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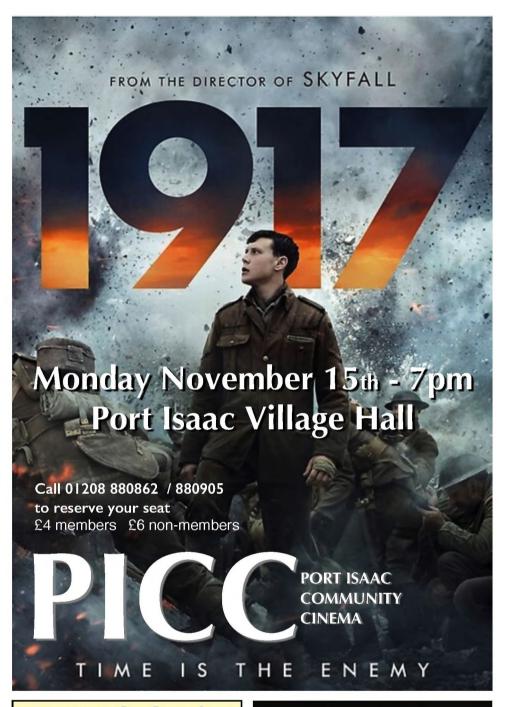
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WINTER CAFE SPECIALS

We distributed a questionnaire amongst the regular cafe goers to see what "extra" activities they would like us to arrange for the winter months. After going through all the answers one suggestion was leaps and bounds ahead of the rest so there will be a

SOUP & SWEET LUNCH Wednesday November 10th Wednesday December 8th

£4 per person

The lunches will run on from the cafe and will be served from 12.30pm - everyone is welcome to attend, not just the cafe goers - just let us know either at the cafe or by calling Dee on 01208 880905

The new year will see a Film Afternoon and a Cream Tea & Singalong ... and maybe even more Soup & Sweet Lunches ... watch this space ...

Wednesday November 24th

during the cafe we will be showing, on the big screen, Liz Rowe's home videos of the VE Day Street party in 1995, a Raft Race from 1991 and two of the old History Group's exhibitions

everyone welcome to attend

Wednesday December 15th - the children from Port Isaac school will be coming to the cafe to sing some carols



The days are flying by which means Christmas is nearly here and this means it's time to light the village again (so be prepared for wind and rain, after all it is tradition).

The wooden Christmas trees are returning as is the lobster pot tree and all that goes with them.

Unfortunately we won't be doing an official switch-on this year due to the COVID situation but hopefully next year.

As per normal all help will be gratefully received, just keep an ear out for news on dates.

Co-op chooses Port Isaac Village Hall again as one of the local charities to benefit from its local community fund

"to continue our programme of activies and events for the benefit of older members of our community - aiming to

build on the success of our community cafe ..."

Our first big event with the money we have been given was a trip to the new Hall for Cornwall in October to see the Fisherman's Friends musical ... everybody who attended loved it and so many have said how much they enjoyed it, how special the event was and how it lifted their spirits.

Janet Townsend sent a "thank you" to *Trio* ... "I would like to thank Dee for arranging the coach trip to Truro to the Hall for Cornwall to see Fisherman's Friends - the musical. It was a brilliant show, and greatly enjoyed by everyone. I for one probably wouldn't have made the effort to go on my own and this possibly is true of several others. I am so grateful this was made possible. The show made me proud to be part of Port Isaac ... thank you so much for the effort made to make it all so easy and possible."

However, the biggest thanks should be to the Co-op and to all the Co-op customers who have selected Port Isaac Village Hall as their chosen cause. Thank you.

And just a reminder that to continue support us you do need to reselect us for this next round of funding. Thank you everyone.

New book inspired by a visit to our parish

Where the Gulls Fall Silent is a story of life in a traditional Cornish fishing village in the mid-1800s.

The inspiration came from my first trip to north Cornwall in 2019. My husband and I spent a week exploring Port Isaac, Port Gaverne and Port Quin. The coast-line was breathtakingly beautiful and the people warm and



friendly. Many locals were keen to share stories and legends about life on the coast. One story in particular captured my imagination, the legend of Port Quin - 'the village that died'. I found the tale of a great storm that destroyed the town's entire fishing fleet to be horrifying and the juxtaposition of this story and the economic realities of a failing fishing industry, fascinating.

Hearing these stories, I found myself wanting to know more about the way of life that had existed on the Cornish coast for centuries before our modern times. I started researching more about traditional Cornish culture and through that research the story of a healer and her daughter living in a struggling fishing village developed in my mind.

The result is a novel of which I am very proud. It is available through Amazon: https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B09HJH1TG6

A small fishing village, a shunned healer, her daughter, tradition, superstition and a world set to change.

Kerensa lives with her mother, the healer Meliora, on the edge of a small fishing community on the Cornish Coast.

The townsfolk, who work the fish runs of pilchard and mackerel that make their way up the Atlantic coast, call on her mother for help with their ailments, but never for her company. Kerensa does not know why.

Curses and superstitions whisper around her as she grows into a competent young woman, fighting for her place amongst the people of Porth Gwynn. But what has caused the rift between her and the town? And can their traditional way of life survive in the face of changing winds?

A story of love, loss, hope and second chances, Where the Gulls Fall Silent is an historical fiction that explores the lives of the fishermen and women who made their living from the rough Atlantic Ocean; the hardship they faced; the secrets that divided them; and the community spirit that pulled them through.

Lelita Baldock

Names omitted from the Parish War Memorial ... request for public comments

One of the remits of my role for the Parish Council is to investigage the possibility of having the names of the men who lost their lives in service, but are omitted from the War Memorial, added to the plaque. I'm writing this in order to be able to understand how our community feel about this, as it's a very sensitive subject our response is crucial.

The missing names are:

First World War: Thomas CHADBAND, Alfred WHITE

Second World War: John Noel CARTER, Marshall Bailey COLLINGS, Douglas GENDERS,

Henry Joshua Kingstone GENDERS, Hubert MITCHELL, John (Jack) Hamilton THOMAS

There is a lot of work to be done before any decisions are made. It's not a case of rewriting history but more trying to tell the best truth of what happened. The omitted names are included in the Roll of Honour that is read at the Remembrance Service each year, in memory of those who lost their lives in service for their country.

The Parochial Church Council are in support of this project and have provided information to help establish that the Parish Council should be responsible for the War Memorial and I've requested an agenda item for the full November Parish Council meeting to ask for a formal motion to be passed to this effect. At the moment this is still a paper exercise and there will be a lot of hoops to jump through before any more progress is made, should the feedback be positive.

