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PORT ISAAC SHANTY FESTIVAL *September 17th-19th*



PORT ISAAC CARNIVAL

**SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 11TH**

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PORT ISAAC
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CINEMA

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Monday September 27th - 7pm

AN EARLY DAY FILMS PRODUCTION

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A FILM BY MARK JENKIN

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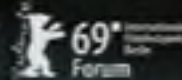
Tension rises to the breaking point in a Cornwall fishing village when the locals are crowded out by tourists ...

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5.30pm: Judging

6pm: - Procession

(ROAD CLOSES from 5.45pm-7.15pm)

7.15pm: Prize Giving

7.30pm: Live music from RUDH
& SHARKNADO plus licensed bar,

PORT ISAAC CARNIVAL GRAND TOMBOLA!

We are making a big change to our raffle this year! Instead of spending an hour calling raffle numbers on carnival night, which we all know can get a bit boring, we are having a GRAND TOMBOLA which will run up at the field from 3pm.

Tickets will be £1 and there will be the chance of winning big prizes such as meals to restaurants in the village or small prizes such as a tin of beans!! Whatever the prize is you take it home there and then!

You can still join in with tombola fun even if you aren't going to be at the carnival - just pop some money in an envelope with your name & phone number on to either Kat, Alice, Charlotte or Nikki B and we will draw your tickets for you on the day!

CARNIVAL JUDGING CATEGORIES

Jill Aldridge CHILDREN'S COMEDY Cup

Secrets ARTISTIC Award

BEST TRADE / BUSINESS

Best Vintage Vehicle

Best Comic Entry

Wendy Smith CHILDREN'S Cup

Nick Bunt's ADULT COMEDY CUP

Best Walking Single

Best Walking Group

Fairy Queen Group

Carnival Queen Group

Best Royalty Float

Sue Dingle WALKING SINGLE Cup

VISITING ROYALTY

Peggy Richards BEST IN CARNIVAL Cup

and new for 2021

Yvonne Taylor's BEST DOG IN CARNIVAL

**get your creative pants on and start
planning those floats**

A busy month at St Peter's Church

August has certainly been a busy month at St Peter's. We have had many visitors coming into church and from their comments they have appreciated being in a peaceful place and have enjoyed the Port Isaac Heritage exhibition.

Early in August we had the St Endellion and St Peter's Fete that was held in the hall and garden of St Endellion Church Hall. Very few fetes have been held in the area this summer and it proved to be a roaring success and raised was £7,000. The money raised goes towards both churches.

I would like to thank everyone who made the fete so successful, to those who organised the day, to the many who baked and gave items for the different stalls, to the ones who manned the stalls and most importantly to everyone who came on the day and made the fete a financial success.

At the end of the month we had our first wedding in the refurbished church. It was the truly local wedding of Martin Thomas and Kathryn McDonnell. Although the weather was not kind, that did not dampen the spirits of the wedding party and their guests. We wish them every happiness in the future.

August also heralded the start of serving coffee and tea after services and even wine on special occasions.

We look forward to September and the official opening of the church by the Bishop of Truro and then our second local wedding in October.

*Pat Pearson
Chapel Warden*

ST ENDELLION & ST PETER'S, PORT ISAAC GARDEN FETE

Held on August 11th and
opened by Martin Bailie
the fete raised the
magnificent sum of

£7,000

Congratulations to all
who made the day
such a success



A new Port Isaac Heritage exhibition

Open daily from September 14th in St Peter's Church



Friday September 17th through to
Sunday September 19th

JOIN US FOR A LAID BACK OPENING TO OUR FESTIVAL

UP AT OUR MAIN SITE, THE PORT ISAAC
PLAYING FIELD, THE BAR WILL BE OPEN AND
THE BBQ WILL BE FIRED UP ...

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SEPTEMBER 17th-19th 2021

Scott Mann writes

Three-quarters of UK adults have received both doses of a COVID-19 vaccine as our incredible vaccine rollout continues and we build up a wall of protection against the virus. Getting two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine is the key to enjoying freedoms safely, with the protection of two vaccines helping to save over 60,000 lives and severely weaken the link between COVID-19 cases, hospitalisations, and deaths. Thanks to the fantastic work of the NHS, volunteers and everyone involved in the incredible vaccine rollout, three in four adults across the UK have now had both doses of the vaccine – a huge national achievement, which we should all be proud of. We urge everybody who has not yet received their second dose to do so as soon as possible to protect themselves, protect their loved ones and allow us all to safely return to normal life.

Last week we opened a consultation on plans for new Local Nature Recovery strategies across England, part of the measures we are taking in our landmark Environment Bill to protect our precious natural environment. Restoring our natural world and protecting it for future generations will bring a wealth of benefits to people, our environment, and our economy as we build back greener from the pandemic. That is why today we are opening a consultation on plans for Local Nature Recovery Strategies, which will allow local communities to work together to identify where we should take action for nature's recovery as part of our national Nature Recovery Network. They will also identify opportunities to mitigate flood risk, plant trees or restore peatland for carbon sequestration to mitigate climate change. These Local Nature Recovery Strategies will be a key part of our green recovery and help kick-start the creation of over a million acres of joined-up habitats that people can enjoy across the country.

