



TRIO

The Port Isaac, Port Gaverne
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Port Isaac supports flood appeal

The hearts of the entire country go out to the people of Boscastle. We can only imagine how they are feeling but the true community spirit that exists in this part of the world will help see them through this dreadful time and the rebuilding of their lives and their village.

Whilst our Coastguard Team and RNLI crew were in the thick of things (see centre pages), most of us could only listen to the drone of the helicopters in the distance and helplessly watch on TV the dreadful flood and heroic rescues that took place on Monday August 16th. Our Village Hall was offered as a place of refuge but not required so it wasn't until the following day that we could actually do something positive to assist our neighbours.

Liz Brown quickly organised a hugely successful coffee morning. Held at the Edge, it raised over £1336. Liz was overwhelmed, but not surprised, by everyone's generosity. Everyone was doing something. The History Group handed over the donations received on their guided walk of the village, the Fishermen's Friends gave the proceeds from their Friday night singing and CD sales and also sold off some of the very generous raffle prizes donated by many businesses for the coffee morning. Other businesses held their own raffles and made their own donations and many also put collecting boxes on their counters so that visitors could feel that they were helping.

At the time of going to press the village has raised over **£5000** and rising!

"When does the band start?" "When Micky Hunt raises his baton!"

Port Isaac resident Mr WA Hunt, known to all as Micky, has been appointed President of the Cornwall Brass Band Association.

Micky has devoted over 60 years to the brass bands of Cornwall as a player and conductor. He has previously been Chairman of the CBBA and President of the Cornwall Youth Brass Band. In 2001 he was made a Bard of the Cornish Gorsedd in recognition of his work for the county's brass band movement.

On a personal note I would like to thank Micky for all his help in providing music for RNLI functions. Without fail he has always been

pleased to be part of the RNLI events, be they ceremonial or fundraising.

One Thursday evening I was asked, "When does the band start?" I replied, "When Micky Hunt raises his baton!"

David Castle

This doesn't mean that we've stopped giving our help. The Village Hall committee have decided that the proceeds from their Grand Auction on September 11th (see page 3) will all go to Boscastle and Crackington Haven. Also, a Murder Mystery night, organised by David Morgan, will be held in the Hall on September 23rd (see page 2) to raise money for the disaster fund.

If you would like to make a personal donation it should be made payable to the North Cornwall Flood Appeal and sent c/o The British Red Cross, Rotherham S98 1ZA.

Making strides against breast cancer



Last year a few of us from Port Isaac joined hundreds of fellow supporters in walking an easy seven miles for Cancer Research around the very beautiful grounds of Lanhydrock, raising about £16,000.

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All the usual news plus ...

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Murder by Appointment

Murder by Appointment, a professionally run murder mystery company, are to present an evening of entertainment at Port Isaac Village Hall on Thursday September 23rd at 7.30pm to raise money for the victims of the North Cornwall flood.



The company, based at Bodmin, have performed at the Minnack, the Theatre Royal and top hotels in Cornwall, Devon, Somerset and Dorset. They are also in their tenth season on the Bodmin & Wenford Railway enacting a 'Murder on the Orient Express' type performance which they repeat on the West Somerset Railway.

Since the performance will be given free and the Village Hall has waived the hire charge, all monies raised will go to the Boscastle Appeal.

It is suggested that you may want to bring your own drinks along to lubricate the brain and work out who committed the ghastly deed.

Secrets have been kind enough to agree to sell tickets and these are available now, priced £5 each. They will also be on sale on the door on the night. Please help to make this evening a success and show support for a village which could so easily have been ours.

Dave Morgan

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This year we want to beat that figure and I thought it would be great if we could make it into a village outing with as many friends as possible doing something for such a good cause. The walk is again round Lanydrock and takes place on Sunday October 10th. It's an easy walk that you can take it at your own pace.



If you are interested and would like to register for the walk you can either visit www.cancerresearchuk.org/makingstrides to download an entry form, information pack and sponsorship form or contact the Cancer Research UK Office in Truro on 08701 602040. If you have any queries give me a ring on 01208 880386 or 07831 105379.

Annie Price

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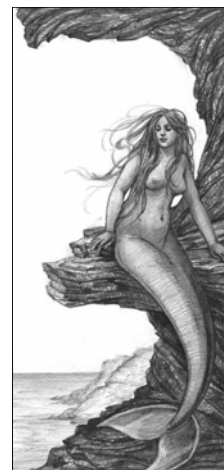
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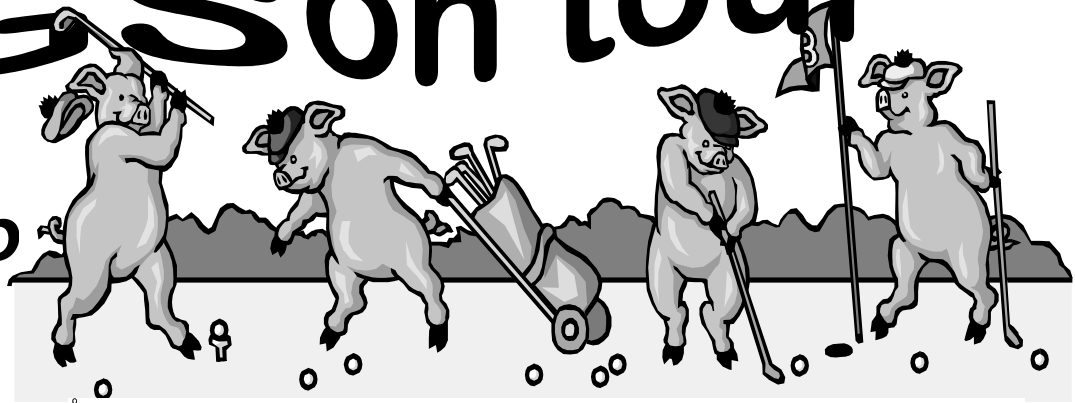
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PIGS on tour

Bude Golf Club



The first round of the match-play competition, several new players – young and old, and a good turnout by the regulars all boded well for a cracking days golf. And of course we had great weather.

