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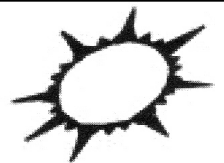
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A new year and a new cover style, thanks to Kelly Bennett who is now helping with **Perran News**.

In this issue is a printed copy of the newly updated village map sponsored by the parish council. Particular thanks to Clr Peter Snodgrass who has led on this project. A splendid effort. The new cover shows one of the recently renovated footpaths. It is nice to have a paper map, but it will also be available to download on the new Parish Council website. My suggestion to readers who enjoy walking the parish paths is to download the map to your smartphone so you can magnify the detail, which is considerable, and it will be instantly available and never get creased or torn as you pull it out of your pocket.

Shirley Christophers, the distributor of the magazines to the post-people each month, is retiring, so we are seeking a replacement. The detail of the task is in this issue. Shirley has calmly and efficiently done this job for quite a few years and has a well organised system in place which her successor will easily be able to take over. Please contact me if you would like to do this. I am sure all readers thank you Shirley, and husband Ray, for your part in getting **Perran News** to letter boxes in recent years. Great stuff.

Yet again we have lost a few more advertisers this year. It is the advertisers who pay for your free copy of the magazine every month so please support them. It is very gratifying that **Perran News** is perceived as such an effective local directory for the village. Readers if you use an advertiser in **Perran News** please could you mention you saw the advert in our pages to give them encouragement to continue supporting your free village newspaper. Also, if you know of any tradesmen, businesses or other people who would gain from advertising in **Perran News** please recommend it to them. It is very

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If you have an event you want to advertise which is scheduled for the first ten days of the month, can I suggest you plan ahead, and publicise it in the preceding month's issue so people will have reasonable notice and there is no likelihood of the event taking place before some readers receive their magazine. **THE COPY DATE FOR MATERIAL INCLUDING ADVERTS IS 12TH OF THE MONTH PRECEDING PUBLICATION PLEASE.**

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PARISH COUNCIL

NEW PARISH WEBSITE

At the end of 2022 the Parish launched a new website

www.perranarworthalpc.org.uk

The new website is designed to provide improved access to the Parish Council for everyone who lives and works in the Parish.



At the top of the cover/landing page is the menu bar:-

- Parish Council documents, including agendas, meeting information and documents
- NDP – Key reference reports from the Development Plan.
- Playing Field – Documents and working files. The Parish Council are the sole Trustee
- Community – History of the Parish and reference maps.
- News area
- Contact form



We encourage you to visit the website and familiarise yourself with the layout and content. I would like to thank Mrs Pentecost for all her work in preparing and Mark of Narkedesigns for delivering the new website.

Cllr Snodgrass

FOOTPATH MAP PARISH

Please find enclosed in this copy of the **Perran News** a parish footpath map. We know how well used the footpaths are and it is the intention of the Parish Council to continue to invest not only in the maintenance, but also with our annual resurfacing projects. All the footpath work is managed by the Parish Council, but jointly funded by Cornwall Council. It is the intention to make spare copies of the map available in the village shop and pub. Did you know there are 2 wells in the Parish? Why not try and find St. Anthony's well, off Butterfly Lane.

We plan to repeat the success of the resurfacing projects in 2023. The 2022 resurfacing project was possible with the financial help of Cornwall Council and the tenacity of Gordon Long, our contractor. We hope you enjoy using the footpaths and please don't forget that your help to keep them maintained is beneficial to all of us.



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PERRANARWORTHAL W.I.

The final meeting of 2022 was our Christmas party, which fortunately coincided with a break in the very cold icy weather. By the time members had eaten and drunk seasonal food and mulled wine, they were relaxed and ready for the Christmas quiz. No prizes, but it was fun anyway. After our Secret Santa sacks, bulging with presents, had been passed around, members settled themselves in front of the stage to enjoy a version of Scrooge, written by Tam Lewis and roughly based on Dickens's Christmas Carol. Members of the committee enthusiastically- if not particularly professionally! - took on the acting roles. The evening ended with a heartfelt rendition of "We wish you a Merry Christmas".

The New Year began in January with a talk by Dr Jonathon Myers on "Marathons and the British Lung Foundation". At the end of the month members were welcomed to the Annual New Year meal at the Falmouth Golf Club.

