

Port Isaac Golden Circle

The Port Isaac Golden Circle is 47 years old this year. It was formed after a successful party for the village over 60s by the Mother's Union in 1964.

The name was chosen at the first meeting held in the Church Rooms on February 18th 1964. The committee was Mrs Townend (wife of the Rev Townend), Mrs Sproull (wife of Dr Sproull, our local GP), Mrs Donnithorne, Mrs Harris, Mrs Proctor, Mrs Ransome, Mrs Cowling, Mrs Platt, Mrs Billing, Mrs May and Miss Saundry.

Meetings were held once a week on a Wednesday afternoon in the Church Rooms. Each member paid 6d subs and 1d for a raffle ticket. The meeting started with a game of Pass the Parcel. They also played bingo, dominoes, cards, beetle drive and did a lot of singing, according to the old meeting minutes. Cups of tea and refreshments were served to all. They also saved weekly through the year to take an annual holiday. Bournemouth and Exmouth were favourite destinations. That would be some peoples only holiday.

Our meetings our now held monthly from October to April in the Village Hall. We have a speaker or an occasional craft activity. Tea and refreshments are still very much in evidence and enjoyed. We go out for lunch around Christmas time and again in February to celebrate our birthday month. We have two outings a year; one in the summer. Last year we went to Falmouth and back to Truro on a boat trip. Then in November we went on a Christmas shopping trip to Falmouth.

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