Full details of the wartime service for each of the name can be found on the Port Isaac Heritage website www.portisaacheritage.co.uk

If you would like to ask any questions or make any comments regarding this matter please email me at clarejonsten@gmail.com or my postal address is 26 Tintagel Terrace, Port Isaac PL29 3SE

Clare Jon

Contract & Maintenance Supervisor, St Endellion PC



Endelienta events for November St Endellion Church

20 November at 7.30pm Spindle Ensemble

Spindle Ensemble are a chamber quartet like no other. They perform their own style of contemporary classical music, combining beautiful melodies, virtuoso musicianship, elements of folk and jazz with their unique line up: piano, marimba, vibraphone, violin, cello, Celtic harp and accordion. Their innovative style has gained them much praise and radio play on both BBC Radio 3 and 6 Music. Tickets £10 from www.endelienta.org.uk

Monthly, Wednesday evening The North Cornwall Book Festival Book Club

Please contact operations@ncornbookfest.org for more information

Monthly, Saturday morning. The Make Club

A fun place for parents and children to explore, create, and get messy. Please check the website www.endelienta.org.uk for dates and details

Pottery and Chapel Café close doors for the last time

After over 25 years in the beautiful old Roscarrock Methodist Chapel, we are finally retiring. Port Isaac Pottery and Chapel Café have been part of our lives for so long it's hard to finally step down. However, retirement and pastures new (the golf course??) beckon and we're looking forward to a more leisurely way of life.

We would like to thank all our customers who have supported us over the years but especially we want to thank our loyal and hardworking staff who we shall really miss. We couldn't have wished for more and we are truly grateful for everyone's love and support.

The good news is that Port Isaac Pottery will be reincarnated only next door! The old Sunday School will be home to a new shop and gallery which will be run by Faye and Jo, due to open in Spring 2022. Meanwhile, watch this space!

See you all around,

Love Bill and Barbs x

and as Mr Lanyon leaves the building ...

Words can't express the feelings I have at the moment as we close the doors on my best job ever - well it was never a job really 'cos it was always a pleasure to walk into this amazing building for the last seven years, to work with the best people, serve the nicest customers and to work for the best bosses (yes Matt, I am including you).

The Chapel Cafe has become a big part of my life, making such great friends and having so many laughs it really has been a brilliant adventure

So, as Barbs & Billy enter the next stage of their lives, I can only thank them for being such great and supportive bosses and with Jo by their side they make such a strong and positive team which has made all our jobs so much easier. THANK YOU.

So looking back at the 55,000 (yes that's right) scones, gallons of tartare sauce and Christ knows how many fishfinger sarnies it's time to say my thank yous ...

Thank you to: Billy and Barbs and their remarkable family, Jo, Faye, Mike and Matt.

Rosie, Sarah, Harry, Taran, Kailyn, Emola and Thomas (the final team).

Every other staff member who has pulled on an apron (front of house and kitchen) - we couldn't have done it without you guys.

All the ladies who worked the shop and helped us in the cafe, you're brilliant

Cheryl who became my chief taster, thank you.

Every customer who came in and enjoyed everything about the Chapel.

And finally I can't not mention Little June who has worked in the shop and kept us all entertained on many an afternoon over a cuppa and a slice of cake.

And I think I speak for all Chapel Cafe staff present and former in wishing Bill and Barbs a happy retirement and Jo and Faye all the very best in their new venture.

Chris, head chef Chapel Cafe





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Planning Applications

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

- i. PA21/06285, The White House and Cottage 3 and 3A Roscarrock Hill Port Isaac – building of existing stone retaining walls and steps and retrospective consent to retain existing element previously constructed without consent. Members objected until the Heritage Officer is happy with the proposals. Cllr. Penny had concerns about the style of walls and felt a site meeting with the planning officer would be beneficial.
- ii. PA21/06286, The White House and Cottage 3 and 3A Roscarrock Hill Port Isaac – Listed Building Consent for building of existing stone retaining walls and steps and retrospective consent to retain existing element previously constructed without consent. Members objected until the Heritage Officer is happy with the proposals. Cllr. Penny had concerns about the style of walls and felt a site meeting with the planning officer would be beneficial. Members objected as above.
- iii. PA21/08617, 53A Fore Street Port Isaac Certificate of Lawful Development for an existing use of 53A Fore Street as a separate unit of residential occupation. Members made no objection.
- iv. PA21/06605, 1 Cliffside, Port Isaac enlargement of dormer extension to north elevation and addition of a first-floor window to east elevation. Members objected on the grounds it is contrary to NDP Policy 6e.
- v. PA21/07962, Lowarth House 52 New Road Port Isaac revised plans. Ms Arnold, case officer advised: It was originally proposed to replace the existing timber balustrade with glass, the heritage officer was not supportive of this approach and as such the applicant has amended the drawings to a vertical wire balustrade instead. Members supported the revised plans.

Other Planning Matters - information only.

- *i. Planning Appeal* PA20/08444, 34 New Road, Port Isaac. Appeal dismissed. Details previously emailed
- *ii.* Social Housing Cllr. Williams was **AUTHORISED** to actively seek partners to develop social housing proposals for the Parish
- *iii.* Planning Presentations Cllr. Williams was **AUTHORISED** to actively engage assistance and advice to enable the PC to purchase a screen and training (for her?) to use to present planning proposals. The Clerk to seek the views of ICT Connect Ltd.

Miscellaneous Items

- a. Residents Parking: Access to decorative gravel area it was agreed to circulate the criteria document, to permanent resident householders. It was further agreed to make applicants aware that a parking ticket can be given for parking by a dropped kerb.
- b. Road Improvements for Pedestrians Mr Adam Knuckey, Highways advised that as the PC will be funding the project the next step is to develop a project plan and design fee quotation for the parish council's consideration, regarding.

- Implement the three raised humps at Hillson, Co-op and Daisy Hick's Corner (opposite the Peapod).
- Move the school sign, and
- Move the coloured paved surface at the top of Back Hill.

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 8th November 2021.

