

The St Breward Silver Band

a summer Thursday night fixture in Port Isaac for many years

POLICE GALORE Band Leader Arrested

The last night of the St. Breward Band Summer Season at Port Isaac ended in its usual hilarious uproar and chaos.

This year's Last Night was combined with a public relations and goodwill exercise with the Devon and Cornwall Police which was very well received by visitors and locals alike. The exercise was carried out by the newly formed 'Kernow Cops' of Port Isaac - M. Dingle, J. Dennis, G. Rowe, P. Collins, H. Collins, and P. Richards.

First to be arrested was Mickie Hunt 'Musical Director of St. Breward Band' charged with not having a work permit or passport. After his arrest he was escorted to the Platt and released on bail with a promise to return in June 1986.

The Flora Dance down through the village was very colourful, led by dancers from Polzeath, Camelford, and St. Breward. As we all expected, the band was in great form and on this beautiful summer evening there was a greatly appreciative holiday crowd.

The ever-popular 'Birdie Dance' and the 'Can-Can' were danced with great enthusiasm.

A big 'thank you' to all members of the band and their helpers for coming to Port Isaac every Thursday during the summer and giving so much pleasure with their music.

Unfortunately, due to pressure of work, our Community Policeman Dave LeBailly was unable to attend, but thanks to Special Constable Margaret Lightfoot of Wadebridge for her control of the traffic and the very large crowd during the evening.

Peggy Richards.

September 1985

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND

The tide was right, the weather super, the Band in fine form, so with these ingredients how could we fail to put on a splendid performance to a really bumper audience for the 'Finale' of the summer season.

Once again we have received tremendous support from Peggy and her friends (the Dancers and costumes were a treat). Sincere thanks to them, and to the Harbour Commissioners, Fishermen, David Castle, the Car Park Attendant, all the Police, the Hoteliers for power for the lights (very necessary), the coloured display (delightful - a new one this year), to everyone for displaying posters, Alf and Sylvia at 'The Lawns', and to everyone who helped to make the visits so worthwhile.

The Band will be down as usual at Christmas (see 'Diary'), collections for the Salvation Army this time, and a visit to 'The Chapel' is on the cards. Best wishes to everyone, Micky Hunt.

The Band have arranged to come on Sunday 22nd. November and accompany the hymns at the Evening Service in the Methodist Chapel at 6 o'clock. They will give a musical programme at 7.30, and everyone is invited to come and enjoy their visit. (See 'Diary')

October 1987

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND AT PORT ISAAC.

Last 'Nite of the Proms.

No wind blowing and a clear sky, low tide and a large enthusiastic crowd, sweets and Party Poppers for the children, supporters in Fancy Dress, the Coastguard on exercise with flares and Thunder Flashes to support 'Rule Britannia and the Sea Songs. Who could wish for a better end to a 'Tongue in Cheek', SUMMER Season? The weather frustrated our efforts more than in previous years. Our visits would not be possible without the support of many people in the Village in various ways, and we would like to express our Sincere Thanks to every one, too numerous to mention.

Our first visit to the Platt, at Port Isaac was on July 26th. 1960, and the collection was £6 13 9½d.

The Band was founded in 1899 so it is back to the Bandroom to plan events for the Centenary Year, hopefully we shall make another Cassette.

Ted tells me that the R.N.L.I. is 175 years young as well, so perhaps we can do something together.

Meanwhile, Our Very Best Wishes and Sincere Thanks to Everybody.

Micky Hunt

September 1998

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

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

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

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

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

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

David Castle

September 2004

ST. BREWARD BAND

There is a possibility that a television film crew may be in Port Isaac next week. If this happens, they will be filming the band in the evening of Thursday 7th.

Kevin Bragg.

July 1994

St Breward Band celebrate 100 years

Ted got the weather right, Byron organised the tide and all the rest fell into line.

The St Breward Silver Band would like to express it's appreciation to Janet Townsend and the Chorale, the Fishermen's Friends and everyone at the 'Station' for organising the event and the lovely refreshments.

One hundred years is a long time but 175 years is fantastic - long may the RNLI continue its very important work.

The Band has now been providing musical entertainment in the village for 39 years and has made many friends, both locals and visitors. It is surprising how many people

organise their holiday to include a visit to 'Port' every year.

Our new recordings and souvenir brochure are portraying the village all over the world.

What a grand finale - Land of Hope and Glory, Rule Britannia and Trelawney. Long may it all continue.

**Micky Hunt, Musical Director
St Breward Silver Band**

A special open-air 'birthday' concert took place on the Platt on Sunday July 18th. It was organised by the RNLI to celebrate the St Breward Silver Band's 100th Anniversary and to say a special thank you.

The band plays at all the RNLI's special events, the annual Lifeboat Service and Lifeboat Larks and in September will be helping to celebrate the official handover and naming of the new Inshore Lifeboat.

**Don't miss the
St Breward Silver Band
playing on the Platt every
Thursday evening
(til early September)**

at 7.45pm August 1999

