



**Fisherman's Friends hit the big time**  
read all about them pages 13, 14 & 15



## Hospice Day raises over

## Find the Easter chicks

A chance for all children under the age of ten to win an extra Easter Egg. Just find the ten Easter chicks hidden in the Trio Directory section. Write down the names of the adverts where the chick is hidden and hand your entry into Secrets by Tuesday April 6th. Remember to include your name and telephone number. There's an Easter Egg for the first three correct entries picked out of the bag.

Happy hunting!



## Breaking news ...

**N**ews has been released to *Trio* that the Doc Martin company is going to donate a specially commissioned, larger than life-sized statue of the grumpy old Doc to Port Isaac. Delivery is expected within the next few days and it is anticipated that the statue will take pride of place at the entrance to the playing fields, directing visitors into the new car park, and so helping to alleviate some of the traffic chaos that the TV programme has caused in the bottom of the village.

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**Due to tour rescheduling, the Bish Bash Bosh play has been postponed - update next month**

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**01872 222000**

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announce the arrival of  
their third grandson*

**Oliver Elliot**

*born on  
February 18th 2010  
at the  
Royal Surrey Hospital*



*This photograph illustrates the original use of the Temperance Banners, when, in the late 1800s and early 1900s, the wives of Port Isaac demonstrated their wish to have a larger share of their husbands' wages, instead of the public houses reaping the benefits. The restored banner, now on display in the Village Hall, is the actual banner being paraded on Port Isaac beach.*

## Local Books available in Secrets, Port Isaac

### Walk Talk

A paw-picked selection of local dog walks, chosen by Spot & Winnie - £3.50

### 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 - £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

**2010 LOCAL TIDE TIMES** - £1.30

**The Fishermen of Port Isaac** by Geoff Provis - £9.99



Port Isaac Golden Circle and Friends

# Afternoon Tea & Memories of the 1940's

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April - 2.30pm



Please bring your  
Family photos, Newspaper cuttings, Magazines and books,  
Comics, Old toys, Posters, Maps ... any other memorabilia?

How old were you in the 1940's?

Can you remember any local characters? Where did you live?

Who was in your house? What did you eat? (Rationing?)

What was your daily life like?

Come along and we'll have a trip down **memory lane!**

*Everyone welcome*



Port Isaac Village Hall

**AGM**

Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>  
6.30pm in the Hall  
everyone welcome

## Another successful Hospice Day

Every year I seem to write the same thing; the sun shone and it was a lovely village day that everyone enjoyed. And here I am writing it again because that was just what it was. Our Hospice Day, in it's new format, was a huge success and raised £1064. On top of that we have added the money we raised from our Christmas Lunch and our Christmas Hampers and now have the grand total of £1548. This sum includes a brand new bathroom sink and stand that has been subsequently sold for Hospice Day.



*Janet's heaving cake stall - it didn't take long for everything to disappear!*

A big thank you to everyone who came along and spent money and to everyone who helped.

And a special thank you to my friends Barbara, Liz and Marion, who took on the Hospice Sale and Lunch for me this year, leaving me free on the day to "swan around and have my photo taken". I could get used to doing it that way!

**St Peter's Church**



**Mini Market**

Wednesday April 7<sup>th</sup> - 10.30am

**St Peter's Church Rooms**

*everybody welcome*

**cakes, stalls, raffles,  
refreshments**

*come along and support  
your village Church*





# Climate Friendly St Endellion

**A**nnual review time and our AGM is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April in the Port Isaac Village Hall. Details on our website [www.stendellion.com](http://www.stendellion.com)

So what has happened over the past year on planet climate change? It has been quite a big year really. In 2009 the league tables of greenhouse gas emitter's China finally overtook the United States and is set to continue to increase its lead for some years to come. Of course there are a lot more people in China - over 40 times as many (1,330,044,6050) as in the United States (303,500,000) so on a per capita basis it still has some way to go. A milestone nevertheless.

Another big change was the increase in public scepticism towards climate science with the so-called climategate emails. The trend has been for people to become less and less convinced about climate change and global warming but over the last year it seems to have become much more pronounced. The proportion of adults who believe climate change is "definitely" a reality dropped by 30% over the last year, from 44% to 31%, in a survey by Ipsos Mori in early 2009. Part of this may have been the build up to the Copenhagen conference in December was accompanied by a fierce debate about what should be done about climate change. Once money comes in to play, the stakes are much higher than if it is just an academic discussion. But there is no doubt that those who have campaigned and argued for action on greenhouse gases have not been successful in persuading the public. Although not all the results were negative. Defra did a big survey (<http://www.defra.gov.uk/evidence/statistics/environment/pubatt/>) and found some trends were clearly going in favour of environmental awareness and behaviour. It is almost as if people are a bit sick of all the doom and gloom, but quite keen to get on and do something - especially as green things on the whole are quite pleasant.

The other big thing over the last year has been the Copenhagen Summit which seems to have been a bit of a damp squib. Expectations were really high that some agreement might be reached but it was not to be. The main thing I got from what happened is that climate change or no climate change one of the big things going on is a huge shift in power and influence from the West to the East, and that the rich countries, when push comes to shove, do not take the poor countries needs seriously



**Got a family event coming up? A birthday, an anniversary, an engagement, a wedding reception, a retirement party?**

**Don't fancy the mess of a children's birthday in your home?**

**Fancy putting on a concert, a show, a play a gig?**

The Village Hall is licensed for alcohol and music and is available to hire for all sorts of events. There's loads of room for games and dancing, buffets or a sit down meal, or a seated audience of 120

To find out more contact Vanessa on 01208 880098 - she will be more than happy to give you all the details and show you round

when it would threaten their (our) living standards. All a bit depressing. The meetings haven't stopped and another one is due in Mexico in June to prepare for Copenhagen mark 2 in Cancún, Mexico in November, but I'm not holding my breath.

In Cornwall we have seen the new Unitary Authority starting to get its feet under the table and has a new Green Cornwall programme, headed up by Stephen Cirell. You can read about the plans here (<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=23296>) .

In our own neck of the woods we have managed to get the Village Hall roof finally insulated, thanks both to the people who funded it, but a special thank you to the Village Hall committee who enabled it to happen during a busy time.

Local power was the theme of our last AGM and we have some photovoltaic panels, underfloor heating, renewable boilers and solar water heating systems in people's homes in the parish. Local food is our theme this year so please come along and eat.

**Tony Wainwright**

## St Endellion Climate Friendly Parish AGM

# HOW GREEN IS YOUR PLATE?



Stallholders include

CARRUAN FARM

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WILD FOOD FORAGING - FOODWILDS

TREVATHAN FARM

CAMEL COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE

ST MERRYIN CLIMATE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY GARDEN

PORT ISAAC VILLAGE HALL  
SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 12.00 - 2.00  
FREE FOOD AND A PAID BAR



# RNLI news

Our new Inshore IB1 D Class Boat, "Copeland Bell" was called out on the morning of March 14<sup>th</sup> to the sea area off Boscastle to rendezvous with a survey vessel that had reported to Falmouth Coastguard a large metal strapped container partly submerged and considered to be a serious threat to shipping.

Volunteer crew members Damien Bolton, Nigel Sherratt and Ian Johnson launched and made contact with the survey vessel. They assisted in securing a tow line to the partly submerged metal protected container which was too heavy to lift from the water. A decision was then made to land the container back at Port Isaac where suitable arrangements could be made to remove it from the water. Our lifeboat stood by as the survey vessel took the tow on and then transferred the tow off of Port Isaac in order for the lifeboat to bring the container safely on to the harbour beach where RNLI station officers arranged for disposal.



Towing the container back to Port Isaac

## RNLI Conference

The Chairman attended the RNLI two day Area Annual Conference at Poole last week where it was good to hear that Port Isaac fundraising is in the top four ranking branches in the South West, all thanks to the tremendous support given by the committee and helpers associated with our station.

## New Boat Naming Ceremony

Looking ahead we have a major event planned for the official naming of our new boat arranged for Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm. The donors of the new boat and many who are associated with our station will attend a special service on the Platt. This will be combined with the long established annual lifeboat service of thanksgiving.