24 players eventually teed off (Kevin Punter and Simon Brecon arriving about one and a half hours late) on a beautifully turned out golf course.

The new players such as Andrew 'Bullpoo' Grills, Johnno 'The Prince' Forbes, Chris 'The Plant' Potter and Matt 'The Helicopter' (Faye's boyfriend – remember letting go of the driver in front of the Clubhouse?!!) were all welcomed into the PIGS fold and hopefully we didn't frighten them too much.

As usual this write-up will be short due to it being August but needless to say, the golf was great as was the weather, the food was great as was the company.

The winner of the Stableford Competition was Billy 'Birthday Boy' Hawkins, second was Nigel 'Foggy' Andrews and third Mick 'The Soap' Hasler. Unfortunately I've forgotten who went through in the Matchplay Competition but I know a man who does!!! Congratulations to Kev Grills who won the '2s' competition winning £24.

And finally Billy – I now know why you said to Matt not to say anything to me but unfortunately he did mention a fishing trip that you and he had. The fish were a bit slow to bite but apparently seagulls were biting quite well. I have had discussions with several members of the Fishermen's Friends (those who are fishermen) and it is apparently a very rare occurrence to actually hook a seagull. So we have had holes in one and fantastic rounds of golf but Billy 'The Budgie' Hawkins has topped all these by getting a 'birdie' at sea. We can't wait to see him get an EAGLE!!

The Lard Man

PS By the way Mark, I haven't forgotten you!!



Spotlight on a local chef

Chris Lanyon
Head Chef, The Slipway Hotel

Strawberries Romanoff

This dish was created by Russian masterchef Cedric Podonov in 1838 to celebrate the first anniversary of Queen Catherine and Prince Igor Stanic of the Imperial Romanoff family. The dish brings together all aspects of married life with its finest ingredients including sweet arctic strawberries to symbolise the fresh sweet smell of a summers day filled with love, cream which bonds

together all the ingredients just like the love between two people, black pepper, as every relationship needs a little spice and vodka, the staple ingredient for any true Russian. An imperialistic culinary masterpiece!

Ingredients for 4 people

- 1lb of fresh local strawberries (arctic are better but quite expensive)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ pint double cream
- 2 shots of vodka
- twist of freshly milled black pepper
- 6 fresh mint leaves
- caster sugar

Method

Hull the strawberries, wash them and put them in a bowl. Add the vodka and lave for about two hours.

Add a pinch of caster sugar, pepper and the chopped mint leaves to the cream and whisk to the stage where you can see ribbons forming in the cream (DO NOT OVERWHIP – this advice comes from Cynthia Payne). Add the strawberries and chill.

Serve in sundae glasses with a chocolate mint or a shot of vodka.

This recipe is fantastic on a balmy September evening sitting with friends or family on the patio watching the sun go down.

PS All that bit about Russian masterchefs, Imperial Royal families and lovey, dovey stuff was twaddle. The recipe was created by some burly Commis Chef who was caught with a bottle of vodka in the kitchen (an alcohol hardly used by Chefs – well, for cooking anyway) and having to think quickly, made up the dish which, luckily for him, worked. Or is that twaddle as well? You may never know!!

Chris 'The Lard Man' Lanyon

Retirement Notice

IAN C HONEY

After 44 years serving the village and beyond, I have decided to cease being in business as a Funeral Director.

Anyone requiring funeral services can still contact me. I will then refer them to Mr R Bray of Wadebridge if desired.

Port Isaac School Sports Day

a day when all parents and grandparents can see pride, achievement and fun written all over their children's faces

This was witnessed in July when Port Isaac School held their Sports Day at the Playing Fields. The sight of all our children giving 100% was a pleasure to watch and to watch some of the pillars of our community perform in the Father's Race was hilarious to say the least (you know who you are Andy, Joey and Richard to name a few).

Well done to one and all. See you next year.

Chris Lanyon, a proud parent

Garage for Sale

Lock up garage, with parking space outside, at the top of Port Isaac

Offers invited

Telephone:

07870 658912

Bid for a bargain at the Grand Auction

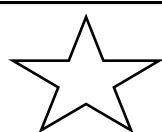
and support the flood relief fund at the same time

Saturday September 11th sees the Village Hall Grand Auction which will follow the same format as last year's successful event. Goods and services from local people and businesses and some from further afield will be up for grabs and our auctioneers will be trying to extract as much cash as they can from the audience. There will be many bargains on offer and proceeds will be donated to the North Cornwall Flood Appeal.



The Hall will be open for viewing and food will be served from 6.30pm. The bidding will start at 7.45pm. In addition the Hall will be open during the afternoon from 2.00pm-4.00pm for viewing. If you are unable to attend you can leave a bid. Catalogues listing everything on offer will be available from *Secrets* from September 9th.

If you have a service (it could be anything – babysitting, cooking a meal, typing, gardening to name just a few things) or an item you would like to donate to the auction just pass it on to a committee member or telephone Kim Lanyon on 01208 880924.



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Saturday September 25th

Port Isaac Village Hall

7.30pm—12midnight

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Tickets in advance from
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fancy dress
optional

The old lady in the window

Port Isaac Coastguard Station Officer Ken Richards recalls the day of the Boscastle flood

At approximately 15.30 hours on Monday August 16th the pager went off followed by instructions from Falmouth Coastguard HQ to proceed immediately to Boscastle where people were being swept out to sea. The weather and sea conditions at Port Isaac for the day were nothing out of the ordinary and we were somewhat bewildered as to what was actually happening in Boscastle.

