



# TRIO

The Port Isaac, Port Gaverne  
and Trelights Newsletter

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## Short story successes

**T**hank you all for, again, an incredible response – tens and tens of entries; so many in fact that it would be impossible, in terms of space, to list all entrants.

OK, as with the poetry competition, because of the quality of the entries, there are several winners in each category. For the adults, there are three winners:

**Dave Morgan** heads the list for a wonderful fairy tale and a scary thought provoking thriller.

**Chris Lanyon** for a series of misogynistic, faintly pornographic tales of a middle aged married man's trials and tribulations (most of which would not be possible to publish!!!) and

**Bob Monk** whose cynical but perceptive and possibly prophetic view of the possible future should be turned into a pamphlet and handed out to all new (and existing) visitors to the area as a warning of what 'might be'.

For the younger entrants, **Abigail Hazeldine** and **Ben Andrews** just headed the listings. They both showed remarkable imaginations and made the judges WANT to find out what actually was going to eventually happen..... the perfect 'hook-line' for any short story.

Close behind and worthy of special mention came Meg Greenhalgh, Emily Thomas, Ollie Burnden, Thomas Potterton, Sam Eaves and Aimee Eaves who between them showed fantastic and, in some cases, quite bizarre imaginations.

Congratulations to you all and it would be a delight if EVERY entrant could have won because the overall quality was superb ..... Keep Writing ..... You're very, very talented.

*A huge thank you to the competition sponsors. You can read Dave Morgan's fairy tale on page 19 and Ben Andrew's story on page 23. Abigail and Bob Monk's stories will be featured in the May issue of Trio.*

## Well done Tamsin

**T**amsin Richards, aged 9, won the Brass Instrument Class for under 10s in the recent Wadebridge Music Festival. Playing a piece entitled 'Passing By' on her cornet, she won the class of four with a mark of 80 points which earned her a Merit Certificate and a Medal.

Tamsin, a pupil at Port Isaac School, has been playing the cornet for two years with the St Minver Band. This was her first festival. Tamsin has asked us to thank her teacher, Mr Micky Hunt, for all his time and patience which she really appreciates.

## Instant Wit come to the Village Hall

**I**nstant are coming to the Village Hall on Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>. A bit of an unknown quantity to us this group of performers come very highly recommended.

"These are conspicuously skilful performers - everyone is exhilarated on stage and off!" – The Guardian.

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## Hospice Day breaks all records

£1770.75 has been handed over to Mount Edgecumbe Hospice as a result of Port Isaac's annual Hospice Day on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you everyone for helping make this lovely, happy day such a record-breaking success.

Dee

## HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE

Enter the *Trio* Easter competition. Open to children under the age of 11, it's really easy.

Just look through this month's *Trio* and find the ten Easter eggs that are hidden in the pages. Then just write down the adverts or articles in which the eggs are hidden. Hand your entry in at Secrets before Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Remember to include your name, age, address and telephone number and first three winning entries, Under age 6, Age 7-9 and Age 10-11, will all receive an Easter egg.



# The Wadebridge Option

Port Isaac really must catch up with modern times when it comes to raising money. We have all this fundraising and it all takes a lot of effort, time and dedication when, if only 'The Wadebridge Option' were brought into use, all these fundraising friends could relax with a good book or enjoy a happy tippie at one of our fine locals. And the great thing is, it couldn't be easier once the little bit of painting has been done!

'Painting?' I hear you ask. Don't panic! It's a one time job and half a dozen 'Friends of Port Isaac' can get it done in well under an hour and Western Supply will surely let us have the paint at cost price or even less!

So what do we paint? Simply, a pretty, but not too bright, yellow line along either the North or the South side of New Road from say

the Peapod corner up past the Co-op to Hartland Road. 'Why only on one side?' I hear you ask. The answer's easy! On two sides it becomes a bit too obvious.

From here on in, 'it's in the bag' as the saying goes and 'The Wadebridge Option' is ready to roll. But, DON'T RUSH IT. Give it a week or two until everybody, especially visitors, get used to it. Then, wham; 'The Port Isaac Plan' comes into action with a little more help from the 'Friends of Port Isaac'. In far less time than it takes to down a pint at the pub, a dozen or more parking tickets can be shoved under the cars' windshield wipers. Even if we only get ten cars we've got £300 in the kitty and 'Bob's your uncle' or 'Betty's your aunt' or whatever the expression is.

And then think of the possible side-options. One easy one is that all

Port Isaac residents could be eligible for a yearly pass for say, five quid. But IT MUSN'T BE DISPLAYED. That would give it away to the outsiders.



It might be smart to check with the Wadebridge authorities to see how they fix it, but it can't be too difficult or they wouldn't have been able to manage it themselves. I've already handed over quite a lot of £30's to their fund!

And, though I'm not a betting man, I'll still bet you pounds to peanuts that we'll have at least an extra £10,000 a year to fix up whatever needs fixing, or my names not

*Anonymous*

## LOCAL ARTISTS EXHIBITION

at the Port Gaverne Inn

Open until  
Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>

*in aid of Guide Dogs  
for the Blind*

Raffle drawn at 8.00pm on  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April  
by

Kathy Carney & Omar

## Beware of men selling tarmac

Five males, driving different vehicles including a white hatchback, a yellow tipper truck and a white escort, are calling on households in the area with tarmac left over from a previous job, reports the Police to our Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator, Peggy Richards.

When the tarmac is laid these men ask for extortionate payment and if this is not forthcoming they may become nasty and threatening. If these men call on you or you see them please contact the Police on 08705 777444 giving the location and time.

## Successful Pottery planning appeal

We would like to express our thanks to the 100 and more people in the village who took the time and trouble to send letters of support for our Appeal to the Planning Inspectorate regarding our garden decking. We have now received notice that the Appeal was successful.

The whole process was costly in terms of time and money, both for the taxpayer and ourselves.

It does beg the question of whether a system is fair when the Parish Council, the County Architect and Planning Department recommend approval and yet a planning application (albeit retrospective) can be thrown out by a committee, not one of whom lives in Port Isaac.

*Bill & Barbara Hawkins*

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### Extract from a Soviet newspaper:

There will be a Moscow exhibition of arts by 15,000 Soviet Republic painters and sculptors. These were executed over the past two years

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# Holding a jumble sale?

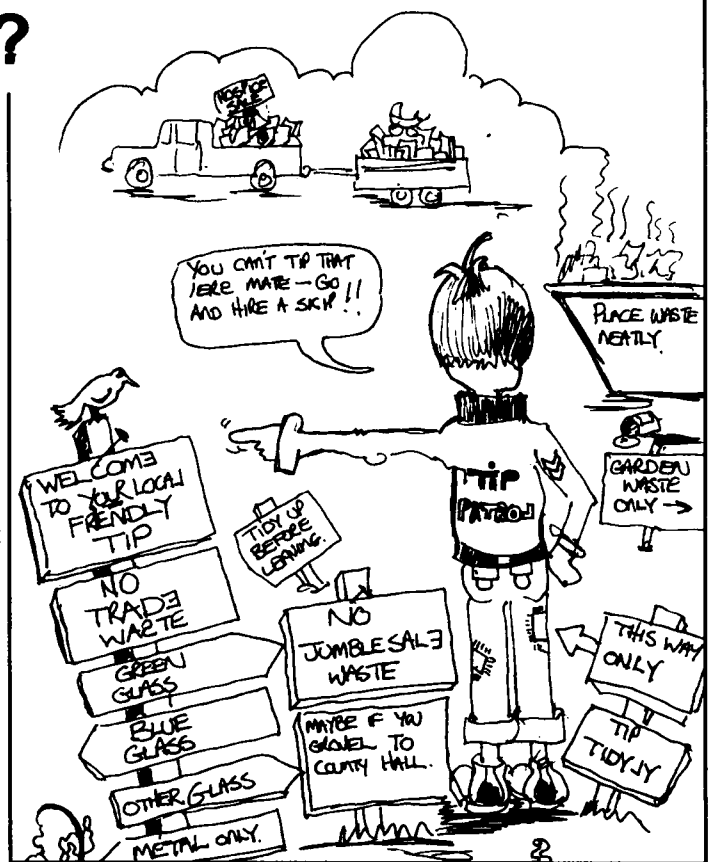
## Then hire a skip!

**D**id you know that if you organise a jumble sale or similar event you should include in your expenses the hire of a skip to dispose of all the goods left at the end?

Amazing as this may seem this is just what we were told when we took the stuff that was left after the Hospice Sale to Trebarwith Tip. We were told that we couldn't dump it as it was not household rubbish (I can't think where they thought it had all come from!).

Anyway, to cut a long story short, after much persuasion we were allowed to dump the rubbish – just this once. So, what happens to everyone else in a similar situation. We took the matter up with Cornwall County Council, with Mrs Stedwill, the Principal Waste Management Officer, to be exact.

It seems that the 'skip hire' information we were given is basically correct. However, organisations holding fund raising events can telephone Mrs Stedwill to ask for special dispensation to use a CCC refuse site – although how anyone is supposed to know this is anyone's guess. It certainly wasn't something that the man at the tip seemed to know about either.



Mrs Stedwill wrote to us that 'CCC, in its role as a waste disposal authority, has a duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to "provide places at which persons resident in its area may deposit their household waste ..." This is interpreted literally as each individual householder taking their own household waste to a site. It is impossible to set policies or guidelines which cover every eventuality. However, the Waste Disposal Authority wishes to do all that it can to encourage and facilitate community recycling and re-use initiatives such as jumble sales (and we thought we organised such things purely as a way to raise money for good causes!). For this reason we try our best to exercise sensible discretion and are pleased to hear from event organisers to advise on the services we can offer, and those we are unable to.'

Make of that what you will. But remember, as soon as you give something you don't want to a jumble sale or similar, it miraculously turns into trade waste. Perhaps it's a miracle of modern science?

# PIGS

**A** brave band of 14 hardy golfers turned out at Bowood Golf Club on Monday February 25<sup>th</sup> to play in the augural round of the PIGS Matchplay Competition 2002. Unfortunately the weather was against us and we had to abandon the match after nine holes.

However, Bowood have given us the opportunity to replay our matches as soon as the weather improves and we thank them for that.



The after match dinner was

superb and as the matches were abandoned, no trophies were presented apart from Mick Guard's sand iron which was found embedded in the course somewhere.

A final mention must go to Billy 'The Turtle' Hawkins for his impromptu tumbling routine. The 13 judges scored it 5.8 (on the Richter scale)!!!

*Chris Lanyon*

## Delia v Real Women

**Delia's way** - Don't throw out that leftover wine. Freeze into ice-cubes for future use in sauces and casseroles.

**The Real Women's way** - Leftover wine?

The 'Thorough Guide to North Devon and North Cornwall' of 1908 describes Port Isaac as:

'The village is devoid of interest but prettily situated, and possesses a dingy inn or two where substantial refreshment may be had.'

# Letters to Trio

**Dear Trio**

I would like to thank the outgoing committee of the Friends of Port Isaac School for all their hard work, with a special thanks to Linda Collins (Chairman) who remains in charge of the '100 Club'.

The new committee are now planning the forthcoming events for the year in an effort to raise sufficient funds to purchase an Interactive White Board. This will bring the School bang up-to-date with modern technology and offer a hands-on computer facility for all the children. The new piece of equipment will cost around £4000 so any help with this project would be gratefully appreciated.

I would like to point out that all members of the community are welcome into the Friends of Port Isaac School and it is not a requirement to have a child at the school. We have a lot of fun and enjoyment while raising funds so come and join us.

Watch the *Trio* for event information.

**Sharron Witcomb**  
*Chairman, Friends of Port Isaac School*

**Dear Trio**

HUGE congratulations to the vast band of helpers (they weren't vast, just a lot of them) for organising such a brilliant Hospice Day in the Village Hall in March. Not only did they raise a fantastic amount of money, they gave a very happy day to all who came and supported.