## Lifeboat Larks

Further on in the year, the great annual RNLI Lifeboat Larks is scheduled for Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>. All the fun of the fair and more.

## Harvest Festival

The RNLI Annual Harvest Festival will be, by popular demand, at The Slipway Hotel, Port Isaac on Friday September 24<sup>th</sup>. Let's hope our Auctioneer Extraordinaire and Fisherman's Friend Jon Cleave will not be on tour!

## Christmas Market

The Christmas Market is set to take place at the Village Hall on Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup>. Father Christmas promises me that he has the date in his diary.

## AGM

A report on the Station RNLI AGM will be carried in next month's issue of Trio.

**Bob B, Chairman**

## Good Luck Mark & Elaine 2010 VIRGIN LONDON MARATHON CHALLENGE

We are attempting to run(!) the 2010 Virgin London Marathon on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2010. This is the first time we have attempted to run this distance and it will almost certainly be the last as we will undoubtedly never recover sufficiently to do it again.

We are hoping to raise £4,000 for FLEET (Front Line Emergency Equipment Trust). FLEET was formed by ambulance staff in 1990 and is a Cornish charity which co-ordinates fundraising to update and improve the life saving equipment found in all accident and emergency ambulances throughout Cornwall.

If you would like to help us achieve our fundraising goal please donate through our JustGiving Page:

[www.justgiving.com/mark-rowe](http://www.justgiving.com/mark-rowe)

or via sponsor forms at Port Isaac Pottery, The Boathouse Stores and Port Isaac Co-Op.

**Mark Rowe & Elaine Speakman**

## OLD TIME MUSIC HALL

### Port Isaac Village Hall

**Saturday April 10th**

**7.30pm**

Licensed bar

*Join in with all your favourite songs*

Late Victorian or Edwardian  
costume - optional

**Tickets, to include a pasty, £5  
available from *Secrets*, choir  
members or on the door**



# PIGS

After missing a month, Mr Lanyon is back with a vengeance with a double helping of PIGS. Apparently he was on holiday last month so has had his legs sharply slapped for not thinking of Trio before he went away – where is the commitment these days? It's true; you just can't get the staff any more! But editors can't be choosers and Mr L has been very diligent and way ahead of time to make up for his misdemeanour so he has been forgiven this time. Read on!

## HOLSWORTHY GOLF CLUB

The PIGS ventured to a brand new course in February – Holsworthy, described by Des 'Stevie Wonder' Weston as "one of those clubs that was designed in the late forties". We all thought how astute Des was until we noticed the BIG letters on the Clubhouse wall that read 'Holsworthy Golf Club 1948'!

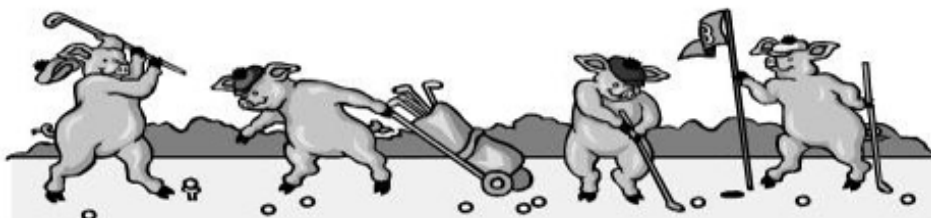
A hearty breakfast was served to the eight protagonists before they raided the pro-shop for chocolate bars and drinks. The reason for the chocolate was to compensate for the most tasteless and meat-free sausages we, as a group, had ever tasted.

We were greeted in the pro-shop by the news that there would be a few temporary greens and, more importantly, no buggies! After resuscitating 'Stevie Wonder' we trudged on to the course.

Holsworthy is a parkland course with little water and few bunkers but it still offered a testing day's golf and the addition of temporary greens only added to the challenge. A few of us had good rounds and, luckily for me, I won, coming in with 33 points. Daniel 'The Milky Bar Kid' Grills was second and I think that Steve 'The Maverick' Bunt was third. In no particular order Andy, Mulberry, Geoff and Des came next and Karl Daly came last!!!!

## TEHIDY

Double the temperature, double the golfers! A warm and sunny day brought a few more PIGS out of hibernation and sent them down to the 'wild west' of Cornwall to Redruth and Camborne! The long tree-lined drive, which takes you into Tehidy Country Park, finally delivered us to the golf club, bathed in the early morning sunshine and a light covering of dew – a beautiful picture. The idyllic scene was shattered by the whooping and yelling of our own 'Howler Monkey' Geordie George who welcomed us in a way only George can. The animal theme would run for the day with many PIGS



feeling the need to return to the wild – from our own 'Howler Monkey' to Mark Forbes who wore a lovely woollen deer-stalker; then came Andrew Dunlop who wore a woolly hat so tight that not even an arctic wind could penetrate his ears as he hunted for polar bear. Des Weston (our very own Stevie Wonder) obviously got dressed in the dark as his ensemble was totally pink – he said it was salmon but we all agreed that, from a distance, he looked like a prawn. Neil had definitely had an argument with his hairdresser (and lost) because his hair bore a remarkable similarity to a seagulls nest (luckily enough minus the seagulls). Finally, returning to the animal theme, there was Mulberry and Byron who both are!

Since leaving the Slipway, Andrew 'Shandy' Grills has been telling people that he has been working for his dad but, due to his getting up and leaving the house in a rush on this particular morning, his little secret is now out in the open – he is Port Isaac's new clown! We know this because he has the clown shoes!!

Breaking news - There is to be an inquest into the accrued winnings and trophies that have been presented to one of our members over the last ten years after a surprisingly bad round of golf alerted officials.

The winner on the day was Des 'Stevie Wonder' Weston with 34 points. We think we know how he did it, he was out with his son, Byron, and on several occasions the words "left a bit, right a bit ... fire" could be heard. Nevertheless, well done Des. Nearest the Pins were won by Mark '4x4' Forbes and Andrew 'Bear Molester' Dunlop.

And finally, a tribute was paid to Mr Geoff Harris after his fall and subsequent injury at a local hostelry. The PIGS came into the clubhouse all wearing a 'blue plaster' and, I must say, in the ten years we have been going it was possibly the most sincere and emotional moment yet!



April 12<sup>th</sup> – China Fleet  
May 10<sup>th</sup> – Ryder Cup @ Trethorne  
June 7<sup>th</sup> – Lanhydrock  
July 5<sup>th</sup> – Loswithiel  
August 9<sup>th</sup> – Bowood  
September 13<sup>th</sup> – Falmouth  
October 4<sup>th</sup> – Carlyon Bay

*The Lardman*



## Magical Managers 2009/10

### League One

LW	POS	TEAM	MANAGER	PTS
1	1	NO MIDLIFE CRISIS	Kevin Grills	1055
2	2	THE MULBRINATORS	Chris Witherden	963
4	3	COME ON LAMPARD	Rachel Grills	930
3	4	HARTLAND RD ALLSTARS	Bryan Nicholls	903
7	5	CORNISH PISKIES	Margaret Honey	888
5	6	EMMA'S DOLPHINS	Kevin & Emma Honey	877

### League Two

1	1	MAYFIELD ROAD HOOLIGANS	Tim Witherden	1046
2	2	MINUS 10	Richard Hambly	987
3	3	MAYBEES	Tom Bishop	922
4	4	MOTS FLYERS	Tom Cleave	897
5	5	TREWETHA LANE 11	Jill McDonnell	844
6	6	LARDIES LUCIOUS LOVELIES	Chris Lanyon	817

up to March 27<sup>th</sup> 2010

Don't forget Good Friday and Easter Monday are Bank Holidays so rubbish will be collected on Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>

# New Church Website Launch

The six churches and chapels of St Minver, St Enodoc, St Michael's, St Endellion, St Peter's, Port Isaac and St Kew are pleased to announce the launch of their new website:

[www.northcornwallcluster.org.uk](http://www.northcornwallcluster.org.uk)

The website provides information on services, concerts, and other events across all six churches. It has already been featured on the Truro Diocese website ([www.trurodiocese.org.uk](http://www.trurodiocese.org.uk)) as their 'Parish of the Month' throughout the month of April.