Gillian Thompson Parish Clerk / RFO

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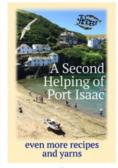
Belated Golden Wedding Congratulations to Colin & Pauline Stephens who tied the knot in Port Isaac's Wesley Chapel, the Chapel in the Valley, on October 2nd 1971

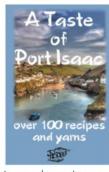
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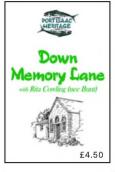
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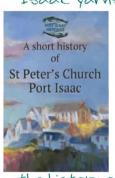


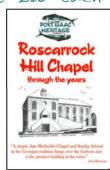




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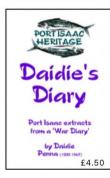


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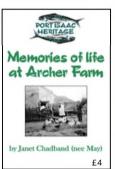
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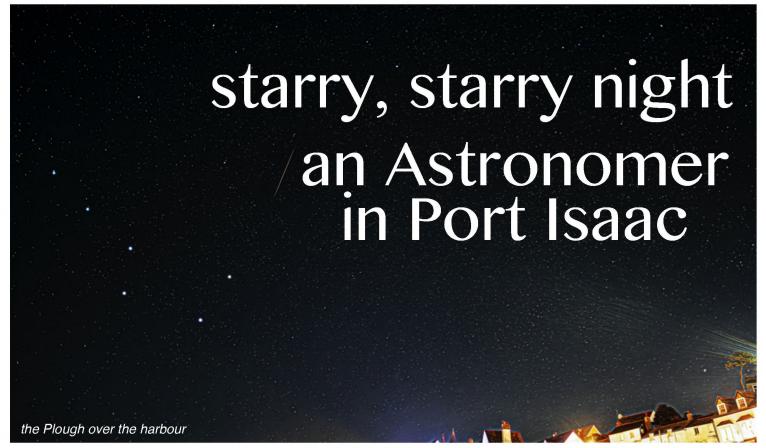






Our exhibitions in St Peter's Church will remain open throughout the winter... free entry ... including our Touch Screen full of archive material

and CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES



Trio met up with Astronomer, Pete Williamson, during his recent visit to the village. Here he tells how he captured the stunning photograph of the Milky Way that is on this month's front cover ...

My name is Pete Williamson, I am a professional astronomer and Fellow of The Royal Astronomical Society working on many projects one being processing live data coming back from The Perseverance Rover on Mars and turning it into usable photographs for education. The reason for coming to this wonderful seaside village is twofold. firstly I wanted to return as I often visited here in the early 60's when on family holidays, the second reason is that after a chance encounter with a science teacher at a science festival we run in Mid Wales (Solarsphere) I was booked to do a tour of schools in the Penzance / Truro area lecturing on all things space to primary schools. On my last visit we spent a few days in Port Isaac at The School House and made the offer to do a free talk at the primary school, I was taken up on the offer and had a very enjoyable time at the school, the children were very enthusiastic.

The one thing that struck me on my last visit was that when in certain parts of the village how many stars could be seen even though there is a fair amount of stray light. On this visit due to the time of year and darkness falling early it was possible to photograph the Milky Way which is the centre of our own galaxy over the house used in the series Doc Martin, this technique is called Nightscape Photography. The position of the Port Isaac on the North

Coast is not always favourable as the most interesting objects found in the night sky are to the south but saying that if you can get to higher ground near the village to have a good horizon N-S-E-W, I found stunning dark skies when on the edge of the village. On this trip attempted star trails over the School House on this visit taken from the Platt, I was surprised at the result, happy too, I even saw quite a few meteors from the Platt this time.

A star trail is a type of photograph that uses long exposure times to capture the apparent motion of stars in the night sky due to Earth's rotation. A star-trail photograph shows individual stars as streaks across the image, with longer exposures yielding longer arcs. I even

saw quite a few meteors from the Platt this time.

All I can say is that you have some beautiful opportunities for Nightscape photography in and around Port Isaac and as the dark nights and winter close in there are some stunning scenes to be captured, not forgetting our Moon. If anyone would like to know about what location around the village to obtain good shots at night please contact me.

If you would like to see more of my work please go to

www.outreachastronomer.co.uk

For any information on techniques etc please email me at

office@peterwilliamson.co.uk

Pete Williamson FRAS



St Endellion Parish Council Contract & Maintenance Supervisor Report

As I start to write this report I'm thinking it won't be too long as I've had over a weeks holiday and a few days lying low with a cold (it was definitely a cold, lateral flow and PCR tests confirmed!). This sounds like good news to me, as I keep trying to be concise, but it doesn't really happen, so when I see the report spill over two pages in *Trio* my heart sinks! However, it either tells what I've been up to or that I only know how to waffle on and on and on ...!

It's been another month dominated by trouble with a ticket machine in the Main car park, not helped by a rookie engineer sent to fix the issues. But there's more than one ticket machine, so there's no excuse for anyone to not purchase a ticket.

I carried out the play area inspection a little later than usual this month as I'd learnt my lesson about using the slide in the early morning. This time I checked it wasn't covered in dew before I 'tested' it! There's no progress to report on the new play equipment but I'm hoping that by the time this goes to press the work to replace the safety mats under the swings will have been carried out.

Most of the footpaths I've walked in these last few weeks have been around the Main at Port Gaverne and up to Lobber on the circular path up to Pine Awn and back to Homer Park and Church Hill. It was a shame that I was away and missed the parish boundary walk for Children in Need. Congratulations to all who did some or all of the walk and raised a great amount for worthy causes.

The contactless payment system at the Main car park toilets was installed just after I came back from holiday. It took a couple of days and is now up and running. This will make things easier for the visitors, many of whom don't carry cash these days - and it'll be good for me as there won't be so much cash to carry and count! The company who fitted the system are also intending to provide quotes for work to refurbish the Roscarrock Hill WCs. Their rival company (who got the Main toilet block job) have also been invited to send a proposal forward to the Parish Council for the work.

There are many issues that crop up with household waste from holiday rentals. I mentioned this last month when a problem occurred at Chicago House on Rose Hill. This month I was asked by one of the street operatives to lend a hand with a bin at the back of Dolphin Street. A gentleman had approached Paul, from Biffa, and complained about an overflowing bin. We went to check it out. There was no house number or name on the bin and no way to know which commercial collection should've taken the contents. The lid was unable to close due to the amount of stuff rammed into it and not contained in black bags. Paul and I started to remove some of the items from the top of the bin. There were all sorts of things including broken plant pots, plant trays, an umbrella, disposable bbq, broken crockery, lengths of wood as well as domestic rubbish, just loose in the bin, takeaway boxes, plastic water and wine bottles, drink cans, teabags etc. Paul and I filled five black bags of rubbish. But we decided that the two traffic cones at the bottom of the bin should be left out on the ground! There must be a better system to ensure this sort of thing doesn't happen. Neither Paul or I are paid to sort out this type of problem - and this isn't the first time it's happened.

One of the other issues that occurs is holiday home/rental waste being deposited into litter bins at the bottom of Port Isaac and in the car park bins. I've witnessed this being done and when the culprit was approached he sheepishly admitted what he'd done, apologised and disappeared back into the cottage where he was staying.