I never cease to wonder at the generosity of both locals and visitors on such occasions. It just goes to show that the 'spirit' is still very much alive in Port Isaac, despite what the pessimists say. Long may it continue and thank you everyone.

**Annie Price, Port Isaac**

**Dear Trio**

There are a lot of worthwhile charities in the village supported by a loyal and hard working group of helpers who are always willing to dig deep into their pockets and time whenever the need arises. All the village residents appreciate their hard work and support.

I have only lived in the village for two and a half years but have noticed that one person in particular can always be found working hard, often behind the scenes, at most charity events. She is always willing to offer her valuable free time freely and expects no thanks. I feel she is the unsung hero of Port Isaac and, on behalf of the villagers, I would like to say a big thank you to Janet Chadband for all her hard work.

Janet, you are an inspiration to us all. Many, many thanks.

**Ian C Fuller, Port Isaac**

**Dear Trio**

In the March edition of *'Trio Talk'* you commented on second home ownership in Port Isaac and the high house prices which are creating problems for first time buyers which you describe as a difficulty in most parts of the UK and not just in Port Isaac. Your suggestion that if people don't like it they should sell up and clear off was presumably intended to provoke an intelligent response. (Ed: If you read last month's *Trio* talk properly you will note that we suggested that the moaners - not potential first time home buyers - had the option to sell their house and move somewhere else!)

Port Isaac's problems are, in fact, significantly different from the rest of the UK and are not confined to first time buyers. Our part of North Cornwall has a good deal in common with other Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty such as Exmoor National Park and the New Forest where steps are now being taken by their planning authorities to stem the influx of second home owners and reserve an adequate housing stock for local families. House prices in Port Isaac do not reflect local wage and salary levels as they do in

most parts of the country. At the moment they are being driven by demand from investors seeking houses for holiday letting and possibly eventual retirement and from those who have sold their homes in high value locations or inherited sizeable capital sums or property. Port Isaac's attraction is its out-standingly beautiful location and the fact that it is well served with a medical clinic, post office and supermarket. It also has a social life that a newcomer can easily slot into and one of the lowest crime rates in the UK. Its pubs do not fall silent the moment an outsider walks through the door as they do in some parts of Wales and Scotland.

The result is a rate of growth in Port Isaac house prices that has no relationship with what local people earn. The consequence for Port Isaac is demographic. If young couples cannot afford to buy houses and raise families here, only those living in the village's tenanted social housing will be able to do so. Eventually a point will be reached when the Port Isaac primary school roll is no longer viable.

A community consisting of pensioners, weekenders and periodic surges of holidaymakers is unsustainable as Exmoor and New Forest have discovered. Their draft proposals requiring planning permission to change the use of a house from a family home to a weekend retreat or holiday letting raises some interesting questions about enforceability but if these two other planning authorities are successful a similar policy should be considered by North Cornwall District Council when its Local Plan is next reviewed.

In the meantime if Port Isaac's housing stock continues to be sold off for use other than as family homes, local young people who wish to own their own homes will have to be accommodated. This may mean extending the boundary of the built up area of Port Isaac possibly by a shared ownership housing scheme with a registered housing association like West Country or Devon & Cornwall. It would be part funded by the government's Housing Corporation and subject to a Section 106 Agreement with the planning authority restricting occupation to those with an appropriate residence qualification.

**Martin Bell,**  
*Port Isaac*

# Looking back to Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> 1966 – A Long Day

**W**hat happened was ...

I had been asked to do two things on that day. One to assist in crewing a reserve Lifeboat on passage from Plymouth to Fowey and secondly to play the piano for Yvonne Whiting's birthday party at The Old Mill, Trebarwith. The plan was to leave Port Isaac at 0900hrs, take the train from Loswithiel to Plymouth, the Lifeboat passage to leave Plymouth at 1300hrs to arrive at Fowey 1500hrs, back to Port Isaac by tea time and at Trebarwith from 2030hrs to 2300hrs, then home to bed. No problem.

I drove over to the railway station at Loswithiel and met five crewmembers from Fowey Lifeboat for the 1030hrs train to Plymouth. On arrival we took a bus down to the Barbican as Jim Turpin, the Fowey coxswain wanted to go to see Charlie Cload, the chandler. Jim was a boat builder by profession and required some special fittings. Whilst Jim was there the rest of us took refuge in The Three Crowns where mine host, Monty Hunter, made sure that the crew were victualled before the voyage.

On Jim's return we ordered a taxi to take us to Admiral's Hard, Stonehouse where we would catch the ferry to Cremyll and then onto Mashford's Boat Yard. The taxi was only licensed to carry four persons but the driver agreed to take the six of us as long as two people sat on the floor – out of sight of any policeman! By the time we got to Admiral's Hard the ferry had just departed, not to return for another hour. So we retired to the Ferry Inn. Here the landlord took pity on us and gave us refreshments and drinks. He also gave us a crate of beer for the passage to Fowey. We met some of the Plymouth Lifeboat crew in the pub so lifeboat gossip was exchanged.

We caught the next ferry to Cremyll together with our crate of beer and made for the Boatyard. On arrival we found the yard closed and no one to tell us where the reserve Lifeboat, *Cecil and Lillian Philpott*, could be found. Jim Turpin telephoned the Plymouth Lifeboat Station Honorary Secretary and was informed that our boat had had engine trouble when on passage from Exmouth and was now moored in Millbay Docks. The problem was being worked on by reserve mechanic Barry Pike and Plymouth mechanic Bill Rogers. So it was back on to the ferry and into a taxi to Millbay Docks, still with two of us sitting on the floor plus the crate of beer on our laps.

The original instructions were to leave Plymouth at 1300hrs. We were not able to depart until 1800hrs, arriving at Fowey at 2000hrs. When tying up to a large buoy in the harbour pool, Alf Barron slipped off the buoy and had to

be rescued from the water. His rescue was so quick that the £1 notes in his pocket were still dry when he got aboard! When ashore I was taken to Loswithiel Station and returned to Port Isaac by 2200hrs. I telephoned the Old Mill and apologised for my delay thinking it was too late to go to the party. Not at all said Yvonne Whiting, please come whatever the time. I turned up about 2300hrs and played the piano for two hours. Fortunately there was some food put aside for me – I had only eaten a pasty since breakfast.

So it was back to Port Isaac and straight to bed. Until, at 0200hrs the telephone rang – it was Port Isaac Coastguard with an emergency call-out. The report was of a man stuck at the bottom of the cliff at Bossiney. Boscastle Cliff team were proceeding and Port Isaac Coastguard were required to assist with lighting and communications.

On arrival at Bossiney we learned that three men had gone all-night fishing from the rocks. One man had been washed off the rocks and drowned; a second man managed to climb the cliff and raise the alarm; a third man had scrambled onto a ledge to avoid the incoming tide. His rescue took over two hours. He was found to be suffering from hypothermia and went to hospital by ambulance.

We returned to Port Isaac at 0500hrs and stood down. What a day to remember!

*Our man in Fuerteventura,  
David Castle*

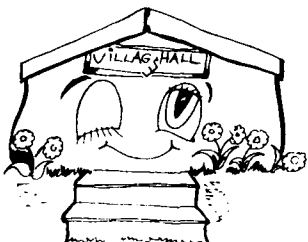
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"Instant Wit are a team of very funny people who produce a professional, very funny show. This must rank as one of the hits of the fringe" – The Bath Evening Chronicle.

"This superlative comedy troupe continue to amaze packed houses with their extraordinary extemporising skills... – Venue.

"If you enjoy fast-paced comedy off-the-cuff, Instant Wit have no equal. The audience was howling with laughter" – Bristol Evening Post.

It looks like a night not to miss. Demand for tickets is sure to be high to get yours, priced £5, now from *Secrets*, tel: 01208 880862/880905. There will be a licensed bar and the evening's profits will go into the Village Hall Renovation pot.




**PORT ISAAC  
VILLAGE HALL**

**AGM**

**Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup>  
7.30pm**

**Everybody welcome**

**INSTANT WIT**  
THE QUICK-FIRE COMEDY IMPROVISATION SHOW



THE COMPLETELY IMPROVISED SHOW THAT BRINGS YOU FLYING PACKETS OF INSTANT  
SKETCHES! BIZARRE PHYSICAL POSITIONS SONGS! WHIP  
SURREAL SITUATIONS! GAGS! AND PRIZES!!  
CATCH US - AND THE INSTANT WHIP - WHILE YOU CAN

**Port Isaac Village Hall  
Friday April 19<sup>th</sup> - 8.00pm**

Tickets, priced £5 each,  
available from  
*Secrets*, tel: 01208 880862

# Easter Gift

The supermarket shelves are full of chocolate eggs and chocolate bunnies at Easter but where are the empty tombs? Why haven't the shops got any empty tombs to sell?

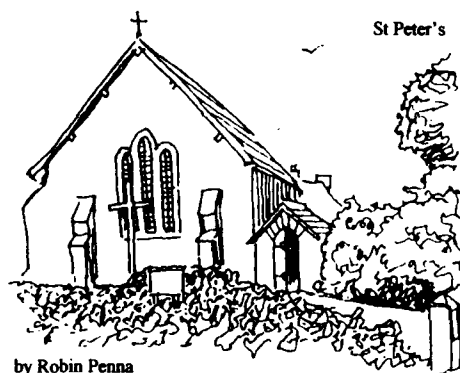
We can't buy empty tombs. The empty tomb is a free gift. It symbolises the free gift of life. Fluffy Easter chicks and bouncing Easter bunnies may signify the new life of Creation, but the new life of Easter is signified by the empty tombs. This is the new life of the spirit, which is given by Jesus Christ rising from the dead - exciting and eternal!

Remind yourself of the facts - or read them for the first time. Jesus, the Son of God, came into the

world, human yet divine. He lived and worked in Galilee and around Jerusalem about two thousand years ago. He preached the gospel of love, healed the sick and gave hope to the poor and oppressed. He was, in many ways, a revolutionary, so much so that, although he had not actually done anything wrong, the authorities crucified him.

That was on the first Good Friday. That was when the Son of God died, but in doing so joined earth and heaven, showing the way to new life. On that day, Jesus opened the gate to glory - the way to eternal life. On the first Easter Day, the tomb which had received Jesus' body was found empty. He had risen from the dead to show that death has no power over real life.

The Church might be called the empty tomb - Christ's body is out



by Robin Penna

in the world dispensing his free gift of life, new life, eternal life.

Let us fill our Churches on Easter Day and thank God for his gift of new life.

**Father Michael**

## Church Diary Dates

The first in what we hope is to become a regular monthly column:

## Trelights titbits

Spring has really sprung in Trelights. All the daffodils planted by the children for the Millennium have raised their lovely heads and there is a mass of yellow on every patch of green in the village. The commemorative hawthorn tree appears to have weathered the winter well and is also springing into life. We hope that all the visitors who followed the diversion signs for Port Isaac enjoyed the view.

Now for a piece of news nobody likes to hear. In February, residents Margaret and Roy returned home to find they had been burgled. The thieves had entered through the kitchen door (badly damaging it) and had taken several electrical items but in particular three watches and two decanters which were of great sentimental value and cannot be replaced.

It was a shock (now turned to anger) to find their home had been violated and they have had all the nuisance and effort of repairing damage, insurance claims, etc. If anybody has any information about this robbery (especially concerning the watches) please contact Wadebridge Police. Up to now we have had very little crime in the village - in the past garden sheds have been the target!

On a happier note, the village will soon be alive to the sound of music when the Easter Music Festival comes to St Endellion.

Many of the artistes stay in Trelights and we are often treated to an impromptu performance when some of them practise in the garden of the Farm House.