At our February meeting on Tuesday 14th we will be welcoming Andrew Mills who is going to talk about "How to win Gold at Chelsea". Our Annual Meeting with elections to the committee is on Tuesday 14th March.

Perranarworthal W.I. meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except August) in the main hall at the Perranwell Centre from 7:15 to 9:00pm. Come along to a meeting as a guest to hear our speakers, enjoy tea or coffee with the delicious cakes the W.I. is famous for and meet and make new friends.



From Perranarworthal W.I. a huge thank you to everyone who came along to our HOLLY, CRAFT, COFFEE and CAKE morning on Saturday 26nd November.

With your support we raised £1087.25 to be shared between our two local chosen charities - Hidden Help and The Women's Refuge in Truro. Thank you so much for your generosity.



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10.00 am Communion.
Sun 19th Feb 10.00 am Service of the Word.
Sun 26th Feb 8.30 am BCP Communion
10.00 am Communion.

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Average daily maximum temperature:	13.3C
Maximum temperature for the month: 11th	16.1C on the
Average daily minimum temperature:	8.2C
Minimum temperature for the month: and 29th	2.0C on 19th
Rainfall:	10.53 inches
Sunshine:	55 hours
Predominant Wind direction:	South West quarter



Mild and very wet

November was on the mild side throughout, temperatures regularly some 1C-1.5C above average. The outstanding feature was the high rainfall, 10.53 inches being twice the November average and the highest for any month that I have recorded from 1987 (narrowly beating December 2020).

Weather Report for December 2022

Average daily maximum temperature:	9.1C
Maximum temperature for the month:	14C on 18th and 19th
Average daily minimum temperature:	3.2C
Minimum temperature for the month:	-5.5C on 16th
Rainfall:	7.26 inches
Sunshine:	72 hours
Predominant Wind direction:	North/North Easterly and South West

A Month of two halves

The first half of December was cold and dry, with winds from the North and North East. The temperature didn't reach even 8C on 13 days and fell below freezing on 8 nights. An unusual occurrence for Perranwell was the formation of black ice, caused by rain falling on to a freezing cold surface. This is difficult to see (typically only the black tarmac beneath is visible, hence the name) and very dangerous for both drivers and pedestrians. There was an abrupt change in the weather around the 17th, from when it was mild and very wet, the 18th and 27th both having well over an inch of rain. Total rainfall of 7.26 inches was well above the December average.

Overall, it was the coldest December since 2010, and the only month of 2022 when temperatures were below the long-term average.

Sunshine hours were above normal for this time of the year, and wind speeds were down in the first half of the month.

2022 Review

What a year! From a stormy February, a relatively dry Spring, a very dry and warm summer, followed by plenty of rain, and topped off by an unusually cold first half of December, we experienced quite a bit of weather. As mentioned above, 11 of the 12 months were milder/warmer than average. Although the highest ever recorded temperature in the UK - 40.3C at Coningsby (Lincolnshire) - was recorded in July, here in Perranwell, August was warmer than July, and I recorded a new high of 29.5C on 14 August

(admittedly only in a series going back to 1987). Overall it was also the warmest year that I have recorded, and there were 88 days when the temperature reached at least 20C, another record, just pipping 1989.

After the drought conditions of the summer, surprisingly annual rainfall was 47.07 inches, slightly above the long-term average of 43-44 inches, thanks in no small part to a very wet November and December.

It was a sunny year with 1721 hours of sunshine, the most that I have recorded. June, July and August all had over 230 hours.

Mike Hands mdh51@btinternet.com

BRYAN FRANCIS DEGENHART

Bryan died on the 20th November 2022

He was a true village stalwart. He and his family successfully ran the village shop for many years and he was also involved with the Millennium footpath project, the Bowls club and village hall bookings.

On retirement, he and Anne moved to Silver Hill, and they were superb neighbours—always being prepared to help out and offer advice which was not always of a health and safety approved nature. Bryan's paellas were also legendary.

We shall miss his wisdom, sense of fun, and great humour, and we feel sure many in the village will feel the same.

Graham and Heather Brown

PERRAN NEWS NEEDS A NEW DISTRIBUTOR. COULD YOU HELP ?

