



# The Port Isaac, Port Gaverne and Trelights newsletter

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## Cajun Christmas Party

Get in the Christmas mood by coming along to Port Isaac's Big Cajun Christmas Party Night on Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall. 'it looks set to be the hottest night in the village since the May Ball' says Sandie Bulgin whose idea the event is.

Following their success at the May Ball, Pete Turner and the Gumbo Flyers are returning to the village.

Their popularity is sure to make the evening a great success.

Tickets are priced at £8 each and include a special cajun supper (veggies will be catered for). An idea of numbers is needed for the catering so please, please, please buy your tickets in advance from Secrets. In addition, a special request from Sandie is for desserts. Would anyone willing to make a pud

as part of their support for Port Isaac 2000 please give her a ring on 880765. All profits will go to Port Isaac 2000 and the committee are really excited about this special evening which they see as the first part of the build-up to the magic 2000. The fun starts at 7.30pm. See you there for a fantastic party.

## Singing for your curry

Come along to the Curry Evening and Singalong in the Pottery on Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Janet Chadband is head cook and your main course and sweet will cost just £5 with all profits going to Port Isaac 2000.

During the evening, between curry and song, there will be an auction of the designs Barbara (Hawkins) produced for the Port Isaac Millennium Mug. The Port Isaac 2000 Grand Raffle will also be drawn.

Numbers are limited so tickets are being issued on a first-come, first-served basis and can be obtained from Janet on 880262, from Secrets or from the Pottery.

## Port Isaac 2000 Music Festival



Port Isaac 2000, chaired by Janet Townsend, is planning to organise the Port Isaac 2000 Music Festival. This will take place over the May Bank Holiday weekend next year and will be part of the BBC Millennium Music Live project.

Every type of music will be included in this UK wide celebration of live music which takes place from Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup> to Monday May 29<sup>th</sup>. The climax comes with a 24 hour 'Perfect Day' of live music. All the BBC's radio and TV channels will be mounting a continuous live music marathon from late on May 28<sup>th</sup> to late on May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Some of the world's biggest stars will be taking part but who needs them with the wealth of talent here in Port Isaac and thereabouts. The

village's combined musical talents will make it a weekend to remember for everyone.

Plans are still in the early stages but we hope to open the festival with a concert by local children and the music continuing right through the weekend both with formal indoor and outdoor concerts, singing in the pub, busking on the Platt - the possibilities are endless.

Every establishment will be asked to take part as will everyone in the village. Don't worry if you are not musical, there are other ways to be involved!

If you have any ideas or want to be involved please let either Janet Townsend (880505) or Dee Randell (880905/880862) know.



*wear a poppy*  
*'at the going down*  
*of the sun, and in*  
*the morning, we*  
*will remember them'*



**Dear Trio**

I have just read that rascal Lobber's point with regards council tax on second homes. As a second homeowner toiling daily in the grimy North (it really is you know, you can hardly see for smog), I have to say I agree entirely with his views. However, in practice, it is unlikely the politicians would go for such a scheme, especially the present bunch in Whitehall who have reopened the larger debate of second home ownership - well at least for anyone other than themselves (and I'm not referring to constituency/Parliamentary abodes!).

My second home is for generations to come of my northern clan and for me to grow old and wrinkly like Lobber here in Port Isaac. Personally, we pay full tax on our house and think it is right to do so. I would prefer a system where I could elect to pay the discounted rate and credit the local community directly, as there is an argument to say the council doesn't provide me with daily services. Then we're into the debate that, for example, the binmen have to visit whether my bin is used or not. In comparison with other utility expenses, you can't get a discounted standing charge on your water or phone bill - I think.

I suppose paying the full tax swells the coffers and it gets into NCDC overall revenues to provide all the services all the year round. A more direct way of putting the discounted rate money into the village would be preferable but likely to be unworkable, mores the pity. Perhaps whilst its personal choice, the more people who use second homes, be they paying guests or family and friends, then the more money goes into village shops, pubs, restaurants, petrol stations (I suggest and hope people fill up in Port Isaac before driving home, 'cos you know what happens if you don't use local businesses).

**Dave Brown**  
*Port Isaac & Chorley, Lancs*

**Dear Trio**

I read with interest the letter of Mr Tayar (Trio No 192) in which he referred to the demise of Provis' butchers and expressed the sentiment that the remaining shops should be used as regularly as possible to prevent them too from

shutting. Whilst no-one should disagree with this view, it must be accepted by those who, like Mr Tayar, give their addresses as 'Port Isaac & London', that the real reason for the closing of shops in old Port Isaac is the prevalence of second homes. In an area where so few actually live, it is surprising that any shops do remain.

**Nicholas Sproull**  
*Bristol*

**Dear Trio**

Port Isaac is very lucky to have such an active community with people who are willing to sacrifice time and effort to organise events for others (a scarce commodity in these more selfish times). There is always so much going on in Port Isaac - Chorale Concerts, Raffles, Quiz Nights, Curry Evenings etc. It struck me though that most of these events are raising funds for the illuminations, Port Isaac 2000 and other projects and charities. What proportion of funds raised comes from second homeowners?

As a second homeowner I feel that we could and should do more than just bring in the tourist pound (which is a poor excuse). If we can't support events in person then financial support must help. After all, the majority of second homeowners buy properties in Port Isaac because they fall in love with the place and its community. So why not appeal directly to a band of absentees. I am sure with the co-operation of the letting agents and housekeepers a mailing list could be compiled and I bet the response would be a good one.

**Richard Slade**  
*No 1 The Folly, Port Isaac*

*Ed: There has been much support for Port Isaac 2000 and the Christmas Lights from second homeowners. However, we have included this letter to appeal to those of you who haven't yet made a contribution!*

**Dear Trio**

I was amazed to read that the owners of Halwyn House have re-applied for planning permission to build a carport on the premises. Those of us privileged enough to own a property in the old part of Port Isaac village do so precisely because of its charm and relative lack of blight of ugly intrusions such as parked cars (thank heavens for the tides!). Anyone wishing to have the convenience of modern extensions or car parking facilities

is at liberty to buy a property at the top of the village. I just cannot begin to understand the mentality of people who choose to buy a property in the old and beautiful part of the village only to apply for permission to construct a car port that will ruin the very charm and views that made Port Isaac special.

What amazes me above all is the sheer arrogance of people who think that their personal interests should take precedence over the views of an entire community.

**Jenny Balfour-Paul**  
*Port Isaac & Crediton, Devon*

**Dear Trio**

I was so happy to read in Trio 192 the many letters of dismay at the proposal to establish a car parking facility by Halwyn House. My pleasure was then complete later in that very same Trio when I read that the Parish Council has unanimously rejected the proposal.

In all the 27 years we have had a small family home in Port Isaac (Riverside, opposite Mark), Halwyn has always been my dream house. It represents all I love about my favourite place in the world. It's beautiful, simple and stands in complete harmony with its surroundings. Thank you Port Isaac for preventing this desecration from taking place.

**Janet Caldwell**  
*Port Isaac & Oxford*

*Ed: Everyone should note that whilst the Parish Council has unanimously rejected this planning proposal at Halwyn, the final decision is with the NCDC Planning Department.*

**Dear Trio**

In reply to Mr Hambly's letter in last months Trio, I, W J Dawe, District Councillor, know all the reasons about 'Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty' and all what it means. Every planning application is considered on it's merits - it does not always mean that an application will be turned down because it is within an 'AONB'. Also, the reason I was not at the Parish Council meeting that discussed the above application was because I was at a District Council Meeting in Camelford.