Since the site meeting at Trelights with Cornwall Council's Tree Officer in September I've looked into becoming a Tree Warden. This is an initiative between Cornwall Council and the Tree Council, a charity with the well-being of trees at their core. It would tie in with my activities while I'm out and about and be a useful source of information. I'm very grateful to those of you who contacted me and have helped me to gather the history of some of the trees in the parish.

Cllr Williams drew my attention to the condition of the bollards at the top of Church Hill. One of them has been abused so much it's split at the base and needs to be replaced. The bollards were replaced in 2019 so haven't lasted very long. I'm hoping to be able to replace it with a more sophisticated version so that if it takes another hammering it will be easy to swap a new one into place.

You may be thinking that the toilet talk is quite thin this month and it is, but not forgotten! Daily checks to make sure the facilities are working and in a serviceable



while I could (holiday and cold withstanding), along with the regular collection of cash from the coin machines. I have to thank Cllr Raynor for carrying out this duty while I was away. The only issues that arose during the past month were a cubicle at New Road being left in a very bad condition. I felt it was too much for the Cormac cleaner to deal with so made sure that it was much more presentable before they were faced with it. The other problem was one of the door entry systems at the Main not functioning. This was before the work was carried out to install the new payment system. I tried to fix the problem, but ran out of ideas. I called the company who usually sort these things out and between me and their technician we managed to get the door working properly. If we hadn't been able to mend it there would've been a minimum of £250 call out fee. As it turned out the remedy was very simple, so that also avoided a round trip of 240 miles for the engineer and a few days wait while the problem was processed through their system and fitted into the diary. Win win!!

As for the other stuff I've been doing over the past month I've had a frustrating time trying to get the banks in New Road car park cut. Eventually signs went up in mid October saying the car park would be closed for the work to be carried out. Then a few days later the signs were removed! I'm still trying to get to the bottom of that!

The overgrown hedges highlighted by Mr Knight in last month's *Trio* and in my report will now be cut back. However, the work probably won't get done until the beginning of December! The Parish Clerk also asked for overgrown hedges at private properties to be attended. Let's hope

continued overleaf.





Port Isaac has a special place in the hearts of many children and their families in Kosovo

Support for The Ideas
Partnership, founded by local
residents Elizabeth Gowing
and Rob Wilton, has been
much appreciated. Hot of the
heels of making sure that all
the children were well
equipped for the new school
year, last week Elizabeth
distributed more knitted
donations, so important as the
winter approaches.

Every little things helps, so a group in Port Isaac will be busy hand cutting, designing and printing 'Festive Fabric' Kosovan bags. These weill be ready to seel as an alternative festive wrapping paper in local businesses in the village.

Numbers are limited, but if you would like to take part in the printing activity at 6.30pm on Thursday November 11th please text Caroline Cleave on 07966 501 156

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that some of these hedges will be cut.

There's been a few more little areas of graffiti. I've managed to clean it off so far. It's such a shame that a very small minority of the community feel the need to leave their 'handle' on public property.

As for the quiet rumblings of other items I'm working on they are still in hand. See page 4 regarding the omitted names on the War Memorial.

If you'd like to contact me about any parish issues my mobile number is: 07494 589 638 or email: clarejonsten@gmail.com make your own award-winning fish finger sandwich ...

So it's time for you lot to recreate some of the now iconic recipes from *The Chapel Cafe* kitchen. Over the years, whether on our lunch menu, breakfast menu or an evening do we have produced some good stuff ... I hope!!!

Our most iconic dish is of course our award winning fish finger sandwich. It was always a feel-good dish that evoked memories of frozen fishfingers, ketchup and white bread, but after plenty of tasting and tweaking we came up with this ...

Ingredients:

Multi seed bread (Barnecutts)
Hake fillets(Dennis Knights fishmongers)
8oz flour
2 eggs
½ pint milk
8oz Panko breadcrumbs

Tartare sauce:
80z Mayo
½ cucumber, deseeded and diced
60z capers
1 banana shallot, finely diced
Small handful dill, chopped
Zest and juice ½ lemon
Salt & pepper

Method:

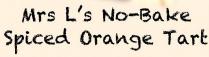
- Mix all ingredients together to make tartare sauce
- Meanwhile cut your skinned and filleted hake into finger size pieces and dredge through the seasoned flour
- · Then dip into the beaten egg and milk mixture
- · Then dredge in flour again
- · Then redo in the egg wash
- Then put into the panko breadcrumbs and coat fully
- Heat your oil (rapeseed or vegetable) to 180° and put your fish fingers in and cook till golden
- Spread your tartare sauce on both slices of bread and then add your drained fish fingers and sandwich together

There you have the perfect fishfinger sandwich

ANSOM

Chris Lanyon





This is supposed to be for Christmas but ...

For the biscuit base: 225g Digestive biscuits 50g melted butter

For the orange filling:
400g orange juice
50g lemon juice
Zest of one orange, pared with a
peeler
2 whole star anise
3 tbsp cornflour
200g granulated sugar
3 large egg yolks and 1 whole egg
200g butter cold, cut into cubes

Start with the orange filling: Simmer the citrus juices, orange zest and star anise in a covered saucepan, then remove from the heat and leave to infuse for one hour.

To make the base: Blitz the biscuits to crumbs in a food processor and then stir through the melted butter. Press the mix into the base and sides of a 23cm tart tin (removeable bottom helps later). Leave in the fridge to chill.

Once the spices have infused, remove the star anise and zest. Yhen add the cornflour and sugar. Stir over a medium heat, until the mixture starts to boil and thicken, turn heat down and simmer for two minutes.

Whisk the eggs in a large bowl. Pour in the orange mixture in a slow, thin stream, stirring quickly as you go. Return the lot to the pan and stir over a low-medium heat, until it starts to thicken again. Stir through the cold butter until melted, then pour on to the biscuit base and leave to chill in the fridge until set. Take out of the tart dish and serve.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2021

The Royal British Legion has been supporting Service men and women, ex-serving personnel and their families since 1921. The first Poppy Day Appeal was also held that year. For 100 years the British Legion has been helping the Armed Forces community and their families and in this centenary year it is firmly focused on making sure it is a charity fit for future. Here is Port Isaac we will be following our very own tradition of collecting and holding our Remembrance Service on Sunday November 14th.

WREATHS

If you have ordered a wreath it would be great if a representative could attend the service in St Peter's on Sunday November 14th to present your wreath and to attend the War Memorial later in the day at 3pm to place your wreath.

Payment for wreaths - minimum £20 for standard and £25 for specialised ones to be made asap to Annie Price (Harbour Way Cottage, New Road) either in cash or cheque, in a clearly marked envelope with your organisation's name.