Good speed was made to Delabole and then we began to hit water. In a space of just two miles, wet roads turned into lakes and there were times when I thought we were not going to reach Boscastle. Mainly through luck we commenced the descent down to the harbour and the first corner displayed a scene that is still hard to believe. I am not going to enter into graphic descriptions, as you will have either seen the pictures in the newspapers or on TV.

The rescue was soon upgraded to a Major Incident which takes the Rescue Services to another stage; fire services from all over Cornwall & Devon, ambulances, helicopters, lifeboats and coastguard teams were all in action. The floodwater rose rapidly and within the first hour water levels were eight foot higher. Rapid destruction was occurring and at times I thought the basin of Boscastle was going to disappear along with the people in their homes.

Nevertheless, as with virtually every rescue there are some funny moments. This does not mean that I think that what happened at Boscastle was at all amusing but I feel you will appreciate the task of rescuing 'The Old Lady in the Window'. There were many local people on scene who were very helpful informing us which houses were occupied. I think it was the local postman's wife who certainly made her point by showing me the window behind which was an old lady who "must be rescued due to a heart condition". There were many people on roofs, in windows, on balconies etc, the frequency was busy and basically, you had just one chance to bring a chopper in to a certain window.

Six attempts were made to rescue the 'Old Lady' and each time she opened her window, looked out and as the helicopter approached she firmly closed the window. I really did think she was having a joke! The property next door, the Clovelly Clothing Shop, then got washed away. Eventually Rescue 169 (helicopter) from Chivenor came in very slowly and with various methods of direction the 'Old lady' was finally in the harness and out through the famous window. It transpired that her dogs were getting upset by the noise of the helicopters! The tale took a further twist the following morning when a fireman entered the same window to be greeted by the 'Old Lady's' two dogs, one of which chose to bite him!

Finally, with a pending General Election, this could well be a good tip if you wish to get rid of a politician. Tuesday morning we were setting up Search Plans with the St Austell Coastguard when two Range Rovers pulled up and out jumped four large men. I thought for a moment it was the 'Old Lady's' sons but our Deputy Prime Minister made his appearance. The majority of us were dressed in bright yellow with the words 'Coastguard' printed quite clearly on our jackets. Our Deputy Prime Minister's first words were, "Now, let me see, you must be the Coastguard". After just three hours sleep I really wanted to say, "No, we are from the Canary Protection Society!" However, we had a nice chat and just before he jumped back into his Range Rover, my Deputy, Roy Speakman, who rarely says anything on a rescue, decided to chirp up and say, "If we knew you were coming we would have brought some eggs!" The look from the Deputy Prime Minister was not good!

To close, the Coastguard Team say thank you very much to all the ladies who supplied food and drink for us at Boscastle and especially upon our return to the Station at Port Isaac on Tuesday morning.

Ken Richards, SOPTI



A demonstration helicopter rescue on RNLI Funday. Just the very next day the real thing took place in Boscastle.



July was an excellent month with takings totalling £855.24 – this must be one of the best months since the shop opened. Thanks are due to both regular and visiting customers.

There are still plenty of lightweight clothes on display and some good books for holiday reading as well as more serious reads.

Despite our pleas and the notice on the door, items are still being left on the step when the shop is closed. Not only does this create a fire hazard, it also causes an obstruction and may be removed as rubbish. All donations should be brought into the shop. The opening hours are:

Monday – 10.00am – 4.00pm
Tuesday – 10.00am – 1.00pm
Wednesday – 10.00am – 4.00pm
Thursday – 10.00am – 1.00pm
Friday – 10.00am – 1.00pm
Saturday – 10.00am – 1.00pm

These hours are, of course, subject to the availability of our volunteers.

Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. Matthew 6:34

RNLI Funday

With all eyes on the weather, our great team of helpers got to work early on Sunday August 15th to set up what proved to be perhaps one of the most successful layouts for our now well-known Port Isaac annual RNLI Funday. With weather set fair, by noon the Platt and beach attractions were ready to open for business, and visitors were already joining in with the fun and games, the Sharp's beer stand and Pimms Stall, as always, proving to be of special interest! Not forgetting the 450 plus burgers served up by the intrepid BBQ team. In all over 40 helpers were involved - too many to mention here but a big thank you to everyone.

Royal Naval Air Station Culdrose had confirmed their intention to fly in at 4pm and to carry out a full exercise with our Lifeboat crew and Coastguard team. Thanks to Commodore Jamie Miller for his help in contacting his friend and naval colleague, the CO Culdrose; the team co-ordination worked out by Coastguard Station Officer Ken Richards who also handled ground to air communications; Lifeboat helm Damien Bolton, crew Nigel Sherratt and Andy Cameron; and Helicopter Pilot Lt Roger Brook and crew. They all ensured that a really professional display of rescue techniques were laid on for the 600 plus visitors who came to support the RNLI on this very special day.

24 hours later - the real thing

It is worth perhaps reflecting that just 24 hours later our Lifeboat crew and Coastguard Team and of course the Helicopter crews were to be in the thick of the appalling flood disaster rescue operations at Boscastle where their tenacity and operational skills were to be put to the ultimate real life test; the results are now well-known with the Government and authorities complimenting all rescue services involved for their commitment and professional handling of the rescue work carried out at the scene of the disaster. Certainly if it were not for the extremely high standard of training lives would have been lost.

As with the recent call outs for our Lifeboat crews, it further emphasises the importance of raising the all important funds to keep the RNLI services fully operational, bearing in mind that it's total running costs are supported by funds donated by the public.

So in our small way are proud to announce that our Funday was not only just that, but also raised well over £3500 for the RNLI and this does not include a cheque for £510-87 presented on the day to Chairman, Annie Price by Diana Rust from St Teath who organised a fund raising Strawberry Cream Tea afternoon in her garden back in July. Diana obtained matched funding from Barclays Bank for her efforts that resulted in this most generous donation.

