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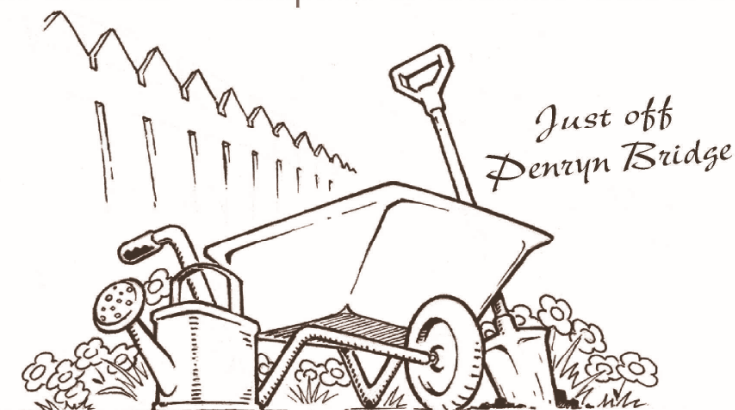
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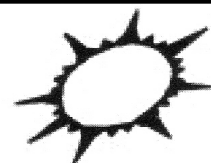
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This month's cover shows the new playground equipment on the playing field. Well done to all who have enabled this to be installed.

By the time you read this the shop will have closed which will be a big change in daily routine for many of us. There is a determination of the scoping committee to look at ways of continuing to have a shop in the village. A report of their work so far appears in this issue. Some thorny problems to wrestle with, but I am sure all readers will wish them success with their endeavours to find a solution.

Also in this edition is a reproduction of the 1977 Hey Day program which recalls halcyon summer days of yore. Many familiar names on the What's On page. It is a few years since we had parachutists landing on the playing field. I can remember when my children were at the village school in the 80's and 90's we had Father Christmas visit in a Sea King flown by one of the dads on several occasions. Probably not allowed any more.

There have been a few amendments to the directory. If you are aware of any errors, please let me know so they can be corrected.

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.

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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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Send articles to me at markgripper@gmail.com If you handwrite articles, please make them as clear and legible as possible particularly unusual words or we may make mistakes. Leave hand-written material in the red box at the village shop. **Mark Gripper**

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT: JUNE 2023

The **planning committee** met on 7 June, followed by an **extraordinary meeting of the parish council** to discuss interim clerking arrangements and begin the process of recruiting a new clerk and assistant clerk. Cllr A Bridges was appointed by the council to act as the interim clerk.



The new **Environment Working Group** held its inaugural meeting on 13 June, beginning with a wide-ranging discussion on the potential role of the group. It was agreed that there is a need to start identifying areas where there are opportunities for improvement to enhance our environment, create new habitats and preserve existing ones. The next meeting of the group, which is open to all parishioners, would be held on Tuesday 8 August.

A meeting of the **Staffing Committee** was held on 14 June to agree all the documentation for applicants for the vacant clerk and assistant clerk positions. The closing date for applications was set at 17 July.

The **full parish council** met on 28 June. Members of the public raised issues in relation to cutting grass in one area of the village and not cutting grass in another, illustrating the difficulty of pleasing all the people all the time. However, the council agreed to do its best to meet these various requests.

The council considered two Decision Notices issued by Cornwall Council in relation to two recent complaints against the chairman. One of the Notices found that a breach of the Code of Conduct had occurred and required the council to adopt recommendations to censure the chairman and seek an apology. However, the council declined to adopt either recommendation. When the chairman returned to the meeting, he announced that prior to the meeting he had discussed the findings with the monitoring officer, had accepted the criticism and therefore offered an apology.

Our ward councillor, Cllr Williams, had obtained quotes for an additional speed monitor in the parish. It was agreed that the presence of speed monitors had had a beneficial effect on the speed of traffic and the council agreed to purchase the extra monitor at a cost of £2,672 plus Vat (although Vat will be reclaimed).

It was a matter of some concern that the statutory Annual Governance & Accounting Return had not been correctly completed on time and that an extension had now to be sought from the external auditor for both an extension for the submission of the accounts and the period allowed for public inspection. Regrettably, this would inevitably result in a qualified audit opinion.