COLLECTIONS

COVID restictions mean that there will be no street collections, no door-todoor colleaction and no collection boxes in local businesses.

However, there will be an unmanned table selling British Legion merchandise at the Co-op and Trevathan Farm.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14th ST PETER'S CHURCH 10.30am

numbers in church are restricted to 70 on a first come, first served basis followed by the laying of the wreaths around the War Memorial at 3pm - all are welcome

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Remembrance

November is a time of the year for Remembrance. November 11th and the nearest Sunday have, of course, for the past hundred years been kept as days on which we remember the sacrifice of those who fought in both World Wars and in subsequent conflicts. This year indeed is the hundredth anniversary of the founding of the British Legion in 1921, which now oversees the Armistice commemoration. What we remember is the service and the selflessness of those who died which has allowed us to enjoy freedom and security. In remembering them we also value the service of those who serve in the armed forces today as also those who in the various branches of civilian service keep us safe.

But November has been a time of remembrance for long before the twentieth century's wars. The church keeps November 2nd as the day of All Souls, remembering all those who have died. It is a time when families come together to remember the recently departed, taking the opportunity to visit graves and other memorials. Services are held in church to remember loved ones and to read out the names of those who have died. This can be a time of sadness and regret. But the church celebrates All Souls on the day after the Feast of All Saints. It is easy to think that Saints must be special people not like us. And indeed those who are remembered throughout the year on their individual saints days are usually people who have, like those we remember on November 11th, made some special sacrifice or give service in their lives in a particular way.

But on All Saints Day we rejoice with all those who are special in God's eyes, particularly those of whom nothing particular is remembered or known. But as we are all special in God's eyes, we are all saints. We should not be afraid of recognising this and valuing ourselves just as God values us. Calling ourselves holy - for that is what saints are - may seem presumptuous. But to deny it and denigrate ourselves is to deny the goodness of God who in his compassion and all-encompassing love has created us for himself. We are loved by him whether we choose to recognise it or not. If we do recognise it, we should not be ashamed to acknowledge that it makes us saints. We need only to accept God's love



We will remember them ...

In the 2015 Port Isaac Heritage exhibition about wartime in our parish, the stories of the second world war casualties on our war memorial were placed on record. At this time of remembrance, for this *Trio* article I have chosen a selection of their stories and sacrifices covering different theatres of the war.



Guardsman Ronald Gifford: Ronald Gifford was born 24th November 1919 and is the older brother of Terry Gifford. Although he was in a reserved occupation, he chose to serve his King and country. On 5th February 1940 he entered Redruth Recruiting Office to enlist and was immediately placed in the 3rd Battalion Coldstream Guards, an elite regiment, second only to the Grenadier Guards. On one occasion he was chosen to serve his King more directly than most when he was told to go to Sandringham to help out with a shooting party there for the King and his guests. In May 1943 he was posted overseas to North Africa, where the Axis forces had recently surrendered. In June he wrote home from No. 1 Infantry Reinforcement Training Depot in Algeria, complaining of the heat, but enjoying the daily swims in the sea. He would have been in training for the upcoming invasion of Sicily and mainland Italy. On 9th September his

regiment was part of Operation Avalanche, the landing at Salerno, which met the stiffest resistance from 16th Panzer Division and had to fight their way ashore, the Coldstream Guards winning two battle honours at Battipaglia and Capezzano. By early October the whole of Southern Italy was in allied hands, but then began the gruelling slog up the spine of Italy, facing dogged resistance at the defensive Volturno Line and Barbara Line, getting to the Bernhard Line south of Cassino in early December. Here they met the fiercest fighting around Mount Camino, and it was on 7th December that Guardsman Ronald Gifford was killed by a sniper in an orchard near the hamlet of Formella on the southwestern slope of Monte Camino. He is buried in Cassino War Cemetery beneath the imposing rebuilt monastery on the top of Monte Cassino.

Private Arthur James Nicholls: Arthur James Nicholls was born in 1919 and in 1939 he married Irene Provis. In 1941 they had a son. Bryan Nicholls is that son. Arthur was in the 5th Battalion Dorsetshire Regiment as part of 130th Infantry Brigade within the 43rd (Wessex) Infantry Division where he was a soldier on a Bren-Gun Carrier. A week after D-Day, 5th Battalion received orders to depart for Normandy. The 43rd served with distinction from D-Day to the end of the war and were held in great respect by the German Wermacht and Waffen SS, who knew the 43rd as the 'Fighting Yellow Devils' after their distinctive golden Wyvern badge. On 10th July, 130th Brigade was tasked with taking Hill 112, a tactically important hill with commanding views over the area south west of Caen. It was held by 10th SS-Panzer Division Frundsberg. The extremely fierce battle lasted 13 days until the Germans withdrew. The Dorsetshire Regiment lost 107 men on that first day,





Private Jim Lobb: Jim Lobb was born in 1920. His mother. Lizzie Durham Lobb had lost her first husband, Richard Hocking, in the First World War and is also on our War Memorial. Jim was in the 2nd Battalion Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry. In March 1943 2nd Battalion was transferred to Tunisia as part of 1st Army Group within V Corps. After entering fighting on 7th April, the next few weeks saw grim hand to hand fighting and counter attacks from 334th and 15th Panzer Divisions. By the end of the month, they were just 30 miles west of the capital. The final push towards Tunis began at 0330 on 6th May with the allies entering Tunis on the afternoon of 7th May in the final days of the African Campaign. It was on this day that Private Jim Lobb raised his head to look out of his cover and was killed instantly by a sniper. He is commemorated on the Medjez-El-Bab Memorial in Tunisia.



with a further 75 men on the following 12 days. After the battle, Arthur took time to write a letter home to his Uncle Harry at RAF Davidstow. He made no mention of the hell on earth he had just been through, even apologising for neglecting his mail and went on to mention the 'swell weather since being out here, a spot or two of rain, but nothing to worry us'. On 30th July they were back in action as part of Operation Bluecoat. Their task was in support of the US breakout further to the west by holding down the German forces in their area. That morning, the objective of 5th Dorsetshire Battalion was to form a tight bridgehead over the stream running through the village of Le Mesnil Levreau and take the village of Le Quesnay. The attack was delayed from 0600 to 0800 due to ground mist holding up air cover. Heavy machine-gun fire and bombing caused a great many casualties. The fields were also heavily mined leading to more casualties until the minefields could be cleared overight. That day saw the highest casualty level since the first day of Hill 112, with 33 Dorsetshire men killed, including Private Arthur James Nicholls. He is buried in Hottot-Les-Bagues War Cemetery alongside 9 of his comrades, where his grave has the poignant inscription "In treasured memory of my darling Daddy 'In heavenly love abiding' Bryan".

