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We want to thank everyone from the bottom of our hearts for all the effort that was put into making Port Isaac Carnival 2022 such a success!

Yes, there is a small group of us that work throughout the year to sort the paperwork and fundraising but ultimately, on the day, it's the whole village that makes it such a fantastic day!

The sun shone for us, the floats were bigger and better than ever, the band had everybody boogieing and the smiles on everyone's faces were huge! We were so pleased to raise £2001 on the day from our Grand Tombola, Barrow of Booze raffle and collection buckets, which will help us to fund future carnivals! Thank you so much to all our road marshalls, stall helpers, businesses and individuals who generously donated tombola and raffle prizes, our brilliant judges and registration team, all our amazing local handymen who helped us transport tables and generators and build stages. As you can see there are so many people to thank - you know who you all are.

So now for the results.....

JILL ALDRIDGE's Children's Comedy Cup

- 1 Aladdin - **The Penny/Sandercock/Chambers family and friends**
- 2 Sumo Superstars - **Jago Thomas & Charley Keeble**
- 3 Pirates - **Emily Thomas, Will, Dylan & Noah**

SECRET'S Artistic Float

- 1 Under the Sea - **Port Isaac Stay & Play**
- 2 D.I.S.C.O - **Lisa, Laura, Flic & families**
- 3 The Old School Hotel

Best Trade /Business

- 1 The Old School Hotel
- 2 Fortnite - **Trelawney Garage**
- 3 The Dawes Tractors

Best Vintage/Service/Vehicle

- 1 Lifeboat in Mourning - **Damien & Amy Bolton + family and friends**
- 2 Dawes Tractors
- 3 Phoenix & Ailla's TukTuk

Best Comic Entry

- 1 The Sim Invasion - **The Sim Children**
- 2 Fortnite - **Sam, Faye, Gemma, Faye, Jo, Beth and family & friends**
- 3 The Old School Hotel

WENDY SMITH's Best Children's Cup

- 1 Fortnite
- 2 Pirates
- 3 Port Isaac Stay & Play

NICK BUNT's Adult Comedy Cup

- 1 Take me Dancing - **The Gulls**
- 2 The Sweets - **Lowenna, Staci & kids**

Best Walking Single

- 1 Dino - **Benjamin Hope**
- 2 BatWoman - **Evie**
- 3 Ghostbuster - **Dexter Reynolds**

Best Walking Group

- 1 **Fast Forward Dance Troup**
- 2 Take me Dancing - **The Gulls**
- 3 Aladdin - **The Penny/Sandercock/Chambers family and friends**

Fairy Queen Group

- 1 **Poole Fairy Queen**

Carnival Queen Group

- 1 **Hendra Carnival Queen**
- 2 **Poole Carnival Queen**

Best Royalty Float

- 1 **Poole Float**
- 2 **Hendra Carnival Queen Float**

YVONNE TAYLOR's Best Dog in Carnival

- 1 Port Isaac Fairy Queen - **Blue Collins**
- 2 **Buddy Price**
- 3 **Pilot & Buddy Taylor**

PEGGY RICHARDS Best in Carnival

- 1 **Port Isaac Stay & Play**
- 2 **Fast Forward Dance Troupe**
- 3 **Lifeboat in Mourning**

I would like to thank the organisers & everyone involved for making the Port Isaac Carnival such an uplifting occasion. It was a marvellous 'lift' in what was such a sad time following the news of the death of Our Queen. Well done & thank you. Annie Price xx.

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Bring on Carnival 2023!!

Love The Carnival Committee xx

DAWELANDS TRACTOR RUN

Sunday October 2nd

supporting Port Isaac First Responders

leaving Dawelands at 9.30am ish should be at the bottom car park at 10 am ish

PLEASE SUPPORT US AND THIS WORTHWHILE CAUSE

It's Panto!
oh no it isn't!!
oh yes it is!!!

Children wanted! to be part of this year's pantomime

First meeting - Sunday November 6th
in Port Isaac Village Hall
under 10s - 3pm
over 10s - 4pm

Help needed for making costumes

If you have time to lend a hand with costumes, your help would be very welcome!

Contact me on 07968154308 or email
portisaacpottery@btconnect.com

SCENERY
PAINTING DAY

Come and join us in the Village Hall on
Monday November 7th from 10 onwards
Everyone is welcome to turn up and wield a paint brush, lunch and laughter provided.

Aladdin

the Port Isaac Panto performed by the
Drekky Theatre Company
in Port Isaac Village Hall
December 28th, 29th & 30th 2022 and
January 2nd 2023
details of tickets etc in next month's Trio

the
Wednesday morning
Community
Cafe 10am-12noon

in Port Isaac Village Hall
everybody welcome

AUTUMN EVENTS
everybody is welcome to join us

SOUP & SWEET LUNCHES

Thursday November 3rd & Thursday November 24th
12.30pm - pre-booking really useful! 07814 462164

MAKING CHRISTMAS WREATHS
Wednesday December 7th during Cafe

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION LUNCH
Thursday December 15th - 12.30pm
booking required call 07814 462164

PORT ISAAC VILLAGE HALL'S
BIG ALL-DAY

ADVANCE NOTICE
CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
SUNDAY DECEMBER 11TH
INCLUDING LOTS OF FOOD AND LUNCH

PLUS A SPECIAL VISIT FROM SANTA
AND ENDING WITH THE TRADITIONAL PORT ISAAC CAROLS

All in all September has been a really good month for us. We started off with the Carnival and we won the Nick Bunt Adult Comedy Cup. A huge well done to the Carnival Girls.

The next weekend it was off to Bristol as we had been invited to sing in the Bristol Shanty Festival - the only girl group (they called us girls, not us!) The weather was lovely and we all had a great time - the icing on the cake was that we sang on the *SS Great Britain*. Launched in 1842, she was designed by Isambard Kingdom Brunel for the Great Western Steamship Company's transatlantic service between Bristol and New York and for many years was the largest passenger ship in the world. That's the history lesson over! But if you are in Bristol having a look round this historic boat and yard would make a great outing for all the family.

We were also honoured to sing at a party to celebrate Annie Price winning a British Legion award.

Looking forward we are going to do a lot of practicing in October ready for our concert with the *Voice of the People Choir* from over the border. Put the date in your diary - **Saturday November 12th** - and we'll give you full details next month along with details of our Christmas singing.



news



Photo:
Adam Gasson

Every year I look out for one of my favourite creatures, the hummingbird hawkmoth, and was delighted to see one in Newquay sipping nectar from a Buddlea tree. The wings of this moth flap at 70 to 80 times a second, so trying to get a good picture of it was a bit of a challenge. But you can see its long tongue dipping into the flower if you look carefully. In the July 2020 issue of Trio, Malcolm Lee had a column (see here <https://www.portisaacheritage.co.uk/piscesarchives/trio-july-2020/>) that told us what butterflies and moths to look for and included some excellent pictures including of the hummingbird hawkmoth. He mentioned in that article that many are migratory - that is they come to our shores from places like Africa. It has always been something of a mystery about how they manage to achieve this, with the main theory being that they are swept along by the prevailing winds.

This spectacular creature was first identified from the scientific point of view, by the father of zoological classification Carl Linnæus in 1758 (its current latin name is *Macroglossum stellatarum* and you can see it in the animal database here <http://www.animalbase.uni-goettingen.de/zooweb/servlet/AnimalBase/home/speciestaxon?id=5208>). In recent times its biology has been brought right up to date with the genome of its mitochondria being completely sequenced- which gives clues to its evolutionary history (see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hummingbird_hawk-moth)

This year has been particularly good for this species, and we know this as they are frequently confused with actual hummingbirds. The British Trust for Ornithology have an annual bird watch where people can spend some time in their garden and report which birds they see (<https://www.birdguides.com/news/bumper-year-for-uk-hummingbird-sightings/>). This year there was a four fold increase in the numbers of hummingbird hawkmoth being reported, making it a record year. In summary they said:

“Hummingbird Hawk-moths are most regularly seen in the UK in July and August. These large, colourful insects are often mistaken for hummingbirds because of the way they hover over flowers and use their long tongues to drink the nectar. In July 2022, 5.2% of Garden BirdWatch gardens recorded a visit from Hummingbird Hawk-moth, compared to just 1.3% in a typical year, while the proportion rose to 7.5% in south-east England. In Scotland, where the species is much rarer, it was reported from 1.2% of gardens, more than three times the summer average.”

