



TRIO

The Port Isaac, Port Gaverne and Trelights newsletter
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Grab your partner by the hand

The festive season in Port Isaac begins on December 9th with the Village Christmas Party and Barn Dance in the Village Hall. Following last year's success, the 'Cavaliers' from Bude are making a return appearance. Everyone will have the same chance to try and remember the steps and instructions and make fools of themselves.

It will be Port Isaac 2000's last but one event so don't miss this chance to join in the celebrations.

Tickets, priced £5 each, include supper and can be purchased from Secrets or Janet Chadband on 880262. As usual, numbers are limited, so don't leave it until the

last minute to get your ticket. The bar opens at 7.30pm and the dancing will start soon afterwards. A night not to be missed.

'Wear your poppy with pride'

House-to-House collectors will be knocking on your door up until November 11th. The Armistic Day Service will be held in St Peter's Church on November 12th at 10.45am.

*A Chadband
Honorary Organiser*

*'When you go home,
tell them
of us and say, for
your tomorrow we
gave our today'*

The Royal British Legion is the leading charity safeguarding the welfare, interests and memory of all those who have served in the armed forces, and their dependants. We get the chance to support the British Legion each November on Poppy Day. The first Poppy Day was held in Britain in 1921.

Why November?

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month
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RNLI Christmas market and Fun Day on the Platt

Father Christmas has promised to come along to the RNLI Christmas Market on the Platt on Sunday December 3rd. He's also promised to bring a present for all the village children.

one-stop Christmas shopping without leaving the village

Carol singers and Christmas music, mulled wine and mince pies, roasted chestnuts, the wheel of fortune, fortune telling, tombolas and raffles (with a very special raffle for a wonderful Christmas hamper full of Port Isaac home-made goodies), cards and presents and a whole new range of Port Isaac RNLI clothes (including rugby and polo shirts, smocks and denim shirts). You could most probably buy all your Christmas presents on the Platt. In addition, R & S Catering will be there making fresh doughnuts.

'if wet, in the village hall'

The fun starts at 12noon and if by any chance it is wet (will there be any rain left to come down by December?) everything will still take place but in the Village Hall instead.

If you need your Christmas cards before then the RNLI stall will be at St Peter's Church Xmas Mini Market and Lunch in the Church Rooms on Saturday November 25th.



Dear Trio

I'm pleased to hear that the 'Men's Coffee Morning' did so well. I fully intend to hold a Stan Summers Party in the Post Office shortly.

PMG

Dear Trio

I am writing hoping that some Trio readers may be able to help me with some research I am doing as part of my PhD at the Department of Theology at Birmingham University. I am looking into the relationships between people, nature and God and would like to ground some of the theoretical ideas in reality by discussing these



relationships in the context of the North Cornish Coast as a case history.

I would love to hear from anyone about how they understand their relationship to nature. How does living in or visiting such a beautiful place affect you? Have you known nature to be awesome, terrible or dangerous? Have you witnessed any environmental or ecological problems in the local area? Do you see nature as primarily there to support us humans or is there another dimension to it?

If anyone has any thoughts please could you e-mail me on jpalarkin@hotmail.com or write to me at 38 Jubilee Road, Knowle, Bristol BS4 2LP.

Many thanks

Lucy Larkin

Letters to Trio should be sent to The Editor, Calenia, 3 Trewetha Lane, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RN. We reserve the right to refuse any letters sent.

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in 1918, the First World War ended. Thousands had died, thousands more had been injured and scarred by their horrific experiences. For those who returned home, life would never be the same again.

Why a Poppy?

Flanders and Picardy, areas of Northern France and Belgium, saw some of the most concentrated and bloodiest fighting during the First World War, but the poppy continued to flower each year, giving life, hope and reassurance to an otherwise devastated place.

'In Flanders Fields'

John McCrae, a doctor serving with the Canadian Armed Forces, was deeply moved by what he saw in Northern France, and in 1915 he wrote the following poem:

*In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders' fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe;
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high,
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders' fields.*

Shortly before he died in a military hospital during the War he is said to have murmured, 'Tell them this, if ye break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep'.

Your personal Xmas messages in the next Trio

The Christmas Trio will be published on December 15th.

If you would like to include your own Christmas greeting in this issue you need to start thinking about it now.

Basically there are two options (see examples below). Just send in your message to Secrets (hand it in or put through the letterbox) along with your payment (cheques made payable to Trio) to arrive with us by **NO LATER THAN**

MONDAY DECEMBER 4th.

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

love from Fred Bloggs



CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to James and Penny on their forthcoming wedding



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Record breaking success for the men's debut performance

(Oh ye of little faith!)

You've got to hand it to them, they did quite well really and raised the amazing profit of £525 at the 'Men Only' organised Coffee Morning.

Despite torrential rain the village turned out in droves to enjoy freshly cooked doughnuts ('they taste like real doughnuts' said one surprised customer), bacon rolls, hot coffee and homemade cake and the cake stall. The cake stall, what can you say - there were things on that table to die for! Some real bargains were found on the White Elephant stall and you could even buy bags of firewood. Plus a raffle and 'Guess the Weight of the

Marrow' competition. True to the advance publicity, there was something for everyone.

There were tablecloths and flowers on the tables and they dressed for the occasion - 'chef's whites' took on a whole new meaning!

It was a brilliant atmosphere with everyone enjoying themselves and having a good time and supporting the Village Hall. And, as if that wasn't enough, the men even surpassed themselves when it came to cleaning up afterwards. But let's face it, if it wasn't for the girls spending their money it wouldn't have been the success it was!



Half-term's over and Christmas is fast approaching so it is apt that this Trio has details of lots of pre-Xmas festive events to get you in the mood.

There's Janet C's annual bingo for the mentally handicapped plus this year an extra evening's bingo organised by the Parish Council. Then there's the Church's Xmas Mini-Market with lunch - not to be missed - and the RNLI's Christmas Market and Fun Day on the Platt. Plus the Village Christmas Party and Barn Dance, the Big Switch-on of the Christmas Lights and the Lights in Treights, the School Christmas Fayre and an Evening of Festive Food demonstration, a Christmas Whist Drive for St Endellion Church, plus all the usual carol concerts and special Christmas services. Then add on all the things we've forgotten to mention.

So does that answer the question about what we do here in the winter?

Hopefully there will be time to put together a special Christmas issue of Trio and this will be published on December 15th. The copy date is December 4th. So do any of you have any festive/Christmas stories or articles you would like to include? Maybe a Xmas crossword or quiz? Start putting pen to paper or fingers to keyboard now.

Sam & Dee

More funds for the Village Hall

Another hugely successful Village Hall fundraising event - the Halloween Party & Sixties Night - netted £737. What can we say but thank you to everyone for making the night so good.

Ghouls and ghosties, hippies and sixties chicks turned out in droves and the Hall was rocking right from the start even before Steve and the Applebeats took to the stage. And when they did they were brilliant and if the crowd had had their way the band would have carried on playing right through until daylight.

A bonus was the £30 raised in an impromptu auction for Sam's dreadful fluorescent green striped jacket! Excellent food, people and music - a great Port Isaac night. Here's to the next one!



Date set for next year's Hospice Day

Already it's time to start thinking about next year's Port Isaac Hospice Day for Mount Edgcombe. The date is set - Saturday March 3rd and the Church Rooms are booked.

But next year things are going to be a bit different. There are going to be absolutely NO CLOTHES in the sale. So any clothes you want to get rid of, however good or brand new they are, must be saved and passed on to one of the many jumble sales held in the village.

We're going to concentrate on having the biggest White Elephant Sale ever plus the New Stall, Cake Stall, Household Linen (curtains, blankets etc) Stall, Raffles and Lunches. Janet Chadband and her team will be on duty in the kitchen. Put the date in your diary now, it's going to be a day not to be missed.

It's never too early to start having a clear out but ideally, if you can, hang on to your donations until nearer the time. If you can't then

just give me a ring on 880862 or 880905 and I'll sort something out.

Dee



Planning 'close eye' in Port Isaac to continue

Councillor Peter Davies, Chairman of North Cornwall District Council Planning Committee and Malcolm Price, Deputy Head of Planning, both attended the October Parish Council meeting held in Trelights.

Mr Davies had publicly stated that he is going to keep a 'close eye' on Port Isaac. 'The character of the village has to be retained' he said.

The Planning Committee considers some 70 planning applications at each meeting and in an effort to cut costs now uses videos whenever possible to avoid the expense of site meetings.