We will all have read the local and National newspapers, heard the radio and seen TV coverage of the tragic Boscastle flooding so I will not repeat here ... but perhaps it is worth noting the first reactions of our crew when they reached the scene having been called out at 4.15pm on Monday August 16th 2004, a day not to be forgotten by all those involved.

Damien Bolton writes ...

"The day of the Boscastle flood proved to be the most surreal day of my life, especially my life as a lifeboat man. Following our call out by Falmouth coastguard and on arrival off Boscastle we received radio warning from the helicopter to be prepared for debris in the water sweeping out towards us.

On our approach into the harbour it became apparent the debris consisted of around a dozen or so cars, in amongst which were trees, telegraph poles, gas cylinders and clothing all travelling at an incredible speed in the water. Our job was to search as many cars as possible for survivors.

After around two hours we started to experience engine troubles due to the amount of mud, silt, oil and petrol in the water. Bude lifeboat, also in attendance, then had engine failure so our presence on the scene was stood down and our priorities directed towards towing the Bude boat back to Port Isaac, reaching port safely at 7.15pm."

Bob Bulgin, - Press officer RNLI Port Isaac

Back in July our RNLI news

Lifeboat

helmsman

Richard Hambly, was invited to attend the formal opening of the new RNLI HQ at Poole, Dorset by Her Majesty The Queen and Prince Philip, representing Port Isaac Lifeboat Station.

The college is a purpose-built residential centre which will deliver cost-effective, high quality individual training to Lifeboat crews and other key volunteers. It's own Sea Survival Centre has a lifeboat wheelhouse simulator and a wave tank where volunteers can be taught survival techniques including capsizing recovery. Facilities at the college include an auditorium, classrooms and 60 bedrooms that allow crew members to stay overnight.

Richard said afterwards "I felt honoured to meet the Queen. It made me all the more proud to be part of the RNLI and the Lifeboat College is a real asset. I was at the opening ceremony representing everyone at Port Isaac lifeboat Station, it was truly a special day."

Waiting for Trevor

With affection and gratitude.
My cottage glows in its new splendour.

Three nursery rhymes for the
doyen of Port Isaac builders,
written while waiting for
him to arrive

Eeney, meeney, miney, man,
Catch old Trevor in his van.
Block it till he says he can,
Eeney, meeney, miney, man.

Charming young Trevor
may take forever
getting your building job manned,
But once you have won,
It's a job well done -
though the year may be later than
planned!

Trevor the chorister, hidden away,
A Fishermen's Friend on the Platt for
the day.

"Don't forget", shouts a customer
deep in the throng
"Of course I won't ... thank God it's
time for a song."

Graham Tayar
May 2004, Port Isaac

Past times

September 1986

St Endellion Church – At the recent Church jumble sale, customers paid 55p for an empty carrier bag and then collected as much jumble as it would hold. £56 was raised for Church funds.

Home Farm Trust – A lunch held at Seacroft, the home of Enid Andrews, raised £200 for the Trust.

Annual Harvest Festival – The sum of £750.43 was raised for the St Endellion Senior Citizens and other charities.

September 1995

VJ Dinner – 42 people attended the Dinner at the Port Gaverne Hotel, raising a total of £160 for the War Widows Association.

Party at Thorn House – This year's party made a profit of £1700. As usual the money has been distributed to local charities and organisations.

RNLI – A tribute was paid by the branch committee to the Lifeboat crew and all helpers who have raised over £3500 for the RNLI since the last *Trio* report. Events included a jumble sale, Victory '45 Evening, Lifeboat Day, Flag Day, House-to-House Collections, Lifeboat Larks and a donation from the party at Thorn House.

RNLI Shouts

July 26th – the lifeboat was launched following a report that a windsurfer was in trouble off Varley Head. The area was searched but nothing was found. It was thought that the informant had mistaken a lobster pot buoy for the mast of a windsurfer. Crew: Andy Walton, John Collins and Mike Edkins.

Congratulations

To Danny Von-Lintzgy
who has just gained a
2.1 Bach of Sc Hons
Degree in computing

July 31st – A teenage girl from London injured her knee at Tregardock Beach. Due to the difficulty carrying the girl up the cliff to the ambulance, the lifeboat was tasked to take the girl to Port Gaverne. Crew: Richard Hambly, Steve Hudspith and Chris Scott.

August 1st – A small speedboat was seen off Boscastle Harbour firing red flares. The lifeboat proceeded but was recalled after a local Boscastle boat went to help. Crew: Mark Provis, Mike Daly and Rob Parkyn.

August 11th – The lifeboat was tasked to Barretts Zawn following a report that a person had fallen over the cliff. The casualty had fallen on the cliff path following a heart attack from which he died. He was taken to Treliske Hospital by RN Helicopter. Crew: Andy Walton, Mark Provis and John Collins.

Second User Computer Systems for sale in aid of Children's Hospice Southwest

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Telephone Katrina Gill on 01208 850465

News from Port Isaac Choral

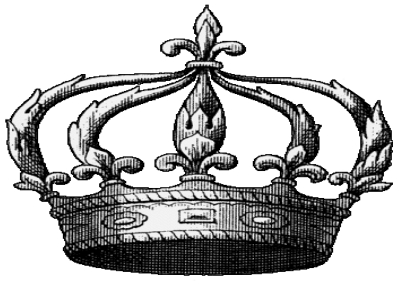
The Choral will be giving a concert with the Looe Valley Singers in St Peter's Church on Saturday September 18th 2004 at 7.30pm. Admission will be free but there will be a retiring collection for the North Cornwall Flood Relief Fund. Please come and join us and have an enjoyable evening and give to a good cause.



Music Hall

On Friday November 5th the Choral are holding a Music Hall night in the Village Hall with proceeds being donated to Village Hall funds. I would welcome anyone who would like to perform – sing a song or recite. Help will be given! Just give me a call on 01208 880505.

Janet Townsend



Special People

Our special person this month is Cathy Chadband. Every week on Thursday and Friday she comes into school to help at dinnertime. She has been doing this for many years now and we all appreciate her help.

