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MERRY CHRISTMAS





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# Trio Christmas design winners

Once again it was a difficult choice but the designs that we chose to be featured in the Christmas *Trio* are:

**Billy Hardy**, age 5 (back cover), **Sam Johnson**, age 7 (p17)

**Jake Johnson**, age 6 (p 25), **Toby Johnson**, age 6 (p 8)

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WELL DONE TO YOU ALL



drawn by  
Issabella Bushell

## From the editor:

So, have you noticed the difference in this month's *Trio*? The beast was getting a bit tired and temperamental and so has been replaced with another all singing, all dancing beast that also prints in colour. We hope you like it.

This Christmas issue includes some of Port Isaac school children's thoughts on Christmas and they are scattered throughout *Trio*. Class Two also sent in their recipe for a perfect Christmas:  
"One massive, shiny, gold and green tree.  
A few drops of a roaring fire.  
4 teaspoons of magical, twinkling glitter.  
1 tablespoon of luxurious, fruity, delicious Christmas pudding.  
1 warm roast dinner fit for a King.  
A pinch of joy and fun to light up a house.  
2 handfuls of big and small brightly coloured presents.  
Mix in some glossy, sparkly, amazing decorations.  
Blend in excitement and wonder.  
Stir in laughter and screaming as we run downstairs on Christmas Day."

What more can we say? A very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year to everyone.

**Sam & Dee**

## My Christmas Hamper

by Sam Boothroyd

Christmas should belong to anyone. Christmas can sometimes be annoying. Christmas begins with a new dimension. Christmas looks like a wonderful time. Christmas sounds like a world where quiet doesn't exist. Christmas smells like a feast. Christmas wishes are like a dream come true. Christmas kisses are like an electric shock. Christmas tears are like a miniature sea. Christmas miles are like Jesus has come back alive. Christmas dinner is like heaven. Christmas presents are like a wish. Christmas ends with a quiet night.

## FOR SALE

Large wooden dining table,  
seats 6  
Any reasonable offers considered  
Call 880924



**A very Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year  
to everyone from the Port  
Isaac Village Hall  
Committee**



### **My Christmas Tree**

by Emilia Gikler

My Christmas tree sparkles like a magic wizard's wand.  
My Christmas tree wants to be queen of the ocean.  
My Christmas tree looks like a super model.  
My Christmas tree twinkles like a star.  
My Christmas tree wishes to explore the old years.  
My Christmas tree believes it can fly.  
My Christmas tree will always be a tree.



## **PORT ISAAC CARNIVAL**

### **Calendars**

Over 150 have been sold so far.

They are for sale at the Golden Lion, Peapod, Co-op and the Port Gaverne Hotel, priced at just £5 each.

Have you got yours yet?

If you are one of the few who have yet to purchase a calendar then shame on you.

We need your help to get these off the streets and safely behind closed doors. You can also order a copy. Call either 01208 880984 or 880920.

### **Bingo**

Date - 14th December.

Venue - Church Rooms

Time - Doors open 6.30pm, Eyes down 7.30pm

Lots of great prizes to be one

We hope that you will all be suffering from Bingo fever after Janet's Bingo and hope to offer just as much fun.

Thanks are due to Janet for her guidance and also to David who has agreed to call for us with his glamorous assistant Carol.

### **Ladies Night**

Date - 16th December

Venue - Village Hall

Time - 7pm

This promises to be a great night, with something for ladies everywhere, including a Clairvoyant, jewellery, waxing, nails, Body Shop, raffles and so much more.

Pamper yourself, shop for others but most of all have a real great night out with the girls.

Tickets will be on sale soon.

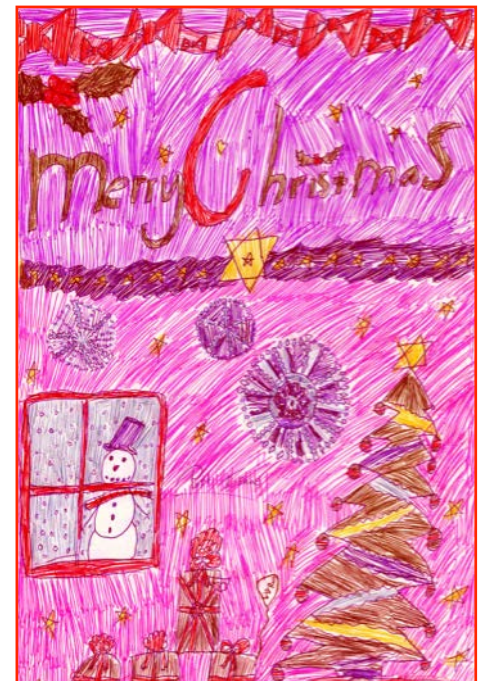
Please check posters for full details or call above numbers.

Please get in touch if you would like to sponsor one of the carnival cups, or would like to help or donate in any way.

**Port Isaac Carnival Committee  
would like to wish everyone a Merry  
Christmas and a fantastic New Year**



The PISCES Village Memory Tree is now in situ on Little Hill and by the time you read this the lights should be on it and it will be looking beautiful. A huge thank you to Trevathan Farm for donating such a splendid tree. All that it needs now are your memories for 'absent friends and loved ones'. As well ribbons you can also write a message or a name on a CD that you can hang on the tree. These CDs are available from Dee at Secrets and will look lovely shimmering in the fairy lights.



drawn by Rosie-May Richards



# Fisherman's Friends update



On stage in Birmingham

Another roller-coaster year came to an end with a tour that covered Cheltenham, Salisbury, Bristol, Birmingham, Plymouth and London's Union Chapel. Their summer Friday nights raised staggering amounts for charity, they appeared on the Main Stage at Glastonbury, two sell-out nights at the Minack, plus loads of other festivals and gigs and their book was released. February sees the start of another tour and the Minack is booked again for next year (have you got your tickets yet?) Plus the production of their film is due to start in 2012. The big question is, will George Clooney be in the village in the role of John Brown, and more to the point, will he be cleaning our windows?

Clearly St Kew appreciate their resident celebrity - Lefty - more than we do the rest of the boys, as he was chosen to turn on the St Kew Christmas lights!

## Post Office update

Dan Rogerson MP has written again to Peggy Hills about the proposed Post Office service for the village. He says "Fingers crossed it will open in the New Year". He enclosed a copy of the response he had had from the Post Office's Regional Network Manager who said: "I appreciate the inconvenience that such a prolonged closure has caused to local residents ... I'm therefore delighted to report that the Church Rooms have now been granted the relevant safety certificate to allow us to begin our procedures to re-open the branch. We are ordering the necessary equipment and will enter a period of consultation on our plans shortly. I expect this to lead to the reopening of the branch early in the New Year."

Given that similar assurances have been given before, we await the New Year with baited breath. In the meantime, thanks to Peggy for not letting this one go.

## New Year's Eve Fireworks

Dear All

It's that time of year again and we're planning the usual New Year's Eve fireworks from the Old School. Last year we asked all the businesses that were opening to share the cost with us and we had a great response. A big thank you to everyone who contributed, not just to the businesses but the handful of individuals who gave money. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed it!

Once again, we're asking for contributions for this year's display. The names of everyone who does (unless they want to remain anonymous) will be displayed on the notice boards outside the Old School on the night. If you would like to contribute, please pop in to reception.

Happy Christmas from Jake, Bonnie, Rick and all the Old School team.

**Rick**  
The Old School Hotel, 880721



## Janet's Bingo raises a record breaking £1017.50 for the Mentally Handicapped

*Pictured above is Janet with a selection of the prizes on offer at this year's jam-packed event*

## Christmas and New Year Rubbish

Rubbish will be collected as usual on Friday December 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday December 30<sup>th</sup> but our first new year collection will be on Thursday January 5<sup>th</sup>.

Recycling will be collected on December 28<sup>th</sup> and on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

Trio telephoned Cornwall Council to see if they would, as in previous years, be collecting real Christmas trees for disposal, free of charge. At the time of going to press they did know if they would be operating this system so you will need to call 0300 1234141 to check.