Malcolm Price explained that when considering a planning application the appearance of the building, its effect on the surroundings and the work to be done are all taken into account. Listed building applications are solely concerned with the building itself and not the environment. The enforcement procedure is long with ample time at each stage for different parties: authorities, solicitors, building societies etc to consider the evidence. Then there is the right of appeal. Nothing happens overnight.

However, Port Isaac resident and Parish Councillor Bryan Nicholls felt 'it was difficult to believe that the Planning Department considered Port Isaac to be a treasure when it allowed the ugliest buildings in the county to be built in Hillson Close'.

Referring to the recent controversy regarding Boskensa the 'close eye' came into action resulting in the retrospective planning application being turned down. In addition, as David Phelps pointed out, in the case of Boskensa, NCDC officers were prepared to approve the application; it was the actual Planning Committee that turned it down following the intervention of mainly one local person. The same person had originally brought to light the fact that work was being undertaken without planning permission and voiced her objections strongly to the Parish Council, but to no avail.

Summing things up, Peter Davies said, 'I am working hard to try and improve liaison'. In conclusion Malcolm Price added, 'We welcome all consultation but all comments must be based on concrete planning criteria'.

Alteration to local boundaries

Bryan Richards, Andy Penny and Sue Foster recently attended a meeting with representatives of NCDC regarding the alteration to the North Cornwall District Local Plan. Development boundaries around minor villages are being redefined and the two villages to be discussed by our Parish Council at its November meeting are Port Gaverne and Trelights.

REGULAR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - OCTOBER 9th 2000

Nine members attended the meeting.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Nicola Williams voiced her complaints about the lack of interest by the Department of Planning and Development regarding Boskensa and the fact that it was a listed building.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Application 2000/1542 - Modification of Condition 6 to permit residential tuition of six adult students and accommodation in three bedrooms for Mr & Mrs Bell, 24a New Road. Recommended for approval.
- Application 2000/1352 - Telecommunications antenna at Port Gaverne. Application withdrawn.

NOTICES FROM THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- Application 2000/0944 - Erection of new bungalow at Brentons Park, Trelights. Approved.

BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

The PC approved a donation of £80 to the British Legion Wreath Fund.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday November 13th at 7.30pm in St Peter's Church Rooms, Port Isaac.

Note: the Parish Council has not approved this article.

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

Parish Council plans Xmas bingo night

Further to my report last month, tickets are now on sale for our Xmas Draw and early indications seem encouraging.

Plans are proceeding for our Xmas Bingo in the Church Rooms on Tuesday December 12th.

Please support this worthwhile cause, as I am sure you will have a very enjoyable evening with the opportunity of winning some good prizes.

*Bryan Richards
Parish Council Chairman
tel: 01208 880575*

Planning guidelines

Readers of Trio who own properties in the Conservation Area of Port Isaac are reminded that the Parish Council still has some copies of the NCDC booklet 'Port Isaac Design Guidelines'. This was produced to give advice on repairs, extensions and alterations to properties. The Guidelines are also used as a basis for the Council's decisions on planning applications in the Conservation Area.

For a free copy of the booklet (postage 27p first class, 19p second class) please contact the Clerk to St Endellion Parish Council, 9 Dolphin Street, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RJ. Telephone 01208 880292.

Switch-on of Xmas lights

This year's 'Big Switch-on' of the Port Isaac Christmas Lights takes place on Saturday December 16th at 6.30pm with the St Breward Silver Band and carol singing led by members of Fishermen's Friends, the Port Isaac Chorale and the Carn Awn Singers.

no stress for Steve!!

Once again we have a brand new set of lights and the manufacturer's have assured us that, unlike last year, these will withstand whatever the elements throw at them and will light up the village throughout Christmas! So hopefully no more sleepless nights for Steve Hewett!!

help wanted

Bob Monk is in charge of things this year and is looking for those of you

with a head for heights to help put the lights up. Give him a ring on 880651 or catch him down the Boathouse to find out when it's all going to happen. There will be lots of other jobs for those who don't fancy the wobbly ladder bit.

Sausage rolls and mince pies need to miraculously appear in the Golden Lion on the day and also bottles of red wine will be appreciated for the mulled wine.

6.30pm start

Other than that all that is required of you is to turn up in good voice at 6.30pm on the 16th to be amazed and astounded at the brilliance of



Port Isaac's Christmas Lights. See you there.

OBITUARIES

Thomas John Hancock

We were saddened to hear of the death of Mr John Hancock, aged 73 years, of Hill Crest, Church Hill. He died at a Wadebridge Nursing Home after a very long illness.

John was born at St Minver but had resided the greater part of his life in the Port Isaac area. He joined the Navy in his early years and then worked with Philp & Couch at Polzeath. His funeral service and interment was at St Endellion Church on October 3rd. Rev Preb Michael Bartlett officiated.

Sylvia Julian

Port Isaac has lost one of its oldest and much respected residents with the sudden and peaceful death of Mrs Sylvia Julian, aged 86 years, at her home, 'Anvia' on New Road. Sylvia had lived in Port Isaac almost the whole of her life.

A large number of relatives and friends were present at her funeral service and interment at St Endellion on October 13th. We express our sincere sympathy to the family in the loss of a much-loved one.

Patricia Mary Cunningham, 1923-2000

It was with much sadness we heard of the death in Derriford Hospital of Mrs 'Paddy' Cunningham of Valley Cottage, Port Gaverne. A very large congregation attended a Thanksgiving Service on October 7th at St Endellion Church. She will be greatly missed by her many friends. We express our sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

It was with great sadness that Port Isaac Golden Circle heard of the death of Paddy Cunningham. For many years she was Chairman of the Circle and gave not only of her time but also her friendship to many. Throughout the village she always supported charitable events held for good causes. Paddy will be greatly missed by us all. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to John and the family.

Sheila Jarvis, Hon Sec

Paddy Cunningham will long be remembered by the British Legion Poppy Appeal for her sterling and dedicated work over the years. She will be sadly missed by everyone who knew her. Our condolences to her family.

Allan Chadband, Honorary Organiser

John Cunningham and family thank everyone for their kind letters and other expressions of sympathy. Also thanks to the many people who attended the Service of Thanksgiving held at St Endellion Church and those who gave or sent donations to Mount Edgcombe Hospice in memory of Paddy.



Local marine wildlife crisis

Recent local and national publicity has once again highlighted the threat to marine life in the seas off the coast of Britain and particularly around Cornwall. Stocks of the Harbour Porpoise

and Bottlenose Dolphin right down to the sand eel, common shrimp and plankton are all depleted to an extent previously unimagined says a World Wildlife Fund report recently published. The Government needs to act now.

Said Chris Berry, author of the report, 'The seas around Cornwall have one of the richest and most diverse marine habitats and therefore they reflect many of the problems off all Britain's coasts.

'What we are trying to do is to ring a few alarm bells to make people aware of just how serious the situation is.

'We need to act now to make sure that it doesn't get to the stage where problems become irredeemable and what we want brought about is the protection of specific areas so that they can be allowed to recover and prosper.'

Dolphin rescues with a difference

A dolphin has saved the life of a teenager who couldn't swim. The 14-year-old boy fell off his father's boat into the Adriatic. As he panicked and slipped under the waves he felt himself being pushed up. It was a dolphin, known locally as Filippo. The boy grabbed hold of the dolphin and it towed him back to the boat where his father pulled him back on board.

Dolphin rescues such as this are not uncommon. A lady got into difficulty whilst snorkelling in an area of the Indian Ocean visited by sharks. She lost her flippers, panicked, swallowed water and ripped off her mask. Then five dolphins appeared and carried her to the safety of the shoreline breakers.

In another incident a group of diving trainees sailing in the Red Sea saw some dolphins and jumped in to join them. One of the party was attacked by a shark which took chunks out of his thigh and chest. The dolphins scared off the shark by ramming him - something they can do at speeds up to 35mph - and the man was pulled to safety.

Dolphins rammed a shark in the sea around New South Wales. Three boys were surfing alongside a group of 20 dolphins when one of the boys was knocked off his board by the shark. Some of the dolphins swam under the boys whilst the other dolphins rammed the shark until it went away.

A baby was swept away from a coastal village in Bangladesh during a cyclone. He had been given up for dead when rescuers spotted a dolphin holding him in its mouth keeping him clear of the water.

This is not something new. Herodotus tells the story of Arion who was forced by Corinthian sailors to jump overboard but was miraculously rescued by a dolphin who carried him to his intended destination.

It's a strange world. Dolphins seem to have an affinity with man. Yet because of our actions they may soon be no more!

