



# The PARISH NEWS

for Lanteglos, Lanreath, Lansallos, Pelynt & Talland

## Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

from Kathryn Hill for the churches of Trelawney Benefice

After the joy of the Platinum Jubilee comes the sorrow of the death of our beloved Queen Elizabeth II. As she famously told us, grief is the cost of loving people.

As well as being our Sovereign, Queen Elizabeth was the Head of the Church of England and was a devout Christian who served our God as well as serving us, her people, all the days of her life. She certainly kept the promises she made in her famous 21<sup>st</sup> birthday speech and in her Coronation Oaths. I have no doubt that God greeted her by saying "Well done, good and faithful servant".

As a Brownie I learnt the little known verse of the National Anthem:

*"Thy choicest gifts in store, on her be pleased to pour, long may she reign.*

*May she defend our laws, and ever give us cause to sing with heart and voice, God save the Queen."*

As we sung that, as well as the better known first verse at our service at St Wyllow on the Sunday following her death which I led, I couldn't help but acknowledge that she did, indeed, "give us cause to sing with heart and voice, God save the Queen" and to thank God that she had done so. At that service as we sang the hymn (chosen in advance but very appropriate for the occasion) "O Jesus I have promised to serve Thee to the end", I was very aware that Queen Elizabeth II had certainly done that! Then, as we sung the last verse . . .

*"O let me see thy foot-marks, and in them plant mine own;*

*My hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone;*

*O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end;*

*And then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend"*

I felt happy to know that Jesus, her "Saviour and Friend" (and I rejoice to say mine) had not only given her the strength to live her long life of service, but had indeed, then in Heaven received her.

We who are so far from the action have been privileged to join in the national mourning thanks to radio and television broadcasts but it has also been good to join with others locally to mark both our Queen's passing and the accession of our new King, Charles III and to pray for them and all the Royal Family at this special and significant time.

A book of condolence has been placed in all the churches of the Benefice, together with an invitation for people to lay flowers in front of the altar rail. That this has been appreciated is obvious from what has been written in the various books and from the lovely flowers left in memory of our wonderful Queen.

May our beloved Queen Elizabeth II rest in peace and rise in glory.

Amen.



The Queen  
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### From the Editor

As I sit and write this piece my mind is inevitably drawn back to our last issue which was full of joy as we remembered the festivities undertaken throughout the Parish to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

I think it is clear from the celebrations seen earlier this year and from the commemorative tributes that have been expressed since her death on 8 September, that Queen Elizabeth II holds a very special place in the heart of our Nation and indeed the whole world, quite rightly so following a long reign of selfless duty to our country and to the Commonwealth.

Like many others, I feel a little lost, bereft and terribly sad at this time but am optimistic that as we say goodbye to the Elizabethan age and welcome in the Carolean age, we have every reason to be hopeful that our new King, Charles III with the support of Camilla, Queen Consort will be able to follow on a life of duty and service to this country begun by his mother, Queen Elizabeth II over 70 years ago.

Read on for some lovely local stories and tributes to our late Queen as well as all our usual contributors and of course Polruan's very successful Regatta.

Suzanne

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

## New Guidance for attending Church in the Trelawney Benefice

The Rev'd Richard Allen and the PCC have agreed that, whilst not a legal requirement, for the safety of our community as a whole, anyone attending services in the Trelawney Benefice must continue to wear a face covering and adhere to distanced seating inside Church.

Congregational singing will now be allowed behind a mask.

## October 2022

### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>

St Tallanus 11:00 Baptism  
St Marnarch 12:00 Baptism

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>

St Marnarch 09:30 Harvest Festival  
St Wyllow 11:00 Harvest Festival with Holy Communion  
St Tallanus 11:00 Public Worship with Communion By Extension  
St Nun 12:30 Baptism  
St Nun 16:00 Songs of Praise  
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>

Ildierna 13:00 Wedding

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

St Tallanus 10:00 Benefice Prayer Meeting

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

St Marnarch 09:30 Holy Communion  
St Tallanus 11:00 Holy Communion  
St Wyllow 11:00 Morning Prayer  
St Nun 11:00 Harvest Festival  
St Saviour 16:00 Messy Church  
St John 18:30 Harvest Festival  
St Ildierna 18:30 Evening Prayer

### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

St Nun 10:00 Benefice Prayer/Holy Communion

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

St Wyllow 11:00 Holy Communion  
St Tallanus 11:00 Harvest Festival  
St Nun 11:00 At Methodist Chapel  
St Marnarch 16:00 Cheese Service  
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

St Ildierna 10:00 Benefice Prayer Service

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>

St Marnarch 09:30 Service of the Word  
St Saviour 09:30 Holy Communion  
St Nun 11:00 Holy Communion  
St Tallanus 11:00 At St Nun  
St Ildierna 18:30 Harvest of the Sea

### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

St Saviour 10:00 Benefice Prayer Service

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>

St Ildierna 10:00 at Polperro Methodist  
St Tallanus 10:00 at Polperro Methodist  
St Saviour 11:00 Café Church  
St Marnarch 17:00 Songs of Praise  
St Nun 17:00 with St Marnarch  
St Wyllow 18:30 Evensong

## November 2022

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>

St Tallanus 10:00 Benefice Prayer Service

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>

**All Saints**  
St Marnarch 09:30 Holy Communion  
St Wyllow 11:00 Holy Communion  
St Tallanus 11:00 Public Worship with Communion by Extension  
St Nun 16:00 All Saints Service  
St Ildierna 18:30 Holy Communion

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>

St Ildierna 10:00 Benefice Prayer Service

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup>

St Nun 10:45 Act of Remembrance

### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

**Remembrance Sunday**  
St Wyllow 10:50 Act of Remembrance and Service  
Polperro 10:45 Remembrance Service  
Methodist  
St Nun 10:45 Act of Remembrance  
St Marnarch 12:15 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

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>

St Nun 10:00 Benefice Prayer and Holy Communion

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>

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

### Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>

St Saviour 10:00 Benefice Prayer Service

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>

**Advent**  
St Saviour 11:00 Café Church  
St Nun 11:00 Holy Communion  
St Tallanus 11:00 with St Nun  
St Marnarch 17:00 Advent Carols  
St Wyllow 18:30 Advent Carols  
St Ildierna 18:30 Evening Prayer



## From the Registers

### Baptisms

14th August; Reggie Gascoyne at St Nun, Pelynt  
3rd September; Ronnie Barton at St Marnarch, Lanreath  
11th September; Lowen Dellar at St. Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

### Weddings

11th August; Scott and Robin Gilchrist, 60th Wedding Anniversary Blessing at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey  
27th August; Richard Edwards to Rosemary Payne at St Nicholas, Looe (officiated by Rev Richard Allen)  
10th September; Charles Adrian Boon to Georgina Kathleen Mason of Lanteglos by Fowey parish, married at Boconnoc (officiated by Rev Richard Allen)

### Funerals and Burials

22nd July; Rosemary Ann Pollock, service and burial at St Marnarch, Lanreath  
29th July; Ann Patricia Wright, graveside service at Polperro Cemetery  
6th September; Inez June Light, service and burial at St Nun, Pelynt  
7th September; Clare Elizabeth Hadley, service and burial at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey

### Funerals and Thanksgiving Services

19th July; Hywel 'Budd' Geoffrey Coote, formerly of Pelynt parish, funeral at Bodmin Crematorium  
2nd August; Frederick George Talling, private burial and thanksgiving service at St Ildierna, Lansallos  
18th August; Carol Ann Evans of Polruan, service at Bodmin Crematorium  
3rd September; Daphne Hope, thanksgiving service and interment of ashes at Talland  
10th September; Anthea Tamblyn, service at Bodmin Crematorium followed by thanksgiving service at Pelynt.

### Interment of Ashes

20th August; Jane Elizabeth Stevenson of Cromer, Norfolk, formerly of Polruan, at St Wyllow, Lanteglos by Fowey  
23rd August; Arthur Edward Price of Derby, formerly of Talland, at St Tallanus, Talland





## Ramblings from the Rectory

from Rev'd Richard

In life we all need role models. One of the greatest is Mother Teresa. I came across one piece of her writing which has made quite an impact. I hope it touches you as it did me:

People are often unreasonable, illogical and self-centred; Forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway. If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway. What you spend years creating, others may destroy overnight. Create anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway. The good you do today will often be forgotten. Do good anyway. Give the best you have and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway. In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

## The Green Abbey – Ecological Agriculture Project at Sclerder Abbey

From Alan Morley-Fletcher

The Chemin Neuf Community at Sclerder Abbey are planning to start a new ecological agriculture project following 'permaculture' principles. We are calling the project 'The Green Abbey'. Our aim is to grow vegetables, salad crops and fruit in an efficient and ecologically sustainable way. The project will draw on historic monastic traditions as well as modern practice and research in ecological agriculture. As the project develops step by step we hope to provide experience and training for interested people and volunteers of all ages, with a particular emphasis on helping local young people.

To launch the project we will be holding an Open Day at Sclerder Abbey, Sclerder Lane, PL13 2JD, on Saturday, 8 October between 11am and 5pm. Visitors will be able to visit the Abbey and grounds. A simple lunch and refreshments will be provided. And we will have presentations on Caring for Creation, on our vision for the project at Sclerder Abbey, and also some practical tips for gardeners and enthusiasts.

So that we can estimate numbers please register by emailing [sclerder@gmail.com](mailto:sclerder@gmail.com) with the heading 'Green Abbey event'. Also if you are interested in the project but cannot attend the October Open Day please also contact us by email.

Further details of the project are at <https://www.chemin-neuf.org.uk/the-green-abbey/>. This sets out the basis of participating in the project on a residential basis, joining in the rhythm and community life of the Abbey; and we also envisage people joining the project as volunteers on a day or weekly basis.



## Parish Diary

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

### October

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> Whitecross Market, 10am-1pm (see page 20)

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> 'Building a National Collection of Peonies' talk by Caroline Stone (see page 25)

Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Woman's Hour at St Saviour, 2.30pm (see page 9)

Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> Hospice Book Sale, Reading Room, 9.30 - 12.00pm (see page 13)

Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, Yoga at Polruan Village Hall from 5pm please check prior to attending

Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> Country File Ramble for Children in Need meet 10am Readymoney beach (see page 12)

Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> Messy Church and Scavenger Hunt, The Old Coal Wharf, 4pm (see page 3)

Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> WI Meeting at Polruan WI, 7pm (see page 6)

Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> 'Maps, Plans and Charts'; talk by Alex Lewis, Fowey Town Hall, 2pm (see page 24)

Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> Harvest of the Sea at St Ildierna, Lansallos, 6.30pm (see page 4)

Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> Art Exhibition at St. John's Church, Bodinnick, 12 noon - 6pm (see page 7)

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> Kidz Klub at Polruan Village Hall, 6 - 7.30pm (see page 8)

Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> The Film Club present 'Silent Running' at Polruan Village Hall, 7pm (see page 26)

Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> Firework Display, at Lanreath Village Hall, 7pm (see page 5)

### November

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Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> Table Top Sale in Aid of Nigerian School Fees at Polruan Village Hall, 2.30pm (see page 11)

Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> WI Meeting at Polruan WI at 7pm (see page 6)

Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> 'Polperro — Cornwall's Forgotten Art Centre'; talk by David Tovey, Whitecross Village Hall, 2pm (see page 24)

Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> 'Bumblebees and the Fowey Valley Project, talk by Rosalind Shaw at Mission to Seafarers, 7.30pm (see page 31)

Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> 'Hedges' talk by George Kestell (see page 25)

Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> Kidz Klub at Polruan Village Hall, 6 - 7.30pm (see page 8)

Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> Table Top Sale in Aid of St. John's Bodinnick, 10am-2pm (see page 7)

Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> Polruan Regatta & Children's Sports Craft Morning at Polruan Village Hall, 10am-12 noon (see page 18)

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> Fowey Festival on-line Winter Auction (see page 31)

Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> The Film Club present 'Top Gun: Maverick' at Polruan Village Hall, 7pm (see page 26)

Sat 8 Oct. 11am - 5pm

# Open day

Sclerder Abbey  
Sclerder Lane  
Looe, PL13 2JD

Visitors will be able to visit the Abbey and the grounds

Simple lunch and light refreshments

Presentations:

- Caring for Creation (inspired by the Pope's encyclical 'Laudato Si' and monastic traditions over the centuries)
- The permaculture project at Sclerder Abbey
- Some practical tips for gardeners and enthusiasts

the green abbey

**A new permaculture project at Sclerder Abbey in Cornwall to practise and provide training in ecological agriculture**

Please register by emailing [sclerder@gmail.com](mailto:sclerder@gmail.com) with the heading 'Green Abbey event' so that we can estimate numbers.

