## Curate's Corner

Having made it through the summer, with Holiday Kidz Klub, the wonderful round of fairs and fêtes, and the regatta of course, we now turn our attention toward Christmas.

But first we take time to remember; All Saints' Day, when we think about all the Saints of the church, which is on Wednesday the 1st November this year.

Next is All Souls' Day, when we remember all those who have preceded us into glory but mainly those we loved, which is on Sunday 5th this year. Armistice Day is a Saturday this year and is followed on the 12th by Remembrance Sunday, when we remember those who so gallantly gave their lives in battle that we might live ours in freedom.

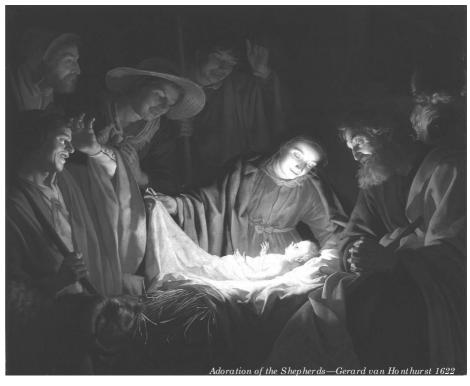
Whilst we are remembering, let us not forget the bounty we enjoyed this harvest nor those who went without. As we look forward to the feasting of Christmas, let us always be mindful of those less fortunate than ourselves and continue in our support of the local food banks.

And this Christmastide may we always be mindful of refugees, not least that small family two millennia ago who were forced to flee, in fear of their lives, from Palestine to Egypt.

Finally, I hope that you all have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Blessings,





## Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year

## From the Editor

What do you want for Christmas this year? A new car; a new phone; a bicycle; a football, or perhaps a new dress or some new curtains.

How about some sunshine, food for the starving and as the carol goes "Peace on Earth and goodwill to men "  $\,$ 

What ever you are doing and wherever you are going we wish you merriment, happiness and health for Christmas and for 2018.

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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Event organisers, Contributors and Advertisers are reminded that the copy date for the January - February issue is 24 November

## **CHURCH DIARY**

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## **NOVEMBER 2017**

Thursday 2nd ALL SOULS 10.00 St. SaviourHoly Communion Sunday 5th ALL SAINTS

09.30 St., Ildierna Holy Communion

09.30 St. Marnarch Holy Communion

11.00 St. Tallanus Holy Communion

11.00 St. Saviour Parish Eucharist

17.00 St. Nun Songs of Praise

Wednesday 8th

09.30 St. Nun Holy Communion

Thursday 9th

10.00 St. Saviour Morning Prayer Sunday 12th REMEMBRANCE

10.45 St. Marnarch Remembrance Service

12.15 St. Nun Act of Remembrance

11.00 Polperro Methodist Act of Remembrance

10.45 St. Wyllow Act of Remembrance

11.00 St. Wyllow Remembrance Service

12.45 St. John Act of Remembrance

18.30 St. Ildierna Evening Prayer & Act of Remembrance

Thursday 16th

10.00 St. Saviour Holy Communion

Sunday 19th 2nd before Advent

09.30 St., Ildierna Holy Communion

09.30 St., Marnarch Family Service

 $11.00~\mathrm{St.}$  Tallanus Parish Eucharist

11.00 St. Wyllow Parish Eucharist Thursday 23rd

10.00 St. Saviour Morning Prayer Sunday 26th CHRIST THE KING

09.30 St. Marnarch Holy Communion

11.00 St. Nun Holy Communion

11.00 St. Wyllow Morning Prayer

18.30 St. Ildierna Evening Prayer

Thursday 30th

10.00 St. Saviour Holy Communion

## DECEMBER 2017 Sunday 3rd ADVENT SUNDAY

09.30 St. Marnarch Holy Communion

09.30 St. Ildierna Holy Communion

11.00 St. Tallanus Holy Communion

11.00 St. Wyllow Service of Music & Readings

17.00 St. Nun Songs of Praise Thursday 7th

10.00 St. Saviour Holy Communion

Sunday 10th Advent 2

11.00 St. TallanusMorning Prayer

11.00 St. Wyllow Parish Eucharist

15.00 St. Saviour Christingle

16.00 St. Nun Christingle

17.00 St. Marnarch Evening Worship

18.30 St. Ildierna Evening Prayer

Wednesday 13th

09.30 St. Nun Holy Communion

Thursday 14th

10.00 St. Saviour Morning Prayer

Friday 15th

19.30 St. Marnarch Carol Concert

Saturday 16th

18.30 St. Saviour Carol Service

Sunday 17th Advent 3

09.30 St. Marnarch Holy Communion

11.00 St. Saviour Holy Communion

15.30 Pelynt MethodistCarol Service

16.00 St. Tallanus Carol Service

18.30 St. Ildierna Carol Service Monday 18th

18.00 St. John Carol Service

Tuesday 19th 18.00 St. Marnarch Roving Nativity

Thursday 21st

10.00 St. Saviour Holy Communion

## Sunday 24th CHRISTMAS EVE

09.30 St. Ildierna Holy Communion

15.30 St. Saviour Nativity Service

 $16.00 \,\, \mathrm{St.} \,\, \mathrm{Marnarch} \, \mathrm{Christingle}$ 

23.00 St. Wyllow Midnight Mass 23.15 St. Nun Christmas Eucharist

## Monday 25th CHRISTMAS DAY

09.30 St. Marnarch Family Communion

09.30 St. Saviour Family Communion

11.00 St. Tallanus Christmas Communion Thursday 28th

10.00 St. Saviour Morning Prayer

Sunday 31st

11.00 St. Nun Benefice Communion

## MESSY CHURCH

Partly because of the 10 Years of Kidz Klub Celebration and partly because of doing 'Experience Harvest' with Polruan and Pelynt schools [see separate article] we decided a Harvest Messy Church in October would be a thing too far! The next Messy Church will be 'Create a Christingle' in St Saviour Church on Sunday 10th December at 3 p.m. All are welcome!

## EXPERIENCE

The cross-parish ecumenical team enabled the children of Polruan and Pelynt schools to 'Experience Harvest' in Pelynt Church on Friday 6th October. We are pleased that on Thursday 12th some of the children from Polperro were also to 'Experience Harvest' in Pelynt Church. Due to the early deadline for articles for this edition this is written before the event but hopefully some of you may have been able to go into Pelynt Church and see the various 'stations'.

## NATIMTS

As usual there will be a Nativity Service in St Saviour Church on Christmas Eve afternoon at 3.30 p.m. We will need young actors for the Nativity drama which is the main part of the service so look out for posters detailing rehearsals and come along. Our cast usually ranges from toddlers to teenagers and both locals and visitors are welcome both in the cast and in the congregation. If you need more de-





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### Lansallos Parish News

by John Feesey, Lansallos PCC



Lansallos Church has a

ine set of eight bells installed in 1937 – but did you you know that bells were first used in Christian churches as early as 400 AD? Their introduction is credited to Paulinus, Bishop of Nola, and their general use was officially sanctioned by Pope Sabinian in 604 AD. Very large bells in church towers, such as are rung today, were not common until the 11th century, mainly in northern Europe reflecting the Celtic influence and that of Irish missionaries. Before the introduction of bells, a flat metal plate was struck to announce services.

As well as calling the faithful to worship, bells were rung at the canonical hours of 6.00am, 12.00noon and 6.00pm, when the Lord's Prayer or the Angelus were recited. The Sanctus Bell was rung during Holy Communion at the singing of the Sanctus and again at the elevation of the bread and wine, to indicate that the moment of consecration had been reached. The practice remains common though usually performed by a small gong or hand bell.

Bells were also rung for special purposes. One was to drive away unclean spirits and demons. Bell ringing was also performed in an attempt to dissipate electrical storms (understandable in the days before lightning conductors!). A typical inscription on a medieval bell might thus be: "this bell vanquishes tempests and repels malignant demons".

Bells could be rung on three occasions surrounding a death. The "Passing Bell" warned of someone dying, the "Death Knell" (an expression still in common use today) announced the death. The pattern of striking might depend on who had died; for example in some counties three times three strokes indicated a man, two times three for a woman and one times three for a child. The age of the deceased was then rung out, which in small villages could effectively identify who had just died. The "Lych Bell" was rung, often with a muffled clapper, as the subsequent funeral approached the church - a custom often observed today.

In the UK there is a tradition of "change ringing". This originated in the early 17th century when it was found that swinging a bell through a large arc gave more control over the time between successive strikes of the clapper. This allowed ringers to produce different striking sequences known as "changes". Competitions are held between churches and we're fortunate in Lansallos to have a champion team under tower captain Roger Talling, that regularly wins the top prizes in south east Cornwall. We're short of ringers, so if you'd like to learn do contact Roger or the Reverend Marilyn. You don't have to be a regular church-goer to be a bell ringer!

Next Diary Date: Lansallos Carol Service is on Sunday, 17th December at 6.30pm with the delightful Liskeard Lady Singers and followed by mulled wine (or soft drinks) and mince pies.

### Lanteglos by Fowey Churches Choir

We are trying very hard to find someone to rehearse our choir for Advent and Christmas. It is proving to be difficult but we are determined to carry on as otherwise we are concerned that Peter Skellern's wonderful anthems will no longer be performed.