Shirley Christophers is retiring as distributor of **Perran News**. She has been a stalwart and reliable member of the team and we will be sorry to lose her. She has a well organised system which she can pass on to her successor. Thank you, Shirley. Great stuff.

If you are interested contact me Mark Gripper, markgripper@gmail.com .

Shirley writes: The description of what the role of coordinator of **Perran News** entails.

Taking delivery of the Perran News, Martin from the printers usually rings the day before to let me know the time he will coming.

If I was going to be out he left them in the front porch.

Sorting the Perran News into individual boxes and bags usually takes 45 minutes.

Delivering the boxes and bags to the team of Post- people can take up to an hour as I enjoy chatting to them all.

Because the role is voluntary you can do it at a time and pace to suit yourself.

CHURCH LETTER

The New Year is well under way and St Piran's church is already looking forward towards Lent and Easter! Easter comes a bit earlier this year and so planning is already well under way.

Thank you to all who came along to our Christmas services and helped to make them such special occasions. It was good to see so many of you and to share Christmas celebrations with you.

Christmas is a time full of traditions that can take us back to our childhoods. We hope that our services reminded you happy memories and that they will also start new traditions for your own families, or perhaps restart those that have gone by the way side due to the pandemic.

As a church we hope that you felt that you were given a very warm welcome to our services and that they will encourage you to come along to other services and events. The church itself is a building that has so much history and has been part of the village for hundreds of years. However, that does not mean that we are stuck in the past. Our aim is that we are relevant, warm and welcoming.

We are realistic, we know that we live in a more secular society and that regular church going is not something that is always the top of people's list of priorities. We are always looking for ways that we can be 'church' in our community. If you have any ideas about how we can do that do let me know. It is always good to have the thoughts and ideas of the community that we serve.

Our new craft session for children aged between 5 and 11 began on Sunday 8th January in the church hall. The sessions run on the second Sunday of each month from 2.30pm. It is an opportunity for children to 'get crafty', to be creative and get to know others in a safe and friendly environment. It also means that the mess isn't made at home! If you could like to book a place on the next session do please call Paul Stuart on 07929 022143.

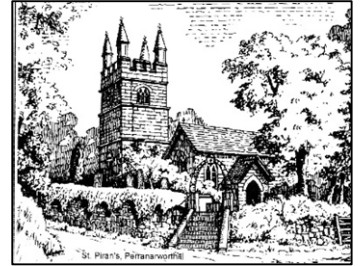
These sessions are run by our wonderful volunteers who put so much time, love and care into preparing a great afternoon.

If you would like to know what is happening across the three churches in our benefice, including St Piran's, do check out our website www.thewatersidechurches.com. It is regularly updated by Paul, our Churchwarden and website author.

There will be lots of services and events happening in the community over the Lent and Easter period, do keep checking the website and church noticeboard for news.

I am going to be starting a new Confirmation course very soon for those who wish to take the next step in their faith journey. If you haven't been Confirmed or if you have a child/grandchild who wishes to explore Confirmation do get in touch with me for an informal chat.

Things are going to become a bit busier in the Vicarage over the next few weeks. We collect a new puppy, an English Bulldog, on 20th January. We have an adopted Pug called Willow who is going to acquire a new playmate! Willow is always looking for other dogs to play with and so we thought that we would get another dog to keep her company. Willow comes along to most places with me, apart from church services. The only reason that she doesn't come to services is that she would want to be up at the front with me!



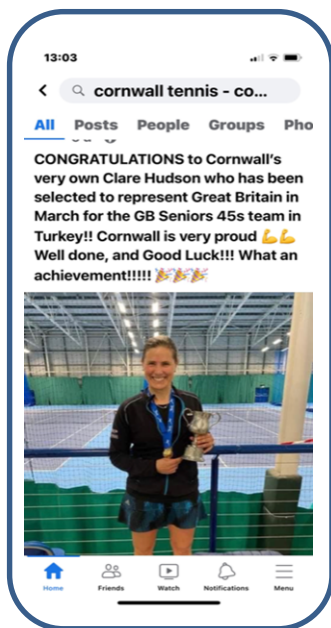
We are blessed with so many dog friendly places in Cornwall that it is easy to take her out and about. Once Marnie has had her jabs she will be need to be socialised and get used to being to being out. If you are up for some puppy cuddles do let me know!

