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DATES FOR THE DIARY

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Alternate Tues Mobile Library (Tel: 0300 1234111) - 13th, 27th November

Glebe Place 11.05am-11.20am & Cadqwith Car Park 11.35-11.55am

2nd Monday 7.30pm Parish Council meeting, Methodist Chapel, 12th November 3rd Tuesday 12.15pm Soup, Pasty and Pudding at the Methodist Chapel, 20th Nov

3rd Saturday 9am - 1pm Farmers Market at Mullion School, 17th November

Mon & Thurs 7.00pm Short Mat Bowling in the Village Hall

Every Tues (except 3rd Tues) 10am Coffee morning, Methodist Chapel

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Every Thurs 9.30am-11.30am Market and refreshments - Village Hall

6 pm Yoga with Tanya in the School Hall 01326 290931

Every Fri 6.30pm Zumba in the Village Hall

3 November 6pm Bonfire Night at the Recreation Ground

6 November Health and Hygiene Training, see Village Hall News for details

7 November 7.30pm Gazette AGM at the Village Hall. All welcome.

10 November 7.30pm "Merlins Rockit" Bar, Food, in aid of RNLI, Village Hall

11 November 10.45am Act of Remembrance at the war memorial. See "What's On"

13 November 7.30am Bingo in the Village Hall

15 November 7am - 4.30pm Police Commissioner Elections in the Village Hall

17 November 11am - 4pm Hospice Fayre in the Village Hall

17 November 7 for 7.30pm Bunny's Shellfish Supper, Gig Shed, see "What's On"

19 November Trip to Atlantic Village, see Village Hall News for details

23 November 6.30pm Landewednack School. Circle of Tales, see "What's On"

24 November Under 5s Christmas Fayre in the Village Hall

27 November 7.30pm Quiz Night in the Village Hall

28 November 8pm Cadgwith Book Club, at the Cadgwith Cove Inn

30 November 7.30pm Women in Wellies, Treleague Farm. See "What's On"

ADVANCE DATES

1 December Christmas Lights Switch-on 2 December Carolaire in the Village Hall

3 December Women in Wellies. Wine Tasting and Meal, see "What's On"

4 December Christmas Bingo in the Village Hall

5 December Village Hall Christmas Party

7 December Wendron Silver Band. Methodist Chapel, 7pm

11 December
Christmas Quiz in the Village Hall
Christmas Show at Mullion School
Christmas Market in the Village Hall
Carol service in the Chapel, 11am

Christmas Community Evening

17 December Women in Wellies, Christmas Craft Evening19 December End of Term Service in St. Ruan Church, 11am

End of Term Grade-Ruan School, 12noon

21 December Carols with St. Keverne Male Voice Choir, 7pm Methodist Chapel

25 December Christmas Swim, see page 23

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Please send contributions to the Editor's email address shown below or submit them via the Gazette Facebook page. Paper contributions can be put in the letterbox at New Thatch or in the Mag Bag behind the door at Spar. The deadline is the 18th of the month prior to publication, but may occasionally be earlier (check the Noticeboard section).

Please ensure your piece does not exceed 1500 words, or approximately three pages of A4. 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

Happy Birthday in November to: Richard, Daniel W, Sam Birchmore (I believe you will be able to have a legal drink!), Isabel V, Toana (Toots) Ellis, Sally Ellis, Brett Jose, Leanna H, Robin B-A, Esme H, Thea H, Tom S, Kate Phillips, Gwen Jane, Andreas H, Paul Penrose, Margaret Green, Fabian (JJ) G, Jonathon Coudrille, Janet Gascoigne, Casey V, Danny Phillips, Gareth Mason, Liz Hammill, David Goddard, Joe Stephens Richard M, Billy

Jill, Wesley, Karen and Alex Thomas would like to say many thanks for your cards, letters and flowers. Thank you to Rev Deirdre Mackrill for the lovely service; to Janet, Dave, Barbara, Nellie, Jean and to all that got the hall ready; to the ladies who did the flowers they looked lovely; to Leggy's Pasties; to the bearers; to Pendles for all that they did. Many thanks to our local doctors who did their very best for Barney. Last, but not least, Wesley, Karen and to our Grandson Alex. Well done! Grandad would have been very proud of you. Jill Thomas

[Jill, thank you for your kind donation to the Gazette. It is much appreciated. Ed.] Best wishes to **Charlie Coates**, who is poorly. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery. Our thoughts and best wishes are also with **Sam Boucher**, who has been admitted to hospital. Get well soon.



The picture on the cover this month was drawn by Billy Jane, who won the class at the autumn show. The picture on the left is Lauren Birchmore's entry, which was the runner-up. Well done, Lauren, it's a most appropriate picture for November. Lucy Green won the class for a picture for the cover of the December / January issue, so we'll be seeing that next month. My thanks to those who entered such good cover pictures. If anyone would like to submit photos, pictures or words for the cover, please do. I'd appreciate it.

Congratulations to three Year 11 Mullion School pupils - Jack Glover, Jordan Lugg and Chris Wormington (I to r in the photo) - who, after three stringent trials at Brannel School, St Stephen, successfully made it into the County Under 16's Football Squad. This is a huge achievement for these three players, as only 18 were chosen from the original 105 who applied. They will progress into a League and will play Devon, Somerset and Dorset; also a National Cup, and have an upcoming friendly against Plymouth Argyle's Under 16's.

Steve Holyer is becoming quite a celeb, having featured in "Linda Bellingham's Tasty Travels" on ITV1 and on Laurence Reed's lunchtime show on Radio Cornwall.

John Fleetwood has relocated to London. He's sharing a flat with three women, and looking for a driving job. Good luck!

