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JULY (SEE "WHAT'S ON" FOR DETAILS)

4 July Ballan Wrasse Fishing Competition at 6.30 pm

7 July Fun Cricket on the Rec

13 July Folk Day, Cadgwith Cove Inn, noon till late

13 July GRU5s Summer Fair, Recreation Ground 11 am - 2 pm

16 July National Trust guided walk round Lizard Point
16-17 July Grade Ruan School, Evening Summer Production

17 July Ruan Revellers Meeting at 7 pm in the Sunday School Room

18 July National Trust guided walk round Poltesco

18 July Lesser Spotted Dogfish Fishing Competition at 6.30 pm
23 July Grade Ruan Leavers' Service, 9.15am in the Church

24 July Beach BBQ, organised by the Rec Committee

26 July End of Summer Term

27 July Paddington 2 - 'Saturday Night at the Movies' 7pm Village Hall

28 July Fun Cricket on the Rec

31 July Beach BBQ, organised by the Gig Club

ADVANCE DATES

4 August Grade Ruan Vintage Rally

7 August Beach BBQ, organised by the Christmas Lights Committee

11 August Sharkey's Cup Fishing Competition. Weigh In 5 pm.

11 August Cadgwith Car Boot Safari & Cream Teas at St Mary's Church

14 August Beach BBQ, organised by the Rec Committee

17 August Buller Day

21 August Beach BBQ, organised by the Gig Club

25 August Cadgwith Regatta, weather permitting, otherwise 26 August Beach BBQ, organised by the Christmas Lights Committee

4 - 7 October Cornish Drinks Festival, Cadgwith Cove Inn

12 October Autumn Show at the Village Hall
2 November Fireworks Display at the Rec
7 December Christmas Lights Switch on

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Noticeboard

The year is rushing by with children no doubt counting down to the summer school holidays! Don't forget that the next Gazette will be a combined issue for August and September. If you have anything to go in, please make sure you hit the 18th July deadline, otherwise the next issue to be published will be in October.

Due to our special Front Cover the usual information isn't available letting you know what's in this issue. We have a special Rectors Ramblings from the Revd. Peter Sharpe about the future of our local churches. There is a plea from Canada for information about the family of the Hoskins / Hoskings / Pengellys if anyone can help. There are some delightful memories of Ruan Minor from Jillian Bennett (née Barber) plus our usual features which I hope you will enjoy.

Happy Birthday in July to:

Josh Barowsky, Nigel Legge, Charlie Rudd, Charlie Bennett, Herbie Bray, Kenam Sagram, Maillie Rae C, Sarita Foord, Susie Jane Thomson, Mike Hardy, John Fallows, Jutta Watson, Andrea Betty, Verity Freeman, Nigel Green, Robbie Green, Pip Sealey, Sade W, Joe T, Nancy S, Louisa Burgess, Denise Williams, Mo Jones, Alan Thomas, Michael Halliday, Kevin Cryan, Di Fleetwood, Victoria Johnson, Lee Lewis, Richard (Skinny) Williams,

Chrissie Etchells, Emma and Sarah, Amy J.

Sally Watts

From Sally Sugrue

One very wet day, whilst driving towards Ruan Minor I hit a rock and got a bad puncture - fortunately a Kind Samaritan, in the form of Jonathan Fletcher turned around and changed the wheel for me. Many thanks Jonathan!

From "Skinny"

On Sunday 11th August we will be holding Sharkey's competition from midday to 5pm for the most species caught. If anyone is interested in having a heaviest fish contest at the same time as Sharkey's, please call me (290980) or let Steve Holyer know. Tight lines!

From the Friends of St Ruan and St Grade Historic Church Buildings

The Friends are planning a regular 'Saturday Night at the Movies' - subject to demand but the current thinking is

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Information: Sheila Stephens 290583

The winning ticket in the May 2019 draw was Ticket No. 169 Cat Lee

Front Cover:

Designed by Lucas Fletcher this cover shows his winning entry in the Spring Show to design a cover for the Gazette. He chose July and what a fantastic job he has done of capturing the summer we're all hoping for - well done Lucas!





RUAN MINOR VILLAGE HALL

WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE VILLAGE HALL?

THE THURSDAY MARKET

The market is held every Thursday morning from 9 to 11.30am. Come along, browse our stalls for some superb purchases, enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, some toast, teacakes, or why not try our speciality 'The Village Hall Bacon Sarnie' and now we are serving fried eggs as well! If you prefer, just stay for a chat and catch up with local news.

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or pop in on a Thursday morning to see what's going on.

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OUIZ NIGHT

Quizzes are held on the 4th 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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Noticeboard - cont.

four times a year. The Village Hall has a new surround sound system which will be a huge improvement in terms of sound quality. There will be a Licensed bar and other refreshments available. We are planning to kick off with Paddington 2 which will be a really fun night out. Don't be fooled into thinking this film is just for little ones, we know adults who say it's the best film they've ever seen! If you have a particular request for a film you would like to be shown then please contact iane spalding@btinternet.com. We hope you will join us, further details are available in the What's On section.

From Paul Collins

APOLOGIES AND CORRECTION

In the June edition of the Gazette, in the notes to my photograph of the Jane Family, I'm afraid I got my Wylie's and my Willey's mixed up.

Ann, or Annie Jane's maiden name was, actually, Ann Willey (not Wylie) of Predannack Manor.