**N Lighten**



St Endellion Church - home of the Festival

**Maundy Thursday March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Commemoration of Last Supper with Foot Washing and Vigil until midnight in St Endellion Church - 8.00pm

**Good Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Procession of Witness with Cross from Church Hall followed by Service in St Peter's Church, Port Isaac - 10.00am

Family Service in St Kew Parish Church - 11.00am

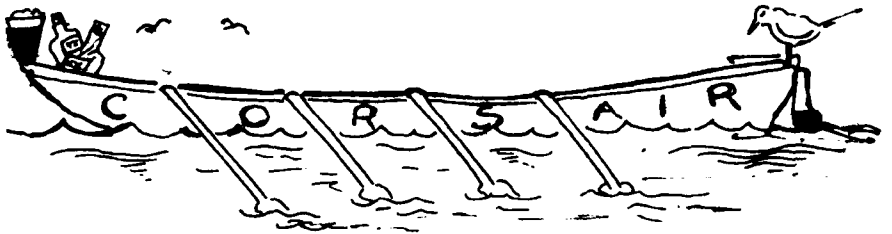
Good Friday Service of Devotion in St Endellion Church - 12 noon to 3.00pm

**Easter Eve Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Lighting of the Paschal Candle, singing of the Exsultet and renewal of baptismal vows in St Kew Parish Church - 8.00pm

**Easter Day Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup>**  
Eucharist in St Endellion Church with Father Alan - 8.00am  
Eucharist in St Kew Parish Church with the Curate - 9.30am  
Sung Eucharist in St Peter's Church, Port Isaac with the Rector - 10.00am  
Festival Sung Eucharist in St Endellion Church with the Rector - 11.00am  
Festival Choral Evensong in St Endellion Church - 4.30pm

attend  
**Easter Services**

# Gig news



You will forgive me if this month I am rather succinct. I have just realised that my deadline is tomorrow, and I am suffering the consequences of our most recent event...the rowing club social! We'd ourselves into the back bar in The Lion for some food and a gossip, and of course plenty of beer!

Not much else to report at the moment. Trevor notes that the gigs are both looking good and that

painting in advance of the next season will be completed in good time to get them both in the water as soon as the evenings draw out.

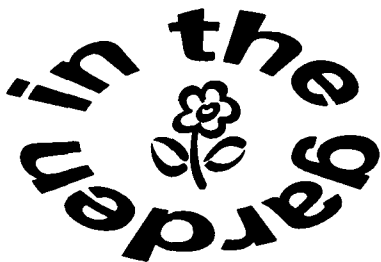
Our usual party are booked onto the Scillies for World Champion weekend, though due to work commitments we shall not be able to raise an all (PI) woman team. It

may be that we can mix in with a few Rock girls to enter a team. I hope so.

Do call me on 01208 880834 if you fancy a row this year, even if you would just like to row socially. We are keen to hear from all comers. Happy Easter

*Nicola*

Wouldn't it be nice if we could have two consecutive days of fine weather? I did manage to get the shed and some of the garden furniture painted the other day. I actually mowed the lawn as well - it was a bit soggy which means having to stop every now and then to scrape the grass off the blades - but at least it doesn't look like a miniature jungle now (or perhaps a paddy field would be more appropriate).



I'm still busy in the greenhouse, removing more of the old soil. Then it will be a case of trotting back and forth with buckets of old compost and ashes and soil from the bonfire site. Then I am going to replant one or two of the larger houseplants in the greenhouse, leaving a space for the tomato plants and perhaps a patio peach tree which I have found in the past do very well under glass.

Plants sent for have started arriving and so the hanging baskets are beginning to take shape. All the seeds I have planted appear to be coming up - especially the ones I'm not particularly bothered about! However, it looks as if there won't be many sweet peas as there are neat little holes where the seeds were - mice I presume. Anybody got any ideas for mice deterrent? - apart from the obvious one of a trap or shut the cat in!

*GFL*

## GARDEN SOCIETY SHOW



The Members of the Port Isaac Garden Society will be holding their Annual Open Show a little earlier this year on Saturday August 31st in the Church Hall.



There will again be prize vouchers and medals for Marshalls Top Tray for Vegetables and Unwins Top Vase for Flowers.



So please put the date in your diaries and start your sowing/sewing!

*Robin Elgar*

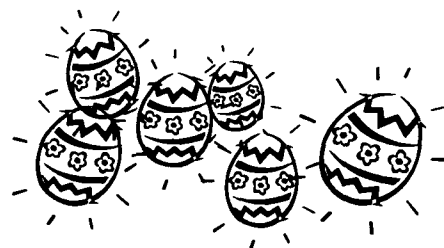
## Easter parade

Mums & Monsters are holding an Easter Parade on Easter Day to raise funds for the Playgroup. Children from the Playgroup will meet outside the Village Hall at 2pm and will parade to the Platt and back wearing their homemade Easter bonnets. We will be collecting during the walk.

On returning to the Village Hall, our mystery celebrity judge will

award the prize for the best bonnet and Cream Teas will be served.

It's a chance to walk off some of that chocolate and a lovely way to spend a family Easter. So please come and support us. Everyone is welcome.



### CINDERELLA - the movie!

You've seen the panto, now buy the video! Copies of either the first or last night's performances are on sale from Barbara at the Pottery, priced £7 each. Money with order please.

Tel: 01208 880625



# Lowermoor Water Pollution Incident

A public meeting is to be held on Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.00pm in the NCDC Offices, College Road, Camelford.

Professor Frank Woods CBE and members of the official government expert group investigating the long term health effects arising from the water pollution incident at Lowermoor in July 1988, will be present. This is your chance to speak to experts from outside Cornwall about any health concerns you may have held since 1988 surrounding the water poisoning. The cocktail of dangerous chemicals the public consumed has never been fully analysed or investigated and the health effects have never been fully investigated.

A Public Meeting is being held to explain the nature of the investigation, the ways in which evidence can be given and how the findings of the investigation will be reported.

Further information about the inquiry can be obtained from the Lowermoor Support Group via chairman Peter Smith at 01872-865623 or Margaret Phillips at Indian King Arts Centre, Camelford on 01840-212111 or <http://www.doh.gov.uk/cotnonfood/lowermoor.htm>

If you are interested in giving evidence to the inquiry, you can contact the administrative secretariat in the following ways:  
by email:  
[Khandu.Mistry@doh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:Khandu.Mistry@doh.gsi.gov.uk)

by post: Mr K Mistry, Department of Health, Room 692D, Skipton House, 80 London Road, LONDON SE1 6LH

## Council tax

NCDC, in common with other councils across the country, is making an above inflationary council tax increase this year; for NCDC this will be 7.9% - an increase of 16 pence a week for Band D council tax payers.

The district council portion of total council tax is 13% - the rest of the money goes to the County Council, the Police and parish/town councils. Some of the increased areas of expenditure for NCDC are recycling, Objective One, insurance and pension costs. Grants from central government have decreased proportionately as more funds have been directed towards education authorities.

## Car parking charges

New car parking charges will be introduced in April - including lower prices for town centre shoppers and a simpler charging structure for coastal car parks.

Following letters from residents and businesses asking for some changes, councillors have altered

the original scheme. This means that part of Summerleaze car park in Bude will be retained for short stay parking, and parents dropping off children at a play group in Bodmin will be given a fifteen minute grace period at the Victoria Square car park without having to pay.

## DIAL

DIAL - the Disability Information & Advice Line (Cornwall) - is a free, confidential and friendly advice service for disabled people, their families and carers throughout Cornwall. It can provide a wide range of information including education, training, employment and benefits.

Phone lines - 01736 359077 - are open from Monday to Friday from 10.00am to 3.00pm.

### Delia v Real Women

**Delia's way** - Stuff a miniature marshmallow in the bottom of the cone to prevent ice cream drips.

**The Real Women's way** - Just suck the ice cream out of the bottom of the cone, for God's sake, you're probably lying on the couch with your feet up eating it anyway.

## Magical Managers 2001-02

### Division One

1	RIACHUS REVENGE 11	Kevin & Daniel Grills	709pts
2	SCREAM!	Karen Grills	690pts
3	FLY NAVY	Les Honey	620pts
4	BACK TO DA OLD SKOOL	Ben Skinner	602pts
5	THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE	Paul Honey	572pts

### Division Two

1	MOTS FLYERS	Tom Cleave	724pts
2	ST TUDY TORPEDOS	Tom Lobb	652pts
3	FALLDOWNERS	Bill Bissett	625pts
4	OUT OF TOWNERS FC	Charlie Guard	619pts
5	TEAM XTREME	Rachel Grills	592pts

### Division Three

1	CARLSBERG CRIPPLES	Scott Bennett	658pts
2	DREAM TEAM	Andrew Grills	610pts
3	PROMOTION CHASERS	James McDonnell	608pts
4	BOB'S BABES	Bob Irons	577pts
5	TREWETHA LANE RANGERS	Martin Dingle	558pts

Matches up to 15/03/02

PLAYER OF THE MONTH - DAVID BECKHAM - Man Utd

Paul & Kev



# Port Isaac Jubilee Music Festival

**P**lans are really taking shape for the Port Isaac Jubilee Music Festival which runs from May 31<sup>st</sup> through to June 4<sup>th</sup>. It looks to be one of the biggest Jubilee events in North Cornwall and our music extravaganza will feature something to suit everybody's tastes.

Three young contemporary rock bands open the Festival on Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> at 8.00pm in the Village Hall. Fake (Camelford) and Denial 42 and Solarus (both from Wadebridge) should get things off to a brilliant start. Entry is £2 per person.

Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> sees live music on the Platt from 1.00pm onwards. We're starting off with Drumba - a samba band - followed by Frances Webb playing the Celtic pipes. The afternoon ends with the St Minver Band.

Folk and soft rock are on the menu from 8.00pm in the Village Hall with local folk duo John & Cheryl Maughan, Outsky, the Port Isaac duo of Rupert Willder and Billy Hawkins, Paul Johnson on guitar and vocals and London-based Celtic band Making Purple. Tickets are £5 each.

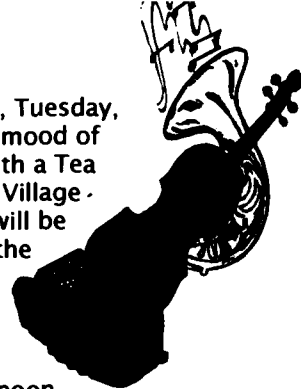
Live music on the Platt from 1.00pm will begin Sunday's programme which includes jazz, Outsky, Paul Johnson and a dance group from Port Isaac Primary School.

Port Isaac Chorale then top the bill for a free concert in St Peter's Church from 7.30pm. Piano and cello duo, Mary Vallender and Alison Lorimer will make a guest performance.

Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> is our big day. We will be taking part in the nationwide 'Music Live' song, live on the Platt. This will be followed by local steel band, Steelbridge and other busking acts.

The All New Soul & Blues Brothers Show Band make their debut performance in the evening in the Village Hall. Doors will open at 7.45pm and entry is £5 per person. The village's Jubilee bonfire will be lit on Lobber at 10.00pm - there will be a wonderful view from the Village Hall.

The final day, Tuesday, captures the mood of yesteryear with a Tea Dance in the Village Hall. Music will be provided by the Port Isaac Ensemble and tickets are £3 to include afternoon tea.



The Festival will end in the Golden Lion with a sing-a-long led by John & Cheryl Maughan.

The Festival is being organised by Port Isaac Village Hall committee and any money raised will go towards further Hall refurbishment. Tickets for Village Hall concerts and the Tea Dance can be purchased in advance from *Secrets*, tel: 01208 880862/880905, or on the door. Demand is sure to be high so advance booking is advised.

There's still room for busking acts if you want to take part. Call Steve on 01208 880593.

