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Children's Competition Design the Christmas Trio cover



It's that time of year again - It's your chance to have your design on the *Trio* Christmas Cover

The competition will be divided into two age groups - up to 7 years old and 8-11 years old. Winning designs from each age group will be reproduced as the back and front covers of the Christmas *Trio* - and there will be prizes for the winning entries. However, you need to get working straight away as designs have to be in by Monday December 1st. Remember that your design will be reproduced in black and white. Do not include the *Trio* header or any other details, we'll add those later.

Ideally entries should be made on white A4 size paper or you can do a design on the computer if you would prefer. If you need some paper call into *Secrets*. So get into an artistic mood and get working on a design. When it's finished, either drop it into *Secrets* or into Calenia, 3 Trewetha Lane, or email it to triopi@mac.com and remember, don't leave it too late - the final date for entries is Monday December 1st.

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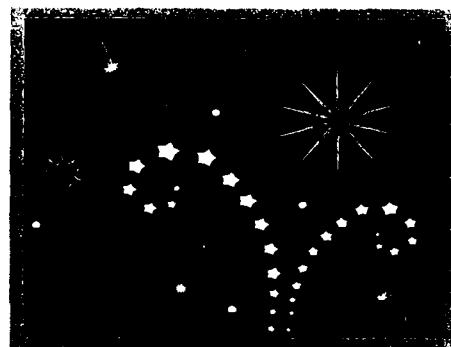
St Endellion Church

Johnny Cowling

sings the Gospel
songs of Elvis
in the Church
Sunday November
16th - 6.00pm

tickets £6 each
(including refreshments)
from Pam Richards
on 01208 880381

*proceeds for the
Precious Lives Appeal
and Church funds*



Village Bonfire & Firework Display 8th November

The fire will be lit at 7pm and the fireworks will follow at 7.15pm. Food will be available from 6.30pm.

Raffle will be drawn in the Port Gaverne Hotel at around 9.30pm

GUY COMPETITION - to be judged at 6.30 pm outside Beach House

We will not be able to collect any large items for the bonfire - although we're happy for you to bring them down on the day - please remember no beds/chairs with springs or sealed containers!

walk talk

This paw-picked selection of approved and tested local walks is a must for all your four-footed friends and even includes tips on how your pooch can train you!

Available from *Secrets* and various charity functions, this book is priced at just £3.50, with 50p from each sale being donated to local charities and organisations. Mail order copies are priced £4 (includes post and packing). Send a cheque made payable to *Secrets to Secrets*, Fore Street, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RD.



Local Walks & Guide Books

Robin Penna's books of walks and local guides are for sale in *Secrets*.

A Quick Look Round Port Isaac

A brief guide for visitors to help them enjoy the village - £2.50

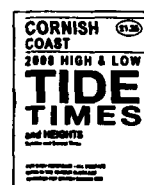
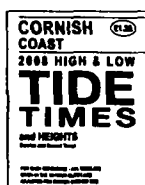
A Short Guide to Port Isaac

A more detailed guide, updated and reprinted - £5.50

15 Walks in the Parish of St Endellion

(coastal and inland walks in and around the Parish with lots of useful local information) - £3.50

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Government plans to knock another rural service on the head

Don't get sick if you haven't got a car! It might not be intentional but that is the message that comes across from the Government's recently published 'Pharmacy in England: Building on strengths – delivering the future – proposals for legislative change' consultation document. It contains a number of proposals which potentially threaten access to healthcare in rural areas.

However, the rumours that we are going to have to travel to Wadebridge to collect our prescriptions or that our surgery is going to close are completely unfounded. As far as *Trio* understands the situation, unless someone actually opens up a pharmacy in Port Isaac, our dispensing facilities will remain the same.

The facts are that, in many rural areas, ours being one, doctors surgeries have dispensing services, which allow patients who live far from pharmacies, to pick up prescription medicines – this is particularly important for elderly and less mobile individuals. What the Government wants to change are the 'control of entry' regulations that allow rural practices to dispense prescription medicines to patients. Under some of the proposals our Practice would potentially lose some of its existing right to dispense medicines (not in St Endellion parish) and this could have far-reaching consequences, including:

- Reduction in choice for patients as to where they can pick up their medicines
- The Dispensary at the Bridge Medical Centre in Wadebridge closing
- Redundancies of some of our dispensing staff
- Reduction in overall funding for our practice that may result in a reduction of services such as our outlying branch surgeries (currently seven in total)

Why should we be concerned if it's not going to affect us, you might ask. The thing is, many rural dispensing practices depend on the dispensing revenue to support surgery premises and service provision – removal of this could make them unviable. The proposal to change the control of entry rules could effectively disenfranchise up to three million rural patients of their current right to get their medicines dispensed at their doctor's surgery and compromise the viability of up to 1,300 dispensing practices. And as we all know, legislation has a habit of quietly changing as the years go by and if this proposal gets through who knows what the next white paper may have in store for us. So, we need to act, and act now.

The Pharmacy White Paper, available to download on the internet

<http://tinyurl.com/5wg72q> or

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_087324

is currently under consultation with a deadline of November 20th. You can respond on the website or pop into the surgery for a form to fill out and hand back at Reception for the Practice to forward to the Department of Health. It strikes me that a letter to our local MP, Dan Rogerson would not come amiss either (see page 7 for his address). Just remember, we never thought that they would actually close our Post Office!!

... and talking of Post Offices!

Front page news last month that Dan Brewer was taking on a Post Office Outreach service, opening mid-October. Then the next thing we hear is that the Post Office, in its infinite wisdom, has done a U-turn on the closure date for Port Isaac Post Office (and others we are led to believe). Perhaps it suddenly realised the revenue it would lose with the forthcoming Christmas season and additional mail etc, or perhaps, with the same thing in mind, it was thinking of its customers!

Whatever the reasoning, our Post Office has a stay of execution until the New Year and, sometime in January, it will close and Dan's Outreach Service will come into operation. That's this month's plan, who knows what next month's will be! Watch this space ...

PANTOMIME SCENERY/PROPS PAINTING DAYS

Wednesday November 12th &

Thursday November 27th

in the Village Hall
10.00am - 4.00pm

Oh no
we're
not!



We're
going,
come
and join
us

Lovely refreshments and lunch provided

Fishermen's Friends Christmas Concert

Sunday 7th December

Port Isaac Pottery

8pm (Doors open 7.30pm)

Tickets (inc pasty supper)

£10 each

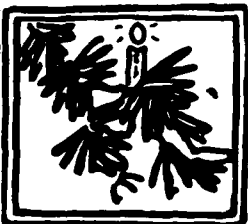
from The Pottery

01208 880625

Licensed Bar

Port Isaac Local History Group

Cornish Christmas Carols by Candlelight



Tuesday December 9th
7.30pm (Doors open 7.00pm)
Port Isaac Pottery

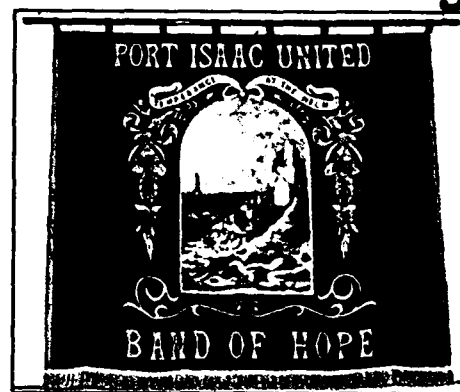
Mulled wine and mince pies

Ticket only - but the tickets are free
(just so we can get an idea of numbers)

Please book yours at the Pottery
01208 880625



Banner Day



The next Banner restoration day
takes place in the Village Hall on

**Wednesday
November 19th
10.00am – 4.00pm**

Everyone welcome to come
and join us. Refreshments and
lunch provided.

News from the Co-op

On October 9th we presented a
cheque for £500 to Port Isaac
School from the Co-op's Community
Fund to help with their Healthy Eating
year. We will also be supporting the
School over the next twelve months.

In February 2009 the Co-op will be
having a refit. This will involve a
complete refit of the shop, both inside
and out, with new cabinets. We will also
have a 'Bake Off' and freshly baked
bread, French sticks and cakes will all be
baked on the premises. Plus there will
be a wider range of fresh deli and meats
and a bigger selection of frozen food.
Another new service will be the National
Lottery and we will be continuing with the
Paypoint so that you can pay your
household bills.

Roy Smith, Manager

Log on to

www.port-gaverne.com

and take a look at the website
for Port Gaverne

**St Peter's Church
Rooms**

are available to hire
Call Marion Larkin on
01208 880492

What do bullet-proof vests, fire escapes, windscreen
wipers and laser printers all have in common?

Answer: They were all designed by women

The Trio/Golden Circle Christmas Shopping Trip to Tavistock

Tuesday November 25th

Depart from the Peapod – 9.30am

Arrive in Tavistock in time for morning coffee, a bit of retail
therapy or a look around, lunch, a bit more retail therapy or
looking round and then back on the bus at 4.00pm

Stop on the moor for a cup of tea on the way home

Back in Port Isaac between 6 and 6.30pm

Bus fare: £10 per person

(if we get a full coach you might get a little financial surprise on the day!)

Names and money, as soon as possible, to Dee at *Secrets*.

Phone 01208 880905/880862, email: trioipi@mac.com

The Trio/Golden Circle Christmas Shopping Trip to Tavistock

Please book me _____ places on the trip

I enclose the sum of £ _____ (cheques made payable to Trio)

Name: _____

Telephone no: _____

*Wear Your Poppy
with Pride*



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

*The Armistice Day
Service will be held in
St Peter's Church
on Sunday November 9th
at 10.45am*

The Patrol

by Ros Williams

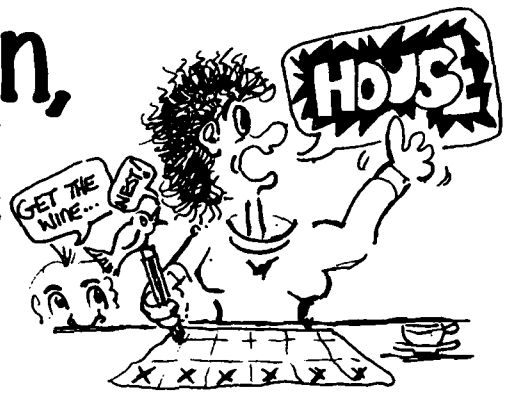
As I patrol the dusty track
I find myself thinking back
To soldiers who were here before
And bravely fought in this merciless war
And as I slowly pass you by
I see the look in your eye
The Taliban hide all around
In the hills and under ground
Who are you, I do not know?
Are you friend or are you foe?
Do your children do your spying?
Will you sing and dance as I lay
dying
From your bullet in my back
Or explosion from a mortar attack?
Or will you invite my friends and me
Into your homes to take some tea?