**THE TIP -**  
**Bowthick Quarry**  
**01840 770770**  
**Open Friday, Saturday,**  
**Sunday**

## What makes a perfect Christmas by Aaron Fuller

A scrumptious, fat, roast turkey. A 3D DS, shiny in its box.

Glossy, shiny tinsel on the ceiling. Luxurious, soft, gooey chocolate cakes.

A bright, roaring, open fire.



# Trewetha Lane Car Park - The Facts

In 2010, St Endellion Parish Council employed professionally qualified architects and consulting engineers to apply to Cornwall Council for planning permission to build a 135-space visitor car park and outdoor market on a field it owns next to Port Isaac recreation ground. This field has been used as a temporary car park, which must now be replaced by a permanent one. There was only one objection to the planning application design, from a resident in Hillson's Close.

In the summer of 2010, Cornwall Council Planning & Highways officials granted planning permission for a design with three levels and extensive tree and shrub planting, to screen parked vehicles from the surrounding area of outstanding natural beauty (AONB), and the widening of Trewetha Lane, the B3267. The design also meets the anti-flood requirement of the Environment Agency on porous surfaces and storm water drainage. Nobody, apart from the Parish Council, has approached Cornwall Council officials since then with alternative proposals for a cheaper car park scheme.

The Parish Council intends to build the car park this winter in accordance with the Planning Permission. It's Consultant Landscape Architect has applied for two amendments to reduce the project cost - replacement of the Cornish hedge along the main road frontage with a post and rail wood fence and hedge planting, and substitution of a footpath for the steps between the three car park levels. Otherwise the design remains the same.

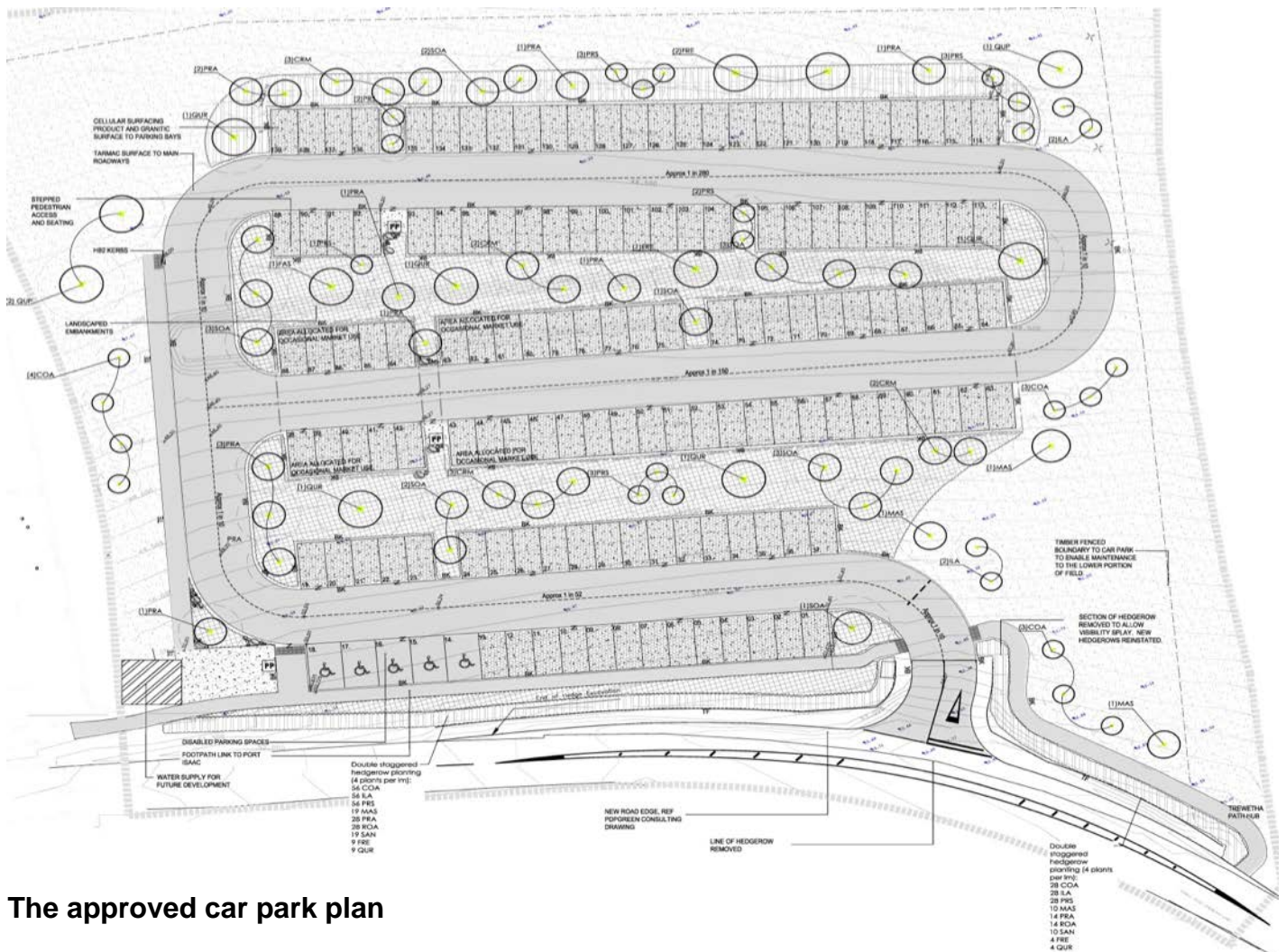
An independent firm of Chartered Quantity Surveyors has been retained by the Parish Council to negotiate the lowest possible price with Cornwall Council's works organisation, *Cormac*, to build it, and also to independently certify that the Parish Council has obtained 'best value'. These negotiations have been concluded and the Quantity Surveyor has recommended a provisional construction cost of £400,000. Cornwall Council's Treasurer's Department will independently assess the financial viability of the project prior to authorising a Cornwall Council Guarantee of the Parish Council's loan repayments to the Public Works Loan

Board. Sproulls Solicitors have been retained by the Parish Council to draft a loan guarantee agreement.

Cornwall Council Car Park Services will, at no charge to the Parish Council, collect the cash from the 'Pay & Display' machines and bank it in the Parish Council's account. It will restock the ticket machines. None of the car park proceeds will go to Cornwall Council. After VAT and operating expenses such as business rates are paid, all of the net income will be used to repay the Public Works Loan over the loan term of ten years, or a shorter period if the income allows, in accordance with the Cornwall Council Loan Guarantee Agreement. When the loan is repaid and Cornwall Council is no longer liable, the Parish Council will be free to spend the net income as the community wishes.

The Parish Council believes that the provision of this car park is in the best interests of the community, the local tourism economy and local employment. The Cornwall Council loan guarantee ensures that no costs will fall on Council Tax precept payers.

The approved plans may be inspected by the public by prior arrangement at Cornwall Council's office in Barn Lane, Bodmin or on Cornwall Council's internet website.



The approved car park plan

In the summer of 1981, David Castle the then Hon-Sec of Port Isaac Lifeboat Station, organised a trip to visit the Penlee Lifeboat Station. As a crew member at the time I went along and met the crew and their ladies who showed us kind hospitality and we went out on an exercise in the then Penlee Boat *Solomon Browne*.

Later that same year, I awoke on my birthday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, to the terrible news that the *Solomon Browne* and her crew were all lost during the night. I have since remembered the disaster every year on my birthday and in 1991 I realised that ten years had passed and decided to write a song about it. The words came but I could not seem to put them to music. I gave a copy to Steve Knightley of *Show of Hands* who used it as inspiration for a song he called "*The Shout*". He suggested to just keep my words as a poem.

December 19<sup>th</sup> this year marks the thirtieth year since this tragedy and I thought I would share it with *Trio* readers.

*Ed Fletcher*

## Penlee

The cold sea covets one more life,  
The crewman leaves his tender wife,  
Drags on his boots and overcoat,  
Now he's running for the boat.

He fights his way down to the shore,  
The rockets calls have gathered more,  
With anxious nod he greets the cox'n,  
Joins his brothers on the Watson.

