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| Alternate Wed           | Recycling. 14 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> March               |
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| Every 4 weeks           | Mobile Library: Glebe Place 10.25am - 10.45am. 7 <sup>th</sup> March |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday  | Kennack Sands Beach Clean, 10 am. 4 <sup>th</sup> March              |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday  | Parish Council meeting, Meth Chapel, 7.30pm. 12 <sup>th</sup> March  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday | Soup, Pasty & Pud, Methodist Chapel, 12.15pm. 20 <sup>th</sup> March |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday | History Group in the Ruan Store Café, 10 am. 20 <sup>th</sup> March  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday | Quiz in the Village Hall, 7.30pm. 27 <sup>th</sup> March             |
| Mon & Thurs             | Short Mat Bowling, Village Hall, 7.00pm                              |
| Tues & Thurs            | Yoga at the Pavilion, 6pm  |
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| Every Thurs             | Market and Refreshments, Village Hall, 9.00am - 11.30am              |
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#### MARCH (SEE "WHAT'S ON" FOR MORE DETAILS)

| 2 March  | Grade Ruan PTFA AGM, Grade Ruan school. 9am               |
|----------|---|
| 7 March  | Cadgwith Book Club, Cadgwith Cove Inn 8pm                 |
| 10 March | RMFC Home to Rosudgeon, 2.30pm                            |
| 17 March | Spring Flower Show. Ruan Minor Village Hall opens 2.30 pm |
|          | RMFC Home to Frogpool, 2.30pm                             |
| 25 March | British Summer Times starts 1am                           |
| 29 March | Last day of Spring Term                                   |
|          |   |

#### ADVANCE DATES

| 1 April        | Easter Sunday  |
|----------------|--|
| 16 April       | First day of Summer Term                                     |
| 4 - 6 May      | World Pilot Gig Championships, Isles of Scilly               |
| 28 May - 1 Jun | Summer Half Term   |
| 26 - 28 May    | May Festival at the Recreation Ground                        |
| 9 June         | Midsummer Music, see "What's On" for details                 |
| 14 July        | Folk Day Cadgwith Cove Inn                                   |
| 24 July        | End of Summer Term   |
| 25 July        | Beach BBQ, organised by the Lights Committee                 |
| 28 July        | Buller Day   |
| 1 August       | Beach BBQ, organised by the Rec Committee                    |
| 5 August       | Vintage Rally  |
| 8 August       | Beach BBQ, organised by the Gig Club                         |
| 15 August      | Beach BBQ, organised by the Lights Committee                 |
| 19 August      | Cadgwith Fishing Festival                                    |
| 22 August      | Beach BBQ, organised by the Rec Committee                    |
| 26 August      | Cadgwith Regatta, weather permitting, otherwise 27 August    |
| 29 August      | Beach BBQ, organised by the Gig Club                         |
| 1 September    | Mania and Marine Watch, see "What's On" for details          |
| 4 September    | Start of Autumn Term   |
| 13 October     | Autumn Show  |
| 22 - 26 Oct    | Autumn Half Term   |
| 10 November    | Film Night in the Village Hall, more details nearer the time |
| 1 December     | Christmas Lights Switch-on                                   |
| 20 December    | End of Autumn Term   |

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#### CONTRIBUTIONS

Please send contributions to the Editor's email address shown below. Paper contributions can be put in the Gazette Box on the right of the shelves by the main window in Ruan Minor Stores. The deadline is the 18<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication.

Articles may need to be split over more than one issue, and might be edited.

If you have a photograph, painting or drawing that could be used on the front cover, please send it to the Editor.

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# Noticeboard

Derek Agutter OBE, passed away peacefully on 19<sup>th</sup> February, aged 90, at home in Ruan Minor. He was a well known and much loved part of our community and will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

Derek's funeral will be at 11am on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at St. Ruan Church, with everyone welcome at the Village Hall afterwards. No flowers please, but donations in aid of the Friends of St. Ruan and St. Grade Historic Church Buildings charity would be appreciated.



This is the first issue of Volume 32 of the Grade Ruan Gazette. I wonder if the group of enthusiasts who published the first Gazette all those years ago could have foreseen that it would still be going 32 years later. We do depend on contributions from our readers - Sally and I are editors, not news gatherers. We edit and format the input we receive from others, so please do keep it coming.