<u>Front Cover</u>: Billy Jane's winning entry in the autumn show class 158 "Design a cover for the November Grade Ruan Gazette". Well done, Billy, it's a lovely picture and makes a good cover.

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Thank you to the **Vintage Rally Committee** for the kind donation, which was given after the Rally brochures were distributed with the Gazette.

The **December issue** will have four pages of **colour photographs**, so please let me have your photos for inclusion. The December issue will also contain **Christmas greetings** as usual. Please let me have your message along with a minimum donation of £5 by 24th November. The donations will be split equally between the Gazette and the Minibus Appeal. Due to other commitments, I will be a bit later than usual in getting the Gazette to the printer next month so, in December, it may be distributed a few days later than normal. To give the printers enough time to do the colour section, I'd like to get it to them in good time, so please send your photos to me by Wednesday 7th November. The deadline for contributions to the main section will be Saturday 24th November. Please make sure you have sent your contributions by then, otherwise they'll have to wait for the February issue. To re-iterate, the **deadlines for the December/January** issue are: Photos 7th November, Everything else, including Christmas Greetings, 24th November. Of course, if you can get things to me before these deadlines, I'd be most grateful.

Moira Hurst

Grade-Ruan School is a collection point for **Operation Christmas Child** shoe boxes – if you would like to donate a shoe box filled with goodies then please contact school for a leaflet (290613) or see the website www.operationchristmaschild.org. Although this is a Christian missionary organisation, you don't have to be a churchgoer to imagine how much these boxes are appreciated by the children that receive them. The website outlines the age groups the boxes are divided into and age-appropriate suggestions for the contents. Go on, play Father Christmas and get your shoebox to school by 15th November. Thank you! *Ginny Sealey*

The **Saint Ruan 200 Club** is gaining momentum and, bearing in mind that it's limited to 200 tickets, - some subscribers have bought several to increase their chances of winning the monthly £100 draw - your early participation is recommended'.



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This will be a long term project like we did in the 80s and 90s following the first phase of elm disease. We will be helping with follow up and protection, and making further distributions in coming years, so there is plenty of time to look around and think about areas that would, or wouldn't, benefit from a planting scheme however large or small. It may be into a field corner or extending some existing woodland or planting into a Cornish hedge. One way of increasing shelter / screening and wood supply is to allow hedge trees to grow up: you don't have to cut the tops, just trim the sides; the wind will trim the tops and the roots will bind the hedge and soak up excess water.

We are also hoping to have an open planting session around the Cadgwith car park woodland, helping Liam Williams plant trees for the Grade Ruan Community Trust. Anyone is welcome to come and help plant a few, time to be arranged, probably in National Tree week. For more details contact:

Jeb Preston 07964215277 jjpoltesco@btinternet.com or

Jonathan Fletcher 290746 h.j.fletcher@hotmail.com

Grade-Ruan Tree Wardens

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Everyone is very welcome.

Children's Hospice Christmas Coffee Morning in

Ruan Minor Village Hall on Saturday 17th November from 10.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Usual stalls: tombola, lucky Christmas stocking, raffle, cakes, gifts, etc.

Hot pasties will be served at 12 noon

Please come and support your local hospice by having a cup of coffee or tea and a chat with friends.

Hope to see you at the coffee morning.

Liz Outten

. Women in Wellies



TURQUOISE & TINSEL PARTY!

Body Shop products and Phoenix Cards available to purchase

Wear something turquoise if possible

Bring a plate of food and a bottle to share.

There will be a raffle for charity (TBA) so please bring a raffle prize to the value of £5 (turquoise if you like!) and £2 for your ticket

All ladies welcome!

Treleague Farm (Jude's)
Friday November 30th 7.30pm

WINE TASTING AND CHRISTMAS MEAL at The Cadgwith Cove Inn Monday 3rd December

Free tastings. 6.30pm - 8pm ish
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Followed by Christmas meal (£19.70) see menu www.cadgwithcoveinn.com.

Wellies not essential, but prize given for most festive!

Sarah Drummond 290233 Judith Green 290118

PUPPETCRAFT

Puppetcraft are performing an African tale called Circle of Tales at Landewednack Community Hall at 6.30pm on Friday 23rd November. Details nearer the time. *Judith Green*

TRIP TO THE PANTOMIME AT HALL FOR CORNWALL

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20th Nov: Western Europe.

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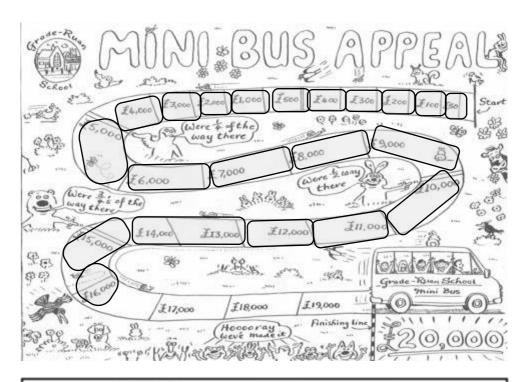
As boat owners are no longer allowed to leave their boats in Mundy's Field car park, we've decided to allow over-winter storage in the Cadgwith car park, for a fee of £10 per boat for storage from 1st October to 31st March. Boats are to be placed in the lower car park, as far away as possible from the ticket machine. The overall length limit is 18 feet and boats are left entirely at the owner's risk. Owners must first consult one of Elwyn Jones, Jonathan Fletcher or Peter Freeman to obtain approval.