We will sing at the usual services this year which are:-

Advent Sunday December 3rd at 11am. Please note that this service will be in the morning this year but will follow the same pattern.

St. Saviour's Carol Service. Saturday 16th December at 6,30pm

Midnight Mass at St. Wyllow 11.00pm

At the time of going to print we have no scheduled rehearsals, but Choir members will be notified if this changes. We will get together on Tuesday November 28th at St. Wyllow at 6pm . Please will all choir members attend this practice.

## From the Registers

## Wedding:

2<sup>nd</sup> September St Tallanus Robin Mark Hall to Natasha Louise Nance

16th September St. Tallanus Graham George Watts to Ysella Rose Smith

## Baptism:

3rd September St. Tallanus Reuben John Fletcher Walker

## Internment of ashes:

18th September St. Nun Betty Rosemary Gardiner

25th September St. Wyllow Sheila Gray

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## PARISH DIARY

### **NOVEMBER 2017**

Wednesday 1 Octaves 12.30 870439

Thursday 2 Poetry Group 870439

Friday 3

Youth Club 7pm Polruan Village Hall (Sleepover) Lanreath Children's Halloween Party begins 4pm

Saturday 4 Whitecross Produce Market

Tuesday 7 Women's Hour 2.30 pm St. Saviour Last Children's Hospice Book Sale

Friday 10 Kidz Klub 5.30 and  $6.45\,\mbox{Polruan}$  Village Hall (possible trip to I bounce)

Saturday 11 Polruan Regatta & Children's Sports Craft & Coffee Morning

Tuesday 14 Women's Hour 2.30 St Saviour

Friday 17 Youth Club 7pm Polruan VIllage Hall (Cinema trip)

Saturday 18 Fish & Chip Supper. 6.30pm Kelly's in Looe in aid of Talland Church

Tuesday 21 Women's Hour. 2.30 St. Saviour

Friday 24 - Sunday 26 Fowey Christmas Market

Saturday 25 Christmas Fayre. Lanreath Village Hall 11 - 2

Tuesday 28 Women's Hour. 2.30 St. Saviour

### DECEMBER 2017

Friday 1 Kidz Klub Christmas Party Time to be confirmed

Saturday 2 Whitecross Market

Sunday 3

Advent Service St. Wyllow 11am Christmas Tree goes up on Polruan Coal Wharf

Monday 4 Trip to Plymouth Book - D. Libby, East Street

Tuesday 5 Women's Hour 2.30. St. Saviour

Friday 8 Youth Club Christmas Disco

Saturday 9 Polruan Regatta & Children's Sports Ages 0 - 7 Christmas Party Polruan Village Hall 11.00

Sunday 10 Create a Christingle 3pm St. Saviour

Mon 11 Age Concern Christmas Party Whitecross Village Hall

Tuesday 12

Women's Hour Christmas Meeting 2.30 St. Saviour

Saturday 16 St. Saviour Carol Service 6.30pm

Trees at Talland 4pm Talland Church - see article

Monday 18th St. John. Carol Service 6pm

Sunday 24

Nativity Rehearsal. St. Saviour Morning. Time to be announced

Nativity Service 3.30pm St. Saviour

Midnight Mass 23.00 St. Wyllow

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### NEWS FROM LANREATH

from Jenny Bartram

Preparations are well underway for Christmas activities in the village, but before then Lanreath Community Spirit are organising a Children's Halloween Party to include a Fancy Dress competition, which will be followed by the Amenity Group's annual Fireworks display. The event commences on Friday 3 November from 4.00pm at the Village Hall. Prizes will be given for the best fancy dress entry and other entertainments include a mini disco, Yo Craig, games and face painting. A 'Build the Guy' competition will be held with a prize for the winner but make sure your entry is at the Village Hall by 5.00pm for the judging. Later all the 'Guys' will be on display around the village. Hot food will be served before and after the Fireworks, so wrap up warm and come and join the fun. Lanreath Amenities Group have recommenced their Bingo sessions, normally on the second Wednesday of the month, doors open at 6.30pm – eyes down at 7.30pm. All the monies raised go back into the community. Financial gifts were made to several local organisations in September during a lunchtime social gathering on the Millennium Green.

Community Spirit will be holding a Christmas Fayre on Saturday 25 November from 11.00am - 2.00pm at the Village Hall. This will include, apart from festive stalls, a bouncy castle, children's choir and maybe a visit from Father Christmas!

Lanreath Neighbourhood Development Plan steering committee have now submitted their final draft plan incorporating the Examiner's recommended modifications, to Cornwall Council. The next step will be a referendum, hopefully before Christmas.

The Community Shop and Post Office are holding a second Big Breakfast on Sunday 29 October from 9.00am – noon in the Village Hall. The funds raised go to support the shop which is now stocking a wide range of Cornish products such as tea from the Cornish Tea Company, cheese from Cornish Gouda Cheese, Simply Cornish Biscuits, Kernow Chocolates, St Austell Ales, Callestick Ice Cream and Cornish Orchards Cider. A big thank you to all who sponsored the Lanreath Ladies in the Race for Life. £370 was raised for Cancer Research.

The Walking Group continue to enjoy bi-monthly walks exploring a variety of areas from coast to countryside. They meet alternate Mondays at 10.00am at the Village Hall car park. Please contact Sally on  $01503\ 220799$  or Di on  $01503\ 220577$  for more information.

St Marnarch's Church has finalised its services and events for the Christmas period. We will be decorating the church with a Christmas tree on every windowsill, on Saturday 2 December and the following Saturday we are holding a Christmas Fayre commencing at 11.30am. As well as a variety of stalls, we will be serving warm pasties along with other refreshments. The Lanreath Community Choir and Ensemble will be giving a concert on Friday 15 December and the Roving Nativity, commencing at the Village Hall at 6.00pm (weather permitting), is to take place on Tuesday 19 December. If the weather is inclement, the event will be held in the church. The Christingle Service is on Christmas Eve at 4.00pm.

Lanreath would like to wish all the readers of the Parish Magazine a peaceful and joyous Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

### TALLAND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 18th November 6:30 for 7pm Fish and Chip Supper in Kellys upstairs restaurant in Looe. At 6:30 for 7pm Come and join us for delicious food and a fun evening. More details and tickets from Jenny Hall 01503 59267

## Saturday 16th December Trees at Talland

Talland Church is once again holding a Christmas Tree Festival. Each year sees more visitors admiring the trees and of course our beautiful church overlooking Talland Bay. Local businesses and organisations provide and decorate trees both inside and outside the church ensuring a magical atmosphere throughout the festive season.. Why not join us at our tree lit Carol service to enjoy the trees and traditional carols and singing from the Looe Valley Singers at 4pm on Sunday December 17th. Rev. Marilyn will bless the trees and declare the festival open at the Carol service. This is always a lovely service and the start of our Christmas celebrations. The church, however, will be open from Saturday 16th for the start of the festival. Once again we will be selling mince pies and mulled wine, small gifts and homemade produce. Guess the weight of a beautiful homemade Christmas Cake, and place your Christmas prayer on our special prayer tree. We look forward to welcoming you all to celebrate Christmas at Talland.

## Help required at Cornerstones.

Comerstone the Churches together Charity Shop in West Looe, would still appreciate some additional help. If anyone feels able to help (3 hours at a time) please call Jenny Hall on 01503 598267 she would be delighted to add your name to the list of monthly volunteers or on the floating list which means help when you are able. Also if you have any unwanted gifts or nice quality items, you no longer require, we would also be delighted to receive them.

As it is a very small shop we are unable to take large items and clothing. It does, however, have good selection of Bric a Brac and books. Additionally we are able to serve Fairtrade Tea and Coffee along with a nice slice of cake! The shop, which is on the corner of Quay Road in West Looe, is run by a group of Trustees under the chair of Revd. Marilyn Elliott and volunteers. All the money after running expenses goes to local children's charities.

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from Lynn Bartlett and 'bella Tyson

Our book sales were popular and successful throughout the summer and now we have just one more sale, on November 7th before a winter break. As always there'll be a selection of books in the Reading Room. We will be replenishing these regularly. We ask that donated books are not left in the Reading Room without informing us first (Contact 870536).

Children's Hospice Christmas cards will be available either from Lynn or in Crumpets up to the beginning of December. Thank you for your continued support.

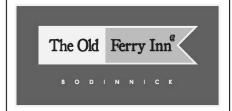
## POLRUAN REGATTA AND CHILDREN'S SPORTS.

We are very grateful to the traders of Polruan, Fowey and Bodinnick for so generously donating raffle prizes to our Regatta.Thank you very much.

The committee's thanks go to: all raffle prize donors, our many Patrons, Polruan Sea Angling Club, Lanteglos PCC. Kathryn Hill, Polruan CP School, Port of Fowey Racing Committee and all involved in supporting the sailing races on shore and at sea. Polruan Town Trust, all at Crumpets, all at Polruan Cottages, the flower pickers and donors, the dawn preparation crew, Colin and Shelagh at the Winklepicker, Lostwithiel Town Band, Mike Hancock entertainers, Keith Marshall, National Trust, Tilly and Suze of Nite Flite Disco, C. Toms and Son, David and Ginny Nevill, Polruan WI, Fowey Royal Regatta Committee, Patrick Malahide, Polruan Fire and Rescue, St. Austell Brewery, Pete and Elaine, Rosie, Evie and Marlie; Jasmine, Amy, and Mia, and their Mums, Tony Cottrell, John Thomlinson and Bill Enoch, Polruan-in-Bloom judges, Scarecrow competition judges, volunteer sales persons and community bus drivers.