We wish the site to provide more than 'worship' information and to become a valuable source of information for the whole community. Please do send us comments and suggestions; we would welcome the addition of links to other local websites and organisations. In the near future we hope to provide opportunities for local businesses to advertise on the website and welcome enquiries from anyone interested.

Our thanks to Gavin Tyler at Warm Acre Design (<http://www.warmacre-design.co.uk>) for designing the website and all those who contributed to the site in terms of financial support and input.

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## Beware of fuel thieves

We are currently suffering a spate of thefts of diesel and oil from both commercial premises and private dwellings. Most of those targeted are in isolated areas or are second or holiday homes. The amounts being stolen are, in some cases, large volumes, which would require a substantial vehicle to remove the fuel and those involved being insitu for quite some time.

## Outboard engine thefts

We have recently had reported the theft of eight outboard engines from Rock and as we are approaching the time of year when a lot of boats will be returned to the water, owners need to extra vigilant with regards to proper security of all their marine equipment, not just when on the water but wherever they store their boats.

We are currently offering for sale engine covers, of all sizes, which act as a deterrent with Cornwall & Devon Police printed on them, together with the selectadot logo, which is a waterproof security marking kit that is unique to each owner.

For further details please contact PC Malcolm Taylor at Wadebridge Station or telephone 01208 895872.

### Port Isaac Village Hall

#### YOUR HALL FOR YOU TO USE

**Licensed Premises Available for Clubs, Groups, Charity Events, Meetings,  
Private Hire, Parties, Wedding Receptions etc**

<b>GENERAL USERS</b>	£8 per hour (£1 an hour discount for advance block bookings of six or more sessions)
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<b>NON PROFIT MAKING PARISH CLUBS/ORGANISATIONS</b> etc, including Children's Groups	£7 per hour (£1 an hour discount for advance block bookings of six or more sessions)
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<b>ALL USERS - 24hr period</b>	£60
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**KITCHEN HIRE** (for users cooking meals etc), to include hire of crockery & cutlery for 100 £50

Electricity is included in hire charges. Central heating is via £1 slot meter

**Call Vanessa Isaacs on 01208 880098 for more info**

## The Frank McNichol Art Group

We are fortunate to have arranged a day of instruction and painting with the well known local artist Ken Duxbury.

This will take place at Port Isaac Village Hall starting at 9-30am through to 4pm. on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Coffee and a light lunch are included in the price of £6 per person.

## An Outing

Also, by popular demand, we are arranging one of the Art Appreciation Coach Outings. This time we are going to St Ives to view the long awaited major exhibition of Devon artist Ray Balkwill. Ray will be hosting the event at the Crypt Gallery where there will also be the opportunity to view the work of other artists involved with the St Ives Society of Artists including well known names such as John Brenton, Neil Davies, Bernard Evans, Ken Howard, Amanda Hoskin, Robert Jones Paul Lewin, Gary Long, Neil Plunkett, John Raynes, David Rust and Richard Tuff.

The coach will leave Port Isaac for St Ives at 9-15pm. On arrival there will be coffee and biscuits and a personal tour of the Crypt Gallery, all included in the ticket price of £12 per person. The coach will leave St.Ives at 4-30pm.

Ray's work is well known in Port Isaac from the wonderful mixed media painting he donated to Port Isaac RNLI of the historic pulling lifeboat Richard and Sarah II, Pulling Together. This painting was reproduced as the station christmas card for 2009 and in special artist edition prints raising many thousands of pounds for the RNLI. Ray's new book, "A picture of Cornwall", in which this fine painting is featured, will also be available.

If you would like to join either of these art orientated events please contact Sandie B on 01208 880765.

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## Are we ever going to get a Post Office service?

Once again, *Trio* has contacted Royal Mail to see what is happening about a Post Office service in the village. Jacquie Stenson, Royal Mail's External Relations Manager tells us: "We have been working hard locally and are confident that we will be able to restore a Post Office service in Port Isaac. Unfortunately this is taking some time and we apologise to customers for the inconvenience." As we've said before, 'watch this space'.



## CHILDREN'S NEARLY NEW SALE

Saturday 24 April 2010 10am-12pm St Teath Church Hall

Quality baby & childrens clothing, toys, games, books & nursery equipment ages 0-11 years

Join us for unbelievable bargains - £1 entrance fee on the door

## websites of the month

As readers will be aware, the Friends of the Main decided to call it a day and hand back responsibility for the Main at Port Gaverne to the Parish Council. At their meeting at the end of March there was a lot of discussion about the Slate Quay and whether it was feasible to repair it and prevent further erosion. It was an interesting meeting as many of the people on the Parish Council have skills or direct experience which bears on this issue. One member in particular has family going back generations who have been involved as harbour masters, so the discussion was, to my mind anyway, well informed. It got me thinking about coastal erosion and whether there was any good information on the internet about it. As the internet has billions of pages, there must be some good stuff. So here is my trawl through.

A good place to start (as usual) is wikipedia [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Coastal\\_erosion](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Coastal_erosion). It goes through in detail the different types wave action which lead to erosion, and has some useful links. This explains that the power of the waves is huge, and the rocks being repeatedly exposed to the usual tides will be gradually worn down. With more extreme weather, and with rock formations with softer elements the structure of the cliffs are constantly being tested. Water is an amazing substance as it seems really soft, but has the remarkable ability to cause very hard and seemingly permanent structures to crumble.

One of the debates at the Parish Council meeting was whether we should ask the National Trust once more to become involved. There was a good report on BBC about the National Trust and Cornish coastal erosion in 2003 ( <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/cornwall/2984671.stm> ) where they said that "The National Trust says it is fighting a constant battle to protect areas of Cornwall's coastal footpath from erosion." They have a useful website where they discuss their approach to coastal erosion ( [http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-chl/w-countryside\\_environment/w-coastline.htm](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-chl/w-countryside_environment/w-coastline.htm) ) . The details of their management principles seem very comprehensive but are too long to go into here. Basically they say they realise they can't be like King Canute ( [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cnut\\_the\\_Great](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cnut_the_Great) ) and try and oppose the sea, but to try and work with the elements as far as possible. At the same time they are committed to protecting areas with important historic and cultural significance wherever possible. It is a very informative site.

Cornwall County Council has a strategy for managing the coast ( <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/index.aspx?page=19944> ) and connected to this is the Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Coastal Advisory Group <http://www.ciscag.org/> from where you can download the shoreline management plan.

As we live here we can walk along the path any time we like, and you can read about the South West Footpath and its beauty and frailty on the Southwest Footpath Association site ( <http://www.swcp.org.uk/> ). There is also a website - Penzance Now ( <http://www.pznw.co.uk/marine/coastalerosion.html> ) which has some good pages on erosion.

Coming back to the meeting, a decision was taken to get a quote for repair work from John Grimes Partnership ( <http://www.johngrimes.co.uk/> ) who are Consulting Engineers & Engineering Geologists. They have a wealth of information on their website with images of the engineering work they have done. Marine engineering must be one of the most challenging areas of work, and they have years of experience.

So if you want to get clued up about the options and what we are up against, it might be a good idea to have a look at the above.

Tony Wainwright

## Taking things for granted

In my last article I told you that our next venture was to be to New Zealand - something really new and exciting. I had always wanted to visit NZ, but couldn't afford it unless someone was paying the huge air fare and living expenses!

*Survival*, the wildlife department of Anglia TV (attached to ITV) agreed that Cindy Buxton and myself go out for what we call a 'reccy', to confirm that the filming possibilities would be worth it financially. We were told that our first years filming would be a one hour special plus two half hour films. The special's are the ones that make the most money as they could be sold world-wide, especially to the USA where the big money is. So quite a task and a lot of work.

Our reccy was totally exhausting. A non-stop flight apart from various landings for refueling, which on arrival in Auckland left us both completely confused as to what day and time it was and where we were!. During our two weeks, we hired a car, met with loads of wildlife experts and travelled the entire length of the country, finding locations, a caravan to live in, a Range Rover to get us around with all our filming and recording equipment and somewhere to plonk the caravan that would be handy for our various locations for covering our films. We found a fantastic caravan park, by lake Rotoiti very near to Rotorua in the North Island. This would be ideal. Unfortunately our budget only allowed us to buy a very old 28 foot caravan, with no double-glazing and few comforts.

