



The PARISH NEWS

for Lanteglos, Lanreath, Lansallos, Pelynt & Talland

Rectory Ramblings

from Rev'd Richard

It's been lovely to see so many people join us this summer for our Church on the Quay Services on the Old Coal Wharf in Polruan. We have welcomed 8 different choirs over the summer and most events were attended by a 100 plus people. The highlight was probably our Harvest of the Sea Celebration led by the Polperro Fishermen's choir. Parts of the service were recorded and used in the Rev's [National Church of England Sea Sunday service](#) with thousands of views worldwide! Polruan became famous for half an hour.

In days of sadly dwindling church attendance we are attracting a new wave of people who feel comfortable in an informal setting. Jesus himself mixed with all walks of society; Jews and Gentile, rich and poor, godly and ungodly. We are simply trying to walk in his footsteps. Our message is the same as His and that God loves us, He can change our lives for the good and better and give us reason and purpose in life which many people are seeking today as well as a home in heaven.

We will be continuing our community based services in the Autumn around the Benefice with a Tractor Service in Lanreath, several harvests on farms and then over Christmas Carol services on village greens, the Bodinnick Ferry and of course the Old Coal Wharf in Polruan. We will also be having a farmyard nativity service!

We have a beautiful parish church at St Wyllow where we hold traditional choral services which are beautiful and reflective. Hopefully they are supported with a lively and challenging message from me and as I assure everyone, the best chocolate biscuits in the Benefice. St Saviour's, Polruan hosts a monthly cafe church where you can sit at a table and share a drink and biscuit as part of the informal service.

We'd love to see you one of our services and in our parish hopefully there is something for everybody!

The Rev

Trelawny Benefice

www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3kW4xYIn8o



Polruan Regatta: the arrival of the old and new royalty

From the Editor

I think it fair to say that the summer weather was not at its best but that said it didn't seem to dampen the spirits of the local community or those visiting, all of whom seemed to get really stuck into the fun and entertainment which had been planned by local organisations. The Regatta in Polruan appeared to be a tremendous success, enjoyed by all and thanks must go to the Committee who tirelessly put on this event year after year. Don't miss the reports inside on this and other events all over the Parish during the summer, and find out also whether Robin was able to save Batman — were they ever reunited?

September has so far brought with it some pleasant weather but there is definitely a feeling of Autumn in the air. Why not get involved in some of the Clubs and activities planned — to make the dark evenings pass more quickly, there really is something for everybody. Are you able to shed light on the research being carried out at St Mamarch's Church in Lanreath, if so, your input would be greatly appreciated.

Sometimes time stands still, sometimes it flies by and certainly that is the case when I realise that Graham and Jo at Polruan Store have been here for a year. A local shop is so important to a village and I am sure I'm not alone in being very appreciative of all they do for our community. Thank you and long may it continue.

Suzanne



Church on the Quay



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Church Diary in the Benefice of Trelawny

St. Wyllow Lanteglos; St. Saviour Polruan; St. Ildierna Lansallos; St. Tallanus Talland;
St. John Bodinnick; St. Marnarch Lanreath; St. Nun Pelynt

October 2024

Saturday 5th

St Wyllow 12:30 Wedding

Sunday 6th Nineteenth after Trinity

St Marnarch 09:30 Holy Communion
St Wyllow 11:00 Holy Communion
St Nun 11:00 At Methodist Chapel
Trefrawl Farm 16:00 Benefice Family
Outdoor Harvest
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

Sunday 13th Twentieth after Trinity

St Marnarch 09:30 Service of the Word
Polperro 09:45 Holy Communion with
Methodist Polperro Methodists
St Wyllow 11:00 Morning Prayer
St Nun 11:00 Harvest Festival
St Saviour 16:00 Sing a New Song (tbc)
West 18:00 Farm Community
Wayland Farm Network Harvest Festival
St Ildierna 18:30 Evening Prayer

Sunday 20th Twenty first after Trinity

St Marnarch 09:30 Harvest Festival
St Wyllow 11:00 Holy Communion
St Nun 11:00 At Methodist Church
St Ildierna 18:30 Harvest of the Sea

Sunday 27th Twenty second after Trinity

St Marnarch 09:30 Service of the Word
St Saviour 11:00 Café Church
St Nun 11:00 Holy Communion
St Tallanus 11:00 Harvest Festival
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

November 2024

Sunday 3rd All Saints

St Marnarch 09:30 Holy Communion
St Wyllow 11:00 Confirmation Service
St Nun 11:00 At Methodist Church
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

Sunday 10th Remembrance Sunday

St Wyllow 10:50 Act of Remembrance
and Service
St Tallanus 10:50 At Polperro Methodist
Church
St Nun 10:50 Act of Remembrance
St Marnarch 10:50 Act of Remembrance
St John 12:30 Act of Remembrance
St Saviour 16:00 Sing a New Song (tbc)
St Ildierna 18:30 Evening Prayer and
Act of Remembrance

Monday 11th

St Nun 10:50 Act of Remembrance

Sunday 17th Second before Advent

St Marnarch 09:30 Service of the Word
St Wyllow 11:00 Holy Communion
St Nun 11:00 At Methodist Chapel
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

Styles of service

from Liz Luck

What different styles of service will you find in the seven churches of Trelawny Benefice?

Everyone is welcome, and all our services and teaching are based on the Bible. There's usually tea, coffee and biscuits afterwards, with time to chat.

Please come along and discover what kind of service you like best.

Lansallos (St Ildierna): all services follow the ancient and beautiful words of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, apart from a monthly contemporary service.

Lanreath (St Marnarch): evangelical services, with some led by the Lanreath Music Group (musical instruments and choir).

Pelynt (St Nun): traditional village church Holy Communion or Service of the Word, in contemporary language, together with a monthly contemporary service, sometimes outdoors.

Talland (St Tallanus): traditional village church Holy Communion or Holy Communion-by-extension services, in contemporary language.

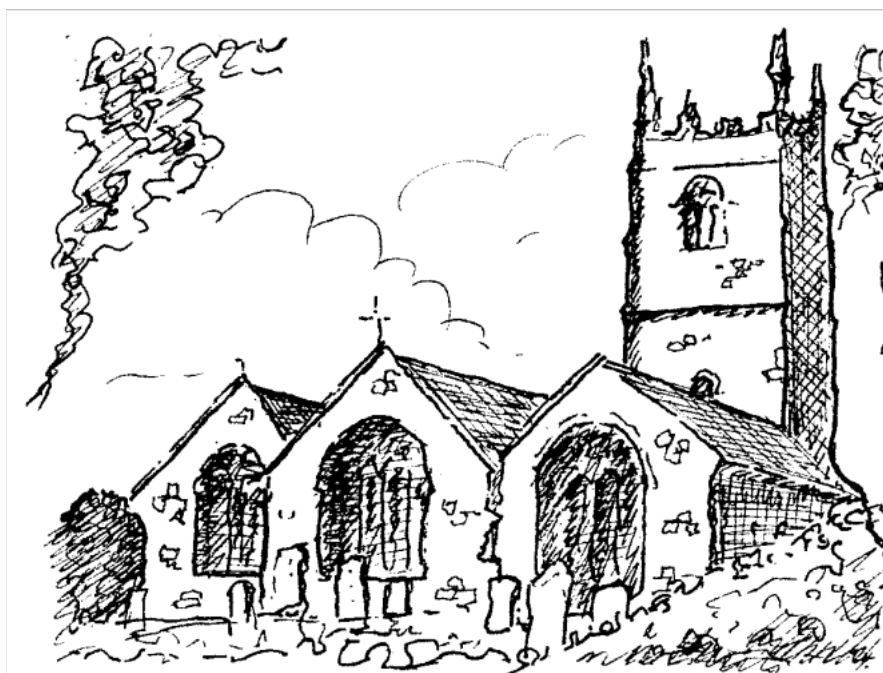
Lanteglos-by-Fowey parish: has three churches:

Parish Church of St Wyllow: traditional services with organist and Lanteglos Choir. Holy Communion in contemporary language, and occasional Evensong with the 1662 Book of Common Prayer.

Polruan (St Saviour): friendly Café Church once a month, with round tables, prayers, singing, Bible readings and a chance to talk.

Bodinnick (St John): community services every other month, based around major Christian festivals and usually with wine and nibbles.

Outdoor services: held in the open air on village greens, farms and quaysides – they're family-friendly and great fun. 'Church on the Quay' in Polruan runs on six weekends in late July and August. Other services dotted around the Benefice include Plough Sunday, Rogation, Harvest, Tractors, Pets, Equestrian and Lambing.



From the Registers

Baptism

6 July: *Shepley Macpherson Lee Barnyak* at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

Weddings

6 July: *Jobe Paul Owens to Charlotte Pamela Rawlinson* from St Austell at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

13 July: *Matthew David Chadwick to Rose Elizabeth Jane Bailey* from Winchester at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

Glyn Valley Crematorium Funerals

9 July: *Alfred Bartlett* of Polruan

29 August: *Julie Hender* of Polruan followed by Thanksgiving Service at St Saviour, Polruan

9 August: *Margaret Lilian Borash* of Polruan, preceded by a Memorial Service at St Saviour, Polruan

Interment of Ashes

2 July: *Michael John Woodward* of Pelynt at St Nun, Pelynt

5 July: *Fay Ann Trenning* of Par at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

19 July: *Derrick John Worton* of East Looe at St Tallanus, Talland

27 July: *Peter Samuel Lamb* of Talland at St Tallanus, Talland

3 August: *David John 'Richard' Morgan* of Hendon, London and Polruan; Thanksgiving Service and interment at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

28 August: *Marie Elizabeth Cheyne* of Bournemouth (formerly of Polruan) at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey



Parish Diary

All dates and times are correct at the time of going to press — please check notices for changes

October

Wednesday, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th 'Sparrows' come along for light refreshments and a chat, St Marnarch Church, Lanreath, between 10am and 12noon (see page 5).

Wednesday, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th 'FLexercise', Lostwithiel Community Centre at 10.30am (see page 12).

Friday 4th Polruan Village Hall AGM, Polruan Village Hall, at 6pm (see pages 6, 8 and 22).

Saturday, 5th Whitecross Local Produce Market, 10am – 12.30pm (see page 18).

Monday, 7th Crafty Roosters, Polruan WI Hall between 10am and midday (see page 12).

Tuesday, 8th Hospice book and Christmas Card sale, the Reading Room between 9.30am and 12 noon (see page 9).

Tuesday, 8th, 22nd Coffee, Cake and Catch up, Polruan Village Hall (see page 11).

Wednesday, 9th WI Meeting to include a talk on the Seaman's Mission, Fowey, Polruan WI Hall at 7pm (see page 6).

Saturday, 12th A Talk by Tony Smith 'The Battle of Lostwithiel – Parliament's Greatest Defeat', Fowey Town Hall at 2pm (see page 25).

Thursday, 17th A Talk and demonstration by Alice Mitchell 'Creating an Autumn Wreath', Whitecross Village Hall at 7.30pm (see page 24).

Sunday, 20th 'Festival of the Sea' with Polperro Fisherman's Choir, followed by a pasty supper, Lansallos Church at 6.30pm (see page 4).

Thursday, 24th Crafty Roosters, Polruan WI Hall, between 2 and 4pm (see page 12).

Thursday, 24th Lerryn Film Club present 'Creation', Lerryn Memorial Hall, doors open at 7pm (see page 12).

Friday, 25th Kidz Klub, Polruan Village Hall between 6 and 7.30pm (see page 8).