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Originally from Lanteglos-by-Fowey, Cecilia has lived in Southern California since 2013 with her husband Bernie. They both work in the TV industry and are expecting their first child in October.

There has been a lot of bad news about America lately, and sometimes it can feel like a pretty awful place to live - with almost daily mass shootings, terrible leadership from our 'President', and the widespread destruction of the recent tropical storms. However, in the midst of all this there is a lot to love about living here and the top of the list for me is the great National Parks system.

We recently made the trip north from our home in Los Angeles to Yosemite National Park. Famous for spectacular rock faces that attract climbers from all over the world, one of the tallest waterfalls in America and the Giant Sequoias, Yosemite is 1169 square miles and one of the most famous parks in America. It was in many ways the blueprint for all 58 parks that exist across America today, in all kinds of different landscapes. It's the third most visited park in the states, after the Great Smoky Mountains park in Tennessee and the Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

Yosemite matters a lot in American history. It was the first piece of land to be marked for protection and for public enjoyment. Early conservationists lobbied Abraham Lincoln and he agreed and protected the valley, as well as the Giant Sequoias in nearby Mariposa grove under the California Trust. Of course the Yosemite had long been inhabited by Native Americans but it was only in the 19th century that the beauty of the valley had been discovered and inhabited by tourists and prospecting gold miners.

As it turned out the first park to be designated as a National Park was actually Yellowstone in 1872. Yosemite followed on October 1st, 1890. It's interesting to compare the fact that in the UK, the National Trust was founded in 1895. It seems on both sides of the Atlantic, as populations and industrialization grew, people were starting to have the same ideas about how important it would be to preserve our wild lands.

And thank goodness they did. Today more than 4 million people visit Yosemite each year, so as you wind down the road into the valley you are definitely not alone. But even with all the other tourists, the first glimpse of Half Dome is completely breathtaking. The rock formations are so huge and so epic, that even though you've seen pictures of them, the real thing is just as arresting as they would have been for John Muir, exploring the Sierra Nevadas in the 19th century. "No temple made with human hands can compete with Yosemite,", he said.

We spent three days in the park and the whole time we were surrounded by huge cliffs and gushing water. The waterfalls were crashing down with all the snowmelt from a heavy snowfall in winter 2015. Everything was growing and full of life. It was a big contrast from Los Angeles where we have a persistent drought that has left all the green spaces entirely

Yosemite was a great reminder that even though this country has a lot of problems at the moment, there are some great lasting institutions here that will outlive us all and particularly the Trump presidency!

## The Big Clean

We will be having a big clean at St. Wyllow Church in time for Christmas. It's a long time since we had a really good go, so put it in your diary. Thursday 21st December. Any time from 9-12.30 in the morning. There will be refreshments on the house (Church!). the flower ladies will be there too.

So whether you would like to help with flowers, wield a broom or simply do some light dusting, there will be something for you. If transport is a problem, we can help with that too. Phone Sue 870211.





Review of Inspector Drake and the PerfeKt Crime

Polruan Theatre Club has found a vein of work, that of David Tristram, to tap in the way that they did with the Farndales a few years ago. 'Inspector Drake and the perfekt crime' is just one of many of Tristram's outrageous plays.

Directed by Pat Cummings, we meet Sergeant Plod and Inspector Drake, a pair of idiots worthy of the Goons, 'perfektly' realised by Richard Binstead and Mike Rendle. These are major roles, the Sergeant being 'on' almost throughout, and they were excellent, the one an archetypal 'plod', the other a very dubious, high-flier, his stupidity obvious to us but not to the rest of the cast. Kevin Francis has cornered the market in shady old men, nothing at all to do with his previous occupation of 'solicitor', and his dastardly doctor maintained his facade throughout.

And then the ladies, the conflicting, contrasting daughters, played by Tessa Skola who always lights up the stage, especially in a blond wig and frock like that, and Sue Shakerley who continues to widen her range of convincing characterisations, this year including a gangster stoat and now, a young, not-soinnocent, prospective daughter. Even Pam Brunsdon died dramatically, which is as much as can be asked of such a small but vital role.

Yet again, the technical side of the production was excellent. One cannot stress enough how lucky the company is in having Ray Rigg whose set was again terrific-AND solid- a holiday maker commented on it- whose latest gizmo on his computer helped to make the lights and sound for the production run smoothly, and

Peter Cummins who made the warthog's head and downed the ducks on cue! Wendy Tomlin continues to hold the company together, not only selling tickets, organizing the wardrobe and props as well as actually running the production as Stage Manager while Beth Rigg and Andrea Francis must be commended for managing to squeeze the enormous audiences in, only going to show how important it is that the Theatre Club continues to exist!

And we must welcome Rosie Pimblett to the company who, in the footsteps of past international stars of stage and screen, has started out as Assistant Stage Manager!

And if anyone else was encouraged by this show to have a go themselves, new blood is always welcome, particularly if you are an in-betweenie (between 30 and 50). If so, please contact Wendy Tomlin on 870666.

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The Editor welcomes your letters and contributions however in fairness to others reserves the right to abbreviate owing to limited space available.

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## The Tenth Anniversary of Kidz Klub from Rev. Louise Courtney

10 Years of Kidz Klub, what a wonderful achievement! I remember when we first discussed starting the club, we didn't jump straight into it instead we spent a whole year praying about it. We prayed for God's help and guidance, and I know that this gave us a very firm foundation, one that stood us in good stead for all the years to come. Starting the club wasn't easy, it took a lot of hard work and perseverance but the people involved really put their hearts into it and gave it their all.

I have so many wonderful memories of the things we did together; the club nights were amazing; so much energy and buzz, and so utterly exhausting. But the times that really stand out for me are the summer holiday clubs. The effort that went into producing them was truly incredible and all done with a sense of joy and purpose. There is one particular event that will remain in my memory for ever and that was during the very first holiday club when the kids and club leaders marched in a line down to the beach singing at the tops of their voices, and the people of the village watched with pleasure and approval.

So many people (far too numerous to name) have done so much to make the Kidz Klub the success that it most assuredly is, both the dedicated people who live locally and the many other very special individuals who have travelled down to lend their support and expertise.

Well done my dear friends, very, very well done, I am so proud of you all and I pray that God will bless you with continued success in your work with our wonderful young people.

With all my love and prayers to and for each and every one of you,

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A letter received from a group of local ladies in appreciation of the recent Polruan Carnival Day.

What a great day it was for Polruan Carnival. The weather was the best we can remember for many years, and there were crowds of people like it used to be years ago. It was wonderful to see so many children in the water having such a good time and the water was crystal clear and the tide was just right.

We loved the entertainment as it was something different this year, and the band played some good music too. So many thanks go to all the Committee members and helpers and to those who gave the raffle prizes. They all work so hard from one year to the next to make this day so enjoyable and to raise money for the village's children so that they can go on trips throughout the year.

Thanks should also go to the local shops and pubs for all their support on the day. It was wonderful.



## CLOSING DATE JAN-FEB ISSUE

## **COPY & LETTERS**

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not later than Friday 24th November From Mary Taylor 3 Warren Street Cootamundra New South Wales 2590

Well winter has gone for another year. Weather records have tumbled, warmest winter for years and longest time in Sydney with no rain. It hasn't been that cold at all really, Jim has worn short sleeve shirts and shorts all winter - we tell him 'no sense, no feeling'! All the blossoms and flowers are looking lovely now. Not good for people with asthma or hay fever, but it won't last long. Just heard on TV that September had the warmest temperature on record here. They've started putting mince pies and Xmas things out in the shops already. In January hot cross buns will be for sale!

Our youngest granddaughter was 21 on 10.9.17. Her parents put on a party for her. She still has to walk with sticks but nothing stops her. She wants to climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge one day. Our last addition will be a year old the day before her mother's 30th birthday on 9.10.17. The little one has just started walking, takes a few steps, falls down then gets up and goes again. But they aren't babies for long now.

Jim is not too pleased as he has to have a diabetes injection every day now and isn't keen on the idea. We had our 62nd wedding anniversary on September 21st. The first Sunday in September is father's day here and we have a swap meet quite close to us. Riding for the disabled does the catering, so we have a steak sandwich for lunch. A year ago Jim bought 4 hacksaw blades and by the time we got to the car they were gone. Fell out of the plastic bag!

Would you please give our condolences to Donna Taylor and family. Thank you

From K. Welsh Greenbank Polyuan

I wish the person or persons who walk their dog at night or first thing in the morning would pick up behind them please. We have such an excellent cleaner in Michelle Fisher. The toilets are always clean and so is the Linney, but she is not paid to pick up dog mess. Please have some respect for Polruan and for Michelle. thank you.

(Dog fouling is an offence with penalties of up to £1000 please report offenders to the council—ed



Clean up after your dog

## Thank you

**Betty Libby** 

21.8.1927 - 7.4.2017

From her Children

We would like to thank everyone for all the lovely cards, flowers and phone calls we received after losing our wonderful Mum and thank you to everyone who attended her funeral.