It was my great, great aunt Margaret Jane (my great grandmother Susan's sister) who married Henry Wylie and hence the connection I mentioned.

I pretty sure I've got it right this time so I hope that's clear – but I'm open to offers!

From Ann Adkin

Regarding the article by Shirley Lee in last month's Gazette, when a child and living at Poltesco Farm, I remember going down to Carleon to collect winkles, and the pleasure of cooking them and eating after dipping in vinegar. We used to call the collecting of winkles 'trigging'.

We look forward to publishing Anne's further extracts from Jean Ironside's Diaries in next months edition - Ed

From Emma Rancoud-Guillion (nee Barber)

I would just like to recognize the success of our twins, Samuel and Gabrielle Rancoud-Guillon, who were born locally and and spent much of their early years with family in Ruan Minor, and attended wonderful play groups in Ruan Minor village and The Lizard. They attended elementary school, middle and high school in Vermont, USA, and went on to Vermont University. In May of this year both Samuel and Gabrielle graduated with a BSc degree in Parks Recreation & Tourism. Who knows what comes next, but we are very proud of their achievement, and their degree "major" seemed quite suitable as many family members are involved in the tourism trade!



From Clifford Barber

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Poltesco - pilchards, mills and serpentine

Thursday 18th July 1pm

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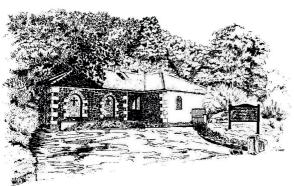
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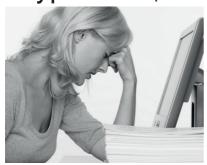
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July Quiz

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- 3. Queen Victoria was the last British Monarch of the House of
- 4. Her summer house/rural retreat was called located where
- 5. Her first name was (not Victoria) and how many children did she have
- 6. She became the first sovereign to take up residence where
- 7. What was introduced in 1856 for Acts of Valour during the Crimean War

Answers to the June Quiz

- 1. The Cornish Main Line runs from where to where? Penzance to Plymouth
- 2. Branches off the main line serve which 4 stations? St Ives, Falmouth, Newquay and Looe
- 3. Name designer/engineer of Royal Albert Bridge & when opened? *Isambard Brunel in 1859*
- 4. How many disused stations on the Main Line between the answer to Q.1? 17
- The GWR Helston Railway ran to a junction with the main line at where? Gwinear Road
- How long was the original GWR Helston Railway & when did it open? 8.5 miles and 1887
- 7. When did 'steam' return to Helston for the first time since 1962? *July 2010 Questions set by Lydia Graham*

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After their marriage they moved to Wimbledon and raised their family using the name Hoskins. He is interested in any information, particularly with regard to the family of Jane Pengelly and John Hoskin(g).

Is there anybody living in the area who may have already researched this part of his family tree or who may know of someone who could have had a connection?

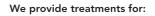
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Gardening in July

by David Endean

Well wasn't that rain welcome early on in June it was getting near to being a problem. We were fortunate not to get the amounts that Lincolnshire and the like got. This last month has been nice to see the wildlife around again, that spotted flycatcher appeared again this year and nested, the House Martins have been around in numbers not seen in nearly a decade and the cuckoo has been calling all around but alas rarely did I hear a reply.

July sees the start of the main soft fruit season all these need regular picking when they are ripe and consuming sharpish or preserve them in some way. Daily picking will mean that you get your share of the fruit before the birds but truly, ample provision of netting is the only answer to preventing our feathered friends from getting there before you. Placing some straw around the strawberry plants helps to prevent the fruit from getting dirty and marked but slugs can still be a problem, eating holes in those nectar like fruits. By putting netting over the birds will not be able to get at the slugs and snails so these will need sorting. So some beer traps are a good idea or using melon or grapefruit skins which attract the slugs and then they hide under them in the day so that you can easily find them and dispatch them under foot.

Blackcurrants are one of the few fruit bushes that you can prune now. You can pick the fruits off the bushes or you can cut a third of the oldest branches out now and pick the fruit off these. The growth which occurs from now on will form the fruiting wood for next year. Only blackcurrants work like this do not carry out this regime with white and red currants.

If you have a grape vine you will find it is constantly putting on a lot of growth, keep this all trimmed back to one leaf beyond the bunch of grapes which is forming this will encourage the plant to put the energy into those grapes and you will not have a jungle to contend with.

How are your tomatoes coming along? They are the most popular use of a greenhouse they should be doing well now. Keep regular daily watering up with a liquid feed twice a week. Remove those side shoots which form in the junction between the leaf and the main stem and then train the main stem up a string or cane. Later in the month you may need to remove some of the lower leaves to let some more light and air around the developing fruits on the bottom trusses. This will aid ripening and reduce the risk of fungal diseases.

Gardening, cont....

Time is going on now for planting and sowing in the vegetable garden but I did have good success last year with a crop of runner beans from a July sowing. Also I sowed some spring greens in mid-July last year and planted them out in old pea and sweet pea rows which was a good use of the nitrogen which they left behind in their root nodules. I was still cutting these cabbages at the end of April. Also last year I found a packet of gladioli corms which I had not planted so they went in after the middle of July and they flowered in November which was interesting.