Visitors can travel by buses 72, 73, 77 or 481 to West Waylands Holiday Park (10 mins walk to Sclerder Abbey). Parking is available at the Abbey.

If you are interested in the project but cannot attend the October open day/for further information: [sclerder@gmail.com](mailto:sclerder@gmail.com) 01503 272 238

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**An advert, notice or news item can reach thousands of local residents and seasonal visitors as well as inform and support the local community**

**News from Lansallos**

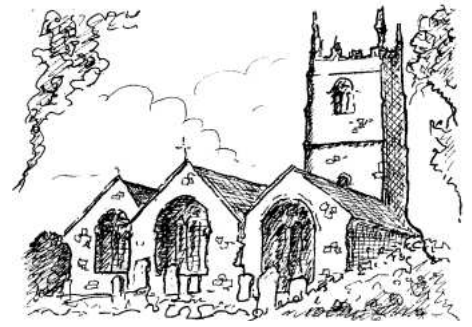
from John Feasey,  
Lansallos PCC

**The Prayer Book (or Western) Rebellion**

For most services at the Church of St Ildierna we use the 1662 Book of Common Prayer (BCP) which is much loved by many for its beautiful use of the English language, thanks to Thomas Cranmer, the then Archbishop of Canterbury.

It wasn't always so, though! After Henry VIII's break with Rome, the introduction of the first BCP was met with widespread hostility in the South West, and in Cornwall and Devon in particular. Much of Cornwall was still wholly Cornish-speaking and English was the language of the "enemy". A call to translate the BCP into Cornish was rejected. Few people understood Latin either, but Latin was the "language of God" and the introduction of English offended against their Catholic and Cornish sensibilities. This religious anger was made worse because people were suffering under the huge taxes that had to be paid to fund the English army fighting in Scotland. Nonetheless, under King Edward VI, it was decreed in the Act of Uniformity that from Whit Sunday 1549 the new orders of service were to be used in every parish in England.

Trouble started when a government agent called William Brody, sent to ensure that the new Prayer Book was followed, was set upon in Helston and murdered. Then, on Whit Monday the Reverend William Harper, the vicar at Sampford Courtney, Devon, tried to conduct a service from the new BCP. An angry mob rose up and a local gentleman who came to remonstrate was killed. The protest soon became an armed rebellion and a force of ordinary people from Cornwall and Devon besieged and captured the city of Exeter. An army was rushed to the West Country and after a series of skirmishes the rebels were defeated in August 1549, with 4,000 of them being massacred. Discontented priests were hung from their church spires as an example, while five leaders from Cornwall and Devon were taken to London and hanged, drawn



and quartered after which the use of the Cornish language went into rapid decline and near extinction.

Remarkably, less than 140 years later most Cornish had become staunchly Protestant! So protests broke out when in 1688 King James II, a Roman Catholic, issued a Declaration of Indulgence towards Catholics that he required to be read out in every English church. Seven bishops including Trelawny, a native of Pelynt and after whom our Benefice is named, refused to read it. They were charged with seditious libel and locked in the Tower of London. To popular acclaim they were later acquitted, with the event being later commemorated in 1826 by the Vicar of Morwenstow, the Reverend R S Hawker, in the "Song of the Western Men", now better known as "Trelawny" and adopted as the Cornish National Anthem.

**Harvest of the Sea Service**

As a coastal parish St Ildierna very much values its links with the sea, and the fishing community in particular, which will be celebrated with a Harvest of the Sea service at 6.30pm on Sunday, 23rd October. The famous Polperro Fishermen's Choir will be joining us and the service will be followed with light refreshments. This is not an occasion to be missed, so do come and join us!

*Th' on onan hag oll rag Kernow!*

We are one and all for Cornwall!

**Welcome**

All churches of Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish will be open for you to visit and enjoy:

*St Wyllow,*  
our Parish Church

*St Saviour,*  
a Victorian Church in Polruan

*St John,*  
a converted stable in Bodinnick

We respectfully ask for your consideration for the people who regularly use these buildings.

Please use the sanitiser supplied when entering and leaving and also limit your contact with any hard surfaces when moving around.

We hope your time with us is one of refreshment

Lanteglos-by-Fowey PCC

**Pelynt and District**

**Thursday Club**

Meetings will be held in Pelynt Village Hall

on the last Thursday of each month at 2.30pm

Admission £2, including raffle ticket and refreshments

There is no membership fee and all are welcome to attend any meeting

We look forward to seeing you!



## News from Lanreath

from Jenny Bartram

Sally's Walking Group have a full schedule for October, November and December. They meet at Lanreath Village Hall car park at 10am on the first and third Monday of each month and car share is available. The following walks are planned:

- 3 October – Lostwithiel/Restormel/Duchy
- 17 October – Minions moorland walk
- 7 November – Cardinham Woods.

At the time of going to print the remainder of the year has yet to be finalised but please contact Sally Brenchley 01503 220799, for further information.

St Marnarch Church has enjoyed a number of outdoor services on the Village Green during the summer and have more to look forward to with the Tractor Service being held at the end of September and a service for farmers who supply us with local cheeses in October. The Christmas services and events have now been planned, as have those for all the Benefice churches — these will be advertised in the next issue of the Parish News and posters

will be displayed on notice boards around the parishes.

Lanreath Amenity Group are holding a Firework Display on Saturday, 29 October at the Village Hall at 7pm. Their popular Bingo Evenings are held once a month on the second Wednesday at Lanreath Village Hall. Doors Open at 6.30pm, Eyes Down at 7.30pm. Full House prizes include baskets of fruit and chicken or meat dinners, there are also first and second line prizes, a money game, and raffle. Teas and coffee are served during the interval and the Hall also has a licensed bar. Do come and join us — all monies raised go back into the community.

A number of organisations use the Village Hall and offer a variety of activities from Pickle Ball, Long Mat Bowls, monthly WI meetings and the Ladybirds, a pre-school group for children and their mums who meet twice weekly on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Contact Sandra Pipe for further information on 01503 220860.



Lanreath Village Shop and Post Office have well stocked shelves and are happy to order additional goods on request. The shop would love to recruit more volunteers, so please speak to Siobhan or Mick or telephone 01503 220997 if you are able to spare a few hours a week.

## News from Talland

from Jonathan Foster

**Jubilee celebrations:** St Tallan's Bellingers (Viv Tregellas, ETTY Morton, James and Jules Uniacke, Emma Bersey and Peter Foster) celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Sunday, 5 June by ringing the bells at Talland Church for half an hour between 19:52 and 20:22, joining thousands of other bellringers throughout the Commonwealth who were ringing their bells at the same time. From kind donations collected, a permanent commemoration of the Jubilee was commissioned in the form of a new wooden "spider" which is suspended from the bell chamber floor, the traditional way to hang bell ropes. Into the bell-shaped spider, hand-crafted in 600-year-old yew by Owen Entwistle, is carved "EIRR Platinum Jubilee 1952-2022". Following the half-hour peal, the Rev'd Richard blessed the new spider and prayed that "the sound of the bells bring joy to all who hear them".

We then went into the church to enjoy festive food and drink and a sing song. Organist Adrian Bell began the proceedings with the National Anthem, then guest organist Eric Foster, visiting from Italy, played a number of patriotic songs including Rule Britannia, Heart of Oak, The White Cliffs of Dover, Cornwall My Home, and Trelawny, which were all sung with gusto.

**Operation London Bridge:** Regrettably, a little over thirteen weeks after the Jubilee celebrations, and in accordance with official protocol following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Bellingers gathered at midday on Friday, 9 September to toll the bells for a full one hour. On Sunday they reconvened to commemorate the accession of the new King, Charles III with a twenty minute peal. On this occasion, ETTY, James, Jules, Emma and Peter were joined by David Bersey to make a full complement of six ringers.

**New Church Flags:** The flagpole on top of Talland Church tower is proudly flying new flags kindly donated by bell ringer, Peter Foster. The Union Flag was flown over the Jubilee Holiday; it was also flown to

commemorate the death of Queen Elizabeth II and to proclaim King Charles III, and will be hoisted to celebrate future national events, while St Piran's Flag will be flown throughout the summer months. Both flags are made to Admiralty specifications, and provide a perfect finish to the church tower.

**Talland Bellingers at the Polperro Festival:** The bellringers of Talland had a successful stall at the Polperro Festival. Garden plants, soft toys, local honey, excellent cakes, handmade greetings cards and hand-crafted Talland ceramics were among the items on offer, along with a "ring and make a wish" bell, and over £200 was raised for the Bell Tower restoration fund.

**Talland hosts the Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers:** St Tallan recently hosted an evening of bellringing, welcoming around thirty fellow members of the Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers (Eastern District), with representatives from St Cleer, Calstock, St Dominic, Liskeard, Pillaton and St Neot, who enjoyed a tour of the tower (including the roof) followed by ringing of the bells. Food and drinks, provided by the hosts, were served inside the church. Many of the guest ringers have stood atop other church towers, but all agreed that the view from Tallan is the best of all!

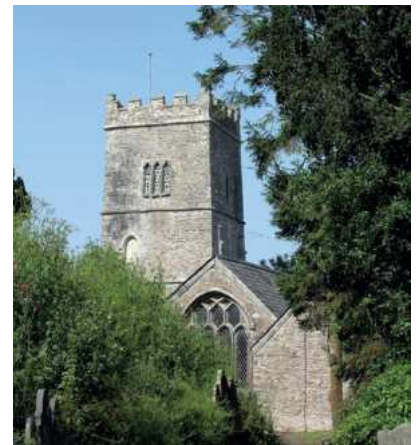


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Finally, Viv, ETTY, James and Jules are continuing their research into further elements of St Tallan's history with detailed investigations of the building, furnishings and graveyard, together with a deep clean of the church interior, with particular thanks to Paul who is diligently cleaning and oiling the wooden floors.

If anyone has any information or would like to get involved researching the history of Talland Church, or would like to join the bellringers, please get in touch with Viv on 01503 262457.

### Harvest Scavenger Hunt and

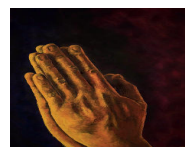


Messy Church

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 4 p.m.

On the Old Coal Wharf, Polruan

Come along and enjoy crafts, songs, prayers, refreshments and children's scavenger hunt



## News from Polruan Village Hall

from PVH Management Committee

We were pleased to be able to go ahead with our first annual BBQ for over two years in mid August and teaming up with the NCI proved to be a good idea which we hope to repeat in the future. It was a lovely evening enjoyed by all and the event was a big success raising a net profit of £694, which was split equally between the two organisations.

Unfortunately, with the sad news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II, we postponed our Cream Tea which had been planned for 18 September. Please look out for posters rescheduling this event for a date in October.