Also thank you to Reverend John Halkes for a wonderful service, Peter and Margaret Ripley for all their kindness and to Crumpets.

Donations amounted to £640.00 to Cornwall Air Ambulance and Isight Cornwall.

## Are you an organist?

Our organist at St. Wyllow has limited time available and is unable to play every Sunday.

We are very keen too know of anyone who would like to play our lovely organ in the magnificent Church at Lanteglos-by-Fowey.

Terms can be agreed so Please contact Rev Marilyn Elliott on 01503 221159 for further details.

We would be very pleased to hear from you.

## Christmas Greetings

Anne Allan is unable to send cards this year but wishes everyone all the blessings of Christmas and in the New Year, health and happiness.

Sam and Jan Guy would like to send Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for 2018 to all our friends in the Parish

Robin Rollings will not be sending Christmas Cards this year but will be making a donation to Charity instead. He would like to wish all family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Helen and Mark Swiggs would like to say Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2018 to all friends and family. We have decided to make a donation to Charity this year instead of sending cards.

Avril & Alan Beresford wish to say Merry Christmas to all friends and family as they won't be sending cards this year.

Robert & Teresa Libby will not be sending Christmas Cards this year. Instead they will be donating to their two favourite Charities. But they would like to wish all their family and friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



## Mabel Winifred Butson

16.01.1921 - 29.07.2017

Mabel spent her childhood years at Rousham in Oxfordshire. On leaving school she was a nursery maid for Daphne Du Maurier's three children. She moved down to Cornwall with them, where she met her future husband Ralph.

They married and lived in Bodinnick for 59 years. Most of their leisure time was spent in their boat that Ralph built, fishing or mooring up at Pridmouth for a picnic. In 2002 they moved up to York to be near their daughter Christine. Ralph died in 2004. Mabel continued to live on her own in their bungalow until she passed away in July.

## Polruan School Events

Polruan Pre-School Christmas Fayre will be held at Polruan Village Hall on November 18th from 10am. Come and join the fun.

### Make a Christmas Wreath

Polruan School PSA will be holding a wreath making workshop at the WI Hall in Polruan at 2pm on Saturday December 2nd.

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## Polruan Regatta and Children's Sports

from the committee

Amongst the unsettled weather of this summer we counted our blessings that the Bank Holiday weekend gave us just the weather we ordered and our events all took place without us having to deal with wind or rain.

As a committee, we are strong on numbers but our average age is climbing! So we are looking to recruiting more members who would like to join us and help out with the background work that goes into our events. Please speak to any committee member to see what may be involved. As Regatta weekend memories fade we've already made bookings and dates for 2018. Even the ball roll balls are back in their storage crates having been sorted into their hundreds

A great weekend was had by everyone and we record our thanks elsewhere to everyone involved in making it a success.

Our next event is the craft and coffee morning on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November at Polruan Village Hall from 10.30.a.m. Come and enjoy the activities and take home your creations

The Coal Wharf Christmas Tree will be put in place and then illuminated on Sunday December 3rd.

The date of the Christmas party will be Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup>. All children from birth up to and including school Year 2 are welcome.

The pantomime trip for the Year 3 up to and including Year 11 children will be on Sunday January 7th. Invitations for both these events (there is no charge), will be issued in November and all we ask is that parents and carers return the replies promptly. As last year we will be going to the Theatre Royal in Plymouth to see Peter Pan

We continue to be aware that new families have moved into the Parish and we do like to include everyone in our invitations. Please contact Lynn Bartlett on 870536 for more information regarding our organisation and what we do to enhance the lives of children and their families and no or minimal cost.

Please visit our website for news and regatta photos. For safety reasons photographs are not enabled for download from this site. However there are contact details for those interested in specific photos. <a href="https://www.polruan-regatta.co.uk">www.polruan-regatta.co.uk</a>

<u>Please Note</u> that our event dates for <u>2018</u> are set as follows:

AGM March 5th

Queen and Attendants Choosing May 28<sup>th</sup> Beach Gala, Barbecue and Disco July 28<sup>th</sup> Craft Coffee Morning November 10<sup>th</sup> Children's Christmas Party December 15<sup>th</sup>

The committee wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## POLRUAN VILLAGE HALL

Many thanks to all who attended the quiz in the Lugger Inn on Saturday 2nd September, to Quizmaster Ray and to Elaine & Pete for hosting the event. We raised £202 for hall funds and had a great evening.

The final part of our planned Hall Improvement Programme has been completed with the replacement of all the external doors and windows and the two roof velux windows above the back of stage dressing room and the redecoration of that area. For the future we are looking into upgrading the kitchen by renewing the floor and kitchen units and modernising the serving area.

By the 21st October we will know whether we have been successful in our M & S Energy Fund application for a grant to support installation of a 6 kWh Solar Powered PV system on the rear roof of the Hall. We will report more fully on this in the next issue.

If you are planning a party or other celebration or a fund-raising event Polruan Village Hall makes an excellent venue and with the insulation, double glazing and the new heaters it quickly heats up to be lovely and warm in cold weather. We are always delighted to have more 'hands on deck' when staging our regular events in aid of the Village Hall.

We are also in the 'market' for different fund-raising ideas. If you are interested in supporting our community hall and would like to put your name down to help out, or stand for the Village Hall Committee, please get in touch with any member of the Committee, send an email from our Website (polruan.org.uk)or phone Kathryn on 01726 870953. Our 2017 A.G.M. will be held on Tuesday October 31st at 6.30 p.m. in the hall, all are welcome.

Kathry n Hill for PVH Committee

## Entertainment at Whitecross Village Hall

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Mervyn will be at Whitecross Village Hall on Friday November 24th at 7.30. Tickets are £9 and are available on the door or by phoning 01726 870211 or 01726 870310 for a reservation.

Bring your own bottle. Nibbles, tea and coffee are included in the price.

## AN INVITATION

written in 1946 by A Hendy

Oh! come to Polruan in Springtime as she wakes from her winter sleep.
When the blackbird and thrush sing their love song and the baby birds twitter and

cheep.

When the primroses gladden the hedgerows, wild violets and thyme scent the air Green and springy the turf on Pencarrow, in Spring 'tis a joy to be there.

Oh! come to Polruan in summer, there is magic wherever you turn,

In the sun-kissed waves all a glitter, in the lanes bright with foxglove and fern. Spend long lazy hours on the river, with never a purpose or goal,

just to look for the Shags and the Herons or the kingfisher down by Penpol.

Then swim till you feel like a mermaid on some pebbly beach take your tea, there may be a shortage of water but there'll always be some in the sea. And when in the gathering shadows fish leap while gulls soar overhead, just steer your boat back to harbour and come home to supper and bed.

Oh! come to Polruan in Autumn when the bracken is turning to gold, when the hills and the valleys around you are teeming with treasures untold. Hips and haws glow red on the bushes and mushrooms may grow at your feet. there's a soft purple bloom on the bullace, the blackberries are luscious and sweet. And if you've an urge for the ocean your sail you may quickly unfurl and cast your line to catch mackerel with their lustre of opal and pearl.

Don't come to Polruan in winter, the rain seems to rain every day. The wild wind rattles the windows and roars as a beast for it's prey. The wet ferry boat gives you rheumatics, the sea fog a cold in the chest, the rough unlit streets are a menace in this little grey town in the West. Should you turn to the fireside for comfort the smoke in the chimneys blows down If you don't wish to be smoked like a kipper you had better spend Christmas in town.



## Polruan Age Concern

We would all like to say thank you to all those who attended our Coffee Morning at Whitecross. Thank you to everyone to gave cakes and raffle prizes and of course all the helpers. We raised £221.

Is there anyone you know who is aged 70 or over who would be eligible for this year's Christmas voucher? If so please ring K. Welsh 01726870510 or Di Wilton 01726870746.

The Age Concern Christmas Party will be on Monday December 11th at Whitecross Village Hall. The bus will collect from the Well, Greenbank and the bottom of Cliff Rise at 11.30. For more information phone K. Welsh 870510 or Di Wilton 870746

We would all like to say thanks to Polruan Surgery for holding the flu jab sessions at the WI Hall. It makes it so much easier than having to queue outside the Surgery. Thanks to all those from Age Concern who provided Tea and Coffee.

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From Gill Palmer

Timmy the tractor's replacement arrived in the yard. Second hand of course. I was horrified. It was so big, the tyres are really wide. There is no way I am going to drive it on the road. It would be nice to trade yet again and get something smaller for Lorna and I to drive, but I am supposed to be retired now so it is up to the boys to decide what they want.

Matthew's party was a great success. The harvest was finished the day before so everyone could have a good time. The weather was perfect too, so unusual for this Summer. If it had been one week later the tents on the lawn would have washed away.

Three and three quarter inches of rain in less than twenty four hours. Trevarder road was badly flooded and impassable except for tractors. When Simon tried to unblock the drains it flooded the Frogmore lawns and then raced down the drive and into the road. This then flooded the bottom road. You can't beat the weather whatever you do. The geese were thrilled. They were swimming on the lawn having a great time.