We journeyed down to the South Island for possible subjects and locations for what would be our second year of filming. For various reasons I never made the second year. It was a very big decision to leave the work I loved and my feelings remain the same all these years later; that we were, by making our films, able to bring to life parts of the world that many would never visit.

Annie Price

## Wadebridge Choral Society

will be presenting a  
Concert of music at  
St Endellion Church  
on Saturday 24th April  
at 7.30pm

Tickets are available from  
Annabel Woolcot on 01208  
815322, or by email to  
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# Dan Rogerson, our local MP, writes ...

Parliament is now very much in election mode, and as I send this article to press, everyone is talking about the Budget. Vince Cable and Nick Clegg called for the changes I've so often mentioned in these articles. We'd make the tax system fairer and revive our shattered economy, from the bottom up – based on constructing new infrastructure, not betting again on failed banks.

Meanwhile, the announcement of 'Easter Recess' dates in Parliament suggests that polling day for the General Election will now almost certainly be on May 6<sup>th</sup>. I anticipate that this Parliament will end around about April 8<sup>th</sup>, once all of the outstanding legislation has been dealt with in what they call the 'wash-up' – essentially an opportunity to speed up the passage of law on which there is agreement, and to end the passage of law on which there isn't. With the permission of the Editors, I'll certainly keep you updated throughout April as well, and – if I am returned as local MP – of course I'll continue my contributions to *Trio*.

I plan a pretty hectic campaign schedule, as you would imagine, similar to the summer tours I do each year – making sure I get to every community in the constituency, and talk to as many people as possible. I've always seen my job as listening to local people, and then speaking up for everyone in our area when I get to Westminster. Those who know me, know that I don't go in for all the jeering and braying – the one-upmanship – of the House of Commons chamber, but if I am returned, I will continue as I have until now, fighting our corner on the things that people tell me matter here, and that I know matter because I grew up in the area.

Before Parliament comes to an end, I've been drawn in the ballot for a 'ten minute rule Bill'. It's an opportunity to propose a new piece of legislation, by making a ten minute speech in Parliament about it – then there is the opportunity for someone to speak for ten minutes in opposition to it. I am drawing up the details this week, but the issue I'm going to speak on is second homes. Time and again as I meet people around the constituency, this is the number one issue. It's not an animosity to people coming in from outside – after all, much of the Cornish economy relies on tourism – but a real aversion to the idea that while thousands of people in Cornwall are without a home, some people buy houses and keep them empty.

As I've said so often, doing so doesn't just mean lovely family houses lie empty when they should be filled, but that village schools, shops and pubs begin to wither away, and soon we're left with not much but a collection of houses instead of communities.



As regular readers know, both the Government and the Conservatives have stood in my way before when I've made the case for proper planning controls to sort the problem out, but that won't stop me making the case again! I simply will not be told that this difficulty for our area is not important enough for government to make a serious effort at sorting it out. I'll report back on the response I get in the Commons.

Meanwhile, I very much hope to see you in the coming weeks.

**Dan Rogerson MP**

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The Golden Lion held one of their Sunday Quiz nights in aid of Port Isaac School and raised just under £150. Friends of Port Isaac School would like to thank Mike & Lorna and all those people that donated amazing prizes for our raffle; we had Blue Reef Aquarium & National Lobster Hatchery Tickets, Theatre Royal & Minack Theatre tickets, Meals at the Harbour Restaurant, Golden Lion, St Moritz Hotel, Long Cross Hotel and vouchers for Sharps Brewery and Malcolm Barnecutts Bakery - not forgetting the plastic bird bath and plastic fruit in a basket! Nice.

A good night was had by all, particularly the Green Team who won the quiz (clearly had an advantage knowing all the Mr Men characters)!



Port Isaac School Reception Class and the Stay & Play Group joined forces for a group outing to the National Lobster Hatchery in Padstow. We had an amazing adventure, going across the ferry from Rock, an exploration on the beach, learning about the fishing boats and then on to the hatchery where we met baby lobsters, giant 50 year old lobsters, crabs and anemones. We even got a special behind the scenes tour in the hatchery where we were able to

touch the mummy lobsters, laden with eggs and a unique sighting of a baby lobster bursting out of his exo-skeleton.



Thomas was totally absorbed watching this mummy lobster

## Port Isaac Stay & Playgroup AGM

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2010  
at the Golden Lion at 7.30pm**

*everyone is very welcome to join us*

# An Easter Message

Dear Friends, this Lent and Easter I have been thinking a great deal about how love ought to figure more strongly in the Christian life. Easter is for me the flowering of love, and Christ's resurrection is the ultimate blossoming of this love in the Easter garden. James Leigh Hunt wrote a poem 'Abou Ben Adhem', in 1834. In it he describes how Abou wakes in the night 'from a deep dream of peace' to discover an angel in his room, writing in a book of gold:

Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,  
And to the presence in the room he said  
What writest thou?' The vision raised its head  
And with a look made ail of sweet accord,  
Answered, 'The names of those who love the Lord'.  
'And is mine one?' said Abou. 'Nay, not so,'  
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,  
But cheerily still, and said, 'I pray thee, then,  
Write me as one who loves his fellow men.'  
The angel wrote, and vanished. The next night  
t came again, with a great wakening light,  
And showed the names whom love of God had blest,  
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.



## St Peter's Church what's on ...

### Easter Mini Market

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April - 10.30am

### Parochial Church Council AGM

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - 6pm

### Summer Mini Market

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - 10.30am

### Harvest Festival

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September

### Christmas Mini Market

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November - 10.30am

Happy Easter from John

## Church Diary dates



### Maundy Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup>

7.30pm - Gala Concert - 'Seven Last Words from the Cross', Haydn - St Endellion Church  
7.30pm - Commemoration of Last Supper, footwashing, vigil till Midnight - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac

### Good Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

9.00am - Liturgy of Good Friday - St Endellion Church  
2.00pm - One Hour Before the Cross - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac  
2.00pm-5.00pm - Rehearsal of Scratch Messiah (All welcome)  
6.00pm - Performance of Messiah St Endellion

### Easter Day April 4<sup>th</sup>

8.00am - Easter Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - St Endellion Church  
9.45am - Easter Sung Eucharist - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac  
11.00am - Easter Sung Eucharist - St Endellion Church  
4.30pm - Easter Festival Choral Evensong - St Endellion Church  
7.30pm - First Festival Concert - St Endellion Church

### Easter Monday April 5<sup>th</sup>

8.45am - 'Thought for the day', Prebendary Dr John May - St Endellion Church

### Easter Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup>

8.45am - 'Thought for the day', The Ven Roger Bush, Archdeacon of Cornwall - St Endellion Church  
7.30pm - Easter Festival Chamber Concert - St Endellion Church

### Wednesday April 7<sup>th</sup>

8.45am - 'Thought for the day', The Rt Revd Royden Screech, Bishop of St Germans - St Endellion Church  
10.30am - St Peter's Church Easter Mini-market - Church Rooms, Port Isaac  
3.30pm - Churchwardens Meeting - Brayfield, Trebetherick  
10.00am - Holy Communion followed by laying on of hands for healing - St Minver Church  
7.30pm - Easter Festival Concert - St Endellion Church  
7.30pm - Concert to honour Goff Richards - St Minver Church

### Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>

8.45am - 'Thought for the day' David Vaisey CBE (Director Bodleian Library 1986 - 1996) - St Endellion Church  
11.00am - Arts & Spirituality meeting - Brayfield, Trebetherick  
10.00pm - Late Night Candlelit Concert (Duke Ellington) - St Endellion Church

### Friday April 9<sup>th</sup>

8.45am - 'Thought for the day' - St Endellion Church  
9.30am-1.00pm - Open Rehearsal - admission free - St Endellion Church  
7.30pm - Easter Festival Concert - St Endellion Church

### Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>

7.30pm - Easter Festival Concert - St Endellion Church

### Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup>

9.45am - Family Eucharist - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac  
11.00am - Easter Festival Sung Eucharist - St Endellion Church