Cathy also helps out at our Christmas parties, so for everything you do.....

THANK YOU CATHY!!

"Cathy is really kind and sweet"

Sophie, Year 4

"Cathy is lovely"

Rosie, Year 4

"Cathy is very, very helpful with the dinners"

Daisy, Year 4

"I like Cathy because she helps us get our plates and cutlery"

Roxy, Year 3

100 Club Winners April

1. Ross & Anita Roskilly
2. Janice Elgar
3. Laurence Llewellyn-Bowen (money donated to school)
4. David Bisset-Powell
5. Mary Reed
6. Dave Hurley

schoolchat

Port Isaac School
news and views



The seniors and juniors have been studying poetry in their literacy lessons last term. They have also been writing their own poems in the style of the poet Michael Rosen. They have worked very hard and would like to share their efforts with you.

My Friend Billy

My friend Billy says
That I can't sit with him in class
In case I talk to him
So I sit on my own

But sometimes I just look over
And check
That he doesn't talk
To someone else

Jack, Year 4

My friend Stephen

My friend Stephen says
That I can't play with him
In case I hurt him
So I don't play with him and walk away

But sometimes I just
Look
over
the wall
And check that no one else
plays with him

Nathan, Year 3

My friend Jake

My friend Jake says
That I can't go on
His quad bike
In case it breaks down

So we went indoors and played
On
His
Bed
And used it as a trampoline
But the wooden slats cracked

Stephen, Year 4

My friend Joe

My friend Joe says
That I can't play with him
In case his friends see me
So I sigh and ignore him
And walk away

But sometimes I just
Peek
Through
The gate
And check that he doesn't
Play with his friends instead

Rion, Year 4

My friend Fay

My friend Fay says
That I can't go to their house
anymore
Because we get in trouble
So I say bye to Fay and walk off

But sometimes I just
Peek
Through
The windows
And check that she doesn't
Play with my sister.

Rosie, Year 4

Atavistic Nostalgia

by James Platt

One of my favourite activities is browsing around in bookshops. I like all bookshops, whether they are those that you can visit by walking into, or those which consist of donated or discarded volumes rowed up in boxes, or those that can be accessed merely by making a few clicks on the internet.

Perhaps the best kind of bookshops to look into is those that sell second-hand volumes. You never know what you might come up with, and quite possibly you could find a treasure you have been seeking for years. In a second hand bookshop the old adage that one person's junk is another person's treasure is always true. No visitor to Port Isaac should ever depart without a browse through Daisy Hicks' tables laden with such attractively priced book gems. This is such a great and selfless service and so beneficial to so many people.

At the most recent annual sale of second hand books in the little town where I live, made on behalf of the great cause of Amnesty International, I bought two Howard Spring paperbacks that I hadn't yet read, a single volume containing the first four books of the "Poldark" series by Winston Graham, a big pile of westerns (a tribute to my grandfather's taste in reading), and a copy of "Sanders" by Edgar Wallace.

Howard Spring always brings Mr Forester into my memory. He was a man of some refinement who made a familiar character around Port Isaac in the years after the war. He walked regularly, although not easily, and held the focus of his attention on the sky rather than the ground, to the extent that boys were wont to call to him, "There's a shilling on the ground, Mr Forester!" The last time I saw him he was heading for Port Gaverne. Under his arm was a copy of Howard Spring's "These Lovers Fled away". It was for me a bittersweet image that has endured to this day. This book was the first Howard Spring I obtained. I bought it solely for its association with Mr Forester, and enjoyed it so much that I have been looking for Howard Springs ever since, and never read one without thinking, with both pleasure and regret, of Mr Forester on his way to Port Gaverne on a sunny day.

I hadn't read anything of "Sanders" before I bought the book of the same name. As a result of reading the book I learned that it was one of an extended series of books about the exploits of that gentleman and his associates in the administration of a large district of colonial Africa in the early 1900's. The film "Sanders of the River" was once (or maybe twice) featured on the screen of the revered Rivoli cinema in Port Isaac.

African tribespeople living in Sanders day didn't seem to have had such problems as their tradition of oral records shows only too clearly, although more modern times may have made muddy inroads into their faultless system. On the other hand the ability to store and pass on memories was as often as not shared by our own ancestors as well. Most of us can remember grandparents and great grandparents with enormous funds of memory that could have provided us with so much of value had we been motivated to draw it out of them and had they been motivated to pass it on. The trait of thinking that things are not now as good as they used to be is a fairly modern phenomenon. Many of our grandparents were focussed on living for the day at hand, looking forward to tomorrow a bit maybe, but looking back not at all. Apart from imparting the advice to young people to look after their teeth as their teeth will eventually be found to be worth far more than their weight in gold if they don't, I would also recommend to them that they should make a point of missing no opportunity in speaking to and learning from elderly people while they can.

LP Hartley wrote, "The past is a foreign country - they do things differently there". It is interesting that he used the present tense to refer to the past, and when you think about it, how appropriate that does seem to be. The past is always a part of us to be visited, and whatever can be learned from such trips will benefit us on the way ahead to the future. Nostalgia is very benign. It is always a pleasure to look back on how life was lived within our personal experience, and in doing so to visualise it through rose tinted glass. As it was, some aspects of the way we lived then were good and some weren't. What we invariably choose to recall is the good times. We like to shut the less good times out.