This month in Trio in November 1982

- The PIPs were busily rehearsing their panto, 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'.
- Trio received a congratulatory letter from Cornwall Rural Community Council.
- Port Isaac schoolchildren visited Wadebridge School to sing songs and perform plays about Cornish railways.
- A lunch in aid of the Home Farm Trust and Kidney Patients at the home of Janet Chadband raised £226.
- A Coffee Morning run by Pam Richards at Bodannon Farm raised £167 in aid of Cancer Research.
- A sale organised by Daisy Hicks raised £453 for the Stoke Park Hospital, Bristol and a further £56 was raised by the raffle of a painting by Arthur Scantlebury.
- A Handy Hint - If cream seems 'doubtful', one small drop of brandy or rum will dispel any slight stale taste.
- Fred's recipe of the month was for Cape Bananas and, with Christmas approaching, the wine of the month was Home Made Baileys (type) Liqueur.

Bess Coates

**EYES DOWN, LOOK IN
FOR PORT ISAAC'S
ANNUAL BINGO**


FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 5TH
IN ST PETER'S CHURCH ROOMS
7.30PM**

LOTS OF CHRISTMAS FAYRE PRIZES

TEA AND MINCE PIES

EVERYBODY WELCOME



Public meeting votes to hand over The Main

A vote of 18 in favour and four against handing over The Main at Port Gaverne to The National Trust was the result of the Public Meeting on October 18th.

The controversy earlier in the year when the idea was first mooted has obviously died down as only 22 members of the public were concerned enough to attend the meeting. However, there will be a further opportunity for the public to make their views known during the next Parish Council Meeting on November 13th.

Led by Parish Council Chairman, Bryan Richards, the meeting was attended by Andrew Davy, Area Manager for the National Trust. No firm decision was going to be made at the meeting but the village's views would be taken back to the Parish Council for its consideration.

Originally purchased by the Parish Council from the Fortescue family for the princely sum of £100, a covenant on The Main states that the public must not be deprived from using it. But The Main now presents a very heavy burden on Parish finances. Within the next six years the bridge will need renewing and this will mean a hefty rise in the precept which will in turn mean a hefty rise in local council tax. Said Bryan Richards, 'If The Main is handed over to The National Trust it will relieve the Parish of a heavy financial burden without actually depriving the electorate of any amenity'.

Andrew Davy explained that when The National Trust acquires a piece of coastline such as The Main, the normal procedure is to formally declare it inalienable. By statute, the land cannot thereafter be

disposed of in any way nor can it be taken away from The Trust by compulsory purchase or other powers unless the local authority was invoked. In real terms this means that The Trust is taking on the liability for the land forever and obviously there is going to be ongoing expenditure for the maintenance of the land.

Trust will accept it as a gift
The Parish Council initially asked The Trust if it would consider buying The Main. The Trust's Regional Committee considered the proposition and the financial implications and agreed that it would be prepared to accept The Main but, because of the short and long term finance involved in keeping the land open to the public, it could not actually pay for it. The Main would need to be given as a gift.

erosion
Clearly the old stone quay along the beach will not last forever. Already it is starting to collapse from erosion and has been patched up. One night there will be a big storm and in the morning the quay will be gone. Civil Engineers who have looked at the rock structure feel that the majority of it will not last forever and will disappear. Here lies the dilemma – access straight from the beach to The Main will be lost as not only will it be very expensive, but it will also be visually intrusive to repair it.

Therefore The Trust's Regional Committee needs the agreement of the Parish Council that, if there is a collapse beyond reasonable repair, The Trust will not be expected to reinstate access from the beach. Obviously there will still be access from the road.

Mr Davy sees the management of The Main remaining much the same as it is now – there will be occasional shrub-clearing, footpath clearing work, handrails etc. However, there could be a problem with benches and seats. Obviously it would be reasonable for The Trust to leave those benches already given as memorials but for the future there will have to be a clear agreement as to siting and actual style.

Speaking from the floor, Malcolm Lee of Port Gaverne who walks over The Main up to three times a day said that 'The principal asset of The Main is as a public open space. If The National Trust acquire it there will be no question of the public being denied access or having to pay. The Trust owns the beach and that is freely available.'

However, this was by no means the view of everybody present at the meeting but given the options available, in the words of Bill Norris, 'it would be safer for The Main to be in the hands of The National Trust rather than the North Cornwall District Council Planning Department'.

Address wanted

St Endellion Parish Council has received a letter from a lady complaining about the lack of shops and poor service received in the village during her stay here in September and sadly announcing that she will not return.

Unfortunately, the writer did not supply her address for a reply. It would be useful to have an opportunity to try and explain the situation to her and offer apologies for her less-than-warm-welcome so, if she reads Trio, would she please send her address to me: Robin Penna, Clerk to St Endellion Parish Council, 9 Dolphin Street, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RJ.

Trelights Methodist Church

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE



in aid of the Air Ambulance and
South West Children's Hospice
Tuesday December 5th at 2.30pm
Various stalls including cakes, bric-a-brac,
plants, raffle, refreshments
ALL WELCOME

FOR SALE
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Looking back to November 5th 1972

The BBC had opened a new Television Centre at Pebble Mill, Birmingham and had a live lunchtime programme called Pebble Mill at One. To celebrate the Station's successful daily show the BBC held a competition for the most ingenious way of arriving at the Studio. What a challenge!! Port Isaac Lifeboat was due to have the annual overhaul at the RNLI depot at Boreham Wood and it was agreed that the boat could be picked up from Birmingham instead of Port Isaac.

What happened was

Day One: Crewed by Rob Carter, Roy Cave and David Castle, the Lifeboat left Port Isaac at 0800 hrs bound for Minehead making a rendezvous with the Clovelly Lifeboat off Hartland Point for fuel top up and coffee. The BBC had arranged to film this from an RAF Chivenor helicopter but, due to fog at the base, the helicopter was unable to take off. We then made our way across Bideford Bay, around Baggy Point and into Ilfracombe Harbour. We were then informed that the helicopter would be able to take off and meet us heading into Minehead.

Day Two: We left Minehead en route to Gloucester calling at Weston-Super-Mare Lifeboat Station for fuel and refreshments.

Shortly after leaving the Station we ran into fog which meant that we had to navigate by keeping close to the shoreline of Clevedon and Portishead. The fog lifted and we were able to cross over to the Welsh side, under the Severn Bridge and up to Sharpness. The River Severn was very choppy with a strong ebb tide. Not knowing the local conditions we ran aground on Oldbury sandbank (uncharted on our O/S map) but we managed to get off without any damage. We arrived at Sharpness Docks but could not go through the locks due to low water.

The Harbourmaster, Captain Embleton, met us and arranged for his dockers to manhandle the Lifeboat through the mud and over the old lock gates into the Sharpness-Gloucester Canal. Several boat owners in the Dock welcomed us with refreshments and then sent us on our way up the canal to Gloucester Docks.

Day Three: An early start at 0700 hrs through the lock into the River Severn. The first lock at Tewkesbury delayed our journey as we had arrived there before the lock keeper started work! Once through the lock and back into the River Severn we went on to Diglis Lock at Worcester where we were met by four members of the Birmingham Fire Brigade who had volunteered to join us for the passage to Tardebigge on the Worcester-Birmingham narrow canal. School children from Stoke Prior lined the canal bank to wave us on.

At Tardebigge there is the biggest flight of locks in England - 32 in all. The help of the firemen was invaluable here and we were able to lock in and out in three minutes. We tied up overnight at the Canal Manager's office.

Day Four: We planned to arrive at the BBC studios at one o'clock when the programme was on air. After an 0800 hrs start we continued on the narrow canal towards Birmingham through the Kings Norton tunnel (which is over one mile in length) with only the aid of torchlight to navigate by.

Passing the Cadbury Factory at Bourneville and on to Selly Oak where we were met by the RNLI truck with a trailer. With the assistance of the Birmingham Fire Brigade we were lifted out of the canal and washed down by the Fire



Brigade appliance. The Lifeboat was then trailed to the Studios and we pushed it the last 200 yards on to the set to be interviewed 'live' by Tom Coyne. The BBC cameraman had filmed us leaving Port Isaac, arriving at Minehead, being hauled up into the old Dock at Sharpness and going through the Tardebigge locks. This was shown immediately prior to the interview with Tom Coyne. We had completed a trip of 242 miles without any major problems and were only two minutes out from our eta (estimated time of arrival).

After the programme we met the Lord Mayor of Birmingham. Then the Lifeboat went to Boreham Wood and we returned to Port Isaac by road.