5.30pm - Final Easter Festival Concert - St Endellion Church

### Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>

9.45am - Family Eucharist - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac  
11.00am - Sung Eucharist - St Endellion Church

### Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup>

10.00am - Holy Communion - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac  
6.00pm - Annual Church & PCC meeting - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac

### Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>

7.30pm - Anniversary Concert, Wadebridge Choral Society - St Endellion Church

### Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup>

9.45am - Sung Eucharist - St Peter's Church, Port Isaac  
11.00am - Sung Eucharist - St Endellion Church

### Wednesday April 28<sup>th</sup>

7.30pm - Mothers Union Poetry Evening - Trevinnick Farm

### Thursday April 29<sup>th</sup>

8.00pm - Julian Meeting - St Endellion Church

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

The Local Pastoral Ministers of St Endellion, Port Isaac and St Kew are available to visit the sick, the bereaved, the lonely and newcomers.  
Tel: Judith Pollinger on 01208 880181

# Andrew George Steer

1932 – 2010

George, the only child of Marion and Andrew Steer, was born in 1932. During the first few years of his life he lived on Dolphin Hill and as cousins we were forever going into each other's houses as I lived a mere hundred yards or so from him. Port Isaac in those days was a very close community of 1000 souls, where everybody knew everybody. There was hardly any use for a policeman in those days, as local crime was unheard of and, as a consequence, all house doors were left unlocked. We did have a policeman and there was a sign on New Road, which said "Police at bottom of garden" – "better than a gnome", said George. It was a paternalistic society where every misdemeanour by a child was seen and reported back to the miscreants' home, long before they themselves returned.

By the time George reached school age, the family had joined Gran Lobb at Eastcliff, less than 50 yards from the school gate. The Headmaster was Mr Richards, affectionately known as Boss Richards. Boss never understood why George, the boy who lived closest to the school was invariably the last to arrive. Those of us who knew George could have told him why - time to George was a moveable feast, especially if his head was in a history book.

In 1943 George moved on to the Grammar School at Camelford where, after Matriculation, he was recruited by British Thompson Houston as an apprentice in engineering and draftsmanship. He was paid five shillings a week and as he was living in the BTH hostel at Rugby, two shillings and six pence a week was deducted for food. There wasn't much left for riotous living said George and, in fact, in his first year he had to thumb and hitch a lift to get home for Christmas.

On the day he finished his apprenticeship George received his calling up papers for National Service. He joined the RAF in 1950 but did not take too kindly to the strict regime where things had to be done by the RAF book. Tough discipline ensured it was done on time with no opportunity offered for a leisurely "Steer Think" about it. By some strange misfortune George failed to pass the exam for posting to Germany and was condemned to a home posting at St Mawgan!!

St Mawgan was an easy commuting distance to Port Isaac for George, using his by now well-rehearsed "thumb and hitch" technique. It was during this time, when I was away at sea, that my mother wrote to me to say that George was courting! The lady in question was a teacher at Port Isaac School. She came from Looe and her name was Miss Pearce ... and it was serious!

We all know what that courting has led to – over 50 years of happy marriage, three children of whom George was immensely proud and as fine a clutch of grandchildren as you would find anywhere.

On completion of National Service, George acquired a place in the drawing office of Tacelemit, a large firm in Plymouth. In 1957 Ann and George were married and lived in a flat near Central Park in Plymouth. George found the work at Tacelemit congenial, but after some months decided to study again for a further two years, enabling him to take a teacher training course at Bolton which he completed in 1961.

He accepted an appointment on the staff at Oxford Further Education College, teaching apprentices training for the car industry. They lived nearby at Bicester and made many friends with both students and staff, several of who remained friends for the rest of his life. Holidays were taken with the family at – where else - Port Isaac. Happy weeks were spent surfing at Polzeath and sailing at Rock, recharging batteries for the year ahead.

In 1991 the Government decided to offer "older teachers" early retirement. One particular old teacher was delighted and accepted the offer with alacrity, and like a homing pigeon George headed west for Port Isaac at the earliest opportunity.

Back in Port Isaac, George and Ann set up home and formed the Port Isaac Historical Society. Many a Friday night was spent over at the Liberal Club, listening to guest speakers on Cornish history or simply going over the past with old friends. Successful exhibitions of old photographs of Port Isaac were held and even a book was published.

There was another unofficial club that George formed with Mark Townsend and Terry Gifford. Meetings were held sitting on wooden benches in Georges' back garden

swapping stories, not necessarily historical!! George was fascinated by Mark's vocabulary and would often phone me up to recount his latest story. I can't remember them all but who else but Yank would describe Alan Chadband's enormous cabbage as "man high". Some cabbage! Some character!

Of course there was going to be a book to be written by George. It would have been the definitive history of Port Isaac. I have even read the first chapter. It starts in the Neolithic Age. But it was not to be. George was a stickler for facts. Everything had to be checked and double-checked. Ann and George must have known the route to the Truro Record Office backwards and their research didn't stop there. George scanned old local newspapers, even searching in the Sherborne Mercury for snippets of news about Port Isaac going back to the coaching days, all of which was garnered and placed in George's filing system.

In the end, however, time intervened. There wasn't enough of it for George. Just a day before he passed away Ann asked him if there was anything he wanted. Typically George asked her to find a good Cornish History book to read. Ann searched Bodmin and found one he hadn't read and placed it by his bedside. We will never know whether he had time to open it.

Ann has lost a very loving husband; the family have lost a father and grandfather proud of their achievements. I have lost a best friend. I shall miss him. Port Isaac will be all the poorer for his passing.

**Bill Brown**

**George was a regular writer for *Trio*, his last article appearing in the Christmas 2009 issue when he recalled his first holiday.**

**His observations and memories of his life in Port Isaac and historical research preserve a picture of times and people long gone, providing a permanent record of the history of our village.**

**George will be missed by everyone who knew him and we send our condolences to Ann and his family.**



# Dear Trio

## Dear Trio

We've got the World Cup coming up and with it lots of eager children wanting to play football at the playing field. Where is the other goal post? Where are the nets? Could there some smaller goalposts for the younger children who are very keen and even have a trainer. Who's going to sort out the mole problem? Or is everything on hold until the much publicised Playing Fields regeneration project begins in ....

The Parish Council professes to have the village children's best interests at heart – let's see some action.

**John Brown**  
**Port Isaac**

## Dear Trio

I just wanted to say a thankyou to all concerned for finally getting the track from the car park down to the old part of Port Isaac re-surfaced. However, without attempting to sound a complete misery, I was of the opinion, rightly or wrongly, that it was to be a tarmac finish which in my mind would have been so much longer lasting than the existing surface. I have noted that although this new improvement has only been completed for about two weeks there are signs of huge craters appearing. The edges are not of a professional standard and the fencing is still very dangerous as well as an eye-sore. If a child swings on the fencing, it will give away and the result would be horrendous.



I was also wondering why the shallow steps down to the coast path were not redesigned at the same time as the resurfacing to be wheelchair friendly. The slope would not be that steep. It is impossible for wheelchair people and parents with babies to negotiate these steps without a lot of difficulty. Food for thought.

**Annie Price, Port Isaac**

## Dear Trio

Firstly, I would like to say a huge congratulations to Barbara Hawkins, Liz Brown, Marion Andrews and, of course, our Ed Dee Littlechild for all their amazing hard work towards the annual Port Isaac Hospice Day. I couldn't stay for lunch, so happily took away the most delicious curry. Well done for 'the new idea' which from the attendance of happy spenders and eaters was a fantastic success. Would you like to start an Indian takeaway in the village!? Well done for raising over £1,000 for such a really worthy cause. You should all be very proud of yourselves and all those who helped on the day.

Secondly, WELL DONE to our now very famous Port Isaac Fisherman's Friends, for achieving a recording contract of a lot of money, and with fantastic publicity. I am sure you must be all pinching yourselves, but you deserve it all. You have done so much for the village and your involvement and support has always been very much appreciated. I just hope your new found fame wont go to your heads, and that you will continue to be the great guys that you are!