We'll be working on the car park before next season to provide marked parking bays (to increase the total capacity and prevent it getting over-full) and to fill in surface potholes. The woodland below the car park will slowly be made accessible as a public recreation area and some of the trees that have grown too vigorously will be cut back. There is a consignment of 105 young trees arriving as part of the Jubilee celebrations. Some of them will be used in the car park but, if anyone has other suggestions for where some could be planted, please pass them on to the two treewardens: Jeb Preston and Jonathan Fletcher.

A reminder that residents can buy an annual season ticket for the car park for only £25, by applying to Mo Jones, and that a weekly season ticket can be purchased from the ticket machine by inserting £10. One final reminder: the Ruan toilets will be closed for a time during the winter while building work goes on the refurbish them and to build a new disabled toilet. Apologies in advance for the inconvenience.

Peter Freeman







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Grade-Ruan Under 5s

Grade-Ruan C of E School

Mullion School

Under 5s. This month we have been having great fun with puddles. Taking advantage of some good weather we have been taking the children out as much as possible, including taking balls and other equipment out onto the Rec. One day as we were off to play on the grass, we came across a huge puddle by the entrance. Carefully negotiating our way around rather than through, much to their disappointment, we started talking about what might live in the murky depths.

This led to some children painting Puddle Monsters when they were accessing the painting easels independently. As we enthused about their imaginative depictions, other children wanted to make Puddle Monsters, so we provided collage materials for them to devise their own. Many different ideas were produced some were camouflaged, some had many eyes - all the children enjoyed making monsters to be displayed around The Puddle.

The children were keen to see if we could float things on the puddle so we made little card boats and took them out to float. The breeze took the little boats from one side of the puddle to another, but as they became waterlogged the Puddle Monster tried to sink them and eat them. We explored other things to float - leaves, a plastic bottle and flowers. The large stone didn't float but

made ripples.

and ripples. The children described how they thought the Puddle Monster might look and what he might eat. They thought of words to describe the water and how it reacted to the variety of objects thrown in. From their contributions we have made a story about the Puddle Monster and created a display, which unfortunately was overlooked in the Autumn Show. We hope anyone visiting the hall has enjoyed the display and this has been the story behind it. Jan Halliday Grade-Ruan School The cross-country race season has started again with races at Helston School and Mullion School well done to all those pupils that take part, the courses are long, with up hill sections and the children always put in a huge effort.

Back in the hall, we have continued inves-

tigations into floating and sinking, waves

In the school garden, the children harvested the last of the potatoes, runner beans and carrots and Tamsyn cooked the potatoes at home and brought them in for school lunch on Friday - delicious! The children have planted broccoli, Freddy and Rowan cleared an unwanted buddleia and Jowan has done some excellent, much-needed weeding.

Starfish Class enjoyed a visit to Lizard

cont....



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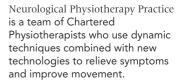
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Lighthouse as part of their topic 'Journeys by Sea'. They climbed the 50 steps up the steep spiral staircase to the top as well looking around the Heritage Centre where there were lots of buttons to push, a Coastguard's radio to try out and fog horn simulator.

Sailing has finished until next year - huge thanks to Ian Henn, Derek Elliott, Peter Martin and Shelley Cooper for all their help with the sailing and to Kate Phillips for driving the minibus. Most of all, thanks and appreciation to the Helston River Children's Sailing Trust (HRST) that makes it possible for the children to have such a wonderful learning experience.

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the school's Harvest Festival celebration and the superb selection of Harvest Gifts - thank you to Kate Phillips and Year 6 for delivering them around the village after the service. And finally, our Minibus Appeal is up to an astonishing £15,256.10- if anyone has any fundraising ideas do please ring the School.

Mullion School Extra-curricular activities fill the news this month - the Inter-Schools Surf Competition was held earlier in the term - congratulations to Nick Strike for getting through to the quarter finals with two other pupils achieving bronze medals in the U14 boys and U18 girls. Year 10 Art pupils visited Penlee House Art Gallery in Penzance, exploring two exhibitions, Sven Berlin and and the Newlyn School. Year 9 pupils had a glimpse in to the fishing industry with a day spent in Newlyn including a

4am start to get to the fish market! This year's Multi-Cultural Day went as well as ever - the Year 7s took part in an exercise that showed how migration to our isles over two millennia has produced today's population, made an Indian feast in the kitchen enjoyed by everyone at the end of the day, learned and performed a fantastic version of the Bob Marley song 'Three Little Birds'. The Year 11s are looking forward to the Humanities Trip to London - an actionpacked two days will include a visit to the National Archives in Kew, Canary Wharf and Docklands to see Europe's largest urban regeneration zone and ending with the musical 'Blood Brothers'.

The Library is undergoing exciting changes - the stock of books is being overhauled with e-books being introduced to the catalogue that pupils can download on to their own electronic devices as well some being available for use in school. The Library catalogue is now available to pupils through the school website,, giving pupils more access to information about the books they have on loan and those they may be interested in. Perhaps most exciting is the replacement of library cards with a biometric thumb print system. Widely used in schools nationwide, the Library will implement a a phased introduction, with parental permission.

Please do check your calendars for events at the school - we have a couple of Carn to Cove productions and of course the Christmas concerts.

Ginny Sealey





WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE VILLAGE HALL?

THE THURSDAY MARKET

The market is held every Thursday morning from 9.15am to 11.45am or later in the summer. Come along, browse our stalls for some superb purchases, enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, some toast, teacakes, or try our speciality 'The Village Hall Bacon Sarnie'. If you prefer, simply stay for a chat and catch up with the local news.

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QUIZ 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 and you can BYO if you prefer. The contests begin at 7.30pm. Any changes to dates will be notified on the Village noticeboards.

BINGO NIGHT

Bingo sessions are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month and it's eyes down at 7.30pm.

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NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

RUAN MINOR VILLAGE HALL Reg. Charity No. 225626

Hello again everyone.