The government is putting in place ambitious plans to take in more medical and dental students across England. We have recently expanded the number of medical training places by 1,500 and opened five new medical schools in under doctored areas. Last year the Government also lifted the cap to accommodate more additional medical and dental students on the back of the unprecedented demand, and we are going to go further in recognising the efforts students have put in achieving their A level grades. We are pleased to announce that the Department of Health and Social Care will provide new funding to expand medical and dentistry university places for the 2021/22 academic year for UK students who have achieved the required grades and who have met the conditions of their offer and hold a firm or insurance offer at a medical or dental school in England. This will be a welcome development in the future for constituencies like North Cornwall where we have historically faced a lack of dental provision. If you have just finished your A-Levels and would like to know more then please drop me an email via scott@scottmann.org.uk

As always, if my team and I can be of assistance in any way, get in touch via scott@scottmann.org.uk or call my Bodmin office on 01208 74337.



Port Isaac Community Farmer's Market

The Community Farmer's Market is held at the Hard Standing next to the playing field in Port Isaac on the **last Sunday of each month**. Dates for the rest of the year are:

September 26th
October 31st
December 5th

The market's ethos is to bring fresh and artisan foods and drink to the village for the community, reducing the need to leave the village.

The **Growers' Hub** continues to do well. Donations of surplus garden produce (no matter how small) are always very welcome. Profits will be reinvested into the market and also donated to local projects.

With approval of the Parish Council, hot food and drinks are now available. Seating has been purchased and customers can meet up with one another during the market and enjoy sampling what's on offer.

The Community Farmer's Market started as an idea in lockdown when producers and buyers were brought together.

We are looking for volunteers of all ages to help the committee on the day setting up, leaflet distribution and social media. Please contact us on the Facebook page of the Port Isaac Community Farmers Market.

DID YOU KNOW

WHEN PARENTS ARRIVE ON A **RNLI** LIFEGUARDED BEACH THEY SHOULD TAKE THEIR CHILD/CHILDREN TO THE **LIFEGUARD HUT** WHERE THEY WILL EACH BE GIVEN, FREE OF CHARGE, A WRISTBAND. THE PARENTS MOBILE NO. CAN BE WRITTEN ON WRISTBAND IN WATERPROOF INK BEFORE IT IS ATTACHED TO THE CHILD.

THE CHILD SHOULD BE TOLD TO GO TO THE LIFEGUARD HUT IF "LOST" AND LIFEGUARD WILL PHONE MOBILE NUMBER.

ALL RNLI LIFEGUARDS ARE DBB CHECKED

The poster features illustrations of a red crab, a green starfish, a red crab, a green turtle, and a yellow seahorse.

EXHIBITION

IT'S ALL ABOUT
THE FISHING &
THE SINGING

open daily - free entry

A new Port Isaac Heritage exhibition

Open daily from September 14th in St Peter's Church

Music and fishing Port Isaac have been an intrinsic part of the Port Isaac story. Over the centuries, when fishing was the main support for most of the village, singing would be heard from the old chapels, from the public bars and from the harbour, where outdoor church services were held up until recent times. Port Isaac has proudly produced award-winning singers on all fronts including Shirley's dad, Jack Collings who was known as 'The singer on the radio', the Port Isaac Ladies Choir, our Chorale, the Carn Awn singers, Gulls and the (very!) famous Fisherman's Friends, whose story has turned into two movies and a soon-to-be stage musical. Who would have thought such triumphs from a small Cornish fishing village?

Originally the singing was inspired by chapel hymns (Cornish gospel music!) only to be mashed together with irreverent old Cornish songs from the pub telling tales of *Little Lize*, *Camborne Hill* and more. As life improved for most and moved away from the hardships of the sea, the songs began to be consciously drawn with a mixture of nostalgia and celebration from the old traditions of the global sea shanty.

This new exhibition opens in celebration of the 'Port Isaac Shanty Festival' and continues throughout the autumn and winter. It salutes the lives of the fishermen and women of Port Isaac over the years as well as everyone else who could 'hold a note'!

www.portisaacheritage.co.uk

"bringing alive the past and the present"

St Peter's Church ... free entry ... open daily

including our Touch Screen with masses of archive material on it

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

The three Port Isaac Heritage books, *The Real Voices of Port Isaac*, *A Taste of Port Isaac* and *A Second Helping of Port Isaac* are our main fundraiser and can be purchased online or in the village at Secrets, the Pottery or at Trevathan Farm, priced just £10 each



MEL HAS LEFT
THE BUILDING ...
*after 14 years working
at the Co-op,
Mel has retired*
we will miss you
Happy every day
of your retirement
Mel

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St Endellion
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This year's fabulous programme of author events, workshops and musical events can be found and booked online at www.ncornbookfest.org/whats-on or [instagram@NCornBookFest](https://www.instagram.com/NCornBookFest)

There will also be our café offering an array of fabulous food and for the first time a retail marketplace which will include the Festival bookshop, a variety of Cornish crafts, plants, flowers, a coffee and tea van, homemade cakes and gin.

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In the garden with Pete the gardener

Using Compost to Mulch

Hopefully your compost heap has been working well all summer long. You should be able to feel the warmth through your finger tips, and the level should certainly have fallen. Try to dig it out now, because the next month or two will provide a glut of green material as crops are harvested and cleared.