**Annie Price**  
**Port Isaac**

## The Trelights Walker ... goes global!

The Trelights Walker went on a short break last month (hence the reason for missing the copy date – sorry Ed!). Kim, Dan and me went to the stunning area of Playa Blanca on the impressive island of Lanzarote. The flight over the island revealed the 'dormant' volcanoes that were the birthplace of this famous group of islands and which produced the black rocks of molten lava that made for a stunning landscape, interspersed with grass covered hillsides, golden sandy beaches (the rumour is that these are imported!) and clear blue skies and, of course, the obligatory white painted houses dotted around the countryside in tiny communities.

Being known as 'The Walker' (Ed: among other things!), I felt that I needed to do some, so leaving Kim by the pool with a large G&T, me and Dan donned our hiking flip flops and walked off into the distance. Our first adventure took us off in the direction of the Rubicon Marina along the cliffs on the promenade. The cliffs must have been a geologist's dream with all the different layers of rock that had been produced over thousands of years showing up against the crystal blue waters. To sit on the promenade with the warm breeze, the sounds of the sea caressing the shore and very little else was heavenly.

Our second adventure took us in the opposite direction over the cliffs to Popagaya beach. On this day I realised that time had taken its toll; after scrambling up a cliff, only half way I hasten to add, I looked up and, between heavy panting, noticed my son standing at the top waiting for me. That bit I could have lived with. But then he started walking back down towards me and when he reached me he asked me if I was alright and did I need any help! I informed him that I was fine and that I was just taking in the views. Anyway, some 20 minutes later we reached the sandy beaches of Popagaya with its warm waters and ... naked Germans parading unashamedly. For the first time ever I thanked God for my poor eyesight. Unfortunately for my son, his eyesight is good! After a swift pirouette that Rudolph Nureyev would have been proud of, we walked back to our hotel in stunned silence with both of us looking forward to a stiff drink!!

## and back on home soil ...

After returning from warmer climes, reality hits home as the cold wind that has seemed to be blowing all winter, brings out the heavy coat again. Over the whistling wind the rumble of the tractors can be heard as they plough the wet, cloggy soil. As it is turned, it shows the rich colours of dark chocolate as birds of all persuasions follow the tractors in search of an easy meal.

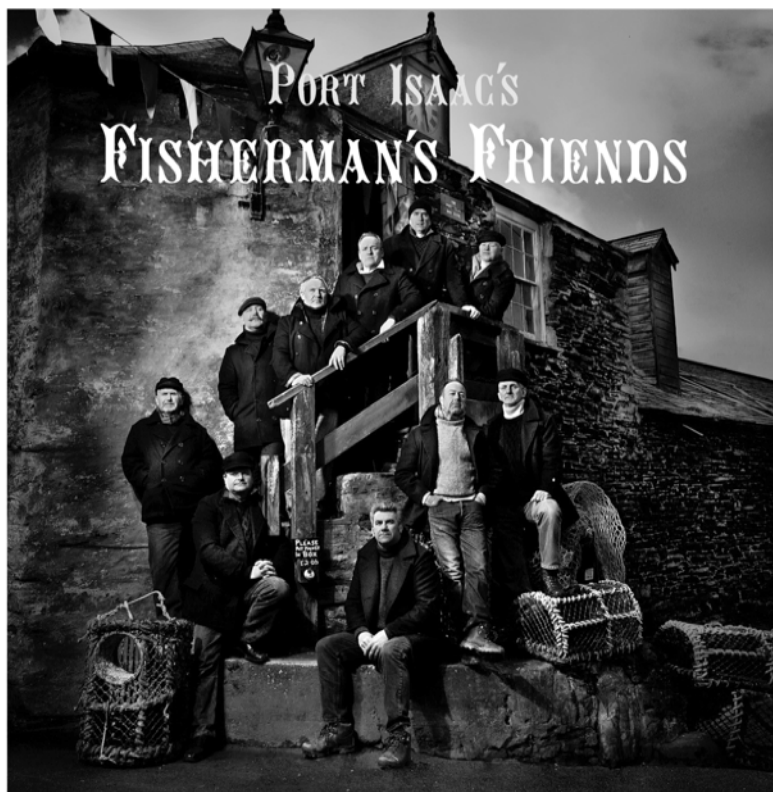
Technically, spring is here, albeit slightly later, as the arrival of the daffodils adds that hint of sunshine yellow to the hedgerows and the fresh air is punctuated with the aroma of wild garlic. It doesn't seem to take many rain free days to dry out the topsoil in the fields and as the colours mellow from dark to milk chocolate and the tractors return to sow this year's crops, the springtime breezes throw up small dust bowls that perform impromptu dances to an audience of one ... me. It's nice to be home.

**Longfellow Lardman**

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2010**  
**7.30pm Port Isaac School**

Guest speakers include Dan Rogerson MP,  
PC Taylor and  
Mark Wigley From Cornwall  
Council Planning Dept



## Port Isaac's very own Fisherman's Friends release their new album on 26th April

This will be their first album to be released after signing the amazing '£1 million' deal with Universal Records.

But don't panic they will still be singing at their regular Friday evenings shanty session on the platt in Port Isaac.

The new album features old favourites including South Australia, Haul Away Joe, Sailor Ain't A Sailor and Bully In The Alley as well as two new songs including No Hoppers, Jokers & Rogues.

**Pre-order the new album on  
[www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk)**

The album will also be available in all  
the usual places you buy CDs

**[www.PortIsaacsFishermansFriends.com](http://www.PortIsaacsFishermansFriends.com)**

## Congratulations Boys!

It only seems fair that the local press (*Ed: I think he means Trio*) should get a piece of the media frenzy that surrounds ten of our own burly, near pensioners who bombarded our TVs and radios. Who would have thought that the Fisherman's Friends would ever be heard in the same sentence, let alone context, as Take That – unless of course one of the boys were to have a cold or a sore throat – but they are and, after watching the promo video on You Tube, you can nearly say they have talent!

Joking aside, it's fantastic for the boys, who are officially now all millionaires, and also great for Port Isaac. Let's just hope that performances in Glastonbury, the O<sup>2</sup>, Rio de Janeiro and Blisland don't take them away for the Platt for too long.

From somebody who sings along, albeit badly, from my kitchen window – CONGRATULATIONS.

**Chris 'The Lardman' Lanyon**

PS – the uniforms! Donkey jackets are a bit reminiscent of the Swilly Boot Boys of the seventies in the Devonport end at Argyle. And the hats – a touch Quentin Crisp!! But you all carry them with style and panache!

## Fisherman's Friends will sing for your organisation or charity

The Fisherman's Friends invite local charities to tender for a Friday evening gig on the Platt, when they can come along and collect for their organisation. We'll provide the crowd, and tell them about your charity/organisation, and then you can go around and do the collection. We'll keep mentioning you throughout the evening, dedicate a song to you, and hopefully you'll collect a good amount.

If we have to go away on a particular Friday and are unable to fulfill our commitment to you, we'll have to re-arrange. Hopefully, we'll have alternative arrangements for if it rains this year, so that shouldn't be a problem. Please apply through *Trio* using the reply slip below, and we'll take it from there.

Cheers

**John, John, John, Jon, Jer, Ju, Bill, Trev, Nige & Pete**

### Fisherman's Friends Friday nights on the Platt

We would like to tender for a Friday night performance by the Fisherman's Friends on the Platt

ORGANISATION/CHARITY \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

DATES NOT SUITABLE \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to Trio, 3 Trewetha Lane, Port Isaac, Cornwall PL29 3RN  
or drop this reply slip into Secrets

# Port Isaac's



Where does a Fisherman's Friend like to sing? On the Platt, of course!

If they started the day wearing make up for the cameras, by the time the final Sky news report was filmed, it had definitely all washed off and the boys were looking decidedly damp. But what a day March 18<sup>th</sup> turned out to be as the news broke that our Fisherman's Friends had signed a million pound record deal with Universal Music. News reports all over the country told of a new boy band with a combined age of 500 and something. Jon (Cleave) was making tea in his kitchen at 5.45am when he heard the Fisherman's Friends mentioned on the BBC World Service, and thought 'Here hang on, that's we boys!'