As I patrol this dusty track
I find myself looking back
Over my shoulder to check and see
That all my mates are still with me
Then all at once that thunderous
sound
As explosions blast all around
And as I dive to take my cover
A mortar explodes, and then another
Adrenalin flows, I have no fear
My hands are steady, my sight is
clear
In the distance I see a figure
I take my aim and squeeze the
trigger
And as insurgents fall from their
place
Others flee, without a trace
They run and hide far away
Returning to fight another day

Eyes down, look in!

You know Christmas is not far away
when it's time for Janet's annual
Bingo in aid of the mentally handi-
capped. It will be held in the Church
Rooms on Wednesday December 3rd
starting at 7.30pm. As usual the prizes
will be with Christmas in mind and every-
one is welcome to come along and join
in the fun. Free tea and mince pies will
be served during the interval.

All proceeds will be given to the
Priory Centre, Bodmin, the local
centre for mentally handicapped adults.



Stay & Playgroup

However, the good news for all you
Bingo fans is that there is another Bingo
night on Wednesday November 19th,
again in the Church Rooms, but this time
being organised as a fundraiser for the
Port Isaac Stay & Playgroup. Look out
for posters for more info.

Roy mingles with the stars at the Pride of Britain Awards

As a lot of people know, I was invited to London on September 28th to attend the
Pride of Britain Awards. This was part of my prize for winning the Pride of the
Co-op award, given for helping your local community and charity work. I was picked
to represent the South West, Wales and Borders, just one of 11 chosen from 80,000
employees. I had a fantastic night with the stars. I walked the red carpet, had pre-
awards drinks with all the celebrities – what a night!

Recently I have been abseiling with a team from the Co-op and we raised over
£1000 for Children with Leukaemia. Earlier this year, I took part in the Three Peaks
Challenge. Our team of four came third and we made £2000 for charity. At the end
of November I am running in Spain, again for Children with Leukaemia. Next year I will
be running my eighteenth London Marathon, this time for the Hospice, South West.

*Roy Smith, Manager,
Port Isaac Co-op*

Trelights Methodist Church

Christmas Fayre

**in the Schoolroom on
Tuesday December 2nd at 2.30pm**

Various stalls, Draw, Refreshments

All welcome

***Proceeds for Children's Hospice SW and
Cornwall Air Ambulance***

Saving our pennies ...

We're nearly upon the season to be jolly and in these credit crunch days we need to save our pennies for next month. But there's still room for something special on Bonfire Night, and any other November day when a little cheering up is called for.

A resurgence of slow cooked dishes, using cheaper cuts of meat, is a welcome return to tradition. Mutton is making a re-appearance on the menu (*St. Kew Farm shop for one, is selling moorland mutton*).

Slow Roast Leg of Mutton

Leg of mutton
Half jar of cranberry jelly (optional)
Generous swig of sherry (one for the cook and one the mutton)
3 sprigs rosemary
1 clove garlic (more if you like lots of garlic)
Olive oil
Seasoning
1 pint lamb/vegetable stock

Place leg of mutton into a large casserole dish with a lid. Mix the remaining ingredients together and pour over the mutton.

Slow cook in a pre-heated oven of 150°C for about 3 hours.

Remove the lid and continue to cook for another 2 hours or so.

Allow the meat to rest for 10 mins whilst you scoop the fat off the juice and make the gravy by adding a little cornflour (and maybe another splash of sherry!).

Delicious served with home made mint sauce.

Chick pea & chorizo soup

200gms bacon
Pinch of paprika
1 red pepper
4 large tomatoes
1 litre beef or chicken stock
225gms chorizo sausage
1 small onion
2 chopped garlic cloves
400gm tin chick peas
200gms potato cut into cubes
2 bay leaves
Sprig of thyme
Chopped parsley

Lightly oil and season the bacon with salt and pepper and pinch paprika and roast with the pepper and tomatoes in a preheated oven 190°C for approx 30 mins.

Chop the bacon into chunks and reserve the fat in the tin.

When cooled remove the skin and pips from the tomatoes and pepper and put the flesh into a food processor. Blend till smooth.

Heat the reserved pork fat and fry the chorizo.

Remove then fry the onion and garlic till soft.

Add the puree and cook for 2-3 mins.

Pour in the stock and add the chorizo, chickpeas, potato, bay leaves and thyme. Simmer for 30 mins.

Season to taste and add the bacon and

Mulled Cider

2 ltrs any cheap cider (sweeter variety works well)
Spice mixture (cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves)
4 oz sugar (demerara if poss or honey)
Lemonade to dilute (optional!)
Generous slug of sherry (cooks like sherry!)
Slices of any English apples to float on the top (Cox or Russet)

Mix all ingredients together and heat slowly. Make it ahead of time to allow all the flavours to infuse together. Do not boil but it needs to be hot enough to give you a glow!

Muesli Bars

1 lb muesli
4 oz runny honey
4 oz butter

Mix ingredients together and bake for 20 – 30 mins. Slice whilst still warm and allow to cool in the tin.

The Curry top 15 hits

15. Tandoori Deliver - Adam and the Ants
14. Love me Tandoor - Elvis Presley
13. Bye Bye Balti - Bay City Rollers
12. Bhuna to be Wild - Steppenwolf
11. Livin' Dhal - Cliff Richard
10. Poppadum Preach - Madonna
9. Korma Chameleon - Culture Club
8. Dansak Queen - Abba
7. Tikka Chance On Me - Abba
6. You Can't Curry Love - Diana Ross and the Supremes
5. Tears On My Pilau - Kylie Minogue
4. It's Bhuna Hard Days Night - The Beatles
3. Brothers in Naans - Dire Straits
2. Pilau Talk - Doris Day
1. It's My Chapati and I Cry If I Want To - Dave Stewart/Barbara Gaskin

Ed: Apologies in advance, our cookery diva has turned into a comedienne!

Two asparagus are walking down the road when one is hit by a car. The other goes in the ambulance with his friend, sits in the emergency room, waits for some news. The doctor comes to him. "I have good news and bad news. The good news - he'll make a full recovery. The bad news - he'll be a vegetable for life!

Dan Rogerson, our local MP, writes ...

I am not only grateful for the chance to stay in touch with St Endellion residents through the *Trio*, but also for the copy I receive so that I can keep up to date with local concerns. I have been interested to read about the ongoing car-parking debate in Port Isaac. While this problem is not in anyway unique, in that many villages face this problem, the solutions of course, must be unique in that the circumstances in each community are slightly different.

It would be foolish of me to wade into the discussion over the influence of a certain television programme and so I will step around that one. I did look at the plan which a villager has submitted to reconfigure the playing field as a way of providing more parking. Were I to venture an opinion on such a local matter I am sure I would be soundly put in my place by those who use the field on a daily basis, but I will continue to watch as proposals emerge.

In some places, the new system of Council employed wardens has been welcomed with open arms as a means of overcoming problem parking. In some media covered instances tickets have been "awarded" in controversial circumstances. I should be interested to hear what people have to say about this new system, how often there has been a presence in the Parish and what the results have been.

As I write this article, slightly over deadline (sorry, Dee!) I have just spoken at the launch of a report on the housing situation in the South West of the UK. While the economic slow down is affecting prices, it is also true to say that mortgages are harder to come by and so those hoping to buy are still disadvantaged. Equally, affordable housing schemes which were to be funded as part of private developments may now be delayed as the building work on the market housing dries up. It will be even more important therefore, that the publicly funded programmes go ahead, to ensure that we have more homes for people to rent. I also hope to see Housing Associations looking at buying a stake in properties under threat of repossession, allowing families to stay put unlike in the last recession. While the health of the economy rightly commands our attention, we cannot allow other important issues to be driven off the agenda.

Finally, the other important item on my own agenda is fatherhood (again) and by the time I write next month, I hope to report on a safe arrival of young Rogerson number three and to not allow sleep deprivation to be too obvious in what I write!



In the meantime you can contact me on 01566 777123, or you can write to me at Church Stile, Market Street, Launceston, PL15 8AT. Have a good month.

Dan Rogerson

Your Christmas greetings

The bumper Christmas edition of *Trio* will be published on December 15th. If you would like to include your own personal or business Christmas greeting in this special festive issue you do need to start thinking about it now.

Basically you have two options (see examples below). Just send in your message - hand in at *Secrets* or put it through the letterbox or send it in the post to 3 Trewetha Lane, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RN - along with the appropriate payment (cheques made payable to *Trio*) to arrive NO LATER THAN the copy date

MONDAY DECEMBER 8th

News from Port Isaac Choral

*Mixed choir of 25 voices from a wide area
eg Boscastle, Michaelstow, Nanstallon, Wadebridge
and, of course, Port Isaac area!*

*Meet Tuesdays 7.30pm-9.30pm
in Port Isaac Village Hall*

After our very damp summer break, during which dozens of hardy visitors braved a wet Sunday afternoon to enjoy the terraced delights of Pete and Liz Rowe's Port Isaac garden to raise funds, we have restarted rehearsals. Following on from our very successful concert in July, we have Christmas in our sights, and are rehearsing Cornish Carols to lead the singing at the Pottery on December 9th, 7.30pm, by kind invitation of Billy and Barbara Hawkins, and to participate in the Carol Service at St Peter's Church on December 21st at 6pm. Our festive singing always culminates with the communal Carol singing at the Port Gaverne Hotel, this year in the evening of the December 23rd - do come along and join in.

If the singing takes your fancy, we'd love to welcome you to give us a try, especially if you're male; we have a wide repertoire from folk, madrigals, music from shows, to pop and classical and you don't have to read music to join in. We also have an active social calendar, which includes monthly pub lunches throughout the area, annual barbeque, garden open days, post practice pub drinks, theatre trips and concerts - we like to have fun and enjoy ourselves.

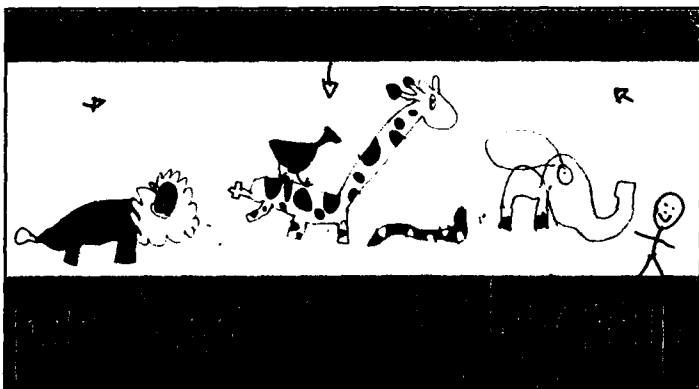
Next year we're organising an Old Time Music Hall evening in the Village Hall at the end of January - if you'd like to do "a turn" or just join in the chorus please get in touch with our conductor, Janet Townsend, on 880505.