This week, the last week in September is the dreaded TB test yet again. It is really stressful. It took a days work to prepare the cattle sheds, checking the gates, putting clean straw down and silage etc. Then we had to bring all the cattle in from the fields, that always causes traffic jams on the road. Most people are really patient and understanding, waiting for the cattle to pass yet a few are really impatient. The animals were not happy to be shut into the sheds. There is still fresh green grass to eat in the fields and the weather, although wet is still warm. They complained loudly all night.

The vet arrived at nine thirty on Tuesday morning and we decided to test the bunch with Frank the bull in first. On our last test, sixty days ago Frank was too big to go through the cattle crush. The vet had to inject him twice in the neck without him being restrained. Because he didn't know

what was happening he stood still. We had to buy a bigger cattle crush for this test because for sure he would remember two painful injections this time.

Frank is usually quite a good tempered chap but he didn't want to go through the race and into the crush. He turned his back on it and refused to move. Ben managed to turn him around but he still wouldn't move and although Ben is a prop in rugby and used to pushing in the scrum he was no match for a one ton bull who doesn't want to move. There was no other option than to patiently wait for him to move. When he saw that all his cows had gone through he decided he would too. Although the new crush is much bigger than the other one it was still a tight fit for him. I hope he will go through again for the results day on Friday.

Three days seems an age to wait for the results. We aren't too hopeful of going clear, there is TB all around us but fingers crossed. We still need another test in sixty days whatever the result. We would just like to be able to buy and sell cattle again without restrictions.

I was talking to a lorry driver yesterday who travels all over the country. He said that in every major motorway station there are huge posters saying Save the badgers. I wish the people who pay for these posters to be printed could have witnessed the shooting of a beautiful young cow. She was due to calve in a couple of weeks. We had to stand a watch as her baby struggled for life for two minutes inside it's dead Mother. Meanwhile the badgers sleep safely in their setts.

On a happier note did you see any of the big bale sculptures along the roads. All the Cornish young farmers clubs have done one for the YFC week. Pelynt had a huge panda bear in the field on the road to Looe. I think it will be there for a while so look out for it if you are passing. The charities they are supporting this year are for CLIC. Sargent which is a charity for children with cancer and leukaemia, and also for research into Parkinson's disease. Both good causes. If you can attend any fund raising events from big breakfasts, auctions or quizzes etc or even ordering logs and farmyard manure for your gardens all your money will go to these good causes. These young people work so hard with very little praise or thanks but have really good fun doing it

PS.The TB test was clear thank goodness. We need another clear test in sixty days before movement restrictions are lifted.





## Can you tell your Old Man's Beard from your Witches' Whiskers?

These oddly descriptive and rather cheeky names belong to some of our region's hidden woodland treasures, the lichens. Unsurprisingly not many of us could point them out on a woodland walk yet the south west's coastal and upland woods (known as Atlantic woodlands) are some of the richest places for lichens, mosses and liverworts in the British Isles. Plantlife with funding from the National Lottery and the support of regional partners wants people to know more about the woodlands on their doorstep so that we can value them more and do more for their conservation.

Over the next 12 months we will be developing the 'Building Resilience in South West Woodlands' project and we want to hear from the people who live near these woods, work in or visit the area. Let us know what you think about the woodlands of Dartmoor, Exmoor, North Devon, North Cornwall and the Quantock Hills.

Tell us what activities you would like to get involved with. To do this go to <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/">www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/</a>
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Now back to those beards and whiskers.. On your next woodland walk have a look into the branches of hawthorn, oak, ash and birch trees to see if you can find either of these lichens. Both are nationally fairly rare but can be abundant in some of the south west's older native woodlands as they prefer to live in the clean, light and damp conditions they provide.

### Witches' Whiskers (Usnea florida)

With its huge hairy wart-like discs, this grey-green lichen can't be mistaken for any other. The discs are the fruits of the lichen and can grow up to 1cm across although they can be much smaller.

## Old Man's Beard (Usnea species)

Sometimes sticking up on branches and sometimes dangling from them in clumps, these 'usnea' lichens are made up of thin, round, grey-green threads and are reminiscent of a tangled beard.

To hear Plantlife's Alastair Moralee talk about the project on BBC Radio Devon go to <a href="https://twitter.com/Love\_plants/status/907228502394634240">https://twitter.com/Love\_plants/status/907228502394634240</a>



### HIGHER WINDMILL ALLOTMENTS

Who are those cheery folk around the village who have permanent suntans always on holiday somewhere warm abroad? No, they are probably Polruan allotment holders who are used to being out in the fresh air tending their crops. You see them coming out of those gates at the top of the hill carrying their produce down into the village throughout the year.

This season we have had success with onions, courgettes, various beans, beetroot, turnips, leaks, parsnips, squashes, cabbage, caulis, lettuce, strawberries, raspberries, rhubarb..... the list goes on. The plots of those who grow flowers have been (and still are) a picture. It hasn't been a great year for potatoes though... blight.

Why not join the allotment society and start saving money on fresh veg and fruit? It's a good social and family activity that doesn't need to take an inordinate amount of time and the kids love getting involved. If you don't know a lot about gardening don't worry... there's lots of advice from other allotment holders. Now is the time to start preparing a plot (or half plot) for the new season.

A few plots and half plots are available now. If you are interested in having one, have a chat with Colin in The Winkle Picker or ring Nicola on 870911.



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## Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council Chairman's Report September 2017

Council Meetings: The Council meets on the last Tuesday of each month at Whitecross Village Hall with the exception of August. The Annual Parish meeting and any additional meetings will be at the Polruan WI Hall. We are pleased to see so many members of the public at these meetings. All matters are discussed in full Council meetings where decisions are made by the whole Council. We value your comments and questions so please keep attending, and make any point that concerns you during the time allowed for public participation. The Neighbourhood Plan meetings are also held at Whitecross Village Hall on the second Tuesday of each month. Details of all meetings, agendas and minutes can be found on our website.

Betty Woons/Hewans sign: The Council had been advised that the Cornish Language Panel were of the opinion that Betty Woons would be the correct option. But, in accordance with local knowledge provided to the Council by residents, we have decided to request the new sign in the name of Betty Hewans.

Parking: There may be space for additional parking in Polruan behind the new Fire Station. The Council is to seek to establish ownership. During the summer residents made us aware of difficulties in parking in Bodinnick caused by the number of contractors working on two adjacent properties on New Road (the road to the Ferry). This has been referred to the Case Officer at County Hall who has agreed to serve a Planning Contravention Notice on one of the sites to establish the contractors and subcontractors' businesses, their vehicles and all other vehicles registered to any employee at the site. Site visits will be made.

## 20 mile per hour Speed Limits:

Mr Adrian Drake of Cormac has provided a copy of the previous traffic speed survey results in Polruan. These acknowledge there wasn't a speeding issue before the introduction of the 20mph limit. When the 30mph limit was in place the mean speed was at or around 20mph. Accident statistics do not suggest the area is dangerous. The size of the signage is all that is legally permitted. Cllr Hannaford has requested a temporary speed sign, but there is a waiting list. We already know that to purchase a flashing LED sign would cost in the region of £9000 pounds, which could not be justified.

Lanteglos Neighbourhood Plan: The volunteers have now completed the local landscape character assessments and Ms Liz Luck will be compiling them into a coherent report with appropriate images. We have put back the timing of the public exhibition to the end of the year, between Christmas and the beginning of the school term. This then is an opportunity for residents, including our youngsters to look at what we have drawn together and add to it. To coincide with this we will also launch the more detailed survey that is currently in draft. We cannot cover every inch or every little byway, but your knowledge will augment what we have. All of this then becomes part of the evidence for the Neighbourhood Plan and it will carry considerable weight when it comes to examination and referendum.

Several Councillors attended an Affordable Housing meeting in Polruan. Cornwall Council has proposed to offer for sale two Council-owned properties in Chapel Lane. We thought it would be a better solution for some of the money from the recent West Street house sale to be used to refurbish these properties, and then they could be re-let to local people. This suggestion is under consideration by Cornwall Council.

Please get in touch with us through the website or by email.

Cllr Dr Pat Moore

Chairman: Lanteglos by Fowey Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Website; <a href="www.lanteglosbyfowey.org.uk">www.lanteglosbyfowey.org.uk</a> Email: <a href="mailto:clerk@lanteglosbyfowey.org.uk">clerk@lanteglosbyfowey.org.uk</a>

Meetings of the Parish Council are held on the last Tuesday of the month in the Whitecross Village Hall, commencing at 7pm. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend.

## Planning Applications -

PA17/07693, Rose Cottage, 13 Chapel Lane, Polruan – alterations and extensions to existing property including dormer and rear external steps. Members supported this application.

PA17/07983, Seaways, Cliff Rise, Polruan – alterations to dwelling including erection of replacement garage and games room extension with associated works. An objection had been received, and it was understood the architect had dealt with these points. Members supported this application.

PA17/08859, Pendennick, New Road, Fowey - tree works to fell two large Monterey pine trees subject to a TPO. Members had no objection to this application.

PA17/08937, 18 Ocean View, Polruan - conversion of garage to additional accommodation with 1st floor extension over and proposed entrance porch including other alterations. Members supported this application.

## Planning Applications Approved by Cornwall Council - information only.

PA17/04632, Land Adj. to 17 Kendall Park, Polruan – outline planning for proposed housing development of 5 dwellings with associated access. PA17/05012, Trethake Mill, Road from Pol-Tec Lane to Junction E of Tredudwell Cottage, Highway – removal of conditions 4 and 5 in respect of decision notice 5/10/81/00959/FLB dated 02.11.81.