The boys met up in the early morning darkness (6am to be exact – a time that one of the boys, not mentioning any names but he's quite accident prone, thought only happened once a day in the afternoon) on the Platt to be filmed for three live bits on the BBC Breakfast show. Then the whole thing just snowballed and there was Radio This and Radio That, ITV and ITN and Sky news

teams all wending their way down to the Platt and the filming finally finished about 12 hours later. At one point Billy (Hawkins) and Jon were giving interviews on two telephones at the same time to various radio stations. It was certainly a launch date to remember, a day that took them all totally by surprise, and a truly exciting day for Port Isaac.

Since then they seem to be being interviewed every day for one publication or another so, in between all this media madness, *Trio* – their real local press - tracked down the boys to find out how they feel about their success. To a man (apart from Peter Rowe) they agreed that they wouldn't be giving up the day job (just yet!). Trevor (Grills), the "housewife's choice" (*Ed: not my words Trev!*), reiterated this saying, "Nothing will change, I've loads of work lined up for the year ahead." Like the rest of them, Pete just can't quite believe the events of the past few months. But he's taking it all in his stride and says, "If nothing else was to happen, the journey has been wonderful".

Everyone seems to be talking about all the gigs coming up over the next few months and, of course, Glastonbury and yes, the boys are really excited about performing there; it's going to be a big moment for them. Pete's looking forward to everything but it's the Cambridge Folk Festival that appeals to Billy: "I'll be there singing at the same event as a lot of my musical heroes – what could be better than that." Port Isaac must run in Jeremy's (Brown) veins because he's most looking forward to "singing on the Platt, we love it". Brother John (Brown), on the other hand, is hoping for a bit of overseas travel and said that "Obviously I am looking forward to all our gigs but I have high hopes and plans for tours in the Far East, Italy and Australia." When pressed about things more local he didn't even need to think before he answered that Perranporth is the gig he is most looking forward to: "A pub on the beach, a Sunday afternoon, a roast dinner, drinking and singing" - what more could a Fisherman's Friend want!



When a Fisherman's Friend has gotta sleep, he's gotta sleep, even if it is at Abbey Road!

Recording in the famous Abbey Road Studios





# Fisherman's Friends

To a man the boys agreed that working with the man who 'discovered' them and now their producer, Rupert Christie was fabulous. Make no mistake, he had a difficult job dealing with these ten guys of a certain age, all with strong personalities. Said Bill, "It was a tough call but Rupert was so sympathetic to what we wanted to do; he had a quiet discipline that made the whole recording process a really enjoyable event for us". "He's a musical genius", said Lefty (John Lethbridge). "Rupe was brilliant, very relaxed and fitted in with us all like a glove, he couldn't have been better" summed up Jon.

After all those compliments, *Trio* had to give Rupert the chance to have his say. He was equally complimentary, "It has been a pleasure working with Fisherman's Friends on both the musical and social sides of the project. The whole Fish-clan made my assistants and I feel very welcome whilst recording the album. Having spent the best part of three weeks in Port Isaac in the recent months, I have got to know the boys quite well and hopefully translated that into the arrangements and sound of the album. Part of the trick with this sort of project is to make the recording process as enjoyable and natural as possible - that's why I chose not to record in London but locally in St Kew. It was also important we were in stones throw of a good local pint as this seems to play a big part in the sound of the live show! The boys should be proud of the result. We've created a fantastic album that's going to introduce a whole new crowd to a little Cornish folk music and some salty sea shanties."

Recording at Abbey Road was something the boys wouldn't even have dreamed about a few months ago. "It was surreal", said Johnny Mc (John McDonnell), "something I will remember forever". "Beyond belief", said Pete. Trev was equally starstruck, "Us up there, where all those famous musicians had recorded, mind blowing." Clearly they were just blown away by the sense of history of the place. "There were large pictures everywhere of the biggest recording stars in the world and here were we recording in the same studio that they had - an extraordinary day" concluded Billy - and rumour has it he didn't fall over once, not even on the famous Abbey Road zebra crossing!

The new album, *Port Isaac's Fisherman's Friends*, quickly reached number one on the Amazon pre order chart and is due to be released on April 26<sup>th</sup>. For those familiar with the Fisherman's Friends singing on the Platt it's going to be a lovely surprise as many tracks have musical accompaniment. Don't knock it until you've heard it because it adds an extra dimension to a lot of their repertoire. Billy summed things up, saying, "The use of instruments is a natural progression. *Shenandoah*, is a good example; the instruments enhance the song and make it really different." "The Fisherman's Friends vocal arrangements and choice of songs mirror the fun the boys have singing them so it was key for me to capture that in the recording and reference it with the orchestrations", Rupert told *Trio*. The choice of songs open with their ever popular version of *South Australia* and closes with an absolutely lovely unaccompanied version of the Cornish robber ballad, *The Cadgwith Anthem*. Sandwiched between are two new songs specially written for them, *No Hoppers*, *Jokers and Rogues* (try and stop singing it after you've heard it!) and *The Union of Different Kinds* plus eleven more familiar tracks.

So, will fame change them? I think not.



*Can we get away with saying that on the radio?!*

Jeremy quipped "My wife hopes so", while Lefty has high hopes that his rise to fame "might make me taller". Pete laughed and said, "It'll probably kill me!" Jon, unsurprisingly, has the last word, speaking on behalf of them all: "We've all got good lives and great families, we love where we live and what we do, and the whole thing about being Cornish".

And the best bit, well it has to be that at last Port Isaac is going to be known because of the talent of the Fisherman's Friends, ten men who are very proud to culturally represent Port Isaac and to portray a real feel of Cornwall and it's people; ten men that Port Isaac are immensely proud of.

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*Nine Fisherman's Friends cross the famous Abbey Road zebra crossing. Meanwhile, Jeremy was the boys' ambassador in Egypt!*

# things Parish Council ...

## the Parish Clerk's report

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**Application 2010/00182** Conversion of existing garage flat roof into balcony with balustrade and provision of new French door to balcony from sitting room.

**It was proposed that the Parish Council Strongly object to this application as it is in breach of guidelines set out in the North Cornwall District Council Plan. As it will cause loss of privacy and amenity due to over looking. This was seconded and carried nem con.**

**Application 2010/00124** Application for Listed Building Consent for renovations to property. **It was proposed that the Parish Council supports this application.**

**Application 2010/00089** Formation of a dormer window in connection with the conversion of the loft to provide two bedrooms. **It was proposed that the Parish Council supports this application.**

### POST OFFICE

Mr Colin Pound, Field Change Advisor, for the Post Office informed the council that they wanted to keep a post office in Port Isaac and it was the government directive to do so. The Post Office had been looking into two options, the preferred option was to find a partner site, (a business in the village that the post office counter could run alongside.) He informed the council that he had looked at two sites already, one at the bottom of the village, which is the wrong place. The other option was the Crow's Nest, which has access issue as it is up steps and would not comply with the DDA. Mr Pound informed the council that the other option was for a neighbouring post master to come to Port Isaac and run a Post Office in the Church Rooms for two mornings a week.

### CAR PARKING /PLAYING FIELD

It was proposed by Mr M Bell 'Following a 1 March meeting on site with Cornwall Council highways and planning officials, to consider a report on the proposed car park and adopt a third draft of the Mor Design Port Isaac Open Space master plan incorporating the car park amendments, for community consultation on Hospice Day Saturday 13 March.' Mr D Phelps protested that the area designated for car parking was far too large on the plan. Mr Bell replied that he had a valid point and would ask Mike Hawes to compress the parking area if possible. This was seconded by Mr A Penny and carried 6/1 with two abstentions. b)It was proposed by Mr M Bell 'To confirm the instruction given by Cllr M Bell to Mor Design to commission a topographical survey of the two fields and adjacent highway. This was seconded by Mr A Penny and carried 8/1.

Mor Design Plans went to community consultation on Hospice Day Saturday 13 March.' The Consultation was mostly very positive. The following were specific points raised:

- \* What is the proposed use for the pavilion as it may conflict with the village halls.
- \* Is there a need for a football pitch of any kind?
- \* There is need for a better skate facility.
- \* Who will pay for maintenance and upkeep of the increased facilities?
- \* Will the new car park include traffic calming?
- \* The site is very windy, can this be addressed?
- \* Will the presence of the market have an effect/reduce the amount of money potentially taken through parking. Is there a conflict.
- \* What are the implications in terms of increased taxes as a result of the development of the open spaces and car park?
- \* The pavilion is a waste of money.