Six World War 2 Casualties

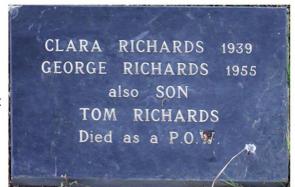


Air Mechanic 2nd Class Thomas Raymond Oaten: Thomas Raymond Oaten was born on 14th August 1915. He was always known as Raymond to family and friends. Thomas Oaten senior, known as Tommie, is also on our memorial, having been killed in the Dardanelles campaign in the First World War on 14th September 1915, so Raymond would never have known his father. Growing up, Raymond was a favourite with the Remick Family, who had lost three members of their own family in the First World War (Isaac Broad, Jonathon, and Stanley Remick) and were to lose three more in the Second World War (Dorothy and Tom Remick, and their sister Kate's husband William Townsend who is Mark Townsend's father), all of whom are on our War Memorial. Raymond was serving as an air mechanic with the Fleet Air Arm on the aircraft carrier HMS Illustrious. On 22nd August 1940 Illustrious left for Gibraltar to join the Mediterranean fleet. Two of their torpedo-carrying 'Stringbag' Fairey Swordfish aircraft set off on 11th November and sank the carrier Conte di Cavour and severely damaged the battleships Caio Duilo and Littorio for the loss of two aircraft. This Italian loss represented half the capital ships of their fleet and completely changed the balance of Mediterranean sea power in the allies' favour. After many more successful raids, on 10th January 1941 Illustrious was about 75 miles northwest of Malta, but only 20 miles from the enemy aircraft on Sicily. That morning she was attacked by 25 Junkers JU 87 Stuka bombers. The first bombs struck forward of the aft lift and she was hit five more times, with one bomb penetrating the unarmoured aft lift and detonating beneath, destroying it and the surrounding structure. It was in that attack that Air Mechanic Thomas Raymond Oaten was killed, along with 125 officers and men of HMS Illustrious.



Chief Yeoman of Signals Tom Remick: Tom was born on 10th March 1900. He was much affected by the death of his uncle Jonathan on HMS Monmouth in the Battle of Coronel on 1st November 1914 and joined the Royal Navy at the age of 16. He rose to the rank of Chief Yeoman of Signals and at the outbreak of war he was serving on the heavy cruiser HMS Exeter commanded by Captain Bell. Exeter was part of the South American Division, which was given the task of locating and destroying the German Cruiser (Pocket Battleship) Admiral Graf Spee that was raiding commercial shipping in the South Atlantic. The South American Division, comprising Exeter, Achilles, and Ajax, was commanded by Commodore Henry Harwood, and was in position off the River Plate on 12th December 1939 awaiting their prey. Harwood knew he was outgunned but accepted the risk that it would suffer possible destruction from the engagement whilst it would be inflicting serious damage on the Graf Spee. At 0610 on 13th December smoke was sighted and at 0618 Graf Spee opened fire on Exeter with six 11 inch guns from a range of 10.8 miles to begin the Battle of the River Plate. At 0620 Exeter returned fire with her 8 inch guns on one side of Graf Spee, whilst Achilles and Ajax opened fire with their 6 inch guns on the other. Graf Spree's third salvo straddled Exeter and at 0623 an 11 inch shell burst abreast of Exeter killing the Torpedo Tube Crew, and at 0626 Exeter received a direct hit on its B Turret putting it guns out of action. The ensuing shrapnel swept across the bridge killing everyone except Captain Bell and two others. Chief Yeoman of Signals Tom Remick was on the bridge when that shrapnel swept across at 0626, and he was one of 61 officers and ratings of HMS Exeter killed that morning, as well as four from Achilles and seven from Ajax.

Trooper Thomas Couch Richards: Thomas (Tom) Couch Richards was born 2nd May 1911 in Port Isaac. In the 1939 Wartime Register he was shown as living a few miles south of Port Isaac in Trecugo Gate, by Trentinney Farm opposite Trevathan Farm, where his occupation was given as an assistant chef. He joined the army and was in 5th Battalion The Loyal Regiment, later part of 18th Regiment, Reconnaissance Corp. In early 1942 it was sent to the far east as reinforcements for the Battle of Singapore. When that fell on 15th February 1942, Tom, along with thousands of other allied troops, became a prisoner of war. The Japanese military viewed surrender as dishonourable and subject POWs to the most brutal treatment including forced labour on starvation rations with poor medical treatment. The most notorious use of POWs as forced labour was in the building of the Burma (Death) Railway, and Tom was one. 61,811 Allied POWs worked on the railway, of which almost half were British, and 12,621 died, of whom 6,904 were British. Trooper Thomas Couch Richards died of Acute Enteritis on 31st August 1943 and lies buried somewhere alongside the track. He is commemorated on the Thanbyuzayat War Cemetery in Myanmar (Burma). There is a simple marker in St Endellion churchyard over the grave of his parents, Clara and George Richards, and his name is also recorded on it.



The full stories of all our casualties in both world wars are to be found on the Port Isaac Heritage website (www.portisaacheritage.co.uk).



Remember them Malcolm Lee Port Isaac Heritage Hello my birds, thought we'd catch up with *Trio* readers about all things FF. When I last signed off we'd just about got to the end of the busy summer holidays, and we were thrilled to have been invited over to Northern Ireland to perform (no, not run!) at the Antrim Half Marathon. We flew out from Exeter on the last Sunday in August, and landed in Belfast before being whisked up through the Northern Irish countryside to Larne – it is spectacularly beautiful – and our nice hotel, which looked out over the sea to the Mull of Kintyre on the horizon. We did our gig that evening, accompanied by some wild Irish dancing, and said hello to our new best mate Mo Farrer who is

a patron of the event. We flew back the following day after a hearty Irish breakfast, which is not dissimilar to a full English or full Cornish breakfast to be fair, and suffice to say we did it justice. Don't think Mo had one...

At the end of that week we had a double-header at the Minack Theatre down at Porthcurno – a matinee followed by an evening gig on the Friday – and it was great to see lots of the FFWAGs there (Fisherman's Friends Wives and Girlfriends). Bit of a strain on the old voice mind! Two days later, the following Sunday, we did our final pre-movie gig (of 6) down at Watergate drive-in cinema.