PA17/05246, Three Quarter Cottage, Bodinnick – demolition of glass conservatory to be replaced with side extension plus other various proposed works. It appeared to be very close to the existing footprint.

PA17/05491, 18 Meadow Close, Polruan - alterations and additions to existing dwelling including 3-storey extension to side, conservatory extension at rear, replacement porch and some external cladding.

PA17/05683, Wycherley, 16 Meadow Close, Polruan - garage extension.

PA17/06314, Highview, Lanteglos Highway - formation of a double garage.

PA17/06336, Reading Room, West Street, Polruan - LBC: replacement of two softwood single-glazed sash windows with two hardwood double-glazed sash windows.

PA17/06361, 10 Ocean View, Polruan - conversion of existing garage to kitchen/diner with front extension and new roof.

PA17/07228, The Cider House, Yeate Farm, New Road, Fowey - install replacement windows and door to ground floor of property.

PA17/07229, The Cider House, Yeate Farm, New Road, Fowey - LBC to install replacement windows and door to ground floor of property.

## Enforcement Cases -

EN17/00177, 4 Bones Meadow, Greenbank, Polruan – alleged construction of gabion basket design wall not being built in accordance with approved plans PA15/09540; namely safety concerns associated with the wall which is leaning out over the public footway and also the path which had not been surfaced. Case officer, Felicity Copplestone reported Information had been provided by the developer which is being assessed by planning enforcement, highways structures and engineering. Investigation remains ongoing.

EN17/00760, Old Fire Station, Townsend – outside area being used to sell cars. The Case officer, Ms Felicity Copplestone reported the case had been closed as a recent site visit revealed that the vehicles for sale had been removed.

Members reported that vehicles with trade plates were parked on the road at the weekend. The Clerk report this to Public Protection. EN17/01604, Pieds Dans L'Eau, Lantegos – alleged breach of condition 5 (Construction Traffic Management Plan) of PA15/11192; namely contractors parking on road and not within the site compound. Case officer: Ms Felicity Copplestone reported that following several site visits it had been agreed to serve a Planning Contravention Notice to establish the contractors and subcontractors businesses, their vehicles and all other vehicles registered to any employee at the site. This can then be cross referenced to evidential photographs gained during site visits at the car park and surrounding areas.

## Christmas when I was young

by the late Mavis Cocks I'm 80 years old now but I can most vividly remember the lovely Christmas times when I was young. Not many things were shop-bought then like they are today. Our mothers made all of it themselves - mincemeat, Christmas puddings and cakes, ginger wine etc. Even the apples used to be picked and laid out on newspapers and stored for winter use. For weeks before the actual Christmas our homes were filled with the most delicious smells, especially when it was saffron cake that was being baked. We children helped by cutting up the peel - no sharp knives though - and stoning the raisins (all bought ready to use now). We grated the nutmeg and what a lovely smell that was. We helped stir the mixture and always made a wish. My mother always made a "taster" when she made the Christmas puddings and I remember my brother Eric and myself used to race home after school for the first slice of this "taster". Our saffron cake was delicious and I can remember staying down quite late with my mother and watching her turn the big stug of cake around in front of the coal fire so that with the evenly distributed heat the yeast in the cake would work and made the cake mixture rise. She wouldn't go to bed till that happened. The mixture was so rich you could have eaten it as it was, but of course it was to be cooked. A most delicious smell and taste.

We never bought a tree. My father would pull up Pont way in his boat and get a holly one and this was always tied to the ceiling. We children made most of the decorations to go on it and of course there were the apples and little sugar mice to tie on as well. I believe oranges were rather more awkward. Our stockings were really clean worn ones and in the toe was always an orange and apple and nuts and some sweets and then one or two much appreciated games and toys.

We all went to Church or Chapel over the Christmas period and we all learnt the Christmas story at Sunday School and day school. Like today's children we all loved the carols. However, the memory I have of carols when I was a child is that of my father with lots of Polruan men going all around the district Christmas Eve singing carols and finishing at the Corner in Polruan and it is from those times that Polruan people adopted Rolling Downwards as their own carol.

We didn't have expensive presents. I remember my maternal grandmother gave her many grand-children a silver three-penny bit. My other grandmother bought her grand-children a little Christmas hankie from Mrs Congdon's shop. I can remember going in to this shop, which was next to my Gran's, and choosing these little hankies. And we loved it all however little it may seem today.

It is wonderful I'm sure that today Christmas poultry can be bought months before Christmas and put in a freezer along with the puddings and mince pies and cakes and gateaux - but oh my! Where are all the lovely smells gone and the excitement and how can you slip eagerly looked for little coins and charms into that tightly wrapped Christmas pudding? Such magic seems to be gone.

- LPN December 2006



## Memories of Polruan by the late Mavis R. Cocks

Over the years the late Mavis Cocks provided us with a wonderful insight into life in this Parish before, during and after the second world war through her regular articles in the Lanteglos Parish News.

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## Christmas Fare

### Delia Smith's Homemade Christmas Mincemeat with Cranberries

This recipe comes with a warning: once you have tasted home-made mincemeat you will never buy it again. In the past people had problems storing mincemeat because the high proportion of fruit oozed too much juice and the juice started to ferment. In this recipe the mincemeat is placed in a barely warmed oven to let the suet melt gradually, and as this happens it coats the fruit and seals in all the juices.

1 lb (450g) fresh cranberries 8oz (225g) Bramley apples, cored and chopped small (no need to peel them) 8oz (225g) shredded suet (can be vegetar-

12oz (350g) raisins

8oz (225g) sultanas

8oz (225g) currants

8oz (225g) whole mixed candied peel, finely chopped

12oz (350g) soft dark brown sugar Grated zest and juice of 2 oranges Grated zest and juice of 2 lemons 2oz (50g) whole almonds, cut into slivers 4 teaspoons ground mixed spice ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon A good grinding of fresh nutmeg 6 tablespoons brandy

You will also need 5 x 0.5 litre sterilised preserving jars

Combine all the above ingredients, except for the brandy, in a large ceramic mixing bowl, stirring them and mixing together very thoroughly indeed. Then cover the bowl with a clean tea-cloth and leave the mixture in a cool place overnight or for 12 hours, so the flavours have a chance to mingle and develop. After that pre-heat the oven to 225F (120C), cover the bowl loosely with foil and place in the oven for 3 hours

Remove the bowl from the oven and don't worry about the appearance of the mincemeat, which will look positively swimming in fat - that's how it should look. As it cools, stir it from time to time so that everything gets a coating of melted suet. When the mincemeat is quite cold, stir in the brandy and pack into sterilised jars, cover with waxed discs and seal. This will keep in a dark cupboard indefinitely but is best eaten within a year of making

## **Best Ever Cranberry Sauce**

(Jill Selkirk's recipe)

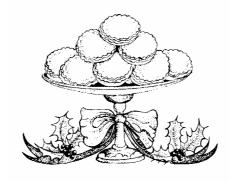
8 oz cranberries 1 orange About 1 ths finely chopped fresh ginger 4 oz sugar Cinnamon - to taste Allspice - to taste

Pick over cranberries. Peel orange and cut peel into julienne strips. Squeeze the juice from the orange.

Place all ingredients in a saucepan, cover

with a lid and cook gently until berries are just soft. If the berries are frozen you can leave the lid off to let some of the liquid evaporate.

Make double quantity and freeze some.



### Mince Pies

- the lighter version (well, slightly)

Makes about 36

If you feel there is sometimes too much pastry in mince pies, try this delicious version from Richard Bertinet of the Bertinet Kitchen in Bath. Put a covering of frangipane (almond cream) flavoured with rum and topped with flaked almonds on the top instead of the pastry lid. You can make your own shortcrust pastry for the base or buy some ready-made. Remember that mince pies can be made well in advance of Christmas and frozen until required.

750g sweet shortcrust pastry 200g unsalted butter 200g caster sugar 200g ground almonds 50g plain flour 2 large eggs 2 tbs rum or brandy 1 jar of luxury mincemeat (about 400g) Flaked almonds to decorate (optional) Icing sugar, to dust

Preheat the oven to 180C / Gas 4 and butter three 12 hole jam-tart tins

Roll out the pastry on a lightly floured surface until quite thin. Using a cutter, cut out rounds just larger than the holes in the tin. Press a round gently into each hole, then put in the fridge for half an hour to relax (this helps to stop the pastry shrinking in the oven).

For the frangipane, beat the butter until very soft (ideally in a food mixer but elbow power will do it if you spend long enough) then gradually add the sugar and ground almonds. Mix in the flour, followed by the eggs and finally the rum or brandy.

Half fill the pastry cases with mincemeat, then spoon a heaped teaspoon of frangipane over the top of each one and smooth it over. Sprinkle with a few flaked almonds if you like.

Bake for about 25 minutes until golden brown. Cool a little in the tin, then remove and finish cooling on a wire rack. Dust with icing sugar and serve.

## Mrs Murtleberry's Nut Roast

From Maarit Green

A vegetarian alternative to the Christmas roast. So successful in our house that it has become a firm favourite with the carnivores of the family as well as the veggies.