A grant application from the Parochial Church Council was deferred for further clarification, and a proposal that the parish council should become responsible for the maintenance of the defibrillators in the parish was also deferred for the same reason.

The council adopted a Safeguarding Statement and agreed to appoint a Safeguarding Officer.

Fallen trees are becoming a regular hazard in the parish. It has become clear that Cormac has largely withdrawn from the business of removing fallen trees, even those that fall on a highway, and it will increasingly become the responsibility of the parish council to deal with these. The cost of removing a fallen tree can be substantial (several hundred pounds each) and the parish council will need in future to ensure it has sufficient funds to cover this work.

Councillors continue to represent the parish on the Community Area Partnership (formerly the Community Network) and the Maritime Line Forum, and Mr Stuart Douglas is also thanked for his keen interest.

Of course, the key news for the parish during this month was the announcement of the imminent closure of the Perranwell Stores. The parish council had played a key role in helping to galvanise the community, not least by agreeing to fund the activities of the informal group attempting to find alternatives. Cllrs C Bridges and A Bridges were authorized to act as the parish council's representatives on this work.

The council was pleased to appoint and welcome three new councillors: Cllrs Lea Thomas, Darren Ring and Dave Ward. Their contact details will appear elsewhere in Perran News.

The new play equipment, funded by a grant from the Community Infrastructure Levy, has been installed and is being enjoyed by many children. A formal opening ceremony will have been held on 20 July.

During this period, discussions had continued with the football club about the levelling of the football pitch. In the previous issue of Perran News, a contributor wrote that "It would certainly have been a relief to parishioners struggling with household budgets to read that should the proposed groundworks be approved they will be funded from an external source and not be a financial burden on the Parish or the Parish Precept." Perhaps readers will recall that the purpose of the playing field charity, of which the parish council is the sole trustee, is to provide a recreation ground for everybody, including facilities for sport, recreation and play. The levelling of the pitch would benefit others besides the football club, especially the school, and hopefully would be accompanied by other improvements that will be advantageous for everybody in the community. Under those circumstances, perhaps it would be only right and proper not to leave the entire cost to the football club.

As usual, parishioners are encouraged to attend meetings of the council, its committees (except the staffing committee, whose business is confidential) and the various working groups. Further details can be found on the parish council's website: www.perranarworthalpc.org.uk Any comments on the work of the parish council will be welcomed.

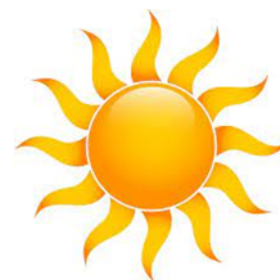
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PERRANWELL STATION - WEATHER REPORT FOR JUNE 2023

Average daily maximum temperature:	21.6C
Maximum temperature for the month:	25C on 16th
Average daily minimum temperature:	13.1C
Minimum temperature for the month:	5C on 3rd
Rainfall:	2.01 inches
"Rain Days" (at least 0.04inches):	6
Sunshine:	240 hours
Wind direction:	East and South East



Very Warm, Sunny and predominantly Dry

June 2023 was similar to the last two Junes, but even warmer! After the first week, temperatures routinely reached the low to mid twenties, making it the warmest June that I have recorded in 37 years, 2C-3C above the Perranwell long-term average. Nationally, it was the warmest June in the series from 1884.

It was also a sunny month, nationally the 4th sunniest in the series from 1910, and the sunniest June since 1957.

Rainfall was below the June average by some 23%, which somewhat underplays how dry it actually was for most of the month. Over half the month's rainfall fell on the 20th (1.14 inches).

Warmer Waters?

The West Briton recently reported that sea temperatures in Cornwall "are currently at unprecedented levels for June". According to the website www.SeaTemperature.info, Cornwall seas in June were reported as being between 17.1C and 17.2C, with the warmest places to swim being Fowey, Gorran Haven and Polkerris.

As it happens, I swam in the sea at Mousehole in June, and the water was certainly warmer than I was expecting, more like the end of August in my experience.