September saw the start of our autumn tour proper. On Thursday the 9th we headed off in our newly hired small coach with lan our driver (who is from Devon, England). Once upon a time, we used to navigate and drive ourselves around, but as gentlemen of a certain age, it can all get a bit tiring and stressful, and we've reached the conclusion that we all need to be refreshed and ready when we rock up to perform. So nowadays we've got ample leg room and nice leather seats, and we wile away the hours on the motorway reading and listening to music or talking books or podcasts, or watching movies - thank the lord for mobiles, lpads and headphones. We are also experts on motorway service stations – so, to start with, avoid the Farm Shop ones (all style no substance), then for the salad-dodgers among you Burger Kings Aberdeen Angus double bacon cheeseburgers are the best (with onion rings and fries obviously), or you can get something terribly healthy in dear ole Marks & Sparks and feel very, very smug, if still a little hungry.

The Birmingham Symphony Hall was packed to capacity for the first gig (1500 sell out and as usual a fantastic Brummie audience), from where we were driven up to York Barbican (1200). From there on the Saturday we were driven up the North East coast, stopped off in Seahouses for a kipper lunch, and then up past Lindisfarne and Holy Island before crossing the border at Berwick Upon Tweed, and performing in Queen's Hall, Edinburgh. The following day we left Bonnie Jockland far behind behind and made our way down the low road to Sheffield for the final bit of the tour's first leg. We got home late on the Monday and, as is usual, spent the rest of the week playing catch up with family and business.

That following weekend was the PI Shanty Festival.

The second leg of the tour began at Aylesbury a few days later, and cleverly we left mid-morning on the Friday. Why would we be surprised that the traffic was so bad? It

SOME

took us eight and a half hours to get there! Still, we are pretty well rehearsed these days and our set of songs and jolly banter is etched well and truly into our memories (we can choose from a repertoire of 120 plus songs; but still, without fail we always get 'Why didn't you do Little Lize/Trelawney/Sloop John B/I've Got a Lovely bunch of Coconuts etc etc!!'). Despite the long journey, we were well able to get out of the bus, quickly sound check on stage, have a sandwich and then do the gig, and we were just very grateful that we hadn't had to drive ourselves. Then more motorways and Premiere Inns; the Saturday we were at Oxford Playhouse, and Torquay Pavilion on the Sunday. We came back very late Sunday night.

The last time I went to the London Palladium was to see Des O'Connor with mum and dad back in the 1960s. This time, with a few of the FWAGs in tow, we went up by train a day early to take in a show ourselves in the West End, and have a day out in London on the Thursday.

To perform on the Palladium stage itself felt like such an honour. The place was packed, and we walked on to a standing ovation from an audience



TATE ST IVES EXHIBITION until 16 January 2022

Look Group Port Isaac

Port Isaac is now linked to the the Tate St Ives through our Look Group, which is their art outreach programme. With such strong links to Kosovo it might be worth looking at the exhibition by the internationally acclaimed Kosovan artist Petrit Halilaj.

Anyone who is interested and wants to be part of a live virtual talk about the exhibition on 3rd November can be linked up. Contact Caroline 07966 501156 by 2nd November and you will be added to the Tate Modern's guest list to access the virtual tour and talk.

MORE FISHY BUSINESS

who were so up for enjoying the evening. It went so quickly, and we all agreed that it was one of the best things we've ever done. Afterwards we met up nearby for drinks with friends who'd come along, and then made our way back slowly to the hotel, as tired as newts...

Friday – motorway, Cambridge, Premier Inn, sell-out. Saturday – same at Ipswich.

Sunday...well, you might expect a good reception in the grand ole maritime city of Portsmouth. Unbelievable! We arrived in good time and had a look around the naval dockyard and the Victory, the Mary Rose, and HMS Warrior, then we adjourned for a swift half in an old pub just outside the gates, and gave a birthday boy a broadside of shanties and songs, and he ended up coming to the gig.

I don't think I've ever seen such a fever pitch of excitement from an audience before – unbelievable! It seems that people, after all we've been through in the past eighteen months, just want to go out and commune and enjoy themselves and listen to some live entertainment – it's fantastic for us to be an integral part of that, and every time we come off stage we are quite flabbergasted at the reaction.

Finally, the pièce de résistance, Fisherman's Friends the Musical!

We all went down on Monday 18th October for the opening night proper, and to a man we were overwhelmed by the production. Another new best friend, Tim Rice, was there, and if you get a chance to see it, do. It will move on from our beautifully refurbished Hall for Cornwall and in some months go on a nationwide tour, then hopefully to the West End. The singing and dancing is brilliant, the acting superb and the sets and lighting all marvellous – even the free ice creams in the interval were nice. I had a strawberry one.

Class act that we are, we finished the night off with a couple of hours in Wetherspoons and a drive-in Maccy D at Hamburger Hill!

We know how to live the high-life....

Still got a couple more legs and a bit more recording to do prior to a well-deserved rest over Christmas and New Year. Well, that's the plan ...

Jon Cleave



outside the London Palladium



the musical and on stage with the cast





COULD YOU FOSTER A HEDGEHOG?

As some of you know, I take in sick and injured wildlife and in particular, hedgehogs. We are so lucky to have this charismatic creature live here in such numbers. But sadly they are on the decline are are now listed as vulnerable to extinction.

I am looking for anyone who might be interested in becoming a hedgehog foster carer. It would involved having a small hutch in your garden (I can provide) and feeding and cleaning them out for a few days prior to release and then leaving food down for the next few nights if they wish to return. You don't need any experience in working with animals, just an interest in helping them.

If you are interested in helping with this vital part of the rehabilitation process please call 07919 551328 or email fayearchell@googlemail.com

Thank you

Faye Archell

In the garden with Pete the gardener



Rhubarb

Rhubarb is technically a vegetable. It's leaves and stems are affected badly by frost and soon turn limp and soggy, so it is a good idea to spruce up your rhubarb patch now, ready for winter. Remove or cut away any remaining leaves, they could be sheltering slugs and snails. Tidy up the patch now and weed it, so that when spring comes around you can enjoy the cooked stems of young rhubarb.

You can force dormant rhubarb crowns growing in the ground by covering them with purpose made terracotta forcers or upturned dustbins full of straw. The dark, warm conditions force the rhubarb into growth a month early, causing it to produce soft, pale-pink stems that have a champagne flavour when cooked.

Once you have forced a crown it must be rested for 2-3 years and allowed to grow away naturally. The simplest thing is to plant three crowns so that one is recovering from being forced the year before, one is cropping naturally and one is being forced.

Rhubarb prefers damp summer weather and a dry winter. Mulching with well rotted compost or straw will help to achieve both, but do not cover the crowns too deeply. It needs a cold period before growing in the spring. Early varieties need a relatively short cold spell, later varieties a long cold period. If you want an early crop of forced rhubarb, you need to chose an early variety. Timperley Early (early variety), Hawke's Champagne (early to mid season), Queen Victoria (mid to late season).

Did you know ...