The result of our voyage was that we were judged to be joint first for the most ingenious way of arriving at Pebble Mill and received a cheque for £250 for the Station.

*Our man in Fuerteventura,
David Castle*



VILLAGE HALL HIRE CHARGES

Up to two hours	£6.00
Up to four hours	£12.00
Up to eight hours	£24.00

To find out more or to book the Hall call Janet Chadband on
01208 880262.

George's ramblings

Now then you ladies, be honest! Why did you turn up in droves to the Men's Coffee Morning at the Village Hall on a dreadful morning if it wasn't to anticipate the men making a right pig's ear of the job? In the end, 'Didn't they do well?' Made over £500 and the food was delicious.

Not even Sandie could have anticipated Bob's effort at sausage rolls after one viewing of Ainsley Harriot's TV programme. Get him a video or two Sandie and open a café! The headgear was appealing as well; not even EU inspectors could have found fault. Homemade donuts have to be a first for Port Isaac Coffee mornings.

Well done you ladies, you parted with your money most graciously, obviously lulled by Bill Dawe's dulcet tones.

Did you notice that they even had a Quality Control Manager? Billy Hawkins personally tried all the food and then had seconds just to make sure all was well. So much for dieting!

The Port Isaac 2001 Calendar sold well. Xmas presents soon to be sent to all manner of places along with the History Group's 'Glimpse of the Past'. Save a few bob though because the Fishermen's Friends CD will soon be out prior to their TV and London tour.

History/Nostalgia bit

Now for the history/nostalgia bit. Terry and Muriel Gifford went to a do at Camelford and got talking to a Canadian lady. The upshot was that a copy of 'Glimpse of the Past' ended up being shown around the Toronto-Cornish Society. One of the ladies, a Mrs Pauline Duinker, was enthralled as her mother had come from Port Isaac and she could remember staying at Mrs Tucker's 'Morningside' in about 1920 when it was along the Front Terrace. Result, the group now has copies of photos from that period, one showing the interior of Guy Hawken's shop (which is now the dining room of the Slipway Hotel). It's only some of us old stagers that can remember it.

Finally, Martin Castle, son of 'Our Man in Fuerteventura', was at the Southampton Boat Show a few months back and was talking to a man from the East Coast. Apparently he has a brilliant memory and could remember the names of umpteen men from Port Isaac who used to go yachting and the boats they were on.

For those of you who don't know, between the World Wars and for a few years afterwards, about April time a large percentage of Port Isaac men would pack their bags and go yachting for the summer, coming back to go herring fishing in the winter. There are barely a handful of men left who had first hand experience of a way of life for many of the fishing villages in Cornwall.

I would like to make a record if I can of those who went and the yachts they were on (with the names of the owners if possible). Dig deep into your memories if you will, but please write the results down, my memory is so bad that I don't recall what day it is!

Cheers for now, and don't forget the Xmas presents.

Zzz./g.snore

History Group bus trip to Barnstaple - November 28th

The last couple of years we have had a busload of people setting off at the crack of dawn for a day's Christmas shopping at Barnstaple.

Last year the weather was awful but it didn't matter - the shops were bright, Christmas lights were on and there were carol singers in the Green Lanes Shopping Centre.

Indoor Market

Barnstaple provides an indoor market with fruit and vegetables and various stalls plus the famous Butcher's Row with mouth-watering displays.

Refreshments of every kind

Good food ranges from the ever-welcome cuppa to a grand carvery



at the Earl of Fortescue - and that's worth going for if nothing else.

So, if you'd like to come, there's plenty of room on the bus which will leave at 9.30am and will cost you £5.50. Please ring 880754 and ask for Ann.

Water Wings for High Flyers?

An advert seeking cabin crew for Monarch Airlines states that successful applicants 'must be capable of swimming at least 23 metres (25 yards)'. Not much use if a plane should ditch in the middle of the Atlantic, but very handy if the pilot manages to land in the deep end of a swimming pool!

*Our man in Fuerteventura,
David Castle*

Now is the time to redesign your garden if that has been in your mind for a while. Move that shrub that doesn't look right and put it in a better place - so often they get bigger than you bargained for when you left the garden centre. Also, if a shrub hasn't turned out to be the success you imagined, move it somewhere where it will fill a gap or be hard hearted and throw it out - unless a friend has always admired it! If the previous owner of your property planted it, chuck it away if you can't find it an alternative home.

GFL

As long as you don't hurt the root system when lifting, there should be no problem with things settling in their new site. The ground is so wet that they should hardly go back at all. Be firm with bushes that have gone mad over the last few months. Prune them back to where you think they should be. This is tidy up time so go for it!

St Alan and All Angels

I was dutifully going to Church to put up a notice when I felt a prickling sensation on the back of my hand. The fuschia walk, which stretches from the Rectory to the North Door of the Church, was buzzing with bees and one of them had got caught between the bracelets on my wrist and had stung me. I went back to the Rectory and had a sudden thought – or was it a premonition?

'Michael – I've been stung for the first time in my life!' I said. 'Now's the time to find out if it sends me into anaphylactic shock!'

I don't know what made me imagine the worst but ten minutes later I knew that I was in trouble. I could feel the blood thumping in my ears and my throat seemed to be closing up.

I told Michael that I didn't feel too good. He started to dial the surgery and I sat at the kitchen table. I was so hot that I pushed my sleeves up – and saw a rash galloping all over my skin. Our son, Marcus, is allergic to peanuts and this rash is just what happens to him if he accidentally eats a nut. 'It's a severe allergic reaction' said Michael down the phone, eyeing my arms.

Help arrives

Within five minutes Dr Sainsbury came dashing through the back door and injected me with adrenaline – the first line defence against anaphylactic shock.

Then he and Michael rushed outside to show the air ambulance where to land – just as well that the rectory lawn is so big!

Unknown to me, one of the receptionists at the surgery had called for the air ambulance when

she heard that I was suffering a severe allergic reaction – a life-saving decision – thanks!!

The paramedics were marvellous and I was soon full of I don't know how many drugs and was being stretchered out of the kitchen and into the air ambulance.

During the ten-minute flight I was constantly monitored and given pure oxygen. The paramedics kept me talking and kept me informed. Then it was straight into Accident and Emergency at Treliske. Within an hour or two I was almost back to normal.

A & E Angels

I don't watch any of the hospital programmes on television, but after seven hours in A&E I could certainly write a script! The nurses there deserve gold medals: whilst I was there they had to cope with a drug addict, two drunks (one of whom kept swearing and being ill), a drugs overdose, a case of concussion, two suspected heart attacks and two very badly gashed legs.

I was kept in hospital for thirty-six hours as the rash came back and it is possible to go into shock again – fortunately that didn't happen to me.

Know the signs

Although anaphylactic shock is quite rare, it is important that everyone knows what to do if it happens. Most people's reaction to bee and wasp stings is a localised one: the area swells up; perhaps the swelling goes from wrist to elbow or ankle to knee. In cases of anaphylactic shock there is almost immediate difficulty in breathing and a raised rash like nettle rash covers the whole body including the face. These symptoms are pretty unmistakable and mean that medical help has to be obtained immediately.

I have tried to find out how many people suffer from anaphylaxis but there don't seem to be any statistics. Dr Sainsbury told me that I was his second case in twenty years so the condition is not common. I do however think that it's something we should all be aware of. If I can discover it after all this time, I may not be the only one – which is one reason why I am

writing this article. The other reason is to thank St Alan and All Angels - the angels at the surgery and the hospital and the very special angels who flew down onto the rectory lawn and carried me away on their metal wings.

Liz Bartlett

No safety risks with new RNLI paging mast

A planning application is currently under review for the installation of a new antenna and associated equipment at Fairholme, Main Road, Port Isaac. This equipment is needed to extend the new crew paging system due to become operational later this year.

The aerial to be used is a standard type used extensively in the marine field and the transmitter frequency is very close to that used by the lifeboat at the moment, and very much lower than those used for mobile phones. The power from the transmitter is the same as from equipment installed in the lifeboat at present and very much less than that from a normal BT paging transmitter.

There is very little difference in the type of signal being radiated by the paging system to that already transmitted from the lifeboat.

The equipment will only be transmitting when the crew are being paged or when the radio system is being used. This system radiates 25 watts of power compared to hundreds of watts from a normal paging system. Because the frequencies used are much lower than mobile phones, there are none of the perceived dangers that people worry about with mobiles. These frequencies have been in use since before World War II without any problems.

The RNLI very much appreciates the co-operation of the owner of Fairholme in agreeing to the installation of this equipment.