Saturday, 26th Polruan Film Club present 'What's Love got to do with it?', Polruan Village Hall, at 7pm (see page 20).

Thursday, 31st Halloween Party for the under 16s, Polruan WI Hall, between 3 and 5pm (see page 21).

November

Saturday, 2nd Whitecross Local Produce Market, 10am – 12.30pm (see page 18).

Tuesday, 5th Hospice book and Christmas Card sale, the Reading Room between 9.30am and 12 noon (see page 9).

Wednesday, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th 'Sparrows' come along for light refreshments and a chat, St Marnarch Church, Lanreath, between 10am and 12noon (see page 5).

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Saturday, 9th A Talk by Merryn Threadgould 'The Memory Game', Fowey Town Hall at 2pm (see page 25).

Monday, 11th Crafty Roosters at Polruan WI Hall, between 10am and midday (see page 12).

Tuesday, 12th, 26th Coffee, Cake and Catch up, Polruan Village Hall (see page 11).

Wednesday, 13th WI Meeting to include a games evening, Polruan WI at 7pm (see page 6).

Thursday, 21st A Talk by Ken Thompson 'Dealing with Plants Behaving Badly' Whitecross Village Hall at 7.30pm (see page 24).

Thursday, 28th Crafty Roosters at Polruan WI Hall, 2 until 4pm (see page 12).

Thursday, 28th Lerryn Film Club present 'The Great Escaper', Lerryn Memorial Hall at 7pm. Pre-order a meal from the Ship Inn to eat at the Hall (see page 12).

Friday, 29th Kidz Klub at Polruan village Hall between 6 and 7.30pm (see page 18).

Saturday, 30th Polruan Film Club present 'The Holdovers' at Polruan Village Hall, 7pm (see page 20).



from Kathryn Hill

The following is from a letter sent to Kathryn from Jay Senior, Community Fundraising and Volunteering Lead, Christian Aid, following Christian Aid Week in Lanteglos.

"Thank you for your ... donation of £270 on behalf of Lanteglos Parish to Christian Aid Week 2024. Your donation will help people who have been pushed to the brink of poverty find the strength and opportunity to push back harder and fulfil their hopes and ambitions."

And the letter conveyed a message from Aline in Burundi who said:

"People forgot I was human." "When we see Christian Aid, we feel comforted; we feel we are not alone. You helped us to change our poor living conditions. I really thank you from the very bottom of my heart"

Thank you.



Harvest Festival



Trefrawl Farm nr Lanreath PL23 2PB Sunday 6th October 4pm

A short service for all the family.

Meet the cattle - bouncy castle after the service - drinks and refreshments - under cover in the barn!

Pelynt Parish Church, Sunday 13th October 11am

Lanreath Parish Church, Sunday 20th October 9.30am

Talland Parish Church, Sunday 27th October 11am

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News from Lansallos

from John Feeseay, Lansallos PCC

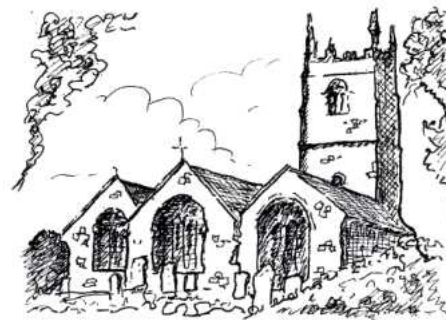
Mission & Ministry Fund (MMF)

Let's talk money! It's a rather sordid subject which tends to cause eyes to glaze over – but it's extremely important. The MMF is a monthly payment (sometimes known as the parish share or quota) which each benefice is required to make to the Diocese as a major contribution towards the cost of providing ministerial cover, such as the incumbent's stipend, housing, training and so on. Each benefice then apportions the MMF call between its parishes as it sees fit. Historically, in our benefice, the apportionment has been based on each PCC's relative income, and which for Lansallos has for many years been 12.5%. With a total call for the Benefice amounting to some £71,000 this year, Lansallos's share is £8,229. This is quite a tall order for a regular congregation of only some 8 or 9 people but by dint of generous giving, energetic fund raising and many donations from outside the parish, Lansallos has managed to pay its MMF call in full for at least the last 25 years.

This may be about about to change! The present apportionment has long been considered to be inequitable, especially with Lanteglos PCC being allocated 34.5% or £29,572 of the total MMF call, an almost impossible charge on a parish with three churches to maintain plus all their other costs. The only permanent solution is for the Diocese to reduce considerably the call on Trelawny Benefice to bring it more in line with others across the county, but there seems to be little chance of that happening any time soon. Meanwhile, the Benefice Advisory Committee (BAC) has been considering a proposed, more equitable, re-allocation of the call between our five PCCs which, if agreed, would increase Lansallos's share by some £783 per year – an even taller order! Meanwhile, a small sub-committee of the BAC will finalise the proposed new allocations and report back to the BAC in October with a view to implementation in January. We wait with bated breath . . .

Exhibition of Bench End Art

A Cornish artist, Gabby Schooling, with her colleague Jenny Wallis are working on creating a fascinating display next spring of artwork based on their interpretation of some of the interesting subjects carved on Lansallos's beautiful late 15th/early 16th century bench ends, as well as researching the equally ancient wall-mounted slate memorial to Marjorie Smith. Gabby and Jenny will be in residence in the church during half term week, 26 October to 1 November, to present their



initial work and to collect more information, ideas and feedback from the local community and the general public. Do drop by the church to meet Gabby and Jenny to see their work and, if you wish, to give your feedback on the results of their intriguing initial research and interpretation of these historical artefacts.

Future Events

An important date for your diaries is **Sunday, 20 October, at 6.30pm** when we welcome Polperro Fishermen's Choir to Lansallos to sing at our Festival of the Sea, to be followed by a pasty supper. Advanced notice is also given of two Christmas events at Lansallos which are the Christingle service at **4pm on Sunday, 8 December** and our Carol Service at **6.30pm on Sunday, 22 December**.

Dew bos geno!
(God be with you!)

Lansallos Festival of the sea



6.30pm on Sunday, 20 October

With Polperro Fishermen's Choir and a pasty supper



St John's, Bodinnick

from the Friends of St John's

An exhibition of Art in aid of St John's Church, Bodinnick is to be held in the Church on Thursday, 24 until Sunday, 25 October.

We shall be open between the hours of 11am and 5pm and very much look forward to welcoming you then.

Christmas at Lansallos



Christingle service at
4pm on Sunday, 8 December

Carol Service at
6.30pm on Sunday, 22 December

St Marnarch's Church Summer Initiatives

from Esther Ward

After an inspiring Pentecost sermon by our Reader, Norman, a time of reflecting on where we were as a congregation led to two initiatives. The first was to begin meeting each Friday in the Lady Chapel to pray for our Benefice, Diocese and the wider World. We have been blessed to have welcomed into our congregation a couple whose quiet, deeply rooted faith has encouraged us all. What began as two older people praying has grown into a few more folk joining in. Together we pray and listen to God and to one another. A votive candle stand and a prayer request book has been used over the summer by visitors, the village and congregation and we have seen prayers answered in small, but significant ways over these weeks. A simple story of faith sparked by a Pentecost sermon. The second project was inspired by our Rector's wife encouraging us to offer refreshments at the end of each of our services. A great team of folk now do this week in and week out and our congregation has not only grown closer to one another but also



"Sparrows"

You are warmly invited to drop in for free light refreshments.

All ages welcome.

Children's corner and space to chat.

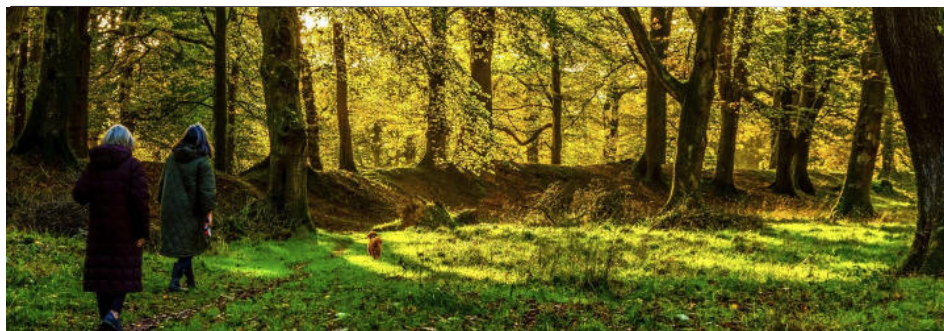
St Marnarch's Church, Lanreath
Wednesdays 10am – noon

* Any voluntary donations will be shared equally between St Petros charity, working to end homelessness in Cornwall, and St Marnarch's.



unearthed a gift to offer to others, a gift of hospitality. So now each week over the summer, 'Project Sparrows' began. We offer tea, coffee, cake and fresh fruit at no charge. A place for children to play was created with help and support from Sandra, our Safeguarding officer and long time leader of the village toddler group. And so old and young alike have enjoyed one another's company.

Donations left will be split between St Petros charity for the homeless in Cornwall and urgent repairs needed in our Church. We had intended to run the drop in space just over the summer holidays but at the time of writing it seems that further ideas may develop. Most of all we have enjoyed good times.



Autumn days

by Mavis Cocks

It's a bonus when Autumn lingers on
When the leaves hang on to the trees,
Ignoring early frosts and storms,
Rustling and donning with the breeze.
When the hedges are splashed with colour
Red and gold, yellow and brown.
When Autumn is exuberant with warmth
Reluctant to don winter's gown.
Too soon we'll feel those chilly blasts
Dark skies will weep with drenching rain.
Soon enough will come short, darker days
And we'll dream of Autumn yet again.

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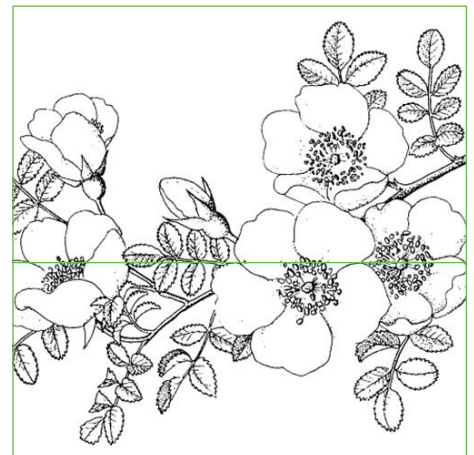
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News from Polruan Village Hall

from the PVH Management Committee



It is wonderful to see so many activities being held at the Village Hall whether it's Yoga, Films, Short Mat Bowls, Table Tennis, Pantomime, Kids Klub, Weddings, Parties, Coffee Cake and Catch-up or for PE by Polruan Academy. There is something for everyone, so please continue to make use of this great village facility. In addition, there has been a significant increase in the number of Cornish Celtic Way Pilgrims using the Hall this year for some 20 overnight stays, with numbers ranging from one to six people per stay. Most come from this country, but two groups were from Europe and several groups included parents and children.

It is justifiable to claim that the Village Hall is, and should remain, the social hub of the village and maintaining its financial viability and organisational structure is a priority. At 6pm on Friday, 4 October we will be holding our Annual General Meeting at the Hall, covering the financial year March 2023 to February 2024. Your presence would be greatly appreciated and we look forward to welcoming you.

On the financial front, we will be pleased to report that we have achieved our primary goal of having our routine operating expenditure met by our routine income, with other grants and funding being secured to cover our ongoing programme for improving the facilities offered by the Hall. However, what is more concerning for us is maintaining continuity of our organisational structure which is essential if we are to meet the requirements of our Charity status. Without our Charity status the finances of the Village Hall could quickly unravel.