Well rotted compost should look crumbly and dark and smell sweet. It will feed your plants, and act as a mulch and keep moisture in. At this time of the year a layer of compost soon disappears into the ground, pulled down by the worms. It is important to make sure that the plants you mulch are fully grown, as slugs will home in on any tender young plants.

Secrets of success

- site your compost bin somewhere warm
- keep the compost moist and covered - opened up cardboard boxes are ideal
- chop large pieces of green material with a spade or invest in a shredder
- feel the heap regularly. The time to turn it is when the heap begins to cool down.
- Turning is the key to quicker compost
- do not add too many grass clippings and always try to rot them partially first before adding them.

and did you know ...

Composting is an ancient art. The people of Mesopotamia were doing it 1000 years before Moses was born.

There are references to composting in the Old Testament and in ancient Chinese writings. The ancient Greeks practised composting, taking straw from animal stalls and burying it in cultivated fields.



Banana Plant - (Red Abyssinian)

This is a spectacular plant with enormous red tinged leaves which is ideal as the centre piece in a tropical themed border. This can be planted in full sun or partial shade in fertile, moist but well drained soil. Mulch the roots and protect the stem with horticultural fleece or thick layer of straw in the autumn.

Red Admiral

A large and strong flying butterfly which is common in gardens, sea shores and town centres and is typically seen nectaring on garden buddleias, flowering ivy and on rotting fruit.



Tree Ferns - (Dicksonia Antarctica) - grow in partial shade

In terms of visual impact it is a great way to add style and substance to your gardens for the long term. It is important to water well and use a liquid fertiliser to feed the plant and keep it sheltered in the winter months. The tree fern starts as a bare, soft bristly truck. In the late Spring the fronds begin to unfurl. Within a few weeks, the plant is transformed, with bright green fronds, reaching sometimes a metre from the centre. After the rapid spring growth, the Tree fern makes a truly wonderful feature for any garden or patio.

Harvesting tomatoes - the large Gigantomo (beefsteak) weighs in at 953grams and red currant pea variety weighs in at 1gm. Remove any large leaves that are shielding fruit trusses, that way all the fruit should ripen. Keep well watered through hot weather and fleece on cool September nights so the plants do not get checked by cold weather.



Jobs to do in the garden in September

- Feed and weed your grass
- Cut off all 'dead' heads on flowers to keep them blooming longer
- Start cutting hedges, most bird breeding season is virtually over
- Start feeding the birds to help them through the moulting period and for the birds getting ready for migration
- Keep watering plants in pots
- Time to start thinking about next spring flowering bulbs

SOME FISHY BUSINESS

Just thought I might take some time to let you know what's going on with all things Fisherman's Friends – short of occasionally blurting it out at the till in the Coop or on the unusual occasion of meeting someone local, I don't suppose folk have much idea what we're up to.

Although it's been impossible with the pandemic restrictions to do our normal Friday nights down at the Platt, we've managed to get a few organised performances under our belts.



Back in May we did three consecutive socially-distanced nights at the Minack Theatre down west, all which were gratifyingly sold out – they've asked us to return one day at the end of the summer for a matinee followed by an evening performance. It's a fantastic and beautiful theatre, and if you've never visited, then you should. It'll make you proud to be Cornish.



Talking of fantastic and beautiful, whilst we were down there we did some filming for ITV with Bruno and Craig, the judges from Strictly (whatever that is!), and they hornpiped along to 'Oh You New York Girls, Can't You Dance the Polka.' Needless to say, they were most impressed by the size of my moustache and Jeremy's quiff (all right, enough).

Back in June, we did a bit more filming with pop singer George Ezra and some of his mates, and then for a French TV channel in preparation for them seeing the subtitled version of the film. We also performed at the Paul Ainsworth gig at the Royal Cornwall Showground in August alongside our new best mates, The Kaiser Chiefs. Aren't they the lucky ones, eh?

Anyway, alongside hob-nobbing with the stars and clumsily tripping over the light fantastic, we're doing pre-movie performances through the

summer (six in all) at Wavelength, a drive-in cinema down near Watergate, where we gig for an hour and then people get to watch the movie and eat popcorn and drink Kia Ora. We've also done two gigs down at Penlee Park, Penzance. One of these in particular kicked-off a bit due to some maybe over-enthusiastic punters who, to mix up a metaphor, were as excitable as newts! Never thought we could whip an audience up into such a state of sheer abandon and euphoria...

Over the Bank holiday weekend, we flew over to Belfast and then on to Antrim where we are really looking forward to performing at the Antrim half-marathon; singing, that is, not running in it! We'd rather take the bus, as most of us now have passes.

By the time you read this we will have recorded the musical sound track of the movie sequel at the church of St James the Great at St Kew. As you know, that is our preferred location for recording as the mics don't pick up any seagull action there, and of course it is next to the St Kew Inn. The film should be on general release next spring.

FFs the stage musical is being developed as we speak. It is to have its first run at the newly refurbished Hall for Cornwall in October, with the intention of then touring the country, and eventually ending up in the West End.

You couldn't write it, could you?