The October issue featured Derek the Cadgwith seagull on the front cover. Sadly, Derek was found dead in the road outside Simon and Lorraine Bradley's house one day, having presumably been hit by a vehicle when he came up looking for breakfast. He had become quite a well known character in the area and will be missed, not least by Simon and Lorraine who had been devoted in their care of him.

The days are getting longer and spring is in the air, even if the temperatures are still a little on the low side. The "Dates for the Diary" section is filling up for the summer. Let me know if you have any events to go in, as it's a good reference to try to ensure that events don't clash.

#### Moira Hurst

Happy birthday in March to: Basil Bolitho, Peggy Thompson, Matilda P, Mark Outten, Brian Jenkins, Henry Peate, Juliet Edwards, Paddy Alfrey-Cryan, Jake Woodley, Toby Goddard, Jane Vowles, Arthyen B, Norma Gossip, Olivia Mae C, David Rogers (a big 0), Jessica Bennet, Tilly Alfrey-Cryan, Jake Scolding, Teagan R, Jamma Phillips, Jenny Scolding, Mel Downing, Susan Stephens, Ali Russell, Treve Harry, Alfie W, Terry Stephens, Bruce Jane,

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See pages 42 and 43 for more photographs.



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Abigail T, Paul Collins, Jimmy Quirke, Sheila Collins, Brian Brown, Sophie Rose J, Deborah Stephens

# From David Endean, on behalf of the Spring Show Committee:

St Patrick's Day, 17<sup>th</sup> March, sees our annual spring flower show. We would love to see as many of you as possible. Please fit it in between the rugby as we hope England will be going for a Grand Slam decider with Ireland. There are lots of classes to enter and help is on hand from the Committee with any questions that you may have, and in the afternoon teas and cake to sample while you have a chat.

Last year saw the 70<sup>th</sup> Grade Ruan Autumn show. Alas we are unsure how long the Spring show has been going on. We just know it is not quite as long as 70 years. Do you have any memorabilia that may help, perhaps something that we may make a copy of? Last time I made an appeal I was lucky enough to gain access to someone's scrapbook of life in Ruan Minor from 1971. Very interesting. In amongst it was a press clipping about the Spring show. How cute must Danny Phillips have been whilst presenting button holes to the opener

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#### Noticeboard, cont ....

with his sister Mandy.

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you.

# From Jeb Preston, on behalf of the Grade Ruan Parish Council:

The Parish Council has been asked by RNAS Culdrose for feedback on an 'Airspace Change Proposal' document, by 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

It details a proposed amendment of airspace surrounding Predannack airfield for use by Unmanned Air Systems, or military drones.

There is a copy of the Consultation

Document in Ruan Minor Store / Cafe; and if you have enquiries or feedback please contact: the Chair of the Council: chairman@grpc.org.uk / 07964215277, or the Parish Clerk: clerk@grpc.org.uk / 07773194876.

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#### SHORT MAT BOWLS

Sessions are held on Monday and Thursday evenings at 7.00pm. It doesn't matter whether you're a beginner or seasoned campaigner, come along and have a go. It's only £1 per session and you get tea, coffee and biscuits thrown in. Spare bowls are available.

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#### <u>QUIZ NIGHT</u>

Quizzes are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month and its fun for all the family. It's £1 per person including tea, coffee and biscuits or you can BYO if you prefer. The contest begins at 7.30pm. Any changes to dates will be notified on the Village notice boards.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

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Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018

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#### What's On - continued



# Mania and Marine Watch

# Programme 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018

**11am** MG's arrive and assemble in Ruan Minor Village Hall Car Park (signposted)

11am - 12pm Coffee will be served and an introduction to the day given. Meanwhile we will meet and greet visitors and MG enthusiasts who have come to see the cars on display.

**12pm – 1pm** The cars will parade through the village and down to the picturesque Cadgwith Cove, returning by a different route. Approx. 5 miles in total.

1pm - 2pm A sit down, cold buffet lunch will be served in the Village Hall. We will have a licensed bar for those not driving alongside plenty of non-alcoholic alternatives.

We hope to enjoy Jazz/Boogywoogy music performed by our very own Jonathan Coudrille if his diary permits.

2pm - 3.30pm An illustrated talk and film from Richard and Pat Palmer (crew member).

#### The 1992/3 British Steel Challenge Around The World Yacht Race (East to West)

The first ever of its kind, it was dubbed the 'the toughest yacht race ever' by the media as they were convinced that it would end in tragedy!