There is still time for a late sowing of salads, spring onions, beetroot, carrots, French beans, Pak choi all to crop this year. Water the bottom of the drill before you sow the seed this will aid germination and help to get them off to a quick start. Also if you can get hold of some leek plants these can be planted out possibly where your early spuds were. One of the best methods of doing this is to prepare the ground well add some fertiliser then I use a large bar to make a deep hole, drop the plant into this and water in, sometimes the plant disappears immediately but this does not matter it will soon pop out, these deep holes give you the long white blanches.

Don't forget to water your tubs and containers with regular dead heading and feeding and that lawn will still need a regular walk around and close inspection with that noisy machine. But most importantly sit down and enjoy your garden.

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After a very tense and close weigh-in the results were.:

Joint 1st Pino from Trinidad and Tobago and Jeff Lee from Poltesco with 11oz. Joint 3rd Steve Jane and Steve H 10 3/4 oz. Joint 4th John Benwell and Dom Goldsack with 10oz apiece.

On the 6th June anglers assembled on the beach for the flatfish competition. It was a very quick weigh-in with only three fish brought to the scales:

1st (plaice) Frazer Thompson 1lb 12 1/2 oz. 2nd Plaice Steve H 11oz and 3rd was John Skewes 5oz.

Great to see you all and the juniors supporting the competitions, hopefully the summer will turn up soon as its been a bit chilly out there lately.

Tight Lines Skinny.



We have had a really busy month since the last edition. 12 volunteers helped with the first Sunday of the month beach clean collecting large amounts of cans, bottles, nappies and general rubbish!



At least 10 black bags of rubbish have been collected this month in total. This included at least 9 lots of dog poo despite the beach ban being in force since Easter Day and the knowledge that families are using the beach in the Summer months. Dog poo is unpleasant and carries health hazards so calling all dog owners to please pick up after their dogs.

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The children have enjoyed exploring our new shared school garden. We have spent some time in there preparing our new mud kitchen area and digging for worms and mini beasts!

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A BIG thankyou to all those that sent us a postcard from your travels. We have enjoyed looking at the pictures and working out where it could be and how you got there.

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Rector's Ramblings

his month I want to talk about the church. For those who come to our churches, you will have picked up that we are facing challenges that go to the roots of how we do church and what church is. For those in the parish at large, you may not be aware of these challenges at all, though they will affect you also.

There was a time when each parish had a vicar or rector who was very much the Parson: someone who lived in and was part of the community, as a focal representation of Church in the community. They were very much available to and present in the community, whose life (like the church's) was lived at a slower pace.

Already much has changed - for our communities and for the church. Everyone is more busy; the pace and complexity of life has increased. In the church, most vicars now look after several parishes and multiple churches, as well as dealing with greater demands in administration and legislative requirements.

It's been a big change and many (inside the church and outside) miss the old days of one vicar per parish. But, in many ways, we have been able to maintain some semblance of church as we have known it: services continue (including marriages, christenings and funerals); the vicar's visiting has diminished but continues and, though it's hard to be in two places at once, vicars are still seen in their communities.

What we are facing now is an even greater change and challenge. And, it is not clear that the old pattern of church is going to be sustainable. The roots of this challenge lie in the same changes that we are seeing in our communities and in church, but its effects are going to be bigger.

As congregations are diminishing and growing older, we are less able to fund the costs of maintaining church buildings, administering church activities and paying for full-time ministers. Some parishes are being helped by local support groups, 'Friends', fundraising to support the maintenance of church buildings. However, the costs of 'doing church' are being covered by a smaller group of people.

One of the results is that we simply can't afford the number of full-time vicars that we currently employ. Many assume that vicars are paid for by the central church, but this is not true. The diocese pays for vicars, but it is funded almost entirely by payments from the churches. Central church pays for Bishops and helps fund projects for church development, but it does not pay for vicars. If it did, even its considerable resources would be rapidly exhausted.

This situation is exacerbated by the fact that there are fewer people offering to become full-time vicars. We are seeing the same thing in education and the medical profession.

The result is that we are now looking – in the fairly near future – at a situation where we would only have three full-time vicars to look after the 16 parishes (24 churches) in our local area. Until recently, we had six full-time vicars. We currently have five (including two part-time equating to one full-time). The change to three full-time posts equates to one for every 5.3 parishes (or one for



Church Services



Church of England Services

July

$Sun \ 7^{th}$	Morning Praise, St Ruan Church	11.15am
Sun 14 th	Holy Communion, St Ruan Church	9.30am
	Evensong (BCP), St Grade Church	6pm
Sun 21st	Family Service, St Ruan Church	11.15am
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This is going to require significant changes in what the churches and the parishes can expect of each vicar, and changes in the way that individual churches are run. No decisions have yet been taken and it is not clear what this will mean in practice, but we all need to take this challenge seriously. We need to talk and think – and pray – together if we are to make the best of this situation.

Just as our communities are changing – and many find those changes uncomfortable – Church is going to change. As with our communities it is impossible to stop change, but the way that we respond may make the difference between outcomes that are generally negative and the possibility of something more positive.

There was a time when many of our communities were relatively independent and self-sustaining: with their own shops and services; local employment; schools etc. Now, we accept that we must travel for many services: much of our shopping; medical services; senior schools; employment and entertainment. We are also discovering what we value most in our local communities (eg Post Offices) – though even here our definition of 'local' has had to change.

It would be surprising if the same changes were not evident in our churches. The buildings remain – as local icons, seemingly unchanged by time – though the reality is that they have always changed. But the communities that sustain those buildings (the real Church) are changing with their wider communities.