So going back to the mystery of how moths and butterflies managed their amazing migrations, some recent research by

Websites of the Month



a group including Exeter University have begun to understand how this happens, and it has become clear that they are not passively being blown around but are actively follow a specific route and are excellent navigators. The researchers managed to fix a very tiny transmitter to deaths head hawk moths that they reared so that they didn't have any experience before they were released and then the tracked them from a light aircraft for 50 miles or so. They found that if the winds were blowing in the right direction they coasted, but if not they actively maintained a bearing and were navigating a particular course (read all about it here http://www.exeter.ac.uk/news/research/title_924400_en.html). So, it would seem they have some sort of map wired in so they don't have to learn it. One of the authors of the study, based in Exeter, is Dr Jason Chapman - great picture on his profile page with a moth on his hat (https://biosciences.exeter.ac.uk/staff/profile/index.php?web_id=Jason_Chapman) where you can see links to all his work on many other migratory species of insects, some less welcome than the hummingbird hawkmoth, like mosquitos and locusts.

So why have we had such a big increase in numbers when other species, for example swallows (<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2022/apr/30/swallows-martins-birds-head-back-to-uk-changing-climate-threatens-future>) have not done at all well this year. One reason might be that climate change is making it easier for them to overwinter, so they don't need to make their long migration. Each year some moths do manage to overwinter, and as our winters become milder, we are likely to see more of them surviving. The met office says: “Based on provisional data, it was the UK's eighth warmest winter in terms of mean temperatures on record in a series from 1884. In terms of the countries of the UK by the same measure it was fourth warmest for both Northern Ireland and Wales, while England and Scotland were both ranked ninth. This means half the top ten mildest winters on record have now occurred since 2010. “

They should be around for the next month or so, so keep looking ...

Tony Wainwright



YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

Port Isaac Community Primary School is in need of the Community's help and support, to make the School the best it can be for our children.

Some of the projects we need to address are:

Toilets - This is extensive and requires a building firm to rip everything out and install new. Any assistance with known, reputable (ideally local) companies would be great so that we can get a quote for this work. We would also like to add the staff toilets to this quote too. We have a set aside pot of money for this that has been raised over the years, but we now need to make it happen. This is the project that is most urgent!

Painting Inside - There are a lot of areas of the school that need painting.

Painting Outside - The upper parts of the school (above the pebble dash) need to be 'Weathershielded' in a white or something similar. This can be done during, or outside of, school hours. If we can get someone to donate the paint that would be great, but the school can fund this if necessary. If someone could donate a scaffold tower for this, that would be amazing.

Fencing - There is a small section of fencing that is needed that would ensure the site is completely safe from outsiders, but also if a child decided they wanted some 'space' from school!! Some of this would need to be professionally installed (including possibly a gate), but some could be erected by some keen fencers!

Learning Opportunities - There are so many areas that would benefit from a raised sandpit, or a shed for play equipment and then many other installations, depending on time and people's skills.

General Tidiness - We need a section of path being pressure washed, a section of fence removed, some sheds built that could act as a role play area for the nursery children. There is also a general tidy up needed.

Access to the Top Grass Area - This is quite a substantial project, and entails digging a slope into the side of the wall/grass hill to ensure that all children can access the grassed area easier. This would require a digger, removal of earth. This would open up the site hugely though.

If you can provide or donate:

- A trade
- Your time
- Paint – indoor & outdoor (white)
- Fencing Materials / gate
- Raised bed materials
- Play sand
- Gardening supplies / plants (hardy or herbs)
- Digger
- Paving

Once we have enough support in place we are hoping to arrange a **Community DIY SOS Day** so we can all come together and build our children a brighter schooling environment.

Please email: head@port-isaac.cornwall.sch.uk if you have any suggestions for any of this listed or call 01208 880494 to arrange drop offs / availability etc.

Friends of Port Isaac School News

We recently held a Friends of the School meeting to plan lots of exciting fundraising events between now & Christmas! (yes, we said the C word - sorry!!).

Plans are in motion for a Halloween Party, our annual Christmas quiz sheet, movie nights, Christmas wreath making and a BIG Christmas Fayre on Wednesday 14th December from 3.30pm. More details will be announced over the next couple of months but for now we are asking people to let us know if:

- you would like a stall at the Christmas Fayre - £5 a table or a raffle prize donation
- you can donate any raffle prizes - wine, boxes of chocolates/biscuits, unwanted Christmas gift sets etc
- you'd like to help at the Fayre.

Thank you,

Friends of Port Isaac School Committee

Please support Port Isaac School by dropping any of the following "good quality items" by Wednesday 2nd November at 9am.

Bag2School

Our next **Bag2School** collection has been arranged for **Wednesday 2nd November at 9.00 am**

WHAT WE COLLECT
We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE:
 • Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
 • Patterned shoes (and together or clats, hand around)
 • Handbags
 • Hats
 • Bags
 • Scarves and ties
 • Jewellery
 • Linen
 • Socks
 • Stole
 • Soft toys
 • Household linen
 • Household curtains
 • Household towels
 • Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

WE DO NOT ACCEPT:
 • Dirty and blankets
 • Pillows and cushions
 • Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
 • Soiled, patched, ripped or wet clothing
 • School uniforms with and without logo
 • Corporate clothing and workwear
 • Tangle of ties, yarn or threaded material

Any questions - please ask your school collection organiserJan (School 01208 880494).....

www.bag2school.com

Could you be a Volunteer Ambassador?

Citizens Advice Cornwall are looking for Ambassadors to:

- Give talks about the charity
- Attend events and supermarket collections
- Organise fundraising events from coffee mornings to skydives
- Distribute and collect, collection tins
- Research potential supporters

If Fundraising and Awareness Raising isn't your thing why not become a volunteer adviser or administrator instead?

Interested? Email recruitment@citizensadvicecornwall.org.uk

citizens advice Cornwall Charity No: 1095193

RIP Your Majesty

Well after the death of Her Majesty, I, as well as many others, remember days gone by and one of my food memories took me back to catering college in 1978 and one of the first puddings taught to me ... Queen of Puddings. This dish was very popular around the time due to the Queen's Silver Jubilee and could be found on most hotel sweet trolleys.

Queen of Puddings

Ingredients: 570ml milk
110g white breadcrumbs (preferably stale)
25g golden caster sugar
Grated zest medium lemon
1 heaped tsp butter
3 leg eggs separated
6 heaped tsp raspberry jam(175 g)
40 g caster sugar plus one heaped tsp

Method:

- Bring milk to boil in thick bottomed pan
- Remove from heat stir in breadcrumbs sugar, zest and leave for 20mins to cool
- Preheat oven to 180°C
- Now lightly beat egg yolks and add to mixture
- Pour it all into a 850g pie dish (well buttered) and bake in centre of oven for 30 to 35 mins or until set.
- Meanwhile gently melt jam and when pudding is set spread jam evenly over the top
- Then, using an hand held electric whisk, lightly beat egg whites until stiff then add 40g of caster sugar and spoon meringue mix over the jam doing edge of dish first then filling in the centre, use back of spoon to smooth over and fill gaps
- Finally sprinkle over heaped tsp of caster sugar and bake for a further 10 to 15 mins until golden brown
- Enjoy with pouring cream

RIP Your Majesty and Thank You

and from Mrs L

Slow cooker Beef

Well, it's getting colder and fuel is getting so expensive, so I have once again turned to my slow cooker to cook easy warming meals. I know beef is expensive and this is best way to cook the cheapest joints.