## Chocolate Mathematics

**T**his is pretty neat. Don't cheat by looking at the bottom first. It will take you less than a minute to do ...

1. First of all, pick the number of times a week that you would like to have chocolate (try for more than once but less than 10 - you may have to lie a bit!).
2. Multiply this number by 2.
3. Add 5.
4. Multiply it by 50 - bet you'll need the calculator now!
5. If you have already had your birthday this year add 1752. If you haven't, add 1751.
6. Now subtract the four-digit year that you were born.

This should leave you with a three digit number ....

The first digit of this was your original number (ie how many times you want to have chocolate each week).

The next two numbers are .....

**YOUR AGE! (Oh yes it is!)**

Now, is that clever or what? However, it will only work during the year 2002. don't ask me why

### Four More Little Whimsies by Eric Stokes

#### Bobby, Billy, the Knight and the Browns

##### Bobby

Bobby Bulgin, we owe you a pat on the back  
Resurrecting that old ruin (with our own Johnny Mc).  
Father Time had made it a ghost of the past  
Now we're all proud of your wee First and Last.

##### Billy

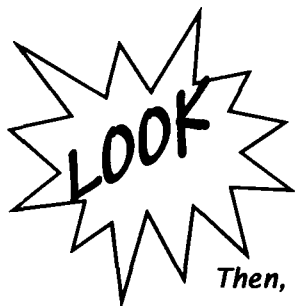
Our painter and potter, Barbara and Bill  
Should extend their steps to the top of the hill  
and on the top of Roscarrock's bovine domain  
Make bi-digital gestures at those who complain.

##### The Knight

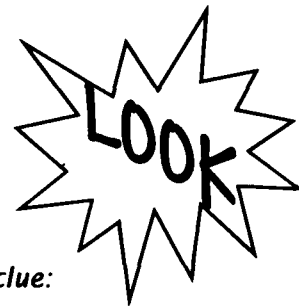
Dennis the Menace is worth our attention  
A seller in the cellars, any fish you can mention  
Piscatorial purveyor of seafood delight  
I refer, of course, to our Port Isaac Knight.

##### The Browns

There's Julian, Jeremy, John (and Joanna)  
Their names ring out like a joyful Hosanna!  
My fishermen's friends in these Jubilee days  
I could tell you more but I've run out of Js.  
Those wishing to sue, and that must be plenty  
Send a picture of Elgar on the back of a twenty!



# Prize Crossword



All you need to do is complete the crossword.  
Then, rearranging the 11 letters shaded in grey, answer the following clue:

**Chocolate message (5,6)**

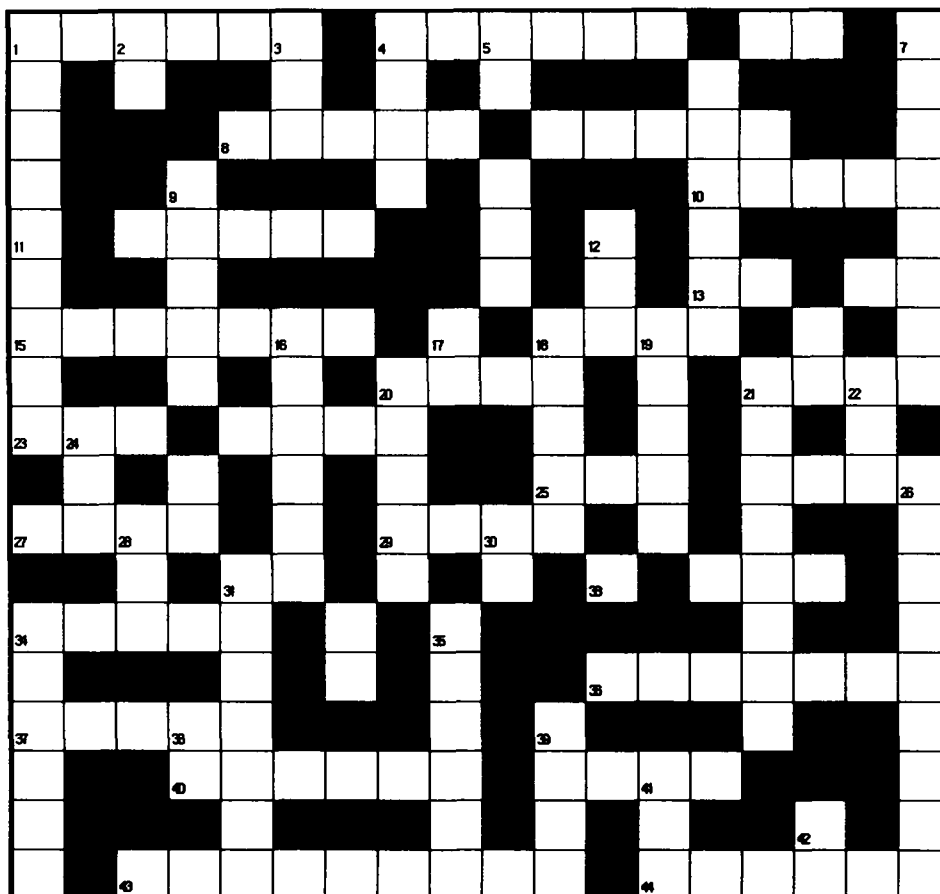
Send your answer to Trio, 3 Trewetha Lane, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RN, or drop in at Secrets by no later than April 10<sup>th</sup>. The first correct entry drawn will win a bottle of wine

## ACROSS

- 1 The first holiday of the year (6)
- 4 The best type of eggs (9)
- 8 The low countries (11)
- 10 The main artery in the body (5)
- 11 This animal never changes its spots (7)
- 13 What used to stop at Port Isaac Road (5)
- 15 Against the law (7)
- 18 *see 40 across*
- 20 She married the King of Siam (4)
- 21 Scottish lake (4)
- 23 (*and 12 down*) Cole Porter twenty-four song (5,3,3)
- 25 Choosing to follow a course of action (8)
- 27 Slang cigarettes (4)
- 29 Lion speak (4)
- 31 Headland of good hope! (4)
- 33 A junction of two nerve cells (7)
- 34 Hoard (5)
- 36 Waiting bird that doesn't fly (7)
- 37 Fool (5)
- 40 (*and 18 across*) Geordie city (9,2,4)
- 43 Thoroughly defeated (9)
- 44 Underground passage (6)

## DOWN

- 1 *see 2 down*
- 2 (*and 1 down*) Port Isaac's mother Church (2,9)
- 3 Fish eggs (3)
- 4 Silver salmon of the North Pacific (4)
- 5 Lady man eating giant (6)
- 6 Musically flowing, at walking pace (7)
- 7 Grassy, treeless plain (8)
- 9 Sometimes funny, often boring after the wedding (8)
- 12 *see 21 across*
- 14 Much of this is about nothing (3)
- 16 Christian name of murderous authoress (6)
- 17 About (2)
- 18 Once you've crossed this you're in Cornwall (5)
- 19 Person of no importance (6)
- 20 Love that fills an entrance (5)
- 21 Lack of energy (8)
- 22 Tin drink container (3)
- 24 Gershwin's christian name (3)
- 26 The verdant mound behind the



city wall (5,4)

27 Celebration (8)

28 India's hippy beach (3)

30 Chemical symbol for arsenic (2)

31 French house (7)

32 Home for peas (3)

35 Healthy breakfast (6)

38 Not off (2)

39 American carrier of goods over snow (4)

41 Not in (3)

42 Chemical symbol for zinc (2)

## Open letter to the Port Isaac Poet Laureate

Dear Eric, don't think me in a huff  
to read your very clever *Trio* puff.

Now it's really very hard

To outdo our cheery bard.

But before it's much too late

to put your 'info' straight.

I'm a 'scouser' born in that 'soccer' heaven  
in March (the Ides) in one, nine, eleven.

'Twas then I saw the light

but never the light brigade.

My modest talents, I have to quote  
'never rise to paint, for thee, a £10 note!

**Frank McNichol**

# RNLI AGM update

**P**ort Isaac RNLI's AGM was held in the Village Hall on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Following the usual AGM formalities, it included my very short Chairman's report. A threatened mutiny may well have occurred unless I kept it short and I succeeded - 7½ minutes. Janet Chadband won the sweepstake to guess the length of my speech and she kindly returned her winnings to the RNLI.

New RNLI Senior Area Organiser Fundraising SW, Dave Nicholl gained a lot of respect from all present. He told us that, first and foremost, he was still actively involved at the 'sharp end' of saving lives in his capacity as senior helmsman for the Falmouth Lifeboat where he had been a crewmember for 12 years.

## YOUR RNLI NEEDS YOU

We are looking for  
volunteer help at  
the Midsummer  
Dinner & Dance on  
June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**We need kitchen  
help & waiting staff**  
Contact Nikki B at the  
Lion or call Chris on  
880924

**We need bar staff**  
Contact Dee on 880905

**Perks of the job  
include food and  
enjoying yourself at  
the Dance when you  
have finished work**

Our guest speaker was Captain George Hogg RN who is responsible for the Cornish Galleries and Library at the new Falmouth Maritime Museum that opens this year.

Incorporated in the museum is a section on famous rescues and this will include our dramatic rescue from September 6<sup>th</sup> 1998. Mike Edkins handed over to George the transom from the wrecked lifeboat which had been on display in the Golden Lion. Kevin Dingle passed on the lifeboat's number, D517. Also given to the museum was the boat's propeller which Paul Pollington had donated.

Captain Hogg's slide presentation whetted all our appetites to visit the Falmouth Museum when it opens.



*Left to right: Kevin Dingle, Captain George Hogg RN, Mike Edkins and Bob Bulgin with the transom*

All in all, a very happy and relaxed evening which ended when the barrel of beer was finished!

**Annie Price, Branch Chairman**

**Port Isaac RNLI  
Souvenirs Sale  
& Coffee  
Morning  
in the Boathouse  
Easter Sunday  
11.00am**

**RNLI CLAY  
SHOOT DAY**  
**Sunday June 30th  
at Colquite**



**Lifeboats**  
Royal National Lifeboat Institution

**Midsummer  
Dinner & Dance**  
**FRIDAY JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>**

at Roscarrock Farm  
*courtesy of Mr & Mrs R Sloman*

Early evening Pimms Bar opens at 6 o'clock  
Dinner at 8 o'clock  
Dancing till late to The A W Blues Band  
Disco  
*Lounge Suit or Black Tie*

**TICKETS, PRICED £25 EACH, NOW ON GENERAL SALE**

Call Dee on 01208 880905/880862  
for more information or call into Secrets, Port Isaac

# Don't count the calories!

This month, I am suggesting two cake recipes. One is flavoured with maple syrup, the other is a chocolate cake especially suitable for the chocoholics amongst us. Both serves 8- 10 portions.

## MAPLE CAKE

225g/8oz softened butter  
150g/5oz soft brown sugar  
100mls/4fl oz maple syrup  
4 eggs  
275g/10oz self-raising flour

for the cream  
275ml/10fl oz double cream  
2 tblsp maple syrup

METHOD OVEN 180°C/350°F/gas 4

Line and grease a 20cm/8in round cake tin

Place all five ingredients for the cake into a bowl and beat with an electric mixer until light in texture and colour. Pour into the cake tin and cook for 50-55 minutes or until cooked when tested with a skewer.

Stand for 10 minutes then turn out onto a cooling tray. Meanwhile, make the maple cream by combining cream and syrup and whisk until thick. When cake is cold, cut in half horizontally and spread the cream through the middle and over the top.

Now for the wicked chocolate cake which may be served at coffee time, tea time or as a pudding with a little cream poured over it. Why not go the whole hog and tip a little brandy or Grand Marnier over each portion?