Our AGM is to be held on Tuesday, 4 October at 6pm and all are welcome to attend to see what we have been up to and share our plans for the future. All documentation will be available to view on our website (polruan.org) two weeks beforehand. We are always looking for volunteers to help with events and, if you can handle more involvement, perhaps try becoming a member on the Committee to help shape the future of our Village Hall. Please forward any comments you may have or nominations to sit on the Committee to our Secretary (Suzanne.goddard@me.com) on or before 4 October.

Whether it's joining in with regular clubs and activities at the Hall or organising social events or meetings, the Hall provides a lovely location for all activities and we look forward to welcoming you.



## DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Afternoon Tea

tbc

Polruan Village Hall

(Please look out for notices)



View from the Verandah at Polruan Village Hall

## Polruan Village Hall Hire

Should you wish to book the Hall for an activity, please contact our bookings clerk, Kathryn Hill  
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kathrynehill39@gmail.com,  
who will be happy to help with any queries.

The Hall costs £12 per session (ie. morning, afternoon or evening) which includes WiFi and the use of the Audio Visual system.

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## News from the WI

from Chris Cox  
Vice Chair, Polruan WI

I would like to say how difficult this is for me to write. Our meeting in September was held on the same evening that our dear Queen and Patron of the WI died. The Queen joined the WI in 1943 and became President of the Sandringham branch in 2003. The Chairman said "the Sandringham WI will never be the same without the Queen" and at Polruan we are honoured to have had her as our Patron and thank her for her dedicated service to the WI, Nation and Commonwealth during her long reign.

We carried on with our meeting, in honour and respect for her, and had a very interesting guest speaker who talked to us about the Brontë family. Out of respect for our dear departed Queen, I shall report on this in the next issue of the Parish News.

The WI meet on every  
second Thursday of the month  
(except August)

Meetings are fun —  
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For further information,  
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Chris Cox 01726 870194

We look forward to seeing you soon

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01726 870505

sjsherwood2@gmail.com.



## Woman's Hour

from Kathryn Hill for the Women's Hour Members

Woman's Hour meets in St Saviour Church at 2.30pm in the Spring and Autumn. We sing, usually hymns, pray and listen to a speaker before enjoying a cuppa, a biscuit and a chat. Some weeks we have what we call a "Members Meeting" where each of us shares a poem or similar and other weeks we have a "Favourite Hymns Afternoon" when we sing favourite hymns chosen by each of us.

We usually have a Summer outing and this year we were invited to Phyllis' garden at Carlyon Bay where we enjoyed lovely sunshine, beautiful flowers and a delicious afternoon tea.



We are a small and friendly group and welcome new members or occasional visitors.

### Woman's Hour Programme

#### October

- 4<sup>th</sup> - Favourite Hymns
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Speaker – Chris Cox
- 18<sup>th</sup> - Members Meeting
- 25<sup>th</sup> - Speaker - to be decided

#### November

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Favourite Hymns
- 8<sup>th</sup> - Speaker - Angie Mallard
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Speaker – Kathryn Hill
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - Speaker- Janice Midwood
- 29<sup>th</sup> – Speaker – Rev Richard

#### December

- 8<sup>th</sup> – Members Meeting
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Favourite Carols

## St John's Church, Bodinnick

from The Friends of St John's Committee

It is agreed in a Constitution adopted on 16 August 2022 between The Friends of St John's Bodinnick (hereinafter referred to as Friends) and The Lanteglos-by-Fowey PCC that:

1. The Friends is going through the process of being established as an independent charity.
2. It is agreed that The Friends will work with the local community and give their best fundraising endeavours to:
  - a) meet the PCC's annual Mission and Ministry Fund call from the Diocese towards maintaining a stipendiary priest in Trelawny Benefice
  - b) maintain the upkeep of St John's Church and its fittings.



### Save our church

#### Art at St John's Church, Bodinnick

An exhibition of local artists will be shown in

St John's Church, Bodinnick

on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 between 12 noon and 6 pm

All welcome

#### TABLE TOP SALE!

In aid of St John's Church, Bodinnick

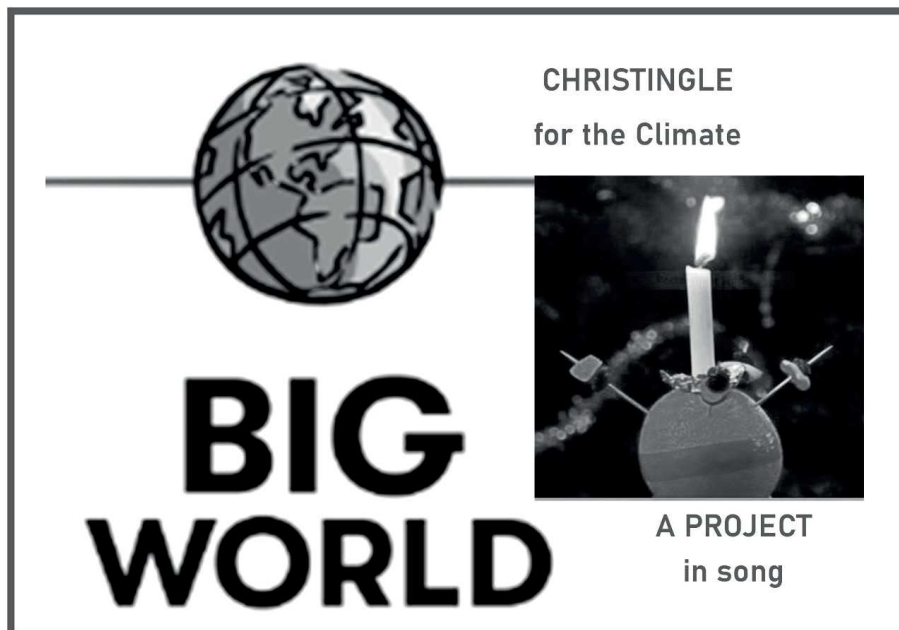
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## Little Harbour

from Lynn Bartlett

Despite the prolonged good weather of the summer, two of our book sales needed to be held in the Reading Room, misty drizzle and books don't mix! However, books were popular with both visitors and residents alike and we sold over £100 worth of books during August.



We were very grateful to receive a large donation of both adult and children's books in new or nearly new condition, some of which were taken to Little Harbour to stock the bookshelves for the parents who stay there.

The winner of the £50.00 prize from the famous Regatta Ball Roll, generously donated their winnings to Little Harbour. Thank you.

Our next two sales will combine books with Christmas Cards; the first will be on Tuesday, 4 October and then on Tuesday, 1 November. These will be held in the Reading Room between 9.30am and 12 noon.

This year there is a selection of 12 different new packs, all containing 10 cards and all for sale at £3.50. There are calendars and diaries available for £4.25. Alongside we will be selling last year's stock of cards at £2.00 per pack. All can be viewed online at [www.chsw.org.uk](http://www.chsw.org.uk) under the 'shopping' heading.

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

There will be continuous access to a selection of books and a few jigsaws on the Blamey shelves throughout the winter

Please watch for information posters or contact me on 01726 870536 or email [lbart49738@aol.com](mailto:lbart49738@aol.com).

Thank you for your continued support.



Little Harbour

## RNLI Pig Roast

from Eric Lockeyear

Like the Phoenix of Greek mythology, the Polruan Pig Roast and Barbecue arose, after a hiatus of three years, from the ashes of the pandemic for a successful return in August.

The event was held on its traditional date of the Saturday at the end of Fowey Royal Regatta, providing a suitable roundup for those who had been sailing, rowing or just the many who had been enjoying the lovely weather in a more leisurely manner.



A fine pig was roasted, burgers — both beef and veggie — were flipped, onions dolloped and appetites sated. Meanwhile, we were entertained by the Polperro Wreckers, who delighted us with a wide range of ancient and modern sing-alongs: Cornish shanties and a smattering of modern songs. And to finish off the evening in style, we were treated to the magnificent firework display.



Photograph by John Nuttall-Smith

Many thanks to all those who contributed and worked so hard to make the event such a success. A total of over £900 was raised to support the RNLI, the charity that saves lives at sea.

See you next year!



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Donation			
Par Market & St Austell	5 <sup>rd</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup>	£3.00
Trago & Bodmin	12 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	£3.00
	12 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	£4.00
Truro	26 <sup>th</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup>	£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 9.25 (10.15 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 \*\*\*

## Thank you Your Majesty from the Steering Group

The steering group for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in the Parish, are so sad to hear of the death of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. A remarkable, wise woman who devoted her life to her family, this country and beyond. We are so pleased that we were able to celebrate her Platinum Jubilee in June. An opportunity for our community to come together after two difficult years and give thanks for her long reign with enjoyment and love. Thank you Your Majesty.

## Foodbank from Angie Mallard

Many thanks to everyone who continues to contribute to the Foodbank so very generously. With the current, and forecast hikes to fuel costs, the Foodbank in Liskeard have said they would be very grateful to receive any cash donations to help families over autumn and winter months. We are very grateful to Crumpets Too for being the main collection point in Polruan, for both grocery items and cash.

## St Wyllow's organ from Caroline Stephenson

I read with interest the article about St Wyllow's organ by Eric Patterson in your last edition. This past year I have enjoyed an increasing number of opportunities to come and play for services at St Wyllow, supporting your small but rather impressive choir. It's been a joy and I look forward to what we may jointly deliver for Midnight Mass... by the way, this was an absolute first, being booked for Christmas Eve in June! That just tells you how short the supply of organ players is throughout our community at the moment.

So, I write to comment on Eric's information about the organ having had a trumpet and a Cornopean stop in the past. As I navigated my way through 'Zadok the Priest' on Sunday, 18 September, in honour of our new king, Charles III, I sorely missed those brassy tones. The Swell Oboe is not a great substitute, even when combined with the 'Mixture' stop. The other thing I needed many times was a blend of medium volume stops. You can achieve a soft low sound on Dulciana on the Great, which is your only choice really if using Oboe for the contrasting fanfares. But there is nothing for warming that sound up slightly, nothing in the middle. I am not saying I got everything right, perhaps there is more to learn. But I wonder what stops Eric would have chosen?

## RNLI Pig Roast from Beth Rigg

Beth, Lynn and Gary would like to thank not only all those who attended the RNLI Pig Roast on the 20 August, when we raised a fantastic £900, but also the loyal band of volunteers who served rolls, meat, burgers and sauces. Thank you.

Thanks also to the Polperro Wreckers who entertained us all evening.

## Suggestions to the Editor

We have received some suggestions following our last publication about the size of print and the possibility of reserving the back page for 'useful information' and 'contact numbers' and would welcome your thoughts on this.

Currently our font size is consistent with national newspapers and increasing it by 2 or 3 points would inevitably lead to an increase in the length of each edition (and therefore cost), but we would welcome thoughts on this.

With regard to reserving the back page for useful information, it has been our policy to try to reserve this for items of interest, in the hope it will draw people in to read the publication. That said, again, if there is interest for public information to be displayed on this page we would obviously consider this, although may struggle for space as it is really only half a page. (The other half taken by a valued advertiser).

If you have any opinions on this or anything else in the Parish News, please do contact the Editor in the normal way. Many thanks.

## Margot Borash turned 100 on 12<sup>th</sup> September!

Margot and her family would like to thank everyone who sent cards and messages and joined us at her party on her milestone 100th birthday. It was an incredibly special day. Thank you.

## Letter from Nigeria from Kathleen and Daniel

Thank you for your prayers. My tests, taken 3 months ago, have been reviewed by the hospital and it has been decided an angiogram is not necessary. I am to carry on with the old and some new medication for another 3 months, when I will be reviewed again. This is good news and we praise God for this.

The rains are still very heavy, causing a lot of flooding and damage to produce and to buildings. Food prices have soared and the corn on the cob has not grown well because of the cost of the fertiliser. We are OK at Vom as the flooding is not as severe and our IDP's were gifted money for fertiliser from a church and so have a reasonable crop. We thank the Church and the Lord for his provision.