Ingredients: 2 onions 3 carrots
2 sticks celery
1 joint silverside beef size that you need that fits in your slow cooker
2 oxo cubes Kettle of hot water
Barbecue sauce Bovril

Method: Roughly chop the onions, peeled carrots and celery and put in bottom of cooker pan, sit the beef on top add hot water to cover all the vegetables and the most of the meat add oxo cubes, good glue of barbecue sauce, teaspoon of bovril if you have some, salt and pepper to taste. Put slow cooker on med for 6- 8 hours.

When the meat is tender (you can push a knife through it) take the meat out whizz the liquid in the pot with a stick blender, add salt and pepper to taste, carve the beef and serve with mash potatoes and your choice of vegetables.



I would be so grateful if anyone could help me with the above Poppy Appeal, especially giving perhaps two hours of your time to sell RBL merchandise in the Co-op from October 26th - November 13th, Remembrance Sunday.

I will not be doing house-house or street collections, but boxes will be in shops and restaurants if you give me the okay. PLEASE let me know if you DON'T want one on 01208 880660 or 07831105 379.

Also, since I last wrote in Trio, I have been told that RBL Wreaths for 2022 have increased in price. This is due to the Powers That Be! who have demanded that VAT be added on. Therefore all standard Wreaths (that most of you ordered) will be £25. Service Wreaths will be £30. If any organisation, or individual wishes to include a donation, the RBL Charity would much appreciate your generosity. Please let me know on one of the above numbers if you are NOT willing to pay this price increase.

Many thanks Annie (Price)
RBL POPPY APPEAL ORGANISER

Annie receives a British Legion award

Having been told that I was required up at Liz's (Trewetha Farm) for a British Legion meeting with Annie Binding (Cornwall Chief Fundraiser for RBL) and Suzanne Barribal, I did vaguely scrub up, though hadn't washed my hair!!

On arrival I was amazed to find that many of my RBL friends, helpers and others were there to celebrate an award being given to me for long service. What was such an extra surprise was that the *Gulls* were there to sing for us. This was extra special as, because of health, I have been unable to attend any of their events. It was beautiful and moving.

Annie, made a humbling speech and Jamie Miller, hot-foot from Naval duties, also said some lovely words. I didn't deserve such an accolade and was humbled and emotional by the love and care I felt.

A huge thank you must go to Liz and all the Bolton family for their hospitality and delicious food, all so delicate and professional - Liz all over. Also thank you to Suzanne for all her determination to get me there (a long story!), to the Gulls, to Annie Binding and to all the familiar faces who never let on, and all told little fibs, so it would be the surprise it was!

Thank you ALL SO MUCH for a lovely & memorable evening. God bless you all.

Annie x





A bird-friendly garden should have feeders full of sunflower hearts, nuts and seeds to eat, and of course, a bird bath.

If you don't have one, it is quick and easy to make out of a large plant saucer (at least 30cm), using tap or rain water and a rock or two in the middle for the birds to perch on.

Raise the saucer on a single layer of bricks, and place in an open flat area where a cat can't hide and pounce. Likely bathers seen would be robin, hedge sparrow, greenfinch, chaffinch, goldfinch, blue tit, great tit, wren, blackbird who will love a refreshing drink and a good bath once in a while.

Jobs to do in October

Autumn is a good month to plant perennials and shrubs. The soil is warm, has less leaf growth, so plants put energy into roots, and there is usually plenty of rain.

Plant up cheerful pot displays with winter colour, such as heathers, cyclamen, winter pansies and skimmia.

Empty spent summer pots and hanging baskets and put on compost heap.

Clear away old crops, so they can't harbour pests and diseases through the winter.

Dispose of foliage from tomato plants and let the sun help to ripen the tomatoes, or take them off plants and place in paper bag with an overripe banana which speeds up ripening.

Continue to plant spring bulbs.

Scarify, aerate grass and apply an autumn lawn feed

Make leaf mould

It is worth saving the leaves blown around the garden to make leaf mould which is an excellent mulch for the garden.

- Place leaves in a bin liner (moisten if dry).
- Pierce the bag with a garden fork and loosely tie the top.

Stack in a corner of the garden for up to two years. It is better to rot the leaves separately from your compost heap, as they disintegrate at a slower pace.

Did you know? ... Leaves rot down slowly with the help of fungi. These fungi prefer cooler conditions, so store your bags in a cool position.



The oystercatcher is a large stocky, black and white wading bird with a very long orangey-red bill, a very loud 'peep-ing' noisy call, and are often heard before being seen on the rocks between Port Isaac and Port Gaverne.

Blight

Quiz answers: 1. Mildew 2. Hopper 3. Beetle 4. Canker 5.



Recycled 45' high conifers from my garden and made mushrooms!

This months little quiz - six letter nasties

Can you identify the missing six letter words?

1. Powdery..... (a common problem of asters and chrysanthemums as well as various vegetables, most prevalent in warm, dry weather).
2. Leaf..... (the small grub of a number of insects that tunnel through leaf tissue leaving ribbon-shaped scars)
3. Lily..... (this bright red adult and it's slimy, greedy grubs can devastate the leaves and flowers of lilies and fritillaries)
4. Apple..... (tell-tale signs of this serious disease include cracked and shrinking bark and red growths in winter)
5. Halo..... (a bacterium that attacks french and runner beans, causing dark leaf spots surrounded by a yellow ring)

Art Talk & Trips 2022

Talks & Trips is a group who meet in Port Isaac Village Hall and has an Arts focus. It is linked to Tate St Ives through their *Look Group Programme* initiated in 2009. This enables Cornwall-based *Look Groups* to enjoy regular visits to exhibitions and special events and activities - tate.org.uk. For a fee of £5 and proof of your local address you have access to a locals pass which also gives you admission to other exhibitions in the future.

'One of the things about rural areas, there are plenty of people about, but meeting people with common interests can be hard; it's been really good for that, and our friendships are quite strong' Tate Look Group

The Port Isaac group meets regularly and its aim is to invite speakers to talk about their specialist subject which then relates to a planned excursion.

If you would like to be added to our growing Whatsapp group please contact Caroline Cleave 07966 501 156

We have the following programme of Talks & Trips and these will be held in Port Isaac Village Hall at 7pm (bar open):

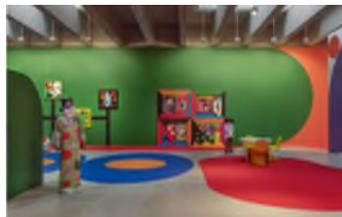
Our recent talk by Ruth Proudfoot on Oconoclasm was really well received and led to some wonderful feedback

"absolutely engaging" ... "feel inspired to learn more" ... "so interesting"

8th October Tate St Ives Trip: AD

MINOLITI - experience Ad Minoliti's colourful and geometric paintings.

Artist Ad Minoliti draws on the rich legacy of geometric abstraction in Latin America and presents alternative universes influenced by feminist and queer thought. The exhibition will also feature Minoliti's ongoing project *The Feminist School of Painting*, trans-forming part of the gallery space into an active classroom.



21st October Talk: Cornish Memory Game in Port Isaac Village Hall - 7pm

a Curious Collection of Cornish Delights

With Christmas around the corner, what better time to connect with a truly Cornish creation for families and children. In this illustrated talk the creator, Merryn Threadgould, explains why she wanted to make a memory game entirely about Cornwall and the extensive research, copyright clearance and development it involved. Antique magic lantern slides, vintage postcards, commissioned artwork and museum pieces all went into the mix, demonstrated in the accompanying slide show. From the great Polperro Fingerprint Experiment to the forgotten polkas written in honour of Mary Kelynack, the octogenarian marathon walker from Penzance, and some lockdown graffiti from Bude, the result spans 300 million years of Cornish history aimed at children through play.