A glance at the website's temperature figures shows that the sea around Cornwall in June 2023 was a degree or so above the June average for the previous ten years, during which temperature fluctuations were relatively small.

Looking further afield, according to the website <https://argo.ucsd.edu> (Argo and Climate Change), more than 90% of the excess heat absorbed by the Earth since the 1970s is stored in the oceans. This makes the oceans the ideal place to identify any long-term warming (or cooling) trends in our climate system. Argo floats have recorded temperatures in the upper half of the oceans since 2004. These floats cover the oceans down to a depth of 2000 metres, an area said to capture roughly 90% of the change in ocean heat content of the the last two decades.

Globally, between 2004 and 2020, the upper 1900 metres of the oceans experienced a net warming of 0.07C, with the uppermost 100 metres warming by 0.2C. However, these average figures hide a range of data for different latitudes, regions and depths. In our own latitudes, i.e. the northern oceans from 55 to 65 degrees North, there has been a marked cooling down to 1400 metres depth, by as much as 0.3C at 350 metres, and a slight warming below 1400 metres.

So maybe Cornwall's higher sea temperatures this June were an anomaly after all.

Mike Hands mdh51@btinternet.com

Services at St Piran's Church for August and September 2023.

Sun 6 th Aug	10.00 am	CW Communion.
Sun 13 th Aug	8.30 am	BCP Communion,
	10.00 am	Service of the Word.
Sun 20 th Aug	10.00 am	CW Communion.
Sun 27 th Aug	8.30 am	BCP Communion
	10.00 am	S.O.W.

**Services in September will be listed on the website.
Our harvest service will be on 24th September at 11 am.**

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The church is normally open for private prayer
between 10 am and 11 am on Wednesday mornings.
You are very welcome at St Piran's.

Talk on the history and restorations of Stithians Church

**The Rev. Canon Michael Warner has kindly agreed
to give a talk in Stithians Parish Church, which he
has titled**

**'Stithians Parish Church; A working building
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**He was the vicar here and Perran-ar-worthal be-
tween 1983 and 1993. He took particular interest
in the architecture of the church and its restoration
in the 19th century by J.P St Aubyn. He has written
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Anglican churches which includes both churches.**

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**Tuesday 26th September
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UPDATE ON THE SETTING UP OF A COMMUNITY SHOP

At the time of reading this the existing shop and post office will have closed.

Following the well-attended public meeting, volunteers put their names forward and a Scoping Committee was quickly formed. The sole objective of this committee was to look at various options for the setting up of a community shop and post office. After three meetings and a lot of hard work behind the scenes, this committee unanimously agreed on a Three Phase Transition plan.

A management committee has now been created to deliver that plan.

Phase One: to be completed by the end of September 2023

A limited company, called the **Perranwell Community Store**, has been registered as the legal entity for trading purposes. It will be converted to a Community Benefit Society or Community Interest Company under phase two.

A temporary community store will be set up in the car park of the village hall using either a shipping container or portacabin located next to the football clubhouse. Volunteers with trade skills, e.g., electricians, painters & decorators, shop fitters, etc., will be asked to help fit it out.

Initial funding for set-up costs and stock purchases will be sought from the Parish Council, the Cornwall Council ward councillor and crowdfunding.

It has not been possible to secure a Post Office outreach service, even on a temporary basis, but approval will be sought for a locally funded PO branch. Thanks to the co-operation of the football club, post office services, if approved by the Post Office Limited, will be based in the football clubhouse, plus a coffee bar. Volunteers will be invited to staff the store and coffee shop.

Special thanks to Tim and Lizzie at the Royal Oak who have agreed that the pub will temporarily take over the prescription collection service from the existing shop on the 1st of August. Collection times will be strictly 11.00am to 12.00am and 15.00pm to 18.00pm Monday to Friday. Any queries must be relayed to Penryn Surgery, not the pub staff. The prescription collection service will relocate to the new community store once it is open.

Phase Two: targeted to be completed by the end December 2023

The limited company, Perranwell Community Store, will be converted into a Community Benefit Society or Community Interest Company.

The new company will offer shares to members of the community who wish to support the project. Applications will be made for additional funding through grants. Typically, grants aim to match funds raised by the community.