So that our secondary school students here at Vom, can earn a bit of money to help themselves now and in the future, God willing, some are learning tailoring and others Catering or hair plaiting. They have been busy during the holiday and will carry on in the evenings when they resume School. The boys are doing various trades also.

School opens next week, so pray that the students will settle in quickly. Thank you to those who continue to pay the School fees.

We carry on working and praising God. Life is varied but always busy and enjoyable.

May God continue to bless you and encourage you. With our love and prayers.



## Margot Borash reaches 100!

from Kevin Francis on behalf of the PTC

On Monday, 12 September, Margot Borash, long-time member, leading lady and 'meeter and greeter' with Polruan Theatre Club, celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday with a party for relatives, neighbours and colleagues from the Theatre Club.



The party, kindly organised by her daughter Steffi with help from her own daughters, took place at Rosehill House, St Blazey, where Margot now lives. Margot was in fine form, and suitably fortified by a glass of whisky and ginger, chatted happily to all her guests with her usual twinkle.

She took particular pleasure in reading out her card from our late Queen, which must have been one of the last ones posted.

## Thank you

from Pat Cummings

I have just returned from 7 weeks in hospital and would like to thank some wonderful people who helped me — Kevin and Andrea, Des and Val, Pam and Jonathan, especially Pam and Jonathan for keeping my home clean. Thank you also for all the good wishes I received — the people of Polruan are fantastic.

## Panto Notice

from Tony Cottrell

The Theatre Club is hoping to produce 'Jack and the Beanstalk' in February 2023. If anyone is interested in appearing in the chorus (singing involved) please contact Tony Cottrell (07870280114) or on Facebook.

## News from Nigeria

from Kathryn Hill

I recently received a photograph of Nenchin Tongpan who is blind and a student at the Boys Secondary School [BSS], Gindiri, Nigeria where I used to teach.



Like the handicapped students who were at the school when I was there, he would not be in the school without me and my friends sending money for his school fees. Nenchin has successfully completed the Junior Secondary section of the school (equivalent to years 7 – 9 in the UK) and has passed his Junior Secondary Certificate of Education. He has now embarked on the three year course leading up to Senior Secondary Certificate in Education. I wrote recently about Emmanuel Karami who I taught when I was there and who was the first blind Nigerian student to gain a BSc in Mathematics.

The first blind student to be admitted to BSS was the late Bitrus Gani who studied there in the 1950s. Bitrus was the first blind secondary student in what was then British West Africa! He successfully gained his West African Certificate in Education, studied physiotherapy in the UK and eventually became Professor of Physiotherapy at Ahmadu Bello University (the "Oxbridge" of Nigeria).

I plan to hold a Table Top Sale on Sunday, 6 November at 2.30pm in Polruan Village Hall for school fees for Nenchin and for the children of Internally Displaced Persons, who fled when their tribal homeland in Gwoza in Borno State (north eastern Nigeria) was taken over by Boko Haram. They, like Kathleen and Daniel Gula, fled to the Jos Plateau and are still there as Boko Haram are still in control of their tribal homelands. Although the youngsters' parents have been able to do some subsistence farming and some are employed in the block industry Daniel and Kathleen set up near their new home at Vom, school fees and school uniforms are hard to afford without the help we send via Daniel and Kathleen. If you would like a table (no charge but please donate a prize for the raffle) or if you can help with refreshment or the raffle, please contact me.

Do come along and browse the stalls, enjoy the refreshments, take a chance on the raffle and enjoy a sociable afternoon.

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# Fowey River Lions

## Countryfile Ramble for Children in Need

Sunday, 9 October

Meet 10am at Readymoney Beach, Fowey



Fowey River Lions are helping to raise money for Children in Need. Come and join us for a ramble along the coast to Polridmouth Cove and return across the fields. Enjoy the countryside whilst keeping fit and supporting some amazing projects.

Bring your family, friends and colleagues to make it a really meaningful event. Do come prepared with comfortable footwear. The route is moderate but maybe strenuous in places. We will set off at 10am from Readymoney Beach and the walk will take about two hours before returning to our starting point.

Do help us to make this successful. All we ask is that you or your group come with a minimum donation of £10. If you are able gift aid your donation that gives an extra 25% to the charity. Sponsorship forms will be available on the day but if you would like to start collecting in advance, you can download a sponsorship form at:

<https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/resources/new-bbc-children-in-need-sponsorship-form/>

We look forward to you joining us on Sunday, 9 October 10am at Readymoney Beach.

NB If you are joining us from the Polruan side please let us know so we can confirm numbers of passengers for a ferry, from Polruan to Fowey, at 9am. Please email your name and number of walkers to [foweyriverlions@gmail.com](mailto:foweyriverlions@gmail.com) OR contact Tony Bartlett on 01726 870536. Our grateful thanks to C. Toms and Son for their support.

The route is not suitable for those with mobility difficulties. If it is considered unsafe to walk due to weather conditions, at the time, the walk will be cancelled.

## Message in a Bottle

Lions Club 'Message in a Bottle' is a simple but effective way for people to keep their basic personal and medical details where they can be found in an emergency on a standard form and in a common location – the fridge.

Message in a Bottle (known within Lions as MIAB) helps emergency services personnel to save valuable time in identifying an individual very quickly and knowing if they have any allergies or take special medication.

Paramedics, police, fire-fighters and social services support this Lions' life-saving initiative and know to look in the fridge when they see the Message in a Bottle stickers, supplied. The initiative provides peace of mind that prompt and appropriate medical assistance can be provided and next of kin / emergency contacts can be notified.

How to obtain a Message in a Bottle? Contact one of Fowey River Lion's members or email [foweyriverlions@gmail.com](mailto:foweyriverlions@gmail.com)

More than 6 million Message in a Bottle kits has been distributed by Lions Clubs International in the British Isles to people with conditions such as diabetes, allergies, disabilities and life-threatening illnesses.

Clubs are able to provide Message in a Bottle within their local communities free of charge thanks to fund-raising and generous donations from the public and businesses. It is not just vulnerable people who benefit from Message in a Bottle. Anyone with health conditions could have an accident at home.

The Message in a Bottle kit includes a form, where personal and medical information is detailed. This is placed in the bottle (with its distinctive green branding), which is stored in the fridge. Two stickers are provided: one for the fridge door and the other for the inside of the front door of the premises.



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## TANZY by Tom Barrie Simmons

Just like a magical journey taking flight, the publication of Tom Barrie Simmons long awaited children's book TANZY is finally ready to launch!

It reflects the story itself and the twenty years it took to write from conception, setbacks and delays through life's dramas, to eventually arriving at the right time - this October 2022.

Tom married and moved to Polruan in 1993. His career as an inventor and writer took him

around the world. His children's books, the Stories of Benjamin 1 and 2, sold over 10,000 copies.

He returned to Polruan after running the Cottage Stores in West Street, later leasing it to become Tardis and then Gullivers gift shops.

Traveller, storyteller and stalwart resident of Polruan, he is thrilled to welcome you to his book launch celebration.



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### Halloween – Ah yes! Halloween by the late Mavis Cocks

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.

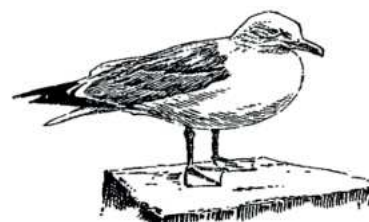
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## To Advertisers and Contributors

### 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 14<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding publication, otherwise the content will remain unchanged.

Please ensure that any rubbish for collection be put out early Monday morning and not before



It is strongly recommended that householders put bin bags in a dustbin or gull-proof sack

Owners of holiday lets are asked to provide their tenants with dustbins

**Please do not  
feed the gulls**

## Baby & Toddler GROUP

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Pop along to Polruan WI Hall  
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## Saving Lives



Through the generosity of the Fowey Community Hospital Welfare Trust, an additional defibrillator has been installed in our Parish at Whitecross Village Hall

The defibrillator is very simple to use, with voice instructions given whenever it is activated.



## Introduction from the new Head of School at Pelynt Primary Academy

My name is Ms Abigail Rich and I'm delighted to introduce myself as the new Head of School for Pelynt Primary Academy. I have been a member of the Senior Leadership Team of a village primary school in rural Wiltshire for six years and have been in an Acting Headteacher role there since 2021. I will be moving down to Cornwall with my partner, our children Alfie and Poppy, Crumble the dog and Tilly the cat!

I have absolutely loved my visits to the school over the last few months, where I have been getting to know the wonderful children and their fantastic staff team. I've received a very warm welcome in every class, where I've been met with lots of happy faces, who have been eager to share their learning with me. It was wonderful to spend time with the Year 3 and 4 class, who I will be teaching two days a week, and to meet the new Reception children and their families at my last visit. I have also spent time with the Acting Head of School, Mrs Orme, our governors and other Heads of School from the Bridge Trust. I'm really looking forward to getting to know everyone properly in just a few weeks! I feel very fortunate to be part of such a dedicated team, who are all determined to drive the school forward.

I started teaching in 2002 and have worked right across the primary age range in both the state and private sector. I also set up and managed an Early Years setting, which was graded Outstanding by Ofsted. I have led a wide range of subject areas during my career, including Early Years, English, Computing, Science and Art. I am passionate about raising standards and promoting the joy of learning right across the curriculum.

My philosophy of education is simple: children achieve more and staff teach more effectively when everyone feels happy, valued and challenged. I firmly believe that our school will be a place that radiates joy for all members of the community. As Head of School I will ensure that we put the best interests of every child at the heart of all our decisions, and that we will work very closely with families to ensure that every child is nurtured and challenged to achieve their true potential and pursue their individual dreams.

It is very important to me that our school is at the heart of the local community, and I really look forward to getting to know members of the village, church, local groups and businesses. Please do pop by to introduce yourself in September.

We have a very exciting journey together ahead of us!

With warmest regards,

Abigail Rich



## Can you help?

### from the Editor

Sadly, we have lost several of our wonderful volunteers who deliver the Parish News in Polruan and we are hoping to be able to replace them because as the saying goes "many hands make light work".

Do you feel you could spare some time to take on a delivery round — it isn't particularly onerous and does get you out and about? In terms of commitment, we are talking about approximately 30 minutes every other month (6 times a year). Most rounds needing support mainly delivering to less than 30 houses.

The areas we desperately need support are:

- Townsend
- Kendall Parc
- St Saviour's Hill

Also, where other current volunteers are doubling up on rounds we could possibly do with extra support in:

- Meadow Close
- Battery Park
- Ferris Way

If you feel able to help and would like to take on one of these rounds, please contact the Editor, who would be happy to provide further information. Many thanks



## Autumn week 1

### from Ms Abigail Rich

I have had a wonderful first week as Head of School at Pelynt. I received such a warm welcome from the whole school community and feel extremely lucky to have such a dedicated staff team to work with, supported by the Bridge Trust, to continue to drive our school forward.

Our new Class 1 Reception children have been superstars, settling in as if they have always been here, with huge enthusiasm and curiosity. I will always remember a card that a friend gave me when I started teaching 20 years ago this week, that said to approach every day like a four year old in a batman cape! Reception is a magical year and I really look forward to seeing them blossom throughout their time at our school.

Today we have, of course, been thinking about Queen Elizabeth. Remarkably, we received a letter from her on the same day as her death, thanking the children for the card they made for her Jubilee, which we shared in our special assembly today. It will be something that we will always treasure. I hope that you all have a fantastic weekend, in the beautiful place that I am now so lucky to call home.