After last year's AGM and Extraordinary Meeting, we managed to secure a temporary solution for the key positions of Chair and Secretary. This temporary solution has now run its course, and we are again faced with the need to make new, hopefully more permanent, appointments for these two positions. A great deal of effort has gone into minimising the workload attached to these roles, including the creation of a new Facilities Manager position on the Committee as well as other members taking on additional duties.

The positions are open to permanent and non-permanent residents and members can attend meetings remotely via Teams, or equivalent, if necessary. If you want more information on these positions, then please contact the Secretary (details as below). Please consider whether you could support the village by taking on these essential roles and put your name forward as soon as possible for consideration at the AGM. Applications are welcome for all positions shown on the published Agenda for the AGM but filling the role of Chair and Secretary is currently our priority. (Please visit polruan.org)

Our fundraising events for the first half of this year have included a very successful Cream Tea in May and an equally successful BBQ on the Coal Wharf in August, with the events raising a combined total of some £1,000. In the second half of the year, we intend to hold two further fundraising events: an Afternoon Tea and a Horse Racing evening (dates for both events to be confirmed). Again, our thanks to the Committee Members and volunteers for their efforts in the planning and holding of these events.

Thank you for reading this article and please make every effort to attend our AGM and support us wherever possible. In the meantime, if you would like more information or would like to put your name forward for a position on the Committee, please contact the Secretary, Claire Palmer at cpclairpalmer@googlemail.com.

Breaking News . . . We have just heard that our Treasurer, Martin Akerman, has obtained a National Lottery Community Fund Award to cover the replacement of the Village Hall heating system. So, it's a well done to Martin and a warmer future is on its way for our users!



from Chris Cox, Vice President

We hope that everyone had a good summer, the weather was fairly good and life was busy as usual for Polruan.

The WI had a break too, so no write up for August, but some ladies got involved with the Scarecrow Competition in July. We came second in the business class with our depiction of Grace Darling, the lady who saved lives at sea by rowing out to rescue sailors and fishermen, whatever the weather — this was long before the RNLI was ever thought of.

The afternoon tea for Breast Cancer went really well with a good turn out of people coming to support the cause. We replaced our normal raffle with a tombola and this went down very well, with all proceeds from the tea and tombola going to 'Breast Cancer Now'

Our talk in September was by Peter Spry-Leverson (film maker) about the 1993 documentary 'Days of Majesty, for the late Queen's 40th Jubilee. It looked back on parts of her life, supported by colour film clips showing a year of private ceremonies, which would not normally be shared with the general public. It was a lovely insight into how hard the late Queen worked — often behind closed doors. Memorably we saw clips of the marching band and watched how the Royal Standard is folded and put up at Buckingham Palace. We learnt about Royal Maundy money — a purse of coins bestowed on ordinary people marking each year of the reign of the Sovereign and watched a clip of Sir Edward Heath being given the Order of the Garter. It was interesting to

see the clip of the Queen meeting up with her ladies in waiting, some of whom she had not seen for 40 years. A fascinating insight, thank you Peter. He then went on to a Q&A session, followed by the judging of the competition 'Bake a Cake fit for a Queen'; Margaret was first, Sue second and Lynne third — well done ladies.

Ladies, we need you, so why don't you come along and give us a try. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month (except August) at Polruan WI Hall. For further information, please contact Chris Cox (01726 870194).

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 9 October and will include a talk by Eve and Russell Hall, on the work they do at the Seaman's Mission, Fowey; Competition: favourite Sea Shanty. Our meeting on 13 November will include a games evening; Competition: Most games won on the night. See you then.



Hall Hire

Should you wish to book the Hall for an activity, please contact our bookings clerk:

Kathryn Hill
01726 870953,
kathrynehill39@gmail.com,
who will be happy to help with any queries.

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To book please contact
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Thank you to everyone who donated a cake or attended the Polruan WI Afternoon Tea on the 14 August 2024

We raised an amazing £563.09 for Breast Cancer Now

Polruan Regatta and Children's Sports

from the Committee

We are very grateful to the people and traders of Polruan for so generously donating raffle prizes to our Regatta and to everyone who bought a raffle ticket, ball roll number or generously donated to buckets and other fund-raising stalls; thank you very much.

The committee's thanks go to:

Our many Patrons, Lanteglos PCC, Kathryn Hill, Norman and Angie Mallard and Polruan Primary Academy. The Port of Fowey Racing Committee and all involved in supporting the sailing races on shore and afloat. Polruan Town Trust, the flower pickers and donors, the dawn preparation crew, Dawn, Sheila and Ellie at the Winkle Picker and Jam First and Alan, Fowey Town Crier; Lostwithiel Town Band, Carlos Airhead entertainer, The National Trust, Leon of Cornwall DJ Services, Disco, C. Toms and Son, David and Ginny Nevill, Polruan WI, Fowey Royal Regatta Committee, Fowey Royalty, Patrick Malahide, Polruan Fire and Rescue, Eloise, Robbie, Ailla, Ava, Esme, Lizzie and their Mums, Tony Cottrell, John Thomlinson, Bill Enoch, Ian Keeling and Colin Payne; Scarecrow competition judges (July), volunteer sales persons and Gary and Fernley our community bus drivers. And finally, to every child and adult who joined in and made our Regatta weekend such a happy and memorable event!

Thank you.

Church on the Quay

from Kathryn Hill

We had a most enjoyable season of "Church on the Quay" this summer on the Old Coal Wharf, Polruan, culminating in the Regatta 'Songs of Praise.' On the whole the weather was kind and all of the choirs were well worth listening to. The events attracted many people of all ages who both enjoyed listening to and joining in with the services.

Many thanks to Rev'd Richard for organising these events, to the choirs for coming along and uplifting our voices and to Fern, Norm and others for driving the bus and transporting chairs. Thanks also to Polruan Regatta Committee for the loan of their chairs and to Polruan Town Trust for permission to use the Old Coal Wharf.



The Joy of being allowed to help in the kitchen

from Kathryn Hill

I originally went to Nigeria with the Sudan United Mission (SUM), which changed its name several times and is now part of Pioneers UK Ministries and they have brought out a booklet called "Undimmed, Undiminished," telling the history from the founding of SUM in 1904 to the work of pioneers in 2024.



Achira and M'embe Dio and extended family (M'embe is at the back on the left)

One of the articles was by a friend who taught in Gindiri Girls High School when I taught in Gindiri Boys Secondary School; she wrote about her struggles to feel accepted and the Nigerian family who made her part of their family. This brought back memories for me of my similar feelings when, as so often happened, one was treated as an honoured guest rather than being allowed to 'muck in' and help. I was friendly with several Nigerian families and regularly ate in their houses and they ate in mine but in only two of those homes was I allowed to help in the kitchen and what a joy it was to know that Phena and M'embe really accepted me!

The booklet has a number of interesting stories so I have asked for more copies to give to interested friends, so please ask me if you would like a copy. (01726 870953)

Pelynt Annual Tractor Service

from Rev'd Richard

Pelynt hosted its annual tractor service in September when about 30 people gathered in the Village Hall car park to view a selection of tractors — not as many as normal because the local farmers were out in the fields busy harvesting their crops as the weather had been so poor in August. Rev'd Richard is pictured with Wes, a local farmer, and he spoke on the power of the tractor finding out about different horse powers and relating it to how we all need the power of God in our lives.



Outdoor Services in Lanreath and Polruan

from Rev'd Richard



In Lanreath we have been holding monthly outdoor services on the Village Green from May to September. These relaxed and social services have proved to be extremely popular often attended by more than 35 people all enjoying songs of praise led by the Church Music Group and followed by a lovely glass of Cornish Cider or lemonade.

Polruan has seen the return of Church on the Quay during the months of July and August which again has proved to be extremely popular drawing crowds of more than 100 people. Folk have been drawn to these services by the choirs who have led the hymns, Gospel and traditional Cornish Songs.



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POLRUAN KIDZ KLUB



from Angie Mallard, for Polruan Kidz Klub

Polruan Kidz Klub would like to say a big 'Thank You' to all the families who have faithfully supported us during the past year. The team has enjoyed much fun with the children and it has been a great privilege to be trusted with your wonderful young people!

Going forward, we have noticed a drop in attendance since Easter this year, which posed a couple of questions:

- Is this because this coincides with the lighter evenings when families are maybe otherwise occupied?
- Would it be better to just run the sessions between September and April for the 2024/2025 school year?

Your thoughts and suggestions on this would be welcome to enable us to make plans for the future.

We hope you have all had a good summer and look forward to seeing you.



AGM

6pm, Friday, 4 October
 at Polruan Village Hall

All are very welcome.
 Please see our website
<https://polruan.org>
 or page 6 and 22 for further information

POLRUAN RNLI Pig Roast



Once again, the Pig Roast was held on the Old Coal Wharf, Polruan on 24 August in aid of the RNLI, raising a fantastic £1,188.

Gary would like to thank everyone who supported the event, the volunteers who carved the meat, served the rolls, burgers and sauces and collected the monies. Thanks also go to Allan and Maureen Toms who sponsored the pig. A great team effort which we hope was enjoyed by all.

Little Harbour

from Lynn Bartlett

We have been very grateful to receive donations of adult books over the summer, several with a Cornwall theme, either by author or story setting. Children's books were popular so we would welcome any children's books, particularly for the younger age group, to boost our stock.

Despite the indifferent weather our summer and September book sales have raised just over £150.00, thank you for your support on those days.

Thank you too to those who made generous monetary donations in the last couple of months. A special thank you to the family of Margot Borash who chose Little Harbour to be the beneficiary from donations at her funeral. Margot was a great supporter, always the first to offer help at any fundraising events for Little Harbour over many years.

These donations are always gratefully received at Little Harbour and make a difference to providing the essential support to the children and their families.

Our next two sales will combine books with Christmas Cards, the first on Tuesday, 8 October and the second on Tuesday, 5 November. These



Little Harbour

will be held in the Reading Room, between 9.30am and noon. At the sales there will be a choice of 15 different new Christmas card packs, all containing 10 cards and all for sale at £4. The calendars will be £6 and diaries £5. There will be a limited number of £2 packs of last year's stock. All can be viewed online at www.chsw.org.uk under the shopping heading.

Ellie Sainsbury has kindly agreed to have the Christmas Cards available in Jam First again this year.

There will be no specific book sales between December and March but there is continuous access to a selection of books and jigsaws on the Blamey shelves in the Reading Room. Paperbacks are £1, hardbacks £2, jigsaws £1.50 and children's books 50p. Payment can be left in the secure honesty box.

Please watch for information posters or contact me on 870536 or email lbart49738@aol.com. Thank you for your continued support.