A - £4

Merry Christmas and a Happy
New Year Love Dee

B - £8

Merry Christmas
and a Happy New
Year
Love Sam



ACTIVITES COMING UP

November 4th - Fireworks painting (roll marble in a box and toothbrush flicking)

November 11th - Remembrance Day - making poppies with crepe paper

November 18th - Playdough, chalk boards and jigsaw puzzles

November 25th - Make clay snowmen (with air dry clay)

December 2nd - Paint snowmen and make Christmas Crackers

December 9th - Make Christmas paper chains.
Christmas Party and special visit from
Father Christmas

December 16th - 11.00am - Christmas Nativity at St Peter's Church (tea, coffee and mince pies)

CHEERIO!

We said goodbye and good luck to three of our members at half term. Bob, Phoebe and William are leaving us to start at Port Isaac School's new pre-school. We will miss you!

BINGO

We are looking forward to our bingo night in aid of the playgroup. Come along on Wednesday 19th November at the Church Rooms. Doors open at 7.45pm and "eyes down" at 8pm. We have many fantastic prizes, including: 2 cinema tickets, 4 tickets to Newquay Zoo, 2 tickets to see "The Snowman" at the Hall for Cornwall, A Hair care voucher at The Salon, Wadebridge, A meal for 4 at the Golden Lion

St Endellion Climate Friendly Parish

With so much going on in the world of finance, and the looming recession, it is hard to remember about climate change and the environment. So this month I thought I would give a brief update on the science.

But before getting to that we have our AGM coming up on Monday 16th February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. We hope to make this an enjoyable and informative event and the business of the AGM proper will be done quickly. The main part of the meeting will be devoted to local people giving quick talks on the renewable energy systems they have had installed. These include solar water heating panels, photovoltaic electricity generation, wind turbine (hopefully big and small), and a wood chip boiler/cooker. We also hope to have one of our local experts on community owned power generation to explain how people club together to get a renewable energy generator. This can be a way for the community to become more climate friendly and for those who invest to have a sort of savings scheme, as the investment gives a return. Entrance and food are free, and there will be a licenced bar with all proceeds going to the Village Hall. Please do put it in your diary now as there will be a limited number of places.

So what does the science say about those environmental factors associated with the causes of climate change at the moment. These are the key facts taken from the United States National Aeronautical and Space Administration 'eyes on the world' project.

- Carbon dioxide in the atmosphere is continuing to rise at an accelerating rate and is currently at 383 parts per million, at their highest for 650,00 years.
- Arctic summer sea ice is down 38% on its extent in 1979 and its loss is again accelerating.
- The global average sea level has risen by 4 to 8 inches over the past 100 years and continues to rise steadily.
- 11 of the past 12 years have been the hottest since records began in 1860.
- The ozone hole reached record size in 2006 over Antarctica. This was thought to be one of the success stories of international cooperation, but climate change is making the ozone hole bigger again.
- Carbon dioxide absorbed by the oceans is making it more acidic and this is threatening the food chain on which marine life depends.

For more details see <http://climate.jpl.nasa.gov/>

We have also been discussing our plan to publicise and make easier the information available on the bus routes and had applied for a grant. Unfortunately North Cornwall District Council turned down the grant application on the basis that the information was already available and we would be duplicating it. We, of course, disagree. However we have decided to go ahead without the extra funding. We did receive a cheque and support from the Parish Council which was a condition of the grant application and we intend to ask the Parish Council if we can retain the funds towards the project. We will be doing the following:

- Finding out how useful the Travel line phone system is for personalised travel
- We will be putting travel information on our project website as well as the articles that Robert has contributed to *Trio* on good bus trips as well as various other components of the original plan, like the credit card sized timetables.

Next meeting Monday November 17th, 7.30pm til 9.00pm at Garrick, 34 Trewetha Lane, Port Isaac.

Have you ever fancied finding out more about your family history and compiling a family tree?

Annie Philp has done just that and writes about her experiences ...

I am writing this to encourage anyone who is interested in their family history and roots to try and compile a family tree.

I started in 1995, with the help and guidance of my friend Chris May, to trace my father's Philp family. I knew very little of his ancestry, only that he was born and brought up, with his brother Morley, by his grandfather in St Teath. His own father had died when he was two years old and his mother remarried and had a second family.

Chris suggested meeting up with the older members of the family, talking to them, extracting knowledge and stories regarding the family and to write it all down. My father has several cousins and they became my main source of information. The next important move a library visit to see the census returns from the areas concerned. Starting in 1841 they are really interesting and give full name and age, present address and place of birth plus profession or connection to the household. I found that my father's family also resided in Altarnun and they were on the census there and a lot buried in the cemetery. Headstones gave me even more information.

I am not computer literate but there is a wealth of information available here in Cornwall country, country or worldwide searching. I joined the Family History Society in Victoria Square, Truro and visited the Church of the Latter Day Saints (the Mormans) in Helston to see the IGI, a register compiled by them for all to see. Also, a good source is the Cornwall Records Office at Old County Hall, Truro (appointment required).

By 1996 I had gathered enough material to set out a family tree. I was back to my six times Great Grandfather in 1860 and really enjoying the whole experience. Everyone had been very generous in sharing their family photographs and I now had a full album of wonderful pictures.

My father's cousin, Molly Dennis, was particularly helpful and really surprised me on one visit to see her. She told me two of my great uncles had emigrated to Canada and farmed on the Prairies. It took me a year to find them. They had stayed, on arrival in Canada, with an aunt and uncle (previous emigrants) for six months in Ontario, working on the CP Railway, to save money to buy land in Manitoba. There they farmed very successfully in Brandon and Souris on the Prairies.

My sister, brother-in-law and I visited Manitoba in 1997 and met our Canadian relatives for the first time. They organised a wonderful reunion of the Philp families; there were

30 of them and three of us! We stayed with them on various farms and my personal joy was staying on the original farm that had been purchased all those years ago by my great uncles.

Since our visit we have all become great friends. Three of the families have stayed with me here in Port Isaac. They love it here and especially the visit to my cousin, Nancy Beare, at Rosewater, St Teath. She lives in the house their grandfathers did before they left for Canada in the 1870s. It was a very emotional visit for them.

This year I have visited Canada again. As well as the Prairies in Manitoba I also went to White Horse in the Yukon. A fantastic holiday. Hopefully more of them will visit here next year; I feel very proud to show them around our lovely part of Cornwall and I will always be pleased my family tree just grew and grew.

Annie Philp
Port Isaac

Ed: If you fancy exploring your family tree there is very good free website that contains lots of information on births, deaths and marriages in the UK. Go to www.freebmd.org.uk Other sites are www.familyrecords.gov.uk and www.ancestry.co.uk

You may remember reading in *Trio*, late last year, about Tessa Cobley's research into the Billing ancestors of her great-grandmother, Eliza Constance Hoskin of Port Isaac. Here she tells us about the wealth of information that can be gleaned from wills

Where there's a will, there's a wealth of information for the family historian - details of personal possessions, property, names of relatives and sometimes a rare glimpse into the concerns and character traits of the testator. Wills from my Cornish ancestors have proved to be a fund of information which would have been impossible to glean from any other source.

The earliest will I have found, dated 1697, began: "In the name of God Amen. I, William BILLING of Portissick in the Parish of St Endellion in the Countye of Cornwall, Mariner, Being in Perfect memory due ordaine this to be my last will and Testament." He left all his goods to his wife Margery, requesting that: "If my said Wife have not occasion to sell my great pann

and great pott during her life and two large putter dishes may after her decease be left unto William BILLING, son of my brother Ralph BILLING and the large brass candlestick".

The will of Margery BILLING in 1704 is touching in the simplicity of her possessions. Some of her bequests were: "My long kettle to my kinsman John AUNGER Gent; To Elizabeth TOM my kinswoman one shift; To my kinswoman Jan AUNGER one hollan sheet; To Margrett HAUSE two pewter plates; To Richard BILLING, the son of Richard BILLING, fourpence".

Sixty years later, Susannah BILLING of Port Isaac made a will that showed that she was a lady of some wealth and importance
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Port Isaac Gig Club

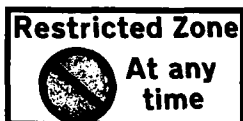
Saturday November 8th
The Tank Slappers
St Teath Church Hall
8 til late with late bar
£5 entry

Thursday November 20th
AGM
Penhaligon Room, 8pm

Saturday November 22nd
End of season 'do' -
Curry & music
The Mote
7.30pm for 8pm
£15 per head

I was driving up the motorway and my boss phoned me and told me I'd been promoted. I was so shocked I swerved the car. He phoned me again to say I'd been promoted even higher and I swerved again. He then made me Managing Director and I went right off the road and into a tree. The police came and asked me what happened. I told them, "I careered off the road!"

Police Notice NO PARKING



No parking at all 24hrs a day, in the 'Restricted Parking Zone. This area is clearly marked & includes Fore St, Back Hill, Trewetha Lane (lower end), Church Hill, Middle St and all the lanes off

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with a much more impressive list of possessions than Margery. When she made her will in February 1764 she must have been ill as the preamble starts: "I Susanna BILLING of the Town of Port Isaac within the Parish of Endellion ... being weak in Body but of a sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding for which I Return Thanks to Almighty God".

She seemed concerned that there would be possible disputes about her estate after her death, for the will states: "Considering the uncertainty of this life and the Certainty of Death Do for the preventing and avoiding all such controversies Differences and Disputes as might Otherwise happen to arise among my Relations touching my Temporal Effects and Concerns after my decease I Make and publish this my last will and Testament".

She was an aunt to Susannah TREVITHICK, the wife of Pascoe BILLING. She left generous amounts of money to family members and "my house and land in Port Quin" to William LARK, a relation of her first husband. Like many residents of Port Isaac she had shares in a boat. John LARK inherited her third of a share "in the boat I have with Pascoe BILLING and Frances PHILLIPS".

It is the detailed description of her clothing that makes this will so fascinating. She was obviously very well dressed and must have taken a long time deciding who was to receive her best clothes, shoes, quilts and even her corsets! She left Susannah, her niece: "my Best Silk gown and Callaminto (woollen stuff of Flanders, glossy on the surface and woven with a satin twill) quilted Coat, my Best shagg (long-napped rough cloth) Hat, Best shoes and Gloges (clogs?)". Sarah MITCHEL, Susannah's sister, was the lucky inheritor of her "Best Stays".

This detailed list of her possessions and the way in which she wanted them distributed after her death brings her to life. I can imagine her sweeping down the aisle of St Endellion Church dressed in all her finery - including her Best Stays! She died just a month after making her will, aged only 56 and was buried in St Endellion Churchyard with her son John.

The will of Samuel BILLING in 1834 gives an impressive list of his possessions and estates. He described himself as: "Samuel BILLING, Gent of Port Isaac". He left his wife and daughter Eliza houses and premises in Port Isaac but the bulk of his estate went to his three sons. He left them: "all my lands in the parishes of Endellion and St Minver ... all my dwelling house and premises in my own occupation in Port Isaac. All my estate and premises called Lobbs tenement, my Malt House and premises, the Dolphin Inn and carpenters shop, Brewhouse and stable, my Lime Kilns and premises and all that my Barn and premises hold ...". One of his houses must have been the building that is now the Mote Restaurant on the Platt, as according to my great grandmother, she lived in this family house. Samuel BILLING died in 1893, aged 91. Although he was the first Quaker in Port Isaac, there is a memorial to him, bearing the BILLING coat of arms, in the side chapel of St Endellion Church.