Phase Three: targeted to complete by the end of March 2024

The existing shop may be purchased by a local consortium/independent individual or by the community (subject to fund raising and usual market requirements).

Perranwell Community Store to relocate from its temporary site if the existing shop is purchased by the community. Alternatively look at options to rent retail space in the existing shop if commercially viable and offered as an option to the community.

How can you help?

1. If you completed a survey and indicated that you are willing to offer your services, we have your details and will be in contact with you. However, there were many people who stated they wished to help but didn't record their contact details on the survey form. We need you to get in touch. There will also be many more people who haven't received the survey, as they were unable to attend the public meeting, but would like to offer their support. The skills needed are fundraising (particularly crowd funding), shop volunteers and anyone with direct retail management experience. Do please come forward.

2. We need a portacabin or container. If you think you may have one to sell or donate, please get in touch as soon as possible.

3. If you are a skilled tradesperson, able to help in setting up the temporary facility, please contact us.

Contact details: Annie Hewitt on 07799311153

Email: anniek.hewitt7@gmail.com

The next public meeting will be held on Thursday 10th August 7pm in the main hall of the Perranwell Centre to share progress and answer any questions you may have. Thank you.

WHEELCHAIR WALK

Hello,

my name is Debbie and I moved to Perranwell Station 4 years ago. Since then I've been through lockdown so haven't had much time to meet lots of people. I get the **Perran News** and always read it cover to cover, whilst reading I noticed an advert for someone to push people around the village in a wheelchair.

I've had Multiple Sclerosis since I was 18 and have walked all over the place but recently (as I'm getting older 😊) I've started to struggle. On reading the article I decided to take the plunge and phone Peter, he arrived with said chair and proceeded to push me. We chatted about all sorts of things, and I felt a bit weird about being in the chair but soon was enjoying the conversation and scenery.

So, if you're sitting at home struggling to go out for a walk and you're lonely I would thoroughly recommend Peter taking you out, but make sure you wear a cardigan as it only Peter who gets hot 😊.~
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A READER WRITES

We would like to thank all the traders that advertise in your magazine.

Just over two weeks ago we suffered a torrential downpour here in Perranarworthal, where we live, we are surrounded by trees and consequently get lots of leaves falling on the roof of our bungalow. The leaves got washed into the valley between our two roof apex's causing a flood in the valley which in turn caused rain water to go through our tiles and leak into our lounge. We got your magazine out and found Mark Bennet Buildings phone number. He came out straight away and sorted the problem out for us. If ever you have a hero of the month award it should go to Mark for leaving the job he was on to help us in our time of need.



Many Thanks

John Blythe

MONDAY AUGUST 29th
HEY DAY PROGRAMME OF FIELD EVENTS

- 2.30 p.m. DISPLAY BY PORTHTOWAN GYMNASTIC CLUB
- 3.00 p.m. THE BUCCANEERS FREE FALL DISPLAY TEAM
- 3.30 p.m. PARADE OF VINTAGE VEHICLES BY THE KERNOW OLD VEHICLE CLUB
- 4.15 p.m. THE PORTHTOWAN GYMNASTIC CLUB
- 4.40 p.m. DONKEY DERBY AND SHAY RACING
- 5.30 p.m. GRAND DRAW (see details below)

SHEAF PITCHING throughout the afternoon.
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THE KERNOW OLD VEHICLE CLUB

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 Leader: Mr. Banks, Orchard Leigh, Perranwell Station.

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Hon. Sec.—Miss K. M. Hutt, Westmoor Stores, Perranwell Station.
 Play twice weekly at the Village Hall, Tuesday and Thursday evenings during season.

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Hon. Sec.—Miss E. Pope, Park View, Perranwell Station.
 Meet 2nd Monday of month at Village Hall. Plus regular Whist Drives and other fund raising activities.

PERRANWELL BRITISH LEGION—MEN

Hon. Sec.—Mr. W. Teague, Churchtown, Perran-ar-Worthal.
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PERRANWELL A.F.C.