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The timings allow for introduction, explanations and questions/answers at the end.

**3.30pm** approx. Tea and biscuits will be served before we say goodbye, mindful of the fact that members will want to drive home in daylight.

**Tickets** will be priced at  $\pounds 12$  per head and will include morning coffee, afternoon tea, a buffet lunch and the film/talk. Whilst we are very happy for you to pay on the day, due to potential demand we would ask that you book your places in advance please.

All profits will be given to 'The Friends of St Ruan and St Grade Historic Church Buildings' Reg. charity no. 1164632. Working together to restore and maintain the fabric of our beautiful Church buildings.

Tickets can be booked through the MGOC or Richard and Pat Palmer: 01326 290150 ricpat.palmer@btinternet.com

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Bolenowe Animal Sanctuary, Ruan's very own horse rescue centre, makes a popular Sunday outing for many people, not just to meet its horses, ponies and other four-legged residents but to enjoy a delicious light lunch, cream tea or piece of cake.

But this summer the sanctuary near the Ebenezer crossroads desperately needs new volunteers to keep its cafe running. Without it, that peaceful Sunday pleasure may sadly be lost – as well as vital income for the much-loved charity.

So Bolenowe, which is a safe home to more than 70 once-neglected or threatened horses and other animals, is urgently looking for volunteers to keep the little café going, whether serving, cooking or using their skills to bake cakes.



One of our carers, Hannah, with Pumpkin the Dartmoor pony foal

The café, which raises vital funds for the charity, is due to open again every Sunday from the beginning of May, when the farm welcomes the public to look around free of charge.

If you think that you could help such a gentle, worthwhile cause and would like to know more, please do phone 01326-291272 and leave a message, or email admin@bolenowe.co.uk – they would be delighted to hear from you. And so would the horses!



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# National Trust News March 2018

#### National Trust

Our thoughts are starting to turn towards Spring, as the days lengthen, and if we're lucky, the ground will start to dry up! The wet weather through the early weeks of the year has created plenty of work for the Ranger team, and has unfortunately made

necessary a couple of coastpath diversions. Heavy rain in January added weight to already saturated ground, and in several places gravity has been the winner!

There are currently two temporary diversions on the coastpath in the parish, at Poltesco due to a cliff fall near Sea Acres Holiday Park, and the Devil's Frying Pan, where tension cracks are visible in the path. There is a short-term diversion along the lanes between Kuggar and Carleon Cove to bypass the Poltesco cliff fall. At the Devil's Frying Pan, we've been able to move quickly to open up a new link to the coastpath, so the length of temporary diversion in place via the lane to Inglewidden is less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile.

We're working closely with Cormac, the South West Coast Path Association and our tenants and neighbours to find more suitable long-term routes for the coastpath that keep walkers close to the sea, and maintain well-loved views of



features like the Devil's Frying Pan. Our Access rangers and volunteers will be working on these coast path projects as a priority. Check out our facebook page for updates.

Elsewhere in the parish, our 3 Poltesco based ponies have been doing a grand job grazing the cliffs between Poltesco and Cadgwith and we've followed up with some brushcutting around the outcrops to keep things in tip top conditions for rare plants like twin headed clover and dwarf rush. Many thanks to Sue Cadman for the much appreciated assistance she has given us with daily checking of the Poltesco ponies, come rain and shine.

Please be aware that the sheep have returned to the fields at Bodriggy, so we're asking dog owners to ensure







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The Wildlife Watchpoint at Lizard Point. will reopen at the end of the month, and be open right through to mid-September, every day 10am - 4pm so do pop by to chat to our volunteers, and hear about the latest basking shark, chough and dolphin sightings. Keep heading south, the watchpoint is the very last building!

If you are interested in local history, and enjoy meeting and talking to people, we are looking for local volunteers to help us open the small museum at Marconi's Lizard Wireless Station, Bass Point (TR12 7AP) for 3hrs every fortnight. If this appeals, please get in touch with catherine.lee@nationaltrust.org.uk. No prior wireless knowledge needed!

Please do call by the Shepherd's Huts or give us a ring if you'd like to chat to us about our work locally.