We need to become less independent and to work across parish boundaries in order to find the people and resources to sustain church life. At the same time we are also more aware of those aspects of church life that we need to sustain locally – though, like our communities, 'locally' may not mean what it once did.

And, whilst these changes are facing us, some are more aware of what is really going on than others. To those who are not regularly involved with church – perhaps just calling on it when needed for weddings, christenings or funerals – not much may have seemed to have changed. It is just assumed that the church will always be there when needed; just as the buildings are.

But those things that people look for from church require a community of Christians, worshiping together as church in those buildings. And that community is facing the challenge of big changes. Though it has never really been true, for many people the vicar is the church. It's the vicar who visits, who goes into schools, who engages with those making life changes (birth, marriage and death).

If each vicar is looking after many churches, many of these things will have to come from the local Christian community (ie the church). The vicar's role will be much more one of supporting and enabling that community of faith in doing what people once expected of the vicars themselves . This is already happening; local groups are going into schools, local lay ministers (Readers and others) are taking services. Local people are doing pastoral visiting — if one of them has visited, the church has visited, even if the vicar has not been able to.

So, where does that leave us; where are we going? The truth is that no one really knows. We are on a journey that feels much like the Exodus - going out into the wilderness and seeking what God is calling us to become. There are going to

Rectors Ramblings cont...

be times when we look back to what used to be with a sense of loss, but we journey on, believing that God truly has something better for us.

Some will find this journey, these changes, harder than others. But, I hope that one of the things that we are discovering in this is that people are what matters. The church is not an institution, or a building, or a vicar – it is the people who make church together by sharing their faith in God – and every one of them matters. In the same way, the wider community of which we are a part, is not a 'thing', but people - and every one of them matters.

We need to be open about what we are facing – that's why I am writing this in our parish magazine – and we need to be honest about what it means to each one of us; keeping talking and thinking together and looking out for one another.

Church will continue, even if it looks and feels a bit difference. Somewhere in our communities there will be a people who worship God and a place that people can seek him. There will be a people and a place to help us celebrate the great changes in life and face the ordinary challenges of daily life.

It will be less parochial, but that's not a bad thing. It will be more obviously part of a bigger community of churches; and for some things we may need to travel further than we used to – but it will still be church, there for all and anyone who needs it.

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SECOND AND THIRD PLACE!

Following the Spring Show here are those who came second and third to Lucas Fletcher's prize winning entry shown on our front cover.

Left is Sophie Jane's entry, Sophie is aged 9 and has produced a lovely sunny picture. Sophie came second, what a difficult choice it must have been for the judges!

Below is Mollie Chilcott's colourful rainbow contribution which reminds me of a beautiful sunset. Mollie is aged 13 and came third. What a lovely relaxing picture.

Well done Sophie and Mollie!





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LIZARD LIFEBOAT VISITOR CENTRE NEWS

Since the first Lizard Lifeboat was established at Lizard Point in November 1859, the months of June and July have regularly been busy periods for Lizard lifeboats and crews. There have been numerous 'shouts' during these months over the years and those outlined below are just a few of the many undertaken.

On Sunday, 15th June 1879, Lizard Lifeboat RNLB ANNA MARIA (3) was called to assist the Dundee Brig 'Scotscraig' which was en route to Greenock with a cargo of rum and sugar from Cardenas, Cuba. She became enveloped in thick fog and grounded directly under the Lizard lighthouse. It was discovered that, despite striking the rocks twice, relatively minor damage had been caused and, after several hours of hard labour from the Anna Maria and her crew (with the help of a Falmouth tug), the vessel was refloated and was able to resume her voyage the following day.

The Cadgwith Lifeboat, RNLB MINNIE MOON was called into action early in WW1. At 2.35am on the morning of 24th June 1915, the boat was launched to assist the Glasgow steamer 'Kyanite'. The vessel had left Treport, France bound for Manchester with a cargo of industrial flints when she became stranded off Lizard Point, again in thick fog. The lifeboat stood by for three hours in support of the stricken vessel but returned home after the fog lifted and the 'Kyanite' was refloated. Tragically the steamer became a victim of a German submarine later in the war.





ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF ANNA MARIA (3)

RNI B MINNIE MOON

RNLB MINNIE MOON was in action again a little later in the conflict when, on July 17th, 1917 she was called out to assist another (but larger) Glasgow steamer, the 'Bellucia', which was torpedoed two

Lizard Lifeboat Visitor Centre News - cont...

miles off The Lizard whilst bound for London from Montreal. Four lives were lost in the explosion. However, with a moderate gale and sea, the remainder on board got away in the ship's boats and one of these containing three men was rescued by the Cadgwith lifeboat.

RNLB FREDERICK H. PILLEY arrived on station at Polpeor in late November 1920. She was the Station's first 'full time' motor lifeboat having taken over from the temporarily allocated RNLB SIR FITZROY CLAYTON. On 10th June 1923, the 'new' lifeboat was called to assist another victim of thick Lizard fog. The steamer 'Nivelle' of London was bound for Rouen, France from Newport with a cargo of coal when, with visibility severely restricted, she became stranded in Pentreath Bay. She was very firmly wedged and the rising tide gradually began to flood her decks forcing the crew of twenty to take to their boats. The boats were overcrowded and in serious danger of sinking so it was necessary to transfer them to the Lizard Lifeboat. Having made it back to Polpeor the lifeboat had to 'hover' for three hours until conditions became safe to recover to the Station. The 'Nivelle' was subsequently refloated and was able to make her way to safety but not before she had left a goodly stock of coal on the beach which kept many local households warm later that year!