## CHOCOLATE CAKE

225g/8oz softened butter  
225g/8oz soft brown sugar  
3 eggs  
275g/10oz plain flour  
1½teasp baking powder  
40g/1½oz cocoa powder  
25ml/8floz sour cream  
225g/8oz good quality bitter chocolate, melted

for the glaze  
150g/5oz bitter chocolate  
100mls/3fl oz double cream

METHOD OVEN 170°C/325°F/gas3

Grease a 22cm/9in round cake tin

Beat butter and sugar together until light and creamy. Add eggs beat well. Sift together the flour, baking powder and cocoa and fold into the butter mixture, then add the melted chocolate and the cream and combine. Pour the mixture into the tin, smooth the top and cook for 55minutes - 1hour or until firm to the touch. Cool in the tin before turning out to glaze.

To make the glaze, combine the chocolate and cream in a bowl and melt over a saucepan of hot water until smooth. Remove from the heat and allow to stand for 5 minutes before spreading over the top and allowing some of the glaze to drip down the sides of the cake.



EP

## St Endellion Economic Regeneration (STEER) Working Group Membership

A public meeting was held in the St Peter's Church Rooms, Port Isaac on Friday March 8<sup>th</sup> which was attended by the North Cornwall MP Paul Tyler, Ms Check McEwen who is Regeneration North Cornwall's Programme Manager and Ms Debbie Wilshire who is Deputy CEO/Principal of Cornwall College and a member of Regeneration North Cornwall's Local Development Group.

Janet Townsend JP was proposed and elected as Chair of the Working Group which is a major step forward. A number of other names were then proposed as Working Group members, at which point I said that it should include a cross-section of the people who the North Cornwall Integrated Area Plan is intended to assist. Dugald Sproull, Chair of Port Isaac Harbour Commissioners, reinforced my view by pointing out that he was the only person at the meeting who was born and raised in the Parish: he said there was a real danger that STEER would fail if the whole community did not back it.

Paul Tyler MP explained that similar ventures in North Cornwall had run into difficulties because the people who had launched them did not have support of the wider community. He emphasised that there had to be a sense of 'ownership' for STEER's proposals.

As a teacher I recognise the barriers that discourage people from participating and expressing their views. I am not criticising well meaning individuals who attended the various STEER meetings and offered to make a contribution to its success. There should be a role on its committee for all those who introduce relevant specialist skills. However, people who are used to airing their views in public can inhibit those who STEER must recruit if it is going to be taken seriously by public officials (they used to be called 'The Silent Majority'). There needs to be a far more balanced committee and that fact was recognised by the meeting.

STEER is being set up to work with Regeneration North Cornwall and help achieve its objectives which include raising the standard of living of people living in the Parish of St Endellion with low incomes. It could do this by improved access to work skills training, assistance with local childcare, support for small businesses to help them expand and employ more local people and the use of information and communications technology.

There are other potential projects which are important to the local economy such as work on Port Isaac harbour wall and leisure facilities that could benefit both visitors and residents. Somewhere in that mix may be scope for improving the appearance of the parish. However, if STEER gets off on the wrong foot and without broad based support these opportunities may be lost.

One way to involve the local community is to conduct a Parish Survey and the Parish Council has approached the Countryside Agency for funding. Before that happens I am particularly interested in talking to women with young families or young people who want to improve their skills, to explain what STEER is trying to achieve and how it could help them.

I am willing to talk to small groups in living rooms to reach those who have been unable to attend the various public meetings because of work or child care commitments or simply because they felt excluded from them for whatever reason.

If anyone has been unable to attend the STEER meetings and would like to discuss its plans I can be contacted on 01208 880075.

**Barbara Bell**

## Breakwater repairs go it alone

The Eastern Breakwater repair project seems likely to go ahead with about two months to wait for confirmation of all the necessary funding being in place. Dan James of Cornwall Enterprise and Dugald Sproull both spoke of the scheme to members of STEER (St Endellion Economic Regeneration group) at its most recent meeting.

Back in the early 1920s, the initial money for building the breakwaters was raised mainly by fishermen's choirs (is there not an avenue we can explore again there?).

The breakwaters are now in urgent need of repair and the Harbour Commissioners have been heavily involved in trying to get some £250,000 funding for these repairs.

Everything seemed to be in place with work due to start late last year and then one of the funding bodies dropped out leaving a shortfall of £60,000.

However, in conjunction with Cornwall Enterprise, new bids for money have been placed and things are looking good. Said Dan James, 'I am fairly hopeful'. Surveys have shown that small community harbours are an integral part of the community and funding seems to be available to projects that demonstrate public community support. We seem to fit the bill.

At one point there was some suggestion that the breakwater repairs be part of STEER's application for Objective One funding. This is not the case and this project is going ahead independently.

Meanwhile STEER is going ahead with its plans for a parish questionnaire *which* is to include a 'shopping list' of both short and long term projects for the community to rate in order of importance. It is anticipated that this village survey will be carried

*(continued overleaf)*

# Parish Council news

Since the last edition of Trio, the Parish Council met on the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2002.

Dist Cllr W Dawe mentioned problems with the road flooding from St Endellion church to past Pennant Farm. At the time of the meeting the councillors were informed that Cornwall County Council had plans to rectify the situation before the end of this financial year. The Chairman asked that CCC be contacted to arrange a site meeting.

A letter has been received from a local fisherman who stated that if the fishermen were not allowed to use the car park as a loading area for their catch, it would affect them greatly. The Chairman asked the Clerk to reply to the letter.

Councillors thanked the Chairman for his efforts in arranging the recent concert in the village hall which has raised a profit in the region of £900. The Chairman thanked all those who had supported the event by donating prizes etc, but most of all the people who came along to watch the concert.

The Chairman and Cllr M Lee met with several boys of the village with regard to the skateboard track.

At the moment though, it is not possible to make definite plans until the outcome of the second planning application for the removal and rebuilding of the hedge to improve visibility is known.

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out by the Parish Council who should be able to obtain funding for the project. However, it looks like being a long job and it was implied at the meeting that it could take 'twelve months to progress a questionnaire' and it was stressed that it is something that cannot be rushed.

This seems in line with North Cornwall MP Paul Tyler's comments at the meeting held on March 8<sup>th</sup> when he spoke of the problems the group are going to face keeping local support and making the whole community feel involved during what was going to be a long process. Work for 'evolution not revolution' he urged.

Members of the Main committee and 'Friends of the Main' have seen a draft agreement and further talks will be held when everyone can make themselves available.

The following planning applications have been received by the Parish Council for observations:-

**Application no 2002 / 0278** Erection of pitched roof to existing annex accommodation. Full planning, Delegation possible. Cartway Cove, Port Gaverne, Port Isaac for Mr & Mrs J Kellet. **The Parish Council made no observations on this application.**

**Application no 2002 / 0331** Display of illuminated signs. Advertisements. Co-op, 31 New Road, Port Isaac. Delegation possible for CWS Retail Financial Services. **The Parish Council made no observations on this application.**

**Application no 2002 / 0370** Re-siting existing access to car park. Full planning. Delegation possible, Playing Fields, Port Isaac for St Endellion Parish Council. **The Parish Council made no observations on this application.**

**Application no 2002 / 0381** Demolition of existing flat roof extension and erection of pitched roof extension. Conservation area consent. Delegation possible. 25 Fore Street, Port Isaac for E & M Constantine. **The Parish Council made no observations on this application.**

**Application no 2002 / 0382** Erection of pitched roof extension to replace flat roof extension. Full planning. Delegation possible. 25 Fore Street, Port Isaac for E & M Constantine. **The Parish Council made no observations to make on this application.**

## Approvals

**Application No 2001 / 2072** Extension to property and roofline to include garage. 3 Brentons Park, Trelights, Port Isaac for Mr Clive Edwards. **APPROVED** by North Cornwall District Council.

**At the meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2002 the Parish Council made no observations on this application.**

**Port Isaac RNLI**  
**FAMILY BARBECUE \* FUN & GAMES \* MUSIC**  
**BEER & REFRESHMENTS** Roscarrock Farm  
**TABLE TOP SALE**  
**(Tables available for hire - £5 each - contact Mrs B on 01208 880765)**

A working forum was appointed to put STEER's plans into action. Chaired by Janet Townsend, the group includes David Raynor, Bob Bulgin, Andy Penny, Brough Girling, Malcolm Lee and Martin Bell. Robin Penna accepted the post of Group Co-ordinator. Barry Goodright is to be the Parish Council representative.

Everybody is welcome to attend STEER's meetings and the next one is planned for Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Church Rooms.

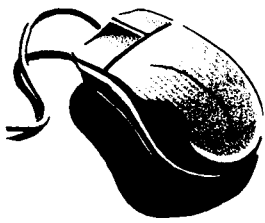
*STEER - is a new organisation set up to regenerate the parish of St Endellion with the help of Objective One funding.*

## Out of Nowhere

When I squeeze a verse  
from my inner space,  
it's not free will  
but an unknown grace

that's driven by a wind  
in it's own good time,  
with it's own house  
rules,  
not mine - not mine!

**Graham Tayar**



# About Nets

by James Platt



The classified advertisement pages in "Trio", taken as a whole, suggest a business scene in the parish of St Endellion that must be as dynamic as it is diverse.

Hotels and restaurants with fare to suit a whole range of tastes and pockets are there on the pages in strength. There is a window cleaner, there is someone who not only sells cappuccino but also owns an aquarium, there is a window blind consultant, some taxi services, a landscape gardener, beauticians, someone who will do your ironing for you, and so many builders and decorators that you wonder why you can never get hold of one when you need one.

Not the least interesting inserts to grace the pages of classified ads are the growing number of computer and Internet specialists. It must be a safe bet that their number is bound to rise further, driven by demand.

I have used the Internet on a regular basis for only a little more than a year, so am not able to comment on it with any authority, even if I wanted to. Prior to getting started a year ago I used the Internet only on two occasions, once to order a t-shirt from the "Beano", and once to download and print out successive episodes of "The Plant", by Stephen King.

I started my Internet experience nervously, although was well aided by the excellent little book "The Rough Guide to the Internet". It more than lived up to its title, but left me no less hesitant to carry on. I haven't even got so far as scratching the surface of what is on offer in the mesh of this new net, and for that matter, don't know if I ever will have the capability to get down to adequately shake it out.

The use of the new net is a young persons game, and those of us who are not so young can but admire the way those who really know can take the lightning advance of net technology in their stride.

To some older people with a Port Isaac background, the word "net" doesn't immediately summon up a

vision of the opportunity to find an answer any question they can ever dream up, or to send a letter in an instant to the other side of the world with the click of a mouse. A mouse in any case was a small creature that made your mother climb up on a chair and scream.

A net was something that you saw hanging in folds on the side of the Town Platt, or draped in the cordial confines of Pawlyn's cellars, or packed in the fishing boats as precisely as any parachute when the said boats left harbour in the dark in search of herrings. The fishing boats came back in with the dawn, bearing the same nets studded full with herrings and spangled with iridescent scales. When the herrings were shaken free from the nets onto the beach at low tide, the scales drifted like confetti and stuck like glue to every surface they touched, albeit boats, rocks, ropes, clothes, hands or faces.

The flick of a fisherman's wrist in shaking out a net was an act of grace made through an economy of style that the fisherman was born to.

Herrings were not my favourite fish to eat, as sorting out the flesh from the myriad bones always shaped up as a daunting task without much reward on the other side of it.

Herring roes however were quite another matter. If you were lucky you discovered hard rather than soft roes when you gutted your herrings. The gulls were happy with soft roes but I was not. The hard herring roe was known as the "pea" roe. Pea roes were fried and served brown and crumbly with a chunk of Mrs Sherratt's new bread, spread with butter - when you could get butter.

Early on in the novel "Goldfinger" by Ian Fleming, James Bond eats a meal with an associate, and the associate then comments to the effect that, "Mr Bond, I doubt that two men anywhere in the world at this moment have eaten a

finer meal!" He could easily have been talking about fried pea roes.