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## **Recreation Ground News**



Well, the field actually dried out enough to hold a football match on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February, for the first time since early December! Unfortunately, RMFC lost - but you can't have everything. As is often the case, the visiting team were very complimentary about our new Pavilion, staving back for a few drinks in the bar after the game. The Football Club have made a start on improving the drainage of the field, initially by digging out the ditch that runs along two sides of the field to improve water flow. The club organised a visit by an advisor from the Football Association to make suggestions on what should be done - there's a couple of areas that are lower than the surroundings and tend to pool rainwater, but also the water that runs off from the driveway tends to accumulate - so his main suggestion was to dig a drain to carry the surface water away to a new soak-away in the corner of the field.

Whilst we are talking about the Football Club - I would like to congratulate them on Achieving "Football Association Charter Club" status - I know the likes of Gary and Wayne (and others I'm sure!) have worked hard to achieve this.

You will have probably heard "through the grapevine" that the Fish & Chip van is for sale and will not be coming back to Ruan. This is very disappointing both for us, as Friday evenings saw a lot of visitors eating and drinking in the



See us on Facebook: "Grade Ruan Recreation Ground"

Pavilion, but also for the whole community as there is nothing like this in the Village now! As a committee, we are trying to find an alternative.

Thursday euchre matches have been working well for us, but there aren't many more to go now - I'm hoping there will be some who would like to continue, even though the competition season has ended. Hopefully they will be back with us next year! We still have a dart board available for use and there's a table tennis table (not that it has seen much use yet) - so we are looking into holding regular "games" evenings. Also, we are in the middle of the 6-Nations rugby season - with guite a lot of people coming in to watch the matches on the big TV, and have a drink or two with friends (and often a game of cards afterwards!).

Tanya's yoga classes remain popular, with sessions every Tuesday and Thursday evening, also "beginners" sessions on Monday evenings continuing for another few weeks, and a Saturday morning session once a month.

May Festival planning seems to come round quickly - it's less than 3 months to go! So make a space in your diary Friday 25<sup>th</sup> to Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May! I'll give more details of what's planned in next month's Gazette.

Many thanks for your continuing support.

Mike Fleetwood, Chairman

#### **Rector's Ramblings** Lent – preparing for Easter

s you read this, we will be part way through Lent and on our way to Easter. I wonder what you are doing with Lent? Some, I am sure, will not do much; but some will see it as a time for giving up something, and some perhaps, as a time for choosing to do something good for other people. Either way, it may be seen as a time for some sort of self-examination, and some self-discipline. But either way, I wonder if this is entirely helpful.

From its start, Lent has been used as a time to prepare for Easter; either for new Christians looking forward to being baptised at Easter, or for Christians who had fallen away through sin, looking forward to being welcomed back into fellowship at Easter. Perhaps, if we are getting ready for Easter, it's not a bad thing to look at giving up things that may get in the way; or doing things that may be pleasing to God. But, at its heart, Easter is not about what we bring to it – either in our deeds of repentance, or our deeds of obedience.

Easter is ultimately about what God does for us, when we are incapable of doing anything for ourselves – when we are powerless (whilst we were still sinners) Christ died for us (*Romans 5:6*). It is true that for those who trust in what Jesus has done for them, he gives the power to change the way we live ('He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed' – 1 Peter 2:24). But, even there, Peter makes it clear that healing is the foundation of our new life.

Underneath all our doing (if it is real and pleasing to God) lies a healing that comes simply from coming to Jesus, confessing our need of his salvation, and trusting him to be for us all that we cannot be for ourselves. When we choose to respond to Lent, we need to keep in mind what Easter is all about, or we might even cut ourselves off from its power, in our efforts to get ourselves ready.

Perhaps, the best preparation in Lent would be to spend time getting to know Jesus and let him bring us to all that Easter means.

Yours in Christ

#### Peter Sharpe, Rector

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Church Services



| Church of England Services |  |             |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|-------------|--|--|
| March 2018                 | March 2018   |             |  |  |
| Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>        | Morning Praise, St Ruan Church                                 | 11.15am     |  |  |
| Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>       | Mothering Sunday<br>United Family Service in Ruan Minor Villag | e Hall 11am |  |  |
| Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>       | Holy Communion, St Ruan Church                                 | 11.15am     |  |  |
| Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>       | <b>Palm Sunday</b><br>Holy Communion, St Ruan Church           | 9.30am      |  |  |
| Thu 29 <sup>th</sup>       | <b>Maundy Thursday</b><br>Holy Communion, St Ruan Church       | 7pm         |  |  |
| Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>       | <b>Good Friday</b><br>Three Hour Devotion, St Wynwallow Church | 12noon-3pm  |  |  |
| Sun 1st April              | <b>Easter Day</b><br>Family Communion, St Ruan Church          | 11.15am     |  |  |

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Grade-Ruan Under 5s

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Grade-Ruan School

Mullion School

**Grade-Ruan Under 5s:** As we return from the half term break we are busy with the children preparing our Spring/Easter themed activities and our entry for the Spring Show. Plenty to keep us busy over the next few weeks!