RNLB FREDERICK H. PILLEY



RNLB DUKE OF YORK RECOVERS TO POLPEOR c1945



STEAMER 'NIVELLE' IN PENTREATH BAY JUNE 1923



'LE VIEUX TIGRE', BASS POINT 1935

Lizard Lifeboat Visitor Centre News - cont...

Fog continued to be the principal hazard in the Lizard area and on 20th June 1935, only three months after the loss of the French trawler 'Le Vieux Tigre' at Bass Point, Lizard Lifeboat RNLB DUKE OF YORK was called out to assist the large motor tanker 'D. L. Harper' of Danzig (now Gdansk, Poland) which was out of Aruba in the Dutch West Indies bound for Hamburg with a full cargo of crude oil. In thick fog she struck the Crane Rocks in Caerthillion Cove in the early evening.

With conditions not at all good, the lifeboat launched and quickly returned with five passengers including a mother and baby. The boat returned to stand by the stricken vessel throughout the night.

The crew eventually had to abandon ship and RNLB DUKE OF YORK landed them at Polpeor at about 8am in the morning. In all, forty-three people were saved. Although the situation seemed serious, the large salvage tugs 'Noordzee' and 'Seefalke' managed to refloat the tanker four days later and towed her to Falmouth for repairs.

In July 1954 RNLB DUKE OF YORK helped save a naval sailing whaler and also retrieved wreckage from a lost Firefly aircraft after a long search.

On 30th June 1961, the last service of the Polpeor Station was served. Following a coastguard message, the lifeboat was launched at 11.45am and found the 26ft sloop 'Bullfrog' dangerously close to the Stag Rocks with a defunct engine. The sloop was towed to Falmouth along with her very grateful husband and wife crew.

The Polpeor Station closed in October 1961 with the proud record of 136 service launches and 562 saved lives. A hugely impressive record indeed.

These events are just a small 'snapshot' of the many services provided by the lifeboats and crews of The Lizard but serve to remind us of the invaluable support they provide.

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Memories of Ruan Minor

By Jillian Bennett [née Barber]

'What a question,' I thought. Why would my cousin, Guy Barber, want me to write about my childhood in a village, which is only a pin prick on this earth? He has lived there all his life, what could I add? But, he wants *my* memories. This request from across the ocean, prodded me to think. Is it possible? Could I write *anything* of interest for villagers who zealously guarded their heritage, and reluctantly included 'foreigners'. (All outsiders were considered 'from abroad').

Aren't memoirs written by old people? Then, the realization came to me, I had just had my eightieth birthday! Maybe I *should* do this before ...? (I will let the reader finish the sentence!)

My father was the village blacksmith when the Second World War broke out. He was in great demand for armory repairs, besides the shoeing of working horses. At first, the hot anvil and irons scared me, but I was fascinated to see the bellows whooshing the flames and changing the heat from red to white. Once in a while a cantankerous horse was brought in, missing a shoe. My dad might growl gruffly, as he sank the hot shoe onto the hoof, then a fetid smell burned my nostrils as the hoof hair burned into the sole. My father was considered one of those 'outsiders from abroad,' born on the Isles of Scilly. Even worse, my mother was born in Kent and didn't speak quite the way Cornish people did!! (In those days, anyway!)

Realistically, we don't dwell on memories. Each day seems like the one before, until suddenly, we are looking back nostalgically, wanting to share the past. That same 'boring past', in which our families probably have no interest, and who themselves, are fighting to secure their future.

My birth occurred a few steps from St . Ruan Church in an afternoon in May of 1939, surprising my sister Shirley, who was at school for this momentous occasion.. She later complained she already had enough after-school tasks to attend to, so now annoyingly, there would be even less time to play. (I think it may also have been a shock to my parents nine months previously, but at least they had time to adjust.

My brothers convinced me later, I was the baby that kicked off the war with my crying! To this day, I have a scar on my leg when I broke my milk bottle over the pram in an unbridled rage. This all took place in the greenhouse where the tomatoes were nurtured. They probably had more nurturing than I did. I would reach out to the leaves pulling them and stuffing them up my nose. I still love the scent! This is my giddy attempt to reclaim the purity of the air that drew me back to those childhood days. Smells and scenes never seem to dissipate.

The thick granite school wall, kept the children within bounds, where at one time I longingly wanted to be with the 'big kids' as they boisterously ate their lunches. They displayed a grown up kind of camaraderie. I viewed their antics, as a small redheaded child, from the garden gate. It bore the name of the bungalow my father had built. It was called St. Mary's, after the island on which he was born. It is

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now called Clahar Dene.

I am denied an adjective that clearly describes the air of Cornwall. It renews the freshness of every breath and who can ever forget the scent of wildflowers drifting on the air. There were high hedges, birdsong, and the buzzing of bees. I remember farmers on tractors, waving as they slowed to pass, our bodies pressed against the walls of lichened covered stone. I was utterly thrilled to clamber over the stiles separating fields, and see the tantalizing view of the blue Atlantic beyond.