*Bob Bulgin
RNLI Press Officer*





Lobbers Point

Is it me or are there no seasons any more? We do seem to have gone straight into winter and missed out autumn altogether. No mists or mellow fruitfulness at all, more like gales and torrential downpours which really don't have the same ring.

It was the same at the end of last winter. No spring at all; we went straight into what these days passes for summer. But they're not proper summers liked we used to get, are they? Those years when the side of Lobber field and The Main dried brown and dusty and we had water butts in the street and

Air Ambulance

Now that the clocks have been altered everything seems quite wintry, especially morning and evening time. There is some bedding in the shop including duvets and for those of you who prefer the traditional, blankets and bedspreads. Plus clothing to keep you warm in shapes and sizes to please everyone and all sorts of bric-a-brac, books, knitting wool and household items.

Takings for September totalled £686.82 and, as always, we are very grateful to those of you who donated and purchased goods.

Tickets are selling well for the Christmas Draw and some more lovely prizes have been donated. The shop stocks lots of different things that would make nice Christmas presents and stocking fillers plus Air Ambulance Christmas cards.

The competition to guess the Birthday of the Doll was won by R TEAGUE - the correct date was May 1st. We have tried unsuccessfully to contact him/her so, if you read this or someone knows you, please contact Joyce on 01840 213195.

Jane Sadler

bare, pink flesh abounded.

So what happened to global warming? It seems to me more like global dampening or global storming; and all the experts say now

is, 'Well, in the future it seems that, despite global warming, Britain will get a wetter, stormier climate'. What a load of rot. I remember after the hot summer five years ago they were saying 'Well, in the future it seems that Britain will get a more

Yoga

Yoga for beginners on Monday mornings has proved such a success that a further weekly session has been arranged on Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Village hall.

No special clothes or equipment are needed, just turn up at either the Monday morning (11.00am - 12.30pm) or Wednesday night session wearing loose, comfortable clothing and take a mat or a blanket. Then all you need to do is relax and unwind and all for £2.50 a session.

To find out more contact the instructor, Tracey Greenhalgh on 880215.

Carn Awn Singers

By the time you read this we will have given a concert in Tremail Chapel which is a new venue for us.

On November 12th - Remembrance Sunday - we have been invited to sing at Rosenannon Chapel in a concert organised by the well known John Bernalick.

December concerts include Bude on the 2nd and Trethosa on the 17th. Details of other concerts during the winter months will be published when finalised. For further information about the Carn Awn Singers please contact either Joan Murray on 01208 880548 or Barbara Richards on 01208 880575.

Jane Sadler

arid, settled climate'. Make your minds up boys; things haven't changed that much in five years.

And while you're at it, the twerps at the Met Office who've just said that this has been an average spring and summer - please?!

'Four Seasons'

Anyway, if Vivaldi was still around, it's interesting to wonder what he would call his beautiful piece of music. The season? They all seem the same to me.

Until next time, let 'em get on with it.

Lobber

Surface mail is the economical way to send your Xmas mail abroad but you've now only time to send things to Europe by this method. Last posting dates are:

Eastern Europe - November 11th
Western Europe - November 18th

Airmail is much faster and the last posting dates are:

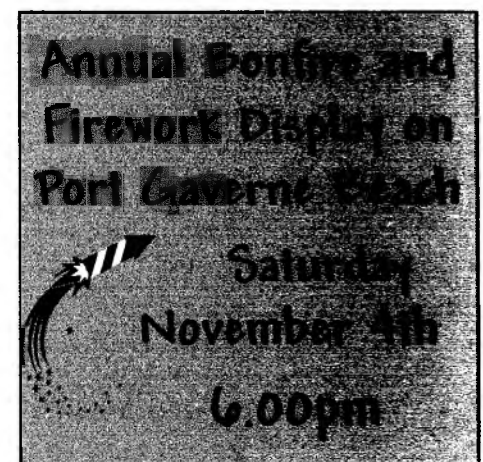
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Outside Europe - December 7th
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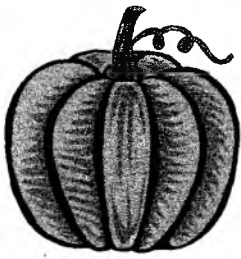
Last posting dates for Christmas

The last posting dates for UK mail are:

Second Class - December 18th
First Class - December 21st

For more information contact the PMG. With the new Post Office computer system any information you require should be at his fingertips!





Mrs Pumpkin and her family

¼ tsp grated nutmeg
50g/2oz toasted almond slivers

At this time of the year my inclinations to cook with squash, marrow and

pumpkins come to the fore.

Strictly, they should be classed as fruit as they have pips but they all adapt to savoury dishes as well as sweet.

As a child I remember my mother making the most wonderful Marrow and Ginger Jam. It was always rather runny due to the low pectin content. She would cut the marrow into chunks and they would hang precariously in the delicious syrup.

Marrow, pumpkins etc all have very delicate flavours and, for this reason, they carry other flavours well. This month I am going to invite you to try two recipes from this family. I do not advise you to serve both dishes at the same meal; there is too much similarity in texture.

Stuffed Marrow

- 1 medium sized marrow
- 1 large onion, finely chopped
- 2 tblsp olive oil
- 1 rounded tblsp flour
- 350g/12oz cooked lamb or beef, minced
- 150ml/¼ pint stock
- salt & pepper
- ½ tsp mixed herbs
- 1tblsp tomato puree
- 50g/2oz grated cheddar cheese

Method

Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas Mark 4

- Peel the marrow and slice in half lengthways. Remove the seeds with a metal spoon.
- Blanch the halves of marrow by boiling in salted water for about three minutes.
- Drain thoroughly and place in an ovenproof dish.
- Gently fry the onion in the olive oil until opaque and then stir in the flour, then the meat, seasoning, herbs, tomato puree and about three-quarters of the stock, stirring all the time over a medium heat until the mixture thickens. The mixture should be moist but not runny. Adjust the consistency with the rest of the stock if necessary.
- Fill the marrow halves with the meat mixture.

- Brush the edges of the marrow with oil, cover with tinfoil and cook in a preheated oven for about an hour until the marrow is soft.
- Remove from the oven and remove the tinfoil. Sprinkle the meat with the grated cheese and return to the oven for five minutes for the cheese to melt.

Serve with mashed potatoes.

Pumpkin Pie

225g/8oz shortcrust pastry

Filling:

- 225g/8oz cooked pumpkin (450g/1lb raw pumpkin will give this amount)
- 110g/4oz brown sugar
- 1tblsp thick honey
- grated rind and juice of one lemon
- grated rind and juice of one orange
- 2 well beaten eggs

To finish:

- 150ml/¼ pint double cream
- 1 tsp caster sugar

Method

Preheat oven to 190°C/375°F/Gas Mark 5

- Peel and remove the seeds from the pumpkin, cut it up and stew in a small amount of water until tender.
- Strain and mash.
- Line a 20.5cm/8" pie or flan dish with the pastry.
- Mix together the sugar, honey and fruit juices. Add the eggs, grated rinds and mashed pumpkin and mix well.
- Pour this mixture into the
- pastry case and cook for 45minutes or until a knife inserted into the filling comes out clean.
- Whilst the pie is cooling, make the topping by whisking the cream, adding the sugar and nutmeg.
- When the pie is quite cold spread the cream over the top and sprinkle the toasted almonds on top.

EP

This is one especially for all you chocaholics out there!

TABOR'S DELICIOUS CHOCOLATE CAKE

Method:

1. Melt together 4oz/100g margarine
4oz/100g light or dark fine brown sugar
4oz/100g golden syrup
2. Add this to 6oz/175g sieved self-raising flour that has been mixed with 2½oz/150g drinking chocolate powder (not cocoa). Mix well.
3. Add one egg and mix well again.
4. Warm ¼ pint/150ml milk. Into this stir ½ tsp of bicarbonate of soda (essential) and pour this mixture into the cake mixture. This will provide a runny cake mixture which does not require any thickening.
5. Pour into two largish well greased and floured sandwich tins and bake at 375°F/190°C/Gas Mark 5 for approximately 20minutes until spongy to touch.

NB: Please make sure that the sandwich tins are well greased and floured as this cake, having golden syrup in its ingredients, can be difficult to get out of the tins.

Christopher Tabor

Mentors & Tormentors - 'Boss Richards' - A Cornish Headmaster

Mr C Victor Richards was headmaster of the Port Isaac County Primary School during the post-war decade.