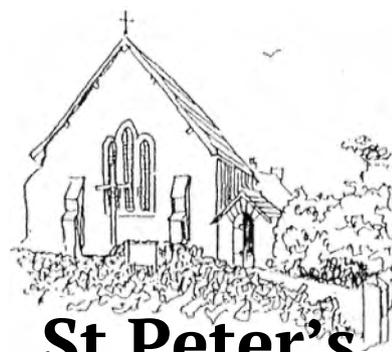
10th November Trip: Barbara Hepworth Exhibition

- explore the life and work of one of the greatest sculptors of the 20th century.

Originated by Hepworth Wakefield, the exhibition at Tate St Ives will have a special focus on Hepworth's life in Cornwall, bringing together many of her most important works. You'll also be able to visit the nearby Barbara Hepworth Museum & Sculpture Garden



28th November Talk: Olive Maggs - Pre Raphaelite Women Artists and Muses in St Endellion Hall - 7pm - Olive will explore the lives and relations of the Pre Raphaelite women, both artists and muses.



St Peter's news

With the announcement of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II, a book of Condolence was put into church. Over the two weeks many residents and visitors have written in the book. There was a display included in the Port Isaac Heritage Exhibition about the Queen's Accession. Candles were lit each day until the funeral. We said goodbye to June Bryant at her funeral on September 29th. Until a few years ago, June was an active member of the congregation at St Peter's.

Looking forward to Sunday October 2nd when we are holding our Harvest Festival Service at 4pm, which will be combined with a Cafe Church. There will also be activities for youngsters as well as light refreshments.

All the food donated will go to the Wadebridge Food Bank. There is a box at the back of church for donations of tins and dried goods, or you can bring them to the service.

Pat Pearson

PORT ISAAC LIFEBOAT LARKS

On behalf of the RNLI Crew and Committee, a huge "Thank You" to every single person who helped prepare, made donations, ran the stalls and helped to clear up at the end of a very sunny, fun and successful day. We heard from many people that it was 'one of the best'. Furthermore we would like to thank Emma Crossman for answering the appeal to replace our BBQ. We now have a lovely new one donated by Emma in memory of her late Father, Ted Childs, one time Crew member and Lifeboat Operations Manager.

Liz Bolton

Remembering June Bryant

1924 - 2022



“Oh, darling, there’s no need to go to so much trouble.” Had she known I would write her obituary, I imagine that that’s precisely what my Aunty June would have said before suggesting I do something less bothersome or asking if I wanted a crab sandwich.

June Mary Butler – as she was known before her marriage to my uncle, Denis Bryant – was born in Kingston-Upon-Thames in Surrey on Friday 13 June 1924, a fact which prompted her sister, my mother Jo, to remind me that ‘Friday the thirteenth is *not* unlucky at all’. Times were not easy. Her father, Eric Butler, had been a noted pilot in the Royal Naval Air Service during the First World War, but was largely absent while his wife, Dorothy, known to everyone as Trigger, brought up June and my mother on her own in and around Richmond.

My mother and June were always close – my mother had a special nickname for her that nobody else was allowed to use, Bob – and when the Second World War broke out they both joined the ARP. I can’t really imagine Aunty June walking the streets of Richmond shouting ‘Put that light out!’, but I am sure that she fulfilled her duties to the letter. She entertained many of us with her vivid, often hilarious memories from those times which she continued to recall even after she was diagnosed with dementia – often with a mischievous chuckle.

June’s relationship with Cornwall really began when she married Denis in 1951. Denis had family connections with the county and the Port Isaac area in particular. A widower, he had a daughter, Lynne, from his first marriage, for whom June became and remained Mummy. Denis was a sales representative while June herself worked for a family-owned pharmacy in Richmond, Hayward’s, whose clientele included actors like John Mills and Peter Davidson, David Attenborough and various members of the Rolling Stones. June worked there for much of her adult life and the Hayward family remained close friends all her life.

My earliest memories of June date from the late 1960s. Sunday lunches at their flat in Cambrian Road in Richmond were always notable for the vision of Aunty June in the kitchen swathed in steam and afternoon walks into Richmond Park where she’d help me hoick frogspawn out of a pond or chase after her beloved West Highland terrier Camparis (named after her favourite drink, Campari).

A holiday in Port Isaac was also pretty much *de rigueur*. I’ve lost count of the cottages that we stayed in, but one incident that springs to mind is when we all stayed on Dolphin Street and some other tourists spotted Aunty June and Mum laying a table in the front room through the window. They assumed it must be a café, burst in and demanded a cream tea.

June and Denis eventually moved to Port Isaac in 1986 and lived together in Inshallah on Church Hill until Denis passed away in 1991. As many reading this will know, she was an active participant in many aspects of village life, both through St Peter’s Church, Port Isaac Chorale, Port Isaac Players and Sandie’s art group and through working at the Gaverne, Ours and Billy and Barbara’s pottery. She was a consummate raconteur and got on easily with everyone, no matter what their age, delighting in the lighter side of life, but also caring for those closest to her.

Towards the end of her life, June was also intrigued to learn that she was directly

descended from, amongst others, highly respected Victorian artists and art dealers, not to mention a couple of Lord Mayors of London and Queen Elizabeth the First’s customs duty collector. Needless to say, June found such information fascinating, surprising and hilarious. We might all wonder what she and Queen Elizabeth II are chatting about as they both pass through the Pearly Gates even now.

Aunty June and I met for the last time in person not long before the Covid pandemic broke out and June had to move into a care home. We had lunch in The Old School with my daughter Lydia. I don’t remember what we talked about exactly, but June’s love for her family and friends – in Port Isaac, Australia, Richmond and, in my case, Bulgaria – was palpable. Hers was indeed a life well lived, but also one that enriched the lives of others – and that’s why, Aunty June, even though I know you would have told me not to bother, I’m writing your obituary to celebrate that gift you had.

Tom Phillips

Remembering Dave Phippen



We are very sad to announce the passing of Dave Phippen on July 13th. He will be much missed by his family and friends and people whom he met when he was out walking which he loved doing.

Many thanks for all the cards and flowers and messages of support at this difficult time.

Mary & family

Full Council Meeting

Monday 12th September 2022 St Endellion Hall 7pm

Everyone was upstanding for a minute's silence following the passing of Queen Elizabeth II in remembrance, affection and gratitude for her lifetime of service.

Cornwall Council Report- County Cllr Mould stated that it has been an interesting and difficult week with a new Prime Minister, the sad passing of Queen Elizabeth II and the accession to the throne of King Charles III. As a result, Cabinet had closed and the Full Council meeting had been moved to Wednesday 21st September 2022.

Port Isaac School: County Cllr Mould today attended a meeting regarding Port Isaac Community Primary School as a result of the condemning Ofsted report. She felt the Parish Council should be aware of the situation and the impact on the community. Ofsted rated the school as 'Inadequate' in most aspects. The condition of the buildings are in a sad state of repair and as a result, the school will become an academy. Cllr Button commented that he hopes that this will lead to improvement and the school will move forward. Cllr Cleave responded that already there is a positive atmosphere and communication has already improved.

County Cllr Mould has referred the issue with Ash trees adjacent to the War Memorial verge (on land rented from Cornwall Council to Mr & Mrs Hewis) to Cornwall Council's Tree Officer for a further inspection.

Playing Fields Working Group- Cllr Button reported that a date for the trenching had yet to be confirmed by Approved Site Investigations Ltd. Once complete outline planning can be sought.

Dates for the Shared Prosperity Fund have been received. Interest has been registered in the Good Growth Fund.

STEND_HWG – Cllr Williams stated that the survey had undergone analysis and been resubmitted for comment.

A notable finding is the proportion of second home had increased from 44% (derived from responses to the 2011 census, and reported in 2013) to 56% derived from the information collated from the electoral roll, this generates a 22% response rate to the survey. The key finding the survey demonstrates is hidden need, a disparity in the quantum responding they were in need, yet responding negatively to Homechoice registration. The next action is engage with employers to encourage their employees in housing need to register with Homechoice. Couples may have a joint income of up to 60K per annum and still be register.