250g (9oz) mixed nuts (walnuts, hazelnuts, sesame seeds, almonds, cashews) Butter for greasing

100g (3\_oz (4 small) shallots, finely chopped

400g can chopped tomatoes, drained 3 eggs, beaten

150g gruyere or mature cheddar, grated

1 tsp fresh thyme or ½tsp dried

1 tbs fresh parsley, chopped

1 tsp chopped fresh mint or ½ tsp dried

2 tsp sov sauce

1 tsp fresh lemon juice

Pinch of salt

Freshly ground black pepper

Herb sprigs to decorate

Rich tomato sauce or gravy to serve

You will need a loaf tin of at least 150g capacity or a spring form cake tin

Place nuts in a dry frying pan over a medium heat. Toast, stirring gently, until golden and fragrant - don't burn. Remove to a bowl and leave to cool. Whizz in a food processor until finely chopped (but not pureed).

Preheat oven to 180 C/gas mark 4. Grease the loaf tin with butter. Line with baking paper and then grease the paper.

In a large bowl, combine the nuts with the shallots, tomatoes, eggs, cheese, herbs, soy sauce, lemon juice and seasoning. Mix thoroughly. Scoop the mixture into the tin and bake for 45 minutes to one hour, or until firm and golden. Cool slightly and then turn out onto a serving plate and peel off the paper. Decorate with herbs and serve with tomato sauce or the tahini sauce recipe given in the Parish News of Sep/Oct 2017.

## **Mulled Wine**

For one quart of mulled wine

1 teaspoon ground cloves 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon Half a chopped orange Half a chopped lemon 5 oz sugar 1 pint water

Bring all the ingredients to the boil and simmer for at least an hour. Strain through a muslin cloth and add the resultant syrup – it should be, or should be made up to, two-thirds of a pint - to a bottle of inexpensive but unvinegary red wine. Heat to just below boiling point.

The wineless mulling-syrup keeps almost indefinitely, and if you care for the finished article you can bottle a gallon of syrup at a time and summon up mulled wine at 5 minutes notice throughout the winter.



### WHITECROSS LOCAL PRODUCE MARKET

Don't forget that your local produce market keeps going right through the winter, on the first Saturday of every month, in Whitecross Village Hall. As autumn turns into winter, so the veg, fruit and fish on sale will change too – come along and stock up on the best of the season, like beetroot, leeks, cauiflowers, squashes and pumpkins, apples, pears, plums and onions, from Coppergon Produce, the Real Food Garden and Des & Val Libby. And Sam Chapman will be selling the best seasonal fish and shellfish from the day boats of Looe. A new first for the market this autumn is a stall selling local goat's cheese, milk and yoghurt.

And all the regular fantastic local produce will be on sale too, including:

Beef from the Dexter herd that grazes on Pencarrow Head

Cheeses from Cornish Gouda

A variety of meat, home-cured bacon, sausages and pies from Oakcroft Farm

Honey and preserves from Cox's Orchard
Bread and pastries from Crumpets Too
Cider, olive oil and eau de vie from Fowey Valley Cider
Beers from Castle Brewery and Fowey River Brewery
Homemade cakes from Di and Hannah Pearce
Homemade scones from Val Libby
Puddings from the Cornish Pudding Co.
Pork and goat's meat, chutneys, pickles and jams from Coppergon
Produce

Fresh bouquets from Brookside Flowers Handmade cards from Lorraine Dean

And don't forget it's a great place to meet up with friends, and enjoy a Liddicoat's pasty straight from the oven (book them early to avoid disappointment). You can even have a private meeting with our county councillor Edwina Hannaford, in the committee room of the village hall, during the market.

Please note: from November onwards, the market will be closing at 1pm instead of 2pm. We'll be changing the posters during October, but if we miss any and you spot old posters or cards displayed anywhere, please feel free to change the '2' to a '1'!

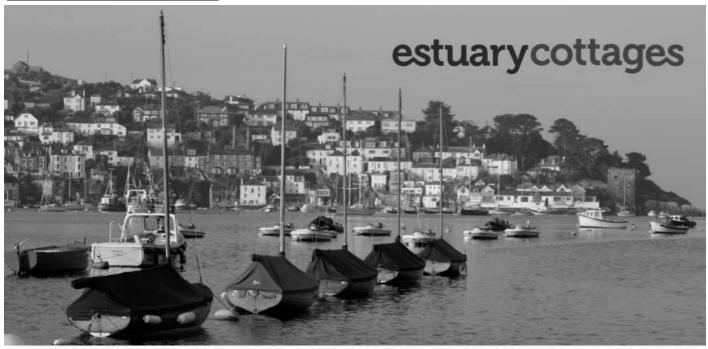
## Dates for your diary

Your next local produce market is Saturday 4th November, followed by Saturday 3rd December, and then Saturday 6th January for the first market of 2018.

The Lanteglos community bus leaves Polruan at 10.30 (calling at Well and Greenbank). The Fowey community bus leaves the decorated bus-stop at the top of town at 10am.

Any questions, please contact Liz on 01726 870542 or whitecrosslocalmarket@gmail.com

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## FOWEY ESTUARY N E W S



Fowey Harbour News - Great British Beach Clean

In late September, we again took part in the annual Great British Beach Clean survey organised by the Marine Conservation Society. This is a national survey of beach litter, the results of which show likely sources of litter. From this, campaigns can be developed to try to prevent litter from being dropped by beach visitors, flushed down the loo or lost overboard from ships and ending up on our beaches

Readymoney Cove and Whitehouse Beach were surveyed. As in previous years, only a very small amount of litter was collected. This is a testament to the efforts of the team of volunteers who clean these beaches on a daily basis throughout the summer. Thank you to everyone involved in this regular cleaning and especially to Sue and Roger Simpson who coordinate the volunteers.

We are also grateful to them and their team for cleaning the paddling pool at Whitehouse, this is a labour-intensive task and it is fantastic that people in our community are willing to do this for the benefit of locals and visitors during the summer season.

Fowey Harbour Commissioners continue to be 'Beach Champion' for the Bathing Water at Readymoney. During the bathing season (May to September) we monitor, on a daily basis, the predicted bathing water quality for the beach and display appropriate signage when bathing water quality may be affected by heavy rainfall or localised pollution incidents. The summer of 2017 has been particularly wet meaning we have attended more than in previous years, 27 times to date (mid-September) compared to 13 times in 2016! We are unsure yet how this wet summer will impact on the overall grading of water quality at Readymoney.

Our Harbour thrives through the efforts of our community who through the giving of their time and effort or generous donations, help to keep Fowey Harbour so special – Thank you!

Claire Hoddinott Environment Officer clairehoddinott@foweyharbour.co.uk



The Fowey Harbour 2018 Tide Calendar is now available from the Harbour Office for £5.50

The pictures below feature in full colour in the calendar



Polruan Carnival Day 2017



Red Arrows off Fowey - picture Peter Williams

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## IN THE GARDEN



L-R Jasminum nudiflorum; Erica carnea "vivellii" Viburnum farreri

## Winter in the Garden

Only in the tropics is it possible to have a garden ablaze with colour throughout the year. In temperate climates, there are peak months in summer and poor months in winter. But the winter garden need not be dreary if careful thought is given to the placement and selection of suitable plant material. Winter colour can be achieved in various ways. Although few in number there are certain winter flowers, as well as bright berries, coloured-leaved evergreens and trees with attractive barks. November through to February is the dullest time of the year and the period which needs to be considered most carefully. A winter walk in bad weather is scarcely inviting and indeed may not be possible for some members of the household, so plan for part of the winter garden to be visible from the

Such plants as heathers maintain their character for many weeks and naturally provide the backbone of winter displays. *Erica carnea* as 'King George' and 'Vivellii', both rich crimson, or 'Springwood White' and 'Pink Spangles'; nor *Erica x darleyensis* 'Arthur Johnson', pink, and 'Silk acceptable of the second of the sec

'Silberschmelze', white. All these are evergreen, tolerate most soils, even limy, put up with bad weather, do not snap their stems in storms and last for years yet keep on flowering, providing the house with useful material to blend with Algerian irises, early narcissi, anemones, and other winter blossoms.

Heathers look best when grown on undulating ground on hummocks and in valleys, an effect which can be produced by building upor removing soil in various places, then covering the whole bed with 3 in. (7.5 cm) of moist peat. If the heathers are planted out from pots, to avoid root disturbance 12-18 in. (30-40 cm.) apart, they establish themselves without trouble and in a year or two coalesce to

form broad patches of colour.

Taller winter-flowering shrubs include several deciduous viburnums, like *V. farreri* (*V. fragrans*) which begins blooming in October and continues producing stray blossoms until the new leaves appear in April; others are *V. grandiflorum* and *V. x bodnantense*, the latter a hybrid between the two species, with flower heads rather larger than those of *V. farreri* and pinker in bud. All grow to an eventual height of 12 ft(3.6 m), unless kept shorter by annual pruning, and all have fragrant flowers in compact heads, and neat privet-like leaves

Other winter-flowering shrubs which invariably please include the green catkined, evergreen *Garrya elliptica*, which is best grown as a wall plant; *Abeliophyllum distichum*, a slow grower with clusters of four-petalled, fragrant flowers of pinkish-white on the bare stems about February, and *Chimonanthus praecox* the winter sweet, aptly named since a single spray of its waxy, purple-blotched, yellow flowers will scent a fair-sized room. They are borne on the leafless branches in the midst of winter. *Jasminum nudii florum* usually shows its first starry, yellow blossoms around Christmas.