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March the Health Visitor will be with us once again and we will also be celebrating World Book Day. The children are invited to dress up in fancy dress and bring a book into playgroup to share with their friends.

To support our fundraising efforts we have arranged for a Bag 2 School collection. Anyone can take part. If you have any adult or child's clothing or footwear that you no longer require simply place it in a black bag and drop it in to playgroup (we also have bags you can use, so pop in to collect one if you wish). The bags will be collected on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, so we need the bags by the Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> please. When collected they will be weighed and a cash amount calculated to be given to us. If you have anything to donate we are also able to collect it from you, just give us a call to arrange. Thank you.

We will finish for the Easter break on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm.

Thank you for your continued support. *Melissa Hudson.* 

**Grade-Ruan School:** In late January, some of the Year 5 and Year 6 children, along with Andreas, took part in the West Cornwall Sports Hall Athletics games at Penryn College. The event was thoroughly enjoyable and extremely well organised. Grade-Ruan were invited as there was a spare place — all of the other teams at the event had qualified, beating off competition from over seventy other schools. As you can imagine we were competing against some of the larger primary schools in The Duchy. Teachers from Trewergie in Redruth, and Mount Hawke commented on how well our children had acquitted themselves (Trewirgie has 90 Year 6s compared to our 14!). Well done all of you!

The Coose Trannack Cross Country event is due to take place on Saturday,  $17^{\rm th}$  March 2018.



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The AGM of the Grade Ruan PTFA will take place on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 9am in the Poltesco Classroom. All very welcome!!

Well done to the 14 Year 6 children who completed their Bikeability training with Martin Beck from the Penryn Sports Partnership. Each child took part in a couple of sessions on the playground and then progressed out on the roads around Ruan Minor. The group learned all about how to cycle safely on the roads and for some of those involved this was a completely new and slightly daunting experience. Nevertheless, the whole group completed

A huge thank you to David Oates, Liam Williams and the team for doing a spectacular job cutting back and tidying the overgrown school garden.

[Extracted from school newsletters. Ed]

Mullion School: There is no news from Mullion School for this issue.





## Ruan Minor Football Club News



See us on Facebook: 'Ruan Minor Football Club"

The weather has been causing havoc with our football fixtures over the last month with only 1 game played on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February, where we lost 4-2 to St Ives. Our goals came from our Man of The Match Chris Collins and everyone at RMFC

would like to thank Garry Tremayne from Christophers Estate Agents for Sponsoring the Match.

Our fixtures for the following mont3rd March:Away to Carharrack10th March:Home to Rosudgeon17th March:Home to Frogpool24th MarchAway to St Erme

hs are as follows:-2.30pm Kick-Off 2.30pm Kick-Off 2.30pm Kick-Off 2.30pm Kick Off

As always we would like to thank our supporters who come and watch our home games and cheer us on.....and hope to see you all again soon for some goals at RMFC.

Regards Gary & Wayne



Chris Collins receiving his Man of the Match bottle of Bubbly from Garry Tremayne from Christophers Estate Agents



Jack Harris with strong header

All photos by Chris Hunt



Jacob Brotherton passing with the ball



Chris Collins dribbling the ball

The photos below were taken by Chris Hunt at the Presentation to mark RMFC achieving the "Football Association Charter Club" status.







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# **QUIZ NIGHT NEWS**

January saw ten teams battle it out for the monthly trophies. Once again, along with that we saw our regular guiz master

substituted for his wife Lorraine and she really had no need for the microphone. We had a fine selection of rounds. It is amazing how little most of us know of about the geography of the USA. But we were all better at advertising slogans and vocations with strange names. Time flew so fast that we managed eight rounds!! Although this was not reflected in the scores. David from **We three** accepted the wooden spoon, a change of name made no difference to the result alas. **Half a dozen** eventually ran away with it. The killer question was won by **Universally Challenged**, apparently 137mm rain fell on Mullion golf course in the first 21 days of January! They kindly donated their winnings to the Children's Hospice SW Little Harbour.