### Text of the letter from Her Majesty The Queen at Balmoral Castle

*"To : The Pupils at Pelynt Academy*

*The Queen Queen wishes me to write and thank you for the colourful card which you sent Her Majesty on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee.*

*The Queen was glad to hear from you and, although unable to reply to you personally, Her Majesty greatly appreciated the nice things you said.*

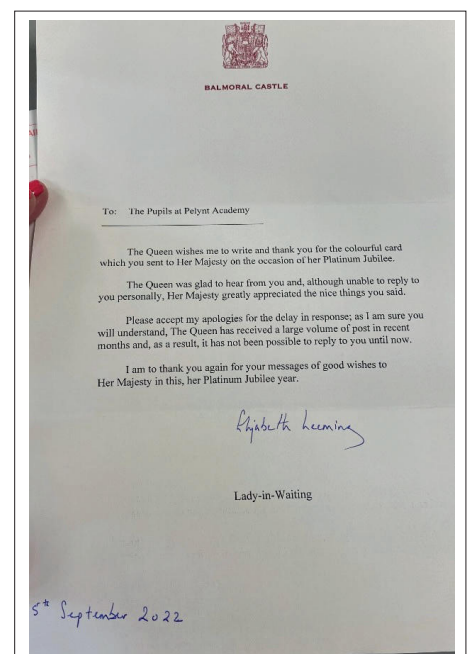
*Please accept my apologies for the delay in response; as I am sure you will understand, The Queen has received a large volume of post in recent months and, as a result, it has not been possible to reply to you until now.*

*I am to thank you again for your messages of good wishes to Her Majesty in this, her Platinum Jubilee year*

*(signed)*

*Elizabeth Leeming*

*Lady-in-Waiting"*





## Farewell to Fred Talling

Alice, Andrew and Kathryn would like to thank all family and friends who sent cards and messages of sympathy and who attended the Service of Thanksgiving on 2 August. Special thanks to everyone who generously donated to Cornwall Air Ambulance in Fred's memory.

We would also like to thank doctors, nurses and especially Julie and her amazing team of carers who always brightened up Fred's day and allowed him to remain at home until his death.

Many thanks to the Rev'd Richard Allen and to Peter and Margaret Ripley for their understanding and help.

Fred, you will be remembered always.

## Farewell to Carol Evans

from Kath Welsh

I would like to say thank you to everyone who came to the last service for Carol at St Saviour Church. It was a wonderful attendance and if Carol knew how many friends had come, she would be so happy.

Thank you to Peter and Margaret Ripley and to the Rev'd Richard for a wonderful service. Thanks also to Beth and Pam at Crumpets Too for the lovely spread they put on for the wake.

## A Short Poem

from Chris Cox

*I thought these words may give  
people a sense of peace.*

When you're lonely  
I wish you love  
When you're sad  
I wish you joy  
When you're discouraged  
I wish you hope  
When your spirit is low  
I wish you beauty  
When you're troubled  
I wish you peace.

Anon

first appeared here April 2021



Woodpecker drinking during the heat wave  
Photograph by John Nuttall-Smith

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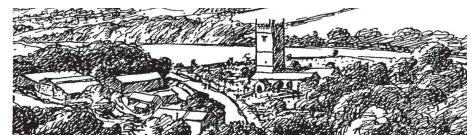
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### KEEP POLRUAN SAFE

We are all learning to live with Covid and thanks to the brilliant work of the NHS and scientists we all feel much less threatened. However please bear in mind that there are still people who are vulnerable or who are still anxious of the relaxing of rules

Please be understanding and kind and where possible maintain social distance and wear masks if requested.

If you do need any help "Polly Pals" are still here to support you with your everyday needs such as shopping, picking up medicines, prescriptions, etc.

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## The Churches of Trelawney Benefice mark the death of Her Majesty from Kathryn Hill for the Churches of Trelawney Benefice

In Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish, St Saviour was open on the evening of Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> for quiet prayer and reflection and then on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> in the late afternoon for a Thanksgiving Service led by myself and Angie and Norman Mallard, with a similar service in the early evening led by The Rev'd Richard at St John, Bodinnick. On Sunday morning at the Parish Church of St Wyllow, our service began with the bell tolling 96 times and was very much focussed on the passing of our Queen and the accession of our new King. On Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> our Patronal Festival service at St Wyllow, led by the Rev'd John Hawkes, not only celebrated our Patron Saint, St Wyllow, but also our late Queen and our new King. On Sunday evening St Saviour was again open and a good number of us observed the National One Minute Silence and sang the National Anthem by candlelight.

At St Nun, Pelynt, there was a Commemorative service on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> and on Thursday, Kevin Wakeham, the Chairman of Pelynt Parish Council, read the Proclamation of accession in church and this was filmed and posted on Facebook for those unable to attend.

At St Ildierna, Lansallos on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> The Rev'd John Hawkes led the service and John Feesey said the prayers, praying for both Queen Elizabeth II and King Charles III and the National Anthem was sung. On Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> they held a service of Commemoration and Thanksgiving for the life of our late Queen and then the National One Minute Silence was observed at 8pm, followed by a reading of the Proclamation of Accession of King Charles III.

On the afternoon of Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> The Rev'd Richard led a Thanksgiving Service for Her Majesty at St Marnarch, Lanreath. The National One Minute Silence was observed at 8pm on Lanreath Green on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup>, followed by the Proclamation to announce the Accession of our new King Charles III read by Peter Seaman, Chairman of Lanreath Parish Council and by the singing of the National Anthem led by Helen White on the violin. Muffled bells were rung on Tuesday evening and Wednesday afternoon.

The Rev'd Richard also conducted a Holy Communion Service at St Tallanus, Talland, at 11am on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> focusing on the late Queen and the Royal Family and The Rev'd Jake Loewendhal led a similar service on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup>. The bells have also been rung including on the evening of the Queen's funeral.



*National one minute silence at St Saviour 18 September*



*Book of commeration at Pelynt*



*The Queen St Saviour*



*Kevin Wakeham delivering Proclamation at Pelynt*



*Flowers at Lanreath*



# Memories of Polruan Girls Choir and Girl Guides 1952; 70 Years Ago

from Janice H Midwood

That year two very important things happened in our village for the girls aged approximately 12 to 20 years of age.

First, the Polruan Girls Choir was formed with Conductor, the late Leonard Rundle and Pianists, the late Alice Stone and the late Helen Hender – three dedicated people who gave those girls such happy times. To sing was a pleasure, to practice no problem and we formed long lasting friendships, still going strong today — not that there are many of us still around!

We sang the length and breadth of our county — singing on a Sunday afternoon and evening in a town or village church or chapel and having tea at the vicarage, or with kind people in their homes. Very often the late Rupert Tomlin with his clear, tenor voice accompanied us — then during the week we performed variety concerts, singing some of the latest ‘hit songs’, accompanied by the late George Tabb on drums. The applause on those evenings would bring the house down.

Then there were trips to Acton, near London invited by their choir, with Conductor, the late Roger Brady. Lovely people — and having one or two of our own songs recorded at the BBC Broadcasting House, the most popular song ‘The Happy Wanderer’, often requested by children and adults on Uncle Mac’s Radio Request programme on Saturday mornings.

There was also a trip to Stade, near Hamburg, Germany where their choir welcomed us with open arms. Both choirs were invited to Polruan, and our families and friends did them proud. The choir eventually had to finish in 1958 as some of the girls left the village to improve their careers, or to marry, some going away to Australia, America and Norway. Those years will never be forgotten.

Second, there was the Polruan Girl Guides with Guide Mistress Elizabeth Compton. Happy days camping under canvas at Lanhydrock and Cartuther Barton, near Liskeard and meeting other Girl Guides



The Queen at Windsor Castle  
Official portraiture by Mr Ranald Mackechnie

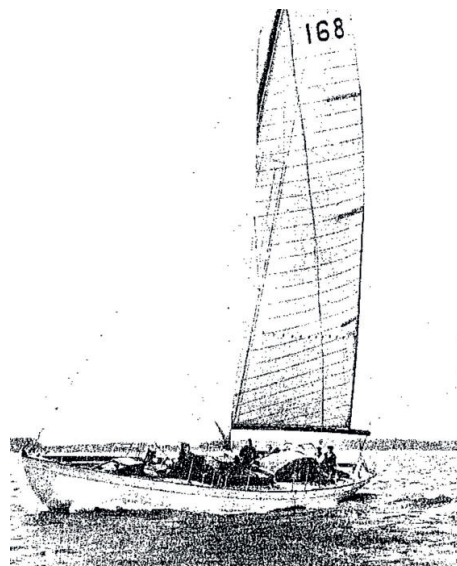


Princess Elizabeth (later Queen Elizabeth II) at the helm of Windstar off Polperro in 1946, courtesy Guide Association

and enjoying their company. Elizabeth left Polruan and the late Phyllis Hill kindly became our Guide Mistress with meetings at her home ‘Wellside’. Phyllis’ late husband, Bill Hill, took us through our Knots, Morse Code and Semaphore Tests. Very strict he was too! Both Guide Mistresses instilled in us discipline, to be considerate to our elders and to respect all creatures great and small — so important.

At the same time as the Guides we had the Polruan Sea Scouts, Scout Master, the late Arthur Harrison — lots of fun was had when we met up for campfires and our lovely Christmas and New Year parties — such happy times.

[By Ed. Percy Mitchell wrote an amazing book on boatbuilding in Portmellon: [A Boat builder’s Story](#). He built Windstar and his son Gary Mitchell updated the book in 2018]



Windstar

# Thursday, 8 September 2022, 6.35pm

from Tim Stapleton

Liz and I were driving along the A30 on the way to Exeter Cathedral for the 7.30pm performance of The Sixteen, conducted by Harry Christophers, singing sacred music.

At 6.35pm Classic FM Radio was interrupted – the Queen had died. At that moment the heavy squall over the Moors at Okehampton was transformed into a stunning rainbow.

Two previous concerts by The Sixteen had various problems. The first coincided with our younger daughter’s flight from Australia and her coach arriving at Exeter bus station and we had to leave at half time. The second was two days after the fire in the Royal Clarence Hotel on Cathedral Green and the concert was cancelled. We were relieved to see a queue at the door where 600 were seated in the Nave in hushed disorientation – our memory of the Coronation was a world away.

The concert was one in a tour of twenty five cathedrals over a period of eight months, entitled ‘An Old Belief’. It was an unusual mixture of Medieval Carols, some in Latin, and the work of Herbert Howells (1892 – 1983) and Hubert Parry (1848 – 1918). The latter’s ‘Tour de Force’ was ‘Songs of Farewell’. This was a six part lament entitled:

*My soul there is a country  
I know my soul hath power to know all things  
Never weather-beaten soul  
There is an old belief  
At the round earths imagined corners  
Lord let me know my soul.*

The last is the longest twenty six lines and most poignant, the first and last two lines of which read:

*Lord let me know mine end and the number of my days  
That I may be certified how long I have to live . . .  
O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength  
Before I go hence and be no more seen.*

Herbert Howells’ contribution was ‘Take him (her) earth for cherishing’ this ends . . .

*To thy tender breast receive him  
Body of a man I bring thee  
Noble even in its ruin.*

Parry’s work being based on Psalm 39 and Howells on Prudentius (348 – 413). The Concert programme contained all the text of the songs. As the concert developed we realised the significance to the death of the Queen; Parry’s work written in the bleakness of the First World War.

At a time when we struggle to understand the loss, in our own minds, let alone write it down, it was helpful and reassuring to gain comfort from writers who had already trod that path. The significance was heightened by the Residentiary Canon’s introduction who said please do not applaud at the end and leave quietly.

On the way back in the car we were overwhelmed by the coincidence of the weather and end of life poetry sung in the Cathedral. The chances of this in a few hours after the death of the Queen must have been millions to one. There is an alternative – the guiding hand of God offering solace, when we were lost. In discussion with friends in different parts of the country, our experience was not unique.



# Polruan Regatta and Children's Sports

from the committee

[www.polruan-regatta.co.uk](http://www.polruan-regatta.co.uk)

Photographs by Tony Bartlett and Luciele Rowse

After three years, it was great to be able to hold our Regatta weekend again. We were so fortunate to have wonderful weather to enjoy all our events.