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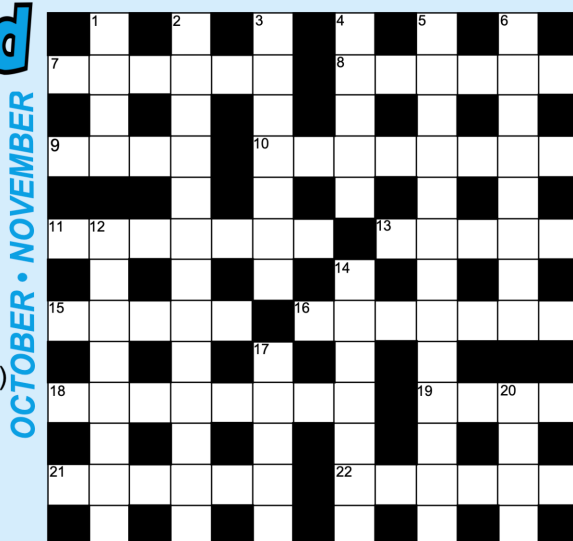
Crossword

ACROSS:

- 7 Complete agreement (6)
 8 Tone (6)
 9 Woman's name (4)
 10 Dreamer (8)
 11 Very hot (8)
 13 Brownish yellow (5)
 15 Conceal (5)
 16 Healthiest (7)
 18 Drag through the mud (8)
 19 Great enthusiasm (4)
 21 Brandy (6)
 22 Every year (6)

DOWN

- 1 Soon (4)
 2 Institution (13)
 3 Archaic (7)
 4 Bread roll (5)
 5 Adjusting (13)



- 6 Teeth (8)
 12 Sharp (2,3,3)
 14 Stupid person (7)
 17 Split (5)
 20 Long way off (4)

OCTOBER • NOVEMBER

Crossword compiled by John Thomlinson.



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	Oct	Nov	Fare
Whitecross Market	5 th	2 nd	Donation
Par Market and St Austell	2 nd , 16 th	6 th , 20 th	£3.00
Trago and Bodmin	9 th	13 th	£3.00
	9 th	13 th	£4.00
Truro	23 rd	27 th	£4.50

All services are now on Wednesdays except for Whitecross Farmers' Market (the first Saturday of every month). The services start from Furze Park at 0925 (1015 for Whitecross), then as requested at Well, Greenbank and Ferris Way. Pick-ups can also be made anywhere on our route through Frogmore, Whitecross and Bodinnick.

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***** Thank you *****

Can you help?

from **Pat Francis**

Members of The Church Recording Society are making a detailed inventory of the contents of St. Mamarch's Church, Lanreath. As part of that process, we are trying to find out as much as we can about the history and service record of the men commemorated on the War Memorial in the church.

We need your help to progress this inventory.

Currently we have no information at all about:

Frederick A Haley, William Hutchins, Richard Pearne, John Penhellick, Wilfred Stradling and Fred Tubbs

We do have some information (but not service records) for:

Lewis Collings, Richard Doney, Charles Giles, Thomas Haley, William Hambley, R Aldwyn Harris, Frederick Keast, William H Lamerton, Arthur Libby, Edwin T Libby, Thomas Nicholas, Claude Payne, Edgar Sandy, Albert Searle, William Searle, John E Taylor, William Trengrove, Robert Underwood, R Aubrey Yeo, Stanley Yeo.

We hope you share our belief that the service of these men should not be forgotten. Are they members of your family? Do you know anything about them? Will you share any information that you have with us so that we can include it in the Record of the Church we are putting together?

If so, you can find us at the Church every Wednesday morning from 10am and it would be wonderful to hear from you should you have any information about these men. Alternatively, please telephone 01503240204 or email pattifrancis@hotmail.com.

Thank you.

Doggy Poo

from **Kathryn Hill**

Thank you SO much to the dog-owner who left a bag of doggy poo on my planter



Friends of Fowey Estuary

Would you like to join the Committee?

The Friends of the Fowey Estuary would like to add some new committee members to reinforce the existing team. The main focus of the committee is to organise the annual events programme. Committee meetings (which are very informal and usually only two or three per year) start in September with the aim to get everything booked before Christmas, so that our events cards can go out with the membership renewals.

There's no experience necessary, just enthusiasm and good ideas!

If you're interested or would like any more information, please get in touch with the Chair, Peter Edwards.

peterj.e.golant@gmail.com 01726 833141

Letter from Nigeria

from **Daniel and Kathleen**

Tragically a school in Jos, which some folks knew was unsafe, collapsed recently killing many and leaving over one hundred children in hospital. Thankfully, the Government is paying all medical bills and have ordered an inspection of other schools.

On a happier note, the children in Vom Staff School are having their graduation and will find out their results from last term. 3 students will be moving from nursery to primary and 6 are going onto secondary education in September. The rest will go up to the next class. The Secondary school has its graduation in a few days and one of the students, who has finished, will be going onto further education due to his marks. Manasa and I have been very busy sending out the photos and reports for the 100 students, some of whom are sponsored by you. How grateful we are for this help and it's a joy to see all the students doing well. Thank you for your prayers.

Here in Vom the rains have been steady but, in some areas all over Nigeria, there has been serious flooding. We have just received the news that the Alo Dam is pouring water into Maiduguri and has flooded many areas of the town. The problem is the floods this year will only go to increase the famine next year as the crops are now ruined. Many are struggling not only because the effect the flooding has had on crops but also because of the ongoing problems with the seizure of land by terrorists, all leading the price of food increasing, not to mention the added burden of high petrol prices. Protests are planned for next month; please pray that things will not get out of hand.

We are both well and keeping busy and very much looking forward to celebrating my 84th birthday at the end of July with friends and family. We have so much to praise God for.

God bless and encourage you all.

Letter from Australia

7 August 2024
from **Mary Taylor**

I got the magazine this morning, so thought I'd write to you all to see if it gets to you on time.

I have now had a ramp fitted to the front of the house which will make it easier for the boys to get me to the car. The home care people were supposed to do it but that was over 3 years ago! I couldn't wait any longer, so we went ahead and got it done for a third of the price they quoted and it only took 3 days, looks good and will be really helpful.

We have Liz and Kim's Chooks here at the moment as they're on holiday — they took the dog and 2 cats with them and have a place to park the caravan for free. They're settling into their new place and like where they're living — it's very windy but there is no one around.

Plum and John are well, they pop in to see me or ring every day and get my shopping in — I'm very well looked after.

John and Trish's youngest daughter, Lily, will be 1 year old on 15 August; she is walking now and her oldest sister, Stella, will be 3 in December.

There's one more month of winter to go, it's not been too bad really — no heavy frosts like we used to have. The days have been cool, but sunny. We went to Liz's recently for Kim's 70th, by golly it was cold, they had heaters in the shed. When the summer comes though, it will probably be too hot for many people.

I have been enjoying watching some of the Olympics on the television but will close now as I want to get the home care lady to catch the post. Hope everyone is ok.



Batman and Robin's Regatta Adventures

from Kathryn Hill

Determined to have a totally weatherproof scarecrow this year my part time neighbours, Phil and Laura, made 'Lego Batman' who delighted passers-by, especially children.

Sadly, one morning I found that he was missing so I put up posters, asked for the loss to be posted on social media and notified Phil and Laura.

Undaunted they brought Robin with a 'Save Batman' flag on their next visit. Sadly, Robin's hair was stolen, so on the next visit a new head of hair was constructed. The next thing that happened was that Robin's right arm, flag and flagpole were taken – how mean can you get!

Then a family who have lived here for a while left the village and their neighbours found Lego Batman dumped over the hedge into their garden, so they alerted me and brought him back and I put him in my neighbour's kitchen and informed Phil and Laura of his return and received the reply:

"Thank you, it's good to see him back and all your posters worked! We'll pop him in the attic with Robin and they can compare injuries."



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Coffee mornings are 8th October and 12th November. 10am to 12 noon.

Lunches will be from 11am to 1pm on Tuesdays 22 October and 26 November.

Community Outings: This summer we've visited Penmarlam Quay, Mevagissey and Padstow. More trips planned for 1st October & 5 November. Come and find out more!



Advance Notice: On Tuesday 10th December we will be serving a full Christmas Dinner. This is a thank you to those in the community who have supported us! More details coming soon and advance bookings will be necessary.

Don't forget if you need transport (within Polruan), please phone Sue on 07811 756615 or email us at polruanccc@gmail.com. No charge but donations always appreciated.

FLexercise is go again!

from Katy Holmes

This popular and well-established weekly ladies exercise class is starting back again at the Lostwithiel Community Centre on Wednesday, 25th September at 10.30am. We will take a break for Christmas on 11 December.

FLexercise really is for everyone - we are ladies of all different ages, shapes, sizes and levels of fitness. We exercise the whole body with movement and simple dance steps. Whatever your level of fitness you can start at your own pace and gradually improve.

We focus on a range of exercises to develop good posture and correct body alignment, providing improved flexibility, energy and strength.

I very much look forward to seeing everyone again and if any ladies would like to come and join us, we would be delighted to welcome you too.

For further information contact Katy on 07732 028616 or katyjholmes1@gmail.com



Crafty Roosters

from Tammy Skinner

Now the nights are drawing in, are you dusting off that craft project that has lain dormant? Perhaps you're thinking about Halloween or Christmas projects that you'd like to start. Maybe you hanker to learn a new skill, or revisit an old one; if so, then why not come and join us!

Crafty Roosters meet twice a month in the W1 Hall, Polruan and we are a friendly, welcoming group of all ages and abilities. Our upcoming meetings are as follows:



Monday, 7 October between 10am and midday

Thursday, 24 October between 2 and 4pm

Monday, 11 November between 10am and midday

Thursday, 28 November between 2 and 4pm

Each session costs £2



Halloween - Ah yes! Halloween

Witches, Witches, witches on the prowl

Watched by bat and tawny owl.

Get too close and with rage they'll howl

On Halloween.

On their broomsticks see them ride

Wild hair streaming out behind,

Mischief's what then hope to find

On Halloween.

Night air filled with their cackles and screaming

Magic spells that's what they're weaving.

Mortals are best safe in doors I'm thinking

On Halloween.

They dance with trolls and goblins too

Their black cats spit and snarl at such a view.

They'd rather hunt mice-they'd catch some too,

On Halloween.

Shivering mortals stand and stare

Then shut their eyes tight and murmur a prayer

Those witches they get just any old where

On Halloween

And if they should fly quite close to your house,

Stay very still; be as quiet as a mouse.

But remember they're only on the loose

On Halloween.

And then it 's all over.

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Films are screened at 7.30pm

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News from Polruan Primary Academy

from Jane Wills, Head of School

It is lovely to have the building full of children again after the summer break. They have returned with energy, enthusiasm and a renewed thirst for learning. Teachers have lots of exciting things planned for their classes.

As always at the start of term, we are busy settling back in to being part of a group, taking turns to speak and listen, showing consideration of others and sharing resources. It is often during this time of the year, having spent the summer away from school, that you find yourself reminded of the generosity and kindness the children possess.

Teachers in Canute class have planned to start the year exploring 'Who helps us?' The children will learn about how society provides jobs designed to help like emergency services, hospitals and schools. They will study the story of Florence Nightingale and use their research to write their own biography.

Meanwhile, the older children in Tregaele class are exploring 'Children's lives through time' with a particular focus on how children in Victorian ages

lived, learnt and worked. We will complement our learning with a trip to Wheal Martyn to find out about working life in the mines.

Being a small school brings many challenges but some of these are significantly reduced by working together with the other schools in our wider Academy trust. Having access to the Trust minibuses is a huge advantage to us as our small class sizes mean we can fit the entire class on the bus thus avoiding having to hire transportation. So, we are well placed to take the children on educational trips to enhance and supplement the learning in the classroom. A day out is always a popular school day!

It promises to be a busy half term, and I am sure you will be seeing us out and about in the village over the coming weeks.

The children were delighted to compete in and WIN a category in the Scarecrow Competition!



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Polruan Store

from Graham,
Jo and the
team

As we approach the Autumn it's hard to believe we have been serving the community of Polruan for a year. During that time, we have tried to provide our customers with a wide and diverse range of local produce which we hope locals and visitors alike have found helpful.