The expression, "It never rains but it pours" is a very old one but it was never more relevant to our weather than it has been over the last few weeks has it? It could be said that we've had more than our fair share and I can't see anyone trying to tell us that there will be water restrictions in the area for some time to come. Still we just have to get on with it don't we!

We've certainly been getting on with it at the Village Hall and October has been a busy month indeed. **The Thursday Market** continues to provide a warm, friendly and bustling venue for a weekly get together, a bit of lively banter, bargains galore and some top quality refreshments at the 'Two J's Bistro'. We have a regular string of visitors from all over The Lizard and even as far afield as Helston and Porthleven! The fame of our tea, coffee and fabulous bacon and sausage sarnies has much to do with it - not forgetting, of course, the dozen or more terrific stalls that operate every week.

Our monthly 'Quiz Night At The Village Hall' is a big favourite with a firm base of nine or so teams regularly topped up by visiting friends, family and holidaymakers. October saw a very well supported Harvest Supper with splendid entertainment from The Cober Valley Band and a wonderful pasty and buffet supper. Chris and Sharon's pasties were as excellent as ever and the ladies and friends of the Village Hall laid on a terrific spread which was very much enjoyed by one and all.

We try hard to ensure that our programme of activities and facilities provides something for everyone. We are constantly seeking advice and ideas from all age groups in the village in order to give people what they want. What we badly need is a regular input from some of the younger age groups and if we could achieve this it would be an enormous help in securing the long term future of the Village Hall Your Village Hall!

We've had a great response for tickets for our 'Shop 'Til You Drop 2012' trip to Atlantic Village on 19th November. At the time of writing this we only have three seats left and are confident of a full coach on the day. With over 35 shops in the Village and a number of recommendations from previous visitors to the attraction, a good time should be had by everyone.

Saturday, 10th November sees **Merlins Rockit** providing fabulous musical entertainment for the **Lizard Lifeboat Dance in the Hall** and you can also enjoy a bar and pasty supper. Tickets at £5 can be obtained from Dave or I and at the Thursday Market. Come along, have some fun and support our local lifeboat, **RNLB Rose.**

On the work front, our annual redecoration is scheduled to start on 29th October and should be well and truly finished by the time this edition is published. As you have probably noticed, we have had more problems with our 'new' front doors. The present doors were fitted (free of charge) after problems with the first set! The same problem has occurred with the replacement doors and we are currently 'discussing' this matter with the suppliers.

October is the start of the long and somewhat hectic run-in to Christmas and **Dates To Remember** for the coming weeks include:

<u>November:</u> 6th Health & Hygiene Training, 10th RNLI Dance, 13th Bingo, 15th Police Commissioner Elections, 17th Hospice Fayre, 19th Atlantic Village, 24th U5s Christmas Fayre, 27th Quiz Night. <u>December</u> - 2nd Carolaire, 4th Christmas Bingo, 5th Village Hall Party, 11th Christmas Quiz, 13th Christmas Market, 16th Christmas Community Evening.

I think that's all for now so bye until next month,

Janet Gascoigne.

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The Christmas Swim

Hi Everyone,

It's that time of year again when I remind you all of how much you would love to have a swim on Christmas Day!

This year, I think it would be special to raise money for #Toby's Gift, which I know holds a very special place in our hearts. The charity raises awareness for organ donation and Cystic Fibrosis.

Last year, the Helston Birth Unit were truly delighted with the cheque for £1,107.12 with thanks to you all. They are still deciding what to spend the money on.

I'm sure you will all be thinking of your Fancy Dress Constumes by now. You never fail to amaze me with your wonderful ideas and your unfailing support for the event year after year.

Let's hope the sun is shining and the seas calm and warm - just like the summer! Please keep an eye out for sponsor forms in Ruan Minor Spar Shop and the Cadgwith Cove Inn. See you there.

For more information, please contact

Nicky Jose, 290073



Text of thank you letter for last year's donation to the Helston Birthing Unit

Sue Merritt has just passed to me your fabulous donation raised at your Christmas Day Swim - this will be put to good use in the Helston birth centre as the midwives have decided that they would like to use the money for materials which will raise the profile of the centre and hopefully encourage more pregnant ladies to give birth there, they are also planning an open day so that women can come and have a look around. Any money left over will be used to help spruce up the centre and make it more welcoming for those ladies using it.

Once again thank you very much and I hope the water wasn't too cold!

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Recreation Ground News

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Bonfire night is coming up soon – our annual bonfire and firework display is on Saturday 3rd November – not long now, but hopefully you will have seen the full-page advert in last month's Gazette and, again, on this page. Most of our fireworks have come from a different supplier this year - the same company that does the fireworks at Flambards - so we should have something a bit special for you! As I write this, I haven't looked to see how big the bonfire heap is yet. but I expect it will be as huge as ever. We will, of course, be offering the usual refreshments. raffle and glowsticks - all we need now is good weather! As always, we don't really do this as a fund-raising event, it's just something for the whole village to enjoy - although despite the ever-increasing cost of fireworks. we do usually manage to make a small profit towards the running costs of the Recreation Ground, with any excess going into the "pot" for the new pavilion.

We seem to be reaching the end-stages of our application for funding from the Big Lottery. We are getting emails asking for ever more detailed technical questions about our application, and are given to understand that a decision is only a few weeks away! As you can imagine, this is all very nerve-wracking for the committee. It looks like we will need to make some minor adjustments to the layout of the building — it would seem that the changing rooms aren't big enough, as our architect has interpreted the guidelines differently to Sport England. Not insurmountable, but these things are sent to try us!