Forty children took part in the crabbing competition; the crabs were reluctant to be captured and just thirty one were caught.

So many children entered the traditional sports afternoon. However it was interesting to see just how many adults challenged themselves in the egg and spoon and sack races; the competition was fierce!

Fore Street and the Quay area were filled with the sound of Lostwithiel Town Band, which created the celebratory atmosphere for the day. So much fun and memories were made as the treasure hunt, beach volley ball, artists, sand castle and sand sculpture competitions went ahead. The Fairly Famous company, all the way from Cumbria, entertained us — once we could drag them away for staring in awe at the harbour!

Many Polruan 'ex-pats' arrived for their annual reunion, there was a lot to catch up on!

Excitement built as 4 o'clock and the ball roll approached. All 1600 numbered balls had been sold and down the hill they went. We

know people like to know the numbers on the prize winning balls so here they are:

215, 1061, 358, 29, 1059 and 1326

Two prizes were generously donated back to us and one donated to Little Harbour Children's Hospice. Just spare a thought for the committee as in the next few weeks they sort them into their 100s before being checked to make sure they're all there for next summer's roll.

Led by our lovely Royalty, the carnival procession walked around the village before ending up on the Coal Wharf, where after the prize giving, we danced the night away to Leon's disco.

Now we look to our winter events. The first being our craft morning on Sunday, 20 November at Polruan Village Hall between 10am and 12 noon. There will be plenty of craft type activities for the children and coffee and refreshments for those who wish to come and watch. Everyone is welcome.

There will be further details regarding Christmas Trees, Christmas parties and the pantomime visit in the next edition.











**The first Saturday of every month  
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**Dates for your diary: Saturday, 1 October; Saturday, 5 November;  
Saturday, 3 December**

**Autumn at Whitecross...**

...is a time for stocking up larders and freezers with all the fabulous seasonal produce that's practically on your doorstep, and buying some early Christmas presents from the craft stalls. We're aiming to make the new outdoor Jubilee Shelter as cosy and inviting as possible during the months ahead, so it should still be a great place to meet up with friends and catch up over a coffee (or even an ice cream?).

**Don't forget:**

- \* You can now pay by card for pasties in the kitchen, and for coffees, ice creams, bags etc at Brew with a View, plus at most of the stalls.
- \* Our jolly green jute bags help to support the market and spread the word – buy them for your friends!
- \* Community buses run to the market from Fowey and Polruan – saving you money (and the need to find a parking space).

**What can you buy at Whitecross Market?**

Here's just a snapshot of the huge variety of food, drink and handmade things of beauty to be found at your local market:

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- bouquets of seasonal flowers;
- hand-roasted coffee;
- sustainably caught fish and shellfish;
- local willow charcoal, weaving, bowls, mushroom logs and bonsai;
- rare-breed pork, bacon, sausages hogs pudding, chicken, pies;
- cakes, buns, brownies, tiffin and flapjacks;
- handmade pottery and ceramics;
- bread, pies, quiches and tarts;
- Cornish cheeses, biscuits, oils and cordials;
- seasonal vegetables and plants;
- handmade cards and gifts;
- local farm milk, cream, butter, honey, juices and eggs;
- aromatherapy skincare, soaps, bath salts and candles;
- locally distilled negroni, vodka, rum and pink peppercorn gin;
- ice cream tubs (salted caramel, banana, strawberry, vanilla, sorbets etc)

**Come and support your amazing local producers!**

**Liddicoats pasties** (steak, or cheese & onion) from Lostwithiel are cooked in the hall kitchen by Kim and Joan.

Outside you can buy hot drinks and ice creams from Jane and Toby in **Brew with a View**.

And your Cornwall councillor, **Edwina Hannaford**, is usually at the market – pop into the back room of the hall for an informal chat with her.

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*Ceramics by Val from Halgavor Pottery*



*'Yards' spirits from the Old Ferry Inn distillery*



*Willow bird feeders woven by Cornwall Woodland Crafts*

*Photos by Sara Williamson*



**News from  
Frogmore Farm**  
from Gill Palmer



Just after Charles and Camilla married, Lansallos Church caught fire. I wrote to our new Duchess of Cornwall asking if she would like to buy a slate for the roof. I had a lovely letter back enclosing a cheque towards the funds. She asked me if I would give her a progress report in a year's time. I wrote again the following year and was very touched that she had sent another cheque. A bit later in the year she visited the church to see how the repairs were coming along. She didn't want any official greetings or publicity. Then she took a walk along the cliff path towards Polperro. Unfortunately the mist descended so she went up to Shelia Roberts' tea room for a cream tea. She is now our Queen Consort and Kate is our new Duchess.

After a lifetime on the farm nature can still surprise us. Simon and I were feeding the animals one morning when we noticed something moving in one of our fields. We drove in to have a look and were amazed at what we saw. A young fawn (a baby deer) was playing chase with a crow. It's mother had left it in the long grass while she went off to eat. The crow must have hopped up to it and frightened it, maybe pecked it as they do young lambs. The fawn was chasing it, leaping and jumping. The crow would hop away then wait to be chased again. The game went on for ages, it was lovely to watch.

We have been feeding the animals with grain and silage all through the long hot Summer. They had no grass to eat, the fields were so dry. We were very worried that a cigarette end or a portable barbecue would start a fire that would burn hedges and crops. One benefit of all the very hot weather though was the fact that we didn't have to dry any grain. No dusty, hot, dryer roaring day and night.

The combine sometimes worked very late in the evening and one night finished at 1.30am. Because the grain came into the grain store at the same temperature as the air outside we have had to use some big blowers to cool it down.

The rams were introduced to the ewes in August, they were fitted with their harnesses which hold coloured crayons. Yellow first. We can then tell which ewes have been mated. Then three weeks later the crayon is changed to red. The ewes with the red backs will be later lambing. It's a good job Sophie will be helping again next year as it looks like early February will be very busy.



Hank and Fergus, the two bulls, have been separated from their cows. Last year we left it a bit late and ended up with a teenage Mum. Luckily she managed to deliver her calf without any assistance. It was quite a small calf but it is very lively. If you get anywhere near her she puts her tail in the air and races away. Hank is living in a field with some steers and Fergus is with a quiet cow and her little calf.

Several hedgehogs have been seen on Frogmore lawns in the evenings. One decided that the lambing shed would make a cosy Winter home. Unfortunately the dogs found it, although they couldn't hurt it they kept barking at it. I carried it home in a bucket, and put it near a wildlife corner. About two minutes later it had disappeared. It will be safe here with no passing cars as long as a badger doesn't find it. There are plenty of slugs and snails for it to eat, I know that for a fact because of my nibbled cabbages in the vegetable plot!

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## Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council October 2022

from Gillian Thompson, Clerk; Lanteglos by Fowey Parish Council

### Parish Council Report

#### Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council have now returned to face to face meetings. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend.

#### Levelling up and Regeneration Bill

Cllrs Ainley and Rooney had attended Cornwall Council's presentation on 30 June. Cllr Ainley said that in order to get Level 3 funding, Cornwall had to elect a Mayor. Cllr Rooney said that the conversation needed to be held with elected Cornwall Councillors as it is they who make the decisions. He felt strongly that there should be a referendum on the question of an elected Mayor. Cllr Clare-Dunbavand said that at the very least Parish / Town Council should have their say. The Clerk was instructed to put this last proposal to CC and to query the difference in funding between Level 2 and Level 3. Cllr Pyke likened this to the Police Commissioners.

#### Polruan Surgery

A meeting has been held between representatives from the Fowey River Practise and Cllrs Adams and Goddard regarding appointments and dispensing services (see page 23).

#### Betty Hewans Footpath

Members have resolved to fund a freestanding handrail to assist users of the path. We are in the process of obtaining a price from the Countryside Accident Team, Cornwall Council.

#### Planning Applications

**PA22/06066, Langdon Townsend** – new balcony addition to eastern elevation, replacement sun room to western elevation, solar panels to southern roof plane, partial removal of workshop for new courtyard, new 1.8m high wall to southern boundary with new parking and garden. Members made no comment.

**PA22/06525, Overferry Old Road Bodinnick** – the complete demolition of the existing house and the construction of a new 4-bedroom replacement dwelling and detached garage with associated landscaping works with Variation of Condition 2 of decision PA22/02753 dated 24/05/2022. Members made no comment.

**PA22/05284, 10 Hockens Lane Polruan** – alteration of vehicle parking, construction of retaining walls, and re-levelling of the site to create garden amenity. Additional diagrams / views provided by the architect.

Members objected as the application appears to be inaccurate and it would impact on the enjoyment of the occupiers of No.12 due to loss of privacy and visual amenity (vehicles would be very close their bedroom accommodation; the plans could increase water runoff and add to the existing drainage issues in Polruan. If permission is granted then Members requested the number of parking spaces is limited to three, which is adequate for the size of the property. If the application is resubmitted, Members request a "proper" Design and Access statement.

#### Planning Applications Approved by Cornwall Council

**PA22/03366, 4 Battery Park Polruan** – redesigned roof to property. Reconfigure internal layout. Form first floor bedroom over existing balcony. Enclose garage side covered walkway within garage. Construct Veranda.

**PA22/03552, 42 West Street Polruan** – construction of an area of decking and glass balustrade on the flat roof of the existing timber garden building. It was confirmed this was a retrospective application.



## Sustainable Warmth Fund

What this means for you and your home



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Cornwall Council are working in partnership with OVO Energy Solutions to deliver this scheme across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. This scheme runs until March 2023 and aims to help around 400 homes – could your home be one of those?

#### Am I eligible?

You or someone living in your home must have a health condition, or be at risk of poor health, or be caring for a vulnerable person, or be children aged 19 or under, or be worried about their home being cold or damp.

The total household income must be a maximum of £30,000 gross (this means including tax and any other deductions).

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(Public Health help-desk)



# Meeting between Fowey River Practice and Lanteglos by Fowey Parish Council

from Cllr. Goddard

Cllrs Adams and Goddard met with Drs Waldron, Marrett, and Knobloch at Fowey River Practice on 31 August 2022 to discuss medical services at Polruan surgery and the dispensing of prescriptions.

The meeting was held after a series of communications with NHS England following the withdrawal of dispensing to new Polruan patients after 2016 and NHS England's interpretation of the 2013 NHS Regulations.

Councillor Adams outlined the objective of the Parish Council and its residents' wish to keep the dispensing arrangements from Polruan surgery, particularly as postal services have been seen to be unreliable and are inappropriate for acute needs for prescriptions.

Doctor Waldron confirmed that the best solution for the Practice was to dispense to all patients, but the Practice must work to the NHS Regulations and ensure the financial viability of the Practice.

## The NHS Regulations

The NHS Regulations for dispensing from Doctors' surgeries do not allow patients to have medicines dispensed from a GP Surgery where the patient lives within one mile (1.6 km) of a pharmacy as the crow flies (Boots in Fowey in our case) — affecting Polruan and Bodinnick. Patients living further than one mile can have prescriptions dispensed from a GP Surgery.

However, there are provisions in the Regulations for patients with 'special difficulties' to have prescriptions dispensed from Polruan surgery and the NHS Regulations also provide for 'historic rights' (dispensing arrangements agreed under previous versions of the Regulations) to be carried on.

## Background to dispensing from Polruan surgery

Doctor Waldron outlined the original application to the relevant health bodies to dispense from Polruan surgery to all patients (regardless of distance from a pharmacy) based on geography — the river being a physical boundary. This was agreed by the regulating body at the time.

From the 1970s until around 2016 dispensing to patients within 1 mile continued, each patient requiring an individual application to dispense. Fowey River Practice invited all patients to apply for the dispensation and the Practice administered the applications which were all approved by NHS England.