Cllr Williams noted that Cornwall Council requires hard evidence of need, as they derive their evidence from the Homechoice Register only.

Planning Applications

a. **PA22/06668** The White House 3 Roscarrock Hill Port Isaac Cornwall PL29 3RG Submission of details to discharge condition 2 in relation to decision PA21/06286 dated 17.12.2021 **OBJECT**

We express our frustration, that despite our repeated representations, the applicants have not listened. Stone quarried from Tintagel is 'rustic' (orange and brown in colour) in appearance and does not match our native black colour. Stone from Delabole quarry, may still be picked at Delabole quarry, and this was our recommendation, advised by our stonemason member. To *remove* and *replace* with rustic slate is to render damage to the fabric of our Conservation Area undermining its integrity. The overall effect is to sanitise the rustic appearance, intrinsic to the character of our harbour side cottages failing to 'conserve and enhance'.

We suggest the sections of upright pitchers are removed by hand and where possible must be reused in the method describes in Option 3/John Grimes report.

We are very concerned that a different method, Option3 in the Grimes report, rather than the permitted method Option 2, has been employed to the whole of the rear structure, which was subject to an enforcement enquiry raised by the PC. Option 3 does not permit, as Option 2, for the growth of any vegetation, but has sealed the whole area in a concrete box, with no opportunities for natural drainage, forcing the flow of water to exit further down the hill, potentially to the rear of The Chapel.

We further suggest the discharge of Condition 2 for this section, is advised to include the caution of drainage holes to permit natural drainage from the cliff.

b. **PA22/06160** Land East Of 39 New Road Port Isaac Cornwall

Proposed demolition of disused garages and construction of three bed cottage. **SUPPORT.** Member note NDP Policy 3 requires a Principle Residency Condition to be applied.

c. **PA22/07528/7** 6 Church Hill Port Isaac PL29 3RQ Listed building consent Proposed rear dormers to exactly match existing front dormers replacing modern rooflight windows **SUPPORT**

d. **PA22/07366** Westaway Road from Long Cross to The Barton Trelights Port Isaac

Renovation of existing barn to create games room. Construction of swimming pool with deck. **SUPPORT** Member request in line with NDP Policy 6 (e) that the permission is subject to a lighting design plan: '...if external lighting is required, it protects the night sky.'

PA22/07779 5 Tintagel Terrace Port Isaac PL29 3SE

Application for Re Submission of planning application no. PA19/07482 - Construction of a new roof structure with flat roof dormer to the rear with associated terrace and two pitched dormers to the front elevation. **SUPPORT**

Highway Matters

Residents Parking – TH Harris & Sons are requested to provide further detail to clarify differences between the amounts quoted per property.

Bus Shelters – Update provided by Ms Jon via email, members **AGREED** for Ms Jon to ask shelter suppliers to quote for the works. It was **AGREED** shelters should be located on the green alongside Port Isaac Community Primary school, and on B3314 junction to Trelights grass verge (with the bench). Cllrs Kirkman and Arnold requested some low lighting in the shelter as the area in Trelights is poorly lit. Ms Jon to ask about solar LEDS within the shelter.

Port Isaac Highways Scheme – Members discussed the Public Consultation results previously circulated and **AGREED** to proceed with the scheme to the planning stage as all concerns raised had been reasonably addressed.

Information Only–

Cornwall Council Bird Flu Information - If you find a sick or dead wild bird, don't touch it and please report it to DEFRA on this number 03459 33 55 77 (select option 7).

Cornwall Council Sustainable Warmth Fund Information -supports low-income families and those with health conditions to improve the energy efficiency of their homes and reduce their carbon footprint.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second

Book of Condolence - A book is in place at St Peters Church Port Isaac, but an online book can be accessed via Buckingham Palace e-Book of Condolence (www.royal.uk)

Laying of Flowers – Port Isaac War Memorial will be accessible for anyone wishing to lay flowers.

Welcome Sign – members **AGREED** to Caroline Cleaves request to dress the Welcome Sign in black ribbons as a mark of respect. Full minutes from this meeting are available on the Parish Council website www.stendellionpc.com

Extraordinary Meeting- Monday 3rd October 2022 6pm
Port Isaac Primary School

Full Council Meeting – Monday 10th October 2022 7pm
Port Isaac Primary School

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St Endellion Parish Council

Contract & Maintenance Supervisor Report

This summer's done; in the last issue of *Trio* I commented on the amazing period of hot, dry weather we'd been experiencing and now it's autumn. And the visitor numbers to the parish have become a trickle rather than a flood.

I've been able to look at some of the projects which have taken a back seat for some time, including the War Memorial and trying to find a suitable way to incorporate the omitted names. Proposals and quotes have been sought from stone masons and bronze casting companies. When there's something constructive to share I'll make sure the information's available.

The project to refurbish the loos on Roscarrock Hill is moving forward and a planning application has been submitted to Cornwall Council. When it's granted it means the much needed overhaul to the loos can go ahead.

There's been a lot of small tasks undertaken over the last month which I regard as a sort of Parish 'housework' to try and keep on top of things. This includes the regular litter picking on the beaches and whenever I'm walking around. A couple of larger items were removed; a huge chunk of concrete on Back Hill and a long rusted metal bar from under a bench on Port Gaverne Hill. I've no idea where these things had come from, but they have gone now. Trimming back hedges with my trusty secateurs, checking on the Leat in Middle Street and reporting issues to Cornwall Council for their attention, this month including what looks like oil in one of the highway drains, as well as notifying the Countryside Access Team of missing or misleading footpath signage. Unfortunately, this department informed me there are no funds available for this sort of work, they'll add them to their list! Although, I should receive some way-markers soon, so can at least replace missing ones which will assist walkers finding the correct paths where they can be confusing or not in clear sight.

Over the past month I've also been collecting dead seabirds which have washed up on the beaches at Port Isaac and Port Gaverne and checking the beaches at Port Quin and Pine Awn. Although, the advice from DEFRA and Cornwall Council is not to touch them, to try to reduce the risk bird flu being spread. It doesn't seem right when there are families with children and dogs merrily enjoying themselves in full view of a bloated dead gannet! So I've been very careful on how I tackle this job and the birds are double bagged and reported to Cornwall Council for them to collect. Any dead animals can be reported to Cornwall Council, on their website, for their safe disposal or you can contact me and I'll report them.

The issues with the Leat seem to have settled down now the summer holidays are over, so the likely suspects were probably holiday makers having a jolly jape and messing about with the gate. However, I'll keep checking it to make sure there's no other issues.

I've attended a few meetings, including one with a Highway Steward from Cornwall Council who's brain I raided regarding lots of things around the parish, like resurfacing of some of the roads, the repair to the culvert in Middle Street and signage. He was specifically here to give advice on a couple of bus shelters which should be erected in the foreseeable future; one on the grass verge near the school and the other on the B3314 near the turning to Trelights, to help the children who wait there for the school bus.

As for resurfacing, several roads are on the list and will be done when the budget permits, but don't hold your breath and the same goes for the repair to the culvert in Middle Street too. The funds for this have to be applied for from central Government, once the designs for the work have been submitted and agreed. However, the Highways Steward and myself took a tour around Trelights, while we were in that neck of the woods, to inspect the new 'Trelights' and 30mph signs on all roads into the village.

As I mentioned in the last *Trio* the little hut and slide is due to have a bit of TLC. I'm hoping this will have been started and maybe even finished by the time this issue is published. There were a few small repairs carried out, in the play area, after the September inspection. The fencing around the space is looking a little tired and I've been asked to look into either having a new wooden, galvanised or 'not cold to touch' railings. Or to have the existing one refurbished.