The whistle shrieks the diesels roar,  
The hammer clangs, - she's out the door,  
Pounding headlong down the slip,  
Her passage planned to save a ship.

The breakers pound the valiant vessel,  
To tunes of tortured straining metal,  
As if the hull's resigned to crack,  
But Lifeboat Men just don't turn back.

They find their quarry in dire plight,  
Awash and plunging in the night,  
They try to close to pass a line,  
The last report - four off - we're doing fine ...

Then distant drumbeats swell until,  
A Sea-King hovers o'er the kill,  
Clattering stormbird in the night,  
Upon its cone of trembling light.

With inch precision, searching swells,  
For a clue, some soul to tell,  
But all that's found this night so evil,  
Is wreckage, and the stench of diesel.

The ship is lost the lifeboat too,  
Along with company and crew,  
Eight men gave that greatest gift,  
Laid down their lives that others might live.

So we recall with painful pride,  
Ten years on, the men who died,  
And others like them, hundreds more,  
Serving round our Nations shores.

So when it's blowing, raining, night,  
Let's not forget our heroes plight,  
Remember them and what they do,  
Our ever gallant Lifeboat crews.

*Congratulations to  
Adrian & Lisa who  
got married on  
December 10<sup>th</sup> 2011*

*Lots of Love and  
Happiness from  
Dad, Mum, Tom,  
Sadie & Archie  
xxxxxx*

### Is this your cat?



He/she has appeared at Trewetha and seems like it might belong to someone and be lost. For more info contact Tony Wainwright on 01208 880439 or email: [tonywainwright@hotmail.com](mailto:tonywainwright@hotmail.com)



**My Christmas Hamper** by Demelza Moseley  
Christmas should belong to Santa.  
Christmas can sometimes be a time when families come together.  
Christmas begins when I put my decorations up.  
Christmas looks like a glowing Christmas tree.



# Cooking with Martin



Well it's that time of the year again and so why not try a bit of home baking to impress family and friends also these are great recipes to get the kids involved.

## Old-fashioned sweet mince pies

### For the orange pastry

450g/1lb plain flour  
1 tsp baking powder  
240g/8oz unsalted butter, plus extra for greasing  
1 tbsp caster sugar  
140ml/5fl oz orange juice  
2 oranges, zest only  
1 free-range egg, beaten

### For the orange pastry.

Grease one large or two small muffin tins with butter. (You will need a tin with 15-18 wells.)

Blend the flour, baking powder, butter and sugar in a food processor until the mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Add the orange zest and blend until well combined, then gradually add the orange juice, blending continuously, until the mixture comes together as a dough. (You may need to a little extra cold water.)

Turn out the dough onto a lightly floured work surface, knead lightly until smooth,

### For the mincemeat

1 lemon, boiled for 1 hour until soft, left to cool  
100g/3½oz raisins  
100g/3½oz sultanas  
½ Bramley apple or similar large cooking apple, peeled and chopped  
100g/3½oz dried mixed fruit  
75g/2½oz mixed peel  
100g/3½oz suet  
100g/3½oz dark brown muscavado sugar  
100g/3½oz currants  
½ tsp ground cinnamon  
¼ tsp freshly grated nutmeg  
1 tsp mixed spice  
¼ tsp ground ginger  
50ml/2fl oz brandy  
50ml/2fl oz sherry

### For the mincemeat.

Cut the boiled, cooled lemon in half and discard the pips. Blend the lemon, raisins, sultanas, chopped apple, mixed fruit and mixed peel in a food processor to a paste. Transfer the lemon mixture to a large mixing bowl and add the suet, muscavado sugar, currants, cinnamon, nutmeg, mixed spice, ground ginger, brandy and sherry. Mix together until well combined, then set aside overnight.

### To Put Together.

Cut the chilled pastry in half. Roll out one half of the pastry onto a lightly floured work surface to a ½cm/¼in thickness. Using a 7cm/2½in pastry cutter, cut out 15-18 discs (as the mixture allows) and place one into each of the muffin tin wells.

Spoon a tablespoon of the mincemeat mixture into each of the mince pie cases and brush the rim of each pastry case with a little beaten egg.

Roll out the remaining pastry onto a lightly floured work surface to a ½cm/¼in thickness. Using a 5cm/2in pastry cutter, cut out 15-18 discs and place one on top of each mince pie. Press together the edges of the pastry to seal.

Brush the remaining beaten egg over the tops of the mince pies. Using a knife, make a small steam hole in the top of each pie.

Transfer the mince pies to the oven and bake for 20-25 minutes, or until pale golden-brown.

Serve warm or cold with clotted cream, brandy butter or ice cream.

## Salted caramel millionaire's shortbread

This classic British treat gets a makeover with salted caramel.

### For the shortbread

175g/6oz unsalted butter  
75g/2½ oz caster sugar  
1 vanilla pod, split and seeds scraped out  
225g/8oz plain flour

### For the caramel

200g/7oz unsalted butter  
1 x 397g/14oz can condensed milk  
4 tbsp golden syrup  
1 tsp sea salt

### For the topping

350g/12oz milk chocolate

### For the Shortbread

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4. Grease and line a 20cm/8in square cake tin. Rub the butter, sugar, vanilla seeds and flour together in a bowl to make rough dough. Press the dough into the cake tin and prick all over with a fork.

Bake the dough in the oven for five minutes, then reduce the oven to 150C/300F/Gas 2 and bake for a further 35 minutes. Once cooked, allow to cool in the tin.

### For the caramel

Place all the ingredients in a saucepan and bring to the boil for 10 minutes. Pour the caramel mixture over the shortbread. Chill in the fridge until the caramel has cooled and hardened slightly.

### For the topping

Melt the chocolate in a bowl set over a pan of simmering water. Once melted, pour the chocolate over the caramel. Chill in the fridge again until the chocolate has set, then cut into 9 squares.

## Home-made jaffa cakes

### For the cakes

2 free-range eggs  
50g/2oz caster sugar  
50g/2oz plain flour, sieved

### For the filling

1 x 135g/4¾oz packet orange jelly, chopped  
1 tbsp orange marmalade  
125ml/4½fl oz boiling water  
200g/7oz good quality dark chocolate, minimum 70 per cent cocoa solids, broken into pieces

### For the cakes.

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4. Bring a little water to the boil in a pan, then reduce the heat until the water is simmering. Suspend a heatproof bowl over the water (do not allow the base of the bowl to touch the water). Add the eggs and sugar to the bowl and beat continuously for 4-5 minutes, or until the mixture is pale, fluffy and well combined. Add the flour, beating continuously, until a thick, smooth batter forms. Half-fill each well in a 12-hole muffin tin with the cake batter. Transfer the tin to the oven and bake the cakes for 8-10 minutes, or until pale golden-brown and cooked through (the cakes are cooked through when a skewer inserted into the centre of the cakes comes out clean.) Remove from the oven and set the cakes aside, still in their tray, until cool.

### For the filling.

In a bowl, mix together the jelly, marmalade and boiling water until the jelly has dissolved and the mixture is smooth. Pour the filling mixture into a shallow-sided baking tray or large dish to form a 1cm/½in layer of jelly. Set aside until completely cooled, then chill in the fridge until set. When the jelly has set and the cakes have cooled, cut small discs from the layer of jelly, equal in diameter to the cakes. Sit one jelly disc on top of each cake. Bring a little water to the boil in a pan, then reduce the heat until the water is simmering. Suspend a heatproof bowl over the water (do not allow the base of the bowl to touch the water). Add the chocolate and stir until melted, smooth and glossy, then pour over the cakes. Set aside until the melted chocolate has cooled and set.

I would like to wish you all a happy Christmas and New Year, thank you for reading my recipes and I hope that some of you might have tried one or two of them.

Finally to those who were missing my cooking and could not afford Nathan Outlaw's prices, will be pleased to here that I am now working at St Kew Inn, and look forward to seeing you soon.