Other comments were generally very supportive of the scheme for the recreation spaces and for the car park. The concern for the car park being that it needs to be undertaken as soon as possible and be as big as possible. The Parish council have agreed to instruct Mor Design to commission a survey of the two fields and adjacent highway. This has now been done.

### CAR PARKING

The Parish Council have instructed MOR design to prepare and submit the Planning Application for the car park. We are planning to fund the construction of the car park through a Public Works Loan Board loan, and have been offered help in preparing income projection from CC Transportation Manager Peter Moore/

### VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR

The Parish Council still has a vacancy for a new Parish Councillor, anyone wishing to

apply please contact the clerk Mrs Elizabeth Uglow, West Balsdon, Whitstone, Holsworthy, Devon, EX22 6LE

### FOOTPATH HARTLAND ROAD

The Parish Council has written to Cornwall Council regarding the condition of all the footpaths in Hartland as they are covered in moss and dog mess.

### PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

The parish council have asked Cornwall Council for a pedestrian crossing into the playing fields entrance. Unfortunately Cornwall Council has replied stating no funding is available. The first requirement would be that a minimum of 50 pedestrians an hour over a four hour period would be crossing the road. A survey would have to be undertaken to ascertain if minimum numbers were apparent, obviously the busiest time to do this would be during June, July & August.

### WITHIES

The Parish Council have asked Cornwall Council to cut back the withies at Mayfield Drive, if they are unable to arrange this, the PC will arrange for them to be cut back in April. CC have now inspected Mayfield and does not feel there is anything that requires cutting, so the PC will arrange for withies to be cut back.

### DOG BIN

The Parish Council received a letter from James Oritz regarding Dog Bins. They are unable to provide a dog bin at Longcross/Port Quinn Cross, unless a dog bin is taken from else where in the village.

### CLIFF PATH

The cliff path resurfacing took place 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> March.

### THE MAIN

At an interim meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, the Parish Council agreed to appoint John Grimes & Co (who were consultants on the Harbour Wall) to prepare a report on the state of the slate quay.

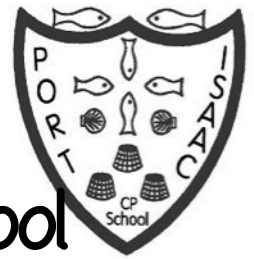
### YELLOW LINES

A scheme whereby the Parishes of St Endellion, and St Minver Hi/Lowlands speeded up the placing of yellow lines by paying for the Road Traffic Order between us has fallen through due to one of the parishes dropping out. However County Councillor Brian Gisbourne has assured us that he will use part of his budget to pay for yellow lines along Trewetha Lane as previously described, hopefully by July this year. Brian Doney of Cornwall Council Highways Department has promised traffic cones for the start of the holiday period.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at Port Isaac

# schoolchat

news and views from Port Isaac School



## Goodbye

A big thank you to Cathy who, for many years, has been coming into school and helping at dinner time. She has now retired and we wish her luck but will miss her!  
**THANK YOU CATHY!**

## A Trip to the Lobster Hatchery

This was a very exciting day out for the youngest children in school. They went over to Padstow to visit the hatchery and find out about the work that goes on there. Pasties for lunch were an added bonus!

## Class 2 Trip to Carnyorth

Class 2 went to Carnyorth for an overnight stay to take part in several workshops around the theme of storytelling. Everyone had a good time and they were kept busy doing lots of activities. "It was fun" could be heard several times on their return!

## Happy Birthday

*Birthdays celebrated in April:*

- Asa 11
- Finn 7
- Sam B 7
- Paige 7
- William 7
- Greta 6
- Sam J 6
- Alannah 6
- Mollie 5

## Story Writing

Class 1 have been writing their own stories based around the books about Katie Morag by Mairi Hedderwick. Here is one of their stories.

### Katie Morag and the Fishing Trip

One day Katie Morag and her family decided to go fishing. They took a picnic with them.

They were having a lovely time catching fish and watching dolphins until the boat drifted on to the rocks and got stuck.

"Help" they shouted and the lifeboat came and towed them back to the harbour. Katie Morag and her family went home and had fish for tea.

by Greta, Melania, Braiden and Brandon

## Rarey Boxes

Everyone is very busy making rarey (or storytelling) boxes.

In class 2 the children are making their boxes to help them re-tell a story based around the ancient Greek myths that they have been learning about this term.

Class 1 is making a class box to help tell the story of Richard Trevithick and the invention of steam trains.

Many thanks to Reg who has been in to help out!

## Tesco Vouchers

Tesco are giving out vouchers for schools and we are collecting them here. Please drop your vouchers in school or pass them on to someone who comes in.

**Thanks!**

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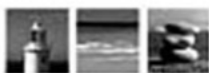
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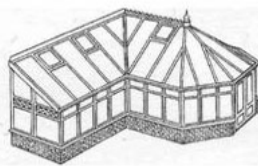
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# DIARY DATES

## Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup>

Local schools break up for Easter

## Wednesday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Kerbside Recycling – bags out by 7.00am

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

## Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>

Port Isaac Village Hall AGM in the Hall – 6.30pm

Annual Parish Meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>

Old Time Music Hall evening with the Port Isaac Chorale in the Village Hall – 7.30pm

## Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>

St Endellion Climate Friendly Parish AGM in Port Isaac Village Hall – 12noon onwards

## Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> - Back to school

## Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup>

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

Port Isaac Stay & Playgroup AGM at the Golden Lion – 7.30pm

## Wednesday April 21<sup>st</sup>

Kerbside Recycling – bags out by 7.00am

## Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup>

St Peter's Church Parochial Church Council AGM in the Church – 6.00pm

## Wednesday May 5<sup>th</sup>

Kerbside Recycling – bags out by 7.00am

## Monday May 10<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Tuesday May 18<sup>th</sup>

Sankey Evening at Trelights Methodist Church - 7.00pm

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

## Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup>

Kerbside Recycling – bags out by 7.00am

## May 31<sup>st</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup> - Half-Term

## Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup>

RNLI New Boat Naming Ceremony & Annual Lifeboat Service on the Platt – 2.30pm

## Monday June 14<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup>

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

## Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> - Father's Day

## Monday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Tuesday July 20<sup>th</sup>

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

## Wednesday July 21<sup>st</sup>

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

## Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Local schools break up for the summer

## Monday August 9<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Tuesday August 17<sup>th</sup>

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

## Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>

Lifeboat Larks

## Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup> - back to school

## Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup>

St Peter's Church Harvest Festival Songs of Praise followed by Harvest Supper & Auction

## Monday September 13<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Tuesday September 21<sup>st</sup>

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

## Friday September 24<sup>th</sup>

RNLI Harvest Festival & Auction at the Slipway

## Monday October 11<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup>

Whist Drive in St Endellion Church Hall – 7.30pm

## October 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> - Half-Term

## Saturday October 30<sup>th</sup>

Victorian Winter Celebration in the Village Hall – fundraiser for Cornwall Hospice Care

## Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup>

British Summertime (BST) ends – put the clocks one hour back

## Monday November 8<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac School – 7.30pm

## Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>

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

## Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup>

RNLI Christmas Market in the Village Hall

## Monday December 13<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council meeting – Port Isaac

## Trio Copy dates

**May issue:** Copy date Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup> Print date Friday April 30<sup>th</sup>

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## REGULAR EVENTS

**Port Isaac Stay & Playgroup** - every Tuesday (not during school holidays) from 10.00am to 12noon in the Village Hall. Contact Sarah on 881124 or Julia on 880718.

**Brownies** - every Wednesday from 5.00pm-6.30pm, during term time, at Port Isaac School. Contact Jennie on 880429.

**Rainbows** - every Monday from 4.45pm-6.00pm, during term time, at Port Isaac School. Contact Marie on 880977.

**Yoga** - Mondays, during term time, in the Village Hall from 10.30am-12noon. Thursdays, during term time, in Port Isaac 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 Every third Sunday - Family Service 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.  
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