See you all on the third Tuesday of the month there is always room for more if you are up to the challenge.

| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Half a Dozen           | 57pts   |
|------------------|------------------------|---------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Scilly Old Fools       | 48pts   |
|                  | Universally Challenged | 48pts   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Just us 5              | 43.5pts |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Kibbles & Bits         | 39.5pts |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Cliffhangers           | 38.5pts |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Bob's Band             | 35.5pts |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | The Buccaneers         | 34pts   |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | The Jumblies           | 33.5pts |
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## Gardening in March



by David Endean

Well February is over and hopefully winter with it. As I expected, February is generally the coldest month and it did not disappoint, cold northerly winds even lying

snow for a while and the rain did not stay away for long either, and then the easterly wind to follow. On comes March and work in the garden builds up in pace. Lots to do and not enough space to tell you about it all here, so I will give you a few ideas of what I plan to do this month.

Starting off in the greenhouse, it has had a really good spring clean wash down and sterilised with garden disinfectant. This is in anticipation of the delivery of the bedding plants that I have ordered as mini plugs saving me money on heating costs. I will also be starting off some bedding plants from seed, these are types that need less heat and have a shorter growing period. I plan to grow Cosmos which have large saucer shaped daisy flowers in hues of pink. Other seeds to sow are French Marigolds, African and Pot types quick and easy to grow plus bright and cheery as long as you keep the slugs away. Then I will sow Ageratum and Nemesias.

All my Sweet Peas are sown now, around 500 individual pots, they should be making good progress ready for their tips to be pinched out. If you have not sown any yet it is not too late. Give it a go or, if you do not fancy that, you could always buy some plants.

In the veg patch the ground is still quite cold but some of the more robust vegetables can be planted if you have the ground ready, Potatoes, Shallots, Onion sets, Broad beans and Peas can all be sown with confidence in March. When it comes to potatoes I would only bother with earlies for new potatoes and main crops take up a lot of space and are relatively cheap, so buy them in as needed and dedicate the space to more economically viable crops. I will also be sowing some salads in modules in the greenhouse things like lettuce, spring onions, beetroot plus some parsley.

Early in February I paid a visit to the National Dahlia Collection down near Penzance to get some new dahlia tubers for this year. It was a real eye opener of a set up. There was more than an acre of ground covered in a multispan polytunnel all benched out with thermostatically controlled heating and supplementary lighting. They already had many tubers started off and cuttings taken already. I am planning to pot my new tubers up along with some of my old ones to bulk up my stock. These will be planted in multipurpose compost and put on my heated bed in my cold frame ready to produce some stocky shoots in a few weeks to be rooted in gritty compost.







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I have just extended a Griselinia hedge for someone. I find that planting shrubs and trees at this time of year is better than in the autumn which is the traditional time. In the autumn the soil is warmer so they supposedly root better and establish well. But down here we get so many strong salty breezes (gales in the rest of the UK) these tend to desiccate the plants before they can get established, and they just cannot draw up enough water. This problem is worse with evergreens but even deciduous shrubs can get damaged, and have their dormant buds burnt off in the winter storms and so in the spring there is nothing to set into growth. Spring planting negates most of these problems and the ground is warming so the plants will establish and grow away. I also have some bare root privet bushes to plant up to thicken up another hedge which became overgrown and unmanageable. March will be your last opportunity to acquire and plant bare root plants as they are just about still dormant but raring to grow away. Ideal if you wish to plant a tree or create a new Beech hedge.

I feel that I am repeating myself year after year about how the wet winter has affected the lawns. I notice that the moss is terrible in lawns once again this spring and action needs to be taken and now is the time to do it. The first thing to do is to treat it with some moss killer of your choice, be it granular or liquid. I prefer a separate moss killer to lawn food as I like to get the moss killed and then raked out first. Then over seed if required and feed the lawn with Growmore or a specialist lawn feed. Continuing on the lawn theme I have some large patches that need repairing, they are where some large hydrangea bushes were removed during the winter. As yet I am undecided whether to reseed these areas or turf them. Initially the treatment is the same: dig over the ground, remove the roots and weeds add some balanced fertiliser, level and firm the ground then lightly rake it. Now the choice is yours, seed is cheap and easy to sow but will take several weeks to fill out and look good. The other option is turf, heavy work to lay but looks good almost instantly. I expect I will go with turf as long as I can get hold of some quality stock.