I am aware of all planning applications within the Parish.

**W J Dawe,**  
*Parish & District Councillor*  
*St Endellion*



Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup> 2000 is the date for Port Isaac's Hospice Day for Mount Edgcombe.

It's never too early to start sorting out all those gifts you have never used, all those things that are shoved to the back of your cupboards and never get an airing. An ideal opportunity to make room for all those Christmas presents that will take their place and never be used and will stay at the back of the cupboard until this time next year!

Putting aside, this years event raised £202.00 for the hospice. Perhaps we could break all records and

exceed that sum for our year 2000 sale. Once again Janet Chadband and her team will be doing the honours in the kitchen cooking lunches plus there will be all the usual stalls plus any new ones you can think of.

As soon you have anything ready for collection just give me a ring on 880862 or 880905 or drop your donations into Secrets. Good quality, clean clothes are welcome but no jumble! Offers to help in the setting up and on the day will be gratefully received - same telephone numbers as above.

Dee

So just what do we do here in the winter? It must be something to do with the summer ending that brings this question to the forefront of our visitors' minds. Perhaps they think that, come the end of October, we pull down the shutters, lock our doors and go into hibernation until the spring. Perhaps they should read Trio and see all the events that are going on, read all about the things we do, because yes, there is life in Port Isaac after Halloween!

Far be it from us to show off but it is now official that Trio (so that surely must mean us?!) are really quite brainy! The Trio team came second in the Friends of Port Isaac School Quiz and there is really no dishonour in coming second to a team that included a headmistress! We were joined by Billy & Barbara Hawkins, Kath Armstrong and our trump card, Walking June - and it has to be said that without Walking June's vast knowledge we would have been struggling just a little bit!!

Talking of school, this months 'Schoolchat' page is a first - it has been totally compiled, designed and produced by three school members - Cerrin Penny, Charlotte Wells and William Rowe. They have worked very hard - not in school time I might add - and the results are just BRILLIANT! I really enjoyed working with them and am looking forward to next month when a different group will be responsible for the Trio page.

Finally, just a reminder that the December Trio will be published on December 15<sup>th</sup> and the copy date will be December 7<sup>th</sup> (copy date for Christmas greetings is December 1<sup>st</sup>). This means that there is still time to let us have your memories of the last century!

Sam & Dee

## George's ramblings

I'm trying to think of something to write and I'm listening to Radio Cornwall. Not much help there. They are still yapping on about the eclipse. What with that and the number of days to the Millennium, it's enough to drive anyone up the shoot.

The other day I left Port Isaac in mist, fog and drizzle and passed through Delabole in sunshine - now that is a phenomenon!

Funny what a few words in print will do to a chap's ego. I saw Peter Rowe the other day:

"Where be going?" says I.  
"Bain't going nowhere," says Pete,  
"Been where I'm going".

It transpires that he had been to the football field (again!) and shifted the changing room hut all by himself. It's a pretty hefty hut and I think he was trying to show that, even if he'd forgotten his Pythagoras' Theorem, he was mustard at mechanics, levers especially. Each time he told the team, the hut got heavier and he shifted it further!

Not much news this month. The choir is still practising, Tuesday evenings at St Endellion - except when the whist drivers are there (third Tuesday in the month) when we are back at the Port Isaac School. There will be more about the Christmas concerts in the next issue of Trio.

The History Group entertained the Balwest Heritage

Society on October 16<sup>th</sup>. By all accounts they had a wonderful afternoon. We spun them some tale - and most of it was true! I had suggested that we would provide them with a cup of tea and a bun. When they saw the food that Janet and Joan had prepared they thought that Easter, the Eclipse, Christmas, the Millennium and their collective birthdays had come all at once. Anyway we had a good write-up in the Cornishman, a far West newspaper. If there are one of two of you who don't know where Balwest is; it's in nanny-goats-land north of Helston and Porthleven. They come from a fairly wide area and are a nice crowd. We have been invited back.

Finally, just to blow my own trumpet, I won the runners-up cup at the St Neot Draughts tournament. Wow!! The real point is that I had more points than Bill Oliver and that's a far rarer occurrence than sunny days in Delabole.

Zzz...pi./gsnore

*PS Is it true that Billy 'Three Bass' Hawkins is auditioning for a major part with the Royal Ballet after his debut at Charlestown?*

### Thank you Port Isaac

I have been deeply touched by the cards, letters and messages of sympathy that so many of you have taken the trouble to send. Words seem so inadequate at times like this so please accept my sincere thanks for all your support. It is a great comfort to know that Terry was so well thought of and will be remembered fondly by so many.

Thank you all. Sheila Harris

# A November walk

**H**ave you ever thought about walking to Chapel Amble? It isn't really very far by footpath from Port Isaac - about 2½ miles (Wadebridge is only 5 miles by footpath!) - and at the other end there is the 'Maltsters' for refreshments. You can walk all the way - up Port Isaac valley, pass near Homer Park and then across the fields and the road to St Endellion. Cross the B3314 and walk down Trevathan Lane opposite. Go down to the first sharp bend, through the gate on your right and straight across the fields (there is a wonderful panoramic view from the top) down to Trevathan, through the farmyard and straight on down through two more fields till you reach the stream at the bottom.

Now, the last part of the walks starts from the bridge over the stream at the bottom of Trevathan Lane where there is enough room to leave one car. The great advantage of this part of the walk is that it is through very pretty countryside, there are no steep hills to climb and it doesn't take very long - about three-quarters of an hour in each direction at a leisurely pace - although if you stop to look at the wild flowers you can make it longer.

Starting from the bridge, go over the wooden stile at the roadside and down some steps into the field. The path straight ahead across this field is not a right-of-way but the farmer knows that people walk along here and usually cuts the grass. However, if the grass has not been cut, don't be deterred but carry on along the bottom of the field following the stream hidden in the trees to your left and, at the next stile you will reach the right-of-way footpath which comes down from the farm and which you would have been on if you had opted for the walk via Trevathan. Along the path you will find stiles and some wooden boardwalks. These act as footbridges and cross what are the

## Carn Awn singers prepare for a busy festive season

**T**he Carn Awn Singers, together with their Musical Director Mary Hooper and accompanist Robert Whatty, are looking forward to a busy festive season. This includes participating in a concert at the Cleave Hall in Camelford on November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in aid of the British Heart Foundation and an invitation to take part in a musical evening at Trelights Chapel on December 6<sup>th</sup>. They will also be carol singing at various venues in December.

For further details of these events please phone Joan Murray on 880548 or Barbara Richards on 880575.

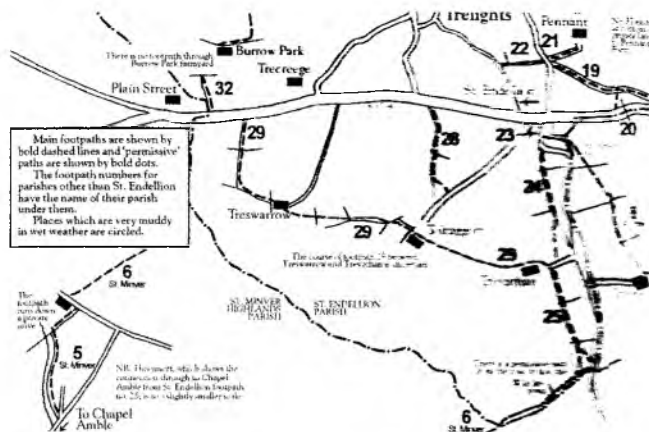
wettest places in times of bad weather. You eventually reach a copse where the path takes you over one or two defunct mill streams to a wooden stile and footbridge.