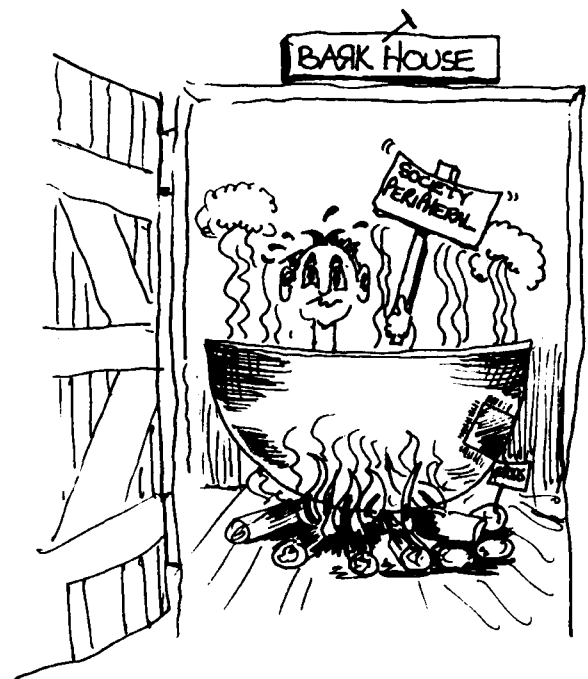
The nets that caught the herrings were repaired and put in best working order prior to the onset of the herring season. You could learn how to mend nets at the weekly fisherman's classes that were held inside the Slipway House, starting when the evenings began to draw in.

The final step in net maintenance however, was the annual steeping in a boiling solution of tannin, or "bark", celebrated at the Bark House in Middle Street. This was an occasion keenly anticipated by one and all.

Within the Bark House there was the roaring fire and bright spilling embers beneath the great copper in which the boiling bark was ready to do its benign duty for the nets. The glow of the fire turned the interior into a cosy and convivial sanctuary. Boys and girls dodged around and under the fishermen, not always managing to avoid contact, or for that matter wanting to.

The exciting part of the event was the baking of potatoes in the embers beneath the copper. The potatoes were cast in and pulled out by us with sticks when they were judged to be ready. If the

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# NCDC recycling initiative

All households in North Cornwall will get a fortnightly kerbside recycling service following agreement on the new £2.3 million waste management contract which will run for the next seven years.

After a competitive tendering exercise, the Council's own in-house team has won the refuse and street cleaning contracts and will also offer a hugely improved recycling service in partnership with the Cornwall Paper Company who won the recycling contract.

Under the new arrangements, which will start in June, householders will be able to recycle:  
Newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogues, phone books, food and drink cans, plastic milk bottles, glass, textiles, aluminium foil, cardboard boxes and packets

NCDC reckon's this will be one of the best and the most inclusive recycling services in Cornwall and is expecting a dramatic decrease in the amount of waste material currently sent to landfill. The scheme will enable NCDC to meet and hopefully exceed its statutory recycling targets but strong support from residents is needed.

The recycling scheme, which will cost the council £297,000, is expected to generate around £100,000 in income through recycling credits and the sale of recycled materials. Improved recycling facilities is something that North Cornwall residents have been calling for so the council is expecting householders to give their wholehearted support to the scheme when it comes in. Currently NCDC runs a fortnightly kerbside collection service in Bodmin, Bude and Launceston. This scheme was due to be extended to Camelford, Wadebridge and Padstow during the year but now the recycling service will extend to all households whether in towns or rural areas.

Residents can also look forward to an improved refuse collection and street cleaning service. The cleanliness of streets will be monitored through a robust inspection regime which has been developed nationally in partnership

with the Tidy Britain Group. Rather than simply cleaning streets according to a pre-determined schedule, the Council will identify where resources need to be directed so that problem areas are cleaned quickly.

A dedicated litter and dog waste bin emptying service will be introduced to improve standards throughout the district.

Under the new contract the Council will lease brand new refuse collection vehicles and will operate a 5-day rather than the current 4-day collection service.

Obviously this means changes and over the next few months NCDC will be commissioning publicity material to explain the new systems. All householders can expect to get information and recycling calendars through their letterboxes in May and the summer edition of North Cornwall Matters will also contain information on the scheme.

Councillors are absolutely delighted to at last be able to offer all residents a kerbside recycling scheme and they are also pleased that the cleansing contract stays in house so that the service continues to be delivered by North Cornwall District Council staff.

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potatoes happened to be burnt black on one side and semi-raw on the other, well, that was all right.

Once you had baked potatoes tossing from one of your hands to another as they cooled off a little, the unbearable wait for them was over. The potatoes may have been almost too hot to hold, but they were never too hot to be broken open and eaten down to the last fragment of charred skin.

Next door to the Bark House, Brigadier Reed's gourmet restaurant could have served no dish that was more appreciated than were the Bark House baked potatoes.

Those baked nets are long gone, and one now has to turn one's attention to learning how to handle the hot potatoes that the new net can throw in one's path.

On the "This is Cornwall" Internet website, you can call up the "Cornish Guardian" and read the most current stories presented in

the newspaper. This website was recently redesigned, although I am not yet sure how much of an improvement the upgrading has made.

So far, so good however.

Before the website upgrade "This is Cornwall" had a message board on which visitors were invited to post comments on items of particular Cornish interest. It seemed to offer such a good opportunity to make relevant contributions that I thought might be worth making on some Cornish news stories.

I posted comments on three stories, namely on what I saw as doubtful motives behind the re-opening of South Crofty mine, on a condemnation of the sale of fireworks to the general public, and on the desirability of supporting an expansion of the Eden project.

It was gratifying to find that there were responses coming in to what I had written. However, the tone of all these responses save one in all three of the instances, ranged from name-calling to a kind of hysterical

ranting at me that stopped only just short of being threatening.

I was shocked at the extent of personal abuse that my comments attracted from people who didn't know a thing about me. The common thread running through all of it was that I was not only not a friend of Cornwall, but also an enemy of the Cornish Flag and ultimately Cornish Independence, a dead in the water issue if ever I heard one.

It then appeared that pretty much all comments posted in good faith on the "This is Cornwall" message board by anyone else provoked the same twisted reaction. You have to conclude that the mesh of this new net catches many sad and curious characters that float around on the periphery of normal society.

Unlike herrings, the worthies unfortunately can't be shaken out on the beach. In terms of taste they are much more akin to soft roes than to pea roes.

Maybe they would benefit from a good barking.

## Richard Cann

1947-2002

Everybody sends their sincere condolences to Agnes on the sudden death of her only son, Richard on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Born into a village family, Richard was a true Port Isaac son. His working life was mostly spent in Devonport Dockyard and he recently retired back to the village to live.

## Lucie Jayne Brewer,

1975-2002

The only daughter of Lin and Barry, Lucie grew up in Hampshire until 1988 when the family moved to Port Isaac. She had five brothers so was, inevitably, a bit of a tomboy and could often be seen at Port Gaverne, cliff jumping and messing around in dinghies with her brothers and cousins.

After finishing school at Sir James Smith, she completed a catering course at St Austell College which led to jobs in local hotels.

She lived life to the full and made many friends, from all walks of life, as was reflected in the packed Church of St Peter for her funeral on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Her sudden death at the age of 26 came as a terrible blow to her family, who are still coming to terms with the death of her brother Mark, four years ago. Their only comfort is that they are together now and, as Father Michael said at her funeral, they are probably both with their great friend Spike having a party.

Lin and Barry would like to sincerely thank all their family, friends and the people of Port Isaac for their messages of sympathy, cards and visits. With special thanks to Father Michael and Dr Lunny. They are all greatly appreciated.

# Obituaries

## Peter Savage, 1929-2002

Little Pete died in Lewisham Hospital, London on March 18<sup>th</sup>. His passing will affect every one who knew him and all of those people each have their own special memories, which will make them both laugh and cry and never forget him. His philosophy on his ankylosing spondilitis was the basis for many of his anecdotes. But underneath it all he was a very brave man who tried to hide his suffering.

Pete's love affair with Port Isaac began over 40 years ago and never dwindled. He loved the village and its people. We first met him about ten years ago when he came into our shop to introduce himself to us. We took him with us to an auction that same afternoon and from then on it was like we had always known him. We feel honoured to have known him and had him as our friend.

He went into hospital in early February following a heart attack and it was from his hospital bed that he sent us the following message for *Trio*. We know he would want us to print it. Was there ever a time when Pete didn't have the last word?

Sam & Dee

### 'Where do you read your Trio?

This month I have read my copy in the Intensive Care Unit of Lewisham Hospital. The first page I had to check was the obituaries. Thank goodness I just managed to miss getting an entry.

I can't speak at the moment, due to a hosepipe being stuffed down my throat. This will come as good news to some of my friends in the Golden Lion, but I am not planning to have it in much longer. I can still play a good game of Dominoes - so be warned - I will be back.

May I take this opportunity to thank all my friends in the village for their support and greetings. It is a great boost to my morale while I battle with my problem. Maybe I don't live in the village but through your generosity I feel part of Port Isaac.

Thank you all, Pete Savage'

Following Pete's explicit written instructions, his ashes are being brought down to Port Isaac. On Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm there will be a Memorial Service in St Peter's Church followed by the scattering of his ashes over Lobber. This is to be followed by a party, 'not a wake', in the Golden Lion.

## Ellen Philomena Edkins,

1941-2002  
(known as Phil)

The family wishes to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and cards.

Phil and her husband Mike only moved to the village last year. Unfortunately she was not well enough to get to know everyone properly.

## Pam Sweet

My dear wife Pam Sweet died on Friday March 15<sup>th</sup> after a long illness, bravely fought.

She will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.

John

Obituaries continued overleaf

## Mary Frances Jones, 1941-2002

Mary was born in Wembley, daughter of Jack and Amy Rowe. The family moved back to Port Isaac when Mary was six. She trained as a teacher in art and PE and taught in London where she met and married Dennis in 1964.

In 1969 they returned to Port Isaac to live in Mary's grandparent's cottage and started their shellfish business in 1970 which they ran until 1992.

During her retirement Mary enjoyed many activities – painting, knitting, gardening, walking, keep fit, yoga. Her paintings were in the Port Isaac summer exhibitions and sold from Mervyn's shop.

Mary enjoyed knitting for her family including her great nieces and nephews. One of the last items she

completed was a beautiful intricate shawl for her great nephew Sam. She spent many happy hours tending the vegetables and flowers in her garden.

Mary had many friends from her various activities which was obvious from the large attendance at her funeral.

Mary and Dennis were to be seen walking together at least once a day and she will be very much missed by the whole community.

### Thanks

Dennis thanks everyone who sent messages of sympathy and support at this very sad time and all of you who attended Mary's funeral. Special thanks to Mervyn, Eileen and Shirley for their support, kindness and love throughout Mary's illness.

### Mary In memoriam

For thirty years, I knew her as a friend,  
(not nearly long enough, as things turned out)  
so pretty, warm and gifted, full of talent.

At first she taught, away in distant London,  
then homewards to Port Isaac, here to follow  
a dry-land version of her family's trade,  
selling – with Dennis – cooked fishy delights,  
fresh crabs and lobsters for our later pleasure.

And when at last she retired, the loving couple  
would promenade the village arm-in-arm  
regular and welcome like the morning light.

She's left us far too soon – but there's a legacy,  
late-gained, hard-won, her paintings and her pastels,  
(two hanging proudly on my London walls)  
a living memory of Mary Jones,  
staying with us for the whole of all our lives.

*Graham Tayar*  
*March 15<sup>th</sup> 2002, Port Isaac, Cornwall*

### Mary Jones

As you walked, hand in hand, with a smile and a chat  
We'll always remember you Mary, for that.  
Your passing has made our lives the less  
Go hand in hand with your Maker. God Bless.