Not a single one of his pupils had any idea what the initial 'C' stood for, but they were all well aware of what he stood for, and that was, put simply, no nonsense from any of them. He was authority personified and the nickname 'Boss' with which we had been dubbed, and by which he was universally known, fitted his pre-eminent position in village life like a well worn glove.

Assisted by a dedicated staff of three, Boss was, from nine to four, five days a week, the undisputed lord and master of the hundred and fifty or so children of the village and its surrounding district who attended the school.

Boss was of no more than average height and build and, compared to some of his heftier pupils, he appeared even slight, but he carried an aura of power about him which gave him a stature transcending mere physical size.

He wore authority like a royal cloak of rich purple, expected and received respect as his due and gave no quarter to the uncouth.

His voice was rounded and commanding, rich in self-confidence, short on sanctimony, rarely raised in anger. He could quell a riotous classroom with the tilt of an eyebrow or freeze a milling playground with a lifted finger.

Boss had the cast of a martinet, hallmarked by Brylcreem-slick combed back hair and a tight moustache bristling over teeth which he chose to bare with alarming regularity. A yard long whippy bamboo cane was customarily grasped in his right hand, like an extension of his arm. He habitually flicked the cane gently and rhythmically against his suited leg while his scouring eyes searched for miscreants in his domain.

The cane was carried as a promise more than a threat, as a deterrent rather than a weapon, its purpose being essentially ceremonial. It was

employed primarily as a gadfly to maintain the crisp class-by-class assembly lines which formed by mandate in the playground at the end of each period of break, poised to march back into school in regimented style. Any random hands or prominent backsides which spoiled the symmetry of the line were reasonably sure to be stung by the tip of that cane.

Boss and all of his staff were acknowledged by parents and pupils alike to have been placed in the school by divine right both to teach and to provide discipline and not necessarily in that order of priority. Yet no matter how severe the discipline meted out by their hands, the defence had no case to present and it was judged that the offending pupil had, beyond reasonable doubt, deserved every scrap of punishment received.

For their part, the pupils understood and accepted that to attend school, to be taught while present and to be disciplined when necessary was their bounden duty. Fathers missed no opportunity to inform their children that the salvation of this duty was one of the many reasons why they had recently fought a war. Truancy was therefore unknown.

If a pupil missed school it was understood that he or she was either too ill to walk or otherwise unable to leave home owing to his or her boots being at the cobblers.

Through all extremes of wind, rain and occasional snow the children filed daily in to school from all parts of the village and from the outlying farms and hamlets, doing no more than what was expected of them, meriting no praise. Boss received them with a pride he rarely showed and cherished their company from

behind a wall of reserve. All of them learned through him and in spite of themselves. He entered their hearts and, although they may not have known it then, the time would come when they did.

Miss Smythe

They began school in Miss Smythe's 'infants class' when they were four and few of them moved on at the age of seven without being able to read, write, draw a bit, have a feel for the more interesting stories of the Bible, do tables up to twelve times, add, subtract and divide.

Mrs Morman

Mrs Morman, a terror armed with a one foot wooden ruler, spittle flying as she wielded it against outstretched hands, fanned the latent coals of intellect in the seven to nine year olds. She developed reading and arithmetic skills, basic dictation, religious instruction, formative handwriting and the art of imaginative compositions.

Mr Perry

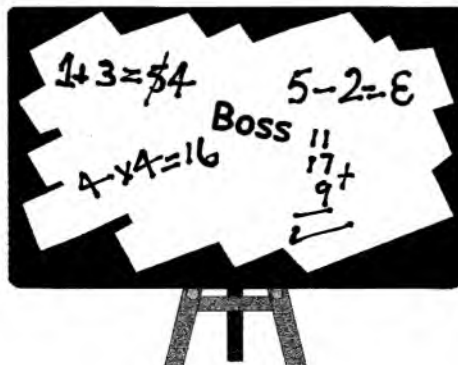
Mr Perry, a young man without rancour and with a flair for fun, took pupils aged nine to eleven, moving their minds a step further along the tunnel towards the light, introducing them to arts and crafts, geography, history, decimals and fractions.

'Boss'

Boss Richards own direct charges ranged from eleven years old to the official school leaving age of fifteen. He taught geometry, classic literature, the human condition, honesty and humility to red faced farm boys, fishermen's sons and pigtailed girls. Boss prepared them for what lay beyond his classroom. He shaped brilliant cuts from many rough rural stones and opened doors of opportunity to so many who had been born outside the precincts of privilege.

The school building over which Boss ruled still stands but has now been converted into a hotel. Where Miss Smythe taught, the guests now dine. Mrs Morman's and Mr Perry's classrooms are part of the bedroom complex. The playground is a car park with a line of tables where tea can be taken on fine days. Boss's classroom is the bar and lounge and

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'A Time to Heal'

I wonder if you've been to a chiropractor, a reflexologist or a light therapist? Perhaps you know someone who's received aromatherapy, art therapy or acupuncture.

Not so long ago, few of us would have openly admitted to receiving help from such sources and the last person we'd have told would have been our doctor! But today many doctors arrange such treatments for their patients and many have gained these skills to enable them to treat patients themselves. My own doctor, for example, regularly uses acupuncture and reflexology is also available in the practice.

What was once called 'alternative' medicine and treated with suspicion, is now called 'complementary' medicine, as the medical profession has come to recognise its value in providing help conventional treatments can't supply.

Thankfully, something similar is happening in the Church. Until quite recently, despite the clear command of Jesus to heal the sick, the Church's ministry of healing was also often regarded with suspicion, and those parishes - like our own united benefice - which held healing services with the laying on of hands with prayer, were viewed as a bit odd.

But just a few weeks ago there arrived in my post, and the post of every priest in the Church of England, a handbook with the title 'A Time to Heal.' It was based on a report commissioned by the Church's bishops which had spent two years reviewing the state of the healing ministry in the Church. It's a fascinating book full of practical suggestions and wise advice about reviewing present practice and developing the ministry of healing in parishes.

It recognises that every parish is already involved to some degree in carrying out Christ's command to heal the sick - through the sacraments, especially the eucharist, through pastoral care, practical friendship and in other ways -

but that there's a need for every congregation to make the healing ministry a more visible, normal part of everyday life in their parish.

The ministry of healing is already firmly established in the united benefice with a group which meets twice monthly, with church members from St Endellion, Port Isaac and St Kew, in one of the benefice's three churches, or, in the winter in someone's home. We are already doing many of the things suggested in the handbook, but it's vital that we also review what we've been doing, to try to discover through prayer and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, what issues need to be addressed, what needs are not being met, and to work with Christians of other denominations to address these issues and to respond to these needs.

want to know more?

Everyone is welcome and if you would like to know more you can contact Father Michael on 01208 880442 or me on 01208 880181.

Judith Pollinger

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to step in there is to turn the clock back to those years when rows of village youth sat behind hard desks on harder chairs reading aloud in turn from 'A Tale of Two Cities' or quoting by heart whole swathes of the Bible under the commanding scrutiny of Boss himself.

The original panelling covers the bar walls. The roof beams are unchanged and the slate floor still bears the mark of generations of hobnails. The essence of Boss Richards hangs in the air like a gossamer benediction and your first drink is always a toast to his inspiring memory.

by James W Platt

Port Isaac born and bred, James now lives and works in the Netherlands, but still has a home here which he visits regularly.

This article, and those which are hopefully to be in future issues of Trio, are 'a collation of personal memories of people, places and the way we were in the immediate post-war years when I was growing up in the village'.

The Friends of Port Isaac School
present

An Evening of Festive Foods

Featuring Port Isaac's own Celebrity Chefs

Janet Chadband - our very own Delia Smith!

Graham Powell - Jamie Oliver eat your heart out!

Chris Lanyon - our Dish of the Day!!

Melt in Your Mouth - Karen Smith!

Come and taste a fabulous evening of Christmas Food and Drink
demonstrated by our own Star Chefs

Port Isaac Pottery

Tuesday November 28th

Tickets £5 from the School or the Pottery
(includes free glass of mulled wine and
many tasty nibbles!)

Tickets are limited so book early



Gig Club News - Nic's final curtain call

This is the time of year that I dread. It's when the paint brushes and scrapers re-emerge from the cupboard under the stairs and we set about that delightful task of painting the boat. Except there are two of them now so the task is doubled. After our efforts last year it's fortunate that Corsair will only need a touch-up outside this winter, but the inside must be stripped to bare wood as was the outside last year.