We have an autumn and winter tour organised for us as usual. This time there are 19 appearances on the pre-Christmas leg, taking us as far away as Glasgow, Ipswich, Cardiff and Plymouth, and then a similar amount in early 2022. The tours consist of blocks of three or four gigs at a time, and we all travel together in a bus with a long-suffering driver to our venues where we are met by a long-suffering tour manager. Depending on the size of the theatre, the audiences are generally between one-two thousand people – no accounting for taste, eh? Seriously, we love the performing aspect of touring, even if the daily prospect of Premier Inn full-English breakfasts and dragging up and down the motorways is a little daunting. The buoys are always most grateful when to 'walk it off', it's suggested we march up to the top of the nearest iron age hill fort or around fascinating sites of archaeological or historical significance; this ensures that we nourish the mind as well as the stomach.

Oh, and I nearly forgot to mention it...when we're not doing this we still have the day jobs and, more importantly, family. As ever, our thanks to all of them and to all of you.

And, leaving the best bit till last ... we are singing at the Port Isaac Shanty Festival which runs from Friday September 17th - Sunday September 19th, up at the Playing Field and other venues.

The FFs x

Fisherman's Friends



we all deserve a treat ...

What with all the seasons being rolled into one with the global markets, everything is available all year so this beauty will fast become an all year round treat ... trust me !



CLOTTED CREAM CAKE WITH STRAWBERRIES

Ingredients:

1100 12oz ripe strawberries
8oz self raising flour
1/4 tsp baking powder
8oz caster sugar

8oz clotted cream
2 large eggs
Zest of 1 lemon
1 tsp vanilla extract or bean paste
Strawberry jam to glaze

You will need 9in spring form cake tin, greased and lined and preheat your oven to 160°

METHOD:

- 1 Slice about 8 of the strawberries and leave to one side and chop the remainder
- 2 In a medium bowl put all the ingredients apart from fruit and beat well. Add fruit and stir in till evenly distributed. Tip into lined tin and level off. Then arrange sliced strawberries on top
- 3 Bake for bout 1 hour (check after 50 mins) or until cake is firm to the touch and nicely browned
- 4 Cool in the tin for 5 mins and while cooling warm up jam and brush on top (no big bits though!!!) while still hot.

This cake is sooo good it truly deserves a Gert big dollop of clotted cream on top !!!



Kim's Chicken and Vegetable Soup

just the thing for when the days start getting shorter and there's a bit of a chill in the air ...

1 whole chicken
2 chicken stock cubes

2 large carrots
3 celery stalks
6 radishes halved
1 onion quartered
Salt and pepper

Sweetcorn
Diced carrots
Green beans

Put the chicken and vegetables un the centre column with the salt and pepper into a large pan and just cover with hot water. Bring to the boil and boil for 30 minutes. Switch off the heat and leave in the pan for another hour to finish cooking.

Take out the chicken and sieve the stock taking out the vegetables which you can discard. Put the stock back in the pan add the new fresh vegetables (listed in the right hand column plus) any other vegetables you like which you think might go in this soup cut into small bite sized pieces. Cook for 10 mins. Whilst this is cooking, strip all the meat off the chicken and cut into bite sized pieces (this is a lot of chicken you could keep a breast for chicken sandwiches and still have plenty in the soup). Add the chicken to the soup and cook for another 5 minutes to heat the meat.

This is a very basic Chicken soup so to make it a bit more to your taste add your favorite spices and herbs. It is not a thick soup, it is a get better chicken soup which is great when you are recovering from an illness. If you don't have a whole chicken you could use chicken pieces.



St Endellion Parish Council

Contract & Maintenance Supervisor Report

August is still a recent blurred memory for me, as it usually is for most people working in the tourism/hospitality sector. So many people making treasured holiday memories, needing everything to be great. Not easy for anyone at this time of year whatever it might be; running a restaurant, hotel etc or trying to maintain litter bins, clean streets and loos, ensure parking ticket machines are functioning and footpaths in good condition.

A Saturday morning, change over day, with dull weather seemed a good opportunity to carry out the play area inspection, when it wouldn't be too busy. The safety mats are now a top priority, but as the ground is still so dry it's not possible to carry out the work. I'm monitoring the condition of the surface in the hope that it won't be necessary to restrict use of the swings until the mats have been replaced.

There's been a topographical survey carried out in the play area, the football field and the area below, as the first stage in the first phase of developing the whole area for the village. And three quotes have been requested for two new items for the play area.

The regular grass cutting in the parish has continued and some of the footpaths have had a further cut. However, it's not been possible for the contractor to keep up with the demanding vegetation growth due to staff shortages, but they are trying their best to keep the most walked paths clear. The pending paths will be done as soon as there's personnel to cut them.

One afternoon I tried to walk a footpath from St Endellion towards Trevathan Farm, but decided to turn back when I was on the brow of the hill and could see it was raining in the middle distance and heading in my direction. This made me make several mental notes 1.) check the weather forecast (I know it can be very changeable in this part of the world but it will help you with the next point 2.) always make sure you're wearing the suitable clothing for the conditions, unlike me; Converse Allstar's on my feet and no waterproofs! 3.) I need to go back that way, even if it's only for the view, which was far-reaching. Way over towards Wadebridge and St Breock.

At Trelights Village Green the newly refurbished notice board is now up and looking very superior to the previous one! The bench bases are still to be laid, progress on this is being made, slowly. Phil Burnard who's going to do the work has been quite busy and on top of that it's been impossible to source the paving slabs to go on top of the bases. With autumn just around the corner they might be in stock soon.