The importance of fishing in the life of Port Isaac is reflected in bequests in many of the BILLING wills and this is just a small extract of the information I found that give a vivid picture of the inhabitants of this small North Cornwall fishing village.

Tessa Cobley

Ed: Thank you to Tessa for allowing us to reprint this extract from her family history.

Port Isaac Village Hall - Hire Rates

GENERAL USERS - £8 per hour (£1 an hour discount for advance block bookings of six or more sessions)

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What's the word on the street?

I wonder when you last opened a Bible and read a passage? Perhaps it was at school or Sunday School, or maybe when you were invited to read at a funeral or memorial service or a friend's wedding. Or perhaps when away from home you may have glanced at the Gideon Bible left in your hotel room. For although most houses still possess a Bible, and believe it's important, even many of those who attend Church regularly, don't actually read it at home.

And the reason is that it's difficult. It's not like a normal book where you start on the first page and read through it - maybe taking a peep at the end to see what happens. Not surprisingly, those who've tried to do this usually give up quite quickly!

And then there's the problem of the language. Most of us were brought up on the King James' Bible, or the Authorised Version as it's known, and yes, the language is beautiful, but it's so far removed from how we speak and write now that it's quite hard to understand. Yet having a Bible and never reading it is like having a treasure hidden away and never opening it to enjoy its riches

Of course many helpful modern translations are now available, but some of them are quite expensive, and if you've already got a Bible in the house, it's not likely that you'll go out and buy one of these. But having said that, I recently came across a version, which is a really exciting read. It's called *Word on the Street* by Rob Lacey and it only costs £8.99. It's set out like an ordinary book and you can read it straight through without getting stuck or finding it boring. In fact some people have read it through once and started again straight away!

So here's a taster. With Christmas not far away, we'll soon be hearing the story of the angel Gabriel's visit to Mary in these familiar words: 'In the sixth month the Angel Gabriel was sent to a village called Nazareth to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph...' And here's the *Word on the Street* version: 'Top angel, Gabriel, picks up his work order for the day.' It reads, "Destination: Nazareth. Contact: Mary Davidson. Message: God's Holy Spirit will get you pregnant with his Liberator." Mary can hardly believe it - she's a virgin; how's she to have a baby? But she hears him out, realises the privilege and goes for it. She's ecstatic. Joe, her fiance, isn't!

The essential story is there but its expression is fresh and lively and easy to understand. Reading it may make you want to pick up an actual Bible or stimulate you to take part in a Bible study group. If it does, you may like to come along to the one held in our cluster of Churches each Thursday morning in term time. It's a 'drop in, drop out' group where people don't feel they have to attend every week. If you'd like to know more contact John May 01208 862398 or Judith Pollinger 01208 880181.

Every blessing

Judith



Church Diary Dates

Wednesday November 5th

7.30pm - Healing Service High Barn,
St Kew Highway

Sunday November 9th

9.45am - Said Eucharist, St Peter's
Church, Port Isaac
10.30am - Remembrance Service
6.00pm - Taize Service St Endellion

Saturday November 15th

10.30am - Christmas Mini-Market,
St Peter's Church Rooms, Port Isaac

Sunday November 16th

6.00pm - Johnny Cowling Concert,
St Endellion Church

Sunday November 30th

9.45am - Sung Eucharist, St Peter's
Church, Port Isaac
6.00pm - Advent Carol Service,
St Endellion Church

Sunday December 7th

9.45am - Sung Eucharist, St Peter's
Church, Port Isaac
4.00pm - Church & Cake Informal
Service, St Peter's Church, Port Isaac

Tuesday December 16th

11.00am - Pre-School Nativity, St
Peter's Church, Port Isaac

Sunday December 21st

9.45am - Sung Eucharist, St Peter's
Church, Port Isaac
6.00pm - Nine Lessons & Carols with
Port Isaac Chorale, St Peter's Church,
Port Isaac

Christmas Eve, December 24th

3.00pm - Crib & Christingle & 11.30pm
Midnight Mass, St Peter's Church, Port
Isaac
11.30pm - Midnight Mass. St Endellion
Church

Christmas Day, December 25th

11.00am - Christmas Family Sung
Eucharist, St Endellion Church

Sunday December 28th - No services

Do you, or someone you know, need a listening ear?

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MINI-MARKET

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10.30AM IN THE CHURCH ROOMS

RAFFLE, CAKES, TOMBOLA,
GIFTS, REFRESHMENTS

PLEASE COME AND
SUPPORT OUR VILLAGE
CHURCH AND ENJOY
A COFFEE AND MINCE PIE

Taking this for granted

Our years filming in the Falklands on Carcass Island came to an end and again we returned to the UK to put the films together, have a bit of a rest, see our families and friends and prepare for the most challenging project we have ever undertaken.

As I have mentioned in the past, Cindy loves to do 'something different' and this time she excelled herself. It took her a year to persuade the Director of the British Antarctic Survey, Dr Laws, to allow us to visit the Island of South Georgia (sub antarctic) for the summer months to film the largest King Penguin colony in the world, Elephant Seals and the bird population.

Up until this time, NO British women had been allowed to go down to this beautiful, but inhospitable part of the world, mainly because the Brits thought that women couldn't handle the environment, the appalling cold and weather and would cause concern to the scientists who have worked down in this area for many years. BUT, Cindy is never one to give up and eventually we got permission, on the condition we only went for the summer months. Being the Southern Hemisphere, this meant October until April, 1982.

A lot of organisation was necessary. We had to go to the BAS centre at Cambridge to learn all about the changing climate so that we would be able to foresee when a blizzard was about to hit us, to read the clouds and the conditions. We needed a radio so that we could be in constant contact with the base camp on South Georgia, plus the correct clothing to cope with the minus 35% cold. What fun, but so scary. This was going to be a real struggle and a challenge.

We managed to find the location that we wanted, in the beautiful St Andrews Bay. Our accommodation was an 8ft x 12ft hut (about the size of your garden shed!), divided into three tiny rooms. The howling winds made it necessary to have it secured by two wires over the roof and then buried six feet into the ground, in the hope that the entire hut wouldn't take off!

My job was to organize all the stores we would need to provide us with clothing, food, film and all the technical stuff for a year, just incase we got stuck there. As things turned out we did because the Falklands War broke out when we were there - but that is another story, which I will tell you about in a future. Meanwhile, back to the stores. No computer in those days, so never-ending lists on pads, even to the Marigold gloves for washing our clothes in freezing streams - in fact, forgot these and they turned out to be the most expensive pair of gloves ever! Will tell you more later.

Sadly, at the time we were due to depart my father had a major heart attack and was rushed to hospital, but being the tough man that he was, he recovered enough to tell

me that he would be devastated if I didn't fulfill my commitment to head for Antarctica, as I would miss the boat and the next one wasn't for three months - which would completely throw out all the filming plans. I talked it over with my Mother and family and everyone agreed that I should go. It was one of the hardest decisions I have ever had to make, knowing that there was every chance I would never see my Pa again. I went to say goodbye to him the day before leaving, we drank some whisky together, had a good laugh (he was his normal outrageous self) and I left, not letting the tears flow until I had left his room. My Ma was, as always, so supportive.

And so I flew to Rio where we were to meet up with the boat that would take us down to South Georgia. Pa died two days later.

Next month, I will tell you about our journey down to South Georgia from Rio and the early days and horrendous conditions we had to endure.

Annie P

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Tuesday December 21st

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Magical Managers 2008/09

League One

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Port Isaac cable undergrounding: will BT miss the boat?

St Endellion Economic Regeneration (STEER) are still working towards burying the unsightly power and telephone cables within the Port Isaac Conservation Area. We have received magnificent support from both St Endellion Parish Council, who have allocated £20,000 towards the project, and North Cornwall District Council (NCDC) who have allocated £50,000. Western Power (WP) (*responsible for the power cables*) and Cornwall County Council (CCC) (*responsible for the street lights*) have both been supportive and are supplying materials in kind.

It had proved difficult to get any response at all from British Telecom (BT) until we enlisted the support of Dan Rogerson MP in spring 2007, following which a member of BT's staff finally turned up to look at what was involved. He was less than enthusiastic as he explained that it was not his job to do this, but he had drawn the short straw. In September 2007, STEER was staggered to receive an estimate for almost £300,000, with a demand for some £4,000 before BT would give a definite quote. This hardly seemed in the spirit of a project partner, but further efforts by Dan Rogerson persuaded Bob Challacombe, a senior director of BT Openreach, to visit Port Isaac to see the problem first hand. He acknowledged the aged nature of our infrastructure, with some poles bearing the ancient scars where BT staff had ascended the poles using crampons in pre-health and safety days! He was shown the work done by BT in Middle Street, Port Isaac during 2005, where trenching and conduit work in preparation for undergrounding BT services (*totally unrelated to the STEER project*) had taken place at considerable disruption to the village. It remains unfinished to this day, with frayed blue nylon ropes sticking out of the conduits all along this attractive street. Mr Challacombe was unaware why this work had been undertaken, nor why it had not been completed.

In January 2008, STEER received a revised estimate for £166,000, but demanding almost £7,000 before a definite quote could be given. After further negotiation, BT accepted £1,700 to undertake the full quote. This was paid in June 2008. After an unexplained £21,000 reduction for 'betterment', the total was in excess of £100,000, including over £15,000 VAT. Following the cessation of Objective One funding, and its replacement funding being for large projects, together with preparations for London 2012 Olympics soaking up Lottery money, funding is not available for such work.

In July, STEER was surprised to hear that some residents in Port Isaac Conservation Area had received a letter from Fujitsu Telecom advising that they were going to underground the telephone cables in Church Hill 'in order to meet current telephone network construction standards'. This had never come up in any discussions with senior BT staff, and, following a recent meeting with BT, we are led to believe this was nothing to do with the STEER project. BT confirmed to us that they have now cancelled this undergrounding of Church Hill. We are unsure whether this is a case of the right hand in BT not knowing what the left hand is doing, or whether BT were trying to keep quiet about their obligations to 'meet current telephone network construction standards' in order to get a small community group to pay the cost of upgrading the antiquated infrastructure of one of the country's largest and most profitable companies. BT are treating STEER as if it were a commercial company wishing to upgrade its facilities. Were this the case, it would not be unreasonable for BT to make a charge, but the Port Isaac telephone network is not STEER's, but BT's.