*Eric Stokes*

The sale at our shop in Pengelly, Delabole continued during February and extended into March as spaced is required to display lighter clothing for, hopefully, the better weather ahead. Takings for February totalled £453.85 and thanks are due to those customers who braved the appalling weather to pick up some bargains.



The Delabole Quilters have presented a beautiful quilt made by their members to the Air Ambulance Shop. This magnificent piece of work will be displayed in the shop and raffled in aid of FFAST. Tickets, priced £1 each, will be on sale after Easter through to the draw in September. The team in the shop are very grateful for this very generous gift and a big thank you is due to all the quilters who put in so much hard work. Come along and see for yourselves and buy lots of tickets – we will keep reminding you that it's an opportunity to win a unique future 'heirloom'.

Opening times are on the door but, as always, subject to the availability of our volunteers.

For more information ring Joyce on 01840 213195.

## Charlie Honey retires

After 28 years as the area news reporter for the Cornish Guardian, the Cornish & Devon Post, the Western Morning News, the North Cornwall Advertiser and the *Trio* (from its first issue), I feel the time has come for me to retire. I would like to thank all who sent or brought their news reports to me.

I do hope someone in the village will take on my past duties.

*Charlie Honey*

# Harold the Hare and the Wonderful Dream

by David Morgan

*One of the adult winning entries in the Trio short story competition*

In a child's bedroom at the front of a little house in an ordinary street there lived a hare - his name was Harold. The child who loved him so very much was named Jacqueline.

Although this was a very ordinary house, the bedroom was not. When Jacqueline was fast asleep at night, tucked safely in her bed with her little nose peeking from beneath the sheets, the toys, of which Harold was one, would come alive and begin to laugh and play, amongst themselves.

"I see she's asleep again," said Teddy casually observing the little creature in the pink nightdress.

"Yes" remarked a rather splendid doll with pigtails. "I can't imagine why she doesn't sleep during the day like everybody else in the room."

"Oh really" snapped Harold crossly, "you shouldn't go on so. You surely know that little girls and boys sleep at night when we are awake. That is the way it is and that is the way it will always be."

"Is that so?" sniffed Teddy as he gazed casually about him at a large and white fluffy dog whose head kept swaying monotonously from side to side. "Is that so?"

"Yes" said Harold somewhat sadly. "I do wish it wasn't. I do wish that just for once I could speak to Jacqueline and she could speak to me. We could play games. Musical chairs perhaps. I do like musical chairs. Yes, that is definitely what I would play with Jacqueline if I could - musical chairs."

"I have heard" said the dog with the swaying head, "that sometimes toys can speak to children when they are asleep and even play games."

"Musical chairs?" asked Harold excitedly.

"Well, I don't know about that," said the dog who head was by now annoying everybody who was trying to listen to the amazing story. "All I know is that I was told by one of the older toys - a pyjama case elephant - that this was so."

"I know that chap," said Harold proudly. He always felt proud to be able to say he knew an older toy because they usually kept themselves to themselves. "He just lies at the foot of the bed at night and watches the other toys playing."

"I've seen him under the blankets with Jacqueline on cold nights" said the Pigtail doll, not wanting to be left out.

"Well, wherever he is, I do think we should find him and sort this matter out once and for all," said Harold who by now was rather keen on the whole idea.

So off they went, Harold in the lead followed by Teddy who was followed by the Pigtail doll and the wibbly, wobbly dog at the rear, still swaying his head.

After only a few moments they found who they were looking for - rather worn but somehow loveable pink pyjama case elephant.

"Excuse Me," said Harold politely.

"Good gracious" remarked the elephant looking up from a very comfortable position. "Is this an expedition? Are you going to climb some large toy cupboard or something? It's very dangerous you know. You shouldn't do it."

"No, we are not actually" said Harold who had decided to take charge as he was the one most interested in this talking to children story.

"Don't blame me if you fall with a bump" said the elephant, completely ignoring Harold's reply. "I've warned you, I can do no more."

"No" said Harold, repeating himself. "We are not climbing a toy cupboard. We are not climbing anything."

"Not climbing anything?" snorted the elephant with surprise. "I thought all you young toys climb things nowadays. It's one of the latest games isn't it?"

"Yes, I believe you are right," said Harold, thinking this was the most suitable reply for a young toy to give to an older one. "What we really wanted to ask about is something our friend here, with the rather unfortunate habit of swaying his head, told us. It is about toys being able to speak to children."

"Oh that" said the elephant in such a matter of fact way that made all those present feel as if they should have known about it. "Quite simple really" continued the elephant. "What you have to do is stand very close to the child while she is asleep and just as she is about to drift into a dream, you jump onto it. I've done it. I am quite a celebrity in the dream world. There is one thing, however. You must love the child very much."

"I do, I do" said Harold in expectation.

"Actually" said the elephant, "there is a dream expected in two minutes time if you are really interested."

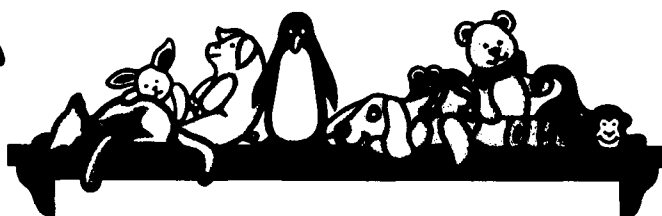
"I certainly am interested," laughed Harold, straightening the blue ribbon around his neck. "Are you chaps coming?"

"Not this time" said Teddy, a little unsure of the whole story.

"I'll stay and look after Teddy," said the Pigtail doll looking slightly embarrassed.

Harold was not too sure if the wibbly, wobbly dog meant yes or no as he swayed from side to side.

Quickly, the brave hare pressed his face closely against Jacqueline's cheek until he felt himself drifting into a dream. Far away he went as the other toys looked on in



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# Corporate membership with NCDC Leisure

**I**f you run a hotel or B&B why not take out a corporate membership with NCDC leisure and offer your guests added value.

Corporate members can offer their visitors free (or discounted) tickets to our leisure centres for swims, squash, tennis, jacuzzis or whatever (different centres have different facilities).

We can do a deal to suit the individual business - you may want access to all leisure centres in North Cornwall or maybe just your local centre. Either way, it means that in your brochures and advertising you can offer your guests that little bit extra to make sure they book with you.

The detailed arrangement is pretty flexible. Basically you pay for leisure tickets at a discounted rate and then you choose whether to give guests free entry or just offer them cheaper tickets.

## North Cornwall Arts at the Gaia Centre, Delabole

Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> - 8.30pm

### NEVERLAND

Jazz quartet featuring Hans Koller (piano), Dave Whitford (bass), Stuart Lawrence (drums) and Rob Townsend (saxes)

Formed in 1995, this quartet of very talented musicians instantly found a common ground. Playing original music that is fresh and open (composed by pianist Hans Koller), the group has developed a great rapport over the years.

Tickets £7/£6 conc/£5 school students

Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> - 8pm

The Mikron Theatre Company present **THE CORNISH GIANT OF STEAM**

Richard Trevithick was a remarkable giant of a man who worked on the very edge of technology. His life makes an exciting adventure story - not least the 11 years he spent in Peru.

Tickets: £7/£6 conc/£5 school students

Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> - 8.30pm

### GILAD ATZMON ORIENT HOUSE ENSEMBLE

'Talk to anyone about the Israeli saxophone virtuoso Gilad Atzman and you'll encounter reactions from the enthusiastic to the truly ecstatic! That's the sort of review this man gets from the jazz critics. Drawing together musical influences from around the world into his playing of tunes by the greats like Davies, Ellington as well as his own mix of up tempo ballads. Gilad's musical experience includes the jazz clubs of Britain and two years with Ian Drury's Blockheads. Tickets £8/£7 concs/£5 school students

Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup> - 8pm

### JEZ LOWE and the BAD PENNIES

Following on from their successful tour of the US and Australia, to promote their new album Honesty Box, this living legend of folk rock appears in North Cornwall for one night only. His music has been hailed as 'exquisite song writing, firmly grounded in his own roots, resulting in universal messages of power and poignancy'

*'He's laughter, tears, melody, anger and people dancing in the aisles'*

Tickets £7/£6conc/£5 school students

*For a meal in the Gaia Café before a show book in advance on 01840 21332. For more information or to book tickets call North Cornwall Arts on 01566 772117.*

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amazement as Harold's eyes closed and he seemed to fall into the same sleep as the little girl.

The toys began to make their way back to their places as the first rays of sunlight shone cheerfully through the curtains. The wibbly, wobbly dog climbed onto the windowsill to stare out at passers-by as he did yesterday and the day before and the day before that. Teddy and the Pigtail doll made their way towards the toy cupboard to await the delights of being pushed around the garden in a dolls pram later that day.

"Hey, wait for me," whispered a voice from the bed.

"It's Harold!" shrieked the Pigtail doll.

This scheme is open to all businesses of course, not just the tourist sector, so if you want fit, healthy and happy staff who know that you appreciate them, just speak to NCDC about the corporate leisure membership.

For more information contact our Head of Leisure Services, Simon Blamey on 01208 265815 or email [simon.blamey@ncdc.gov.uk](mailto:simon.blamey@ncdc.gov.uk)

The mobile library will continue to stop every other week but will now come on Thursdays.

This started on Thursday March 11<sup>th</sup>.

Times are as follows:

Mayfield Road.

12.20pm - 12.50pm

Pea Pod Store.

2.00pm - 2.30pm

Trelights.

2.45pm - 3.05pm

## LOST

### Two electricians in the Bodmin area

**Answer to the names of Steve & Nigel**

**NO REWARD**

**Just sentimental value**

**Phone: Sam L on 01208 77716**

Harold rushed up to them. "Just made it," he gasped.

"I should thing you did just make it," snapped Teddy. "Er, did you speak to Jacqueline last night?"

"Yes" said Harold proudly, "and she spoke to me."

"Shh, she's waking up," said the elephant pyjama case, looking over from the bed. "Tell them the rest tonight."

"All right" said Harold, as he climbed into the toy cupboard. "I will."

"Teddy," said Harold sleepily rubbing his eyes, "and we played musical chairs."

**Dave Morgan**

Our caretaker, Jim Kershaw is leaving school because he is retiring on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of March.

We hope he has a nice time. Thank you Jim for all you have done.

*by Rion Witcomb, Y2*

The children of Port Isaac School held their Easter Assembly on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30p.m.

We sang and danced about Jesus dying and coming back to life. We hope everyone who come to see us enjoyed it.

*by James Edkins & Sophie Eaves, Y2*

## Easter assembly

## Oxfam Bring and Buy Sale

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of March Aimee Eaves and Jessica Powell held a Bring & Buy sale at Port Isaac School. They did this for Oxfam and they managed to raise the terrific amount of £49.15.

They would like to say a huge THANK YOU to every one who came. We couldn't have done it without you. Oxfam have said that we would be helping people in Tasmania.

*by Aimee Eaves, Y6 &  
Jessica Powell, Y5*

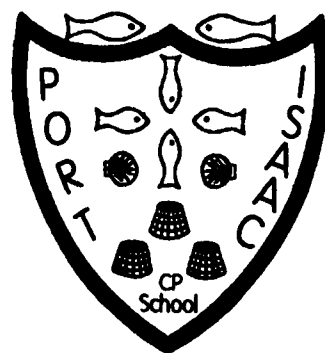
## Tamsin's success

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February Tamsin Richards entered the Music Festival in Wadebridge Methodist Church. She entered and played her Cornet for St Minver Silver Band. As she played it was brilliant and very expressive. She waited for two classes to see if she won and she came 11th PLACE IN ONE AND 1st OUT OF TWO CLASSES. Later on she went into a quartet and they came 2nd. Tamsin was very pleased with herself and hopes her success will continue.