Passing the Bodrigy gate, I asked many times who lived there, but I was never to find out. Their beautiful thatched house at the top was mysteriously out of bounds. Walking hand in hand with mother, she would tell me about the residents in each cottage. "That is where Mr. Harry lives," or" There is Mrs. Jane tending her geraniums" as we rounded the corner on the last steep downhill stretch, before coming into Cadgwith. There might be a smell of fresh fish as boats were drawn upon the pebbles.

At the cove, there was 'The Stick! Only the men were allowed to sit on this bench, some smoking their pipes. It was a man's world at the cove. Friday nights at the Cadgwith Inn brought the community together for a sing-along and pockets would soon be emptied!

My earliest memory is at the age of three. I was placed in the blacksmiths shop to play, while my mother went to attend to the narcissus she grew at The Reens, across from our farm called Maen Veor. I was given a box with a curved handle. It was filled with square nails. With the box on the floor, and a hammer in my pudgy right hand, I would design patterns in the black earthen floor of the Smithy. I never tired of making patterns and they were all different. I wondered how many patterns I could make, so I kept making them until the nails ran out, or my mother picked me up.

Back at the bungalow, I would help count the daffodils still in bud. They would be laid in long boxes, six at each end. I had the important task of banding each box and stacking them carefully for pick up. The narcissus were then taken to Gwinear Road Station, and found their way to towns in the North of England.

It was with great anticipation to watch my mother skim the cream off the milk that had been simmering, and we would occasionally be treated with a scone, jam and a dollop of clotted cream! On Wednesdays, she would make Cornish Pasties. The butcher would come on his bicycle with a big basket on the front. Mother would examine the shin of beef, he had brought. If I was lucky, when the basket was empty, I would get a ride around the village. I have often wondered since then, why no one else was able to make a Cornish pasty the way the Cornish do! Olfactory senses work overtime when they are baking in the wood oven. My father expected his meal to be ready when he walked in the door!

When I was four, my friend next to the post office called to ask me to play 'touch'. I was always fast on my feet, but a bit too fast that time. We collided and my two front teeth were knocked right out! My cousin Dawn, tried to console me, but

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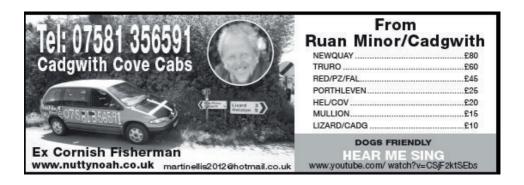
blood was everywhere. I went to bed worried that night, and wondered what created all the noise in the sky. I just remember a man called Hitler. I thought he was a giant. When the nights were still, a cool breeze sent a whistling sound through the telegraph wires.

Sometimes I would be allowed a pair of paper scissors and newsprint. These presented me with many more important design possibilities. My cut up papers would become three-dimensional 'things!' I grew up to study fashion design in Bristol. I married, immigrated to Canada and became a kitchen designer. When my children were adults I became a merchandise display employee of a large department chain and retired the year they lost the final battle, and closed their doors for the last time. There is no competing with an American Mogul. I maintain that if parents see a natural flare displayed by their children, pay attention! It probably means you need to encourage and steer those off spring into that direction.

Now, with my three siblings gone, I walk alone through my garden gate. The name is on the front. 'Maen Veor' It gives me peace.

I end with a poem I wrote, prompted by a story someone once wrote of an incident they witnessed of my father in his blacksmith shop. He was dealing with a horse of dubious nature. I sent it to illustrate a photo of 'The Smithy' taken by Francis Frith, the well known photographer.

I would make my 'Naily' patterns
On a blackened firm, dirt floor
And recall the singeing hoof-hair
Where my dad worked, near the door.
One day while he was shoeing,
['Fore I was even there,]
A horse of poor demeanour
Threw my father in the air.
A slightly shaken blacksmith,
His 'Smithy' apron torn,
Wasn't badly damaged
'Cause much later, I was born!



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three years ago and this year will see Ruan Minor play in Senior Men's Football for the first time ever. I am also pleased to report that we have a New Chairman in Mark Ward, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ian Cox for being our Chairman for the last 3 years and for all his support and guidance during this time.

Our end of season presentation day/evening was of great success and the boys certainly had fun. We started by playing Football Golf in Helston, followed by a BBQ in the afternoon and then presented the awards to the players for the season. I wished we could have given everyone an award as to go through a season unbeaten and winning 3 cups was just an incredible achievement, however these were the winners of each category:

Players Player – Will Trewin who is pictured right receiving his Managers Players award from Jason Hickey

Most Improved player – Ben Wormington, pictured bottom left receiving his award from Jason Hickey

Young Player of the Year – Jonnie Honey



Peter Hickey Award - Josh Wilson-Hone

Football Golf Winner – Martin Wortley

Club Man of the Year – Liam Jones pictured below right receiving his award from Jason and Gary







I would like to take this opportunity once again to thank our chef Sarah Legge for the scrummy food, Our President Michael Halliday and our match day ball boy Liam Jones with the Kit & Balls, Victoria Pollard, Gemma Lester for working behind the bar, Chris Jumunjy Hunt for all the photos, Wayne Briggs and Keith Yerrill for helping prepare the pitch, our match sponsors

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and finally to our supporters who can look forward to a local derby with Lizard FC this season.....

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Gary, Wayne & Danny

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QUIZ NIGHT NEWS

May's quiz saw Mark take the reins once again. This time he started the quiz off with a round of short intros of 80's pop for

us to guess.