Willow already has her own kind of 'ministry'. She loves to be sociable and enjoys a good fuss and is very friendly. She seems to know when people need a bit of fuss and TLC. Both Pugs and Bulldogs are known for their loyal, friendly and sociable natures so we hope that Marnie will enjoy being busy around the parishes.

The start of the new year has seen so many people suffering from Covid, colds and the barking cough that are doing the rounds. If you have been unwell I do hope and pray that you are on the mend and that the coming spring will provide some relief from the 'lurgy'. If you, or someone you know, would appreciate a visit or need any help, do get in touch. We also have a regular 'prayer list' for those who are unwell in any way. If you would like tone added to the list for regular prayer do let me know.

With Every Blessing
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PERRANWELL LADY PLAYING IN INTERNATIONAL SENIOR TENNIS



Clare was born in Perranwell - went to school in the village and now lives at Cove Farm.

She started in February playing in the international tennis tournaments - we flew to Glasgow- which she won.

Later in the season she played at Wimbledon- obviously not the main tournament- but an age group one- and won the over 45's singles and doubles.

She has now been picked to play for Great Britain in Turkey in March.

Hope this is of some interest to people. **Gail Fraser**

Thanks Gail. Congratulations to Clare for her success. MBG

POPPY APPEAL 2022

Thank you to all who supported the Poppy appeal in November, by collecting and giving.



The total donated in the village was **£934.85.** **Tony Hyde**

PERRANWELL SCAFFOLDING: HISTORY AND PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

Rejoice! Paying homage to a union, Perranwell Station and Scaffolding. I work in the construction industry and generally whenever I mention I'm from Perranwell Station, the village is synonymous with just one glorious jewel; scaffolding. Known as Cornwall Scaffolding in the 1970s, Deborah Grayston Scaffolding in the '90s, it became DSL (Deborah Services Limited) in 2001. Now it goes by the name of Actavo. Deborah was, well, it was Deborah's. You might say that name offset the masculine environment with a breath of the feminine, although it's probably a bit weird to start weighing the world up like that. My father (Perranwell born/bred, third generation) was a lorry driver for 30 years at our scaffolding yard under all of these company identities. He was a big Franz Kafka fan and a bit of an authority on John Keats also. I worked there in 2007, clearly remember Rhianna's song "Umbrella" being number one for several weeks that summer and the seemingly apocalyptic rainfall and flooding further up country. Tewkesbury springs to mind.

So, there we were, father and son, living and working in the village. What a romantic notion, hark to times gone by! As a kid I used to work Saturdays with him too. I still love the sound of scaffold tube being stacked, dusty boards and the couplers, known as "fittings", several types with their idiosyncrasies of handling and application. I lay kerbs and brick paving now instead, because that's just kinda how things worked out. Winning the prestigious Jenny Richards "Writer of the Year" award at Perran-ar-Worthal school in 1993 really sent me on my way.

It must be said that in the '80s and '90s, our village was the absolute hub of scaffolding in Cornwall. It had no rival. The biggest contracts (Truro Cathedral for instance, Culdrose airbase, churches) would always be organised from Perranwell Station. After a severe storm, Perranwell Station housed the expertise to allow buildings to be made safe and habitable again. Any television productions in the county, any big shows or events, equipment from Perranwell Station would undoubtedly be involved. The best scaffolders would be employed by the yard at Perranwell Station, for the best money, job security and quality of working environment. Perranwell Station was legendary in scaffolding circles and the legacy continues today.

Some of the men who worked there were tough, real tough. One of the lorry drivers got his finger bitten by an adder (they loved to slither in the tube during summer) and just carried on working for 5 days while his hand tripled in size, the skin split and pus ran down his arm. The office had to beg him to go to hospital. Another guy got told to buck his ideas up by the supervisor so he promptly broke the supervisors jaw.

The likes of Jerry couldn't read or write and was never sure about the sequence of our calendar months but he could work from a detailed plan and scaffold right to the top of Truro Cathedral. Two policemen went to arrest him one night for whatever reason and he left them in a heap in his neighbour's garden.