Well I hope I have given you some ideas for March and you get time to come to the spring flower show in Ruan Minor on the 17<sup>th</sup> March - even better if you can enter a few things. Get out there and enjoy your gardening.

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### **Spring Quiz**

- 1. Which Spring flowering shrub, (originally from the Himalayas) is Cornwall well known for ?
- 2. The following lyrics are from which song ? "Let me see what Spring is like on Jupiter and Mars"
- 3. Who was the Greek Goddess of Spring?
- 4. What is the first day of Spring called ?
- 5. How many times each lunar month do Spring tides happen ?
- 6. What monument did the early Egyptians build that points directly towards the Sun on the first day of Spring ?

#### Answers St Valentine's Day Quiz

- 1. Which star sign are you if your birthday is on St. Valentine's Day? Aquarius
- 2. Name the Roman goddess of love? Venus
- 3. In 1537, which English King declared February 14 the holiday of St. Valentine's Day? *Henry VII*
- 4. Yuri and Lara fall in love in which classic film? Dr. Zhivago



5. It was once believed that a woman would marry a sailor if she saw what type of bird flying overhead on Valentine's Day? A Robin

6. Who won a Best Supporting Actress Oscar for the film *Shakespeare in Love*? Judi Dench

7. The play Romeo and Juliet is set in which Italian city? Verona, Italy

8. Which fruit is sometimes called a love apple? *Tomato* 

9. Name the Greek equivalent of the Roman god Cupid? *Eros* 

10. In 1929, The Saint Valentine's Day Massacre occurred in which American city? Chicago

Questions set by Lydia Graham

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Minutes of the meeting of the Grade Ruan Parish Council meeting held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor on 8 January 2018 at 19:30.

#### 185/17 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Bosustow, Clifton, P Collins, Freeman, Lee, Stephens, Trewin (late).

Apologies: Cllr Fleetwood.

Absent: Cllr S Collins.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk), Cllr Rule CC. 1 member of the press/public.

#### 186/17 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations. None.

#### 187/17 Public Participation.

N Albone expressed interest in the Council's discussion on his planning application PA17/10114.

188/17 **Reports from outside bodies.** Cllr Rule CC wish the Council a Happy New Year and reported that: Cornwall Council's budget meeting would take place in February. The decision to be made is whether to set an increase in the precept at 3.99% or 4.99% (a difference of approx. £17 pa per D-band) and asked for a view from Cllrs. A brief update was given on the Electoral review for Cornwall Council.

#### \*Cllr Trewin entered the room

A new Homechoice website becomes live on  $10^{th}$  January with modified criteria for allocating social housing including prioritising those with household income below £30k pa, and a necessity for a minimum 3-year connection to Cornwall. There are still funds available via the Cornwall Cllr Community Chest fund for small grants.

189/17 **Council Meeting: Minutes 11 December 2017. RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the above date having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Proposed Cllr Freeman, seconded Cllr Lee. Unanimous.

190/17 Matters arising from the Minutes. None.

191/17 Finance Committee Meeting: Draft Minutes 21 December 2017. NOTED the above draft Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting.

#### 192/17 Planning Applications for consideration

PA17/11567: Remodelling dwellinghouse including conversion of garage & extension to 1<sup>st</sup> floor rear-facing dormer with Juliet Balcony. M Hurst. Linden Lea

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Ruan Minor TR12 7JL. No objection proposed and seconded. 8 voted in favour, 1 abstained: Cllr Clifton.

PA17/10114: Use of land for the stationing of 6 holiday lodges, provision of access and car parking. Mr & Mrs Albone. Gwendreath Farm Holiday Park Ruan Minor TR12 7LZ. There was discussion around previous use for up to 60 tent pitch sites, and the proposal in this application was seen as preferable – though it was noted that tents had not been in place for at least 4 years. Some felt that the site was well-screened, while others thought more could be done. No objection provided that screening and landscaping suggestions as per comments from the Planning Officer per PA17/00909/PREAPP are met. Proposed and seconded. Unanimous.

PA17/12013: Proposed Extension and Alterations. Mr And Mrs S Thornton. March Hare Kuggar Ruan Minor TR12 7LY. No objection proposed and seconded. Unanimous.

193/17 Planning Applications decided since last meeting. None.

194/17 Pre-applications, consultations and appeals. None.