We are aware that should this application fail, there are probably no other streams of funding that can pay for a project of this size. If it does not happen, we will have to look for a "plan B". This would probably have to be a simpler building that could be built in stages, using local volunteer labour as we won't be able to afford contractors – probably starting

with the toilets and changing rooms, with the function room to be added on later. The only other options remaining are to refurbish the existing building, but we feel this will be an expensive task as the basic shell of the building is beginning to fail, or to simply demolish the existing building and clear the site — so you can see how important this grant application is to the future of the Recreation Ground!

Here's hoping that by next month's Gazette I'll have good news to report!

Thank you for your continuing support.

Mike Fleetwood, Chairman

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Ruan Minor Football Club News

Ruan Minor is currently in 9th place out of 16 in Division 3 of the Trelawny League. They're holding their own, but there's some stiff competition out there.

Results

29/9 3-5 Home v. Chacewater (Percy Stephens Cup)

6/10 2-0 Away v. St. Buryan Res (Russell Hall Cup)

20/10 0-1 Home v. Redruth United Res (Div 3)

Forthcoming Matches

10/11 2.30pm Division 3 Away v. Wendron United 3rds

17/11 2.30pm Division 3 Away v. Porthleven Rangers

1/12 2.30pm Division 3 Away v. St. Agnes 3rds

Cornwall Hospice Care - Santa Fun Runs

There won't be just one Santa coming to town this year, but a whole sea of them! Cornwall Hospice Care's annual Santa Fun Runs take place on Saturday 1st December in Land's End, Saturday 8th December in Padstow and Saturday 15th December in Falmouth.

2011 Santa Fun Runs raised over £32,000 in sponsorship for the independent Cornish charity with 1000 santas taking over the streets of 3 Cornish seaside resorts. Registration is now open for this year's event and organisers are hoping the festive fundraiser will have a record year!

"This year's Santa Runs will be bigger than ever and we want to get everyone into the festive spirit. 1500 jolly Santas will be running through the streets of Land's End, Padstow and Falmouth" said Rose Wiltshire, Cornwall Hospice Care's Major Events Officer. "Everyone can get involved with Santa Fun Runs; men, women, boys and girls. You can run, jog or walk along the route and have a choice of two distances at each fun run."

Spaces for this popular event are limited, so advanced registration is recommended. Registration is £10 for adults and £5 for children, and all santas are encouraged to raise some sponsorship from family and friends.

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QUIZ NIGHT NEWS

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You would have to go back well over a year in the record books to find the last time The claimed the Buccaneers Champion's Crown; back to June 2011 in fact! It was a master-stroke of genius by Sally which proved to be the deciding factor at the September Quiz Night and the added brain power she provided by bringing along Rita The Wonderdog was the deciding factor. It was Rita who helped take The Buccaneers to top spot and one by one opposing teams were left chasing their tails, scratching their collars and barking up the wrong tree. But watch out Buccaneers; Rumanites, Cliffhangers, Bob's Band and Leggeless Again have all got canine crusaders to fall back on and perhaps we could see one of them taking the biscuit soon.

It was Kevin's turn to pose the Guest Round questions this time and he certainly tested contestants to the full. Quite a few quizgo-

ers asked me when he was doing the guest round again. I wonder why? It's Martin next and then Steve and Helen. Let's see what the challengers have to face from them.

Final scores for **September Quiz Night** were as follows:

Position	Team	Points Points
1 st	The Buccaneer	s 84.5
2 nd	Leggeless Agai	n 76.0
3 rd	Rejects	72.0
4 th =	Cliffhangers	69.5
4 th =	O.T.T.	69.5
6 th	The Plebs	68.5
7 th	Bob's Band	66.0
8 th	Rumanites	63.5
9 th	The Mixed Bund	ch 63.0

It was hard fought and closely contested all the way through. Let's see what next time brings! See you all then.

Go well.

Quizmaster Dave.



Women in Wellies



We had an enjoyable evening at the pub on Monday 15th October. Lots of ideas were discussed and hopefully most of them will come to fruition!!

- Phoenix cards and Body shop products at Little Treleague Friday 30th November (see "What's On")
- Wine Tasting and Christmas Meal at The Cadgwith Cove Inn Monday 3rd December. (see "What's On")
- Christmas craft evening 17th December at Ruan Major Farm, making cards, table decorations, Christmas wreaths. more information in December Gazette, but don't cut your hydrangeas yet!
- Ideas for the New Year: jewellery making, cookery lessons,? a trip to the new lifeboat station (all those yellow wellies!!), unwanted Christmas pressies lucky dip, making garden obeliskes and possibly some singing and lots more ideas, so do please come along. All very welcome.

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Gardening in November

by David Endean

The clocks have now fallen back and the days are really short with little to no time at all to do anything in the garden in the evenings during the week, unless you have the luxury of retirement. Therefore all the jobs that need to be carried out in the garden you have to do at the weekends. It is good that there is not much that needs doing at this time of year.

First we will start in the vegetable patch. Clean up the ground, composting old bean or courgette plants and the like. Next dig the ground over incorporating manure or garden compost in line with your annual cycle program. Doing this now will allow the whole winter for the clods to weather and break down. There is no rush needed to get this job done, therefore take it easy. Dig over a manageable area today, and go back tomorrow or whenever the weather and ground conditions allow you to dig some more. I always prefer to use a traditional long handled shovel to turn ground, but if the ground is a bit sticky using a garden fork may well be the answer.