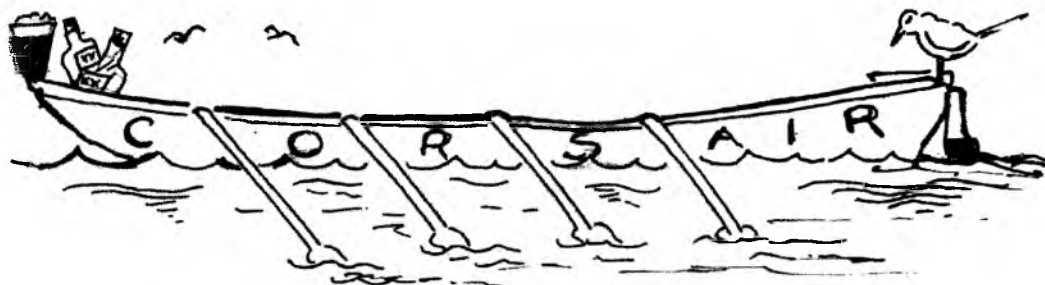
The Hornet is a wholly different story. She is to be completely taken down to the wood so that her condition can be assessed. We know she will be in need of some attention, probably from a shipwright. Thankfully, after all the hard fundraising we did this summer we are in a good position to spend some money on returning her to a good state.

We are leaving both boats here to work on this winter so we shall be in the cellars a couple of evenings a week if you'd like to look in and check our progress. I love to see the boats in their bare state - it's then that you can really appreciate the skill of their construction.

Buffet and Dance

Now on to the more serious stuff for the month. Our buffet and dance, to be held at a completely different venue and on a completely different date to that which I published last month (a girl is entitled to change her mind!). Once more we shall be in the tender care of Jill Mac at the Castle Rock on Saturday November 25th at 8.00pm (tickets from Elaine Brown on 880477). Your £15 ticket includes entry into a free cash draw to be drawn on the night so you might even leave better off than when you arrived!

Last year we had a damn fine night and the food was gorgeous and copious. I'd had horrors at the thought of trying to stand up and balance all that I could consume on a little paper plate whilst wondering what I could do with my wine glass whilst trying to eat said plate of food. But none of this - there was plenty of space for us all to sit comfortably and enjoy a very tasty meal and, even better, lots of pudding! So do join us again this year. It should be a cracking night. Why not join us?



Our AGM is to be held on Wednesday November 15th in the Penhaligon Rooms at 7.30pm. We are particularly keen to see all our junior members, as well as the rest of the club, there so bring this fact to the attention of any of our members in your household.

It only remains for me to say thank you for reading these articles over the past two years and particular thanks to Dee for her patient reminders (Ed: Patient?!). I am sure my replacement will be more conscientious.

Nicola

Village streetlights

The streetlights in the village are the responsibility of Cornwall County Council and 'outages' (Ed: I think that means lights that are not working!) can be reported on 01872 327809. However, before doing so, take a note of the number of the vertical plate underneath the lamp - they are AO__ numbers.

A worksheet is issued immediately to the contractor who has one week in which to make the repair. If it is an emergency, eg a lantern dangling on its cable, it is done as soon as possible. If, however, a new lantern is required or there is a problem with the power supply, it can take longer.

The lights are inspected very three weeks to if an 'outage' (Ed: that word again!) is not reported it could be three weeks plus seven days for the contractor, ie four weeks, before it is repaired.

*Robin Penna
Clerk to St Endellion Parish Council*

Magical Managers 00-01

Division One

1. NO F IN MANCHESTER 6	Chris Lanyon	149pts
2. MAGIC MEG	Di Jones	149pts
3. SPARKS UTD	Steve & Julie Hewett	143pts
4. GREEN PEA PODS	David Philp	135pts
5. MAD COWS ON ACID	Ben Skinner	131pts

Division Two

1. STAFF BALL TERRORS 5	Colin Hancock	183pts
2. CRANSTOUN CITY	Jim Bishop	152pts
3. DAVIDSTOW DEVILS	John Clement	151pts
4. ROSCARROCK LANDROVERS	Billy & Faye Hawkins	119pts
5. POSTIES PROGRESS	Kevin Punter	110pts

Division Three

1. ZERO FORCE	Bobby Skinner	171pts
2. THE COMET BOMBERS	David Durston	167pts
3. CARLSBERG CRIPPLES	Scott Bennett	149pts
4. SUPER BLUES	James McDonnell	140pts
5. THE BLUES	Jill McDonnell	132pts

PLAYER OF THE MONTH - ALAN SMITH (Leeds Utd)

Paul & Kev

CHURCH NEWS

United Benefice of St Endellion, Port Isaac & StKew

New Services

By the end of this year, the Church of England will have a new set of services. The Alternative Service Book, or ASB as it's known, which was introduced in 1980, will be replaced by Common Worship, a resource book containing a series of services in traditional and modern language, with much supplementary material to enrich the celebration of different seasons of the Church's year. The 1662 Book of Common Prayer continues to be authorised permanently. What it means for the United Benefice is that on Advent Sunday December 3rd we shall begin using the new services for a trial period of one year.

Eucharist for Healing

The Revd Dr David Rake, Priest-in-Charge at Tintagel and Bishop's Adviser for Spiritual Formation in the Diocese, spoke on the subject of 'Healing our Image of God' at the United Benefice eucharist for healing held in St Endellion Church. The curate presided at the well-attended service which was led by Mrs Pat Hardman.

Worship by Candlelight

Prayers, readings, Taizé chants and silence formed an act of evening worship by candlelight in St Endellion Church. The rector arranged and led the service and presented a meditation based on Scripture.

Taizé Workshop Day

A new venture took place at St Endellion Church when an all day workshop was held to learn about the life and work of the Community of Taizé in France and to explore and share in its distinctive style of worship, in particular its music. 'Astonished by Joy' was the theme of the day which was planned and

arranged by the rector, Miss Toni Ollsen and the curate. It began with an introduction and a short act of worship in church before coffee in the church hall where a video film of the Taizé Community was shown. Miss Ollsen led a music workshop in preparation for a eucharist at which the rector presided. A shared picnic lunch was enjoyed and this was followed by a Bible study, led by the rector, a period of meditation, further practice of Taizé chants and a candlelit service in church arranged by the curate.

Clergy and lay people from different parishes in the diocese, as well as local parishioners, attended the day.

Mothers' Union Speaker

A most interesting talk illustrated with slides was given by Mrs Pauline Inns at a meeting of the United Benefice branch of the Mother's Union in St Endellion Church Hall. Mrs Inns spoke about how she walked along part of the Great Wall of China last year to raise funds for the British Heart Foundation.

Course on Spirituality

An exploration and discussion of spirituality in schools, organised by the University of the West of England, was held in Bristol recently. Entitled 'Too Much Awe and Wonder?' it was attended by university lecturers, teachers, school governors, clergy and people engaged in educational research. Those attending from Cornwall included the Revd Dr Peter Johnson, head teacher of Ludgvan Primary School and the Revd Judith Pollinger, Head of Year 9 Launceston College and curate within the United Benefice.

St Endellion

Harvest Auction

Over £190 was raised for charities at the harvest auction of produce held in St Endellion Church Hall.

Kingshott School Visit

Staff and pupils from Kingshott Preparatory School paid their annual visit to North Cornwall and attended the sung eucharist at which the curate presided and gave an address on 'Choices' which involved the pupils and older members of the congregation. Preb Michael Bartlett, rector welcomed everyone and the pupils took part in reading lessons, forming the



offertory procession and acting as sidespersons.

Baptisms

Harry Joseph Pengelly Armstrong Evans was baptised on Sunday October 15th and Henry Nicholas Albert Sloman, fourth son of Mr Robert and Mrs Kate Sloman of Roscarrock, St Endellion was baptised on Sunday October 22nd. On both occasions the Revd Preb Michael Bartlett, rector, administered the sacrament of Holy Baptism.

St Luke's Day

The feast day of St Luke, apostle, evangelist and patron saint of doctors was celebrated with a said eucharist followed by the laying on of hands for healing. The rector presided, assisted by the curate.

Thank-you Letter

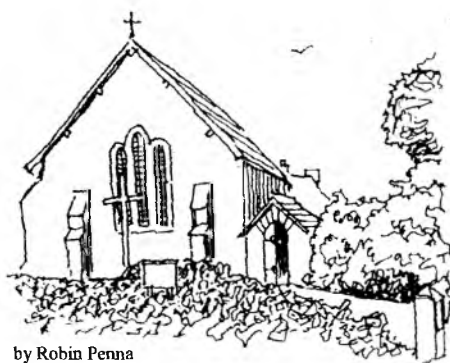
A letter of thanks from Lowenna Barriball, a young server at St Endellion Church, was read to the congregation by the rector before the sung eucharist. Lowenna had been taken seriously ill while on holiday in Dorset recently and, in her letter she explained what had happened to her and thanked everyone for their prayers, gifts, cards and messages of good will.