In any undergrounding scheme, the cost of the trenching work is significant. STEER has obtained funding for these anticipated costs, and is offering the trenches to BT for their joint use with WP, who would like to start undergrounding their cables and removing poles early in 2009. Many of the poles currently used jointly by WP and BT do not fall within the tarmac surface of the public highway, with many wholly within the curtilage of private land adjoining the highway. Once WP remove their cables, BT will need to seek a fresh wayleave to continue their occupation of such private land. When electricity and telephones first arrived here, adjacent landowners were undoubtedly happy to provide wayleaves, as the benefits to the community were obvious. The position may not be the same now, as we are aware that some adjacent landowners feel strongly that they would not grant a wayleave just to save BT money, as this would be seen as frustrating the aims of a publicly funded scheme to underground the cables within the conservation area. With a practical cable undergrounding scheme going ahead, those who have existing wayleaves with BT may wish to terminate them for the same reasons. Any consequent rewiring following wayleave withdrawals will need to meet those 'current telephone network construction standards'.

Undergrounding the cables will bring benefits to BT, as they acknowledge that underground wires suffer less weather damage than overhead wires, needing less maintenance. Weather damage on copper wires is likely to be an even more important factor here, with the salt laden gales so frequently experienced by the West Coast.

It is clearly in everyone's interest to minimise disruption to our community by digging up the roads just the once (BT already disrupted our community in 2005, but then

abandoned the work!). It is also clear that BT will need, at some time in the not too distant future, to upgrade their antiquated infrastructure here in Port Isaac. They have been offered the free use of the trenches, but have refused unless someone pays all their costs. They have a chance to come on board with the STEER project. Will they miss the boat?

David Raynor, STEER Chairman

If you want more information on this project you can contact either David Raynor - 01208 880581, Jeff Ryder - BT Repayments Project Engineer or Bob Challacombe - South-west Regional Director, BT Openreach 01392 296484 or 01752 261176.

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Websites of the month

With the credit crunch, looming recession and other stresses and strains I thought a look at websites which give some angles the current situation might be in order. Before I start though, I have to say I am not recommending these websites because they provide good advice, although I hope they do, as I am not a financial advisor myself. I think they are worth a look as they are easy to navigate around and cover a lot of useful information. There are also a couple of ideas about ways to save, which are also 'ethical' or 'green'.

So the one which gets a lot of mentions in the media is www.moneysavingexpert.com which is run by Martyn Lewis who also presents a tv programme on channel 5 called "It pays to watch". The aim of the website is simply to provide as much information as you need to help you save money. It covers everything from banking and bank accounts to ways to save money on your phone bills and holidays. One excellent section is called "Are your savings safe?" In this section he says that when the banks started needing rescue, he admitted that "Within a year, this has shifted from unthinkable, to unlikely, and now we've seen major banks need full scale rescues, nationalisations or actually go bust and trigger compensation payouts." It is has a particularly useful table of all the banks and building societies, showing which ones are owned by which – important if you want to know about whether your money is protected properly. One of his strengths, it seems to me, is that he seems to really love his subject and is a real enthusiast for saving money. Did you know, for example, about section 75 of the Consumer Credit Act 1974? He says: "There's a secret phrase that turns any credit card into a financial self-defence superhero. "Section 75" laws means your plastic must protect anything you buy over £100 for free, so if there's a problem or the company goes bust you can still get your money back." These days that might be very helpful.

Another useful source of information is the Cornish Association of Credit Unions <http://www.cornishcreditunions.co.uk/>. They describe what a credit union is on this site as follows: "A credit union is a not for profit, democratically run financial co-operative which offers convenient savings and low interest loans to its members. The credit union is run by volunteers and is managed and owned by the members.

The three main aims of a credit union are:

- To encourage its members to save regularly.
- To provide loans to members at low rates of interest.
- To provide members with help and support on managing their financial affairs (if required).

Who can join a Credit Union?

Credit Unions welcome everybody from within the 'Common Bond' regardless of income, employment status or age. Anyone who joins a Credit Union must belong to what is called a 'Common Bond'. This could be the area you reside or work in that has a credit union. Credit unions have a real appeal at the present time when the big boys have come such a cropper, there is safety in doing it locally.

Fairtrade movement

Another idea along similar lines, but with more of an international angle, has come from the Fairtrade movement and is called Shared Interest <http://www.shared-interest.com/>. They explain what they do as follows:

"Shared Interest is a co-operative lending society that aims to reduce poverty in the world by providing fair and just financial services. We have been part of the fair trade movement for 17 years and work extensively with community-based businesses in Africa and other continents to help them make the most of fair trade.

We work primarily by providing finance up front to producers, often via their buyers, to enable them to buy raw materials, tools and the other things they need at the time they need them. We also offer longer term loans and other credit facilities to support the development of fair trade businesses. We currently have more than 8,500 members who have invested over £22 million to allow us to make a range of financial services available to fair trade producers and the businesses that buy, market and retail their goods. Shared Interest is owned and controlled by its membership. Each member has an equal voice and vote, regardless of account size. "

Interest rates are very low, currently 1%, so in some ways it is a way of saving but also donating to a charity. You won't make loads of money by investing here, but you will feel you are contributing to a worthwhile cause.

Tony Wainwright

*No sun - no moon!
No morn - no noon
No dawn - no dusk - no proper
time of day.
No warmth, no cheerfulness,
no healthful ease,
No comfortable feel in
any member -
No shade, no shine,
no butterflies, no bees,
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves,
no birds!
November!*

The name 'November' is believed to derive from 'novem' which is the Latin for the number 'nine'. In the ancient Roman calendar November was the ninth month after March.

The Anglo-Saxons called November 'Wind month', because it was the time when the cold winds began to blow and fishermen brought their boats ashore. They also called it 'Blod month', because it was the time when cattle were slaughtered for winter food

Guy Fawkes Night - Bonfire Night - November 5th

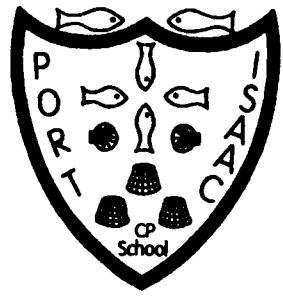
Bonfire Night is the most widespread and flourishing of all British customs. The day was declared a holiday after Parliament was saved from being blown up by Guy Fawkes in the Gunpowder Plot of 1605. Until 1859, all Parish Churches were required to hold services this day. Unlike today, celebrations were heard throughout the day, with bells ringing, cannons firing and beer flowing. For over 400 years, effigies of Guy Fawkes or other 'hated' figures, are burned on top of large bonfires. As the bonfires burn fireworks are let off in wonderful and spectacular displays.

It happened in November ...

1783 - Last public hanging in England - forger John Austin is hanged at Tyburn, near where Marble Arch now stands and First flight by man in a hot air balloon
1785 - First non-submersible lifeboat was patented
1843 - Nelson's statue was hauled to the top of the column in Trafalgar Square
1885 - The first motorbike was ridden
1896 - First motor insurance policies were issued in Britain. They excluded damage caused by frightened horses! and The speed limit for horseless carriages in Britain was raised from 4mph to 14mph
1907 - First helicopter took off
1914 - Britain's first policewoman goes on duty at Grantham in Lincolnshire
1922 - English explorers Lord Carnarvon and Howard Carter discover the Tomb of King Tutankhamen in Egypt
1942 - The Church of England relaxes its rule that women must wear hats in church
1989 - The Berlin Wall came down. East Germany opens its borders to West Germany

schoolchat

news and views from
Port Isaac School



Fire Officer visit

Rachel from Bodmin Fire Station recently visited the school and gave a talk about fire safety to all the children. One thing they all learned was to Stop, Drop and Rock! if they ever found themselves or anyone else on fire. They also learned how to get away from a fire in a building and were able to tell Rachel how we practise evacuating school in case of fire.

Let's get cooking club

The first members of this exciting new club have made some very tasty muffins and taken the recipes home to try out on family members. A very popular flavour was blueberry, "delicious" said Liam as he quickly ate two! Raspberry and lemon was also a favourite.

A big thank you to all helpers and we look forward to some Saturday cooking as well.



Birthdays celebrated in October:

Jack 7
Georgia 7

Harvest Festival

The sun shone as our harvest festival took place in the RNLI boathouse. Everyone sang beautifully especially Thomas and Edward who sang on their own. All our produce was sold and the money is going to UNICEF as part of their Day for Change campaign. Thank you to all who came down to watch.

Literary week

We had a week of exciting activities based around literacy and reading. In the middle was our book swap, which was very successful. Everyone brought in a book to swap with someone else (even the teachers).



The older children were learning how to re tell a traditional story without a book and we heard some great expression along with different voices when they stood up in front of the class to share the story of Lutey and the Mermaid with us.

We also had a good time with local author Jon Cleave who came in for a morning in school.

Halloween Disco



As we go to press a lot of children are eagerly awaiting the disco and games for Hallowe'en. The sausages are ready to sizzle and the fancy dress costumes are taking shape. Many thanks to friends of the School for running this event.

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This report has been prepared by the Parish Clerk. For further information on any points or to read the full minutes contact her, Mrs E Uglow, West Balsdon, Whirstone, Holsworthy, Devon EX22 6LE. Tel: 01288 341242
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CO-OPTION OF TWO PARISH COUNCILLORS

At our Parish Council meeting on 13th October Mr Brian Nichols and Mr R Manders were co-opted onto the council in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rule.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr Martin Dingle was elected as Vice Chairman.

GOLDEN JUBILEE APPEAL

Mr Coltart is coming to talk to the Parish Council about the Golden Jubilee Appeal at our Parish Council meeting on Monday 10th November.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND NOTICES

Application 2008/01768 Installation of glazed side lights to existing dormer, replacement of existing slates and felt to roof, replacement of second floor rear and side windows. Mr & Mrs Parry, 98 Trethaway, Fore Street, Port Isaac
The Parish Council is in support of this application. Mr A Penny declared an interest and signed the book.

Application 2008/01851 Erection of double garage with play room above and single storey lean to store rooms. Mr T O'Grady, Gruntle, Treights.

The Parish made no observations.

Application 2008/01606 Certificate of Lawfulness for the continued seasonal use of the chalet as a dwelling house. Mr G Sylvester, 2A Tintagel Terrace, Port Isaac
Mr D Phelps informed the council that it had been used as a holiday let for more than 25 years. It was proposed by Mr M Bell that the Parish Council writes to NCDC informing them that to the knowledge of some of the Parish Council members it has been used as a holiday let seasonally for at least 25 years. This was seconded by Mrs Liz Rowe and carried nem.con.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr D Phelps reported that the clerk had given him the plaque to go on the new seat which Dave Dingle had built at Little Hill. There was already a plaque stuck on the seat with blue tack. Mr Phelps removed the plaque as it had been put there without consent, and the bench had already been purchased. The name on the plaque removed was Barbara Devenish-Phibbs. If the person who put the plaque up would like it returned please contact the Clerk.