When you cross this footbridge you leave St Endellion Parish and enter St Kew Parish (ignore what it says on my map - I thought that this was St Minver Highlands Parish - and nobody told me I was wrong till now!).

Over the bridge there are two long, narrow fields connected to each other end to end and bounded by the stream that is now on your right. Walk through these and at the far end is another wooden stile leading onto the St Kew-St Minver road where it crosses the stream by a substantial stone bridge. Walk to your left up the road where, on the right a little further along, is the gate of a private house. The public right-of-way

goes down the left-hand side of the drive where there is a wooden stile taking you onto a very pleasant footpath following the bank of the stream through various copses and meadows and emerges near the drive to Rooke Mill Farm. Turn right at the road just ahead. The rest of the walk is along this lane to Chapel Amble which, luckily, is quiet and quite a pleasant road to walk along. After your refreshments it is quite an easy walk back again to the car (some people arrange for the car to be driven to Chapel Amble!).

*Robin Penna*



## Magical Managers - Kevin can't stop scoring!

**S**underland's goal machine, Kevin Phillips, is proving all doubters wrong this season. Not only is he the Premiership's top scorer but his 79 points in Magical Managers puts him top of the players league. The three teams that top their respective divisions this month all have him in their strike force.

**Division One:** Tom 'Bobby Robson' Bishop has climbed to top spot this month. After so many seasons of just missing out on the big prizes, he's hoping this year to hold off the likes of Flying Forest who are proving difficult to shift. 'Lard Man' Lanyon holds steady in third.

1. MAYBEES - Tom Bishop - 238 pts
2. FLYING FOREST - Kevin Honey - 230 pts
3. NO 'F' IN MANCHESTER - Chris Lanyon - 211 pts

**Division Two:** Fly Navy have torpedoed the opposition and have a 43 pt lead at the top. With teams struggling to keep up behind, Les Honey's well laid battle plans hope to keep the rest at bay.

1. FLY NAVY - Les Honey - 214 pts
2. DAVIDSTOW DREAMERS - John Clement - 171 pts
3. W G AFC - Terry Driver - 166 pts

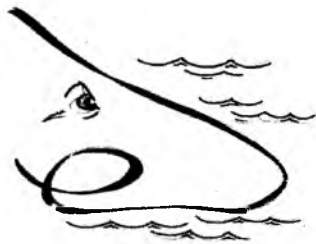
**Division Three:** It's a family affair at the top of Division Three with Grandma Honey leading her grandson Duane by 6 pts. Let's hope it doesn't end in tears!!

1. THE TELETUBBIES - Margaret Honey - 233 pts
2. SILLY BILLY WANDERERS - Duane Cock - 227 pts
3. FALLDOWNERS - Bill Bissett - 216 pts

PLAYER OF THE MONTH - MUZZY IZZET - Leicester City

\* TRANSFER WINDOW OPENS DECEMBER 1st \*

*Kevin & Paul*



# Lobber's Point

who would spread the black propaganda over the parish.

There is an established etiquette to gossiping. Rule

number one is not to seem over keen to spread it, rather like in this recently overheard conversation:

"Have you heard .....?"

"What?"

"Never mind ....."

"Go on!"

"No, I can't. I mustn't!"

"Look, you can't begin a yarn and not finish. That isn't fair."

"Oh, all right then. Well, ....." and so on.

Rule number two is the oath of confidentiality. "No, I shan't tell a soul". No, except of course your immediate family, closest friend, possibly the Trio and in this modern age post it on the internet.

Rule number three is always do it being people's backs. Let's be honest, if you do it to their faces it could be too upsetting for them.

Oh, and I nearly forgot, rule number four. If you haven't got anything nice to say, you're best to keep quiet, hide behind your twitching curtains and keep your nasty thoughts to yourself!

By the way, before I forget, did I tell you about her down the lane? You know who I mean. Yes, her with the tray of chapel buns and skirt up her backside. Whatever is it like? I remember her mother. Her was no better, by gar. I could tell you a few things about that party ..... but, I can't. I mustn't. It wouldn't be right.....

Oh, go on then. But it'll be in the next issue and you are not to tell a soul. Until then, let 'em get on with it.

*Your roving correspondent,  
Lobber*

There are many activities that are no doubt common to most small villages – the darts team, WI, garden society, football and cricket club. But there is one that is at the hub of every village's activities. It involves young and old, men and women and can whip up a degree of excitement that nothing else can. No, I am not referring to sex, although you will see that it may be connected. **It is gossip.**

Gossip falls into two broad categories. Firstly, there is malicious gossip upon which I will not dwell, for it is hurtful and dangerous and best not said or listened to.

But then there is the infinitely less harmful, often quite delicious tittle-tattle that one is often forced to listen to. If challenged it would be difficult to differentiate between a frivolous interest in the business of others, mischief making or nasty maliciousness – one man's meat is another man's poison.

Over the years Port Isaac has produced some gossips of legendary proportions and whatever hurt accompanies their musings has been lost in the mists of time. What about old Dr Trevan? He even went to the trouble of writing down all the sordid and salacious village gossip in the last century, even down to poisoned pen portraits of various villagers. Yet today we view his writings with amusement and they are viewed as historical documents. Yesterdays gossip, today's history?

Well remembered being grilled weekly by a local shopkeeper from whom it was impossible to escape. She did not torture me for information, but gently, incisively and incessantly slipped past questions through my guard until I had spilled all my beans. She would only lose interest when another victim, sorry customer, came in. She could have been such a successful interrogator had MI5 ever given her the chance – a sort of Danish Mata Hari in a shop apron. Once her interrogations had been completed, I believe she confided in her friends (a sort of Saga Mafia)

## The big switch on

'Switch on' night – Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup> – is fast approaching. The St Breward Band will be joining us and Fishermen's Friends will be leading the carol singing.

We realise that it is a busy time for everyone but when you gentlemen (and ladies) are baking don't forget that we need sausage rolls and mince pies for that night. Also red wine, red wine and even more red wine!!

Steve Hewitt has been a great help liaising with SWEB and getting the best deal from his suppliers. Thanks a lot Steve.

We need a team of helpers to erect the lights, probably over the weekend of December 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> – weather permitting. Anyone with a head for heights on a wobbly ladder can apply and enjoy bacon butties and a pint in the Lion for lunch.

Donations are still coming in including £25 from Saul Sufi, £200 from Richard & Helen Slade of Surrey and No 1 The Folly, £35 from the Sveass Family of 84 Fore Street



and £20 from Ken Drury and family. We also have two more bottles of Royal Salut donated as raffle prizes by 'Decca Dave'.

Donations, made payable to 'Port Isaac Illuminations' to me please at 86 Fore Street. Food and wine for 'Switch On' night to me or to the Lion, please.

Many thanks in anticipation of a successful night.

*Pat Sweet  
Telephone: 01208 880130*

# Parish Council Meeting

Extracts from notes taken from the Parish Council Meetings held on September 27<sup>th</sup> and October 11<sup>th</sup>, kindly supplied by Robin Penna.