November is a traditional time to prune your bush roses use a good sharp pair of secateurs and cut the growth back by half. The aim of this is to reduce wind rock on the plants. Wind rock causes a hollow to form around the base of the bush, which fills with water and in turn rots the roots of the bush. Pruning also reduces the damage from the wind rubbing and breaking branches. Pruning induces the plant to take a rest for the winter because, as you know, left untouched you will often find rose blooms out around Christmas down here with our mild climate. Giving the plant a rest will aid in better blooming next year. If you follow this method of pruning you will have to prune again in early March back down to three or four buds. I must say that I tend to delay pruning until late November to

December and do it all in one, then give a very generous mulch of farmyard manure. This is because we often get a lot of growth early in the year and I don't like seeing the plant waste energy on this.

Any time throughout the winter is ideal for heavy pruning work on apple trees. Remove all crossing branches that are likely to chafe and damage one another, allowing disease to enter the tree. Remove any branches which are heavily infested with canker. Once you have removed that lot, it is good to reduce all the growth produced this vear. You can tell this year's growth because the bark is brighter, smoother and often has pale flecks in it. Reduce this back to two or three buds, which will help to induce fruiting spurs. In the past it was recommended to cover the large cuts with a tar but modern concepts say that this is just as likely to trap in infections as it is to keep them out.

The winter is the right time to do heavy <u>pruning on all deciduous trees</u> as they are dormant and so will not "bleed" severely so the plant will suffer far less of a shock. You only need to prune to maintain the shape and to remove any damage or disease. Do not prune any of the stone fruit during the winter as this will leave them susceptible to a disease called silver leaf.

If you want to have some bulbs flowering at Christmas, now is the time to think about potting up and starting off those Amaryllis bulbs. They are really easy: put the bulb in a pot which is slightly larger than the bulb. Use compost or bulb fibre, and leave half the bulb above the soil surface. Soak the compost and bring the pot into a warm bright spot. Growth should soon start and flowering will occur in about 8 weeks.

Narcissi like Paperwhites are even quicker and need less warmth. A sheltered spot will suffice - I often used an unheated greenhouse. These will be ready in four to six Cont...

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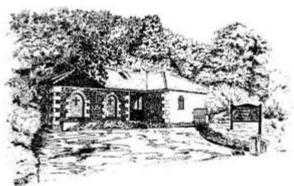
I have noticed that the <u>lawns</u> have slowed down in growth much earlier this year. I think this is probably due to the fact that the grass has not had a rest all summer and used up most of the nutrients. Also, the weather has been very dull of late, therefore grass growth has been subdued. But if weather permits, lawns will still benefit from mowing, but do raise the height of the cutters, otherwise moss may well become a problem.

What else will I be doing this month? Well ... I will be cutting back my exhibition chrysanthemums after they have flowered. It will be a month of tidying up, bonfires and rooting leek pips if I can find some.

Well whatever the weather <u>enjoy</u> your gardening.

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As the nights draw in, another gig rowing season comes to an end, and our thoughts turn to fixing broken ribs (boat thankfully, rather than human).

It's fair to say we had quite a slow start to the year as a club, but momentum has built throughout the summer, and we've had some notable successes once again, especially our Juniors.

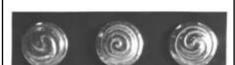
Due to low numbers, we took the decision to take just one boat *Tamarisk* to Scilly for the World Championships in May. Those who went had a great time, with the weather pleasantly better than forecast. Our mens vets crew of David Holyer, Steve Jane, Mike Hardy, Gary Pulfrey, Elwyn Jones and Stuart Naish, cox Sam Jane, kicked things off on the Friday, coming in 34th. In the main Mens races, our crew of Brett Jose, Matt Holyer, Olly Williams, Ed Bray, Isaac McNeish and Tommy Phillips, cox Steve Jane, came 57th out of 120 gigs, a great result for a young crew, many of whom were experiencing their first taste of Scilly racing. Cadgwith Ladies were particularly thin on the ground but, with the help of friends from Scilly and Newquay, Sam Jane and Kim Smith got to race in the main ladies event, coming a commendable 46th out of 125, and *Tamarisk* also took to the water for the Ladies Vets, coming in 42nd with a scratch crew including Eula Hardy and Mo Jones.

Back home, momentum slowly built over the summer, with the club settling into regular training nights in the cove. Many thanks to Sam Jane and Sue Atkinson for the time they have put into promoting junior rowing in the cove, with well attended sessions for new and

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novice young rowers being a great feature of the summer. Their work, and Jeb Preston's ongoing commitment to training the more experienced rowers, meant we were the only club to enter 3 crews in both the under 14 and under 16 championships, which is a feat of which we can be proud. All crews rowed brilliantly. The U16s championships were first up, held at Newguay in July. The many hours of training paid off handsomely, with the A crew (Paul Preston, Paddy Alfrey Cryan, Tom Worden, Tommy Phillips, Heyden Dark, Robbie Green, trained and coxed by Jeb Preston) comfortably taking the County Title by 10 lengths. Our B crew (Jamma Phillips, Josh Goddard, Jack Glover, Del Arasteh, Wade Toy and Harry Dark, cox Harry Preston) rowed particularly well to get to the semi finals and eventually finished high up in the top 10. Our C crew was a wholly girls crew and consisted of Jess Thomson. Ellie Humby, Caitlin Blight-Anderson, Charlotte Punter, Bryher Trewin, and Jess Sealey and coxed by Sam Jane. They rowed brilliantly, all in their first season of rowing, to win the girls

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31 Glebe Place Ruan Minor 01326 290796 trophy. Overall it was a hugely successful day for the club and our youngsters.