Another second hand book that I picked up was "The Collected Works of O Henry". Believe it or not, the author (nom de plume) of the work was Mr O Henry, an American short story writer who was at his productive peak in the early 1900's. He wrote what might be an ideal letter - "Dear Algie, Glad to hear you've been sick too. I'm well again. Are you? Well, as I had nothing to do I thought I would write you a letter, and as I have nothing to say I will close. Yours as ever, Bill". The O Henry volume took me back to the 1950's, as I remembered that I then used to watch a weekly television programme, a USA import that would have lasted half an hour if there had been any commercial breaks, entitled "Tales of O Henry". It featured Thomas Mitchell as O Henry. Thomas Mitchell was the whisky-guzzling traveller in the "Stagecoach" film in which John Wayne got his breakthrough as the Ringo Kid. Still a good film to watch! The one tale of O Henry that I can remember from the series, which stuck to me from its curious title, was "The Atavism of John Tom Little Bear". I found the story in O Henry's collected works (pages 934 to 944 - there are 1647 pages in the book, so lots to read yet) and read the yarn, after having first of all looked up the meaning of atavism.

The word atavism refers to a person's resemblance to remote ancestors rather than to parents, and can signify spontaneous reversion to an earlier type when primitive traits come to the surface. So, when those of us growing up in Port Isaac did those things for which we were told that from our behaviour we belonged in Bodmin, we were merely demonstrating atavistic impulses. John Tom Little Bear was a highly educated Native American who took a scalp when rescuing a kidnapped child.

Whether atavistically, or nostalgically, or in "fings ain't what they used to be" mode, would I like to go back to those so-called good old days? Well no, not really. It was enough to have lived them once, and to remember and try to pass on as much of what really was good about it as is possible, since then the people who made life what it was will not be forgotten.

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Letters to Trio

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cliff top is not a playground for visitors

Dear *Trio*

Reading the letter 'Scary Bullocks' in the July issue of *Trio*, I felt greatly annoyed at one more example of visitors trying to chip away at the essence of a locality. It is the tourist equivalent of dumbing down to suggest that cattle in the fields bounding the cliff top path from Roscarrock Hill should be 'contained'. In essence this means that cattle should not be allowed in these enormous fields whenever anyone might feel inclined to walk along the path - and that means forever.

I often walk my dog along this path and it is one of the things I enjoy most on any of the frequent times I am in Port Isaac. I keep him on a lead and on the very rare occasions I see cattle grazing towards the path, I give them a very wide berth or turn back. This is not because I am nervous about cattle, but having been brought up on a dairy farm I know that cattle are extremely curious animals and that some of them react to dogs - especially if the dogs are off the lead and making in their direction. If the cattle are young, or have calves at foot, they seek to protect them.

Sure enough, the writer said that when she was on the cliffside a dog had run into the midst of the cattle and disturbed them. She doesn't say if the dog belonged to the distressed young woman she sought to calm or what its owner was doing at the time. I have practically never seen unaccompanied or stray dogs up there so one could point the finger at the irresponsible owners rather than at the cattle.

The cliff top is not just a playground for visitors; it is a working environment for a farmer. The land has to be grazed to keep it in order and, in my experience, I have very rarely had to change my route because of the presence of cattle. If I need to, I do so with good grace because they are part of an immemorial scene that I, for one, would hate to see compromised on the whim of visitors who are, after all, 'ships that pass in the night'.

News from Trelights *Village Barbeque*

Fortunately the rain stayed away (mostly!) on the night of the barbecue and it was lovely to see friends old and new enjoy the evening with good food (Chef Robin was on top form), fun and friendly gossip.

The Village Green Committee would like to thank everyone for their support - all those who came, Mark for his musical interludes, and all the backstage people who help make the evening a success. A special thanks to all who donated such excellent prizes. With your help £427 was raised towards the Christmas Lights Fund.

New village pump

After a long term project by the Village Green Committee, the new village pump is finally up and working. This new pump is made of cast iron to a traditional design (the original pump was lead). The slate surround has been renewed using two old snooker table bases kindly donated by Margaret and Colin Bunt and a new slate trough was purchased locally. The Committee hope all villagers (and visitors) will like and enjoy this new addition to our village.

Trelights Methodist Church HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES

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Joan Murray

**What did the first person to
milk a cow think they were
doing?**

and

**There are two rules to being
a success in life: 1 - Never
give out all the information**

Monk's monthly mutterings!

The Jolly Roger



After writing about drums of 'toxic waste' with the 'skull and crossbones' painted on them, I got around to thinking why on earth this emblem, which dates back to the beginning of civilisation as we know it, should represent 'danger'.

The skull and crossbones emblem originated in the land of Somer or Someria. The Somerians inhabited this rich land of plenty between the Euphrates and the Tigris rivers (now Iraq) ten thousand years ago. The land was so bountiful that the locals were able to give up living in caves, hunting for dangerous animals to eat and dried up old weed seeds to make into lousy bread. They had time to take up farming, horticulture, irrigation, music, poetry, art and, perhaps, the most important of all, building. The Somerians started it all and were followed by the Babylonians (hanging gardens of Babylon), the Egyptians (the pyramids), the Romans (the Colosseum), the Greeks (the Acropolis), the Normans (the cathedrals); but perhaps the greatest builders of them all were the Somerians.

Now, in Someria, the builder, the architect and the stone mason became the most highly respected, important rewarded fellas in town and being so important they wanted to keep out the cowboys. So they developed a kind of trade association with special signs, symbols and signals that enabled them to recognise not only each other but also the level of their expertise. Obviously they didn't want outsiders copying the signs so they kept them pretty hush hush. If you weren't in the trade you were out! And yes, you've guessed it; one of the symbols was the skull and crossbones, although the crossbones were not always crossed and could be placed horizontally below or above the skull or on either side.

This kind of trade association continued for several thousand years and exists to this day and indeed many thousands of famous names throughout the world have or do belong. Jesus, his twin brother James, his old dad

Joseph and his eleven other great mates were all members, although one was later chucked out for telling 'porky pies' about Jesus' and James' teachings. He became known as 'Paul the Liar' and went on to become a founder and pretty high up in the up and coming Roman Catholic Church that was getting the Roman Empire to back it up.