Mr D Phelps also informed the council that he had spoken to Viv Bidgood and they were going to clean the drains out in Port Isaac in November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Footpath to Trewetha update Mr Martin Bell

At the October Parish Council meeting Mr Bell informed the council that he had a number conversation with Cornwall County Council Officer, and he could not do any more work due to other pressures, he had sent Mr Bell a simple plan which we can send out with a letter asking suitable contractors asking for tenders. Mr Bell informed the council that he had asked him to finish the plan. Mr Bell informed that he went to an East Cornwall Local Action Group and they have teamed up with Defra and had 1.8million to give a way for projects in rural communities. This project would be suitable for the grant, as it would enhance the village. However the council cannot submit an application as yet as we do not know how much will cost. He informed the council that it would fit into their profile, as it contributes to economic development, would link to overflow car park, be an improvement for walkers, and solve problem with car parking. Mr Bell felt that our priority was to get cost estimates from local contractors to removal of stonewall and erecting a farm gate. Mr Bell informed the council that there was no specification as yet County Council suggested that we tell them our aim and they tell us what we need. Mr Bell informed the council that under the European and Defra scheme, you cannot claim for anything already done. So we need to go out for tenders on the entire footpath by the end of week. Mr Bell informed the council that he was meeting with Mrs Devereux-Mack on the 27th October at the site of Mr Cleaves car park. Mr Bell will meet with her and Cornwall County Council highways, to discuss proposals made by NCDC Officers following the meeting in the Playing field last year, which did not raise planning objections, when Officers looked at them last November, they had looked at the cost and decided it was not worth doing. So they will see how they apply to Mr Cleaves land. Mr Bell informed the council as a private landowner he had met with the Footpath Officer, the chairman had also attended as observer. Mrs Thomas who lives next door to Mrs Shephards house, has been carrying out demolition work. They have agreed to put the road right. Cornwall County Council are insisting that ash felt shavings are used, as they do not think anything less will survive. Mr Bell

things Parish Council

has been in contact with the owners of Castle View and 1 and 2 Cliff View and some work has already been done.

Mr A Penny reported that the fencing on the Cliff Path from the NCDC car park to Fore Street was in a bad state there are wires sticking out, he asked if it could be reported. The Parish Council agreed to write to the Footpath Officer at North Cornwall District Council Dave Wood regarding this matter and the Parish Council's concerns.

PLANS IN LAST MONTHS TRIO

(Taking from Draft Minutes not yet approved by the Parish Council)
It was proposed by Mrs B Bell that the Parish Council discuss the plans outlined in Trio for using the playing fields for car parking. Mrs Bell informed the council that she had put this item on the agenda as someone had put effort in drawing this plan. It was something she had wanted to discuss in the past and did, the council had meetings last year, but the public do not read minutes, there is a covenant on main field and she did not think moving the children play area was a good idea. Mrs Bell felt that an area could be established car spaces, but not a day visitor car park but allocated spaces for people with holiday cottages, like at Church Hill Quarry, nobody has to police it then and it would free up spaces in the NCDC and Mr Barry Cleaves car park (if permitted). The NCDC car park is currently full by 8 am in morning as people staying in holiday cottages buy weekly tickets. She felt that Port Isaac needs another 200 spaces. Mr D Phelps felt that the council should concentrate on Barry Cleaves car park first and the Footpath to Trewetha. Mr A Penny felt that the council needed to start again with playing fields as nothing had been done for 2 years, he agreed with Mrs Barbara Bell's idea that the field should be used for parking with annual fees, and parking would be needed for new sports facilities. Mrs B Bell felt that it was very easy to draw a design and say here you go, she informed the council that Mr Martin Bell had measured the area and no way can you park 100 cars on area marked out for parking on the Trio plan, if you apply with regulations you would get approximately 50 cars there. Mr A Penny felt that the plan was just an idea, from people in the village who are frustrated.

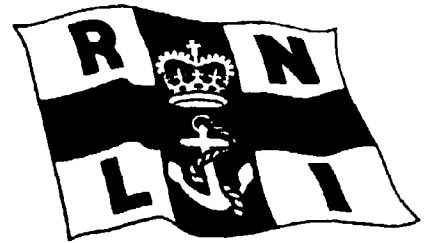
The Parish Council agreed that Mr M Bell would approach Sport Cornwall for advice and Mr A Penny would get some ideas together.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 10th November 2008 at Port Isaac.

Following a long established tradition, Port Isaac RNLI once again staged their Harvest Festival celebrations at The Slipway Hotel at the invitation of Mark and Kep Forbes. They also generously donated a signed limited edition of a Katie Charles painting and two nights B&B at the hotel.

RNLI News



Janet's onions are supposed to be kept away from Mr Cleave!

Photo: A Jaspar

The evening got off to a cracking start with RNLI Station Chaplin, Father John May starting the proceedings with his blessing followed by Auctioneer Extraordinaire Jon Cleave as he set off knocking down lots at a cracking pace, encouraging, with his inimitable cheeky humour, all to bid a pound or two in support of the RNLI Volunteer Lifeboat service.

All those present showed great support and generosity in bidding for the many items coming under the hammer. The auction finally drew to a close with a final successful bid of over £100 from Port Isaac RNLI Crew for the Malcolm Barneclutt Harvest Loaf combined with the very special jar of Janet Chadband Pickled Onions. The total raised for the RNLI over this most enjoyable and memorable evening was in excess of £2,200. Thanks to all those who gave so generously.



RNLI Committee matriarch, Molly Farmer, raises her glass to the successful bidding

Photo: A Jaspar

Always a popular event, this year proved to be a great success with a great turn-out of supporters, both local and visitors, and a wonderful selection of produce from the sea and land, plus donations of dinners for two from local hotels and restaurants, artwork from local artists, designer jewellery from Countess Pinky Grelle and many other items. These included the now infamous jar of Janet Chadband's Pickled Onions and a week's holiday at the beautiful Pink Cottage, Port Gaveme, generously donated by Annie Price.

Christmas Market

The next RNLI event will be the Annual Christmas Market due to take place at the Village Hall at 11am on November 29th. Father Christmas has confirmed Port Isaac is on his schedule to visit and will be there to say hello to all of the children visiting. Some traders stalls are still available at £15 - to reserve contact Annie Price on 01208 880386. Also, this will be the time the winning ticket will be drawn for Barbara Hawkins' stunning painting of the Port Isaac Inshore boat in action titled 'To The Rescue', at present on show at the Pottery. It also features on the Port Isaac RNLI Christmas card, which is currently available in two sizes. Contact either 880765 or 880581 or purchase from the Pottery.

Bob Bulgin
Chairman

There are still a few seats left
for this year's
Drekky Theatre Company
pantomime,
Robin Hood and
the Babes in the Wood.

Seats are available on
December 28th, 29th and 30th
but don't delay. Call Dee on
01208 880862/880905 or call
into Secrets.



We all carry our mobile phone with names and numbers stored in its memory. But nobody, other than ourselves, knows which of these numbers belong to our closest family or friends. If we were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending on us would have our mobile phone but wouldn't know who to call. Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored; but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency?

Hence this 'ICE' (In Case of Emergency) Campaign. The concept of 'ICE' is catching on quickly. It is a method of contact during emergency situations. As mobile phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during emergency under the name 'ICE' (In Case Of Emergency).

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognised name for this purpose. In an emergency situation, Emergency Service personnel and hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialing the number you have stored as 'ICE'. For more than one contact name, simply enter ICE 1, ICE 2 and ICE 3 etc. A great idea that will make a difference!

local info

Doctor's Surgery – 01208 880222

Repeat Prescriptions –
01208 880242

NHS Direct 24-hour Helpline –
0845 4647

Royal Cornwall Hospital (Truro) –
01872 250000

East Cornwall Hospital (Bodmin) –
01208 251555

Derriford Hospital (Plymouth) – 08451
558155

Dental Helpline – 0800 371192

Police (non emergency calls) – 08705
777444

PC Malcolm Taylor – 079680 87667

PCSO Claire Drennan –
0845 6567930

Wadebridge Police Station –
01208 895872

Rev Judith Pollinger – 01208 880181

Electricity – emergency service –
0800 365900

Water – helpline – 0800 1691144

Parish Council:
Clerk – Elizabeth Harris – 01288
341242 Email:
stendellionparishcouncil@fsmail.net

District Councillor – Bill Dawe –
01208 880253

Dan Rogerson MP - Local MP -
01566 777123

NCDC – 01208 893333
Website: www.ncdc.gov.uk

Cornwall County Council –
01872 322000 www.cornwall.gov.uk

Bowthick Tip – 01840 770778

Mobile Library – 01208 72286

Samaritans – 01872 277277

Vet – Nutes – 01208 813258

RSPCA (St Columb) – 01637 881455

Citizens Advice Bureau –
01208 815616

Friends of the Earth – 01208 880846

God might see everything, but
your neighbours miss nothing!

Trio sent a copy of the October issue to Cornwall County Council and NCDC for them to comment on the plans that were included for reorganising the playing field and adding a car park. These are the replies received ...

Cornwall County Council

... The County Council are aware of the traffic issues and concerns raised by the Parish Council and many residents recently. We have replied to everyone who has contacted us explaining the current situation from the County Council's point of view.

Firstly, the request for additional parking restrictions (yellow lines) along Trewetha Lane and the side road junctions is acknowledged and has been placed on my divisional request list for such similar schemes in the area. The request list will be discussed with the elected members of the new single Cornwall Council after April 2009. At present we have no details of budgets or processes to deal with these types of scheme requests within the new single authority.

Secondly, the request for improved traffic management in the lower part of the village is a subject which has been discussed for many years. The major issue is the parking in the harbour. Whilst this is allowed to continue then there will always be tourist vehicles driving up and down Fore Street causing conflict with other highway users.

A scheme to restrict vehicular access in the lower part of the village could be investigated. However, it is acknowledged that additional off-road parking would be required elsewhere to cater for the displaced vehicles from the harbour. Again the proposal for such a scheme will be placed on my divisional request list.

The County Council are willing to work with all parties to assist in assessing solutions to these particular issues.

*Paul Allen
Divisional Surveyor, Cornwall County Council*

North Cornwall District Council

... I am pleased to offer my views on the matter and these are based purely around operational practicalities rather than the official view of NCDC.

I do agree that parking in and around the village is becoming increasingly more difficult. Officers in my team have, over many years, been in regular contact with the parish council and other organisations, about issues within the village including parking/congestion. We have tried to identify suitable sites for extra parking provision but costs and access to suitable land have been inhibiting factors.

The suggestion you have received from a villager looks again at the potential use of the playing field. This seems a sensible suggestion and would certainly help the situation, particularly if 100 cars could be accommodated and there is no loss of existing facilities in this locality.

As you know, we service the recycling banks located in the existing main car park and there are operational difficulties involved. Relocating these banks to an alternative car park site would reduce the movement of heavy traffic in the busy main areas and 'free' up additional car park spaces in this car park. I have discussed the matter recently with the Chairman of the parish council and did agree with him that there is merit in establishing additional parking at/near to the playing field site.