## OPPOSITION FOR CAR PORT

The kitchen of the Church Rooms was packed when the PC met to discuss plans for the demolition of the single-storey flat-roofed porch and erection of a new porch and car deck at Halwyn House, Roscarrock Hill for Mr & Mrs A T Marriot who also want to raise the boundary stone wall on Roscarrock Hill and to the cliff side of the property. The PC does not support the application, and has sent a digest of the comments made along with copies of all letters received to the Department of Planning and Development. Letters have also been sent to important people and organisations seeking their support for the opposition to the plan.

## MARINE WILDLIFE

Before the planning part of the meeting, Joanne Oke, from North Cornwall Heritage Coast and Countryside Service, gave a talk about the work of the Polzeath Voluntary Marine Wildlife Group.

## ABOLISH PARISH COUNCILS?

In his Chairman's Report, David Phelps referred to newspaper articles in the Sunday papers that spoke of a possible future government decision to abolish parish councils.

## TRELIGHTS CLIMBING FRAME

When Dave Dingle came to fit the new rubber base for the climbing frame at Trelights, dimensions from the suppliers turned out to be incorrect. Dave has now re-measured the base and will supply the rubber base accordingly.

## NEWS OF THE NEW PLAYING FIELD AWAITED

The PC is still waiting for a report from St Endellion Recreation Committee on the progress with plans for the new playing field.

## FIREWORKS

The fireworks have arrived and Ron Holmes will be running the November 6<sup>th</sup> display at Port Gaverne on behalf of the PC as usual.

## COASTAL FOOTPATH WALL

The badly damaged coastal footpath wall has been examined and a report produced on the

repairs needed. This will be discussed next month.

## ERRANT BALLS

The Playing Field Committee has inspected the situation at the Playing Field where a fence has been requested to protect the adjacent property from stray balls and stones being thrown into the garden. George Steer of the St Endellion Recreation Committee was invited to attend and advise how plans for the new Playing Field might affect any decisions made.

## CONSERVATION AREA

Georgina McClaren, NCDC Historic Buildings Officer will attend the 'planning' meeting on Monday November 22<sup>nd</sup> to talk to the PC about an Article IV Planning Order in connection with the Port Isaac Conservation Area.

## CAR PARK AT NORTHCLIFFE

The PC has written to the Department of Planning and Development about the Northcliffe Additional Car Parking Area in Roscarrock Hill, and asked if all the conditions of the 1997 planning application had been complied with and whether the Planning Officers were happy that the appearance of the car park was in harmony with an Outstanding Conservation Area.

## LICK OF PAINT?

The notice board on the Liberal Club will be examined by members of the Seat Committee who will decide whether it needs repairing and re-painting.

## TEAGUE'S PIT (TAG'S PIT)

Dave Dingle is to be asked to look at the condition of the railing from the Main down to Teague's Pit and to report back. This item will be discussed at the November meeting.

## OVERGROWTH ON WALL

The Duchy of Cornwall Clerk has been asked if the coastal protection wall below 'Little Hill' is their responsibility. The top is very overgrown but before any action can be taken ownership needs to be ascertained.

## MOBILE LIBRARY

The PC has received a letter complaining that the library bus no longer stops outside the Old School Hotel. The library has been asked for an explanation.

## NO MORE 'MOBI'

The mobile recycling operation is to be phased out and a discussion will

take place at the November meeting about the siting of recycling facilities in Trelights. One suggestion is to make use of the parking area at the Barton.

## UNDERGROUNDING WIRES

A letter has been received from British Telecom stating **BT policy** regarding distribution of **costs** when requests are made for the undergrounding of cables. It is hoped that if it becomes **possible** to bury the electricity cables then the telephone wires could be dealt with at the same time to minimise cost and disruption of the streets.

## SCHOOL MILLENNIUM MAP

A letter has been received from Port Isaac County Primary School describing the production of a Millennium Map. How the PC can co-operate with this will be discussed in November.

## SIGNS AT ST ENDELLION

The PC heard that the 'drive carefully' signs at St Endellion had been placed so far from the actual village because the rumble strips created noise and were never placed nearer to nearby dwellings than 100-120m.

Our District & Parish Councillor, Bill Dawe, can be contacted on 01208 880253

# Basic first aid for all

Could you cope if there was an accident or a medical emergency?

Probably not. There is however, an opportunity to obtain some first aid training by joining the St John's Ambulance Brigade. The local group meets every Wednesday in the St John's Hall on Clease Road in Camelford - 6.15pm for juniors and 7.30pm for adults.

Membership of St John's is very low in and around Port Isaac. If there is enough support a first-aid course could be put on at Port Isaac School. Attendance is once a week for four weeks and culminates in an exam (optional). Cost of the course is £25 per person. Interested? Then contact either Barbara Tyson on 01840 213566 or Margaret Mules on 01840 212144.

# Backalong

Looking back 36 years ...

*What happened was -*

On November 16<sup>th</sup> 1963, fishing vessel Dawn was hauling pots north of Tintagel Head when the weather deteriorated with a NW gale and heavy swell. There was concern that the Dawn was overdue as all the other boats had returned to the harbour.

Padstow lifeboat, Joseph Hiram Chadwick, was at that time on exercise in the Camel Estuary and

was tasked by the Port Isaac Coastguard to search for the Dawn. The lifeboat located her making her way across Port Isaac Bay in heavy conditions and escorted her safely back to harbour.

The Dawn was crewed by Jack and Cyril Spry with David Castle jnr (aged 12). David said that it was not until they saw the Padstow Lifeboat (which was twice the length of the Dawn) being tossed about by the heavy swell, that they realised how much the weather had worsened.

*From our man in Fuerteventura,  
David Castle*

*Next month: the Greek shipwreck at Port Quin.*

# RNLI Christmas Coffee Morning

Come to the RNLI's Christmas Coffee Morning. The date - Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup>; the time - 10.30am; the place - the Castle Rock Hotel.

Get into the Christmas spirit with a glass of mulled wine and home baked mince pies and buy your Christmas cards and stocking fillers. As usual there will be the RNLI home baked cake stall, a bring and buy stall and a raffle.



We would like to thank John & Marion Henderson, the new owners of the Castle Rock, for inviting us to their Hotel.

*The Committee*

# The Road to Damascus

*Green Fingered Lil has recently visited Damascus - hence no gardening column. Instead, here are some of her views of the country.*

Syria is a country rich in archaeological remains and is said by many to be the cradle of civilisation - the first known form of writing was found there. It is a vast country, mainly desert, sparsely inhabited. There must be many ancient cities waiting to be discovered that are lying under the sand that blows over them in the ever-present wind! However, even in the desert there are some Bedouin encampments. In some areas there is heavy cultivation with acres and acres of cotton. There does not seem to be a water problem as, even in the desert, there are irrigation systems and pumps. The Bekar Valley has always been very fertile - in Roman times it was the granary of the Empire. Nowadays it is not so well cultivated.

Driving through the Syrian Desert in a luxury coach is quite an experience although a bit monotonous. To the Roman Legions it must have seemed as if their journey would never end and when they eventually looked down on the oasis at Palmyra it must have looked like heaven with all the great buildings rising amongst the palm trees. Fresh dates from these palm trees are still sold - and very good they are too.

