle.

MISCELLANY

This month there is so much to print in Trio that the usual three sheets are insufficient and we have had to add another sheet - which, of course, means two more pages! So we have ended up with extra space giving us the chance to print three poems submitted by a gentleman who has strong connections with the village, also one of my own drawings. Please note, however, that economic strictures will not allow this to happen very often.

YOUR 1st PORT ISAAC **CUB PACK 'SEA URCHINS'**

TO ALL READERS OF TRIO

We would like to invite everyone to our official Launch Day on Saturday the 19th. April starting with a service at 1.30pm in St. Peter's Church. The St. Breward band will be playing along with us. Father Michael will be blessing our Pack flag, which without a considerable donation from Miss Ann Dawe would not have been possible. So from all the cubs and their leaders, Thank you very much Ann.

Following the dedication service you are all invited back to the Village Hall where a tree vill be planted by a Bodmin and District ommissioner or member of the Scout Association to commemorate the occasion. Tea and biscuits will be served afterwards in the Hall. Please come and join in. Finally, but by no means least, a very big 'thank you' to everybody who has helped and supported our pack.

J. Byfield, Secretary.

OUTRAGEOUS ARTIFACTS

Rob and Nicki Parkyn will fearlessly fling open the door to their new Gallery and Shop this evening (Friday). Work will include Outra-geous Artifacts from Cornwall and beyond. Everyone is welcome to come along between 6 and 9 to celebrate the occasion at Victoria House, Fore Street.



Victoria House, Fore Street, Port Isaac. From a drawing by Robin Penna.

THREE POEMS

Port Isaac on a mild winter night

Evening, the sea breeze lightly blows Through the lamp lit cottage rows. Woodfire smoke hangs on the wind From homely fires that burn within. Each road and lane slopes to the Platt, and pebbled shore

Where white foam backed waves inward pour. Fishing boats bob in its briny swell. On the edge of village light that pales Into the dark oceans reach.

Where the vast unseen waters break, hiss, and breach

The massy craggy slated rocks. A charm this winter's eve Port Isaac holds, As from its yellow hue it unfolds This pictorial view.

Colin Farmer.

Colin Farmer.

Upon Port Gaverne Beach

On Port Gaverne Beach, My son, to skim stones I'll teach. The secret of the multi skimmer, Across the bright waters shimmer. To him my knowledge I will show, Because so quickly he will grow, And bring his son to teach, Upon Port Gaverne beach.

Doggie Do's

In the open they walk the paths that spread across the land,

To take the air and steal the scenes of leafy England.

By their side a canine companion, a pal, Sharing each path, marking every trail. Each track cut through fields of green, Evidence of every step they've been. And those that follow in their wake To take the view make this mistake Of not watching the ground they tread And stepping in doggie do's instead. Packets left for all to share,

To tread and spread and curse and swear As we take the country air.

Then on commons with doggie bins, a pile will lie below,

Obviously the bins too high for the dog to sit and go. Colin Farmer.



HOW FAR IS WADEBRIDGE?

There are three Port Isaac properties for sale at an estate agents in Wadebridge. The respective brochures offer this information:

Brochure a, 'The village is served by a wide range of shops with the wider amenities of Wadebridge found approximately 9 miles away.' Brochure b, 'For a wider range of shops and facilities, the market town of Wadebridge is approximately 10 miles away. Brochure c, 'The village has many local amenities with a wider range found at Wadebridge approximately 11 miles away.

Cornish miles perhaps...

WINE CIRCLE

Dear Secret Winemakers of Port Isaac, Recently I was offered some twenty-four demi-johns by Mrs. Jarvis. I am afraid I did not respond right away and it must have been a week later when I went back, there were only four left. So it is hoped that the other twenty have gone to good homes and will be used to the full. I can only hope that my articles in the North Cornwall Advertiser have stimulated some of you into action. If you are interested why not join us at the Wadebridge & District Wine Circle, our next meeting is on Friday 11th. April at the John Betjeman Centre when we will be holding a Charity Wine Competition which involves the tasting of Poor Man's Gin and Lime Wine (Banana and Lime Quickie) which was one of the first wines we featured in the North Cornwall Advertiser. If you made this wine and want to join us for the evening, please feel free to do so. Just bring along your bottle and a couple of glasses.

If you want to ask any questions on the recipes, I am in most evenings and can be contacted on 880379.

Spring Special

The Circle is offering a free demijohn, airlock, and bung to any new members in the next couple of months, so just don't be a secret winemaker, come out into the open and begin to enjoy an interesting and rewarding hobby with people who have a like interest. I look forward to hearing from you or even meeting you on 11th. April at 7.30pm.