Obviously such plans would need to be considered by the NCDC Planning Department and County Highways and it is not for me to comment here.

We will of course keep you abreast of any developments and if there is an opportunity to re-locate and enhance the recycling facilities we would be keen to examine this further.

*Mike Beckett
Head of Operational Services, NCDC*

Letters to Trio

'We are a very disappointed couple from OZ'

Dear Trio

We recently came to Port Isaac to witness the lovely countryside and places depicted in the Doc Martin series and, by chance, happened to come across News-letter number 289 of September 2008 regarding the traffic issues in Port Isaac. We found it to be very amusing and beyond belief that, whilst the Parish Council at some point must have encouraged and agreed for Port Isaac to be used as a filming location, it has not to date effectively accommodated, accepted or addressed any aspect of the follow on advantages or disadvantages.

Some of the Parish Council meeting statements and letters objecting to the filming were ridiculous to say the least. It would seem that the real problem with Port Isaac is that it's no longer the days of the "horse and carriage". It's a wonder that despite the "horseless carriage" having been around for the last 100 years, the mentality of some still dates back to last century. Surely a "one-way" system should exist in Port Isaac, as it does in countless similar villages and towns throughout the UK. You can only fit one vehicle in one direction in a 6' lane – no-one needs Einstein to work that out!

As for as the holidaymakers and sight-seers, let them walk and "park and display" outside the village, they have to in the rest of the Land. As for the elderly, if they can drive they can walk or use walking aids if they want to experience the village.

A Parish Council organised guided tour and transport system for tourists and sight-seers, liaising with local accommodation and guest houses and keeping unnecessary traffic etc at a minimum?? Perhaps the creation of a separate body within the council consisting of progressive minded locals to best take advantage of the obvious bonus created by the filming that has advertised the tourist potential worldwide for Port Isaac?

A lovely place, beautiful buildings and scenery spoilt by a complete lack of insight or organisation!! Port Isaac and surrounding areas has the potential to be very "tourist rich". Doesn't anyone exist in the local community with some basic entrepreneurial skills?? If this is the case, perhaps the local Parish Council should think about employing some expert help from outside the area.

We just purchased Series 3 of Doc Martin, can't wait for series 4! Perhaps Buffalo Productions will end up moving Port Wenn to a more welcoming destination - Dorset?? To another small village that has a council with the insight to encourage local businesses to make tourists feel welcome whilst taking their holiday money?? Wouldn't this in turn benefit the whole village?

We are a very, very disappointed couple from OZ that came to see "Port Wenn", and found a fishing village that dislikes and is unable to accommodate visitors from anywhere, but only too happy to take their money for any reason, whether it be parking on a beach where you risk having your car damaged by salt water or your clutch burnt out trying to reverse out of the way of on coming traffic. A total Chaos!! However, Port Isaac was still happy to serve us overpriced food and beverages and attempted to peddle us trinkets that have been on their shelves for years.

What a Godsend the Doc Martin series has been for the area!!! Locals never had it better with tourism!! Someone local should be appointed by the Parish Council to polish Martin Clunes' shoes!

Let's hope a car park is created other than on the beach before a flood tide sends most holidaymakers home via the Isle of Wight without a ferry, and just imagine the chaos this would create for Port Isaacs' sea rescue organisation which is often overtaxed rescuing people in kayaks.

If Louisa and Doc Martin ever do get married, perhaps Buffalo Productions might send them off Down Under for their Honeymoon!

Wendy Hill and Tony Clappis
Port Macquarie NSW Australia

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Port Isaac - Reveillon?

I have just returned from a short stay in the village of Reveillon, in the Perche National Park, a region of Normandy. I was staying with some old friends from Cornwall – Shirley Smith, the talented violinist who always led the orchestra for Wadebridge musical productions and Bob Tinker, a fine and increasingly well-known Jazz trumpeter. They have a Jazz-Café in Reveillon and host Friday evening Jazz concerts that attract large audiences of enthusiasts for food and music every week.

The village is typically French and beautifully restored and maintained as are all the villages in the region. The Church clock always chimes twice – quite lengthily when it is 12 o'clock! They apparently had all their utility cables buried underground a couple of years ago and very nice it looked too! It is very rural but with easy access to bigger towns like Chartres, Le Mans and Paris.

I was taken all round the area which has lots to do and see and it certainly looked it's best in the lovely Autumn sunshine. I was introduced to a number of people, including the Deputy Mayor, who are very interested in a possible link-up with us in Port Isaac. They too are an area dependent on tourism and keen to promote themselves. It could be a very fruitful and interesting relationship so watch this space!

Janet Townsend
Port Isaac

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PIGS on tour

Bryn Meadow & Alice Springs 2008

The PIGS World Tour got started with our first adventure out of the Duchy. The six o'clock start, yes there are two six o'clocks in a day, got seven golfers, an old tramp and his dog out of bed early. Four golfers had gone up a day early to 'do a reckie' and try and bridge any Anglo/Welsh hostility. Unfortunately, the ambassadors for Cornish culture were Bunty, Karl, Mike and Geoff, ably assisted by 'The Wobbly Albatross' on his way to Grimsby. So the rest of us didn't really know what we were driving into!

Our last pick up was Des at 6.15am. On arriving at St Mabyn we found Des huddled in the bus shelter looking like he had been dragged through a hedge backwards and instead of having his golf clubs he had his dog – and I must say, the dog didn't look too happy about the early start either. Unfortunately, Des wouldn't be joining us on our adventure, but there is always a plus side ... more room in the back for me!

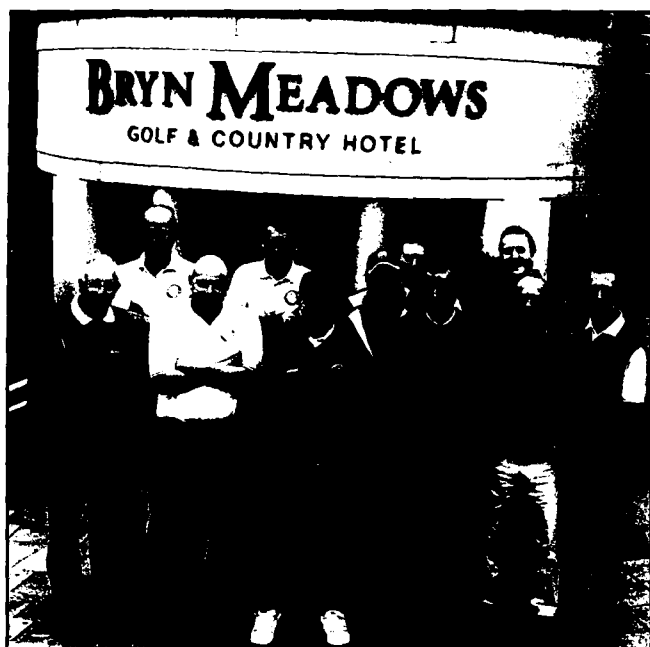
The trip was pretty uneventful except for Mulberry having to pull over for a few private moments just outside Bridgewater after discovering the demise of his favourite greasy spoon café. After being ripped off on the bridge – £5.30 to drive over an English river, that's not right – we entered another country! I noticed the place names and road signs were in Welsh and it struck me that there should be a lot more Welsh winners on Countdown – two vowels and seven consonants! Anyway, on arriving at Bryn Meadow Hotel and Golf Course we found the one sign that really depressed us. No, not 'English not welcome' but 'Course Closed'. It looked like the hotel bar was going to take a pounding but the boys in the club house found us a course that was playable, so off we went to Alice Springs; a long way to go, I hear you say, but it was only in Monmouthshire, wherever that is.

Alice Springs is a golf course with some of the best views I have seen. Manicured fairways, immaculate greens (albeit slightly wet), interesting and diverse holes and trees – lots of trees – full of beautiful autumnal colours and squirrels. Mikey 'The Pikey' Edkins, so named because he said he was trying to cut down on smoking. He certainly cut down on buying cigarettes as he managed to scrounge two days worth off Mulberry. He was spotted peering up into a tree and begging the squirrels to give him his ball back. The bushy tailed fellow politely refused. Did you know, the shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through a large tree?

Results on the day were: Longest Drive – Karl Daly

Nearest the Pin – Andrew Grills and Paul Honey

Matchplay, which had been put back a month, was won by Andrew, beating Mulberry on the last and third was Paul beating the Lard Man, 3-2



and just to prove they had crossed the border into foreign lands, they had a photograph taken - and what a happy little bunch they look!

Anyway, a quick drive back to the hotel where we paired up and booked in and then managed to find the bar and discuss the day's golf. After a few shandies and a good dinner, most of us retired to bed at about 9.00pm in preparation for an assault on Bryn Meadow the following morning. I don't know what Daniel Grills had heard about me but he got back to the room late and locked himself in the bathroom ... very strange boy!!!

The Executioner had devised a team game for our second day so, after a hearty breakfast, we headed off to pick up our buggies. We were all grateful that we got them, but not as happy as Paul

who didn't get one but saved £7. The Putting Competition was first on the agenda with me, yes me the Lard Man, coming out on top, my philosophy being, 'nonchalant putts count the same as chalang ones!'

Anyway, off we went into the Welsh forests to play an extremely hard golf course with tight fairways and difficult greens and trees and, did you know, you can hit a two acre fairway 10% of the time and a two inch branch 90% of the time!! Anyway, the days golf passed with only a few things to say, namely Pikey Mikey and his pet squirrel that he keeps in a very strange but warm place. Karl 'It's a storm, lad' Daly who at the merest hint of a raindrop has to get his full oilskins and sou'wester on and Andrew Grills whose putting exhibition was embarrassing to watch – don't buy a putter until you've had a chance to throw it!!!

Pearl of wisdom: There are two things you can learn by stopping your back swing at the top and checking the position of your hands – first, how many hands you have and second, which one is wearing the glove!

The Lard Man

PS – If Bunty, the Storm Lad and Pikey Mikey ever give you directions to anywhere, please, for your own good, go the other way!

Coming up:

November 10th – Falmouth
December 15th – Roserrow & Old School Christmas Special

If we think we've got troubles with our banks and financial institutions, we should be thankful that we don't live in Japan ...

In the last seven days, the Origami Bank has folded, the Sumo Bank has gone belly up and the Bonsai Bank has announced plans to cut some of its branches.

Yesterday it was announced that the Karaoke Bank is up for sale and is likely to go for a song, while today shares in the Kamikaze Bank were suspended after they nose-dived.

While the Samurai Bank is soldiering on following sharp cutbacks, the Ninja Bank is reported to have taken a hit, but they remain in the black. Furthermore, 500 staff at the Karate Bank got the chop and analysts report that there is something fishy going on at the Sushi Bank where it is feared that staff may get a raw deal.