Hon. Sec.—Mr. K. Hawke, 5 Trevince Parc, Carharrack, Redruth.
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Please contact Miss P. Perry, Goldcrest, Keeble Park, Perranwell.
 Tel: Devoran 863773.

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Hon. Sec.—Mrs. M. Carder, Mellingley Cottages, Perranwell.
 Meet fortnightly on Thursdays at the Village Hall.

PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

President—Mrs. R. Edmonds, Newlands, Perranwell.
 Hon. Sec.—Mrs. D. May, Fourways, Perranwell.
 Monthly Meeting first Monday of each month, 7.30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

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Hon. Sec.—Miss P. Ward, "Greencrest", Silver Hill.

PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL PLAY GROUP

Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Village Hall. Enquiries to—Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Brooks, "Trelu", Pullacross, Frogpool.

PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL VILLAGE HALL SUPPORTERS CLUB

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. R. Tresidder, Crown Terrace, School Hill, Perranwell.
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HEY DAY ENQUIRIES:—Hon. Secretary: K. T. TRESIDDER, 3 Crown Terrace, Perranwell Station.

A reader has sent in this program for Heyday 1977, 46 years ago. I hope you will be interested to see what was a big annual event in the seventies.

There were parachutists and a formal dance in the village hall.

The reader who at the time was a youthful newcomer to the village fancied his chances in the sheaf-pitching contest having enjoyed some success as a shot putter in his secondary school years.

Sadly, his hopes were comprehensively dashed by the effortless sheaf heaving by a couple of local young formers who won the contest with consummate ease.

The What's On in Perranwell list will bring back memories of many friends no longer with us.



PERRANARWORTHAL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At our June Meeting Laurie Stephenson came to talk to us about the work of the Flicka Foundation Donkey Sanctuary based up at Mabe Burnthouse. It was fascinating to hear the amazing work the sanctuary staff do to save and care for over 100 mules and donkeys. It was so sad to hear about the levels of abandonment, neglect and cruelty that many of the animals had suffered before being rescued. We learnt about how sociable donkeys can be and about the amount of care and sheer hard work needed to keep the animals happy and healthy. It was clear it takes an enormous amount of fundraising to keep the place running. Volunteers, as well as money raised from visitors, play a very important part in the upkeep of the sanctuary.

Jim Jeffries came along to talk to us at our July meeting. Jim is a volunteer with the National Coastwatch Institute and helps to run the St. Agnes station. He explained that the charity has 60 stations across the UK (although not in Scotland). The Institute is answerable to the Coastguard Service and was set up in 1994 after an incident at Cadgwith Cove. Withdrawal of government funding for the Coastguard Service made this an invaluable step. Jim explained that anyone can be a volunteer and people come from all walks of life to man the stations. As well as logging vessels and reporting incidents at sea, they also watch over the coastpath and broadcast weather forecasts to vessels if they've missed the coastguard's messages.

Our August picnic get together will be on 8th August 2.30pm on the Playing Fields at the Perranwell Centre, cake will be served in true WI fashion!

We're a welcoming lot at the Perranarworthal WI. Do consider coming to join our thriving group to make friends and join in various activities. Meetings are at the Perranwell Centre, they start at 7.15pm on the second Tuesday of each month, except for August.

CB

DARWIN'S DRIVE?

The road that linked the ports of Penryn and Falmouth to London, passing through Truro, Plymouth and Exeter in the Westcountry, was one of the country's most important historic transport and communications links during the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries.

The first leg of the route, from Falmouth to Truro was improved in 1754 by the creation of a turnpike – a pay-to-go road with a hard surface - and it should be no surprise that the route passed through the centre of the parish of Perranarworthal.

We are all by now familiar with the story of the Trafalgar Way, and the rush to get the news of Nelson's victory and death at Trafalgar up to the Admiralty in London - Lt Lapenotière's speedy ride along the coaching road through Perranwell on Nov 4th 1805 is commemorated with a plaque on the wall of the Royal Oak. It is however interesting to ponder on how many other momentous journeys passed this way, and what exciting news was carried of important people and events or world-changing discoveries and developments.