By the eleventh century AD the organisation was massive and had split into various orders. All orders were known for their bravery, chivalry, honour, charity, defending the weak and the poor, caring for the sick and the dying and defending the 'faith'. Signs like the

You may be wondering just where Mr Monk is coming from on this one. We'd like to say that all will be revealed in part two next month, we'd like to but we can't!

Deanery appoints youth worker

A part-time youth worker has been appointed to work in the Trigg Minor and Bodmin deanery. She is Mrs Sheila Stevens from Bodmin who will take up her new post on 1st September.

Deanery Youth Exchange

Cornish and Swedish Christian young people and their leaders spent an enjoyable week together in an exchange organised by members of the Trigg Minor and Bodmin Deanery Youth Link team. On 7th August, fourteen young people, accompanied by four leaders, from Daga Kyrkliga, Sweden arrived at Newquay Airport and were driven by mini-bus to Trelights Farmhouse, St Endellion, where they stayed with ten young people and a leader from the Youth Link team. The Swedish party from the Lutheran Church came from Truro's link diocese of Strangnas, and the Cornish young people came from Anglican churches in St Breward, Port Isaac, Bodmin, Luxulyan, Lostwithiel and Wadebridge, and from the Methodist Church in Wadebridge.

The aim of this ecumenical church-based project was to enable young people from Cornwall and Sweden to grow in understanding and appreciation of their own and another European country through sharing in a range of organised leisure and cultural activities and through living together under one roof for a week.

On Sunday morning the group took part in a family service arranged and led by Canon Robert Law at St Minver Church. Some of the Cornish young people, with leader Mrs Mary Jones, accompanied the singing with a range of musical instruments. After swimming at Polzeath the party attended evening worship with Taize chants by candlelight in St Endellion Church.

It was an action packed and busy week with lots of swimming, surfing and beach games on Polzeath beach along with cycling the Camel Trail from Wadebridge to Padstow and back, a visit to Trethorne Leisure Farm near Launceston for a 10-pin bowling session, a visit to the Tate at St Ives and the Falmouth Maritime Museum. Tuesday was a drive to Falmouth and a trip up the River Fal by boat to Truro, with Mrs Jacquie Price, Diocesan Youth officer

and members of Truro Youth Synod. After a guided tour of Truro Cathedral, the group had some free time before visiting Kenwyn, the Diocesan House, where a formal discussion took place in both larger and smaller groups, including learning about their faith and visiting Ireland. After this a barbecue was held in the grounds of Kenwyn Church and the evening ended with an act of worship led by Mrs Jacquie Price in Kenwyn Church in which young people participated by reading, offering prayers and playing musical instruments.

The week ended with farewells and a large fruit cake, iced with the Swedish and the Cornish flags, that was ceremonially cut by the leaders from both countries.

The venture was made possible by a generous grant from the European Union through its Youth Programme which is administered by the British Council and its Connect Youth initiative.

Judith Pollinger

This report is not based on approved minutes signed by the Parish Council.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mrs Helen Richards reported that Trewarnan Bridge would be closed from October 4th – 8th for re-surfacing. She also reported that the new signs and road markings had been completed on the B3314 at St. Endellion and it is hoped that these will alleviate the problems on this section of the road and hopefully slow down the traffic. Time will tell.

ST ENDELLION PARISH PLAN 2003

Copies of the results of the 2003 questionnaire have now been produced by Malcolm Lee. These will shortly be delivered by hand to all addresses in the Parish and by post to all second homeowners.

TRELIGHTS VILLAGE WATER PUMP

After the renewal of the Pump the original lead pump, which had been carefully looked after by Colin & Margaret Bunt, has been placed in the hands of the Village Green Committee. In a letter to the PC they are seeking permission to mount the old pump on Letter Box Green with an appropriate memorial legend. The PC would write to the Committee agreeing with this action, applauding them for the great effort, time and money they have put into this long term project.

AN OCCASIONAL WALK AROUND THE OLD VILLAGE

It was proposed by Robin Penna that the Council as a group should make a periodical tour of the 'old' village. The Council unanimously agreed that this was a good idea to help keep in touch and identify any problems. Malcolm Lee reported that he was carrying out a guided tour of the old village August 18th and that Councillors were invited.

SPORTS HALL PROJECT

It was proposed to set up a Local Sports Management Group outside the PC to put together a project plan and proposals for seeking grant aid. This was agreed unanimously and Malcolm Lee reported that, with Barbara Bell, he had been in contact with local sports groups interested in getting involved.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday September 13th in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac at 7.30pm.

Robin Elgar
Parish Councillor

Parish Council News

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND NOTICES

Application 2004/01675 - Conversion of redundant barn to form holiday accommodation together with erection of extension (Barn A). Full Planning. Delegation Possible. Mr & Mrs Barriball, Lower Bodannon, Trewetha. **The PC is in support of this application.**

Application 2004/01676 - Conversion of redundant barn to form holiday accommodation. Full Planning. Delegation Possible. Mr & Mrs Barriball, Lower Bodannon, Trewetha. **The PC is in support of this application.**

Application 2003/01674 - Listed building consent to strip and re-slate roof, repair external wall and slate hang, replace windows, upgrade front door, internal re-arrangement, replace or upgrade services, repaint exterior as existing. Listed Building. Delegation Possible. Mr C Green, 28 The Shambles, Fore Street, Port Isaac. **The PC is in support of this application, subject to design guidelines being followed.**

Application 2004/01622 - Listed building consent for various external and internal alterations to ground floor flat. Listed Buildings. Delegation possible. Mr N Jordan, 34 Fore Street, Port Isaac. **The PC is in support of this application, subject to design guidelines being followed.**

Application 2004/01583 - Demolition of existing sub-standard dwelling and garage and erection of new dwelling with garage. Full Planning. Delegation Possible. Mr & Mrs M Coles, The Moorings, Port Gaverne. Cllr Lee declared a personal interest. **The PC is in support of this application.**

Application 2004/01664 - Erection of two storey extension & conservatory. Full Planning. Delegation Possible. Mr R A Gerrish, 11 The Barton, Trelights. **The PC is in support of this application.**