195/17 **Finance report and Payments. RESOLVED** to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

| EDF Energy      | Lighting                                   | £13.00  |
|-----------------|--|---------|
| Mr L Carter     | Cleaning                                   | £20.00  |
| Ruan Minor FC   | Grass cutting                              | £30.00  |
| Peninsula Signs | New signage at recreation ground           | £264.00 |
| Staffing        |  | £506.03 |
| Randle Thomas   | Legal work to formulate license with Trust | £912.00 |

Proposed Cllr Lee, seconded Cllr Green. Unanimous.

196/17 **Financial Regulations 2017/18. RESOLVED** to adopt modified Financial Regulations for 2017/18. Proposed Cllr Freeman, seconded Cllr Green. Unanimous.

197/17 **Budget reserves and precept 2018/19. RECEIVED** a recommendation from the Finance Committee and **RESOLVED** to set the budget, reserves and precept demand for 2018/19. Total expenditure is set at £24,535, and the precept set at £17,420. Proposed Cllr Freeman, seconded Cllr P Collins. Unanimous.

Cllrs briefly considered the request for feedback on Cornwall Council's precept by Cllr Rule CC per minute 188/17. The majority felt minded to support a 4.99% precept rise but this was not unanimous and is not the formal view of the Council.

198/17 **Consultation: New division boundaries for Cornwall. RECEIVED** an update from Cllrs Preston, Green, Freeman per minute 125/17 and **RESOLVED** to respond with suggested boundaries that add St Keverne Parish to the current Mullion & Grade Ruan division, and link parishes in the north of the peninsula with

those on the north of the Helford Estuary, thus resulting with Helston as two entirely urban wards. Further details, including a map showing the Council's proposal, are available from the Clerk. Proposed Cllr Lee, seconded Cllr Bosustow. Unanimous.

199/17 **Consultation: Predannack Airspace changes. RECEIVED** notification as above. **CONSIDERED** questions on matters including the type of drones, numbers of aircraft, purpose of the drones, actual impact on the Parish. *Clerk & Cllr Preston to question RNAS Culdrose and bring back to Council.* 

200/17 **Update: Formalising agreement with Grade Ruan Community Trust. RECEIVED** an update. A meeting took place on 21<sup>st</sup> December between the Clerk and members of the Trust. Aspects such as license length, grants policies and signatories were agreed. There remains an outstanding question on insurance which will be addressed in the coming weeks. Item to appear on February agenda.

201/17 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report. a) RECEIVED an update on Cadgwith Highways issues – a meeting is being arranged with M Peters, local head of Highways. b) RESOLVED to approve expenditure by Tree Wardens on approx. £100 on bare-rooted trees for planting projects taking place by the end of March 2018. Proposed Cllr Trewin, seconded Cllr P Collins. Unanimous. c) CONSIDERED other reports including an update on the Cadgwith Car Park footpath surface issue, which is being dealt with via Cormac.

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Parish Council Minutes - cont.

202/17 **Reports from Council representatives to outside bodies.** The Village Hall raised £748.78 for Children's Hospice South West over the Christmas period. A drain was reported as blocked at St Ruan bridge.

203/17 **Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 12 February.** Insurance issue regarding license with GRCT. Spending of grant on play equipment. Predannack Airspace consultation.

204/17 **Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.** RESOLVED that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw during the discussion for the following items: Staffing. Proposed Cllr Bosustow, seconded Cllr Freeman. Unanimous.

205/17 **Staff Pensions. RECEIVED** a written request to the Council by an employee to join the local government pension scheme and **RESOLVED** to agree that request – commencing April 2018. Proposed Cllr Trewin, seconded Cllr Clifton. Unanimous.

The meeting closed at 21:45.

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## Mothers Day Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March

FREE roast dinner for Mum! Live Music 3pm

## St. Patricks Day

#### Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Live Irish Folk Music starts 9pm Baby Guninness Shots £4 Steak & Guinness Mini Pies £2

# Easter Weekend in Cadgwith 30<sup>th</sup> March to 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Good Friday - Sun & Sea Shanties with The Cadgwith Singers Easter Saturday - Live Music 9pm Guy Chaulker & Friends Easter Sunday - Roast Lunch & Folk Music afternoon Easter Monday - Easter Quiz starts 8pm

Food served All day

Let's make The Cadgwith Cove Inn the social hub of our community We look forward to seeing you all very soon Cadgwith, Helston, Cornwall. TR12 7JX

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