We have had a good summer season and have been able to ensure a wide range of fresh produce is available daily but, as the season comes to a close and the population dwindles, we are sure you will understand, it will be harder to ensure there is such a diverse range always on hand just when you need it! That's not to say it is not available; we can always supply your fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy and meat requirements daily but, to ensure availability, we would encourage you to order these items either by phone (01726 870477), online (office@polruanstore.co.uk) or in person to avoid disappointment.

We very much look forward to another happy and enjoyable year serving our local community and thank you to one and all for your support during the past year.





Fowey River Lions

After a complete refurbishment we were delighted to hold the opening of the Book Swap on Friday, 16 August. The Town Crier, Alan, called everyone to attend the opening of the Fowey Book Swap and a considerable number of locals and visitors came and joined in. President Steve gave a short speech thanking everyone who had helped or donated to the project to rejuvenate the Book Swap at Browns Hill, Fowey. Our grateful thanks to the Mayor of Fowey, Councillor Lynn Simms, for skilfully cutting the ribbon and being the first to swap her book. Afterwards President Steve said, "I'm certain that the book swap will once again become a much used and much loved facility and I was proud to have been associated with its reinstatement." Fowey River Lions appreciate the donations received to cover the insurance and all the help from members of the community and fellow Lions in getting the phone box ready for action again!



President Steve Jones preparing for the opening of the book swap.



Town Crier Alan Giles, Mayor of Fowey, Councillor Lynn Simms and Lion President Steve at the Opening

A Busy Summer! Our grateful thanks go to Graham and the staff at the Safe Harbour, Fowey who hosted our fun quiz nights in the summer. A fantastic £415 was raised at the quiz in July and £195 in early September.



It was Carnival time again and we were pleased to be able to help both Par and Fowey Carnival with a small band of collectors. All good fun and Roary the Lion made an appearance after having been absent for several years. He was much appreciated by young and old alike but became a little warm as the evening went on!

Christmas Party for older inhabitants living alone: Thanks to the support of Fowey River Academy, we are delighted to announce that we will be holding a Christmas Party on Saturday, 7 December 2024. This is for anyone who lives alone and is over the age of 70 years, living in the Fowey River Lions area. Our area covers from Fowey to and including Lostwithiel, all the villages on either side of the river between the two towns, and Tywardreath and Par as far as the main railway line. Full details will be available in November. In the meantime, if you would like to register your interest in attending, please let us have your contact details, name, address and telephone number, so we can send you an invitation. You can contact us as follows foweyriverlions@gmail.com or leave a message on 0345 8337484 or on facebook at foweyriverlions.

Unused Spectacles: World Sight Day will be honoured on Thursday, 10 October. You can help by donating your unused spectacles. Please leave us just the spectacles, we cannot take lens cloths or spectacle cases. Unused spectacles can be left at the following places during October and November:

- Fowey – Boots the Chemist
- Lostwithiel – Community Centre
- Par – Par Track Café
- Polruan – Lynn Bartlett, 24 Meadow Close

Help for Ukraine: We are still helping Callington Lions to collect the following items to take to Ukraine. So far, we have had several donations of tents, sleeping bags, medicines, glasses and toiletries. Thank you so much for your continued support it is much appreciated.

Items Desperately Required:

- Baby clothes, nappies, milk formula, soap, shampoo, talc, nappy rash cream, Calpol (or similar), Toys
- Sanitary items for ladies, soap, shampoo, conditioner, hair spray, deodorant.
- New and unused cosmetics.
- Sleeping bags (clean) tents, camping equipment.
- Unwanted prescription spectacles – required by optometrists to pass on to those in need.
- Medical items: Paracetamol or pain relief medications, cough remedies, plasters and bandages.

Ukrainian Hospitals need your unwanted Prescription Medications. Any unwanted Prescription Medications go directly to the Ukrainian Medical Services and MUST have a Pharmacy Label attached to the item.

Fowey River Lions are pleased to help support their excellent work, please contact 0345 833 7484 (leave a message if no reply) and we can give you the nearest collection point. For those living in the Polruan, Lanteglos area donations may be left with Lynn Bartlett, 24 Meadow Close, Polruan.

Join Fowey River Lions: If you would like to see what we do why not come along to one of our regular meetings. There is no obligation, but we would love to meet you. We meet the first Monday of the month at 8pm in The Ship Inn, Polmear, Par. We started in 1977 with a large group of like-minded people helping their local community and helping to raise funds for local, national and international causes.

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from the Editor

We are very grateful for all the fantastic contributions received at The Parish News.

We are happy to change the content of any advertisement or notice for every edition but need to receive these amendments on or before the 14th of the month preceding publication, otherwise the content will remain unchanged.

News from Nigeria

from Kathryn Hill

Further to the news about the floods in Maiduguri (the capital of Borno State) in Kathleen and Daniel's letter, I heard on the BBC World Service that over 2 million people have been displaced as a result. As of Wednesday, 11 September the death toll is reported as being at 30. An extra hazard is that a number of dangerous animals escaped from the zoo as a result of the floods.

There have also been deaths from terrorist bomb attacks in Borno State with a number killed, no-one has claimed responsibility, but Boko Haram are thought to be responsible. In other parts of Northern Nigeria Fulani jihadists have attacked Hausa and other non-Fulani tribes and soldiers. There is fear that this could escalate into civil war.

Earlier in the year Kathleen mentioned three widows (whose husbands had been killed by Boko Haram a few years ago) who had approached them because their original sponsors were no longer able to support their children through school; if new sponsors could not be found, they would have to leave school. Daniel and Kathleen's contacts around the country responded and thankfully all the children have been able to continue with their education. I am sponsoring Gariva Peter who is on the left of the back row in the photo while Polruan Woman's Hour is sponsoring her sister, Dorcas, on the right of the back row.



Kathleen and Daniel are always looking for sponsors for the children of IDPs (Internally Displaced Persons). Both regular sponsorship to pay for school fees, uniforms, books and stationery, and one-off donations to help with occasional costs such as exam fees and medical expenses. Please contact me if you would like to help or to know more as all help is very welcome and gratefully received.

The Blind students at Gindiri Boys Secondary School are doing well and I hope to have photos and more news about them in the next issue.



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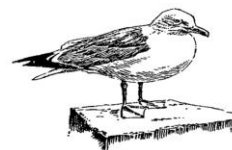
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Polruan Regatta and Children's Sports

from the Committee.

www.polruan-regatta.co.uk

After a summer of indifferent weather, it was great to be able to hold our Regatta Day in warm, gentle sunshine. It's always so wonderful to watch and take part in the reunion of Polruan friends and family at our celebration of summer. This year we had the bonus of a family wedding — a first for Back Beach; the bride and groom and family brought an extra joy to our weekend.

Fifty-two children took part in the crabbing competition; unbelievably after 30 minutes of intense activity not one crab was caught; we extended the time but to no avail. Possibly the supervising adults were more disappointed than the children!

The on and off drizzly rain could be ignored on our traditional sports afternoon, but the gusty squall and heavy rain threatened to call a halt. However, inspired by the tenacity of the Olympians, participants kept going and we managed to complete the programme.

Our Royalty led by Fowey Town Crier, Alan Giles and Lostwithiel Town Band down the hill (see page 1) received a warm welcome and had the best day. There was an increased entry this year in the sailing races including eighteen Fowey River dinghies with their multi coloured sails providing a colourful back drop.

As always, the tide dictates the programme of activities. The high tide allowed for us to hold cork bobbing and donut racing, for the first time in 5 years. This provided much laughter and entertainment to the spectators.

In 2006 we had been entertained by Bruce Airhead, we discovered he'd returned to his Australian roots, but Carlos Airhead had taken on his balloon act and amused the crowd as he disappeared into the inflated balloon only to emerge as a well known character.



Regatta Royalty: 2024 on the left and 2023 on the right

As the tide receded, the youngest children were able to dig for 'treasure' buried at dawn on Front Beach.

The artists competition had the theme 'Polruan Olympics'. Our Carnival Queen, Eloise, was judged to have produced the cover to front next years' Programme.

Anticipation built as 4 o'clock and the famous ball roll approached. All 1600 numbered balls had been sold well before and excited people lined Fore Street to watch the balls make their way down the hill. Owing to the generosity of the winners, in all £100 was re-donated to our funds.

The carnival procession, accompanied by the Lostwithiel Town Band, walked round the village route; entry numbers had increased slightly this year and we have word that there will be more entries next year.

After the prize giving and raffle prize draw, it was good to see the Coal Wharf full, with folk dancing the night away to Leon's disco.

As part of preparation for 2025, Committee members have already sorted the balls into their 100's, before being checked individually to make sure they're all there next summer. The Lostwithiel Town Band and Leon's disco have already been booked and the entertainment agency are on the look out for new entertainers.

The Committee work hard all year round, but we couldn't put on our Regatta and other events without the tremendous support from so many others who willingly give so much of their time. Thanks appear elsewhere in this Parish News

Now we look to our winter events. There will be further details about Christmas Trees, the Christmas party and pantomime visit in the next edition. We will also be thinking about a village celebration for VE Day 80 on 8 May 2025.





What a Lovely Regatta from Kathryn Hill

The penultimate duty for 2023/4 Carnival Royalty was attending and taking part in the Regatta Service, thank you Tegan, Ronnie, Hallie and Erin, you looked wonderful and did the Bible reading with great aplomb.

Despite the very nasty squall we had a great time at the sports and I was delighted to be able to take part in my annual and only sporting event - the over 60s egg and spoon race – I may be slow and need a stick, but I have a steady hand!

The weather was kind for the Regatta Songs of Praise on the Sunday evening; I for one enjoyed both listening to the choir and joining in with the singing.

Considering what the summer has been like, weren't we lucky with the weather on Bank Holiday Monday! Starting with the procession down Fore Street and the crowning of this year's Carnival Royalty who all looked lovely, we had a wonderful day.

A pity that the state of the tide didn't allow there to be Beach Volleyball or the sandcastle and sand sculpture competition but the cork collecting and donut racing were great fun, especially the various malarkeys that happened in the 16+ donut racing, I haven't laughed so much at a watery event since we stopped being able to do "Miller & Sweep"!



I am very fortunate to live in an ideal position to watch the Ball Roll with friends and family who I host for my traditional 'Ball Roll Tea'. It is equally a good spot for watching the carnival – lots of very good entries this year, my only regret is that I can't be part of it as I can't manage the walk and mobility scooters aren't allowed. Never mind, I make up for it by decorating my house and I was pleased to retain the cup for that!

Regatta doesn't happen without a lot of work by both Regatta Committee members and various other unsung helpers who do lots of behind-the-scenes jobs including preparing and dismantling the sports and carnival fields, burying the 'treasure', collecting the flowers and decorating the float and clearing up after the disco to name just a few! Thank you all.





The first Saturday of every month, 10am–12.30pm* at Whitecross Village Hall
(*note the new times)

Saturdays: 5th October, 2nd November, 7th December

Autumn at Whitecross

In autumn and winter, the market gets a little shorter – we close at **12.30** instead of 1 – so make sure you come in good time to meet friends, collect pasties and do your monthly shopping.

Milo promises he'll be back with fabulous seasonal veg from Earthbound Farm, St Veep – including tomatoes, chillies, squashes and potatoes.



Did you know you can order your pasties early (to avoid disappointment) by texting Kim on 07402 234386?



All of the produce on Helen's stall comes from her Coppergon smallholding near Tywardreath, including goat meat, rare breed pork and homemade preserves.



And Gerald always brings a huge range of raw honey and products, all sourced from Aniele's beehives near Liskeard.



Thanks to all our lovely stallholders. And to Josie from Lerryn for her photos.
Don't forget:

- **Community buses** run to the market from Fowey and Polruan.
- Please bring some **cash**, as not all stallholders can take cards.