From 2016 new patients' applications were rejected by NHS England. Fowey River Practice met NHS England to discuss dispensing and the 'one mile rule', but NHS England firmly refused to grant further applications.

Doctor Waldron also outlined that GP Practices nationally had difficulties with the

'one mile' rule where there were geographic challenges such as estuaries.

The meeting discussed the Parish Council's view that the historic dispensing agreement established a precedent or 'historic right' that the current Regulations and its predecessors allowed to be carried forward.

Councillor Adams outlined correspondence that the Parish Council had already had with Lord Berkley and the Minister of Health.

The Parish Council will draft a letter to NHS England based on the exception being a historic right and circulate to Fowey River Practice for comment.

## Challenges faced by GP Practices

GP Practices are independent but have contracts for the provision of services to the NHS (GP Practices therefore operate as a business which must have sufficient income to meet the costs of providing the services).

Challenges currently being faced are the shortage of new GPs entering practice; the age profile of current GPs which means many will be retiring shortly; the continuing need for qualified GPs to support first line medical staff such as nurse practitioners, physiotherapists, paramedics; and the continuing impacts of COVID on patients and staff.

There has been a 30% increase in requests for consultations compared to 2019 (pre-COVID) increasing from 35-40 consultations per day for each GP to 50-60 now.

## Provision of general medical services at Polruan

COVID required changes to managing patient services and lessons learnt during the pandemic have been carried forward as better ways of managing patient services.

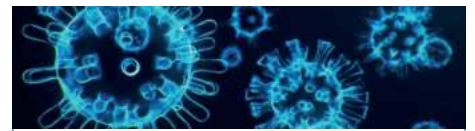
Screening of patients' needs by GPs (involving more information being requested when a patient contacts the surgery) has meant patients in acute need of medical interventions can be fast tracked and seen rapidly. This also means patients can be directed to other medical professionals when a GP appointment is not necessary.

Pre-booked appointments can also now be provided for two days ahead, one week ahead or two weeks ahead windows which are refreshed each day, so patients now have the chance to book as well.

There are some teething problems with this process however but this is being worked upon to improve patients' experience.

Polruan has 50% of its appointments now pre-bookable.

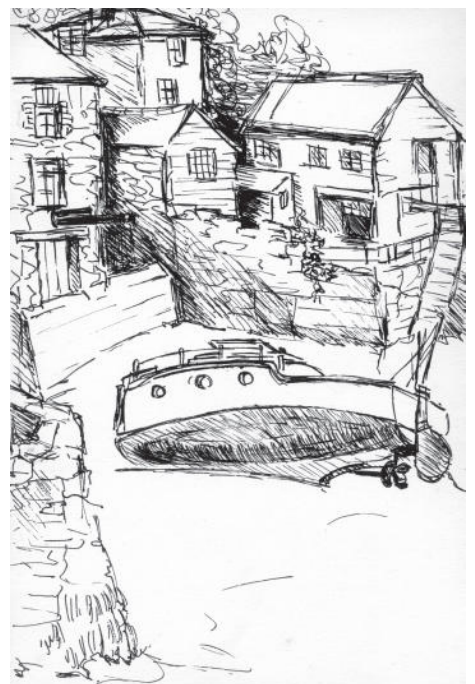
Fowey River Practice plan to re-establish or refresh the Patient Group which has not met face to face since the outbreak of COVID (there have been Zoom meetings). This should enable faster feedback of Patients' needs and concerns and access to surgery information going forward.



## Information about Coronavirus

### The government's current guidance is:

- Get vaccinated and get your booster dose
- Consider wearing a face covering in most indoor public places and on public transport
- Wash your hands regularly and cover coughs and sneezes
- Let fresh air in if you meet indoors. Meeting outdoors is safer



Saturday 15 October 2022  
at Fowey Town Hall

**Maps, Plans and Charts,  
Fowey in two dimensions**  
A Talk by Alex Lewis



An exploration of the changing face of Fowey over the centuries as seen by the map and chart makers. These show Fowey's development and some sites that are long gone.

Alex is a retired solicitor, a member of Fowey History Group, previous Chair of Fowey Harbour Heritage Society and a popular speaker.

Saturday 12 November 2022  
at Whitecross Village Hall

**Polperro - Cornwall's Forgotten Art Centre**  
A Talk by David Tovey



Polperro is known for its fishing and smuggling heritage, but it was also once a rival to St Ives as a centre for artists. David has researched the many artists attracted to this small village and presents an illustrated talk on an unknown aspect of Cornish art.

David is an independent art historian, who specialises in Cornish art.

'Physical' talks commence at 2pm unless otherwise stated

Physical talks (including tea and coffee):  
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**The 'U-Turn Round' at Golant**

**from Golant Heritage Group**

Golant Heritage Group (GHG) has been fortunate to amass a rich collection of aural history recordings about the village. While these are available on the GHG website it was felt that offering a more accessible opportunity in the centre of the village would enhance the knowledge of locals and visitors alike. Thanks to the generosity of local organisations, including Fowey Harbour Heritage Society, the *U-Turn Round*, which was installed on the corner of the village green in August, offers a solution.

What is the *U-Turn Round*? The clue is in the name —it is a wind-up dynamo powered digital sound store. It offers eight category options which can be selected on the "Batwing" shaped dial and then by turning the handle the message can be played.

In Golant we have chosen the following categories to represent the key heritage features of the village — *Introducing Golant, Houses and Farms, Railway, People, Village Events, Agriculture and Apples, Buildings and The River*. These are etched into the shaped insert on the front panel. Each snippet is about two minutes long and the content can be changed at any time using the USB programmer.

The joy of the *U-Turn Round* is that it does not require mains power and is made of tough stainless steel for high weather resistance. Usage statistics are standard and in the first month since installation on 6 August 2022 the recordings have been accessed 509 times. The *U-Turn Round* also features the Heritage Group QR code so that interested users can

easily access our website for more information about the village.

You can find the *U-Turn Round* just near the village map in the centre of the village by the human sundial and the newly installed village interpretation board. Please come and play with it and meanwhile many thanks again to Fowey Harbour Heritage Society for helping to make it possible.



**Autumn days**  
*by the late 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.

© Mavis Cocks  
First published here October 2006



## Higher Windmill Allotments

from Brian Cook

Gardening in Polruan has been strange this year, but then every year is different. We have had the hottest summer for many years and our free draining soil has demanded frequent watering and this has been a daily task through the last couple of months. The hot weather has now broken and we have had rain, but temperatures are still quite high.

Most vegetables have done well — onions, salads, potatoes, beetroot, beans and spinach. Notably successful in the hot weather have been courgettes and marrows and a great crop of tomatoes was spotted on one allotment.

Fruit crops have done well — strawberries, raspberries, blackcurrants, gooseberries and apples. Rhubarb has been prolific when watered. Some of our allotment gardeners have had impressive shows of flowers through the season — they looked great!

Two competitions were run among allotment holders this year for the largest marrow and the tallest sunflower. One of Des's sunflowers was particularly admired by a bee — see his photo!

Shortly we will start preparing the ground for the next season — some of us will be sowing onions and early broad beans ahead of the winter. There are still crops to harvest — parsnips, leeks, brassicas and late potatoes.

There is currently no waiting list for allotments. If you fancy having one, speak to Des Libby — he will be glad to show you around.



### WHITECROSS & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Following a very successful series of Spring & Summer garden visits Whitecross is ready to "roll" with its new programme of speakers and visits.

On Thursday, 20 October we look forward to hearing Caroline Stone speak of her experience of "Building a National Collection of Peonies" and on 17 November we welcome back George Kestell to learn more about "Hedges".

We meet at 7.30pm in Whitecross Village Hall (doors open 7pm) and all are welcome.

If you are not yet a member but would like a copy of next seasons programme please contact Sue Watts on 01208 871513.



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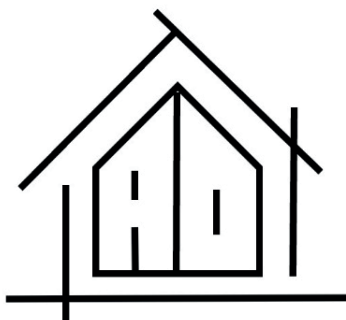
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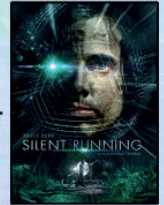


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**Your first film is included in your membership fee. Then you just need a ticket for each screening you want to attend**

**SILENT RUNNING.... Saturday 29 October 7pm**

After the end of all botanical life on Earth, ecologist Freeman Lowell (Bruce Dern) maintains a greenhouse on a space station in order to preserve various plants for future generations. Assisted by three robots and a small human crew, Lowell rebels when he is ordered to destroy the greenhouse in favour of carrying cargo, a decision that puts him at odds with every-one but his mechanical companions. Lowell and his robots are forced to do anything necessary to keep their invaluable greenery alive. A timeless and classic sci-fi movie!

**TOP GUN: MAVERICK.... Saturday 26 November 7pm**

After more than thirty years of service as one of the Navy's top aviators, Pete "Maverick" Mitchell (Tom Cruise) is where he belongs, pushing the envelope as a courageous test pilot and dodging the advancement in rank that would ground him. When he finds himself training a detachment of Top Gun graduates for a specialized mission the likes of which no living pilot has ever seen, Maverick encounters Lt. Bradley Bradshaw (Miles Teller), call sign: "Rooster," the son of Maverick's late friend and Radar Intercept Officer Lt. Nick Bradshaw, aka "Goose". Facing an uncertain future and confronting the ghosts of his past, Maverick is drawn into a confrontation with his own deepest fears, culminating in a mission that demands the ultimate sacrifice from those who will be chosen to fly it.

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## Town Trust Report

from Dave Guy, Chairman

The Trust website at [www.polruantowntrust.org](http://www.polruantowntrust.org) is now operational! On the website you will find information about the Trust and its assets, so I encourage you to take a look. You are able to make bookings for the Coal Wharf via the website as well as obtain grant application forms. We will continue to develop the website and would appreciate any feedback on what we could do to improve it.

As the surgery continues to increase the services they provide post pandemic, so does their use of the designated parking space on the quay. We request that those wishing to park on the quay observe the permitted use sign for this space so that our medical practitioners are able to provide their services to us all.



The prolonged process of the transfer of the Quay from South West Water to the Trust continues. The current delays are the tying up of legal issues which are in the hands of the Trust's solicitors.

By the time you read this all the works on the hill should have been completed.

Ongoing and future preventative maintenance planning for the Trust's assets has commenced and it has been identified that several of the Trust's properties require significant works to maintain them to the expected standards. The Trust is in the process of costing these works which will include the Reading Room, Winkle Picker, Coal Wharf and the car parks.

As ever the Trustees continue to do their best to manage the assets of the village. Should anyone have any questions about the Trust and its activities please contact our clerk, Adrian Fisher, or any trustee.

[polruantowntrust@icloud.com](mailto:polruantowntrust@icloud.com)

## Lanteglos Parish Council

### Important Notice

As local residents know, there is an ongoing problem caused by Seagulls tearing open plastic rubbish bags, strewn the unsanitary contents around and making a general mess of our village.

The Parish Council requests that home owners and holiday visitors ensure that any rubbish for collection be put out

early Monday morning and not before!

It is strongly recommended that householders put bin bags in a dustbin or gull-proof sack

Owners of holiday lets are asked to provide their tenants with dustbins

**Please do not feed the gulls**



### from Brian Cook

The Princess Royal is the National Patron of the NCI. We were saddened to hear of the death of her mother, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. The Union Flag has been flying at the lookout at half mast throughout the period of national mourning, except during the Accession.

Polruan station is one of about 60 lookouts maintained and manned by volunteers around the coast of England and Wales. We liaise closely with HM Coastguard and maintain a daily visual watch looking out for maritime incidents as well as keeping an eye on coastal walkers. We monitor all marine radio channels and aim to man three watches each day through the summer. In winter this is reduced to two watches.