Margaret Couch, Hon. Secretary Wadebridge and District Wine Circle.

29th. ANNUAL LOCAL ARTISTS' EXHIBITION - AT THE PORT GAVERNE HOTEL

To be opened at 8.00pm. on Friday 18th. April. There will be a Buffet Supper at the Green Door on opening night, The Exhibition is in aid of the Macmillan Services and will be open from Saturday 19th. April to Friday 23rd. May.

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Graham Carpenter

We learned last month of the death of Graham Carpenter aged 62. Formerly proprietor of the Slipway Hotel he was living in Hemel Hempstead at the time of his death. He had been suffering an illness for some time. We send our condolences to his widow, Ruth.

Norman Dingle

The death has occurred at Mount Edgcumbe Hospice on 17th. February of Mr. Norman Dingle after a very long illness. Norman was 73 and had lived in the area all of his life apart from the war years when he did his national service. He had worked on the farms until his retirement and was greatly respected as was shown by the very large attendance at the funeral service held at the Glym Valley crematorium on Saturday 22nd. February. Revd. Alan Wainwright in his address spoke of Norman's cheerfulness during his illness. We express our deepest sympathy to Bette and the family in their bereavement.

Bette and the family of the late Norman Dingle would like to thank all who attended the funeral service and for the many cards and letters received, to all the doctors, nurses, and staff of the Port Isaac practice. Thanks also to the chosen bearers, Revd. Alan Wainwright, the two Mr. Honeys for their kindnesses and help, also for donations in lieu of flowers for the Port Isaac surgery which totalled £200

Evelyn Jeans

The death at the Pen-Y-Bryn nursing home, Wadebridge, of Mrs. Jeans, formerly of 'Seaward', The Terrace, at the age of 92 years, was one of Port Isaac's oldest residents. The funeral service on Wednesday 12th. February was held at the Wadebridge Catholic church, followed by interment at St. Endellion. We express our condolences to her family.

Isabel Jago Keat

It was with sadness when it was known of the death in Fowey hospital of Mrs. Isabel Keat aged 86 years of 2 Fore Street. Mrs. Keat had lived in the village for many years and was well known and very much respected. She spent the last 12 months or so with her son and family at Par. The funeral was at the Glynn Valley crematorium on 15th. March and was attended by a number of her friends from Port Isaac. We express our sympathy to Gordon and family in the loss of a much loved one.

Ernest Bishop May

The death of Emest Bishop May occurred on 23rd. February at Trewiston Lodge, St. Minver after a long illness, he was aged 78 years. The youngest of six children, Em was born and grew up at Bodannon Farm, Trewetha. After his marriage to Betty Wearne, he farmed at Archer Farm, had a village milk round, and then a grocery business in the village before returning

to the land at Lane End, Pendoggett, and, latterly, to Middle Treworder, Egloshayle, where Betty died. He lived in his retirement in Wadebridge with his second wife, Anne.

Deepest sympathies go to Anne and his children Jennifer, and Ivon, and to the families.

Edgar John Bennett Parsons

On Thursday 27th. February, St. Endellion church was attended by many relatives and friends for the funeral of Mr. John Parsons aged 65 years who died at his home, Treveighan, St. Teath. The service was conducted by the Rector who also officiated at the interment in the churchyard. We express our sympathy to his family.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

What a lovely day we had at St. Peter's on Mothering Sunday. It is not often that we have had to ask people to sit in the choir stalls. This was of course because the children brought their parents along. The Cubs parading with their colours, the Sunday School singing their songs, and all the children carrying their posies. (Yes! it was a happy family service.) Congratulations to all who took part.

It is evident that changing the times of the Family Service has proved successful – Eucharist (said) at 9.30am. followed by the Family Service at 10.15am. The church council decided to do this, hoping to cater for all needs. Please continue to give your support.

What did the church council do? You may well ask. You can now find out because a copy of the minutes of their meetings will be left at the back of the church. Why not spare a few minutes to go in and read them?!

Come along and enjoy your lunch at the Mini Market in the Church Hall on Wednesday 2nd. April. The money raised from the Lunch and St. Peter's stall will go towards paying for more heaters in the church.

Sunday 29th. June is St. Peter's Day and we hope to make it a day of celebration. The morning service will be at 11.00am. followed by a Lunch in the Church Hall. To end the day, Port Isaac Chorale will hold a Concert in the church. Put these dates in your diary.

Again we are asking if any of you would like to organise any fund-raising event, will you pleat contact the church wardens Margaret Cann Bill Norris. Thank you.