In August our younger juniors took part in the Under 14 Championships which was held on the Hayle Pool. Many have only started rowing this season and this was their first ever Championships. We were very proud of their achievements with the A crew getting through to the semis and finishing in 5th place overall. This crew consisted of Jess Thomson, Ellie Humby, Billy Jane, Jai Mallinder, Jamma Phillips, Harry Dark and coxed by Sam Jane. Our B crew got through to the quarters and finished in 10th place overall. This crew consisted of Ellie George, Saoirse Noonan, Ivan Blight-Anderson, Dylan Atkinson, Lea Tattersall, Franco Moorhouse and coxed by Sue Atkinson. Our C crew rowed tremendously well as many of them only started rowing in May. This crew was coxed by Sam Jane and consisted of Tiggy Heaton, Matt Hall, Hattie Drummond, Jasmine Gilbert, Harry Thirlaway Price and Harry Roberts. They did really well to get through to the second round and finished in 16th place overall. It was a brilliant event and a great first experience of Championship rowing for all our youngsters.

Healthy numbers in our junior section have had a positive impact on adult rowing, with the older girls rowing regularly with the ladies, and U16 boys with the men. This has meant that we managed to field 2 full crews in both ladies and mens County Championships, a result in itself given the poor numbers early on in the season! The weather was kind for the ladies in September, with unusually calm and 'un-Newquay-like' seas. Thanks to Dave Jane for his training and coxing of both ladies crews. The Ladies A (Kim Smith, Emma George, Charlotte Punter, Shelley Wooding, Sue Atkinson, Eleanor Harding) rowed hard and qualified for the second round, finishing 48<sup>th</sup> overall. The Ladies B (Eula Hardy, Rachel Holder, Kate Phillips, Sarah Rudd, Bryher Trewin, Lara Sheldon-Allen) had a tight scrap in their heat, eventually pipping the gig alongside to the line to finish 87<sup>th</sup> overall.

Conditions were back to more typical lumpy seas for the mens racing later in September. Our crews of Mens A (Hayden Dark, Ed Langley, Matt Holyer, Tommy Phillips, Isaac McNeish and Robbie Green, cox Steve Jane) and Mens B (Paul Preston, Tom Worden, Dave Henn, Dave Bray, George Harry, David Holyer, cox Dave Jane) both rowed strongly coming 26<sup>th</sup> and 43<sup>rd</sup> respectively. The number of young rowers with us is really encouraging, and with some hard work in coming seasons, the club has the potential to form top 20 or even top 10 mens crews.

In addition to the big championships, we've been out when we can, supporting local regattas and events, including Coverack, Mts Bay and Devoran. The poor summer weather and rough seas unfortunately scuppered many events this summer, and our own event Buller Day in August didn't emerge unscathed. A stiff easterly breeze meant the event had to be scaled back to just half a dozen gigs, but those who came enjoyed the informal atmosphere and racing. A well attended party in the gig shed afterwards made a helpful contribution to covering our running costs, and pasties and entertainment thanks to Cadgwith Singers went down well on 'Buller Eve'. Add to that a couple of busy Wednesday night BBQs in the cove (thanks to all who helped, particularly the Xmas Lights and Rec BBQ experts) and a well attended Peter and Tony night, and it has been a hectic season all told.

As we start to look ahead to our AGM and next season, special mention must go to the late Penny Nuttall-Smith of Cadgwith who left a small share of her estate to several local charities, including the gig club, when she died in 2009. Her affairs have recently been settled, and we, as do I am sure the other local groups, churches and charities who have benefited, appreciate her kind community minded gesture.

Rachel Holder

Secretary, 291052



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# **Autumn Show Round-up**

Well I hope that you all enjoyed the Autumn Show once again and those of you that missed it, you missed a treat. The hall was packed to see Monty Halls of TV fame open the event. He did really well, but the official opening was delayed somewhat because so many people wanted to have a word with him and get their copies of his book signed.

We had some really good quality produce on show again this year, and I know it surprised a few judges and visitors alike. It is amazing to see some of the talents that come from around this area. Young Mailli Carter had a busy time: after putting in all her entries, she presented the buttonholes to Monty Halls and the show officials. She had help with this from Jaime Trewin. She then went on to collect a couple of trophies and extra prizes for her work.

Tommy Bosustow and Lauren Birchmore took the trophies in the under 18's photography, and Andrew Fletcher took most of the accolades in the open photography with his shot of Cadgwith cove, judged the best in section, although our chairman was rather keen on Andrew's cricketing action shot.

Julia Nunn showed her prowess in two areas, getting the best exhibit in the floral art section as well as the best in the art and crafts with her drawing of her pets.

Peggy Thompson won two trophies in the floral art with a fine array off arrangements this was despite accidentally leaving her decorated hat entry at home. Linda Lewis did well with her knitting.

A couple of Grade Ruan exiles also came up trumps, with Doug Stevens gaining most points in the Fruit classes and Mandy Pound had most points in the cookery classes. There is a long tradition of gents being a leading light in the cookery section at our show and this year was no exception with Harry Deacon gaining the best exhibit in cookery with his decorated cake which was themed on the fisherman's apprentice! Well done Harry, keep it up for the men.

To balance things up Margaret Evans won the class for onions grown by a novice, which you have be reading about in the gardening column each month. The judge thought that they were very nicely presented. Clarence Thomas from Chacewater won most points in show and had the best exhibit with his set of three leeks. Also a chap called David Endean won four trophies and a best exhibit for his flowers.

I must thank you all that took part and entered the show. We had over 800 entries once again, from 114 of you. Thanks to those of you that came in and viewed the produce, bought raffle tickets and teas and many thanks to our generous vice presidents and sponsors who make the event viable. If any of you would like to become a vice president please contact either myself or Donna Williams, and we are still on the lookout for a sponsor for a replacement trophy.

A final thank you to those that I cannot name for fear of missing out someone or down to the sheer fact that I don't know your names that helped throughout the day in the kitchen and packing up at the end of the day.

See you all next year please.