Mx

# websites of the month

## free communications over the internet

Christmas is fast approaching and so we all think more about being in touch with friends and family who may be in far flung parts of the globe. Over the past few years the internet has been steadily improving the available options for doing this. Being an old person, I can remember the delight I had with my family when we were able to make our first subscriber trunk dialling call to my aunt and uncle and family for Christmas who lived in New Zealand in 1959. Apparently the first call using that technology was made by the Queen who was on a visit to Brisbane in 1958. Our call was amazing for many reasons, but what I particularly remember is the fact you could hear their voices and their New Zealand accents, and the delay of about 10 seconds, between speaking and their answering. It also cost a lot. How times have changed. Now I can have a video call with my son and family in Australia for nothing, and he can watch me making the supper, while he sits in the evening sunshine drinking a glass of red wine.

The breakthrough for internet communication came with the establishment of an a range of agreed ways to handle speech based audio called Voice over Internet Protocol or VIOP for short and this hit the consumer market in 2004. Lots of phones came out which were specifically designed to be plugged into computers and used as ordinary phones. I don't know how successful these phones have been and they seem to have died out, having been replaced by smart mobile phones who use many of the same techniques. For the technically minded you can find out about history of and the way voice over internet protocol works here <http://tinyurl.com/82q7new> .

These systems are divided really into those that provide speech and those that do video as well, although as time goes by they are bringing all sorts of forms of communication together, so email, text, speech and video can be done from the same free system. The other general development is the integration with so called social media like Facebook, Twitter and the myriad of other ways people keep in touch. So, here is a brief tour through whats available at the moment. No doubt by the time this comes out there will be more things available as the territory changes so quickly.

Into this arena fairly early on was Microsoft Messenger, and anyone who has had anything to do with teenagers will probably have had the experience of them on Microsoft Network or MSN for short, for hours chatting and videoing with multiple friends using a strange teenage language of symbols and text messaging. This technology has evolved and is now much more sophisticated than it used to be and you can read about Windows Live Messenger <http://explore.live.com/> . This runs on smart phones as well as on computers.

Recently Microsoft have taken over the other major communication system, Skype, which was started in 2003 by two people from Denmark and Sweden and had 663 million registered users as of September 2011 see <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Skype>. Skype allows you to communicate with other computers and smartphones with Skype installed, with no charges, over the internet using either speech or video, as well as sharing files and sending instant messages, a bit like email. It also allows you to phone landlines and mobile phones for a fee, but generally much more cheaply than ordinary phone calls. You can download the software from here <http://www.skype.com/intl/en-gb/home>.

Of course Google has one as well, called Google Talk <http://www.google.com/talk/> which I find a bit complicated but it does the same as the other ones allowing you to do instant messages, file transfers and chatting. You do need a Google account to use it and it is all explained on the website.

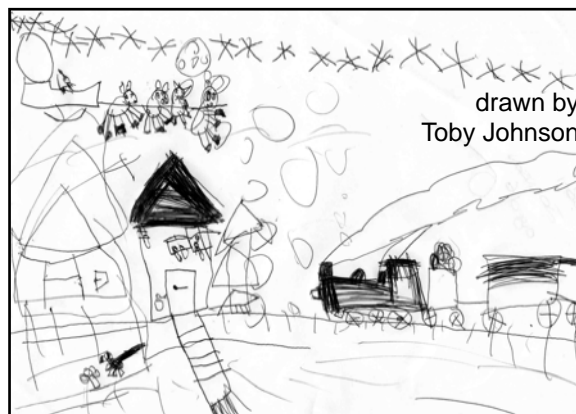
One which has been gaining in popularity is FaceTime <http://tinyurl.com/827kv48>, which was launched by Apple on the iPhone in 2010. This is a very simple video phone system and provided you have it installed on your computer or phone you can call for free. As the iPhone and Mac computers have grown in popularity, the numbers who can call each other has also grown. As usual with Apple, they have thought carefully about design and it is very easy to use. All it does is video phone calls, but then that is probably what most people want from a video phone. The other systems sometimes get a bit too complicated, although you can do a lot more with them. So far there don't seem to be any plans to make it available on the PC, but with Skype already available, you don't really need it.

The final example, is one of a number of spinoffs, which are not the usual sort of system, but have something extra about them. Hamsphere <http://www.hamsphere.com/> is a way of using this technology so you can get to be a Ham Radio operator without being one as it were. As it says on its website: "No extra hardware needed, just your PC, a microphone, speakers and you are ready to call CQ on the virtual Ham Radio bands. Once you have installed this Ham Radio Software you will be able to communicate with thousands of Amateur Radio operators and radio enthusiasts from over 200 countries around the world."

So all this before we start on the social networking sites like Facebook, so keeping in touch this Christmas couldn't be easier. Incidentally have a look at the whats on in Port Isaac Facebook site to get a feel for it <http://www.facebook.com/portisaacwhatson?sk=wall&filter=2> and then if you like it, sign up and join in.

*Tony Wainwright*

"And the Grinch, with his Grinch-feet ice cold in the snow, stood puzzling and puzzling, how could it be so? It came without ribbons. It came without tags. It came without packages, boxes or bags. And he puzzled and puzzled 'till his puzzler was sore. Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before. What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store? What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more?"  
*Dr Seuss*



### **My Christmas Hamper** by Taran Moseley

Christmas should belong to everyone who has faith and believes  
Christmas can sometimes be a hard and stressful time.  
Christmas looks like a cheer and whiteness all around.  
Christmas sounds like fun and games with the family.



# PIGS



## ON TOUR

The penultimate event in our 2011 calendar took us to Trevoze Golf Club on a glorious day in early November. Trevoze always offers a professional service and this was no exception as 17 PIGS enjoyed coffee, and the odd bacon roll for the hungry ones, before taking to one of the countries best golf courses. There was an Essex contingent as Dave 'The Hitman' Hurley brought two of his mates along from the 'smoke' to enjoy the clean North Cornwall air. I must apologise, I have just been informed that they don't have contingents in Essex, they want to be known as the Essex Massive ('MASS EEEVE').

I think the standard of our golf must be getting better as there seems to be less and less to talk about - bad shots, throwing of clubs, crashing buggies etc. Oh my God, we seem to be turning into an almost respectable golf society. This might require an urgent meeting to

discuss the situation!! As is always the case with us PIGS, the banter was sometimes a bit harsh but always fair, and the company was great.

The Stableford winner was Steve Bunt but I think we were all winners on the day. Also, it was lovely for the Halfway House to be open and a nice bacon or sausage bap would have been nice, but The Adonis had got there first so cheese and pickle it had to be!! A couple of pints and a good dinner with friends ended a great day's golf.

And on a festive note, our Christmas PIGS event will be on December 19<sup>th</sup>, hopefully on the Holywell Course at St Enodoc followed by dinner at The Mote.

All the PIGS would like to wish their families, friends and all those people that haven't got a clue who the hell we are, A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*The Lardman*

*There you go boys, that has saved you all a trip to Trago to buy those cheap Christmas cards!!*

## The Trelights Walker

Lundy Island standing proud on the distant horizon can only mean one thing – rain is imminent. And sure enough, when it comes you can guarantee I am walking to work.

The black foreboding clouds make for an intimidating atmosphere – like the feeling you used to get in school when the teacher was stood behind you and you were waiting for the clip round the ear after you had done something stupid – aah, happy memories.

As the rain comes down in stair rods, puddles quickly form and the sound of rain hitting concrete and greenery perform their own little musical interlude with the odd interventions from my feet as they slap their way through the wet. The rain is relentless as it finds its way into my clothes, making me wetter and wetter with every step (*Note to self: must buy a new coat!*). Then comes Church Hill with its two racing rivers of water, one either side of the road, taking any small debris to another resting place nearer the village. It reminds me of childhood days playing on Lister Hill in Falmouth, our own form of 'Pooh Sticks' and you were push if you had ones with the joke written on 'em, and making paper boats with paper sails and trying to sink your mate's boat by throwing stones at it! Aah, more happy memories.

Here is a question for walkers, readers and purveyors of all things strange – why do all boats and ships sail behind each other when they are on the horizon?