We'll see you soon at Whitecross Market!

Follow the market on Facebook and Instagram ([whitecrosslocalmarket](https://www.facebook.com/whitecrosslocalmarket)) – thanks to Charlotte for doing all our social media.

Contact us by email: whitecrosslocalmarket@gmail.com or tel. Liz on 07900 668604.

News from Frogmore Farm

from Gill Palmer

As a retired farmer I love looking over the countryside to see what is being done in the fields around us and have to say, I am very distressed at the current state of our parish. What was once beautiful fields of green grass and healthy crops is now a wilderness of weeds, with lots of poisonous ragwort everywhere. The barn owls can no longer swoop down on their prey, the weeds are far too high. Some 'so-called' farmers are claiming many thousands of pounds to sit and do nothing, supposedly for the benefit of wildlife. Does anyone care about the sixty million people on the African continent who are starving?

While I am having a good moan, did anyone watch the programme 'The Badgers, the Farmers and Me' produced by Brian May? Why does that man, who possibly doesn't know one end of a cow from the other, think he is right and many scientists with years of training and experience are wrong? He had a sample farm in Devon which he claimed had eradicated TB by improving farming practices. This was very misleading as the farm has had three more outbreaks of TB since the programme aired. The NFU have put in a big protest to the BBC to encourage them to put the other side of the story to ensure balance and to show the huge impact outbreaks of TB have on farmers and their livestock. The reality is such outbreaks lead to cows being shot to control the disease which is very distressing.



Every year we have to buy some replacement ewes. We have mainly Texel sheep with white faces, but this year Ben came home from the sheep sales at Liskeard with Suffolk ewes — lovely black faced ewes — a very different look. Of course, in turn, he had to find black faced rams for them. It will be exciting to see the lambs next year.

The rams were buckled into their harnesses with a yellow crayon fitted in them. This shows us which ewes have been mated. The rams have been busy and there are lots of yellow bottoms appearing!



The grain harvest is over for another year. Farming is a bit like gambling — thousands of pounds are spent in the Autumn putting the seeds in the ground and then we wait almost a year to see if we win. Some years the weather is kind and we feel reasonably hopeful of a good return, some years, like this one, it can be quite stressful. So, I have to say, we are very thankful to see the grain store full. Most of the crop had to be dried. To store safely the moisture content must be fifteen per cent or lower. We have a piece of kit, a moisture meter, that can give us a very accurate reading of moisture and temperature. Simon can then work out how long to dry it, a dusty noisy job.



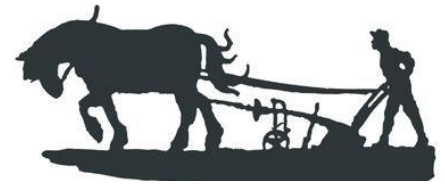
The big round straw bales have been safely stored in the shed, they are used to make clean beds for our animals in the Winter.

There are always personalities in the poultry house. The cockerel can be very possessive over his hens. He fluffs up his feathers and warns that he will attack if you go too near him. Then there is Mrs Grumpy. She went broody and chose a nesting box to call her own, woe betide any hen who wants to lay an egg in there. Stella is a very tame hen, an expert on escaping the poultry yard, she has chosen a very cosy nest on a straw bale to lay her eggs. After the egg has been laid, she



comes clucking up to the farmhouse and into the kitchen to see if Ted, the dog, has left any biscuits in his bowl.

Our old gander was mourning the loss of his wife of many years, he spent his day calling for her. Now he is a happy chap again with two beautiful new geese to keep him company. It is lovely to watch them.



Following the success of local author Tim Bagshaw's *This Sacred Land: The Return of the Prince*, the first in the *Chronicle of the Dewnan* series, his highly anticipated sequel, *This Sacred Land: Fight for Freedom* is welcome news

for fans of historical fiction, fantasy and retold folklore.

In this unique series, Bagshaw brilliantly recreates the ancient lands of the Dewnan and their Veneti kin along the rugged Cornish and Breton coastline. Vulnerable and threatened by a Roman onslaught led by supreme leader Julius Caesar, the Dewnan's hopes of survival lie in the hands of mythical hero, King Arthur ('Artur'). What ensues is a powerful and imaginative take on the King Arthur myth depicting a brutal power struggle and an intriguing story of treachery, trickery, battles and betrayal.

Bagshaw's original reinterpretation of the King Arthur classic in an authentic Roman setting is a wonderful two-part blend of fact and fiction. *This Sacred Land, Parts 1 and 2* combine myth and reality in this must-read series.

Available on Amazon, Kindle, Apple Books and in all good book shops.

Follow Tim: www.twitter.com/@bagshaw_tim and www.facebook.com/dewnanchronicle



Tim Stapleton's absorbing reflections on 60 years of 'Sailing from Polruan', is now available at The Winkle Picker.

MEMBERSHIP:

Polruan residents, local residents and visitors are all welcome!

BOOKINGS:

Before you can view our films you will need to join the club as a member. You will then have 12 months of access to our films and any throughout Cornwall shown by C Fylm community film clubs



by phone on 01726 870505
or through the
website: www.polruanfilmclub.co.uk
or email: bookings@polruanfilmclub.co.uk

Your first film is included in your membership fee. After that you just need a ticket for each screening you want to attend. Occasionally due to non-availability we may have to substitute a film at the last minute. Films start at 7pm Bar open from 6:30pm

On **SATURDAY 26th OCTOBER at 7pm** it's **WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?** (Lily James and Emma Thompson) (12)

How do you find lasting love in today's world? For documentary-maker and dating app addict Zoe, swiping right has only delivered an endless stream of Mr. Wrongs to her eccentric mother Cath's dismay. For Zoe's childhood friend and neighbor Kaz the answer is to follow his parents' example and opt for an arranged (or "assisted") marriage to a bright and beautiful bride from Pakistan. As Zoe films his hopeful journey from London to Lahore to marry a stranger chosen by his parents, she begins to wonder if she might have something to learn from a profoundly different approach to finding love.



SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER at 7pm our film will be **THE HOLDOVERS** (15)

Nobody likes teacher Paul Hunham – neither his students or his fellow faculty, or the headmaster, who all find his pomposity and rigidity exasperating. With no family and nowhere to go over Christmas holiday in 1970, Paul remains at school to supervise students unable to journey home. After a few days, only one student holdover remains, a trouble-making 15-year-old named Angus, a good student whose bad behavior always threatens to get him expelled. Joining Paul and Angus is head cook Mary. These three very different shipwrecked people form an unlikely Christmas family sharing comic misadventures during two very snowy weeks in New England. The real journey is how they come to understand that they are not beholden to their past and they can choose their own futures.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS If your membership has expired you can renew this online choosing that option from the drop-down box. This will include the ticket for your first film in this new membership year.

TICKETS: ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING ENTRANCE TO FIRST FILM : Adults £6 - Youth (12-15) £3

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EYES ALONG THE COAST

Polruan NCI

from Ray Rigg, Station Manager

By time this edition is published, the sailing season will be drawing to a close and the team will be getting ready to do some training and maintenance over the winter months. We have been involved in four incidents this year although activity on the water has increased compared to last year. By the end of August 2023, we had logged 4183 leisure vessel movements, whereas this year we have logged 7294. The increase seems to have been a mixture of sailing cruisers and small craft although we have seen less paddle boards and kayaks compared to previous years which is perhaps because of the weather conditions.



During the winter we will be installing our new tripod mounted binoculars which have taken much longer to arrive than anticipated; the existing unit is beyond economic repair and has hampered our activities because sense adjustment is very difficult. We are most grateful to the Barrie Bequest for funding them and this marks the end of our station refurbishment funded by the Bequest.

We have two new watchkeepers under training and one who is about to complete his training, but we would be very pleased to welcome some more trainees. You don't have to live in the village, we have members who live near Bodmin and Looe; we also have a couple of people who are second homeowners who spend most of the summer in the village and keep regular watches.

If you are interested, please pop into the Lookout and have a chat with the duty watch-keeper or contact Ray Rigg, the station manager (07956 286270).



Rosemary Elizabeth Smith (Rosie)

from Liz Jolliff

It was with great sadness that we received a call from John informing us that Rosie had passed away.

I first met Rosie in Polruan when she took a short-cut through our garden at Ceildhe, having just collected Jenny and Paul from school. She and Mum soon became very good friends; both had been in nursing and were founding members of Polruan Theatre Club.

She was an accomplished lady in so many areas. Her botanical paintings were detailed enough to paint professionally. Her involvement with the theatre group covered both on-stage and backstage. She played the ukulele well and her sewing, tapestry, embroidery and rug making skills were much in evidence around their house.

She was always busy with one project or another. I remember her cutting out large circular tabletops for the Royal Fowey Yacht Club restaurant, and making tablecloths for them. She also loved gardening and looking after people in her garden room.

Her love of sport led her to regular trips to Wimbledon and I was delighted to join her for a few days at the 2012 London Olympics; what great fun that was.

She once purchased an ex-Naval sailing yacht, Inca Rose, and with John and family sailed across the Atlantic with the Atlantic Rally for Cruisers (ARC). When she learned we were planning to take our own boat across we were invited to join her and John for supper where we discussed many aspects we had not previously considered; importantly, she made sure we had a good send off when we sailed out of Fowey harbour, heading towards St Lucia

The trips she organised to the theatre in Plymouth are unforgettable, with a packed supper including strawberries and cream. Then there were wonderful Sunday lunches either in the Singing Kettle or at their house.

As the wife of a senior Naval officer, she accompanied John on several postings acting as



Rosie, London Olympics August 2012

hostess on official occasions. Mum (Beth Gibson) joined them for holidays in both Rome and Gibraltar and had a wonderful time.

We were lucky enough to be invited to her 80th birthday celebrations in Majorca where friends and relatives took over one of the local restaurants for the evening. Local food, music and a flamenco dancer led to another unforgettable memory.

What a lady. We have so many happy memories of her but most of all we will remember her as a supportive, loyal friend.

Halloween Party at Polruan WI Hall

Thursday, 31 October 2024
3 to 5pm

Fancy dress is optional but there will be a prize for the most imaginative entry

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The party is open to under 16s and is free due to the generosity of the Regatta Committee who have kindly sponsored the event.

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Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council Report October 2024

from Rob Rooney, Chair Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council

Meetings

Where would Polruan be without Toms Boatyard? Or, to put it another way, where would this business be without Polruan? These are questions which Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council members will have to consider at its September meeting.

There is no question that the boatyard is an integral part of the river-frontage and that households in the area depend on the wages the business generates. But how far should expansion proceed before the heavy industrial nature of the business is judged to be detrimental to the area?

Toms' Boatyard features twice on the agenda for the meeting on 24 September. There is a disagreement between the Parish Council and the Planners at Cornwall Council over a current Planning Application. There is also a retrospective look at a 2019 Planning Application by Toms' Boatyard which attracted strong opposition from the Parish Council at the time.

Toms' Boatyard wants to change the nature of a field at the entrance to Polruan, opposite Polruan Holidays, to a storage and delivery yard. The Parish Council has taken the position that this is an unacceptable proposal in that it will irrevocably damage the nature of the area.

Planners at Cornwall Council are more relaxed and have recommended approval with conditions. It is a difficult balance to strike but, in this instance, the Parish Council cannot agree with this and have invoked its right to have elected councillors make the decision. That will happen at the East Area Committee on 30 September when Councillor Gini Ainley will explain the Parish Council's objections.