A few weeks ago I met up with a tree officer from Cornwall Council in Trelights to discuss various issues in the hamlet. James Gregory was very helpful and the information he provided has been passed on to those people who have concerns regarding the trees in question. I also asked about the triangle of land adjacent to the Methodist Church where there are a couple of rows of trees; including some

beech and sycamores, both a sweet and horse Chestnut, a lime and a copper beech. James offered advice on what should be done to maintain these trees and make the most of the space. He did some checking at Cornwall Council regarding ownership of that piece of land. It doesn't appear to belong to Cornwall Council. So if anyone does know who owns it maybe they could let me or the Parish Council Clerk know and we can discuss what the advice is for it and the trees.

As mentioned in August's report for *Trio*; 'a BT manhole [in Trelights] is in a very bad state' having reported it to BT along with one of their engineers, who just happened to be nearby, it's now undergone a complete repair.

The refurbished fingerpost at the top of Church Hill on the junction with the road from St Endellion to Trelights is now adorned with a fancy new finial. I think it looks so much better with that finishing touch!

One of the 'fingers' on the fingerpost at the junction of New Road and Trewetha Lane, opposite Hartland Road, was discussed at the last Parish Council meeting (9/8/2021). Cornwall Highway Dept. map shows it directed down Trewetha Lane. The outcome was that the finger would be moved, so that it points more along New Road, which has now been done.

The Main car park's enforcement company has changed. The new company has taken over the patrolling and ticketing of offending vehicles. They've even promised to carry out some litter picking while they are here! So far they seem to be very

continued overleaf ...

Anti-social incident at Main car park

I was asked to take a look at some scorch marks around the front of Lulu's Kiosk at the Main car park on Trewetha Lane recently. Some on the wooden cladding and a couple of areas on the UPVC window frame. It was clear that someone had held a flame against these points.

I checked the cctv footage covering the kiosk for the previous few evenings. It didn't take long to find the right clip which showed first one person; but eventually joined by others until there were five people around the front of the kiosk, on Saturday 14th August at approximately 10.30pm for a couple of hours.

Mostly, the behaviour wasn't much of a concern, except when one of the group took their cigarette lighter and held the flame against the front of the kiosk on the wooden cladding and the UPVC window frame, creating burnt marks where the flame was paused. At least three of the people easily identifiable are resident to Port Isaac.

The incident has been reported to the Police.

Clare Jon

One of the scorch marks



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thorough with new signage to ensure that visitors are aware of the legislation regarding how, where and tariffs for their vehicles.

Port Isaac Community Farmers Market had another successful market and were able to utilise their new tables and benches. Creating a very sociable space for locals and visitors alike to enjoy their locally sourced refreshments and catch-up with all the news.

It's time for toilet talk! There have been issues at all 3 toilet blocks in Port Isaac. Roscarrock Hill, the accessible loo door lock was damaged. This doesn't seem too terrible, except that the lock is wired into the coin machine and has to be repaired by an electrician. One of the coin machines was jammed with copper coins, I was able to fix this, saving the Parish Council a call out fee and repair bill. At the Main toilets over the past month, there's been all sorts of issues with plumbing. The details of which I will spare you! Suffice to say that 2 plumber visits and a lot of floor mopping has resolved the problems! On the plus side, the Parish Council have been complimented several times for the cleanliness at New Road, Roscarrock Hill and Port Gaverne toilets!

Other things that have cropped up have included: the bent railings at New Road shop removed straighten and replaced.

Re-fixed the 'access only' sign outside Secrets when it was windy, had blown over and was likely to do some damage to the wall. I was assisted by a passerby who provided some handy cable ties!

Been contacted by Fishing for Litter who asked for a response to how we were dealing with ghost fishing net and ropes. They were very pleased that progress has been made and some of the waste equipment will be going to a recycling company to be turned into kayaks and sun glasses! I guess you need to look cool when paddling about on the water!

Reporting anti-social behaviour at Main toilets to the Community Police Team. More about this in a separate piece. The new CCTV cameras have been very helpful with this incident.

Assisting visitors with their enquiries regarding parking, camping and toilets(!).

The back burning rumblings are still there and have been joined by the refurbishment of Roscarrock Hill loos. BT are checking to see if a landline can be installed so that a contactless payment system can be installed. The monthly cost would be cheaper than an internet router. I'm hoping to get back to work on the names missing on the War Memorial and water refill station etc. in the next few weeks.

If you like to contact me about any parish issues my mobile number is: 07494 589 638 or email: clarejonsten@gmail.com

Clare Jon



Planning Applications

Members considered these planning applications and made the following responses to Cornwall Council:

- i. PA21/02070/PREAPP, Land S of Brentons Park Trelights – pre-application advice for 20m electronic communications monopole mast complete with 6 antennas, 2 radio equipment cabinets and development works thereto. Members had consulted with residents of Trelights and the Clerk was instructed to send a list of the points they raised to the case officer, Mr Mark Wigley.

Planning Applications Approved by CC – information only.