Outside the school the railings there which were badly bent have been replaced. It wasn't done before the new school term, but not long after.

Is it time for toilet talk?! I think it is! Last month I reported a problem with all the doors at



the Main car park loos. A very helpful engineer attended, it took him over an hour and half to sort them out. In a way this made me feel better about calling him out! I know the Parish Council will receive a bill for the visit, but at least he didn't just switch the system off and on again and be on his way in 5 minutes. Especially as the company, one of the nearest with technicians to carry out this kind of work, had to come from Wiltshire!

At Roscarrock Hill one of the Gents toilet doors has had a new bolt attached. The accessible loo door has had the electrical catch pulled completely off. This is something that Cormac take care for the Parish Council. However, having requested a repair and explaining the problem, a carpenter was sent out. Another visit is due with an electrician and I've tried to ensure they bring the right parts and have some wood working skills too. Fingers crossed it should be done by now! All the hand sanitiser units have been taken down from each of the toilet blocks. It seemed time for them to be removed.

One final matter with the loos; there was no cleaning over the Bank Holiday weekend at the end of August and for the following few days. The amazing regular member of the cleaning team was on a much earned break. I made sure they were suitable for use and let Corserv (they used to be Cormac, Cleaning Services!) know about this lack of service.

I'm still chasing up other things mentioned in the previous *Trio* such as the grass verges in New Road car park and the path from Trewetha Lane to Mayfield.

If you'd like to contact me about any parish issues my mobile is: 07494 589 638 or email clarejonsten@gmail.com. I'll be on annual leave 2nd - 11th October.

The story of the building of our breakwaters, or ‘Port Isaac Harbour Scheme’ as it was originally known, was documented through regular articles written at the time in our local newspaper, the Cornish Guardian. These contemporaneous accounts enable the building up an accurate picture of the trials and tribulations that were overcome in completing this major project to protect our harbour and the fishermen that use it.

The 22nd February 1924 edition gave the first details of the proposals and reported that the original scheme dated back to immediately before World War One when it was estimated to cost £50,000 (£6.4 million today). That earlier scheme was supported by the County Council and the then MP, Sir George Croydon Marks, who attempted to obtain Government grants, but the coming of the war put paid to it. Following a visit to Port Isaac by London engineers, Lewis & Lewis, on 6th and 7th February 1924, a modified scheme was proposed, which was reported as involving

‘The construction of two separate breakwaters, one situated away from the other by some 200 yards. The East and the West breakwaters thus to be formed making a complete check or baffle to the inrush from the Atlantic, and to secure a haven where in bad weather the fishing boats could lie and be moored in more or less quiet water. It is believed that the one breakwater would be some 200 feet long, 12 feet wide on the upper surface and there would be over 20 feet of water above low water mark at the ordinary spring tides, while the low water mark would be some 2 yards above the base of the breakwater, which involves that the West breakwater would have to be constructed for the most part, in the matter of its base, entirely under water. The East breakwater is to consist of a smaller arm, somewhat shorter in length than the outer West breakwater arm, and to be 10 feet of water wide at the upper surface, while there would be 10 feet of water at ordinary spring tide above its base at its lowest part. These two inner and outer arms with a space between of some 600 feet would provide, it is believed, secure anchorage for the craft, while there would be beyond the inner or Eastern breakwater arm, some 500 feet of water anchorage, making a bay or area of repose that should be of great value to the fishing industry’.

It took quite a while to decide whether the County Council (who the Ministry of Agriculture preferred) or some local organisation (who the County Council thought should do it) was going to take the lead in putting the scheme forward. By April 1926 things between the various parties had sufficiently progressed for the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries to make a formal Order for the constitution of a Harbour Authority, which was approved to become an Act of Parliament (The Port Isaac Harbour Order 1926) on 10th May 1926. The Port Isaac Harbour Commissioners held its first meeting on 26th June 1926 with Mr Thomas Herbert Dyer JP from Trefreock Farm as Chairman and Mr S T Button representing Bodmin Rural District Council as clerk. Mr A M Todd represented the Ministry, Mr Howard Dunn represented Cornwall County Council, and representing the local fishermen were G Honey, F Honey, J Provis and C Thomas junior. The whole scheme was costed at £33,940 (£2.3 million today), and the main item on the agenda was to apply through Cornwall Council’s Sea Fisheries Committee for as large a government grant as possible towards the cost, also it was resolved to send a deputation to the Treasury in support of the application.

At the Harbour Commissioner’s meeting on 26th October 1926 Mr Dyer reported that the Treasury had approved a grant of two thirds the cost (£22,627), leaving £11,313 to be found locally. At the Cornwall Sea Fisheries Committee meeting of 15th December, it was reported that Bodmin Council had promised a loan of £5,000. Local fundraising in Port Isaac had accumulated the very substantial sum of £1,200 (£81,500 today), leaving around £5,000 still to be found. A proposal by Mr S T Button for the County Council to make a grant of £2,500 and borrow the other £2,500 on behalf of the harbour commissioners was put on hold until a sub-committee visited Port Isaac to get more information. It seems the County Council ended up offering just £1,000, requiring the rest to be found elsewhere. In August 1927 the commissioners started an appeal for the £4,000 needed. Cornwall Council eventually increased its grant to £2,000 and the residue must have been assured, as in March 1928 it was reported that the contract for carrying out the work in accordance with the scheme plans had been signed by Messrs Perry & Company (Bow) Ltd., a national public works contractor who had built Tower Bridge and the Bakerloo Underground line in London. Plant was already on its way to Port Isaac and work would start immediately it was in place. In early April 1928, Mr Walter Guinness, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries reported to the House of Commons that work was starting and said, “*Port Isaac harbour has been a very difficult problem ever since I have been at the Ministry, and I am very glad that a solution has at last been reached*”. There was a hold up in building the necessary explosives store and, in order not to delay the project, the Deputy Chief Constable, no less, appeared in the court to ask that the explosives store licence be granted before the store was even finished. This exceptional request was granted, subject to the police being satisfied with the final construction.

Concrete for the work was mixed up on Lobber with an aerial cable system suspended across the harbour carrying a large bucket to take the mixed concrete above the appropriate spot. The dangers of such a scheme are obvious, and there was a serious accident on 26th September 1928 when Charles Thomas was knocked off the staging by a bucket. He managed to catch a rope, but his grasp slipped, and he fell 50 feet on to the foundation striking some iron girders and sustained injuries to his back. The report stated Mr Thomas is progressing ‘as well as can be expected’.



During construction with two cables across the harbour going towards what may be the explosives shed above the eastern breakwater



The concrete mixing area on Lobber today, with the two cable fixing points still visible in the foreground and a levelled area to the rear.

The Building of the Port Isaac Breakwaters



In the Cornish Guardian of 30th August 1928, it was reported that a third of the length of the eastern breakwater had been laid and it was hoped this part would be completed before the rough weather came in. The previous month it had been found that the planned rock foundations for the western breakwater were not really there. This gave the commissioners some anxiety, particularly as to how the Ministry might take the situation, but it was thought of as only a temporary difficulty and some pile-sinking was immediately started by the contractor. This was the first inkling of what was to become a most serious issue affecting the whole completion of the harbour scheme. At Cornwall Council's Finance Committee meeting in November 1928 this problem was reported, but with no immediate cause for concern as a new spot for the western breakwater would probably be found enabling completion. The Cornish Guardian of 20th December 1928 reported on the December Sea Fisheries Committee meeting at which it was stated that government divers were inspecting the seabed where the western breakwater was to be. Ominously, they also reported that the contractors had filed a claim against the harbour commissioners relative to the alleged insecurity of the foundations of that breakwater. Also in that edition was an article on the quarterly report of the county Fisheries Officer about the efficacy of the eastern breakwater, even though it was still incomplete. This is the graphic description

'Owing to the tempestuous weather prevailing the boats have been prevented from putting to sea except at very rare intervals, whilst the damage to boats both at sea and in harbour is the worst recorded for a great number of years. At Port Isaac ten boats were damaged and sustained broken keels, stern posts, etc., and the boat 'Irex' became a total wreck. Had it not been for the breakwater which is under construction at the eastern side of the cove, doubtless the loss of craft would have been very serious. On this occasion there was the heaviest ground sea witnessed since 1910 when the sea wall of Messrs Pawlyn Bros. fish store was washed down and the boats hauled up into the village streets.'