Once when we were having crib break Terrance told us about this enormous boil on his wife's leg. Jerry asked if she had one on her most intimate area. He also asked if the dangly bit in your throat was called your "clonk". As for Terrance, he was quite literally born in a barn. At 63 years old, he had worked hard all his life with a reasonable income but was now living in a bed sit and had scraped the money together for a 20 year old rust encrusted Ford Sierra. He was proud as punch when he showed me this vehicle. "It goes like ****, John" beamed Terrance. On his morning commute from Redruth I could usually hear the exhaust blowing by the time he hit Frogpool. He got offered a days holiday in lieu once, couldn't believe they would make such an offer. "What the ***** hell do I want a day in Looe for" he scorned. Terrance is so genuine and a great man, I can never imagine losing affection. Mr C***** was the yard foreman. He subtly boasted about sexual conquests, and was very macho with no tolerance for homosexuals, asocials or anyone lacking a pack mentality. At the same time, he was the biggest jobsworth I have ever known. He just had a pure, unabashed romance with Deborah. He would attend her every whim, an unconditional love. He used to put the seatbelt on every time he used the forklift, explaining intently why it was necessary. A new level of jobsworth, passion and lust for Deborah, not to mention the most phenomenal work ethic. Inspirational and unforgettable characters.

I remember around 2005 the village had this big campaign to get the yard closed down. The dream of rural idyll was being shattered by (horror) people working! Some villagers seem to want peace and quiet so they can begin an early decomposition, saving death some hassle perhaps. Put 60 people out of work. That's just sad, this has

always been a working community. Lorries and pick-up trucks. Tractors. A few articulated lorries. They gotta collect the local farms potatoes as well. There's places to be and things to do, livings to be earned. I pity any resident who goes cycling with a camera strapped to his helmet, thirsting for a vehicle to be within 10 square metres of him so he can gleefully send the footage to police. I mean, really..?

Then the huge irony is that when relatively recently the offices and station building were rumoured to be up for sale, with the intention of being turned into student accommodation, many local residents were disgusted at how inappropriate this was for our village. Despite the perfect transport links for Truro and Falmouth. Unfortunately, the contracts division of our scaffolding stronghold closed down in 2011, so all that happens there now is the hiring and selling of scaffolding and other access equipment. That's a shame. The company directors own the offices and yard, used to be the train yard of course. Doubtless worth millions to a few developers.

I just used to like being down there doing skids and wheel-spins on the forklift. The concrete would get coated with oil during equipment maintenance and a shower of rain would herald a few hours of lift-truck drifting. The western end of yard is more dirt and grit based, lending itself to skidding on the slicker mud or amidst plumes of summer dust. There were many times when the yard was extremely busy and an absolute hive of energy, demanding one to be methodical and efficient, inducing a state of zen flow during the manual bundling of tube and boards. Scaffolding is not noticeably heavy when one perfects lifting and stacking techniques. A lorry load of loose tube and boards can become several neat packs of 50 within an hour, then the forklift, driver at one with its controls, stacks the packs with the intent of maximising yard space. Sometimes I just used to like driving the forklift against a wall and do a huge burnout, great plumes of tyre smoke like in a movie. The morning sunlight used to filter beautifully through those pine trees and there was the occasional stunning winter sunset, sky aflame. The place was an absolute riot at times and full of some amazingly funny and entertaining characters.

Anyways, enough rambling. Let's just appreciate this industrial beauty whilst it still resides in our parish JM

PERRANWELL TO TUSCANY IN A SMALL ELECTRIC CAR

Sunday July 17th: 1100 1212 miles

Have now escaped the Autostrada with toll fine ticket. Only 40 miles to go as we head towards Pisa. Need to find a charger to get us from Pisa through the Tuscan countryside to Volterra before leaving the city. Satnav shows charger on industrial retail area ahead adjacent to Pisa airport. Find charger in carpark of Italian version of B&Q. Black tarmac, hot, hot hot. If we were campers, we could fry some eggs on the tarmac. Fail to beat Italian charger app installation on phone, so plug into a free slow charger at adjacent small supermarket open till 1300 hours. Co-pilot is hot, hungry, and thirsty so settle down in Roadhouse Grill for refreshment. She eats salad, I eat chips. Grill busy for Italian Sunday lunch. B&Q Italia not doing much business. No other Brits in restaurant. Rapid Italian hubbub with staff calling orders. This is the real Italy.