*The Lardman*

**MERRY CHRISTMAS and, as Bruce and Tess would say, "KEEP WALKING!!"**

## A Christmas Prayer-Poem

*by Eric Stokes, 1985*

Let's count our blessings this  
December,  
Folks carry burdens, just remember,  
If you've no shoes, your tears are all  
in vain,  
Cry for those who'll never walk  
again.

It the past year brought pain or  
sorrow,  
Pray God will smile upon you  
tomorrow.  
To those alone, the greatest joy on  
earth  
Would be, to share with friends, the  
Saviour's birth.

Wounds that opened through the  
year  
Can be healed with words of  
Christmas cheer.  
We thousand souls, our village is too  
small  
To be divided by a Rose Hill wall.

To unkind words that, maybe, meant  
you harm,  
Unclench the fist to show an  
outstretched palm,  
And, as the curtains draw on this  
year's end,  
To everybody say, "God bless you,  
friend".

*reprinted in memory of Eric  
who died in 2011*

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# THE RNLI WINTER BALL

Suddenly, after months of planning, our RNLI Winter Ball was upon us. A giant of a marquee sprang up overnight at Trewetha Farm and an army of specialists including the RNLI committee and crew set to work to create a wonderland of sparkling lights cascading throughout the Big Top, incorporating a beautiful glittering Christmas Tree donated by *Trelawney Garden Centre*.

*Sharps Brewery* moved in and set up a very important feature, the Doom Bar counter and *Wadebridge Wines* provided a French touch with their Wine Bar, created by proprietor, Sue McWilliam. *Chain Reaction* provided a disco to beat all discos alongside the stage on which the two live groups, the *Gumbo Flyers* and *Keiko-Rise* performed for the 250 guests to dance the night away.

Guests arrived to be greeted with Champagne Cocktails created and served by James Yoki of *No1 Rock Road* and his team. This feature was provided by a generous donation from Doc Martin, Martin Clunes, including a gift of a Magnum of Bollinger champagne for the lucky guest holding the winning serial number on their entrance ticket.



Bob B ready for action Photo: Annie Price

The evening was action packed with not only great music but a stunning tombola laden with a range of amazing and valuable items donated for the event. The star raffle included a special one-off framed and signed edition of Barbara Hawkins' painting 'Storm Launch' and a cake created by Debbie Tidey incorporating a painted panel by artist Katie Childs

The Auction, run by Crew Training Officer/ Helmsman, Damien Bolton, RNLI Media Officer for the SW, Tamsin Thomas and Chairman Bob Bulgin got away to a roaring start with bidding running into the hundreds for a 'Day at Sea for Two on board a Royal Naval ship'. The pace continued with an opportunity to bid for a 'Top Gun flight including aerobatics over the South Coast', 'Tickets for Manchester United V Blackburn', 'A VIP visit to Brunel's SS GREAT BRITAIN including a personal tour and lunch with the Chairman of The

SS Great Britain Trust', 'An exclusive holiday at Harbour Heights, Port Isaac', and a 'VIP Tour of The Houses of Parliament with Liberal member Rt Hon Dan Rogerson MP'.

This was followed by a special draw 'Bang Goes a Holiday' with three sought after properties gifted to Port Isaac RNLI offering a week in Mallorca at beautiful 19th century designer Hotel, a week at the historic Pink Cottage, Port Gaverne and another at the Old Town House, Padstow.



Ready for Action - Phil Tidey and Trevor Beare with Port Isaac Lifeboat crew at The Winter Ball Photo: Chris Hewitt

The result of the night is a stunning sum in excess of £8000 raised for the RNLI through the Port Isaac committee which will be used to fund the introduction of our new crew lifejackets and other essential sea going operational requirements in the forthcoming year. Needless to say without the very hard work of our committee, the Bolton family, the companies and individuals who donated such valuable prizes and all of those who helped in so many ways giving their time and effort freely to the RNLI this splendid result would not have been achieved. Not forgetting, most important of all, the 250 guests who came in from the cold and gave so generously in support of this great RNLI evening. On behalf of our committee and crew a very big thank you to you all.

Bob B, Chairman

**FOUND AFTER THE BALL**  
Ladies, did you lose a silver ring? If so, contact 01208 880765



## RESULT OF DRAW FOR STORM LAUNCH

Our popular artist and great RNLI supporter Barbara Hawkins, assisted by Father Christmas, pulled the winning draw ticket for her painting *Storm Launch* at the RNLI Christmas Market.

The painting was published as Port Isaac Station Christmas card this year. Some 1482 tickets have been sold since March and the lucky winner was Michelle Read from Rickmansworth with draw ticket number 02568 - so a unique historic record of a Port Isaac RNLI rescue of the past goes up-country. What a great Christmas present.

In addition, two special signed edition reproductions have raised over £800 at the Harvest Festival and Winter Ball.



Father Christmas at the RNLI Market with Annie Appleby, Sybil McCormick and Mya Appleby

**RNLI BARN DANCE**  
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**Merry Christmas and  
a Happy New Year**

with love to all our family  
and friends

from

Jeremy, Liz,

Lisa, Adrian, Mark,

Tom, Sadie & Archie

xxxxxxxxx



**Happy Christmas  
and Happy New Year**

from Trevor, Lesley  
and Boys



**Happy Christmas  
from us all at Port  
Isaac Pottery.  
We wish you all  
a peaceful and  
healthy New Year**

Thank you so much to  
everyone for all their  
words of love and kindness  
during my recent stay at  
Derriford Hospital. I was  
completely overwhelmed  
with the messages of  
concern and all the  
beautiful flowers that  
came my way.

Port Isaac is a very special  
place, thank you.

With love from Barbara xxx



We just wanted to also add  
our thanks for all the  
heartfelt messages and kind  
offers of lifts, babysitters  
and dog walkers while we  
were at hospital with Mum.

It was a great comfort to  
know the whole village was  
thinking of all of us during  
such a difficult time.

Thank you everyone!

Have a lovely Christmas,

from Faye, Jo,

Billy and Matt xxx



**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**

Let's raise a glass  
to absent friends

Sam & Dee

Peggy Hills wishes  
all her friends in  
Port Isaac a Merry  
Christmas and a  
Happy, Healthy  
New Year



**Joyeux Noel &  
Bonne Annee  
to all our friends  
in Port Isaac**

Best wishes

Georges & Susan Bouvier

**Merry Christmas  
and a Happy  
New Year  
from everyone  
at Trevathan  
Farm**



Pam & John Wiltshire  
would like to wish  
all their friends in  
Port Isaac a  
Merry Christmas and  
a Happy New Year



*Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New  
Year to all my  
friends in Port Isaac  
with love from Harry  
of Walthamstow x*



I would like to  
wish all my friends  
a very Happy  
Christmas and a  
happy and healthy  
New Year  
love Muriel



Seasons Greetings  
to Karen & Yvette  
from the  
Tuesday Lunch Group  
with special thanks  
for November's  
free meal

**Merry Christmas and  
a Happy and  
Prosperous New Year  
to all my friends and  
relations in Port Isaac**

from Joe Knight



Chris, Kim,  
Amanda, Emma & Dan  
would like to wish all  
their friends a Very  
Merry Christmas and  
a Great 2011

**A very Happy  
Christmas and a  
Peaceful and  
Healthy New Year**

from

Sam & Dee







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**EVERYONE WELCOME**

## Ideas for 2012

Following the Plymouth University exhibition that runs until early May we are looking at the possibility of putting on 'Inspired by Port Isaac', an exhibition of art, poetry, literature, music, theatre, TV etc that have been inspired by our beautiful village. Then from August to the end of October we are aiming for 'Fishing in Port Isaac'.

It's never too early to start sorting out anything you may have to contribute. We will scan it and return to you so your memorabilia is never going to be lost.



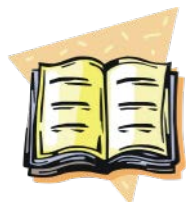
A Very Happy  
Christmas from us all  
at PISCES and a very  
big thank you for all  
your generous  
support.

Do call into St Peter's  
if you get the chance  
and see how beautiful  
it looks now that it has  
been decorated for  
Christmas.