Velma Knight 1938-2008

For Our Mum - from Tracey and Julian

Mum was born in Port Isaac to Jack and Eva Collings, a true Cornish girl born to a large Cornish family. Being the youngest she always held a special place in the hearts of her sisters and brother: Nona, Beryl, Maureen, Peggy, Shirley and Dennis, and later, Mike. They were - and still are - a very close family who have always been there for each other; their many prayers and thoughts over the last few months saw mum through the most difficult of times, and provided such a huge source of comfort for us all.

Mum spent her life in the village, and of course it was here that she met our Dad, Joe. Together for fifty-five years, they truly were the most devoted of couples, sharing the good times and the not so good. Someone recently said they were a team, and how right they were. Dad has always been the most wonderful husband, never more so than recently - Mum said this to us many times over the past year - barely leaving her side, and taking care of her every need. We want to thank you, Dad. You've been amazing, and continue to be so.

Mum left school to work in Port Isaac Co-op, a place she would eventually come back to as Manageress, and where she worked until her retirement in 1998. In between those times she would work alongside Dad and 'Father Joe' at Central Garage. She was often to be seen taxi-ing passengers to and from Bodmin Road Station (as it was called in those days) or serving petrol on the forecourt. All her jobs involved dealing with customers on a daily basis, and this is what she excelled at.

Recently, we have heard countless mentions of her kindness, her generosity and her ability to develop friendships with people of all ages. Mum had an engaging, magnetic personality, and this transcended everything else about her. Many children in the village loved their 'Auntie Velma' and still remember her with huge affection. Now, of course, they are grown up. And how lucky were we, this was our Mum! A caring, loving mum who brought us up to achieve the very best we could. She was always honest with us; if she thought we could do better she'd certainly let us know! She was always there to support us, a great listener with lots of advice to offer - our phone bills have certainly taken a battering over the years! Dad used to wonder what we could find to talk about. 'You only saw her two hours ago, what's left to say?' he'd shout. But that was it with Mum, chatting with her was the easiest thing in the world. Mum was so proud of us and all our accomplishments. Two Cornish children who she encouraged to venture out of Cornwall to follow their chosen career paths. But we weren't ever to forget our Cornish roots... oh no! Mum was fiercely proud of her Cornish heritage, a pride she instilled in both of us.

Mum had great faith, a faith which made the troubled times in life a little easier. A staunch believer, it was in St Peter's Church that she married Dad. She was a regular attendee at chapel and also a Sunday School Teacher in her younger days. Her faith never left her, and it was this that saw her through her darkest hour; her recent fight against cancer. Throughout, Mum showed immense positivity, grit and fight. She had a real determination to beat this dreaded disease, holding on to the belief that it could be beaten. Mum battled to the end, never giving up hope, coping admirably with everything that was thrown at her. Tragically, her personal fight ended last week, but the way she fought, the way she coped, will live with us for a long time.

As many of you will know Mum loved to sing. She had a tremendous alto voice and was a popular and valued member of the Port Isaac Singers. Later she joined the Carn Awn Singers. Mum never hid her love of music but she could be a shy performer! Only two months ago Isobel heard Mum play the piano for the first time and was overwhelmed, 'Nanny, I didn't know you could play, you're really good!' she said. Of course, her musicality was inherited from her father, Jack, and she ensured it was passed down through the generations. Mum enjoyed singing so much; she loved nothing better than a good old belt out of a Cornish Hymn or to perform in concerts and competitions in Cornwall and further afield. Very successfully too we might add!

In the latter part of her life Mum added another string to her bow, that of the proud Nanny. She has three grandchildren: David, Isobel and Joseph. They were lucky to have such a kind Nanny - their words! - a Nanny so proud of everything they did. Nobody got more pleasure from them than Mum; whether it was listening to Isobel play the piano, David telling her of his academic achievements or watching Joseph ride his bike for the first time. She had the ability to make them feel so special and loved, a feeling we know they will carry in their hearts for always.

In recent years Mum and Dad enjoyed spending increasing amounts of time in Cyprus, sharing quality time together and making the most of their new found sense of freedom

in retirement. It was no surprise to us that they made more very dear friends. We came to expect this from Mum and Dad, a couple who were so easy to get along with, a couple who we keep being told were wonderful. We have been truly heartened by the sincere messages sent from so many, and from so far away.

Eighteen months ago Mum and Dad moved to Worcestershire. It was a huge decision but the lure of the grandchildren proved too much! We know, for certain, Mum was sure she and Dad had made the right decision. She so enjoyed all the time she spent with the grandchildren and we, too, enjoyed our parent's company. In fact, we have spent more time with Mum and Dad in the past year and a half than we have in the past twenty years. We are both so immensely thankful for that.

But it was back to her roots, to Port Isaac, that she wanted to return - and she did. She would have felt so honoured - but mildly embarrassed, we suspect - by her memorial service! However, we couldn't let somebody so well loved and respected slip away without the goodbye she deserved.

When we were younger and had lost somebody close to us, Mum would say to look up at the night sky and search for their star; for there was that person watching over us, remembering us and protecting us. This would provide a great source of comfort and still does. The past week has been no exception, and we discovered that we had been doing this independently of one another. This is typical of Mum's selfless, caring nature; helping us to cope without her. So be happy when you think of our mum, of Velma. Search her out in the stars for there she'll be. She'll be easy to spot; the brightest one of all, the one standing proud, the one surrounded by many others, the one with the warm, welcoming glow.

Joe, Julian and Tracey would like to thank everybody who attended Velma's funeral and for the many heartfelt messages and cards we have received. They have given us great strength during such a difficult time.

Special thanks to Revd Judith Pollinger for leading the services, Jon Cleave for reading the eulogy on our behalf, Janet Townsend for playing the organ, Richard Webb and Barbara Richards for the readings, the Carn Awn Singers for singing so beautifully, funeral director David Bray for all his help, and finally Jim and the team at Longcross.

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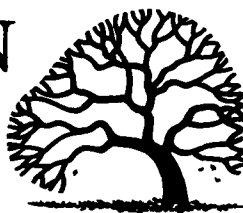
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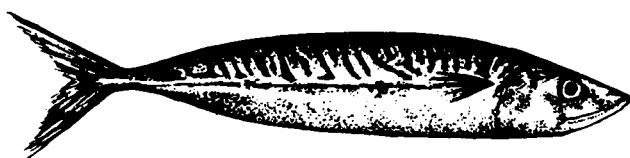
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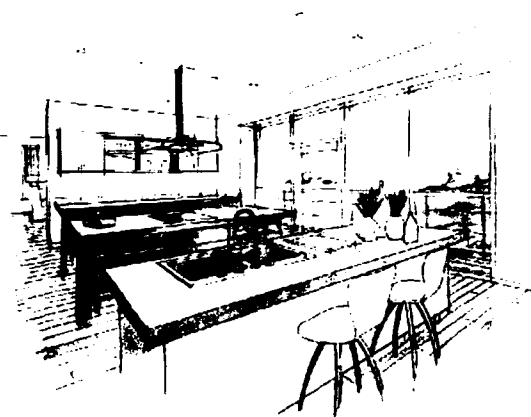
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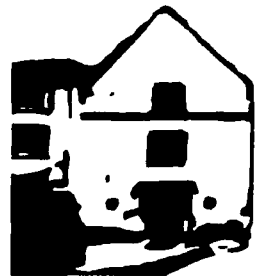
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Saturday November 8th

Annual Firework display at Port Gaverne

Sunday November 9th

Armistice Day Service of Remembrance in St Peter's Church – 10.45am

Monday November 10th

Parish Council meeting at Port Isaac Primary School – 7.30pm

Wednesday November 12th

Panto scenery painting day in the Village Hall – 10.00am onwards

Saturday November 15th

St Peter's Church Christmas Mini-Market in the Church Rooms – 10.30am

Sunday November 16th

Johnny Cowling sings the Gospel songs of Elvis at St Endellion Church – 6.00pm

Monday November 17th

Kerbside Recycling Day – bags out by 7.00am

St Endellion Climate Friendly Parish

meeting at Garrick, 34 Trewetha Lane – 7.30pm

Tuesday November 18th

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

Wednesday November 19th

Banner Restoration Day in Village Hall – 10.00am-4.00pm

Port Isaac Stay & Play Group Bingo

Night in the Church Rooms - 7.30pm

Tuesday November 25th

Golden Circle/Trio Christmas Shopping Trip to Tavistock

Thursday November 27th

Panto scenery painting day in the Village Hall – 10.00am onwards

Saturday November 29th

RNLI Xmas Market in Port Isaac Village Hall

Monday December 1st

Kerbside Recycling Day – bags out by 7.00am

Tuesday December 2nd

Trelights Methodist Church Christmas Fayre in the Schoolroom – 2.30pm

Wednesday December 3rd

Annual Bingo for the Mentally Handicapped in the Church Rooms - 7.30pm

Sunday December 7th

Fisherman's Friends Christmas Show at the Pottery

Monday December 8th

Parish Council meeting at Port Isaac Primary School – 7.30pm

Tuesday December 9th

Traditional Port Isaac Local History Group Christmas Carol Service at the Pottery – 7.30pm

Monday December 15th

Kerbside Recycling Day – bags out by 7.00am

Tuesday December 16th

Christmas Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

Tuesday December 23rd

Carol Singing with the Port Isaac Chorale at the Port Gaverne Hotel

December 28th, 29th, 30th, January 2nd

The Port Isaac Pantomime in the Village Hall – 7.30pm

Monday December 29th

Kerbside Recycling Day – bags out by 7.00am

Happy New Year

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Saturday January 31st

Port Isaac Chorale present An Old Tyme Music Hall evening in the Village Hall

Monday February 16th

St Endellion Climate Friendly Parish AGM in the Village Hall – 7.30pm

Saturday February 28th

Port Isaac's Annual Hospice Day Sale & Lunch

Wednesday December 17th - 6.00pm onwards

Father Christmas pays a special visit to Port Isaac

He will tour the village on his special sleigh - full details next month



DECEMBER/CHRISTMAS TRIO

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REGULAR EVENTS

Port Isaac Stay & Play Group – every Tuesday (not during school holidays) from 10.00am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Contact Sarah on 881124, Clair on 880469 or Julia on 880718

Brownies - every Wednesday from 6.30pm-8.00pm, during term time, at Port Isaac School. Contact Claire on 880878 or Jennie on 881038

Rainbows - every Tuesday from 4.45pm - 6.00pm, during term time, at Port Isaac School. Contact Jennie on 881038 or Marie on 880977

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

Port Isaac Chorale – Every Tuesday from 7.30pm-9.30pm in Port Isaac Village Hall. Contact Janet Townsend on 01208 880505

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

CHURCH SERVICES

St Peter's Church, Port Isaac - Sunday - Sung Eucharist at 9.45am

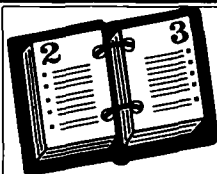
Family Service every third Sunday at 9.45am

Every Thursday - Holy Communion at 10.00am

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



**Want to find out what's happening in the Village?
Read your Trio and look on the Trio Diary page.
Remember to make sure that your event is included here!**