*by Tamsin Richards, Y5*

# schoolchat

**Port Isaac School  
news and views**



## Should traffic be allowed in old Port Isaac?

**P**ort Isaac is a small fishing village with not many people. Some people think the old part of the village should be banned to cars it is very narrow and windy.

Cars should be banned because when there is a lot of traffic the lifeboat wouldn't be able to get out very easily. Furthermore when there is a fire or a burglary the police and ambulance wouldn't be able to get down.

If there was no traffic, the fishermen would not be able to take their pots to the Platt. Furthermore Byron might lose his job because there would no longer be a car park. When people in the village were going to go shopping or people were bringing deliveries to shops they would not be able to get down to the shops as easily.

No one can deny that for some people the walk up from the village is hard and only people who live or work in the village should be allowed through.

*by Josh Brewer, Y6*

**O**ld Port Isaac is a long narrow road and also has dangerous long corners. The street is really too small for any cars to fit through comfortably. There is no doubt that cars are becoming a hazard to the Old part of Port Isaac.

If the car banning is successful, it would be a safer place to play & mess about. It would also be a more relaxing village and it would not be so polluted. If there was an emergency like a fire or even an accident the emergency vehicles would be able to get to the incident.

On the other hand if cars were banned from the old part of Port Isaac, people would lose their jobs like the car park man, the fishermen and delivery men. Also if cars weren't allowed into the old part of Port Isaac it would turn into a dump because the rubbish man wouldn't be able to collect the rubbish.

No one can deny that cars can be a big problem to Port Isaac. However if the visitors were banned there would be no more traffic jams so it would let the locals get around easier and quickly. I think cars should be banned apart from deliveries, locals and business men who should be allowed into the old part of Port Isaac.

*by Sam Brown, Y5*

**T**he old part of Port Isaac gets very crowded in the summer and ever since the invention of cars there has been a problem. Some people think cars shouldn't go down into the village and there is an argument about it.

The village is very small so cars could block the roads and furthermore cause  
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# PORT ISAAC SCHOOL GOLF DAY

at Roserrow Golf & Country Club  
on Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> 2002



Teams of four players  
Game: Texas Scramble  
Cost: £16 per person  
includes 18 holes of golf & meal

**Also: Longest Drive, Closest to Pin,  
2's Competition and raffle**

Entry forms available from Port Isaac Primary  
School or the Golden Lion.

Raffle tickets on sale at School, The Pottery,  
Secrets and the Peapod.

**Meal only option for non-golfers  
£4 per person**



Sponsor a tee or a hole - just £10

An A3 advertising board positioned at the tee or the hole



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pollution. People are arguing whether cars should or shouldn't be allowed into the bottom of the village.

There is no doubt that cars are causing pollution in the village. When emergency vehicles try to get through, the roads are sometimes blocked because of cars coming both ways.

Some people think that if they ban cars, this will be a better place, however some people want to keep the cars because they live in the bottom of the village.

On the other hand, some people might need to go through Port Isaac for an important meeting, be late and get sacked. Furthermore, there would be no deliveries so shops will close. Moreover, the centre might die and become a ghost town. Also, if cars were banned, emergency vehicles wouldn't be able to get through.

No one can deny that holiday maker's cars are causing pollution when they park on the harbour in the summer. Furthermore, when the roads get blocked it prevents fishermen and emergency vehicles getting through. There is a strong argument for banning cars because the problem is getting worse every year.

*by Olivia Barnden, Y5*

## January 2002

- 1<sup>st</sup> June Yates
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sue Richards
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Janet Townsend
- 4<sup>th</sup> Mike Collings
- 5<sup>th</sup> Vicki Powell
- 6<sup>th</sup> Kim Bishop

**Port Isaac School  
100 Club Winners**

## February 2002

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bryan Richards
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Taylor
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Janice Elgar
- 4<sup>th</sup> Suzanne Barriball
- 5<sup>th</sup> Janet Chadband
- 6<sup>th</sup> Lesley Grills

## The Friends of Port Isaac School

# PRIDE OF PORT ISAAC FOOD NIGHT

**Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>  
7.30pm  
at the Pottery**

See demonstrations  
and sample the  
delicious results



**Local chefs at their  
best !!!**

**Win a lobster  
competition**



**Raffle**

**An evening of fun  
for everyone**



Tickets £5 - to include a  
welcoming drink -  
from School, Secrets,  
the Peapod and the  
Pottery



# Smith and Smudge's Surprise

by  
Ben Andrews,  
age 9

*One of the winning entries in the Trio short story competition*

Smudge woke up and remembered what day it was. He threw off his duvet, jumped up and leapt off his top bunk. He landed on his brother Smith's bed, waking him up with a fright. Smith gradually opened one eye and peered at Smudge. It was as if they both knew what the other was thinking ... **SUMMER HOLIDAYS!!!!**

Smith got out of bed and they sprinted to their Mum's room, accelerating down the corridor and braking round the bends like superbikes. They burst into the room, not bothering to knock. They knelt down by the side of the bed, shaking her until she woke up. Finally she sat up grunting like a hog and yawning like a lion. They knew she was keeping a secret from them and that she wouldn't tell them until the first day of the summer holidays. They both managed to squeeze it out of her. At last she told them they were going to stay at their Auntie Lucy and Uncle Fagin's house at the seaside. They had never met their Auntie and Uncle but they knew they had a good sense of humour.

Before they knew it they were cruising down the highway arriving at their Auntie and Uncle's house. It was an old house on top of a hill, staring out to sea. They climbed out of the car, amazed at the clear blue sea and how sunny it was. After a while Fagin and Lucy came out to greet them and help with their luggage. They all went inside and Fagin told Smith to take a seat. As Smith sat down he heard a gigantic rude noise! However, he

couldn't smell anything so he stood up, took the cushion off the chair and saw a whoopee cushion that had been placed there! Uncle Fagin laughed and Smith knew he definitely had a sense of humour.

Mum then left, as she knew they were going to get along just fine. The next morning they went down to the beach. The sand was so hot they decided to go for a paddle. As they were paddling, Smudge saw a bottle riding the waves and so he grasped at it. He saw a letter inside so he took it out, unravelling it and reading it out loud:

*'If you want to find a bunch of treasure, follow this map but watch out for the trap!'*

They both stared at the map in amazement. "Hey" said Smith, "this looks like the cave over there on the map, let's check it out."

Silently they crept into the dark cave and suddenly they heard footsteps echoing through the cave. They froze. Something banged and it seemed closer this time. They hid behind a rock. Silence. What was out there? Then a green sort of fungus fell from the ceiling of the cave and landed on Smith's hair. They slowly made their way through the cave wondering what was out there.

Slowly they made their way through the cave, glancing in to more and more darkness, not knowing what direction they were going. They stumbled over what

seemed to be a rock. However, what they really fell on was a lever that triggered the trap! Suddenly they dropped; they felt as if they had left their stomachs behind. Terror! They found themselves tumbling full pelt into the darkness, screaming at the top of their voices. They dreaded to think what was at the bottom. **BANG!** They were zooming full pelt down a pitch-black slide, screaming at the top of their voices.

**BLAST! CRASH!** They landed on a flat, bouncy surface. Gradually they sat up. "This place looks familiar," said Smudge. They heard a noise coming from the corner of the dark room. It was getting louder.

"**AHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA,** **AHAHAHAHAHAHAHA.**" Suddenly a strong light appeared. It took a while for their eyes to adjust. When they did they found themselves in their Auntie and Uncle's basement where Uncle Fagin was walking over to them crying with laughter. "You should have seen your faces when you landed on that mattress," said Fagin. "Fagin, are you telling us that you set all this up?" asked Smith. "Yes, I used to work in that cave digging for gold and when I found some I would deposit it down the chute and it would end up in my house" he said. "And that person in the cave was me" he continued. "You really had us fooled," said Smudge.

The next few days spent at the seaside were excellent and they didn't want to go home.



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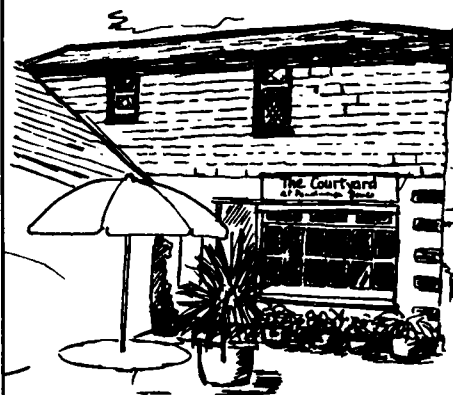
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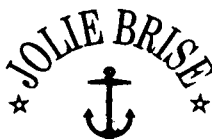
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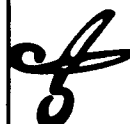
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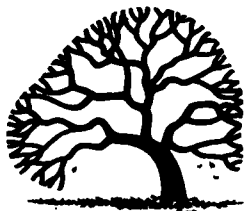
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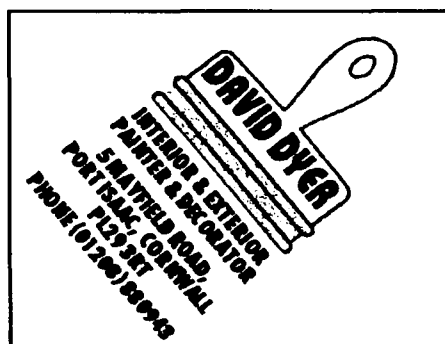
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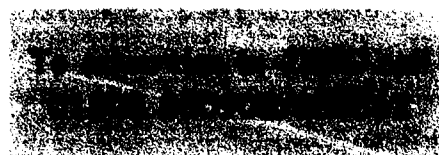
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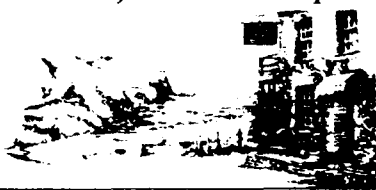
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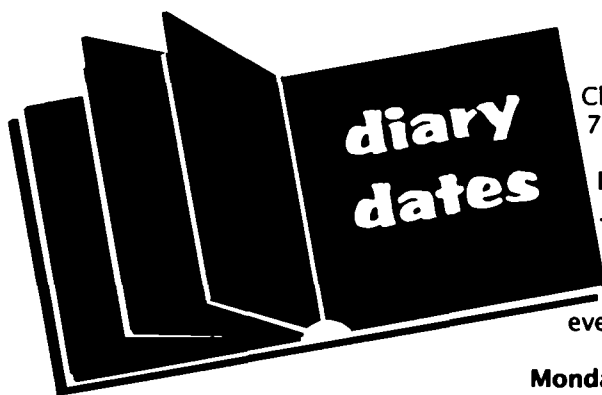
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**Monday August 12<sup>th</sup>**

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### REGULAR EVENTS

**Mums & Monsters** - every Tuesday and Thursday (not during school holidays) from 10.00am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Contact Diana Byfield on 01208 880847

**Local History Group** - The first Friday in the month in the Penhaligon Room. Contact George Steer on 01208 880794

**Port Isaac Chorus** - Every Tuesday from 8.00pm-10.00pm in Port Isaac Village Hall. Contact Janet Townsend on 01208 880505

**Carn Awn Singers** - Every Monday at 8.00pm in Trelights Chapel. Contact Joan Murray on 01208 880545

**Golden Circle** - The second Thursday in the month from October to April from 2.30pm - 4.00pm in Port Isaac Village Hall. Contact Penny Manders on 01208 880022

**Yoga** - Every Monday from 11.00am - 12.30pm in Port Isaac Village Hall. Contact Tracy Greenhalgh on 01208 880215

**Learning Together** - Every Monday during term time from 1.30pm - 3.15pm in Port Isaac Primary School. For children aged 3 and 4 to come along with an adult

#### 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 Church** - Every Sunday at 11.00am

**Trelights Methodist Church** - Sunday Service at 6.00pm. Fellowship Service - last Thursday in the month at 7.00pm