Margaret Cann.

BRITISH LEGION

After ten years, I have handed over the organisation of the British Legion Poppy Day appeal to Alan Chadband.

I would like to thank all those who helped me. Many thanks for your co-operation through the years and I am sure you will do the same for Alan.

Sincerely, John Cunningham.

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BOOK REVIEW

THE PLEASING TREES OF ST. KEW by Jim Castling. Published by the author. Price £3.50 from Wadebridge Bookshop or St. Kew Inn. Profits in aid of the Parish Church of St. James the Great, St. Kew.

There is now a substantial collection of local history, geography, and natural history books about the area and this is a valuable addition.

This is a fascinating book, engagingly written, and richly illustrated with no fewer than fifty-two photographs of Mr. Castling's favourite trees in the parish. The author, who is now the St. Kew tree warden, has combined what began as a register, with a highly personal set of journeys of light-hearted exploration and learned commentary. It may well be the world's most concentrated and local travel book!

The cover shows a rare surviving elm tree in full colour. In front of it is an elegant two horse-drawn phaeton which, as Mr. Castling says 'happened to pass as I took the picture as if to underline the nostalgic quality of the scene'. It is a book of sheer delight for any 'tree-nut' (as the writer describes himself) and many of the trees are easily accessible to energetic walkers.

I hope Port Isaac tree lovers will buy it, go and see for themselves, and perhaps even make a cemptive bid for Jim Castling (or someone ren nearer!) to perform the same service for St. Endellion Parish. It would be hard labour but a labour of love.

Graham Tayar.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The library currently visits us on Mondays: Mayfield Road 12.00–1.00, Port Gaverne 1.05–1.15, Port Isaac Car Park 2.20–2.40, The Old School 2.45–3.05, and Trelights 3.15–3.40. They tell us that these times will change in April and have promised to let us have a copy of the new timetable as soon as it is available.

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HOSPICE

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Councillor Bill Dawe will be wearing out the Camel Trail on his sponsored walks, thank you Bill, your chauffeur John Cunningham, and all your sponsors. Several people gave me donations because they could not attend on the day, very much appreciated.

As usual, the letter and receipt may be seen at 87 Fore Street at any time. Bless you all,

Sheila Jarvis.

VILLAGE HALL

From 1st April, a revised system of hire charges will apply, with special low rates for parish clubs and associations. They will pay £3.00 for up to 2 hours, £6.00 for up to 4 hours and £12.00 for up to 8 hours. Other users (eg private, business and non-parish clubs and associations) will pay double these rates. Further discounts are available to regular users (booking 10 or more sessions) paying in advance, who will get a third discount off these prices.

In order to encourage more use of the hall for entertainments (plays, concerts etc.), these are charged at £6.00 a performance. If rehearsals are required, these are charged at £1.00 per rehearsal (up to 4 hours). To receive these special rates, rehearsals must be booked in advance when booking the hall for the performance.

Cub Scouts

The Cub Scouts will be new users of the Hall. They attended a recent committee meeting to ask if a few items could be arranged such as their own notice board, storage space, etc. They intend to use the Hall every Tuesday night.

Feed Back

There is no dialogue with some of the organisations using the hall regularly. In order that any problems can be sorted out, the committee must have feedback from Hall users, indeed it is part of the responsibility of groups who use the hall to send a representative to committee meetings.

Electrical Work

Difficulties are being experienced in actually getting an electrical contractor with the right qualifications to do the required work for the needs of a Drama and Entertainment Licence. This licence has to be held by any venue where members of the public attend any kind of performance.

Feasibility Study

A grant is to be sought to finance professional advice about making possible improvements to the hall, better access, more storage capacity, improved kitchen facilities, curtains for the windows, etc. Armed with this advice a feasibility plan could be drawn up to present to

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Annual General Meeting

The Village Hall Annual Public Meeting will be held at the Hall on Wednesday 23rd. April at 8.00pm. Please attend this meeting and tell the new committee what you think should be done.

Jumble Sale

£76.80 was raised for Village Hall funds at the Jumble Sale on Saturday 15th. March. Bess Coates would like to thank all those who helped.

Village Hall Committee.

PARISH SURVEY

The Parish Council has approved the parish survey, which will be taking place in the last week of March. Questionnaires will be delivered to each household, for completion by everyone there who is over 18. Your names are not required on the forms, so the survey is completely confidential. After completion, seal them in the envelope provided, and drop them in the collection points in Port Isaac and Trelights. If you cannot get to these points, and do not have a neighbour who can do this for you, ring me and arrangements can be made to collect your envelope.