Recently, I came across a reference* to HMS Beagle's arrival in Falmouth harbour on the 2nd of October, 1836, at the end of a momentous 5-year voyage circumnavigating the world. This was of course, the famous 'Voyage of the Beagle' which took Charles Darwin to the Galapagos Islands, and ultimately resulted in the publication of his ***Origin of Species***, and the unleashing of the concept of evolution by natural selection. Never a good sailor even after almost 5 years at sea, Darwin seized the chance to travel overland to Shrewsbury to visit his family; he caught the first available mail coach and headed home, leaving Captain Fitzroy to sail their ship on to London via Plymouth.

Darwin's coach, however, would have followed a different route to the one taken by Lapenotière in 1805. The course of the turnpike had been altered, in 1828, to avoid the steep hills into and out of Perranwell village (Cove Hill and Station Hill). A new road had been constructed along the valley bottom beside the Kennal River, through Perran Wharf and past the Norway Inn, which served as the coaching inn. It crossed the Carnon river by a causeway and a new bridge and this is the route which the A39 still follows today. Although there is no evidence that Darwin's coach stopped at Perran Wharf, it's not unlikely. If Nelson's messenger merits a plaque on the pub in Perranwell, why not a plaque for Darwin himself on the wall of the Norway Inn on Perran Wharf?

In terms of historical significance, the concept of evolution by natural selection initiated a scientific revolution which fundamentally transformed the biological sciences, but also confronted our philosophical and moral conceptions of what it means to be a human. Charles Darwin is universally acknowledged as one of the most important and influential figures in **human history**.

* ***The Invention of Nature*** (2015) is Andrea Wulf's excellent biography of Alexander Von Humbolt
Steve Hartgroves

A READER WRITES

Thank you for expanding my passive vocabulary.

I wonder how many other people had to unearth the dictionary, on reading your article about the statues of the saints in Brittany.

One sounds as though he might have been a bit of a pain in the backside. *IH*

PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

News

There was an unexpected change to the meeting on June 20th when our speaker Tasha Fullbrook, who was due to give a talk on her role as Cornwall Finds Liaison Officer had to cancel at the last minute due to illness. Our Secretary, Ruth Ward managed to find a talk she had done some years ago for pupils at Truro School on the History of the Portreath to



Devoran cycleway, and quickly made some changes to make it more relevant to adults. She spoke about the reasons for the original tramway being built and the choice of route, delving into the mining history of the area. The tramway began in 1815 to ship minerals, mainly tin and copper from the mines inland to the port of Portreath for transport, particularly to S Wales where some of the ore was smelted. The ships were loaded with coal for the return journey as this was needed to power the steam engines. They were originally waggon-ways using horses, but small steam locomotives were introduced in 1854 and it became the Redruth and Chacewater Railway linking up to other tramways and connecting through to Devoran.

The route has evidence both on maps and in the field of the many landscape changes caused by mining and the buildings associated with the processing/dressing of the minerals including the stamping mills and the iconic engine houses which contained the steam engines used for draining the mines. There is evidence of the once extensive docks at both Portreath and Devoran and many of the place names reflect the mining history. Accidents were frequent, such as breaking limbs through falls, or due to explosives being used; the invention of the safety fuse by William Bickford in 1831 greatly cut fatalities, but mines also suffered from flooding and miners drowned. There was a railway accident in 1899 where the tramway crossed Old Carnon Hill and steam locomotive Spitfire de-railed killing the brakesman. The decline of mining in Cornwall from the 1870s eventually caused the decline of the ports and the tramways that served them and eventually the disused route became the Devoran to Portreath cycleway.

We are pleased to hear that Tasha is now recovering well and she has offered to do her talk on Jan 16th 2024 so we hope that anyone who was hoping to bring along their own "finds" for Tasha to inspect will join us then.

Sept Meeting

We have an eminent speaker for our next meeting on

Tues 26th Sept 7.30 at the Perranwell Centre

when **Eric Berry** will be talking about his work as a **Consultant on Historic Buildings** so do come along and join us to find out more.

Date for the diary

Tues 17th Oct 7.30pm at the Perranwell Centre.

Bob Richards will talk about the **History of Perranwell Village School**

THE PERRANWELL MEMORY CAFÉ

We meet in the Village Hall at 2.00pm on the Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month.