The common garden snail is the fastest species of snail. It can move about 55 m (60yd) per hour. Snails are also very strong and can lift 10 times their own body weight. They dislike bright sunlight and sniff out their food despite the fact their two upper tentacles have eye-like light sensors.



It's not too late to plant Tulip bulbs ... red tulips have long been a symbol of everlasting love; pink and yellow ones symbolise happiness, white ones symbolise forgiveness and purple ones are a symbol of royalty. Tulips can continue to grow as much as an inch a day after being cut and put in a vase.

Amazingly, during the 1600s tulips were so valuable in Holland that the bulbs were worth more than gold!

Jobs to do in the garden in November

- Paint fences, sheds and wooden garden furniture with preservative
- Scrub slippery surfaces (algae, moss etc), with water adding a few drops of Jeyes fluid or patio cleaner and clean the area
- Lift dahlia tubers after the first frost and store in a cool frost free place
- · Cut down faded perennials and mulch the surrounding soil
- Make sure all tender plants are safely under cover and frost free
- Plant amaryllis bulbs and keep in a warm place to force indoor flowering at Christmas
- Give the lawn a light trim if weather conditions are still mild





At 15:27 on 7th October Port Isaac RNLI were tasked to a report of an inflatable boat being blown out to sea by Gull Rock, Trebarwith with 2 persons on board.

Our inshore lifeboat was launched and headed to the scene. On arrival it was found to be a small aluminium boat from Port Gaverne with two experienced fishermen on board bass fishing. The call was noted as a false alarm with good intent.

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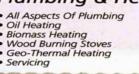
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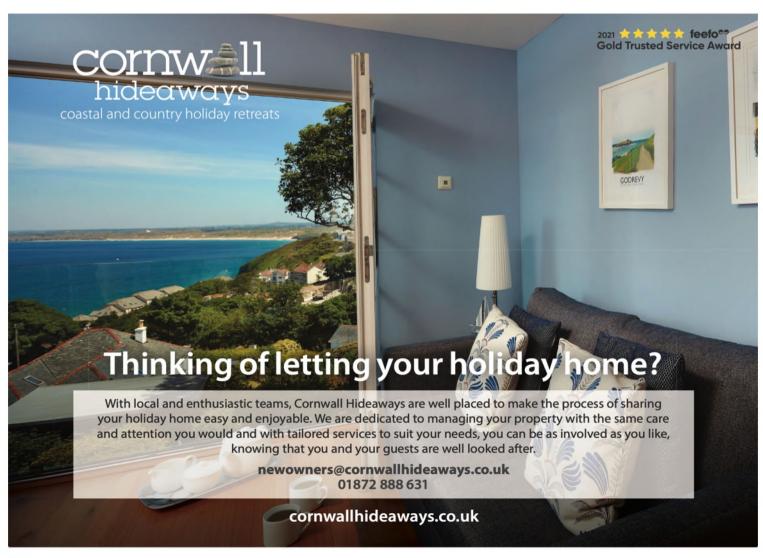
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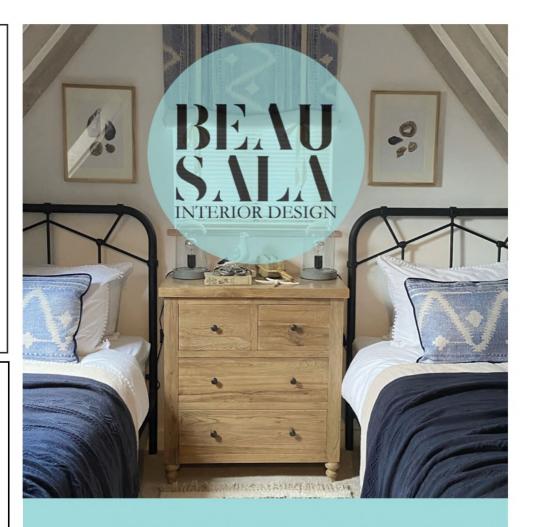
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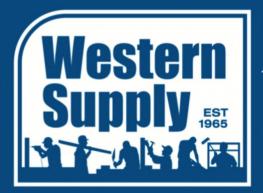
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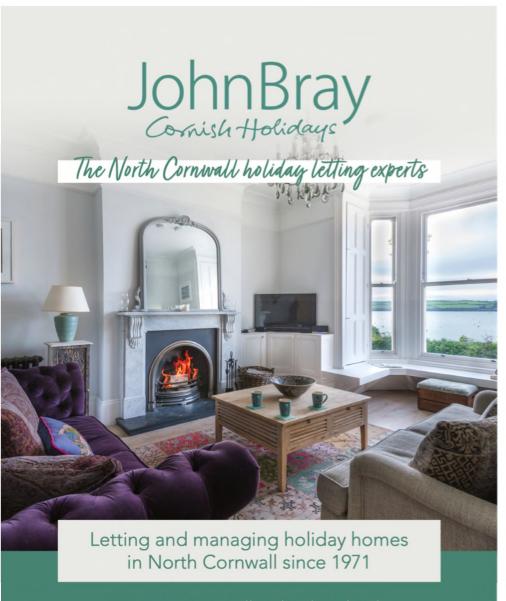
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Wednesday November 3rd

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

Wednesday November 10th

Community Cafe in the Village Hall - 10am-12noon followed by Soup & Sweet Lunch from 12.30pm

Saturday November 13th

Village Hall Christmas Hamper raflle in the Co-op - 9am-3pm

Tabletop Sale in St Endellion Hall - 2pm-5pm

Sunday November 14th

Remembrance Service in St Peter's Church - 10.30am

Monday November 15th

PICC (Port Isaac Community Cinema) in the Village Hall - 1917 - doors 6.45pm, screening 7pm

Wednesday November 17th

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

Saturday November 20th
Spindle Ensemble in St Endellion Church - 7.30pm

Wednesday November 24th

Community Cafe in the Village Hall - 10am-12noon including screening of old village events

Friday November 26th

COPY DATE FOR THE CHRISTMAS TRIO

Wednesday December 1st

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

Sunday December 5th

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

4pm in Port Isaac Village Hall

The Old Port Isaac Candlelit Carols with mulled wine and Christmas Afternoon Tea

Wednesday December 8th

Community Cafe in the Village Hall - 10am-12noon followed by Soup & Sweet Lunch from 12.30pm

Sunday December 12th

St Peter's Church Carol Service

Wednesday December 15th

Community Cafe in the Village Hall - 10am-12noon including a visit from the children of Port Isaac School to sing some Christmas Carols

Church Services

St Peter's Church, Port Isaac

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St Endellion Church

Sunday Sung Eucharist at 11am

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Sunday Service at 6pm

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December 5th