Application 2004/01563 - Erection of annexe accommodation. Full Planning. Delegation Possible. Mr & Mrs R Bulgin, Jessamine Cottage, Rose Hill, Port Isaac. Cllr Yates declared a personal interest. **The PC is in support of this application, subject to design guidelines being followed.**

Approvals & Refusals

Application 2004/01259 - Listed buildings consent for the insertion of two conservation roof lights within the north elevation roof slope. Mr & Mrs K Tomline, Leat House, Port Isaac. **NCDC APPROVED this application.**

Application 2004/01257 - Amendments to previously approved application for the erection of a bungalow with attached garage under **Application 97/1114**. Mr W Jackson, Plot 12, Furze Park, Trelights. **NCDC APPROVED this application.**

Application 2004/00958 - Conversion of ground floor flat to café. Keith Barnecutt Bakeries Ltd, Stanley House, Fore Street, Port Isaac. **NCDC APPROVED this application.**

Lynda and Danny Von-Lintzgy and family would like to say how much they have deeply appreciated the flowers, cards, presents, phone calls, visits and all the other forms of generosity and goodwill which have been shown by our friends and neighbours in Port Isaac during Lynda's recent stay in hospital and return home.

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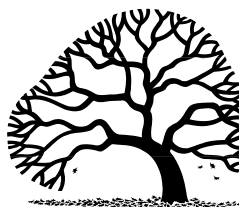
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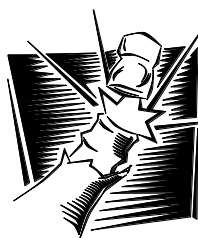
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Saturday September 4th
Port Isaac Garden Show in the Church Rooms

Sunday September 5th
Harvest Sung Eucharist in St Peter's Church - 10.00am

St Peter's Church Harvest Festival with Bishop Roy Screech plus Supper and Auction, with the Fishermen's Friends, in Church - 6.00pm

Saturday September 11th
Village Hall Grand Auction, Bar and Barbecue - Viewing from 2.00pm-4.00pm and then food and viewing from 6.30pm. Bidding starts at 7.45pm
ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS AUCTION WILL NOW BE DONATED TO BOSCASTLE & CRACKINGTON HAVEN

Monday September 13th
'In the Bag' recycling kerbside collection - put bags out by 7.00am

Parish Council Meeting in the Church Rooms, Port Isaac - 7.30pm

Tuesday September 14th
NCCA St Endellion Branch Coffee Morning at Gull Rock, Port Gaverne - 10.30am-12noon

Saturday September 18th
Golden Circle Theatre Trip to Exeter

Port Isaac Chorale and the Looe Valley Ladies Choir in concert in St Peter's Church - 7.30pm

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

Thursday September 23rd
Murder by Appointment - murder mystery evening in Port Isaac Village Hall - to raise money for the Boscastle Flood appeal - 7.30pm

Saturday September 25th
'Deano Does Elvis' - Port Isaac Village Hall - 7.30pm

Monday September 27th
'In the Bag' recycling kerbside collection - put bags out by 7.00am

Friday October 1st
RNLI Harvest Festival & Auction at the Port Gaverne Hotel

Monday October 11th
'In the Bag' recycling kerbside collection - put bags out by 7.00am

Tuesday October 19th
NCCA St Endellion Branch Annual Golf Competition at Roserrow Golf Club

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall - 7.30pm

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'In the Bag' recycling kerbside collection - put bags out by 7.00am

Wednesday October 27th
Village Hall Coffee Morning

Friday November 5th
Port Isaac Chorale presents a Music Hall night in the Village Hall

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Saturday November 6th
Annual Village Firework Display

Monday November 8th
'In the Bag' recycling kerbside collection - put bags out by 7.00am

Saturday November 13th
St Peter's Church Christmas Mini-Market and Lunch in the Church Rooms - 10.30am

Tuesday November 16th
Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall - 7.30pm

Saturday November 20th
Port Isaac RNLI Christmas Market in the Village Hall

Monday November 22nd
'In the Bag' recycling kerbside collection - put bags out by 7.00am

Tuesday December 7th
Annual BINGO, in aid of the Mentally Handicapped, in the Church Rooms - 7.30pm

Tuesday December 14th
Port Isaac Carols in the Pottery

Saturday December 18th
BIG Switch-on on the Village Christmas Lights

Sunday December 19th
United Benefice Carol Service with mulled wine and mince pies in St Peter's Church - 6.00pm

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

Port Isaac Chorale Christmas Concert

Thursday December 23rd
Port Isaac Chorale Carols at the Port Gaverne Hotel

2005 Saturday May 7th 2005
Forties Night to celebrate the anniversary of the end of the Second World War - Port Isaac Village Hall

Friday May 27th - Monday May 30th 2005

'Doc Martin' starts on ITV
Thursday September 2nd - 9.00pm



REGULAR EVENTS

Port Isaac Playgroup - every Tuesday (not during school holidays) from 10.00am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Contact Emily Brown on 01208 880707

Yoga - Mondays during term-time in the Village Hall from 10.30am-12noon Thursdays during term-time in the School Hall from 7.30pm-9.00pm Contact Tracey Greenhalgh on 01208 880215 or Adult Education on 01840 213511

Local History Group - The first Friday in the month in Port Isaac Village Hall. Contact George Steer on 01208 880754

Port Isaac Chorale - Every Tuesday from 7.30pm-9.30pm 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 880548

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

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

CHURCH SERVICES

St Peter's Church, Port Isaac - Sunday - Sung Eucharist at 10.00am. Every third Sunday - Said Eucharist at 9.30am, Family Service at 10.15am. Every Wednesday - Said Eucharist at 10.00am

St Endellion Church - Every Sunday at 11.00am

Trelights Methodist Church - Sunday Service at 6.00pm.



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