In the 18th April 1929 edition, it was reported that Messrs Perry & Co's claim against the harbour commissioners was heard in the King's Bench Division. The contractor reported that

'when the diver got to work in June he found that the engineers had been misled, and that the bed of the sea was not rock at all, but was nothing but stones of varying sizes, mostly quite small, naturally cemented together by sand and other things, and these loose boulders could not be chased and trenched in the way the plans provided.'

The engineer-in-charge reported that a 4 foot deep trial hole where the western breakwater was to be located had found no rock, and a further 2 foot probe was uncertain whether rock had been reached. Even if rock was found 6 feet down, in order to meet the scheme plans an additional 2,000 cubic yards of concrete at £7 a yard would be needed. The contractor was given to understand the £31,500 tender price could not be exceeded. They had been asked to continue with the eastern breakwater but could get no firm decision as to how to proceed with the western breakwater. With only half the eastern breakwater done the contractor decided the commissioners had abandoned the contract and took their men away and sued for payment for the work done to date. Mr Le Quesne, counsel for the commissioners, contended that the contract had certainly not been abandoned, and it was the contractor who threw the contract up and walked away, and as such were entitled to nothing. The commissioners lost the case but won on appeal, with two out of the three Lord Justices coming down on their side at the end of July.

That same Cornish Guardian edition reported a separate unassociated high court case, where Perry & Co. had acted as guarantor in respect of a French promissory note for £165,000 (£11.5 million today). This was subsequently dishonoured, and the French government sued for recovery. Perry & Co. lost the case and were required to stump up the amount they guaranteed. This was not paid and with additional debts in excess of £300,000, the company was compulsorily wound up at the end of June 1929, even before the appeal by the harbour commissioners had been heard.

The Cornish Guardian of 15th August 1929 reported that the harbour commissioners found a new contractor, Messrs Brand and Company of London. The commissioners purchased the plant still on site from the receivers of Perry and Company at a satisfactory price and the new contractors agreed to go forward and thought it possible they could complete the eastern breakwater that season and hoped to find suitable foundations for the western breakwater so that could be completed the following year. On 29th August, the Cornish Guardian reported the welcome news the local MP, Sir Donald Maclean, had been in long discussions with the Fisheries Department who confirmed that funds had now been provided for immediate progress to be made towards its completion. Mr Moss Blundell, the head of the Fisheries Department, was reported to have taken a keen interest in the Port Isaac Harbour Scheme and was likely to do all in his power to see that it was completed. He made this comment

'Port Isaac fishermen, an alert hardy race of men, deserve well of the community. During the summer months when fishing is slack many of them are to be found on crack yachts. On their return they are busily employed in getting their gear in readiness for the herring fishing which continues from October or November to the end of the year. The hazardous life has its compensations, and with a harbour provided they are anticipating a reduction in risks and an increase in the number of catches, correspondingly raised.'

In November, the County Finance committee reported on the revised scheme and stated that the western breakwater would be brought nearer to the cove with a difference of two feet in the depth of water at low water spring tide. That month the commissioner's chairman, Herbert Dyer, reported that the eastern breakwater should be completed by Christmas and work on the western breakwater should begin in spring 1930. In February 1930 the Board of Trade gave notice of the amended scheme for the western breakwater, which *'will commence about 620 feet south of Lobber Point and will extend about 185 feet north-eastwards'*. This would put the new breakwater right adjacent to those rocky foundations chosen by earlier contractors when erecting the Tudor pier in the time of Henry VIII.

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The remains of the Tudor Pier alongside the western breakwater

It seems there was further delay as, in the Cornish Guardian of 18th December 1930, the chairman of the harbour commissioners reported
'It had been found rather difficult to build a harbour at Port Isaac and there had not been sufficient money estimated for the final completion of it. Consequently, the Ministry, in consultation with the engineer, were suggesting the lengthening of the eastern arm and the shortening of the western arm in order to lessen the cost if possible. The contribution so far made toward the protection of the fisheries was good and welcome, and if the money could be found to complete the whole thing, which they hoped would be forthcoming, they would be well satisfied. But for the time being the matter was in the melting pot'

He also reported the eastern arm had been completed and rather more than half the work had been done on the western arm. Work had now stopped owing to the weather. The Chairman said they had not spent all the money and had enough to carry on for four months in completing the western arm. In response to questions, one of the fisherman commissioners, Mr. Provis, said

'the protection afforded by the works so far built was a success and boats were not liable to the damage from gales they were before... [and] agreed that they were now getting good protection for the boats in the harbour - the object for which the harbour was built.'

It seems that this money proved sufficient to finish this lesser work, as the Cornish Guardian of 18th June 1931 included an advert for an auction by Messrs Button and Mutton of all the plant and equipment that was left after completion of the contract. The Cornish Guardian of 16th April 1931 reported an interesting comment made by Labour MP Arthur Shephard during a visit to Port Isaac. In response to a question from a local fisherman as to why the breakwater was finished forty feet short of the length originally proposed, he claimed it was not for lack of money, but because the Ministry had not been approached for any further funds to do this extra work, so they assumed everything was satisfactory. This may well have been a case of political hindsight about a done deal, as it is quite clear from as early as summer 1928 that the Harbour Commissioners, who included Mr Todd as the Ministry representative, were given to understand the £31,500 was the limit, and in December 1930 the chairman was reporting the Ministry were consulting with the engineer on how to reduce costs. Perhaps, if seriously pushed, the Ministry might have been prepared to offer more money to make an even better harbour, but this would obviously incur delay, possibly for another season, and the new contractor might move on to other things while awaiting a decision. In the light of Mr Provis' comments as a fisherman, to go with what you have got seems an eminently practical decision by the harbour commissioners.

The final legal administrative task was to make the necessary amendments to the Port Isaac Harbour Order 1926. These were advertised in the Cornish Guardian of 26th May 1932 and became law as the Port Isaac Harbour Order 1932 on 6th July 1932. It had taken almost 20 years from those first proposals before World War One, to the completion of a reduced scheme in 1931, but at last we had a harbour protected from the worst the Atlantic can throw at our village.

*Malcolm Lee
Port Isaac Heritage*

Port Isaac Chorale News

Our choir is back up and practicing every Tuesday evening at St Endellion church hall (19.30). We have had some new members join which is great but we are still looking for more as a few regulars have moved away. No previous experience of choral singing is needed and there will be several sessions of music score teaching later in Autumn from Jo, our multi-talented pianist and music teacher. We have an active social side with pub evenings and lunches. Come along and give it a try!

Here are some dates of upcoming concerts:

Thursday 24/11/22 - Concert for Scouts
St Minver Church (time tbc)

Sunday 4/12/22 - Christmas Carol Concert
St Peter's Church (time tbc)

Friday 9/12/22 - Carols at the Betjemen
Centre, Wadebridge 2 pm

Sunday 11/12/22 - Traditional Christmas
Carols Port Isaac Village Hall 7pm

Tuesday 13/12/22 - Carols at The White
Hart Pub St Teath 19.30 (time tbc)

Friday 23/12/22 - Carols at The Port
Gaverne Hotel 19.30

I will post any changes to the list on the
Wasson FB page and the next *Trio*
Yeghes Da! Cheers!