Go to pay the bill. Waiter at the till has perfect English, with equally perfect Essex accent, worked in London for two years, mastered the language completely. Charger showing enough to get to Volterra, the final destination.

1600 Arrive Volterra 1250 road miles from Perranwell.

Book into charming small hotel 10 minutes' walk from medieval city walls. Large comfortable room overlooking small swimming pool in back garden. Helpful receptionist thinks there may be a charger in the carpark. The hotel handyman has "wired one up". Find a socket on the floor of a garage connected with some ragged electrician's tape. Doesn't look promising. It isn't and doesn't work. No surprise there. Before leaving Cornwall I researched the Volterra charging options before leaving Cornwall. Volterra is in a sparsely populated area in the Tuscan hills so chargers are few. There are two in Volterra, one at a town car park and one at the Coop. The car park one is reported broken on the satnav map. Downloaded the charging app successfully in Perranwell and was ready. Not quite sure how I would sort this if the blue charging light doesn't come on at the Coop.

Settled in at the hotel looking forward to some days off the road.

1900: Drove down to the Coop carpark. Charger there, green lights on, but large black Tesla connected to the plug. Blast. Leave car and walk up to town for some dinner, will try and fill up after. Enjoyed excellent Calzone in one of many excellent restaurants in lovely traffic free old town.

21.45: Arrive back in dark at deserted Coop carpark with charger available. The moment of truth, last roll of the dice. Plug car in, phone app works and hey presto green light turns blue. The app works. Triumphant. The battery is charging steadily, not fast so we settle down with our ipads at the deserted Coop looking up at the stars and the ancient city wall as we do an important refuel which will need to last the next week. 23.30 Battery up from 32% to 72%. It's been a long day so we will come back to complete tomorrow.

Monday July 18th Volterra

Returned next morning at 1000 expecting to wait. Big surprise, plug free. Old hand with this charger now. Left car to fill up whilst walking round town. Returned later pleased to see a couple of Tesla's with drivers reading newspapers waiting for our Zoe to complete. Boot on the other foot, ha, ha. Three nights at the hotel enjoying Volterra as bumping into various members of the family turning up from airports and railway stations. The party is starting.

Wed July 20th – Sunday 24th

Moved to the wedding venue for five nights. Nine bedroomed beautifully modernised farmhouse set up for wedding packages. In the middle of an olive grove on a deserted sun-drenched Tuscan Hillside. We are sharing the digs with the new in-laws whom we haven't met before, but all is well. Large swimming pool with its own bar, La Dolce Vita indeed. Three-day party begins with Friday night warm up Pizza evening, never eaten desert pizza before. Delicious. Saturday the big wedding day and Sunday Barbecue.



Monday July 25th Volterra

Time to head another 1250 miles for Roscoff and home. Drop Ruth off at railway station near Pisa. All bride's and bridesmaid's bouquets to be transported home so Lib Dem PPC for Truro and Falmouth in back-seat buried in flowers for first thirty miles.

The return road-trip begins.

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Time then to sit back and relax to the evening's musical entertainment. Two's Company (Yvonne and Louise Sancto) took centre stage and gave us beautiful renditions of popular songs. They were then followed by Andy Lobb who performed a medley of Christmas songs. The audience were encouraged to join in, and did so heartily. Andy's set was rounded up with us all singing Happy Birthday to our Club Captain, Jan Barnard, who would be celebrating a significant birthday a couple of days later. What a joyous evening, full of fun and laughter. A marvellous way to kick off this festive season.

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St Piran's Day Origins and traditions



Garry Tregidga is a well known [Cornish](#) academic, director of the [Institute of Cornish Studies](#) at the [University of Exeter's Penryn Campus](#) and editor of the journal '[Cornish Studies](#)'. He was named as a Bard of the [Cornish Gorsedh](#), and has published articles on many themes related to [Cornwall](#).

In 1998 he founded the Cornish History Network, followed in 2000 by the Cornish Audio-Visual Archive (CAVA) which aims to document the [oral history](#) and visual culture of [Cornwall](#).



Do come and join us to find out more about St Piran's Day, its celebrations and their origins.

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If some of these entries are out of date please could updates or deletions please be sent to markgripper@gmail.com so that appropriate amendments can be made.
Thank you.