We have a very varied programme for the year as you will see below,
and we invite you to come along to meet us for a chat with tea and cake.

2023

August 8th	Drums for Fun
August 22nd	Picnic in the Park (weather permitting)
September 12th	Tai Chi Kempo
September 26th	Outing for tea at Linden Hey
October 10 th	In house HARVEST
October 24 th	Sunny Side Up – Ukulele Band
November 14 th	Music and Movement – Karen Dowden
November 27 th	Outing – to be confirmed
December 12 th	In house CHRISTMAS

For more details contact: **Sue 01872 864676 - Mary 01872 865846 - Roe 01872 719076**

FROM SEVENTY ON

From Seventy on we like to hope
That life will treat us well.
We don't want all the aches and pains
And knees which hurt like h-ll.
We want to think that we can still
Run up and down the stairs,
And where did all this weight come
from?
And masses of grey hairs..?

However hard we try to keep
Advancing years at bay,
We can't; although it makes me weep
To admit to it and say.
But wait...there are some good things too

Which come from being old.....

We're now all known as 'Dearie'
And we're helped across the road.
And when we're feeling weary
Strangers help us with our load.
They nod with understanding
When we leave odd things behind,
And when we are demanding
They don't ever seem to mind!
So let us all be jolly
That we're way past seventy.
Go quietly off our trolly,
Well, we won't know will we!

Tam Lewis

FOOTPATH UPGRADE

The following rights of way will be upgraded in August. During the maintenance the rights of way will remain open for use. If you meet the contractor, please make yourself known and wait until the contractor calls you through.

1. Byway between Old Carnon Hill and Tarrandean Lane
2. Footpaths and bridleways around Bargas Pond, including the installation of a new walkway.



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TANYA TAYLOR

The clock clicks to two-twenty a.m. as young Tanya Taylor treads her way through the village centre on another night of her watch. Bright face of that beaming moon. Tanya glares back, posture defiant, tilts her head back and says "So your the Moon. What of it? What you looking at anyway? You want love? You are love? Caress with a gaze? Kiss of Artemis! Beautiful moon. I love you" Tears welled in Tanya's eyes. The attractive lady she'd seen wearing summer clothes in this very spot twelve hours earlier, that was a Perranwell Station rarity. Her desire was a physical ache but the process of making a connection was wholly alien to Tanya. She could pluck a tear from her eye right now and run the finger down a pane of glass, in this maybe some analogy would be complete. She wondered if life would be easier in a large city. Plymouth. London? Birmingham. Bedroom buddies would doubtless be easier to find. Wearing "Lesbian" like an official branding rather than being this village curiosity. Tanya hated being called a lesbian. She was called Tanya. She hated the rainbows and the whole pride "scene". It made her angry to be pigeonholed, entanglements of language.

Tanya sat on the step of the village stores, giving no care to the damp granite tracing into her body. Her head rocked back with a dull thump against the door. Such a posture, Tanya could make love to the village right here. The psychical act. Probably not an appropriate place. She hugged her knees and rested her chin upon them.

Tanya had made love to the village many times. In the churchyard, fields and a favoured spot in the woodland by Jacobs well. It was less a love to the man-made parish and more a zen-like oneness with the countryside and "The Great Spirit". Having read a book on Native American Indians she felt "The Great Spirit" was the obvious explanation for seasonal and emotional change. Seasons and emotions worked in unison. She couldn't hang with the notion of a world explained by mathematics and scientific reason, rationality, it was hard to imagine the universe was composed to these codes. The codes were a language known only to man and Tanya had read that the imagination upon which language thrived could easily be put down to an evolutionary quirk. Some mental parasite. The Great Spirit didn't need language beyond its name, it could just be encountered and felt by emotional vibration and was perhaps most easily felt when the brain was flushed of words.

Tanya wondered if humanity's fate boiled down to love and hate, some celestial body perhaps housed a fine set of scales that were just about balanced.., for now. The Great Spirit, keeping electrons in check, for now. Atom bombs.