Participation is, of course, entirely voluntary, but the Parish Council hopes that as many as possible will take this opportunity to let us know your views.

Malcolm Lee 880106

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CHILD HEALTH CLINIC: 1.30–3.30pm.on first Wednesday in the month at the surgery. CUB SCOUTS: 6.00–8.00pm. Tuesdays at Port Isaac School.

GOLDEN CIRCLE: 2.30pm. every Wednesday at the Comish Cafe.

METHODIST CHURCH: 6.00pm. at Trelights chapel.

LOCAL HISTORY STUDY GROUP: 7,30pm. on the first Friday in the month in the Penhaligon Room.

PLAYGROUP: Thursday 9.30am-12.00 at the Village Hall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: St. Peter's Church Rooms, every Sunday at 9.50am.

UNDER 5's GROUP: Monday and Thursday 9.30-11.45am. at the Village Hall.

WELL WOMAN CLINIC: 3.00–4.00pm. Tuesdays at the surgery by appointment. YOGA CLASS: 7.00–9.00pm. Tuesdays at the Penhaligon Room.

Will those concerned please notify Trio of any changes to the above regular fixtures.

Saturday 22nd. March (tomorrow):

7.30pm: Friends of the School Promise Auction at the Shipwright Inn.

Sunday 23rd. March:

10.00am: Palm Sunday Procession from Port Isaac Church Hall, Blessing of Palms, Dramatised Passion Reading at St. Peter's.

11.00am: The same at St. Endellion Church.

Thursday 27th. March:

Port Isaac School Easter Holidays return to school Monday 14th. April

8.00pm: St. Peter's Church, Maundy Thursday, Eucharist of Last Supper, Foot washing, Vigil to Midnight.

Friday 28th. March:

10.00am: Good Friday Procession from Port Isaac Church Hall to St. Peter's Church. 12.00 – 3.00pm: Three Hours Meditation at St. Endellion.

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Saturday, 29th. March:

1.00pm: Port Isaac Rowing Club – The George Moth Shield Trophy, Port Isaac Beach. Everyone welcome.

8.15pm: St. Endellion Church Easter Eve Service of Light.

Sunday 30th. March:

Easter Day

10.00am: Sung Eucharist at St. Peter's. 11.15am: Sung Eucharist and 4.30pm: Choral Festival Evensong, at St. Endellion

30th, March – Sunday 6th, April: St. Endellion Easter Music Festival.

Tuesday 1st. April:

8.00pm: Concert by Port Isaac Chorale in the Village Hall at 8.00pm.

Wednesday 2nd. April:

St. Peter's Church Mini Market.

Tuesday 8th. April:

10.30am – noon: St. Endellion Bell Ringers Coffee Morning at Bodannon. Cakes, Bring and Buy, Raffle, Bric-a-Brac, etc. Coffee and Scones 50p. All are welcome. Proceeds for new tower carpet.

Saturday 12th. April:

11.00am: Jumble Sale in the Church Hall. Proceeds to Port Isaac Chorale Funds.

Sunday 13th. April:

7.00pm. Evening Worship with Taize Music at St. Endellion Church.

Monday 14th. April:

8.00pm: Port Isaac and District Performing Arts Club (PIDPAC) First Little Entertainment', Old School Hotel, (see article for details).

Tuesday 15th. April:

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

Saturday 19th. April:

Afternoon: Cub Scout Parade in the village.

Thursday 24th. April:

7.30pm: Annual Parish Meeting at the Church Rooms, Port Isaac.

Monday 5th May:

7.30pm: Cider and Pasty Evening for St. Endellion Church at Poltreworgey Farm, Trelill

Tuesday 20th. May:

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

Wednesday 21st. May:

10.30am. – 12.00 noon: R.N.L.I. Coffee Morning at the Old School Hotel. Courtesy of Mr. Michael Warner.

Sunday 25th. May:

10.30am. onwards: R.N.L.I. Open Day, Lifeboat Station, Port Isaac. See the boat and meet the crew.

Monday 26th. May:

Spring Bank Holiday.

Tuesday 27th. May:

Cream Teas at the Manor House in aid of the Playgroup.

Tuesday 17th. June:

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

Sunday 22nd. June:

12.15pm: R.N.L.I. Lifeboat Sunday. Annual Lifeboat Service on the Platt. The St. Breward Band will once again be playing and Father Michael Bartlett will conduct the service.

Sunday 29th. June:

11.00am: St. Peter's Day Service at St. Peter's followed by a Lunch in the Church Hall and a Concert by Port Isaac Chorale in the church.

Tuesday 15th. July:

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

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