The Syrian people are so friendly and we've enthusiastically as you go by. You never feel threatened in the towns or the souks (covered markets) which are crowded and sell everything you could ever want. In the souk in Damascus I really felt I was walking through history - it has been there since time immemorial with a large Roman arch leading to the Great Mosque. Western ladies visiting the mosque have to wear hooded cloaks to enter the interior.

The majority of Syrian women wear the traditional dress and cover their heads and mouths and in some cases are

completely veiled - though judging by the clothes in the shops I imagine their private image is very different! The most incongruous thing I saw was a very smartly dressed girl in the traditional long dress and head well covered carrying a mobile phone and driving away in her car! The best of both worlds I suppose.

I only had a glimpse of the country but just to say the names of some of the towns - Damascus, Aleppo, Palmyra - is to evoke images of the long distant past.

# Your Christmas greetings in Trio

Christmas is coming and it's time to think about putting your Christmas greeting in the December issue of Trio (published on the 15th). Basically there are two options - see examples below. Just send in your message - hand it in to Secrets or post it through the door - and payment (cheques made payable to Trio) to arrive with us by **Wednesday December 1st.**

**A - £2.50**

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my friends in Port Isaac from Fred Bloggs

**B - £5.00**

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my friends in Port Isaac

Fred Bloggs



# A message from Kathie Carney

Thank you to those of you who wrote, phoned or came to see me when I came home from hospital earlier this year. The operation was successful in saving such sight as I have ... 'tis a poor thing but mine own! You all look very blurred around the edges, as if you've had a jolly good lunch!

I'm picking up the pieces of my life and, though it may be some time before I tread the boards myself again, I've taken on the task of voice coach for Camhayle's winter production. My challenge is to make five women from different parts of this island, with different regional accents, sound like five sisters who have lived together all their lives. This is for Brian Friel's enchanting play, 'Dancing at Lughnasa'. Set in the 1930s in Ballybeg, Donegal, the play tells of a brief period in the lives of the five Mundy sisters and their brother Jack.

Performances take place in Wadebridge Town Hall on November 30<sup>th</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup> and December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are available from Record Select in Wadebridge or on the door. In the meantime if you want to know more you can contact me on 816276.

*Kathie Carney*

# CHURCH NEWS

## United Benefice

**Confirmation Classes** - Candidates considering Confirmation by the Bishop of Truro at St Endellion Church in November met for an introductory session led by the Rector. The United Benefice Confirmation Service, to which everyone is welcome, will take place on Tuesday November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7.00pm.

**Mothers' Union** - Mrs Penny Stranack from Stratton was the guest speaker at the September meeting in St Endellion Church Hall. She spoke on the use of the five senses in worship.

**Other Faiths** - A glimpse at the beliefs and practices of six world religions was presented by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector and the Revd Judith Pollinger, Curate to Mothers' Union members at their October meeting. The speakers focused on marriage customs and rites and family life.

**Julian Meeting** - The October Julian Meeting for silent prayer and contemplation was held by candlelight in St Endellion Church and led by Mrs Pat Hardman.

**Workshop** - Seven workshops on different forms of contemplative prayer were held during a Christian Spirituality day held at Feock Vicarage on Saturday October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Revd Canon Donald Allchin, former Canon of Canterbury Cathedral and a well-known writer on theology and contemporary spirituality, gave two talks. The workshop on Julian Meetings was led by the Revd Judith Pollinger.

**Service of Praise** - A service of praise for Bible Sunday was devised and led by Rear-Admiral Alec Weir, Diocesan Warden of Readers and Lay Canon of Truro Cathedral, in St Kew Church.

**Healing Eucharist** - The Healing Group met in St Endellion Church on the first Wednesday in October. The Rector presided and the service was led by Mrs Pamela Nash. They shared in the laying on of hands with Mrs Ceinwen Greenwood. The gospel was read by the Curate.

A eucharist for healing which included the laying on of hands was held in St Peter's Church, Port Isaac on Wednesday October 20<sup>th</sup>. The Curate presided and readers were Mrs Tren Rush and Mrs Julia Mitchell. Mrs Pat Hardman shared in the laying on of hands.

**World Mental Health Day** - Mental health was the theme of the monthly service of evening worship by candlelight with music from Taizé held in St Endellion Church on the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. The service was arranged and led by the Curate and readings, prayers and a meditation focused on issues raised by World

Mental Health Day. Lessons were read by the Rector, who was also cantor for the psalm, and by Mrs Sandra Warne.

## Port Isaac

**Harvest Auction** - The Harvest auction of produce and goods brought to St Peter's Church for harvest thanksgiving services raised £147.

**Sung Eucharist** - The Revd Alan Wainwright presided at the sung eucharist on the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity. Rear-Admiral Alec Weir, Diocesan Warden of Readers and a Lay Canon of Truro Cathedral was the preacher and led prayers of intercession. In the afternoon Kieran Lee Benjamin Hunt was baptised. The sacrament of Holy Baptism was administered by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector.

Special prayers for the victims of the Paddington train crash were offered at the sung eucharist in St Peter's Church on the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity by Mrs Tammy Bengler, who led intercessions. Mr Francis Larkin was server. Children from Sunday School, led by Mrs Rosemary Williams, joined the congregation during the service.

**Family Service** - The story of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden was the theme of the family service held on Sunday October 17<sup>th</sup>. Children from Sunday School, led by Mrs Rosemary Williams, brought the story to life with actions, prayers and songs. Organist was Mr Charlie Honey and sidesperson was Mr Francis Larkin, who also served at the said eucharist which preceded the family service. The Revd Judith Pollinger, Curate presided and led prayers of intercession. Mrs Tammy Bengler read the New Testament lesson.

**Sung Eucharist** - The Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector presided and preached at the sung eucharist on Bible Sunday. Children from Sunday School, led by Mrs Rosemary Williams, joined the congregation during the service. Organist was Mr Charlie Honey.

## St Endellion

**Cider & Pasty Evening** - Roscarrock Manor made a delightful and hospitable setting for a cider & pasty evening organised to raise funds for St Endellion Church. Over £440 was raised. Many took the opportunity to attend and were warmly welcomed by Mr Robert and Mrs Kate Sloman, who were thanked by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector.

**Whist Drives** - Whist Drives to raise funds for the Church Hall were held in September and October.

**Annual School Visit** - Many pupils and staff from Kingshott School, Devon paid their annual visit to North Cornwall

and shared in the sung eucharist held in St Endellion Church on the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. They were welcomed by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector, who presided and gave an address about worship and prayer which involved the youngsters. Lessons were read, the offertory brought up and the collection taken and presented by pupils from the school. Bells rang out before the well-attended service.

**Yews for the Millennium** - Mr Roger Richards and Mr Tom Warne, churchwardens, were among many appointed to receive a Millennium yew on behalf of their Church at a special service in Truro Cathedral. The Rt Revd William In'd Bishop of Truro dedicated and distributed the yews which will be planted at a later date at ceremonies in the parishes. The trees have been struck from existing yews that are estimated to be over 1000 years old.

**Twins Baptised** - The twin son and daughter of Mr & Mrs Richard Hambly were baptised on Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup> by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector. Names given were Harry George Mc Donald Hambly and Holly Jade Hambly. Their grandmother, Mrs Gwen Hambly is treasurer of St Endellion Parochial Church Council.