Back in 2019, Toms Boatyard succeeded in winning approval for enclosing a piece of the estuary in order to expand its business. There are questions about whether the development was carried out as required and whether the public right of way across the boatyard has been preserved. This matter is also on the agenda for September.

By the time you read this, the September and possibly the October meeting will have come and gone and you will know which point of view prevailed. Whatever the outcome, your Parish Council will continue to play its part in balancing different needs.

Planning applications

PA24/04524, Anchor 2, 45 West Street Polruan, loft conversion and associated works. The PC's Planning Group had a conversation with both the CC planning officer and the applicant and agreed that the preferred approach for this planning application is for it to be amended to include two Velux cabrio windows (to allow a balcony when open) rather than a dormer on the west elevation. This solution would not permanently interrupt the roof line of a row of cottages visible from the estuary and better fits in character with Anchor 1 (adjoining property). If the planning application is amended to include this then in principle the PC would have no objection to the new revised plans received on 23 July 2024.

PA24/04768, Coombeland Highway, renovation and extension of existing house with works to garage (resubmission of previous application PA23/09086). Members commented: 'The PC has no objection. Members of the PC had carried out a site visit and although the extension is large and nearly doubles the footprint of the property, the surrounding plot is large and can easily absorb such a development. The positioning of the extension is due to the sloping nature of the site and the thoughtfulness of the applicants who wish to ensure mature trees are not lost. In addition, the design has been improved by introducing some traditional slate stonework on the external walls which seems to be more in character with the area. They have invited a planning condition to be made that prevents the new extension from being a standalone property and Members trust this will be granted.'

PA24/05092, Allwynnds Lanteglos Fowey, discharge of a planning obligation in respect of decision 5/10/91/00381/0 for erection of bungalow for elderly persons. Cllr. Talling left the meeting whilst this item was discussed. Members made no comment.

PA24/05439, Lawhippet Farm Lanteglos Highway Lanteglos, following a customer request for a three-phase connection NGED will be required to upgrade the existing overhead network to facilitate the connection. The work will require the erection of a third wire from pole number 43MA34 - 43MAA9B for approximately 760m. Members made no comment.

Planning Applications Refused by Cornwall Council

PA24/02259, Old Ferry Inn Old Road Bodinnick, change of Use of Part of the Old Ferry Inn into Dwelling with additional balcony to West elevation.

clerk@lanteglosbyfowey.org.uk

Fowey River Lions Club

An open letter to our community from Steve Jones, President of Fowey River Lions

Fowey River Lions is facing the future, embracing a NEW ERA and the challenge of regeneration and growth.

For nearly half a century, the Fowey River Lions have been dedicated to serving our local communities through impactful initiatives and volunteer efforts. After 47 years of unwavering commitment, our membership numbers have dwindled in recent years. We are looking to secure our future for the benefit of the generations to come.

That's where you come in...

We invite you to consider stepping forward and to offer your energy and support by becoming a Lion yourself. Your involvement could be the very lifeline that our club needs to continue vital work for many years to come. We are urgently seeking passionate individuals to join us and revitalise our Pride.

Some of our members have been with us for over 40 years, and are a bunch of committed enthusiasts, despite ageing, some with limitations on their ability to do many of the things that has been their pleasure to have done and continue to do, to the best of their ability for the community.

By becoming a Fowey River Lion you'll have the opportunity to make a tangible difference to the lives of those around us. You will find being a Lion a fulfilling way to give back, build meaningful connections, and contribute to the betterment of Fowey and surrounding areas. This is your big chance to take part with like-minded individuals.

We meet once a month at The Ship Inn, Polmear, at 8pm on the first Monday of each month, except August, to discuss applications we've received for funding and future projects. You'll find a warm welcome awaits you, and it's not all work either, in fact it's also great fun, with a monthly social event that is informal and as variable as it is voluntary to attend.

To learn more about joining our Pride, to explore volunteer opportunities, or just for a chat to see if it's for you then please, in the first instance reach out to us through foweyriverlions@gmail.com, via our Facebook page or tel: 0345 833 7484. Please leave your name and telephone number and I'll call you back myself, no obligation of course.

Together we can ensure that the legacy of Fowey River Lions endures, creating a brighter future for all. But please, don't leave it until it's too late, if we don't grow our numbers then the good work will eventually stop and so will end the legacy of Fowey River Lions, and we certainly don't want to be fading away.

We look forward to hearing from you. Together we can make a difference and fulfil our motto 'We serve'.



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Polruan Town Trust Report

from Beth Rigg, Chair

Following our summer break, the Trustee's met earlier this month, not only to carry on the normal business of the Trust, but also to elect a new Chair as Brian Cook had decided to retire. Brian was thanked by the Trustee's for his leadership over the past 15 months. After a brief discussion, I was elected chair!

Since our last Report, the installation of the CCTV on The Quay and Coal Wharf has taken place, along with the upgrade to the cameras in St Saviour's Car Park. The Trust will now be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of both sets of cameras.



The Trust is, along with the Parish Council, looking at refurbishing the Public Toilets in the Quay. Firstly, we need to address the problem of poor drainage and inadequate water pressure to the cisterns. Alongside these issues, the Trust is actively seeking funding from outside bodies for the refurbishment of the toilets.

We continue to carry out routine maintenance tasks such as repairing fence posts, grass cutting and the tidying of the Vevry Reservoir and Car Park, along with new and more substantial bollards on the Doctors' parking space on The Quay and Vevry Car Park.

As mentioned in the last issue of the Parish News, we still have a vacancy for a Trustee, so if you are interested, please contact the Clerk, who will put you in touch with a current Trustee to explain the Trust and how we work.

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Lanreath Parish Council

Summary of draft Minutes

Meeting 16 July

Attendance by 5 of 8 Councillors. Chairman - Cllr P Seaman, Vice-Chairman – Cllr D Heard, Clerk – Mrs R Warren.

PCSO Cocks attended the meeting to give his report; there had been two crimes reported in the Parish in June. He was aware of recent vandalism at the Lanreath Community Garden. He was continuing efforts to speak to the owner of land (where unauthorised building had been reported) about razor wire which had been installed on boundaries.

Matters arising were considered, and Councillors expressed their continuing disappointment in the lack of progress by Cornwall Council Planning Enforcement after reports were made over a year ago of unauthorised building around the Parish. The Chairman will continue to actively pursue this.

The Clerk reported that some of the safety features had been installed by Highways on the lane to Stonerush Lakes. One road sign and line markings were outstanding. Highways had yet to respond to her enquiry as to the nature of the works carried out on the B3359 to alleviate flooding.

The approved replacement benches, and dog fouling signage for the Millennium Green were expected to be delivered and installed by the Chairman before the next scheduled meeting.

Councillors reported concerns raised by residents about parking in Grylls Park. The Chairman to contact CORMAC to ascertain if spaces can be marked. PCSO Cocks had reported that he had patrolled the area and found no problems regarding restricted access for emergency vehicles.

Cornwall Council and other correspondence was then dealt with, after which the meeting considered the outstanding Councillor vacancies – there having been no applicants - to be deferred to later this year.

Matters discussed thereafter included Asset Inspection Report, possible allotments interest, Community Area Partnership meeting, Climate Change, and Community Garden access. Next finances were reviewed, year to date details considered, and payments approved to be made before the next scheduled meeting.

The meeting considered how best to engage local residents regarding planning application PA24/04905 (concerning land where Lanreath football pitch is located) and there were members of the public present who were able to voice concerns and make suggestions regarding suitable dates and times for a Public Meeting. Agreed that



there would be an Extraordinary Meeting to discuss how to proceed – as notification of PA24/04905 had been received too late for inclusion in the agenda for this meeting. Meeting then concluded.

Extraordinary Meeting 30 July

Attendance by 7 Councillors. Chairman - Cllr P Seaman. Christopher Montagu, Planning Agent for the planning application (PA24/04905) in attendance, and large number of local residents.

After discussion and input from Mr Montagu, and public participation, it was resolved to hold a Public Meeting on 6 September. Minutes available in full online – see below.

The next Lanreath Parish Council meeting to be held on 17 September at Lanreath Village Hall, 7.30pm.

www.lanreathparishcouncil.co.uk for full minutes, meeting agendas, and meeting dates.

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Film screenings and Q&A 'Hungry for Change' and 'Living on the Edge'

By Cornwall Climate Care

Thursday, 10th October 7.30 pm

Meet at Golant Village Hall

This is a showing of two of Cornwall Climate Change's series of films of Cornwall's Climate Stories. This is a series of documentaries highlighting the impacts of climate change already being felt across Cornwall, as well as the fantastic local businesses, researchers and community groups working hard to prepare us for the challenges coming our way.

Hungry for Change is presented by a forager who takes us on a fascinating and inspiring journey.

Living on the Edge is presented by passionate ultra runner *Emma Hazeldine*, who takes us on a journey around the Cornish coast path.

Using Natural dyes from hedgerows

A Talk by Sian Cornish

Wednesday 6th November 7.30 pm

Meet at Lostwithiel Church Rooms

Sian Cornish is a visual artist, and creative director of a natural dye company in Lostwithiel.

She often uses ancient recipes of natural plant based colours, infused with romance and a little bit of magic, to create colours from the landscape flora., which change with the seasons.

Events are open to all unless otherwise stated, and you are welcome to bring your friends and family along.

Events are FREE to members and £2.50 to non members unless otherwise stated

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Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.



Higher Windmill Allotments

from Brian Cook

One of the delights of being a member of an allotment society is being able to compare notes with other members. We compare our achievements in growing particular plants and fruits . . . he has done well with his runner beans, while mine are poor this year; while I've done reasonably well in growing a good crop of courgettes while hers have been a disaster! But why? Our plots are only yards apart, so why the difference? Maybe it's the attention to detail . . . how the crops were sown and looked after could make all the difference. We have to learn from each other and are already looking ahead to next year and planning what seeds to buy and how we are going to have a better harvest.

This year we have had rather a short season. We had a poor, cold wet spring which either discouraged early sowing or resulted in bad seed germination. Some crops failed to appear altogether. Those crops that showed their faces have done reasonably well though the total harvest has been reduced by the shorter season.

As we write, courgettes and various beans are coming to an end. Potatoes were harvested ages ago and beetroot has produced well. Some success with brassicas and salad crops has been challenged by the numerous snails and slugs that have thrived this summer. We have yet to see how well we have done with parsnips, sprouts and other winter greens.

We had good strawberries this year, but the rhubarb was poor. Those who grow autumn raspberries have yet to see the results of their labours. A few of the allotments have apple trees that have produced well.

The allotment society had an open day and barbecue at which members encouraged potential members that they might have green fingers. We have a visiting lecturer giving us a talk shortly and, in the Autumn, we will have a site clearing day when we prepare the plot for winter and the new season . . . a good tidy up and junk clearance.

We always welcome interest from potential members and have plots available. If you would like to join us, please don't hesitate to speak to Graham Palmer our Chairman or any other allotment holder.



Whitecross and District Gardening Club

from Angela Flynn

We are a friendly group of gardeners trying our best for our gardens and would welcome new members. We meet at 7.30pm on the third Thursday of every month from September to April at Whitecross Village Hall, PL23 1NF. We have an exciting programme of events and finish each meeting with a social cup of tea or coffee and there are plants and other items available for sale.

Why not come along to see if you like us, you would be very welcome.

17 October, 7.30pm

Creating an Autumn Wreath — a talk and demonstration by Alice Mitchell of Fawen

Alice Mitchell runs Fawen, a local flower business, where she grows seasonal sustainable flowers throughout the year. She often has a stall at Whitecross Market. She will create an Autumn arrangement and talk about how her business came about and continues to thrive.