- i. PA20/11093, Waves End 42 Fore Street Port Isaac – Listed Building Consent for proposed repairs to windows and secondary glazing.
- ii. PA21/05232, Northcliffe 5 Roscarrock Hill Port Isaac – Non-Material Amendment (2) to Application No. PA19/01461 dated 8th April 2019 for proposed partial demolition, extension, renovation, remodelling and structural repairs, namely, additional fencing to East and West boundaries

Miscellaneous Items

- a. **Parking Enforcement** – Members have awarded the contract to Armtrac in conjunction with Just-Parking for a year initially; using the existing ticket methodology
- b. **Catering Kiosk** – a new barrier is to be installed to prevent people blocking access to Catering Kiosk by the car park whilst queuing for the WCs.
- c. **New Road Shop** – it has been agreed to grant the leaseholder permission to sell pasties, sausage rolls, hot soup, etc.
- d. **Playing Field Working Party** – Members resolved to proceed with Phase I of a Feasibility Study (£1,760) and with a Topographical Survey (£925) – in respect of a possible new community building. A scheme for new play equipment had been circulated via email and Members agreed that this was the type of equipment wanted. Additional quotes will be obtained.
- e. **New Development** – Members were pleased to agree to Mr Jon Cleave's proposal that the road from Rose Hill onto his property be named Tnowi Lane. Tnowi is Cornish for valley bottom. The properties will accordingly be, prior to naming, nos.1-3 Tnowi Lane.
- f. **Allotments** – Members have been asked to provide allotments and the views of the St Endellion Parochial Church Council has been sought on a proposal to use part of the cemetery for allotments.
- g. **Farmers Market** – Members were pleased to fund the installation of electric sockets. Work on a lease/agreement for the Farmers Market to use the Parish Council's hard standing is underway.
- h. **Residential parking zone in Hartland and Mayfield Roads** – Mr Oliver Jones, Highways advised that residents' parking will only be considered as part of a wider transport strategy for a Town as introducing it with a piecemeal approach can result in commuter or other visitor parking migrating to neighbouring residential areas. As this proposal does not have Cornwall Council support, no further action can be taken.
- i. **Code of Conduct Training** – all Members and the Clerk had now undertaken the training.

The Parish Council has returned to Face-to-Face meetings and members of the public are invited to attend, however, numbers will be limited and anyone wishing to meet with Members should Contact the Clerk by Noon on 13th September 2021.

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Parish Clerk / RFO

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Our lost buildings - 'The Prefabs'



If you had walked up towards Mayfield between the late 1940s and into the late 1960s, instead of the primary school and the houses of Mayfield Drive you would have seen two rows of seven neatly spaced bungalows in their own little garden plot. These were Port Isaac's 'Prefabs' (pre-fabricated buildings), which are still warmly remembered by those growing up in the 1950s and 1960s. They had a built-in kitchen with appliances, including the almost unheard of luxury of a refrigerator, as well as a fitted bathroom with hot and cold running water. This would have been a pleasant change from what was then a typical labour intensive weekly 'bath night' with a large tin bath being brought in from its hook on the outside wall to be placed in front of the living room fire and filled with hot water from the boiler (*which served for bathing everyone!*). They were fully furnished right down to cupboards for storage and curtains all round, so after connecting to the water, electricity, and sewers the 'Prefab' was ready to move in.

After the war, such quickly erected homes were springing up all over the country to both replace the over 200,000 homes destroyed in the bombing, as well as increase the housing stock. The government had recognised the problem of a severe post-war housing shortage, and in March 1944 Churchill gave a speech outlining the proposals to build 500,000 'Emergency Factory Made' temporary homes within five years of the end of the war. He stated "The emergency programme is to be treated as a military evolution handled by the government with private industry harnessed in its service. As much thought will go into the prefabricated housing programme as went to the invasion of Africa." The plan subsequently adopted by the Attlee government was for 300,000 over 10 years with a budget of £150 million (£500 each). It was intended to utilise wartime production line facilities and build to a common standard which would speed up the construction process.

There were many competing designs and the ones erected at Port Isaac were the AIROH (*Aircraft Industries Research Organisation on Housing*) design of a 675 square foot, ten tonne all-aluminium bungalow assembled from four



'The Prefabs' in 1955

sections, with each section delivered to the site on a lorry. These pre-fabricated homes were built in the old aircraft factories, which would no longer be needed once the war had ended. They utilised surplus aircraft materials, including aluminium from war-damaged planes. The proposed rate of construction was staggering, with a new AIROH home rolling off the production line every 12 minutes! Building on site was incredibly speedy, as one was erected in May 1945 on a bomb site in London's Oxford Street in just four hours.

Of the anticipated 300,000 prefabs, 156,623 were built up to 1951, of which 54,500 were AIROH homes. One of the significant problems was the cost, which far exceeded that of a traditional home. The AIROH prefab cost £1,610, to which you have to add the price of the land on which it stood and utility infrastructure costs. The cost of the prefab was met by the Ministry of Works, but the local authority had to provide the land and infrastructure. They were only expected to be around for ten years until more permanent homes could be built, but many survived much longer than the Port Isaac prefabs. Today, there are still a few prefab estates to be found, particularly in Bristol which has 700 surviving of various types. They are looked upon now with great fondness as the symbol of post-war family life and plans to demolish them can be vigorously resisted. Some are now Grade II listed buildings, and an AIROH prefab is preserved in the Museum of Welsh Life at St Fagans.

The concept of prefabricated buildings is still with us, and may help to alleviate our current housing crisis, with Cornwall Council erecting 18 'Bunkacabins' for homeless single people within the New County Hall car park in Truro, as well as building ten 'pod' one bedroom homes at Cowlins Mill at Carn Brea for temporary 'move on' accommodation.