St Kew

Auction benefits Charities

A very successful auction of harvest goods and produce raised the splendid sum of £160 which was shared between Macmillan Nurses, Marie Curie Nurses and Mount Edgcumbe Hospice.

Judith Pollinger, tel: 88018



by Robin Penna

THOUGHT

People travel to wonder at the height of mountains, at the huge waves of the sea, at the long courses of rivers, at the vast compass of the ocean, at the circular motion of the stars; and they pass by themselves without wondering.

St Augusti

schoolchat



Port Isaac School news and views

Mr Bishop - our new headmaster

It is good having Mr Bishop as a teacher because he is excellent at English, a brain box at Math, loves posters and knows everything about everything! It is

different having a man because we are used to having a woman. He has made some changes to the school like all the year six are on benches in assembly. Now we

have lots of systems for the school. One of them is literacy hour.

By Josie

The new Connect Four

The year sixes, when they left, gave Port Isaac School a giant Connect Four set. All the infants like to get it first because it's such a good game and it's not fair that they get it first!!! So to make it fair the nice teachers even got us a board so we know

who is going first, second and third.

The people that are now year sevens, we want to thank you for the Connect Four. Thanks a lot!!!

By Aimee Eaves

Mrs Munns

Mrs Munns is the Junior teacher in Port Isaac School. Our topic this term is the Egyptians. Sometimes Mr Munns teaches us on the new computers and we send E-mails to people in America. Mrs Munns is the best teacher I have ever had. It is really fun with her. Sometimes in maths we have to draw a 50 square and we roll a die and see what it lands on and we subtract or add and see what it makes. When we do an Egyptian lesson we have Mrs Munns and Mr Munns or Sue. It's really good with Mrs Munns.

By Emily Thomas

Story telling at St Kew School

On the 12th of October the juniors and seniors went to St Kew School to listen to a story about beasts. But Dr Fig didn't just tell a story he did all the actions and he really got into it. It was good going to St Kew because we saw people we knew from year two and year four trips. When it got near to the end he sang his own song called 'I like to go where the wild things are' and he was really funny.

By Lauren Dyer

Talking about jeans for Genes Day

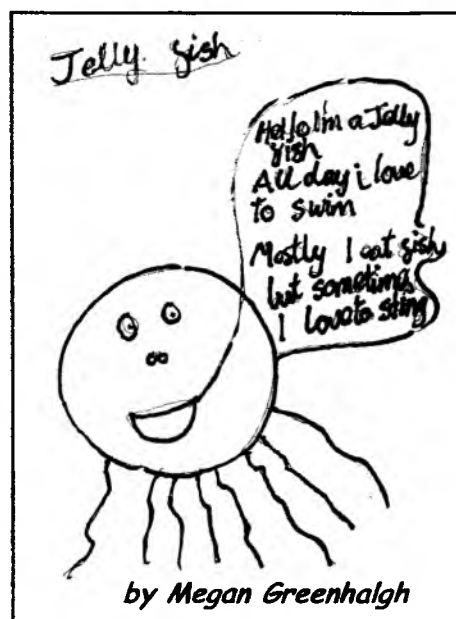
On Friday 6th October we came to school in our jeans because it was 'Jeans for Genes Day'. We had to bring 50p to school to raise money for children with genetic illnesses. Some people came in jeans and some people came in different trousers and even Mr Bishop came in his jeans. We raised £18.50.

By Zoe Murray

Football Club

On Wednesday after school we go to football club. Mr Bishop runs the football club and he is good at football. We practise in the playground because it has been too wet.

By Emma Stewardson



by Megan Greenhalgh

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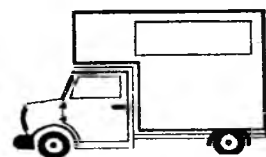
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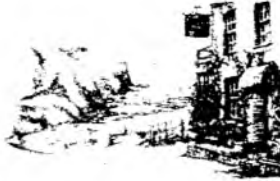
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Saturday November 4th

Annual Bonfire and Firework Display on Port Gaverne Beach - 6.00pm

Saturday November 11th
Silent Auction at Bodannon Farm, Trewetha. Raising funds for St Endellion Church

Monday November 13th
Parish Council Meeting in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac - 7.30pm

Wednesday November 14th
Port Isaac Rowing Club AGM in the Penhaligon Rooms - 7.30pm

Saturday November 18th
Jumble Sale (to raise money to get the PIPs restarted) in the Village Hall - see posters for more details

Tuesday November 21st
Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall - 7.30pm

Saturday November 25th
St Peter's Church Xmas Mini Market and Lunch in the Church Rooms - 10.30am

Port Isaac Rowing Club Annual Dinner & Dance at the Castle Rock Hotel - 8.00pm

Tuesday November 28th
History Group Christmas Shopping Trip to Barnstaple - contact Ann on 880754

An Evening of Festive Foods at the Pottery organised by the Friends of Port Isaac School. Christmas food and drink demonstrated by our 'star' chefs- tickets from the Pottery or the School

Friday December 1st
Port Isaac School Christmas Fayre - 3.15pm

Sunday December 3rd
RNLI Christmas Market and fun on the Platt (Village Hall if wet). Father Christmas has promised to come with a present for all the children. Stalls, mulled wine, mince pies and carol singers - 12noon onwards

Tuesday December 5th

Annual Christmas Sale with various stalls in Trelights Methodist Church - 2.30pm

Annual Bingo in aid of the mentally handicapped in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac - 7.30pm. Lots of good Christmas Fayre prizes

Saturday December 9th
Village Christmas Party and Barn Dance, organised by Port Isaac 2000, in the Village Hall - 7.30pm

Monday December 11th
Parish Council Meeting in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac - 7.30pm

Tuesday December 12th
Xmas Bingo organised by the Parish Council in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac - 7.30pm

Friday December 15th
Switch-on of Trelights Christmas Lights - 7.00pm

Saturday December 16th
Big Switch-on of Port Isaac's 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

Tuesday December 19th
Christmas Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall - 7.30pm

Thursday December 28th
Friday December 29th
Tuesday January 2nd 2001
The Port Isaac Panto - *Sleeping Beauty and the Beast of Bodmin* - presented by the Port Isaac Players in the Village Hall

New Year's Eve - Sunday December 31st 2000/ Monday January 1st 2001
Celebrate the New Year on the Platt with Port Isaac 2000. Mulled wine from 10.30pm onwards

Saturday March 3rd
Port Isaac's Hospice Day 2001 for Mount Edgcumbe in St Peter's Church Rooms - 10.30am, Lunch 12noon

CHURCH SERVICES & MEETINGS

St Peter's Church, Port Isaac - Every Sunday at 10.00am (times vary when Family Services are held - see Notice Board)

St Endellion Church - Every Sunday at 11.00am

Trelights Methodist Church -
Sunday Service - 6.00pm;
Fellowship Service - last Thursday in month at 7.00pm

Wednesday November 1st - Sung Eucharist for All Saints Day followed by laying on of hands for healing in St Endellion Church - 7.00pm

Wednesday November 8th - Mothers' Union at Bodannon Farm. Speaker - The curate - 7.30pm

Sunday November 12th - Armistice Day Service in St Peter's Church - 10.45am
Evening Worship with Taize Music by candlelight in St Endellion Church - 6.00pm

Tuesday November 14th - Julian Meeting at the home of Mr & Mrs Hardman, Tinners Way, Polzeath - 8.00pm

Wednesday November 15th - Healing Eucharist in St Endellion Rectory. Speaker - The Revd Graham Minors, Vicar of Bodmin - 7.30pm

Sunday December 3rd - Advent Carol Service in St Kew Church

REGULAR MEETINGS

Mums & Monsters - every Thursday (not during school holidays) from 10.00am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Contact Debbie Pattenden on 01208 880028

Sunday School - Every Sunday during term time at 9.50am in the Church Rooms. Contact Tracey Greenhalgh on 01208 880215

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

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

Carn Awn Singers - Every Monday at 8.00pm in Trelights Chapel. Contact Joan Murray on 01208 880548

Golden Circle - The second Thursday in the month from October to April in the Cornish Café from 2.30pm - 4.00pm. Contact Penny Manders on 01208 880022

Yoga - Every Monday from 11.00am - 12.30pm and Wednesday from 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Village Hall. Contact Tracey Greenhalgh on 01208 880215

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