## PISCES Cookery book

A reminder that we would love to  
have your recipes and stories for the  
fundraising cookery book we are  
putting together?

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# Climate Friendly St Endellion

**Robert Manders reports:**

As it's pouring down with rain at the moment, and has been very windy, perhaps we'll not describe a walk this month! However, there were a few things we didn't mention last month, as the walk and its description were a bit long... Walking on roads is tiring, and can be boring, but not if you look for the details, and think about the questions they raise. Like the badger holes in the base of the hedge, usually with a bit of ejected earth on the edge of the road beneath — there may be leaves if the residents have been changing their bedding. Being nocturnal, badgers make up their beds before going out in the evening to feed, so they can just crash-out and sleep through the day when they return. Birds of all kinds; around our village we are familiar with Sparrows, Tits and Finches, Blackbirds and Doves/Pigeons, and Herring Gulls, of course. Not far away, in Wadebridge, you only find Black-headed Gulls: why? In the road there are Wagtails, but not in our garden: why? Flowering plants throughout Spring and Summer, and the recently warm Autumn, but now... Then there's the human debris — how much longer will that GB sticker/empty drink bottle/plastic bag remain stuck on the road/in the hedge/on the tree? Should I retrieve them for binning/recycling or leave them to nature/someone else to deal with? An ethical conflict between citizenship and laziness...

Thinking more about water as a result of reading "When the Rivers Run Dry" by Fred Pearce (Eden Project Books, paperback 2007), I've been reminded some of the conflicts that arise when trying to live in a climate-friendly way. Synthetic fibres, such as nylon and terylene, are made from materials isolated from petroleum, which is a non-renewable fossil resource. Obviously we should minimise our use of non-renewable resources, materials isolated from them and, hence, synthetic fibres. So we should look for clothes made from natural fibres, like wool, cotton and linen. Wool is good for winter jumpers, and good for British industry, since we in the UK have an excellent climate for rearing sheep. Cotton is pleasant for summer things, and underwear, but grows best in countries with a hot, sunny climate, like Egypt, India and the southern USA. These are often relatively under-developed places, and it's good to support the inhabitants by buying their produce, especially if it is Fairly Traded. That means that the actual producers get a fair price for their goods, and often there is support for their community as well, help for schools and for developing businesses. Then there's the question of pesticides and fertilizers, which are made from petroleum-based materials and therefore best avoided. Cotton plants are assailed by many pests, but there are growers who use traditional methods to reduce damage, and maintain soil fertility. As a result it is possible to find Organic cotton, production of which has not involved the use of synthetic pesticides, or of artificial fertilizers. And it's often Fairly-traded as well.

Unfortunately cotton is a thirsty crop, and there's not much rain in hot, sunny places, so the fields have to be irrigated to produce any harvest. It takes about 20 bathtubsful of water to grow the 250 grams of cotton needed to make the average T-shirt. With little rain there's not much water in the rivers, so boreholes have to be sunk to tap underground aquifers (like the basin under London which used to feed Artesian wells), but these are drying up (as is the Artesian basin under London). Only slowly topped-up by the scarce rainfall, these underground water sources are essentially non-renewable resources, just as much as coal and petroleum, and we should try to minimise their use in the same way. Should we even think of buying cotton clothes at all, let alone whether they are Organic and Fairly-traded or not?? A real conflict of interests!

Incidentally, the amount of water needed to produce standard quantities of everyday foodstuffs is quite surprising. To quote from Fred Pearce's book "It takes between 2,000 and 5,000 litres of water to grow one kilo[gram] of rice" and "1,000 litres to grow a

kilo[2.2 lb] of wheat, and 500 litres for a kilo of potatoes". When you start to think of meat and dairy products the numbers increase markedly: "It takes 24,000 litres [of water] to grow the feed for enough cow to make a kilo of beef; and between 2,000 and 4,000 litres for that cow to fill its udders with a litre of milk. Cheese? That takes about 5,000 litres for a kilo of Cheddar or Brie or Camembert." Sugar rates some 3,000 litres per kilo, and coffee 20,000 litres/kilo, and to produce even one pint of beer uses 250 litres of water (though I believe Sharp's Brewery at Pityme are proud of using rather less). Economists have introduced the term "virtual water" for this water used in production of foodstuffs and other goods, and the concept of the export of this "virtual water" along with the goods themselves from the producing countries, usually lacking in water resources anyway. Now there's a train of thought to follow, another time, perhaps.

A final topic, more cheerful (at least, for some): we've become used to other people taking the initiative over things like installing solar PV panels, Wadebridge and WREN for instance, but have you seen what's been going on in Hilson Close in late November? West Country Housing Association (presumably) have covered every South-facing roof with panels — I haven't counted, so I don't know how many kilowatts in total, but perhaps we should start talking about Hillson Close Power Station! They should all be connected up and commissioned before 12th December, when the HM Government subsidy decreases...the other bit of good news was (mid-October) that HMG was to increase its support for tidal and wave power, which is of specific interest to us here in Cornwall.

Wishing you a comfortable but (as near as possible) carbon-neutral Christmas, and a good and sustainable New Year.

**Robert Manders**

## Ten Reasons we know that Santa is a Man!

1. He has no dress sense.
2. He never replies to your letter.
3. The chances of getting what you ask for are nil.
4. He has a beer belly.
5. He will only commit to one day a year.
6. He is obsessed with stockings.
7. He never stops to ask directions.
8. He is too lazy to shave.
9. He always wears the same clothes.
10. He will only do a job where people leave food and booze out for him.



**Dear Trio ... your chance to have your say and remember, it is your say and the letters printed are not necessarily the views of the Editor**

**"we are so pleased we made the decision to move to this beautiful village"**

**Dear Trio**

We would really like to thank everyone who has been so welcoming to us since we moved to the village in April. From the moment that we arrived people have been so friendly and gracious and everyone we have come into contact with since has wholeheartedly welcomed us into their community. We are both quite overwhelmed with how genuinely interested people are with the baby and how incredibly generous and thoughtful everyone has been.

We are so pleased that we made the decision to move to this beautiful village and we couldn't be more happy and excited about starting our little family here. We can't wait for our first winter as a three in the cottage and look forward to celebrating the first of many Christmasses with you all.

**Lee, Helen & Baby Rose Chantler**

**Send your letters to**

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email: [triopi@mac.com](mailto:triopi@mac.com)**

**Winter Ball congrats**

**Dear Trio**

I was able to pop up the see the set up for the Ball prior to all arriving in their finery. I was there to take some 'happy snappies' for our Chairman of all the hard workers and the layout etc. It was blatently clear just how much thought, preparation and hard work had gone into the planning, setting up and execution of what everyone has told me, was a brilliant evening.

Sadly, due to various reasons, I could not be there on the night, but I do feel a huge thank you should go to Chris and Liz, James, Damien and Amy Bolton. No detail was left untouched. The entire set-up, was magnificent. I would also like to say a huge well done to Bob Bulgin (our Chairman) who worked so hard to pull it all together, along with the Ball Committee. Well done and thank you to all the brilliant helpers.

**Annie Price**

*PS I thought the loo's looked fantastic and smelt gorgeous, even if they did upset the electric's somewhat when someone flushed and washed their hands with hot water!*



drawn by  
Sam Johnson

**Sam's Christmas Story**

My Christmas tree sparkles like a star. My Christmas tree smells like glitter.  
My Christmas tree looks like a thorny monster. My Christmas tree wants to be a woodland tree. My Christmas tree hopes that it will grow bigger.  
My Christmas tree believes in the spirit of Christmas. My Christmas tree wishes for a Merry Christmas

**Sam's Christmas Hamper**

Christmas should belong to everyone. Christmas can sometimes be annoying.  
Christmas begins to get closer and closer.

**My Christmas Tree** by Gabriel Stead

My Christmas tree sparkles like a diamond. My Christmas tree smells like leaves have fallen down. My Christmas tree looks like a green fairy. My Christmas tree feels like a monster. My Christmas tree wants to be human. My Christmas tree hopes that you have a lovely Christmas,

**A Thought for Christmas**

**by Eric Stokes**

There is a warmth within these bare hills  
That seem to repel all winter's chills  
Not the heat of the brazier's brilliant flare  
Or the sun with its harsh, abrasive glare.