*Alan Sainsbury
(on behalf of the Chorale committee)*

Events at St Endellion in October 2022

Jenny Dyson & friends

Saturday October 8th - 7.30pm

St Endellion Church (PL29 3TP)

£12 | accompanied under 16s free

We are delighted to have flautist Jenny Dyson returning to St Endellion, along with some special guests, to perform music from the likes of Bach and Ibert

Harbottle & Jonas

Saturday October 22nd - 7.30pm

St Endellion Church (PL29 3TP)

£12 | accompanied under 16s free

Partners in life and music, dynamic Devon-based folk duo Harbottle & Jonas are one of the most exciting acts on the UK circuit today

Tickets for both events available at <https://endellion.org.uk>



Port Isaac Rowing Club The Queen Elizabeth II Memorial River Procession

In this period of national mourning following the death of Her Majesty The Queen, Port Isaac was one of many rowing clubs from Cornwall who travelled to London to take part in 'The Queen Elizabeth II Memorial River Procession' on the Thames.

160 rowing vessels from across Europe joined together in flotilla, replacing 'The Great River Race 2022'. We were instructed to fly black pennants and flags on the 21.6 mile row from London Docklands to Ham in Surrey.

With our new members on board and the invaluable support from our sponsors Sharps Brewery, we were able to bring both Corsair and Roscarrock to embrace this auspicious occasion. A truly respectful tribute to the late monarch, and privilege and honour to be part of this historic event.

We would be delighted to hear from you so contact us on our Port Isaac Rowing Club Facebook page if you are interested in joining us for a row or finding out any more information about our club or any future events .

"On the subject of racing, that was so lovely that you were not in fact racing on Saturday but rowing to honour the Queen's memory! What an incredible thing to do! It really felt it was meant to be that I saw you at that precise moment! I took the overland train to Battersea Park on the way there but just had a strange urge to walk back to Victoria - busy looking at my running app, Strava, just before spotting you & literally looked up for a second and caught sight of Corsair on the Thames! Then Roscarrock following behind with St Piran's Flag clear for all to see! It felt like a really special moment and I'm glad I took those snapshots to remember it by ... and it feels even more special now, knowing what you were doing that day - what a beautiful thing to do! So proud of you all for being part of that memorial procession! It looked very graceful - Beautiful - a moment I will treasure!

Tereasa x"

The Artisan Market

An update from the PICAM committee....

The idea of a market in Port Isaac came about during lockdown when a few local people felt it would be good for the community to have a local outlet for producers in the area and a place for the community to come together to purchase local produce and also socialise and chat. Over the past two years, this has certainly been achieved and, in addition, the market has raised some valuable funds for community causes which we will now be distributing (see below).

However, it has been quite a struggle this year for a number of reasons. Several committee members moved away from the area or on to other projects, leaving only two people to run the organisation which has been hard work. Thanks must go to our partners, Steve and Stacy and also especially Shaun Lewis, all of whom have ably supporting us on the day – giving up their own time to help set-up and run the market once a month. We have seen some local producers move away from the market as they develop their own businesses, selling direct from farms or other premises and we have struggled to find alternatives able to commit to the market. Re-branding from a 'farmers market' to an 'artisan market' has helped, however, the range and number of stalls we have been able to bring to Port Isaac has been limited. This, in turn, has a knock-on effect with customers. Whilst we do have some regular and committed local shoppers, which we thank you for, the footfall through the market is not enough to sustain our stallholders. Obviously this is a bit of a chicken and egg situation as, with not enough stall holders there, the customers will dwindle and without enough customers the stall holders don't stay.

Nevertheless, we do still want to bring the market to Port Isaac and, following discussion with stallholders, the committee has decided to scale back operations but still hold a market three times a year. This will, hopefully, help everyone involved and ensure that we can deliver a vibrant, full market with attractive, relevant stalls for our local community. So, there will be no markets in September, October or November this year – but we will be back for Christmas on Sunday 4th December 2022, running from 11am to 4pm. In 2023 the plan will be to run three markets, Easter/April, July and Christmas – the exact dates will be published early next year. We hope you understand the reasons for this change and continue to support the market going forward.

Now, turning to better news, the committee and volunteers are exactly that – volunteers. All profit that the market makes is for the benefit of the local community and, following the 2020/21 AGM, we are pleased to be able to make available four grants, each for a fixed amount of £250.00, to be awarded to worthy, local, non-profit, good causes. We are open to applications from qualifying organisations; you must be in St Endelion parish, be non-profit or a charity and provide a service to the community. We do only have four grants available so, should we receive more than four valid applications, we will ask a small committee of local colleagues to determine the successful recipients. All awards will be subject to the approval of the CIC regulator who is required to approve the distribution of funds. Should you wish to apply for one of our grants, please email us at: portisaaccommunityartisanmarket@yahoo.com setting out who you are, what the cause is, who benefits and what you wish to use the grant for. Applications will close on 30th October and awards will be notified shortly thereafter.

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From the PICAM committee – Guy Sibley & Kerensa Ball

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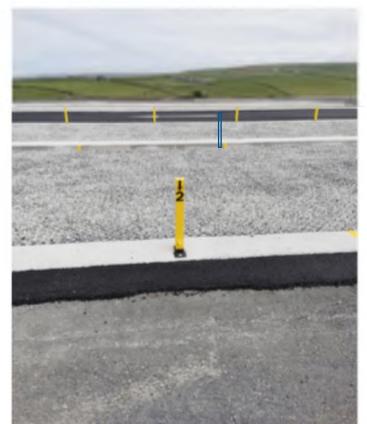


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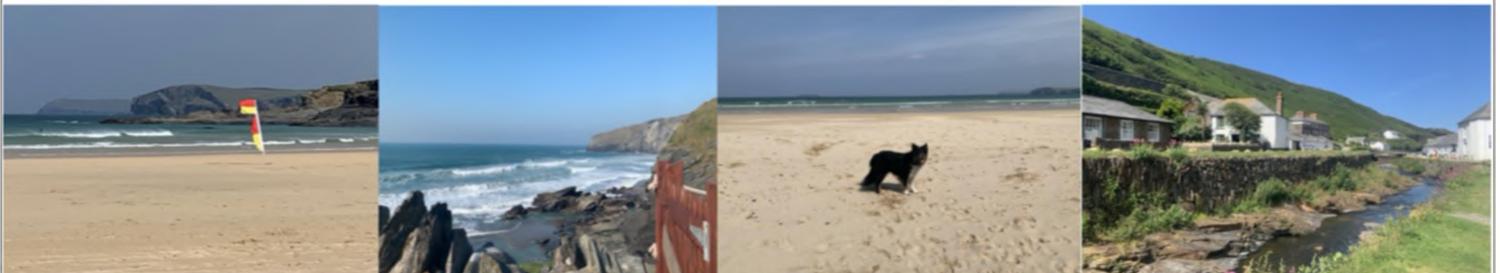
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St Endellion Church
Sunday Sung Eucharist at 11am
Trelights Methodist Church
Sunday Service at 6pm

Thursday November 10th
Art Group Trip to Barbara Hepworth Exhibition

Saturday November 12th
The Voice of the People Choir and Port Isaac's Gulls - concert in
Port Isaac Village Hall - 7.30pm

Sunday November 13th - Remembrance Service in St Peter's
Church

Wednesday November 24th
Community Cafe Soup & Sweet Lunch in the Village
Hall - 12.30pm

Monday November 28th
Art Talk: Pre Raphaelite Women Artists
with Olive Maggs in Port Isaac Village Hall - 7pm

Saturday December 3rd
RNLI Christmas Fayre in Port Isaac Village Hall

Sunday December 4th
Port Isaac Community
Artisan Market Play Park
and Main car park -
11am-4pm

Carols by Candlelight in
St Peter's Church - 4pm

Sunday December 11th
Port Isaac Village Hall Christmas Sunday - watch this space

Wednesday December 15th
Community Cafe Christmas Celebration Lunch in the Village Hall
- 12.30pm

Aladdin - the Port Isaac pantomime performances
December 28th, 29th & 30th and January 2nd 2023
2023
April 21st-23rd
The third Port Isaac Shanty Festival

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