21 November, 7.30pm

Dealing with Plants behaving Badly — a talk by Ken Thompson

Ken Thompson is an experienced plant ecologist and gardener who spent most of his working life at the University of Sheffield. He has also written several books including 'The Book of Weeds and Compost'. He will help us all with those plants that just will not do what you want them to.

Contact: Angela Flynn 07711 821429 for further information

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The Battle of Lostwithiel 1644 – Parliament's Greatest Defeat

A talk by Tony Smith

Saturday, 12 October 2024

Fowey Town Hall, 2pm



In this talk Tony will describe the Battle of Lostwithiel, one of those much overlooked British battlefields, and how it became the last major victory for King Charles I in the First English Civil War and Parliament's greatest defeat.

Tony has been a battlefield tour guide for 15 years. He is also a volunteer for the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, regularly giving talks about the Commission and leading tours around the cemeteries.

The Cornwall Memory Game

A talk by Merryn Threadgould

Saturday, 9 November 2024

Fowey Town Hall, 2pm



Merryn selects a handful of Cornish stories to tell from the collection that appear in her Memory Game. From the internationally important Polperro fingerprint experiment to a marathon walking fishwife from Madron, this jaunt through Cornwall's social history never fails to entertain.

Merryn is a game creator and writer.

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from Eric Lockyear

Although the summer weather wasn't, by popular acclaim, the best ever, the estuary was as busy as ever, with the consequential calls on our lifeboat crews.

On **Saturday, 22 June** Falmouth coastguard requested the launch of the Fowey all-weather lifeboat to assist a broken-down 16-foot motorboat, with three people and a dog on board. Faced with electrical issues, those on board had managed to anchor off Pentewan, so were not in any immediate danger. The lifeboat crew sped to the boat's location, took the people onto the lifeboat and set up a tow back to Fowey.

On **Sunday, 30 June**, Fowey volunteer lifeboat crew launched the all-weather boat after a report that three teenagers playing on an inflatable ring had been blown offshore, off Par Sands. Their father had borrowed a paddle-board from the beach and tried to rescue the children. The lifeboat crew were tasked to ensure that all the casualties were accounted for and to assist St Austell coastguard in providing first aid treatment. The small inflatable carried on board was launched and two crew met the coastguard rescue team on the beach. They checked that the three teenagers and their father were safe and uninjured and no additional first aiders were needed. A fishing boat recovered the inflatable ring and handed it over to the lifeboat crew.

On **Wednesday, 3 July**, a person on a yacht moored in Fowey Harbour experienced medical issues. The inshore lifeboat was launched to assist. The casualty had been speaking to 111 that evening and, as their situation worsened, had called 999 for an ambulance. Realising that their dinghy was not usable they also put out a Mayday call. The Coastguard paged the Fowey crew and the inshore boat was launched to carry out a medical evacuation. The crew carried out a casualty care assessment of the casualty before bringing them back to shore, to an awaiting ambulance and the coastguard team.

In the early hours of **Monday, 15 July**, Falmouth Coastguard tasked both of Fowey's lifeboats to investigate sightings of multiple red distress flares that had been seen in St Austell Bay. Both boats conducted a search of the bay, but nothing was found. Fowey Lifeboat Operations Manager, Chris Ogg said: "It is illegal to let flares off in anything other than an emergency. It is also illegal to dump flares at sea or on land. It is important that when flares go out of date they are disposed of correctly. Out of date flares become progressively less reliable and may fail to operate if used after their expiry date." The nearest facility for the disposal of old flares is at Ocean Safety, Unit 6, Eastern Wood Road, Langage Business Park, Plympton, Plymouth PL7 5ET. Telephone 01752 341 787.

Congratulations to Polruan man, Elliot Toms, who was one of two who have passed out as fully trained inshore lifeboat crew. Elliot works in the family business, Toms Boatyard. He joined the Fowey lifeboats as a volunteer in May 2022, and has been on 10 incidents and 46 crew exercises, clocking up 137 hours at sea. Fowey Coxswain, Jonathan Pritchard, said: "I am very pleased for the two newly qualified crewmen. They have worked hard and shown enthusiasm and dedication



throughout their training. They are both a great asset to Fowey lifeboat station and everyone congratulates them on their successful passing out."

On **Friday, 19 July**, the Coastguard requested a launch to assist a 16-foot motorboat that had broken down and was drifting onto the rocks on the east side of Fowey Harbour. The inshore lifeboat was launched but was then advised that a local boat was assisting at the scene. Nevertheless, the lifeboat continued to the casualty, due to the heavy sea state. One of the lifeboat crew was put onto the motorboat and a long tow was set up to bring the casualty vessel back into the harbour, where it was handed over to the Fowey Harbour Commissioners' patrol boat.

On **Friday, 26 July**, Falmouth Coastguard requested the launch of the lifeboat to assess a 6.5-metre speedboat that had broken down between Gribbin Head and Polkeris. The boat was at anchor with four people on board. In the interim, an 8-metre rib had also responded to the Pan Pan VHF message put out by the stranded boat, had set up a tow and was towing the casualty vessel towards Fowey Harbour. The lifeboat crew met the two vessels just north of Cannis and escorted them safely back into the harbour.

On the afternoon of **Saturday, 27 July**, the Fowey lifeboat station crew was alerted about a woman with a suspected broken ankle, just south of the Penleath Point monument on the Hall Walk above Fowey Harbour. An ambulance and St Austell and Polruan coastguard teams were en route to the casualty. As there were difficulties with access, it was decided to put RNLI crew members ashore to provide assistance and casualty care. A Fowey Harbour Patrol staff member was already on scene with the casualty. Two lifeboat crew went ashore and provided casualty care and administered pain relief to the woman. Coastguard teams and paramedics arrived on scene and after assessment by the paramedics, it was decided to take the woman along the Hall Walk to Bodinnick, where she was transferred to a waiting ambulance. This was an excellent example of coordination and cooperation between Fowey RNLI, the Coastguard teams, the ambulance service and Fowey Harbour patrol.

Fowey crew responded to three 'shouts' on **Thursday, 1 August**, in an unusually busy day for the station. The D-class inshore lifeboat was launched just before 2am to a strange shout: approximately 20 cows in the water near Chapel Point, near Mevagissey. The crew arrived to find a herd of cattle in the water and others on a rock ledge nearby. The crew kept their distance and monitored the situation as the farmers entered the water and guided the cattle back to shore, one by one.

At midday on the same day, the inshore lifeboat was launched again to assist a mother and daughter who had got into difficulties whilst paddle-boarding off Par Beach. The crew arrived on the scene to discover both the mother and daughter were stranded on the rocks to the east side of the beach. The crew rescued the casualties and returned them to the shore.

The station was called again later that afternoon, after a small boat had drifted approximately 2.5 miles out to sea. The inshore lifeboat was launched and brought the boat safely back to the harbour. They arrived back in harbour just as representatives of lifeboat crews, fundraisers, shop volunteers, press, water safety and branch representatives from the RNLI Fowey community were gathered on the lifeboat pontoon, ready to create a photographic record of those involved with the lifesaving charity, to mark the 200th anniversary of the RNLI. As the photographer was setting up, the inshore lifeboat sped to the pontoon, just in time for the three crew to form part of the record along with all their crew mates and colleagues.

On the afternoon of **Monday, 19 August**, the all-weather lifeboat was tasked to locate a 50-foot motorboat with no one on board, which had broken adrift and was colliding with other moored boats. The lifeboat crew located the drifting vessel and towed it to safety.

On **Tuesday, 20 August**, the inshore lifeboat was launched to assist a broken down boat located about 1.5 nautical miles off Lantic bay. The lifeboat crew located the vessel south east of the reported location. Four of those on board were transferred to the lifeboat for safety. One lifeboat crew member boarded the boat and repaired a faulty kill switch. The boat was then escorted back into Fowey. Safety advice was given to the family on board, as only the young child was wearing a buoyancy aid, while the other family members had no life jackets. The only safety device they were carrying was a mobile phone.

On **Saturday, 24 August**, the all-weather lifeboat was launched to locate and assist a sailing vessel taking on water five miles south of Fowey Harbour. The casualty vessel's pumps were struggling to keep up with the water ingress. Once on scene, crew member, Christian 'Branch' Philip, was transferred to the vessel and found that water ingress was probably through the vessel's fore hatch, after it had been sailing in rough seas en route to Falmouth. Once the course was altered towards Fowey and the seas came more onto the beam, her pumps were able to keep up with the water in the bilges. The lifeboat then escorted the vessel into Fowey.

On **Wednesday, 21 August**, during racing inside Fowey Harbour as part of the Regatta Week, two boats collided. One crew member near the bow of one boat sustained serious injuries. The regatta safety medics were at the scene when a Mayday call was put out for Fowey's all-weather lifeboat to respond. The lifeboat launched at 3.46pm. No further details were released.

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Lifeboats

Polruan Coastguard

from Des Libby, Coastguard Rescue Officer (CRO)



As we move into Autumn, we can look back on what has been a busy summer for the Team. With our numbers depleted, for various reasons, the Team has been stretched with multiple call outs over the summer months. Some of these could have been avoided with a few simple precautions and local knowledge, for example:

- Checking the weather forecast and understanding that conditions can be very different around some of our headlands and out to sea, than they are in the sheltered harbour of Fowey.
- Checking the tide times, by either buying a local tide book or looking online
- Making sure that should you go to a secluded beach, you keep an eye on your exit route as many can become cut off as the tide comes in

- Making sure you don't over stretch yourself whether swimming or in any craft; stay within your capabilities and conditions for your vessel
- Knowing your location and having a means of communication. Remember mobile phones don't always have signal.
- Remembering to tell someone your plans for your trip if walking alone along our beautiful coastline or out in a boat alone and to stay connected with them should these alter.

The team had a challenging call out on 23 July to a person who had fallen from the quay side at Pont, near the bridge with the tide out. The casualty hit their head on the side of the quay as they fell and sustained possible cervical spine (neck) injuries along with head injuries. Polruan CRT (Coastguard Rescue Team) were first on scene and donning water rescue dry suits stabilised the casualty whilst other agencies arrived, including two Fire Appliances, Tamar CRT mud rescue, South West Ambulance Service (SWAS) and the Air Ambulance which landed at Carne Farm where the occupants ferried the crew to the scene. The casualty was placed on a stretcher in the creek and slowly lifted back on to the quay side before being transferred to hospital by SWAS. A very challenging call out, working with many other agencies for a successful outcome and a great deal of cleaning to be done back at station.

From Station Record

19 July, 1549; Team tasked to assist Looe CRT with extraction of casualty with head injuries from Millendreath Beach.

23 July, 1315; Team tasked to Pont, near bridge for casualty fallen into creek; possible C Spine injury and head injury.

27 July, 1538; Team tasked to footpath near Penleath Point; casualty with ankle injury unable to walk, working with Harbour Master Fowey LB, St Austell CRT and SWAS; casualty stabilised before being carried to Ambulance at Bodinnick.

28 July, 0819; Team tasked to monitor Vessel aground at Little Lantic; vessel able to float off on incoming tide.

3 August, 0957; Team tasked to Lerryn, near Red Store; Terrier dog stuck in mud; recovered by owner on arrival.

18 August, 1426; Team tasked to assist Looe and Tamar CRT with Cliff incident; stood down

25 August, 1450; Team tasked to assist Looe CRT with extraction of casualty with suspected broken ankle, Looe Beach.

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