Five teams took to battle again this month. With a big 'O' party claiming many quizzers. As you can see from the scores the battle was tight once again. We had the usual reaction to the testing ditloids round! Added to this we had rounds on parts of the body with cryptic clues, European geography and our Furry friends to name a few.

1 st	Universally Challenged	74 pts	2 nd	Fox and Hounds	66 pts
3^{rd}	Just Us 7	65.5 pts	4 th	Cliffhangers	61 pts
5 th	Scilly Old Fools	58.5 pts			

If you know how which company made the original Cornish ware, who is married to Brian May, which car manufacturer made the Hawk or if you feel that you can challenge Claire on her knowledge of Pop Music, come along on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

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Recreation Ground News



See us on Facebook: "Grade Ruan Recreation Ground"

We had reasonable weather (mostly) for the May Festival, but numbers, particularly for the Sunday afternoon, were noticeably lower than last year. I suspect one of the main reasons for this was that there was not much in the way of side-shows and other activities - this year we struggled to get much response from the outside attractions that usually come, so will clearly have to try harder (and earlier!) for next year.

We are also looking into further improvements for next year. On the plus side all the bands were much enjoyed, and it was noticeable that more people stayed on for the early evening bands on Sunday. Financially, it did not help that for much of the weekend our creditcard terminal wasn't working properly! We ended up writing down a list of people who wished to pay by card - but weren't able to - many have subsequently paid what they owe, but there's still a few outstanding! If you think you might have a bar bill outstanding from the weekend - please get in touch with me to check.

Biggest news since the May Festival is our AGM, held on the 12th June. Two people who have been active members of the committee for a number of years stepped down from membership. I would like to thank Nigel Green and Gary Pollard for all their hard work over the years, both hard acts to follow! At the meeting we accepted 3 members appointed by the Parish Council - Alice Harry, Stevyn Collins and Mike Fleetwood (me!), also Wayne Briggs appoint-

ed by the Football Club. We hope also to have a member appointed by the School, but that is (as I write) still to be confirmed. We also elected the following as members: Vicky McClarity, Martha Goddard, Wayne Harriman and Malcolm Scott. Elected officers are myself as Chairman, also taking on the role of Secretary, and Stevyn as Treasurer. From the members, four were elected as Managing Trustees - Mike Fleetwood, Stevyn Collins, Alice Harry and Vicky McClarity.

Over the Summer, we have a few private events booked and there are cricket matches planned for 23rd June, 7th July and 28th July. Of course, we continue to open the bar on Friday evenings from 5pm to 7pm, with the possibility of more weekend opening when/if the weather improves - if there is demand for it. We are looking at having a couple of Saturday evenings in July/August when we will have bands in - so that should be fun! More information in next months Gazette!

One final thing - we looked at the date for our annual Firework Display, and have decided to hold it on a Saturday evening (instead of sticking to always the 5th), so it will be on Saturday the 2nd November this year - make sure you put it in your diary! Hopefully this will make it easier for people to come, and it will certainly make it easier for our Pyrotechnician, Roddy!

Many thanks for your continuing support, Mike Fleetwood, Chairman.



In the Postbag Update

There was a letter in the last Gazette regarding a painting by Ethel Hall (right). We included a photograph which was meant to show the scene as it is today. Unfortunately it was taken from completely the wrong place! Thank you to everyone who highlighted the error. Thanks especially to Andy Lake who kindly sent me the photo below, taken from the correct spot. Diana Preston has since discovered that Ethel Hall came from the North-West near Manchester.





Minutes of the Grade Ruan Parish Council meeting held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor on 13 May 2019 at 19:30.

Election of Chair

ELECTED Cllr Preston as Chair of the Council 2018/19. Cllrs Freeman/Stephens. 7 voted in favour, 1 abstained: Cllr Preston.

RECEIVED the declaration of acceptance of office.

2/19 **Election of Vice Chair**

ELECTED Cllr Green as Vice Chair of the Council 2018/19. Cllrs Lee/Stephens. Unanimous.

RECEIVED the declaration of acceptance of office.

Cllr S Collins entered the room

3/19 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), P Collins, S Collins (late), Fleetwood, Freeman, Green, Harry, Lee, Stephens.

Apologies: Cllrs Clifton, Trewin. Cllr Rule CC.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk); 4 members of the press/public.

4/19 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllr Stephens declared an interest in PA19/02431 & PA19/02428.

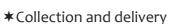
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5/19 **Public Participation**. None.

6/19 Reports from outside bodies.

Questions were raised for Cllr Rule CC: How do the Parish Council assist in informing self-catering businesses about the rules on business waste vs household waste collection? How do the Parish Council contribute to the discussion on Cornwall Council waste policy and the proposed change in household collections (weekly recycling and fort-nightly non-recyclables)? Clerk to contact Cllr Rule CC

7/19 Council Meeting: Minutes 8 April 2019

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. Cllrs S Collins/Lee. 6 voted in favour, 2 abstained: Cllrs Freeman, Harry. **NOTED** that there were matters arising of a confidential nature (ref 241/18) – commercially sensitive information. Item moved. Refer to 24/1

Cllr Stephens left the room

8/19 Planning Applications for consideration

PA19/02431: Retention of two chimney extensions (and PA19/02428: Retrospective Listed building consent). S Stephens. Sharkeys (formerly Sea View) Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JU

The Council supported the application. The Council wished to comment that the documents available via the planning portal should be readable on all devices -i.e. in a .PDF format and not a .TIF or .DOCX format. Proposed. Seconded. 7 voted in favour, 1 abstained. Clerk to respond

Cllr Stephens re-entered the room

8/19 cont. PA19/03302: Proposed Replacement Garage. W Mudford. Prazegooth Lane Cadgwith TR12 7LA . The Council supported the application. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous. Clerk to respond

9/19 Planning Applications decided since last meeting.