*Malcolm Lee
Port Isaac Heritage*



Putting up the four-section AIROH home on prepared foundations in a few hours with just a handful of men

continued overleaf ...

as we come to the end of what has to be record-breaking numbers of visitors, here's an article Trio has received from Ian Kernyck about the

Early visitors to Port Isaac

In 1920 Aimée Tweney married her childhood sweetheart Clifford Harcourt in Swansea. They had met before the war when both were learning the violin. On leaving school Cliff had a job as a clerk in the Stores Department of the Great Western Railway. Then he was in the army going right through the hell of trench warfare without a scratch. He was 'mentioned in dispatches' - the next best thing to a bravery medal.

On being 'demobbed' Cliff went back to his old job with the GWR. He eked out his income by playing the fiddle in a dance band at night [*The Manhattans*]. Poor as church mice, they lived in one room in his parents' house.

It was Whit Monday in 1924 and a holiday for everyone. Cliff and Aimée had taken the 'bus to one of the bays round the coast from Swansea. Langland Bay had a ring of bathing huts round the dunes back from high tide and was popular and crowded that day. Golden sands but one snag. With certain conditions of wind and tide, bathing was extremely dangerous and red flags used to be flown at either end of the beach to warn everyone to keep out of the water. They were flying that day.

However one young fool, showing off in front of the girls, went in and immediately was in difficulties. Cliff and Aimée strolling along the beach were aware of the commotion ahead. Cliff was a powerful swimmer. Taking off only his jacket, he ran forward and dived in to the rescue. At the same time a young widower called Evans who had been in the Navy waded in also. All three were swept out to sea and drowned.

There are terrible stories of Cliff's death and the eventual retrieval of his body.



Cliff Harcourt's funeral accorded full military honours

What I couldn't understand was that the widowed Aimée Harcourt received a number of letters of condolence from the people of Port Isaac. I have these in my possession and quote a few small extracts from them. I have no doubt that the surnames will ring a bell with many of today's residents.

Annie Sweet and sister, 3 North Hill Terrace, 12th June 1924

"I hope to hear the bodies are recovered it will be a little consolation for you, excuse this letter as I feel I can't express myself to you as we can imagine what it means to you, your husband was always so bright and cheery and so devoted."

G Honey, Rambler Cottage, 12th June 1924

"I was amazed when I read the sad news to my Wife. We were spellbound for the time; the Wife went straight and broke the news to Mrs. Short and I can tell

you it has cast quite a gloom amongst us." *George Honey, not the George Honey reported so fully in Trio June 2020 but son of George Henry Honey and Mary Ann Haynes, born in Port Isaac on 27th October 1886*

Louie Honey (née Collings?), Rambler Cottage, 17th July 1924

"Thank you so much for sending the lovely photograph. ...we shall always look upon it as the picture of a dear good friend and a Hero we are both proud to have made the acquaintance of. Just over two years ago I lost my eldest child so I can truly sympathise. PS Yes, Stella is grown to a fine girl now."

Ruby Short, Bellevue Terrace, 17th July 1924

After an early letter of sympathy, Ruby Short wrote at length. "I was thankful to God when I received your paper to say they were picked up it was an answer to all our prayers ... our grief for my two brothers much harder as neither one of their bodies were picked up.'

At the time of Cliff's death, he and Aimée were booked to stay at Mrs Short's for another visit to Port Isaac. Mrs Short seems to have had a son, Jack, who got on well with Cliff Harcourt and she also refers to mending Mr Honey's nets at Port Gaverne.

What I suspect is that as Cliff was a Great Western Railway employee he may well have had concessionary travel by rail and the opening of Port Isaac Road station would enable relatively convenient travel from Swansea. There is no doubt that in their short marriage, three months short of four years, they had established strong friendships in the village. I even wonder whether they had their honeymoon in the village.

I hope that the foregoing may trigger memories from your readers.

Ian Kernyck

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WEBSITES OF THE MONTH

CLIMATE CHANGE

Over the past few years, the issue of climate change and the impact we have been having on the environment has been increasingly clear. The publication this month of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report has made even clearer the situation we face. Cornwall has a long tradition, has indeed the Southwest generally, in developing innovative approaches in this area, and these have been described in many previous issues of Trio. So, this month it is an update on where we are with all this and what the web can tell us.

The IPCC report can be downloaded from here <https://www.ipcc.ch> and there is more than enough reading to keep you busy for weeks. This is the first of a series of reports, this first one updating the science. The gist of the report is that climate change is happening already, and has been for some time, and that it is unequivocal that human activity is the cause. Some of the changes in the global systems that control our weather patterns are irreversible and the consequences of these will play out over the coming decades. This is one of three environmental emergencies that the United Nations says we are facing. The other two are biodiversity loss and pollution – for example all the plastic that has been found on beaches, and also air quality. You can read about biodiversity loss here <https://tinyurl.com/biodiv-loss> and pollution here <https://wesr.unep.org/pollution>. Another report that gives ideas about what we can do on all these fronts in the future is worth a read as well <https://www.unep.org/resources/making-peace-nature>.