Tanya found no reason to live in worry over such things. Positive vibes for Tanya Taylor. Her senses tingled like pins and needles fused with euphoria. A soft rain fell upon her hair, the hair of half long purple and half blond spiked. Tanya laughed loudly into the night air and strode on toward the village playing field, the pine trees would be fit for her to rock back against and perform her solitary act of parish passion, dear Daughter of Piran. An hour had passed and there were several men on her mind now anyways. They spoke. Jumbled words flew through the night air. Aphrodite almighty. Shackles, hackles, Houdini that Genie. Shouts to bounce on the brain. John Powys vision of the sylph. Tanya smirked. Chuckled.

"You've no idea" she hollered. The men watched her breathe heavily. Tanya headed home. Day was coming.

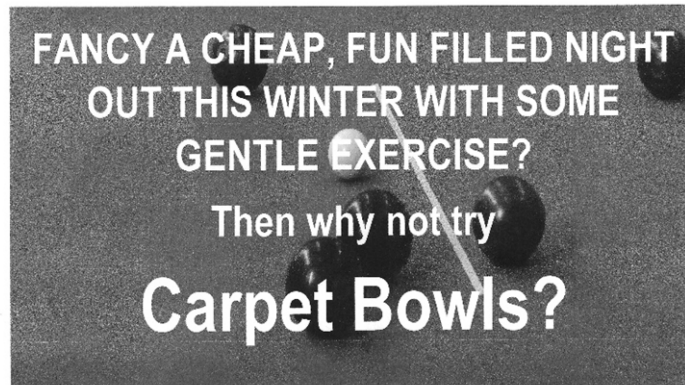
JM

Hi my name is Rita Reilly, I'm 23 and I DO live in this parish and MUST leap to the defence of my dear friend Tanya Taylor. The Great Author JM, the illustrious JM, that dude has seen fit to suggest that Tanya may be suffering from mental health issues, and I can categorically claim this to be false. The Great Author JM is, as often, dreadfully out of literary key with his composition of my friend's mindset, the worlds of Tanya and myself will forever be a mystery to the man! Tanya and I have partied hard together, our souls be twinned. The Great Author JM has apparently been banned from the local Facebook Group which will relieve the village of his arrogance to a large extent. He is little more than a "troll".

He ought to respect that many folks, like, middle aged and over, take Facebook really seriously and see it as a great tool with which to conduct parish affairs. Yes, it's just another app that's out to steal your time so it can harvest your personal data to sell to advertisers, yes the platform deliberately angers people to keep them engaged (silicon valley have spent millions of dollars researching that) and yes us younger folks are completely put off Facebook nowadays because loads of old people are on it. They love it. The Great Author shouldn't spoil their fun. He's better off just digging and paving. Bluntly put, I believe the Great Author to be emotionally stunted and charismatically redundant. Anyways folks, keep an open mind to the heart of my dear friend Tanya.

Kind Regards Rita

JM



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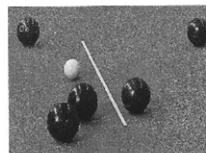
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Hugh on the mat.

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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		
	+ 26 min to Chapel	(term)	(hols)									
	route then goes up Greenwith Hill towards Frogpool											



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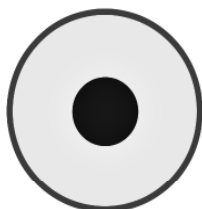
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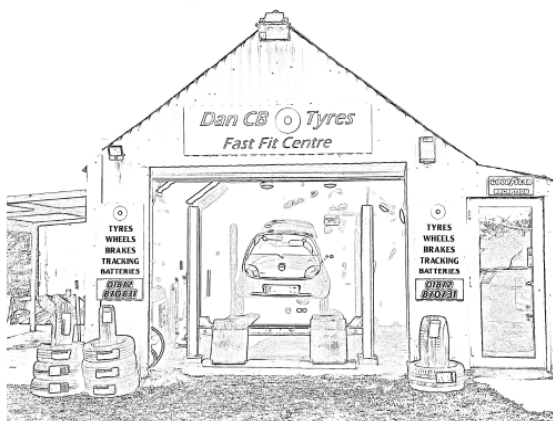


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