**Another Double Baptism** - Two children were baptised during the sung eucharist on Bible Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup>. They were Charles Albert Young of Ferndown, Dorset and Hugo Richards Roads of Trelights.

One of the new services of Christian Initiation was used. The Revd Judith Pollinger, Curate presided at the eucharist and administered the sacrament of Holy Baptism, assisted by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, Rector, who welcomed the large congregation which included the godparents and families of the two candidates. Posies of flowers were presented to the children's parents on behalf of the congregation.

**Train Crash Victims Remembered** - Prayers were offered for those who had lost their lives, or who had been injured or bereaved by the Paddington train disaster. Also remembered was Mr Peter Coster, who ministers as a reader in the United Benefice and at St Tudy, St Mabyn and Michaelstow, and who had been taken ill.

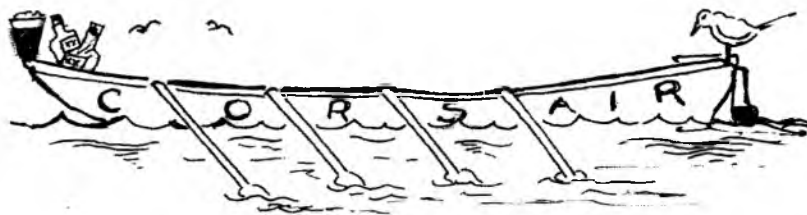
**Saints' Days** - The Feast Days of St Matthew on September 21<sup>st</sup> and St Luke on October 18<sup>th</sup> were celebrated with said eucharists led by the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett and Judith Pollinger.

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# Gig Club news



It was with tremendous sadness that we heard of the sudden death of Rob Gerrish, a member of the club. His untimely death came as a huge shock to his family and friends alike. Our thoughts are with them.

At an Extraordinary General Meeting held last month, the membership voted unanimously in favour of the principle of buying a second gig. We feel it would be a tremendous boost to the club. We could stage more local derby's between clubs and pubs (we've had a lot of interest from those who rowed for the Masons Arms, Camelford in the George Moth Shield event held last summer). We could give our junior teams a better start and hopefully encourage more members by cutting down on beach waiting time!! But we could also practically improve our own race performance, building on the stamina that only comes with race practise - at all levels.

We are the only Cornish Gig Club not to own at minimum a second gig, a huge disadvantage that places us in poor position to compete effectively. For our purposes there is little point in purchasing another gig which outclasses our beloved Corsair. We

need another gig of similar weight so the two can compete on an equal footing. To realise this proposal we are planning a fundraising strategy as well as having completed an application for lottery funding. Watch this space! We need to raise approximately £5,000 - to include the cost of new paddles, lifejackets etc.

Next month sees several events. On Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup> we shall as usual supply the barbeque in

support of the firework display at Port Gaverne. Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup> is our AGM followed, on Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup>, by the social event of the year - the Rowing Club's Buffet & Dance at the Castle Rock Hotel, Port Isaac at 7.30pm.

Tickets are a snip at £15, available from Elaine Brown on 880477 or Claire Jon on 851448. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Nicola

## RNLI station news



Yet again a very quiet month - no service calls to add to the mere six so far this year - the lowest on record since the station re-opened in 1967.

Mike Edkins, Kevin Dingle and Paul Pollington have all been on holiday to Spain, courtesy of Richard Branson, as part of their award earlier in the year. On the day of their return to London, Mike and

Kevin were invited to an evening reception hosted by HM the Queen at Buckingham Palace. They were joined there by Ken Richards.

There is a vacancy for a shore helper/boathouse keeper; anyone interested? See me please.

Ted Childs, Station Hon Sec

### Obituary

#### Robert Donald Gerrish

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden death of Rob Gerrish. His funeral was held at St. Andrew Church on Friday October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Rob had lived, with his family, at Lower Trewethen, Trelill for some 15 years. He was one of the original members of the Port Isaac branch of the BDMLR (British Divers Marine Life Rescue) Group and regularly visited and helped out at the Seal Sanctuary in Week. Rob loved the sea, all things and country pursuits and was a keen rider and helper with Riding for the Disabled. He was also a member of the Port Isaac Gig Club.

The day before his death Rob was told that he had been accepted as Assistant Boathouse Keeper for the Port Isaac RNLI, a post he was looking forward to taking up.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Rob's family who would like to thank everyone who attended his funeral.

## Cubs bonfire

The Port Isaac Cub pack will be constructing a beacon bonfire for Millennium night. It is to be situated on top of Lobber Field, overlooking the village, and should thus be visible from most places in Port Isaac. We are very fortunate to have the kind permission of the farmer, Mr Robert Sloman, to site it there and would like to take this opportunity to thank him.

We thought it would be nice if every household in the village were able to contribute a little something to the bonfire - just a piece of kindling wood or even a screwed up news-

paper would be fine. So later on we'll be coming around to collect from your home! Then it really will be our fire. More on this later.

Dean, Jenny, Wendy and Jon PS Nearer the time, anyone with a trailer or pick-up truck able to help would be great.

## David picked for county squad

Port Isaac boy David Provis, aged 14, has been picked for the Cornwall Under 14s County Rugby Squad.

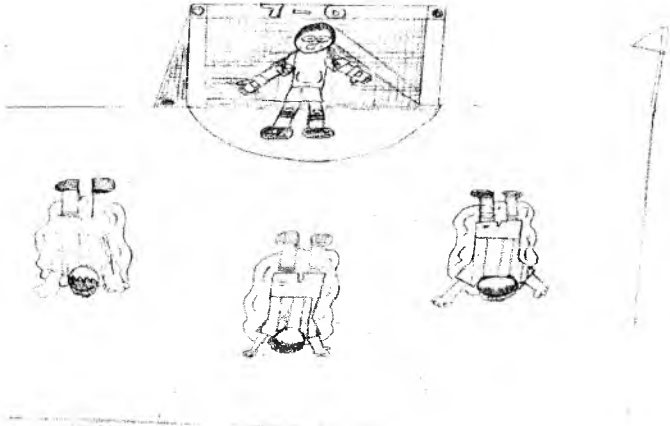
Said his proud father, Mark Provis who is a qualified rugby union coach, 'Both David and his younger brother Michael have been playing rugby since they were about five years old, first in Wadebridge and now for St Austell'. David, who now lives in Fowey, will attend special squad training at venues throughout the county.

The Friends of Port Isaac School would like to thank all those who took part in the quiz night at the school. Thank you to Bess Coates for setting the questions, Richard Hambly for being our quiz master, Jan for doing the scoring and all the teams who entered. We raised £179 towards the very successful 'Jungle Jim' at school.

# schoolchat....

news and views from Port Isaac School

## Football tournament



*drawn by Charlie Guard*

On Sunday the 10th October we had a football tournament at Port Isaac playing field.

We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Pitt and all the supporters for giving us their time. St Tudy came 1st, St Kew came 2nd and Port Isaac came 3rd, so that's our tournament.

## Question quiz?

On Saturday the 9th of October the friends of the school ran a quiz night up at Port Isaac School. Mrs Pitt's team came first.

Thank you to all that attended the quiz night and a big thank you to the Friends of the School for organising it to raise funds.

## RNLI Visitors

On Wednesday the 13th of October, Ted Childs and Nicky Bradbury came to Port Isaac school to talk about the lifeboat. Nicky got dressed in the lifeboat uniform and it took her 47 seconds to get dressed into it.