On the climate change front there are two themes – firstly how quickly the planet overall is warming up and secondly, so-called ‘tipping points’. There is a graphic that Ed Hawkins has made showing that we are heading for the 1.5 degree point very soon – he is on twitter @Ed_Hawkins and you can view the video graphic here <https://tinyurl.com/Ed-1point5>

Tipping points are important as the changes in the way our planetary weather and other systems are controlled do not necessarily change gradually but have points where they can change very fast. It’s a bit like pushing over something. You keep pushing and eventually it topples over, but before that point it just rights itself. There are many of these tipping points and for some we may be already over the edge. At the University of Exeter, there is a newly established Global Systems Institute where they are researching this <https://www.exeter.ac.uk/research/tippingpoints/>. There is mixed news here. We know that some tipping points (good news) can be exceeded, and then be rescued as it were. Others (bad news) cannot. There are some great short videos you can watch here <https://www.thetippingpoints.com>. The other good news is that there are social tipping points – ways in which we can all come together to change things – it can start small and then take off <https://tinyurl.com/social-t-points>

In Cornwall, the Wildlife Trust has a section of its website now about climate change <https://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk/climatechange> and describes the various activities and campaigns it is taking part in. Their key goals are:

- Creating wilder land and seas across Cornwall.
 - Natural solutions to climate change.
- Understanding the impact of climate change on our wildlife.
 - Safeguarding our rare species.
 - Understanding the arrival of new species.
 - Connecting people with nature.
 - Wildlife-friendly, lower-carbon economy.
 - Net-zero Cornwall Wildlife Trust by 2030.

Under the arrival of new species (see pictures) there is some mixed news. Some, like our local stick insects <http://phasmidstudygroup.org/phasmids/uk-phasmid-sighting> appear to be fine and fit in well. Others like the beautiful Policeman’s Helmet https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Impatiens_glandulifera, not so much.

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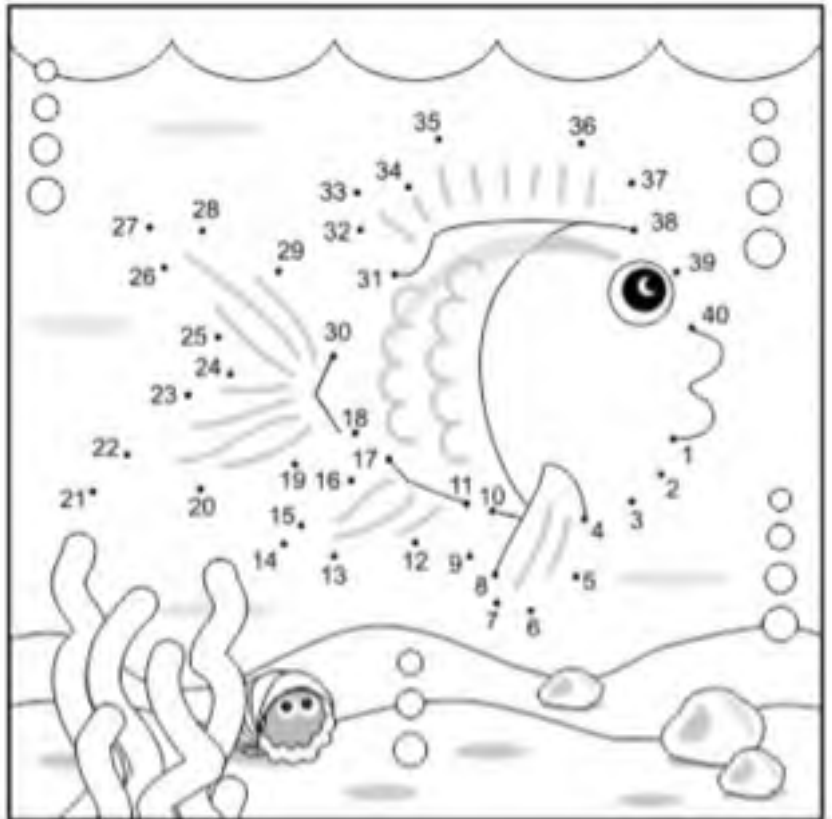
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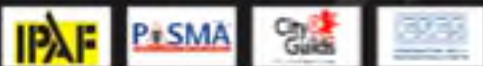


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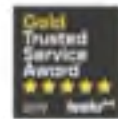
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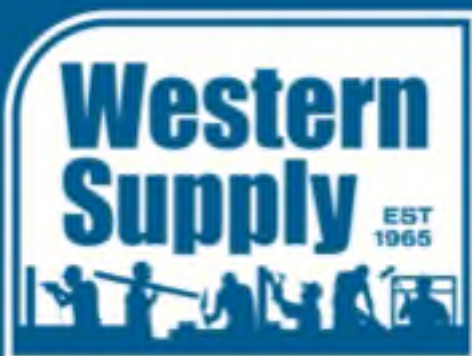
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Thursday September 23rd

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September 23rd-26th

North Cornwall Book Festival at St Endellion

Sunday September 26th

Port Isaac Community Farmer's Market on the hard standing at the playing field

St Peter's Church Harvest Festival & official re-opening of the Church

Monday September 27th

PICC (Port Isaac Community Cinema) in the Village Hall - BAIT- doors 6.45pm, screening 7pm

Wednesday September 29th

Community Cafe in the Village Hall - 10am-12noon

Sunday October 31st

Port Isaac Community Farmer's Market on the hard standing at the playing field

Sunday November 14th

Remembrance Service in St Peter's Church

Sunday December 5th

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