The new bus timetable is not easy to read, so here is a chart of the buses that go through the village - which may make things clearer

(From experience, the drivers on the old 46 route were happy to stop anywhere safe on their route)

Buses going towards TRURO												
Route 36	from Stithians											
	Royal Oak	7.36	07.41	09.08	10.33	11.48	13.43	15.33	16.05	17.00	17.48	
	P'well Rly Station +2 min	(term)	(hols)					(hols)	(term)			
	Truro bus station + 19 min											
Route 36A	from Frogpool						36S	36				
	Perranwell Rly Station	07.48	09.35	11.35	12.35	14.25	15.34	15.35				
	Truro Bus station + 26 min											
Buses leaving TRURO												
Route 36	Truro	07.15	07.25	08.35	10.3	12.15	14.15	14.25	15.20	17.05	18.05	18.30
	+19 min to Royal Oak	(term)	(hols)				(term)	(hols)	(term)			
	route then goes up Schoold Hill towards Stithians											
Route 36A	Truro	07.15	07.10	08.55	10.55	11.30	13.15	15.20	16.05	18.05		
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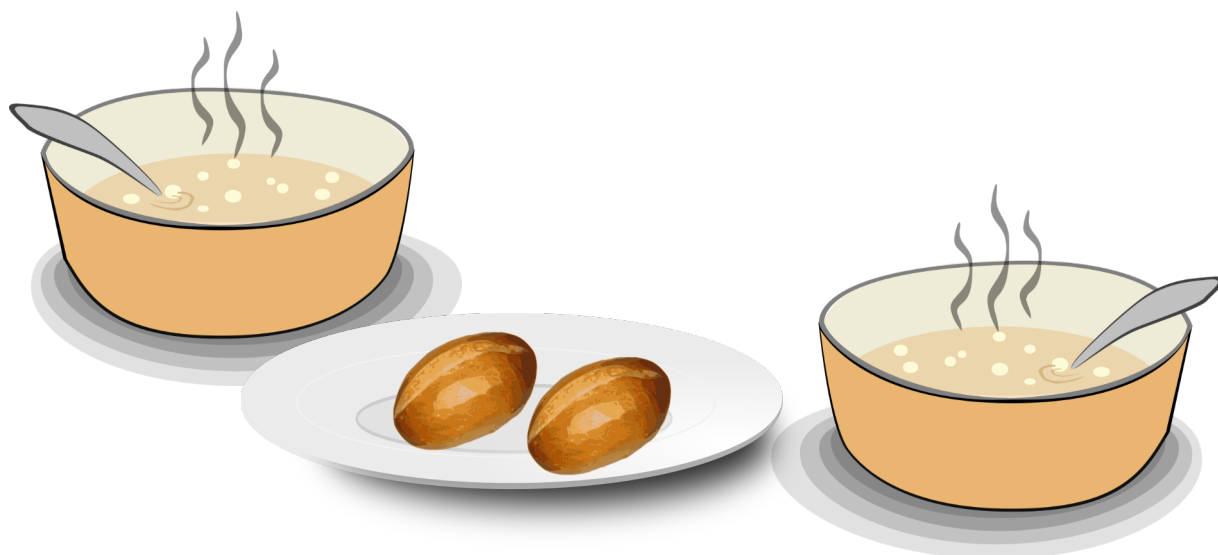
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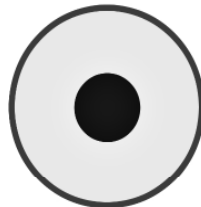
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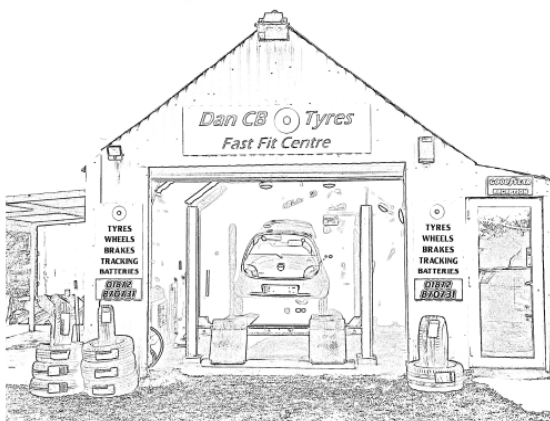


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