All of Port Isaac school says a big thank you to Ted and Nicky.

The school had it's harvest festival on October the 20th. It was held on the Platt on a

## Harvest Festival

lovely sunny afternoon. Everyone sang songs and read poems.

Father Michael said a blessing at the end.

## Thankyou

We would like to say a big thank you to all the helpers who come in to school.

## Christmas is coming

We have the school Christmas play coming up on Wednesday December 15th, so please come along.

It will be a great success down at St Peters Church.

*This month's Schoolchat reporters were Cerin Penny, Charlotte Wells and William Rowe.*

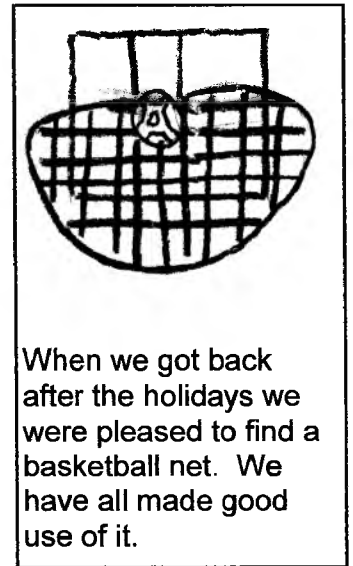
Dear Trio readers,

We are very glad that we were the people who got chosen to write Schoolchat for this November issue.

We hope you like it and it keeps your interest knowing what goes on in school.

Thank you very much

Cerin, Charlotte and William.



When we got back after the holidays we were pleased to find a basketball net. We have all made good use of it.

## Time capsule

Sam came in to school to talk about the millennium and how we are having a village clock. The school are putting together things to go into a time capsule that will be next to the clock.



# Shootout agony in School Football Tournament

Chris Dawe,  
Josh Kernow,

Andrew Grills, Daniel Grills.

Defeat in a dramatic semi-final penalty shootout cost Post Isaac School a place in the final of their own tournament. The competition was held at the local playing fields on Sunday October 10<sup>th</sup> in front of an excited crowd of parents and children. Port Isaac can be very proud of the performances of its young lads and lasses.

Teams represented local schools from St Teath, St Kew, St Tudy and two from Camelford and Port Isaac, forming two groups with the top two from each group progressing to a semi-final.

In Group One, Port Isaac A played and beat Camelford B 5-1 and St Teath 7-0 with goals from Andrew Grills (6), Josh Kernow (3), Josh Grills (2) and Daniel Grills (1). In their third match, despite creating loads of chances, they failed to score and lost 1-0.

In Group Two, Port Isaac B did not fare quite so well and suffered heavy defeats against two good sides in St Tudy and Camelford A and consequently failed to qualify further.

The first semi-final, between St Kew and Camelford A was very close and despite two minutes of extra time went into penalties. St Kew stuck away their penalties with great confidence and ran out 3-0 winners to gain their place in the final.

Then came the turn of Port Isaac A versus St Tudy which saw both teams carve out some good chances which neither team were able to convert. The two teams were very evenly matched as the final score of 0-0 proved. The penalties were just as tense and after each player had

taken one each the teams were still level. Unfortunately, as the match moved into sudden death, Port Isaac missed the vital penalty and St Tudy progressed to the final. In the third and fourth place play off, Port Isaac lifted their spirits to beat Camelford A 1-0 with Andrew Grills, the top scorer in the tournament, scoring the winning goal.

The final itself was just as tight with St Tudy eventually beating a good St Kew side 1-0, Dale Beesley of St Tudy scoring the decisive goal.

School headmistress Kate Pitt presented the winners trophy, donated by cleaning firm Blue Ribbon, to St Tudy captain Dale Beesley, with all team players receiving medals donated by Sharron Whitcomb.

The Port Isaac teams were: A - Charlie Guard, Josh Grills,

B - Jack Brewer, Lucy Cotton, Stephen Coates, Jake Pattenden, James Strout, Mark Grimmitt, Leo Whitcomb.

Kevin Grills

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## Quick and easy

We seem to live in a world where time becomes increasingly precious. I remember the day after my dishwasher arrived, my husband came home from work and asked me how I had spent all the extra time I had gained from not washing the dishes. I just don't know. All I do know is that I am forever chasing around looking for those extra minutes.

With Christmas coming next month, I, like so many, will be running around in circles in preparation of the festival. It is always a good idea to have some easy yet interesting dishes which can be produced without too much time and effort. Here are a couple that I rely on.

### That Chicken Dish

4 chicken portions  
1 large green pepper, deseeded & sliced  
110g/4oz mushrooms, sliced  
1 tin condensed tomato soup  
150ml/¼pt yoghurt or double cream

#### Method

Place the chicken joints in a suitable dish. Scatter the green pepper and sliced mushrooms over the chicken. Spread the condensed tomato soup over the top. Cover with a tight fitting lid or tin foil. Cook in a pre heated oven 180°C/350°F/gas4 for 1 hour. Stir in the yoghurt or cream, return to the oven for 5 minutes and serve with boiled rice and tossed salad leaves.

The next recipe is unbelievable. It is Australian and given to me by my

daughter. It defies all standard cookery rules but it works! It gives the appearance of a pastry flan. Why not experiment with other fillings. Potatoes, mushrooms and sweet peppers topped with grated cheese would be excellent, as would asparagus and grated cheese. The possibilities are endless. This is the combination I most regularly use.

### Miraculous Flan

5 eggs  
60g/2oz flour  
60g/2oz softened butter  
1 small onion finely sliced  
1 small can red salmon  
60g/2oz grated Cheddar cheese

#### Method

Whisk either by hand or in a processor, the eggs, flour and butter. Pour into a 20cm/8inch flan dish. Flake the salmon over the top and then cover with the onion. Cover with the grated cheese. Cook in a pre heated oven at 180°C/350°F/gas4 for 40mins or until golden and firm.

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## New Years Eve at the Lion

Just a reminder that entry to the 'Lion' on New Years Eve will be ticket only (priced £1 each with all proceeds going to village charities). Doors will open at 8.00pm and will close at 10.30pm. This year's fancy dress theme will be 'Your Favourite Character from the 20<sup>th</sup> Century'.

For tickets - name, address and phone number in an envelope with your payment to the Lion.

# Wild about Port Isaac

Just after sending in last month's article, those American Monarch butterflies turned up in great numbers in southern England, mostly in Cornwall, but all were on the south coast. In the largest influx ever recorded, several hundred were seen on the weekend of 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> September, having been brought over with the tail end of Hurricane Floyd. Alas, their foodplant (Milkweed) is not found here, so they will not survive. The Monarch is spreading from the USA, and has island-hopped the Pacific Ocean to reach Australia, New Zealand and the East Indies as far as Java. Since the middle of the last century, it has also been known from the Azores and Canary Isles, where a closely related Milkweed species is used as a foodplant. It probably arrived from America via hurricanes, and is now spreading into southern Spain.

Those same winds which brought the Monarchs also blew in some oceanic wanderers. A Portuguese

man o'war, renowned for its ferocious sting, was washed up on Port Gaverne beach on 6<sup>th</sup> October. Although superficially like a jellyfish, it is actually a colony of thousands of different organisms, some specialising in feeding, some in stinging, and some in reproduction. In the largest stranding for almost 50 years, there have been over 100 reports of this creature being washed up all along the north coast of Cornwall and into Devon.