PA19/01168: Proposed 1st Floor Window as an emergency escape. Provide external guarding as a safety measure in front of cliff edge. The Little Todden Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JX [APPROVED]

PA19/02432: Euonymous hedge to be removed. Sharkeys (formerly Known As Sea View) Cadgwith Ruan Minor [Decided not to make a TPO (TCA apps)]

PA19/01592: Double garage. Gweltek Ruan Minor TR12 7JT [APPROVED]

10/19 **Pre-applications, consultations and appeals**. None.

PA19/00572/PREAPP: Pre application advice for proposed removal of holiday occupancy. The Lookout Bodrigy Lodge Cadgwith [Closed - advice given]

11/19 Grant request: Ruan Minor Football Club

RECEIVED as above for £450 towards mower service and blade sharpening and

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Parish Council Minutes - cont...

RESOLVED to award £450. Cllrs Lee/Harry. Unanimous. Clerk to respond

12/19 Finance report and Payments

RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

Mr L Carter	Cleaning	20.00
EDF Energy	Lighting	16.00
Ruan Minor FC	Grass cutting at play area	50.00
Ruan Minor FC	Grant	450.00
Biff Environmental	Dog waste collection	1,263.60
Staffing `		543.91

Cllrs P Collins/S Collins. Unanimous. Clerk to action

13/19 Committees

- a) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Preston, Green, Freeman, P Collins to serve on the Staffing committee.
- b) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Preston, Green, Freeman, Lee, Harry to serve on the Finance committee.
- c) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Preston, Green, Fleetwood, Trewin, S Collins to serve on the Footpaths committee.
- d) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Preston, Lee, Clifton to serve on the Play Area Unit Supervision committee (non-Cllrs: Kyra Tonks, Wendy Eliot, Victoria Johnson).

14/19 Outside Bodies

- a) **APPOINTED** Cllr Lee as the representative to the Village Hall.
- b) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Fleetwood, S Collins, Harry as representatives to the Recreation Ground.
- APPOINTED Cllrs Preston, Stephens as representatives to Churchyard maintenance.
- d) **APPOINTED** Cllr Lee as the representative to the Under 5s.
- e) **APPOINTED** Cllr Preston as a Treewarden (non Cllr treewarden: J Fletcher).
- f) APPOINTED Cllr Freeman (primary) and Cllr P Collins (reserve) as representatives to the Community Network.
- g) **APPOINTED** Cllrs P Collins, Freeman as board members of Grade Ruan Community Land Trust.

15/19 Clerk's report

NOTED as above, which detailed achievements of the past year. Written report available online. Clerk to publish

16/19 General Risk Assessment

RESOLVED to adopt as above. Cllrs Green/Lee. Unanimous.

17/19 Dogs on beaches consultation

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RECEIVED as above. The Council did not reach a consensus and this will feature on the agenda of the next meeting for debate and resolution. All Cllrs to consider before next meeting

18/19 Community Right to bid update

RECEIVED notification that Ruan Minor Village Hall, Kennack Sands WCs, and Ruan Minor Methodist Chapel have been accepted for inclusion in the list of assets of community value. Clerk to circulate full list to Cllrs

19/19 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.

CONSIDERED other reports: A session with Cormac for Parish Cllrs in the area is being held on 15th April; 4 Cllrs will attend from Grade Ruan. Cllr Preston asked that Cllrs raise verge cutting schedule, and drainage issues at Cadgwith. Cllrs were concerned about the suspected enclosure of common land, and subsequent exclusion of the public, at the Todden – Clerk to obtain legal advice via Cornwall Council and contact property owners in question. Verge cutting at Higher Moor was discussed – it was clarified that the verge is classified as Highways and no ownership claims can be made regardless of maintenance history. Clerk to draft policies on the Council's position on verge maintenance by individuals. Requests have been received to investigate the reopening of FP42/3 – Clerk to consult Countryside Access team. Received reports of styles near Bruggan that require lower steps. Cllr Preston to investigate.

20/19 Reports from Council representatives to outside bodies.

NOTED: Cllr Freeman reported that the Community Network Panel heard that Helston Town Council has declared a climate emergency; that there are plans for the Helston-Redruth road (B3297) to reduce the speed limit, instate a cycleway, and reintroduce rail access.

21/19 Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 10 June.

Fishing cellars update. Resolve dogs on beach response. Individual verge maintenance policy. Annual return.

22/19 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: Quotations/contracts; commercially sensitive information. Cllrs Lee/Harry. Unanimous.

23/19 Insurance renewal

RECEIVED quotations and **RESOLVED** to accept from Aviva via BHIB brokers. Cllrs Lee/P Collins. Unanimous. Clerk to action

24/19 Matters arising of a confidential nature (ref 7/19)

An update was given on potential sales of properties, confirmed recent sales, and potential costs of renovation/maintenance. The potential of Parish Council involvement in future was noted.

The meeting closed at 21:25

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