We are drawing to the end of a busy summer season with many visiting boats logged as well as there being a number of incidents.

During July there was a national Coastwatch day when we opened the station to visiting public to show them what we do and how we do it. It was a great success and we had

numerous visitors to our newly refitted station. During August we had a well attended public barbecue held jointly with the Village Hall committee on the Coal Wharf.

We are always looking for new members. A thorough training is provided and watchkeepers do not need to have a maritime background. If you are interested in joining us, come to the lookout and talk to the duty watchkeeper who will be pleased to introduce you to what we do.

We now have a new phone number — 01726 254057



### Subscriptions

Keep in touch with the village by having the Parish News sent to friends and relations and yourselves when away.

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# Lifeboats

from Eric Lockyear

I'm sure we all recall the fine, albeit dry, weather we enjoyed over the summer, with the natural consequence of increased activity on the water. Unfortunately, this resulted in an increase in the number of 'shouts' requiring response from our local volunteer crews. Here is a selection:

On 9 July, the inshore lifeboat Olive 2 responded to a shout to a 75 year old man with a suspected acute infection while on a motor yacht in Pont Creek. Casualty care crew members, Kai A'Lee and Amelia Luck, assessed the casualty and confirmed the need for an ambulance. The Coastguard confirmed the request for an ambulance but informed the crew that there would be a long wait. It was decided to call a taxi instead, so the crew ferried the casualty and his partner to the lifeboat station to wait. Unfortunately, no taxi was available, so faced with a very significant delay, the lifeboat station Deputy Launch Authority, Richard Jeffery, took them by car to hospital.

16 July proved a busy day. At 6am the All-weather lifeboat, Maurice and Joyce Hardy, went to the rescue of a 35ft motorboat moored at Pont Pill, that was taking on water. Together with the Fowey Harbour Commissioner's deputy Harbourmaster, Jonathan Pritchard, (also cox at Fowey Lifeboat Station), who had already arrived at the scene, they took off two adults and one child and moved them onto the pontoon. The boat was by now listing: water entering through the stern gasket had flooded the boat's electrics and the boat was in danger of sinking. Using the pump from the All-weather Lifeboat, the crew pumped out the sinking boat. Assisted by the harbour commissioner's staff, they then towed it to Tom's Boatyard, where it was craned out of the water. In addition to the severe damage that sinking would have caused to the boat, a major environmental issue was avoided.

In the second shout of the day, at noon, the Coastguard requested assistance after receiving a Mayday call (a distress call where the vessel or its crew are in imminent and serious danger of loss of life or vessel) from a lone yachtsman on a 27ft yacht that had suffered engine failure near the entrance to Fowey Harbour. The vessel had been blown onto the lee shore rocks near Coombe Haven on a falling tide and was being pounded by waves. Fowey crew launched both lifeboats, sending the inshore lifeboat ahead to assess the situation. Crew member James Dowrick was landed ashore and crossed the rocks to board the vessel, to find the yachtsman

unharmred. A kedge was laid from the casualty vessel to prevent it from being driven further ashore once the tide had turned. Given the position of the vessel and the falling tide, it was decided that it would be unwise to use the larger lifeboat to attempt to tow the vessel off the rocks at that time. Instead, the yachtsman was evacuated to Fowey, while later in the afternoon a commercial company re-floated the vessel and towed it back to the lifeboat pontoon.

On 28 July, the volunteer crew launched the inshore lifeboat to rescue a 14 year old boy who was unable to swim and was stranded on Polmear Island. The lifeboat crew lifted the boy onto the lifeboat and took him back to Charlestown Harbour, where he was reunited with his parents.

On 30 July, the All-weather Lifeboat was launched to assist a 25ft motorboat that had broken down four nautical miles south of Polperro. On board were four people and a dog. On arrival, the crew established that the boat's engine was running but had lost drive. Cox, Lewis Bingley, set up a tow and the lifeboat towed the vessel back to the safety of Fowey Harbour.

On the evening of 6 August, the All-weather Lifeboat was launched to assist an 18ft sailing boat with two adults, two young children and a dog on board, with an estimated position one mile south of Dodman Point. However, the emergency call had been interrupted before the call was completed and the Coastguard were concerned as to their position. On arrival in the vicinity, the crew launched three parachute flares to illuminate the area so they could try and locate the vessel, allowing the woman on board the stricken boat to give directions to the lifeboat crew. The crew found the boat drifting with a small outboard engine that had failed. The family with a six-year-old, an eight-year-old and their dog were originally on their way to Penzance. The boat was towed the 10 nautical miles back to Fowey, where and the family were taken to the lifeboat station and given refreshments while awaiting transport.

On 7 August, the crews were on their usual Sunday morning training exercises when a Pan Pan call (an urgent but not life-threatening call for assistance) was received. Both lifeboats headed towards the reported location, three miles off Gribben Head, with the inshore lifeboat reaching the casualty vessel first. A six metre semi-rigid inflatable had experienced an engine fault. The All-weather Lifeboat crew set up a tow and the boat was towed back to Fowey Harbour.

On the evening of the next day, a request was received to assist a man on a visiting yacht in Fowey Harbour who had accidentally splashed his face and eyes with acid. It was decided that a harbour patrol boat would be the fastest way to get the casualty care crew to the man on the yacht. Three crew members, Malcolm Richardson, Jimmy Hoddinot and Kai A'lee, in full RNLI protective gear,



were taken to the man's yacht where they administered first aid. Once stabilised, he was transferred to the lifeboat station where treatment continued. Two of the casualty's family had arrived at the station and in view of the delay in an ambulance arriving, they took him to hospital by car.

On 11 August, volunteer lifeboat crew rescued two adults and three children cut off by a rising tide at Lantic Bay. When the crew arrived, they found the group on a small patch of sand to the west of the main beach. As the swell was breaking onto the shore the helm, Kai A'Lee, decided to anchor and reverse towards the beach. Assisted by crew Luke Watts and Ross Jezard, one adult and two children were helped onboard the lifeboat and then landed onto the main beach. A second trip then rescued the remaining adult and child and returned them to the main beach.

On 12 August, the All-weather Lifeboat was launched to assist a 28ft yacht which had broken down 1.5 miles south of Polperro, with three people on board. In slight sea conditions and with little wind the yacht was quickly located. Lifeboat cox, Jonathan Pritchard, decided that the safest option was to tow the casualty vessel back to Fowey. The tow line was established and the three people and their yacht were towed safely into Fowey Harbour

There were three shouts for the busy volunteer crews during Fowey Royal Regatta. The inshore lifeboat was launched to assist in a medical situation on a pontoon at Pont, where a person on board a motorboat had called for help. Two casualty care trained crew used a waiting harbour patrol boat to assist the casualty, who was returned to the lifeboat station, where the family arranged transport to Penrice Hospital.

The next day, the All-weather Lifeboat was launched to assist a broken down 25ft yacht becalmed off Cannis. The boat, with two people onboard, was quickly located, towed into Fowey and handed over to Fowey harbour patrol.

On 19 August, our crew launched the inshore lifeboat to help a male kayaker stranded on rocks near Par Beach. On arrival at the scene, the lifeboat crew found that the man had self-recovered from the rocks. They checked he was safe and well, then handed him over to St Austell Coastguard rescue team.

To round off a busy period, on the bank holiday Monday, the All-weather Lifeboat was launched to assist a 44ft yacht whose engine had failed, 10 miles south east of Fowey. The yacht also had a damaged mainsail and was making slow progress, with four exhausted crew members who were attempting to reach home in Essex. Due to the sea conditions, the cox decided not to put any lifeboat crew onboard the yacht. Instead, a tow line was passed across and the yacht was towed into Fowey Harbour.

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## Polruan Coastguard

from Des Libby, Station Officer

As I write this article the Nation is in mourning for Her Majesty the Queen and as Her Majesty's Coastguard Station, Polruan we wish to express our heartfelt condolences to The Royal family, the Nation and the Commonwealth on her passing. Rest in Peace Ma'am.

We have now moved into the digital age. On Station everything is now recorded on our new iPad, all training, call outs, care and maintenance and everything else has its own little box to fill in with multiple sub boxes enabling every little detail to be recorded — as long as the right box to fill and button to press can be found! This I have yet to totally master and rely on younger members of the team who are more digitally minded — dinosaur is now a comment often pointed in my direction.

Thanks to those who responded to our recent recruitment drive — it was good to see the interest there for a challenging but rewarding job. Unfortunately due to the timing of the recruitment we were unable to advertise in the magazine but if you're interested in joining, please let the team know and we will keep you in mind for the next recruitment drive

Please take care whilst going to the beaches or coast line.

- Know your limitations and don't take risks
- Have a means of communication and know where you are
- Check the tide time table and weather forecast



- Keep a close eye on children, especially with inflatables
- Don't enter the water after drinking or a large meal

### From the Station Log

**16 July 2022, 12.12:** Team mobilised in support of St Austell Coastguard Rescue Team (CRT) and Fowey Lifeboat (LB) for vessel aground West of Fowey Harbour entrance.

**25 August 2022, 14.16:** Team mobilised in support of Looe CRT for Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) believed to be in difficulties near Looe Island.

**Remember if you see anybody in difficulty along the coast line dial 999 and ask for the Coastguard**

## Grants and Bursaries

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In the last financial year over £44,000 was awarded to 65 qualifying applicants from the area but there remain a large number of new and future students who are eligible to apply but fail to do so.

Students about to commence a course are advised to wait until they have their A Level results and a confirmed place before applying.

The closing date for new applicants is **20 October 2022.**

Awards are normally paid at the start of the second term, whereas those to existing applicants are normally paid in November of their second/third years.

Further details, together with guidance notes for applicants and an application form, may be found here;

<https://fracademy.org/fowey-grammar-school-foundation>

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## Trustee Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen to join the Fowey Festival of Arts and Literature Board of Trustees. A registered charity, we are self-funding, and produce an annual event which coincides with the anniversary of Daphne du Maurier’s birthday each May. The purpose of the festival is not only to inspire interest and involvement in literature and the arts but to contribute to the prosperity of the town of Fowey. Our vision is to draw on Fowey’s unique association with the renowned author, Daphne du Maurier, and to provide a varied programme of artistic merit capable of retaining existing audiences, as well as attracting new festival goers to enjoy not only the festival, but the many facilities available to visitors in and around Fowey. In addition, we also curate an author and artist led schools’ programme, encouraging reading and creativity in children.

The ideal candidate for this position, will have good organisational skills, be self-motivated and enjoy working as part of a dynamic and friendly team. We are particularly, but not exclusively, looking for person who has experience in fund raising, marketing and PR,

social media and or administration. The board meets once a month (in person and online) and requires Trustees to be available during the nine days that the Festival runs. The board members are extremely hard working and extremely committed to providing a professional Festival, in conjunction with our Festival Director, Brenda Daly. All Trustees are volunteers. Whilst working hard, we always endeavour to have fun, whilst planning and delivering the Festival. This is an exciting opportunity, and you could help us to develop our 25th Festival in 2023.

We welcome applications which should include a CV and a letter detailing the qualities and experience you have to offer to the team. These can be emailed to [lynn@foweyfestival.com](mailto:lynn@foweyfestival.com) or posted to our registered address below. If you would like an informal discussion about becoming a Trustee, ahead of an official application, please contact us in the same way. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Online Winter Auction

Our Online Winter Auction will take place from Friday, 25 November and close on Sunday, 4 December. Items will include a picture owned by Daphne du Maurier, a first edition novel by Daphne, local art works and some Festival promotional items plus many other items.

## Ways to support the Festival

Become a Friend to receive discount on tickets, early notice of events and booking. Full details at [www.foweyfestival.com/friends](http://www.foweyfestival.com/friends)

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