Large numbers of By-the-wind-sailors also came ashore at Port Gaverne. These look like a small blue jellyfish, an inch or two across, with a distinctive fin to catch the wind and blow them around the oceans.

In amongst the seaweed, and clearly of American origin, was a plastic bottle with many Goose Barnacles attached to

it - a sure sign of having been drifting in the Atlantic for years. The name Goose Barnacle comes from the fanciful resemblance of the barnacle to the neck and head of a goose, and the ancient belief that it could transform into the goose known as the Barnacle Goose.

An impressively large moth was found by Mark Townsend in September. Over two inches in length with a mottled grey wing pattern and a pink and black striped body, it was the rare immigrant Convolvulus Hawkmoth. These fly north from Africa, a small number reaching southern Britain in most years. Like the Humming Bird Hawkmoth, it can feed on the wing by hovering in front of a flower. Usually arriving in the autumn, it is most readily seen just after dusk feeding on the flowers of tobacco plants, which are its favourite. Jack Hill was surprised to find a huge caterpillar by his fuchsia bush. This was from another hawkmoth, the Elephant Hawkmoth. The caterpillar is very large, almost four inches long, and with prominent eye-spots. When disturbed it swells up to make the eye-spots bulge and sways its front end to look like a menacing snake. This bluff invariably scares off potential predators. In autumn, the caterpillar pupates below its foodplant, usually fuchsia, to emerge next June as a pretty bronzy green and pink moth.

If you do come across anything interesting, please give me a ring on 880106.

*Malcolm Lee*

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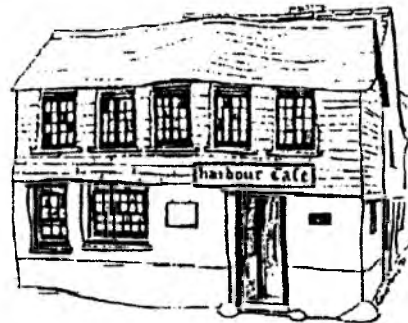
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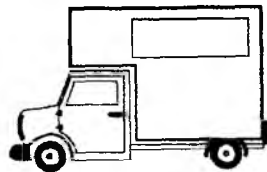
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**Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Port Isaac RNLI Christmas  
Coffee Morning at The  
Castle Rock Hotel -  
10.30am

Annual Fireworks and  
Bonfire on Port Gaverne Beach -  
6.00pm. Everybody  
welcome.

**Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Golden Circle meeting - Talk with  
slides by the North Cornwall  
Heritage Coast Service - in the  
Cornish Café - 2.30pm. Everybody  
welcome to what promises to be an  
interesting afternoon

**Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Curry Evening and Sing-a-long at  
Port Isaac Pottery for Port Isaac  
2000 (including the draw of the Port  
Isaac 2000 Grand Raffle) - 7.30pm

**Sunday November 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Remembrance Sunday Service in St  
Peter's Church - 10.45am

**Tuesday November 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Whist Drive in St Endellion Church  
Hall - 7.30pm

**Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Silent Auction at Bodannon Farm -  
7.30pm. Tickets £6.00 to include  
hot supper - available from Katrina  
Gill (880465) or Pam Richards  
(880381). In aid of St Endellion  
Church Funds

**Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Christmas Mini Market in St Peters  
Church Hall

Port Isaac Rowing Club Dinner &  
Dance at the Castle Rock Hotel -  
7.30pm

**Sunday November 28<sup>th</sup>**  
United Benefice Advent Carol  
Service in St Peters Church -  
6.00pm

**Friday December 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Port Isaac School Christmas Fayre in  
the School Hall - 3.15pm

North Cornwall Conservative  
Association Turkey Supper at St  
Endellion Church Hall

**Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Cajun Christmas Party in the Village  
Hall - raising funds for Port Isaac  
2000 - 7.30pm

**Monday December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
The Carn Awn Singers in Concert in  
Trelights Chapel at 7.30pm,  
followed by supper. Proceeds to  
Chapel funds

# diary dates

**Tuesday December 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Annual Bingo in aid of the mentally  
handicapped in the Church Rooms,  
Port Isaac - 7.30pm

**Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Port Isaac Pottery Sale - one day  
only

Big Switch-on of the new Port Isaac  
Christmas Lights with the St  
Breward Silver Band. Carol singing  
led by the Fishermen's Friends.  
Mulled wine and mince pies.  
Everybody welcome - 6.30pm

**Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Port Isaac School Christmas Play in  
St Peter's Church - 7.00pm

**Friday December 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Last day of school term

**Sunday December 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Carol Service in St Kew Church

**Tuesday December 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Whist Drive with Christmas prizes in  
St Endellion Church Hall - 7.30pm

**Wednesday December 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
Carol Service in St Endellion Church

**Friday December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
Christingle Service in St Peters  
Church - 3.00pm  
Midnight Communion in St Peters  
Church - 11.30pm

**New Years Eve**  
Official Switch on of the Port Isaac  
Millennium Clock - Midnight

**SATURDAY JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup> 2000**  
A short service and presentation of  
mugs to the children of St Endellion  
Parish in St Peters Church - 12noon

**Tuesday January 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Back to school

**Tuesday January 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Whist Drive in St Endellion Church  
Hall - 7.30pm

**Tuesday February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Whist Drive in St Endellion Church  
Hall - 7.30pm

**Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Hospice Day 2000, in support of  
Mount Edgcombe Hospice, in the  
Church Rooms - Sale starts at  
10.30am; Lunch at 12noon -  
something for everyone

## REGULAR MEETINGS

**Parents & Toddlers** -  
every Thursday (not during  
school holidays) from  
10.00am to 12noon in the  
Village Hall. Contact  
Amanda Aldridge on 01208 880414

**Cubs** - Every Tuesday from 6.30pm  
- 8.00pm in the Village Hall. All 8-  
10 year olds welcome. Contact  
Sharron on 01208 880305

**Youth Club** - Every Thursday  
evening from 7.00pm-9.30pm in the  
Village Hall. Contact Jill McDonnell  
on 01208 880031

**Port Isaac Chorale** - Every Tuesday  
from 8.00pm-10.00pm in St  
Endellion Church Hall (third  
Tuesday in every month at Port  
Isaac School). Contact Janet  
Townsend on 01208 880505

**Local History Group** - The first  
Friday in the month in the  
Penhaligon Room. Contact George  
Steer on 01208 880754

**Carn Awn Singers** - Every Monday  
at 8.00pm in Trelights Chapel.  
Contact Joan Murray on 01208  
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**Golden Circle** - Meet on the second  
Thursday of every month in the  
Cornish Café at 2.30pm. Contact  
Sheila Jarvis on 880726

## REGULAR CHURCH SERVICES

**St Peter's Church, Port Isaac** -  
Every Sunday at 10.00am (times  
vary when Family Services are held -  
see Notice Board)  
**St Endellion** - Every Sunday at  
11.00am  
**Trelights Methodist Church** -  
Sunday Service 6.00pm; Fellowship  
Service - last Thursday in the month  
at 7.00pm

## PORT ISAAC FOOTBALL FIXTURES

**Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup>** - Altarnum  
(away) - Div 1 League  
**Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup>** -  
St Mawgan (away) - Div 1 Cup  
**Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>** -  
St Dennis (away) - Div 1 League  
**Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup>** -  
Mevagissey (home) - Div 1 League