It's a warmth that transcends all glowing coals  
It's fount is in Port Isaac folks' souls  
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*reprinted in memory of Eric*

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# Chorale has plenty to sing about!

2011 has been a good year for the Port Isaac Chorale. It began with their musical director being presented with the MBE 'For services to music and to the community of Port Isaac' and no-one would dispute there couldn't have been a more worthy recipient. For over 40 years, Janet has promoted music within the village and beyond, setting up a range of choirs and musical groups and organising many musical events. The Port Isaac Chorale continues to go from strength to strength under her directorship and once again were awarded the cup for best adult choir at the Wadebridge Music Festival.

The Chorale will be out and about over the Christmas period if you'd like to come and listen. This year, instead of the usual Carols in the Pottery evening, the choir will be singing at St Kew Church carol service on Sunday 18th December, followed by an open carol session at the Red Lion Inn, St Kew Highway where everyone is welcome to join in. Friday the 23rd will see the Chorale singing carols at the Port Gaverne Hotel. This is always a popular evening so come along and get into the Christmas spirit.

Looking forward to 2012, now's the time to make plans which aren't about the Olympics but about your own health and wellbeing. The health benefits of singing have long been recognised so read on and find out how you can approach 2012 with a whole new hobby! The Port Isaac Chorale are a group of men and women of all ages who enjoy singing a very wide range of music together and we'd like a few new members to join us in January. We are looking for both male and female (although males are particularly welcome). You will have to have a short, private audition with Janet Townsend MBE and, if successful, you will be expected to attend Tuesday evening rehearsals regularly. These only take place during school term time and there are also occasional concerts so it's not a huge commitment. If you're interested, phone Morwenna Vernon on 01208 880714 for more information. Make 2012 the year you join the Chorale and enjoy singing with a new group of friends.

And is it true, and is it true  
This most tremendous tale of  
all,  
Seen in a stained-glass window's  
hue,  
A Baby in an ox's stall?  
The Maker of the stars and sea  
Become a Child on earth for  
me?

And is it true? For if it is,  
No loving fingers tying strings  
Around those tissued fripperies,  
The sweet and silly Christmas  
things,  
Bath salts and inexpensive scent  
And hideous tie so kindly meant,

No love that in a family dwells,  
No carolling in frosty air,  
Nor all the steeple-shaking bells  
Can with this single Truth  
compare -  
That God was man in Palestine  
And lives today in Bread and  
Wine.

Taken from 'Christmas'  
by John Betjeman



Following our AGM the following officers were elected

Chairman: Gail Morwood  
Secretary: Clare Jon  
Treasurer: Cheri O'Toole

We held our end of season dinner on December 4th where we were proud to present a cheque to The Cornwall Leukaemia Trust, our chosen charity for 2011. Thank you to everyone who has supported our events during the year, it is wonderful to have so many friends of the club

Once again we will be having our annual Gig Push at the end of the month, look out for the posters soon.

We are all looking forward to the 2012 season where we hope to increase our membership and compete in even more events

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

# Record Poppy Appeal collection

I would like to thank you all for giving so generously to this year's Poppy Appeal - the 90th Anniversary of the beginning of the Royal British Legion. Your generosity of monies given from individuals, organisations, wreaths, street-to-street collections, shops and hotels raised the outstanding amount of £3152.38. A record high. For a small community, this amount is incredible and I thank you all.

As I am sure you are aware, the Royal British Legion relies on the kindness of the public to finance their very high costs every year, especially during this time. So many families have suffered in so many ways and the RBL, along with Help for Heroes, SAFA and so many other brilliant organisations, are always there to help in whatever way they can. They cover every aspect of those 'in need' and will always endeavour to never let anyone down.

A huge thank you goes to so many people who worked so hard to make this event so memorable. To the team in St Peter's who polished all the brass and silver, for Noreen Honey for her beautiful autumn flower arrangement by the altar and to Janet Chadband for doing such beautiful vases full of altar poppies. The Church looked so welcoming and warm. Huge thanks must go to Marion and her son Francis Larkin for all their hard work and greeting all the congregation so kindly.

We were so lucky to have Canon Peter Larkin to conduct the service so beautifully, especially his sermon which everyone present appreciated enormously, and a very grateful thank you to Sandy Hancock who played the organ. As always we rely on David Phelps and Ted Childs to play their very important part in the service, and of course Peter Bowers who is such a dignified Standard Bearer. This year we collected over £155 just at the service. Thank you for your generosity and for attending,

I do wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a trouble-free 2012.

**Annie Price**  
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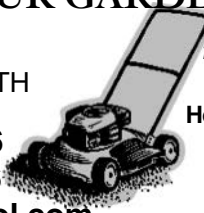
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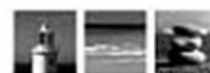
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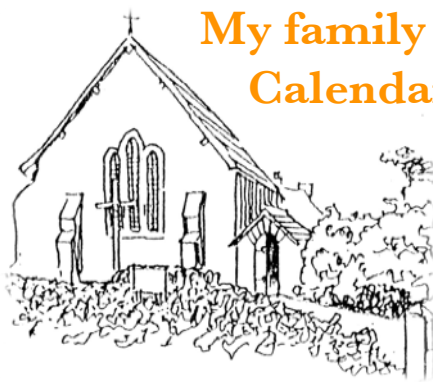
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## My family has always had Advent Calendars – remember them?!

There's a lovely picture (in the old days a Church or village scene with snow, glitter and carol singers - nowadays might be a shopping centre!) and starting on December 1st you open a window every day. Each day some exciting new thing is revealed: an angel, a bell, a snowman, or whatever it is. Then on Christmas Eve the children excitedly open the last window. This is normally twice the size of all the others and behind it is the crib scene –

Jesus lying in the manger, with Mary and Joseph, shepherds, cows – the lot!

Each day you open a window. And I think we still have to do this. This year I've even ordered some Advent calendars from America which are reproductions of ones we had when I was a child in Germany just after the War. I can't wait to see them when they come!

But what I mean is not just opening the windows and doors on the calendar. What we really have to open are the windows and doors of our lives: to other people, to new life, to God, to a new year full of new possibilities and meaning.

I hope Advent and Christmas is a time of great wonder and joy for you! Open the door of your heart to new life and hope!

*from John May*



## A new service for everyone at St Peter's

Until now, every Sunday at St Peter's there has been a Holy Communion service at 9.45am. But with nine churches in our group now, I have challenged each church to have one service each month which could (at least sometimes) be led by someone who is not a priest. I think St Peter's got quite excited about this! We loved 'Church & Cake' - our children's service. But very sadly the families drifted a bit. Was it summertime? I forget. And what we are going to do now is a special service for all ages on the third Sunday of every month, starting on January 15th.

We wondered what to call it. Was it a kind of resounding Songs of Praise? Was it a 'Family Service'? Would it be called 'All age worship'? In the end, we just said, Look! This is going to be Informal Worship. It might be like a Songs of Praise, it will be for young and old, it won't include Holy Communion, we would hope to introduce modern music bit by bit, we might say one Sunday "No sermon! We're going to have coffee early and have a discussion" = "Cafe Church", or we might light candles and reflect a bit with some beautiful music being played.

I can tell you that it will be the people who will come who will make it what it will be! Please come! By coming you will be able to make Port Isaac a place where the spiritual life is truly alive and God is praised. January 15th - 9.45am. Come and help make it what it will be!