For winter berries the evergreen skimmias, for although not tall (they average 4 ft (1m)) their stems are smothered with scarlet berries for most of the year. It is essential, however, to have a male plant nearby as pollinator for the females. Skimmia japonica has fragrant white flowers in April and May which are as arresting as the berries, and S. reevesiana, although shorter, has the merit of being hermaphrodite so only one plant needs to be grown. Both are shade-tolerant. Bright berries are a feature of several cotoneasters, like C. conspicuous an evergreen shrub with scarlet fruits. The small, tree-like, deciduous C. frigidus is similarly laden with red berries.

## WEATHER

"December takes away everything and returns nothing". Perhaps it is the short days and the cloudy skies of December which make it seem a dismal month, and the relative absence of colour in the garden cannot help.

Fine, mild weather is, however, seldom welcomed at this time of the year. "A fair day in winter is the mother of a storm" is often true, and out-of-season conditions always seem to prompt a feeling that retribution is to follow.

Such unusually fine days in winter are often known as a 'borrowed day' which has to be paid back later.

How true - remember the frost damage to many Cornish gardens in the early part of the year. It will pay to take a few simple precautions now to protect tender plants now. Mulch using compost or leaf mould or use horticultural fleece or straw retained by chicken wire.

With the rebirth of the sun at Christmas, the New Year opens up the promise of a new gardening year.



## WHITECROSS GARDENING CLUB

16th November

Beyond Iris - the wider iris family

Julian Sutton

A welcome return to Julian from Desirable Plants Nursery who always informs and delights us.

Plants For Sale

14th December

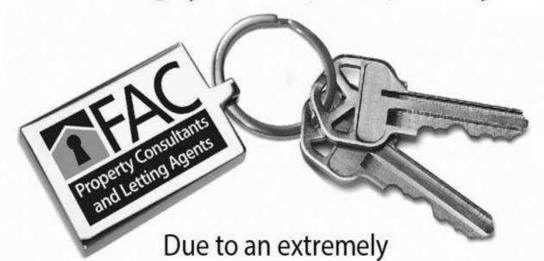
Christmas Party

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## KIDZ KLUB

Kidz Klub turned 10 years old in September and we partied on Sunday 17th September! We started with a lively family-friendly service in St Saviour Church at 11 a.m. Kidz Klub and Youth Club members and leaders took part in a Biblical drama instead of a Bible reading and enthusiastically led the singing of several Holiday Club favourite songs. This was followed by cutting and eating a celebration cake with a 'cuppa' or a mug of squash. Then, from 1 p.m., there was a buffet lunch plus games, face painting, glitter tattoos, a craft table and a slide show of Kidz Klub and Holiday Club over the years in Polruan Village Hall. This was followed by a most enjoyable Talent Show. There was, of course, also a Raffle. The occasion was a celebration, not a fund-raising event but the Raffle raised £88.60 and there were donations of £17.59 for which we are very grateful.

Both the service and the afternoon events were well attended by present Kidz Klub and Youth Club members and their families. We were pleased to welcome Shelley Porter representing the Diocese and Edwina Hanniford our Cornwall Councillor to our celebrations. We were a bit disappointed that very few former members could come but some sent greetings and memories which were shared in the service.

Kidz Klub which is for Primary School children continues to meet in Polruan Village Hall on alternate Fridays in term time. The dates for the rest of this term are November 10th when we hope to have an outing to I-Bounce and December 1st which will be our Christmas Party.

Youth Club for youngsters at secondary school or at college meets on the alternate Fridays to Kidz Klub. The remaining meetings are November 3rd [a sleepover in Polruan Village Hall], November 17th [an outing, probably to a cinema] and December 8th [Christmas Disco].

New members are always welcome – talk to Kathryn [870953] or Bonnie [870436] if you want more details

## NEWS FROM THE TOWN TRUST

The new fence to one side of the Bound is now in place. It has been agreed that a few Hydrangea bushes can be planted on the Bound.

Planning permission for double-glazed timber windows in the Reading Room has been granted and an order for the windows has been made which will be funded by the Reading Room members.

Progress is still awaited regarding the Quay leases and the surrender of Vevery Resevoir but South West Water appear to have had a change of mind as to the form of the lease for the Quay which the Trustees are very happy with.

As he has moved away from the Village, Trustee Doug Blake no longer fits the criteria and therefore has resigned. We would like to record our thanks for his service as a Trustee over many years. In view of this the Trustees have followed procedure and minuted that they have a Casual Vacancy which they will fill by co-option. This means that we have to find someone to serve as a Trustee for the remaining part of the 3-year term to which Doug Blake was elected. If anyone would like to be considered for this vacancy will they please advise our Clerk Colin Wilson on 870118.



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## **LANTEGLOS PARISH COUNCIL**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

As local residents know, there is a ongoing problem caused by seagulls ripping open plastic rubbish bags, strewing around the unsanitary contents 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 gullproof sack

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

## PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE GULLS



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The first event at Whitecross Village Hall this season will be a talk by Dr Helen Wilson.

## Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm, The Pinwell Sisters, Woodcarvers of Ermington and Plymouth.

Mary, Ethel and Violet worked as woodcarvers from at least 1889, setting up their own company, Rashleigh, Pinwell & Co. Violet became the sole proprietor, establishing a large workshop in Plymouth. By the time she died in 1957 Pinwell woodcarvings featured in 185 churches in Devon and Cornwall.

Dr Wilson has written several papers on the Pinwell sisters and has given many talks on their inspirational role as talented woodcarvers.

## Friday 8th December, Fowey Parish Rooms, Brown's Hill, Fowey.

Stuart Hunkin will give a talk about **South Coast Barges.** 

Stuart tells of the involvement of his family in trading along the south coast of Devon and Cornwall in sailing barges during the early  $20^{\rm th}$  century.

Entrance for each event - £6.00 to include refreshments – members half price. www.foweyharbourheritage.org.uk secretary 01726 833749



"The last man in Crantock stocks (circa. 1817) was William Tinney of West Pentire, a smuggler's son and a vagabond. He robbed, with violence, a widow woman of Cubert parish and was placed, to abide justice, in Crantock stocks, then standing in the church tower.

By negligence or design he was insufficiently secured and shortly afterwards appeared on the top of the tower. He had cut the rope from the tenor bell and by this he lowered himself to the nave roof. Climbing to the eastern gable of the choir and sliding down it, he dropped to the churchyard grass and in the sympathetic view of certain village worthies bolted, got off to sea and was never brought to justice or seen in the neighbourhood again.

This record was taken down in April 1896 by George Metford Parsons, vicar, from the testimony of Richard Chegwhidden of Crantock, he being then 88 years of age and well remembering as a witness the events described.'

St Carantoc's Church in Crantock, near Newquay

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## **RNLI Polruan**

As the summer season has come to an end, shore and waterborne activities are decreasing, for both locals and visitors. However, the season went out with a bang in August for our local RNLI crew.

On 17 August, the brilliant Red Arrows enthralled the town of Fowey and those on the hills above Polruan, with a flotilla of small boats watching from outside the harbour. The All-weather lifeboat Corinne Whitely put to sea for the duration of the display, due to the difficulty of exiting the harbour if there was a shout with so many small vessels in the harbour entrance. This tactic was proved correct, as just as the lifeboat was returning to base, a pan pan broadcast to the Coastguard was received from a vessel broken down and sinking.

Quickly, the casualty speedboat was spotted from the bridge of the lifeboat, about to sink. The seven people on board were immediately taken to safety aboard the lifeboat.



Half the casualty vessel was now below the surface of the water, but the crew of the lifeboat managed to get three lines secured to it to stop it sinking completely. It was then towed very slowly into Fowey harbour where the seven casualties were helped ashore.

Then, with assistance from the Fowey Harbour Commissioners' vessels, the boat was carefully towed to Penmarlam Quay where it was run ashore.

On 28 August, the All-weather lifeboat was called out to a broken-down angling boat with two men on board, three miles south of Polperro, The boat, which had been drifting with a fuel problem, was taken in tow and brought into Fowey.

Two days later, a similar shout saw the *Corinne Whitely* respond to a call for help off Mevagissey. The casualty was an inflatable with four anglers on board, whose engine had broken down. Unbeknown to those on board at the time, the damage to their outboard engine had been caused the day before, when they had themselves had been involved in the rescue of a small yacht. This time, they, their inflatable and all their equipment was lifted aboard the lifeboat and all delivered safely to Fowey harbour.

Finally, we must say farewell and thank you to the *Corinne Whitely*. Our volunteer crew had collected her from Courtmacsherry, Ireland, back in April, while our own *Maurice and Joyce Hardy* was lifted for a complete refit. During her time with us, the *Corinne Whitely* has been on 10 training exercises, including four with the rescue helicopter from Newquay, as well as attending lifeboat days at Charlestown, Mevagissey, Pentewan, Polruan and Fowey.

She has responded to 13 shouts in that time, enabling our volunteers to bring home 33 people to safety. Amazing!

Eric Lockyear, branch secretary

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