*John*

A Happy and Peaceful Christmas  
and New Year to all  
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## Church Diary Dates

### Sunday December 18th

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

6.00pm - Nine Lessons & Carols, St Kew Church

### Christmas Eve, Friday December 24th

3.00pm - Crib & Christingle, St Peter's Church, Port Isaac

**NB earlier time of 10.00pm - Midnight Mass, St Peter's Church, Port Isaac**

11.30pm - Midnight Mass, St Endellion Church

### Christmas Day, Saturday December 25th

11.00am - Christmas Family Eucharist, St Endellion Church

### Sunday January 1st

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

11.00am - Sung Eucharist, St Endellion Church

### Wednesday January 4th

7.30pm - Healing Eucharist Cropstone, Pityme (Howard & Frances Kent)

### Friday January 6th (The Epiphany)

7.00pm - Sung Eucharist & Procession, St Endellion Church

### Sunday January 8th

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

11.00am - Sung Eucharist, St Endellion Church

6.00pm - Taize Service, St Endellion Church

### Sunday January 15th

9.45am - **NEW Service of the Word**, St Peter's Church, Port Isaac

11.00am - Sung Eucharist, St Endellion Church

### Sunday January 22nd

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

11.00am - Sung Eucharist, St Endellion Church

### Wednesday January 25th (Conversion of St Paul)

7pm - Eucharist, St Endellion Church

7.30pm - Mothers Union

### Thursday January 26th

8.00pm - Julian meeting for Meditation Thalassa, Porthilly

### Sunday January 29th

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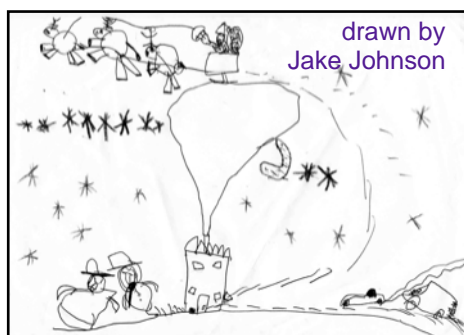
## Santa Claws went to Truro!

Claude, a giant six foot lobster mascot greeted customers at Waterstones Bookshop when local author Sarah Boothroyd and illustrator Caroline Cleave promoted their new children's book 'Claude gets his Claws'.

Andrew Forster, Manager of Waterstones said, 'We like to promote local authors and this book is no exception with its beautiful illustrations of our Cornish lobster. 50% of the proceeds feed back into the marine conservation of this enigmatic species around Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly and we are delighted to support the charitable work of the National Lobster Hatchery.'

The story follows Claude and his 4,000 brothers and sisters, from egg on the underside of their mum's tale to graduating with proper claws. To being caught in a lobster pot and taken to the lobster hatchery where they are nurtured through their most vulnerable stage of their life cycle and finally being released back into the wild to start their new life.

The idea of the book was to generate additional income for the charitable work of the National Lobster Hatchery in Padstow; a marine conservation, education and research programme that promotes the importance of sustainable fisheries, boosts the local population of the European Lobster through a stock enhancement programme and in turn, supports local communities that still heavily rely upon fishing. Said Dominic Boothroyd, General Manager of the National Lobster Hatchery, 'We are delighted that the book has been so successful since hitting the shelves only six months ago. This book is a really exciting way for children to find out about the lifecycle of this amazing creature that is found on our doorstep'.



## Being blind doesn't mean dying by inches in an armchair!

I have been registered blind for 11 years but have only been totally blind for 11 months. In all of that time I've learned that I can still do many of the things I previously did. With determination, imagination, a little help from my friends and a lot of help from my guide dog(s), being blind didn't have to mean dying by inches in an armchair.

Recently I took part in a sculpture course for the visually impaired sponsored by Cornwall Blind Association at which we were taught by Richard Austin, whose skill, empathy and encouragement enabled us to see through our fingers and achieve more than we hoped. We all did different things. Some made several things over the nine lessons. One of us brought in a live snail from her garden as the model for the day. It was neither interested nor cooperative and kept moving with surprising speed out of her very limited range of residual vision.



Kathie with her sculpture of Omar's head

My aim was to sculpt the head of Omar, my first very beautiful and languid guide dog known to many of you, now thoroughly enjoying his retirement with a friend of mine in Callington. It was finished in the last hour of the final lesson. It feels like Omar to me. Does it look like Omar to you?

If funds can be raised for another course next year.. or at sometime in the future... perhaps I'll have a go at Urma's lovely head. Urma is my new very young, very bouncy, very beautiful, very efficient guide dog whom few of you have yet met. You will.

Best wishes to one and all from Kathie and Urma of course.

## My Christmas Hamper by Michael Trewin

Christmas should belong to Santa. Christmas begins exciting. Christmas looks like snow and fun. Christmas sounds like screaming children. Christmas smells like trees. Christmas wishes are like the wind. Christmas kisses are like poison. Christmas tears are like raindrops. Christmas smiles are like snow. Christmas dinner is like a King's feast.

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# SANTA IS COMING TO PORT ISAAC

**Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Come and see him at the following Santa stops**

**6.00pm at Hillson Close**

**Top of Mayfield Road**

**Outside the School (Mayfield Road)**

**Tintagel Terrace (halfway along)**

**Fore Street at the entrance to the Coastpath  
entrance to Silvershell**

**BRING YOUR LETTERS TO SANTA  
TO PUT IN HIS CHRISTMAS POST  
BOX THAT WILL BE ON THE SLEIGH**

## Diary Dates

**Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Kerbside Recycling - bags out by 7am

Carnival Bingo Night in St Peter's  
Church Rooms - 7.30pm

**Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>**

Carnival Ladies Night in Port Isaac  
Village Hall - 7.30pm

**Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas Whist Drive in St Endellion  
Church Hall

**Wednesday December 28<sup>th</sup>**

Kerbside Recycling - bags out by 7am

**Thursday December 29<sup>th</sup>**

RNLI Barn Dance in the Village Hall

**2012**

**Monday January 2<sup>nd</sup>**

New Year Bank Holiday

**Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup>**

Kerbside Recycling - bags out by 7am

**Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup>**

Kerbside Recycling - bags out by 7am

**Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>**

PISCES BIG Posh Afternoon Tea in the  
Village Hall

**Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Launch of PISCES 'Tin Can Tummy and  
Rusty Bum' Exhibition

**Saturday March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Port Isaac's annual Hospice Day

**Sunday August 5<sup>th</sup>**

Port Isaac RNLI Lifeboat Larks

**Sunday August 26<sup>th</sup>**

The BIG Swim

## Regular Events

**Port Isaac Stay & Playgroup** - every Tuesday (not during school holidays) from  
10.00am to 12noon in the Village Hall. Contact Laura on 881089 or Cherry on 07900  
527610

**Yoga** - Mondays, during term time, in the Village Hall from 10.30am-12noon. Thursday  
nights at Port Isaac School from 7.30pm. Contact Tracey Greenhalgh on 01208 880215

**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 Annie Philp on 01208 880262

**Exercise to Music** - every Tuesday during term time from 6.30pm-7.30pm at Port  
Isaac School. Contact Angela on 01208 880318

## Church Services

**St Peter's Church, Port Isaac**

Sunday - Sung Eucharist at 9.45am Every third Sunday - Family Service at 9.45am

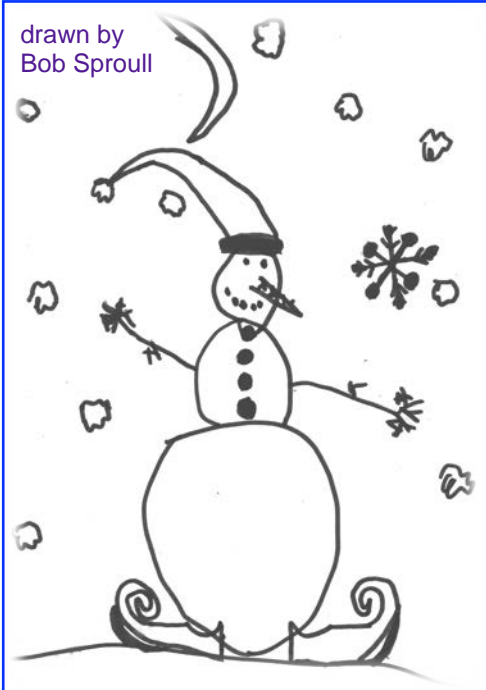
**St Endellion Church** - Every Sunday at 11.00am

**Trelights Methodist Church** - Sunday Service at 6.00pm  
Fellowship Service - second Tuesday 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 your event is included here!  
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