### David Endean

PS Moira has been fortunate, in getting some front covers designed for the Gazette - look out for them in the coming months. [This month and next month. *Ed*]



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## **Grade Ruan Horticultural Society Autumn Show Trophy Winners 2012**

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Needlework Mrs L Ruse Knitting and Crochet Miss L Lewis Arts and Crafts Mrs Julia Nunn **Photography** Mr A Fletcher Children 12 to 16 Billy Jane Children 8 to 11 Lucy Green Children up to 7 Thalia Hardy

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# November Quiz

- 1. Which Bronte sister wrote Jane Eyre?
- 2. What is the name of the prison in "Porridge"?
- 3. What is Switzerland's largest city?
- 4. For how many years was Margaret Thatcher Prime Minister?
- 5. What is a smolt?
- 6. Where did snooker originate?

# Answers to the October Quiz

- 1. How many hours are there in a fortnight? 336
- 2. Which father and daughter starred in the film "Tiger Bay"? *John and Hayley Mills*
- 3. What is the venue of the tennis U.S. Open? Flushing Meadow
- 4. Which insect can jump 130 times its own height? Human flea
- 5. What nationality was the spy Mata Hari? Dutch
- 6. Which is the highest peak in England? Scafell Pike



# Cadgwith Book Club

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 28th November at 8pm in Cadgwith Cove Inn. New members are welcome. We will be reviewing "Secret of the Tides" by Hannah Ritchell. There's no meeting in December; the January date will appear in the December / January Gazette. For further information, please contact Di Fleetwood (290365)

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# Blast from the Past: Stormy Weather

Last month saw the  $25^{th}$  anniversary of the Great Storm of 1987, which was thought to be a "once-in-300 year" event. However, just over two years later, on  $25^{th}$  January 1990, we had the "Burns Day" storm, which had a greater effect in Cornwall and was much mentioned in the Gazette in February and March 1990. Gusts reached 89 knots at Culdrose, with sustained average wind speeds of 60 knots.

"Wow! that was some blow, wasn't it." - Joan Church, Gazette Editor, in the February edition.

Sarah Legge gave a detailed account of the damage inflicted in Cadgwith:

The Watch House took a fair battering - the shop had more of the beach inside than out, and the road was scattered with memories of long, hot summer days. Most of the road had been ripped apart, with large boulders wedging places open, especially the Gig shed. What a sad sight - bits of the oar rack lay amongst the chairs, and something that resembled a cooker, and my poor table.

Dummers Loft had taken the full force of the storm - fish heads covered the floor, furniture mingled with furniture. "Mind your Face" came a voice as the last piece of glass was knocked from the battered doors, but where was the garden seat? What would Aunt Anne and Jeannette sit on now?

By this time many people had come to survey the damage to Dummers Loft - luckily there was no-one staying there. A whisper in my ear caused me to chuckle: "I see Danny had a good party last night!" Whatever do they mean, Dan?

It is times like these when everyone pulls together to help those in trouble that makes me feel proud to live here and be part of Cadgwith.

This sentiment was re-iterated by Bizzie Lizzie, who wrote: "Several people have drawn to my attention, and have thought it worth noting, the way our community reacts to the local difficulties and upsets. This spontaneous giving of support and help was clearly illustrated the night of the storm which caused so much damage to the Cove. No wonder, once they come to live here, no-one wants to move away."

In the March Gazette, Edwina Pogson was appealing for donations to repair the storm damage to Grade Church, which had lost hundreds of slates.

Bizzie Lizzie reported that some people in St. Ruan had been without electricity for a week after the storm.

Storms come and go, but it seems this was a mighty big one!

Moira Hurst





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# The Cornish Sardine

# by Martin Ellis

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Its pebbly beach and thatched buildings From here my story unfolds.

Five generations both sides of my parents Thirty years of fishing I had been My great great grand dad a Huer We both caught pilchards - now sardines

A Huer from the cliff a fish finder To locate estimate species and quantity Highly respected in the community for a pilchard seining company.

He directed with the aid of gorse bushes In his hands with his arms in the air, To the man who steered rowing seine boat So his direction around the shoal was clear.

The importance of catching was so great Excitement could be seen in the air, No talking or women near him Or you would be told to keep well clear.

Once the huge shoal had been encircled, Net over - lapped and tied off, Would then bring great celebration With hats and a cheering aloft.

Long rope tied to an eye bolt, Secured at the foot of a cliff Rowed out to the Seine boat's capstan Winched into a sandy bottom bay.

Seine now anchored by cliff and sea bed, For days would stay while men rest their head.

Luggers from Newlyn, Mevagissey and Looe Would come down to take fish for their factories too.

The tuck net carrying Seine boat would Set within the anchored seine, Lift the fish to the surface A spectacular sight to gain.

Thousands of beautiful sanrdiness, Their water they knew not enough, Jumped and splashed continually Was a noise of a continual hush-sh-sh The spray over the shoal had scales in Would sparkle in the air as they fell Below deep green sea full of twinkles Appeared solid as they sank to and fro.

Squawking gulls could be plucked from the air.

Their concern for their fish not flights Crashed and wings would hit you From behind at first a great fright.

Seeing so many of them at first you feel Like you should frighten them away, But they would get so wet couldn't fly With full tummycould only paddle away.

Many men straddling the gunwale Two to a basket dipped and filled Tipped into their own boat Until their gunwales were spilt

Rowed to shore, winched and walked up Effort shown in each way, By hand-barrow to cellars and salting ladies Alternatively in barrel they lay.

When full a small lid was fitted A pole wedged into a ridge in a wall, Stones to hang so to lever Squashed out the air and oil.

That oil lit the lamps of London So they could see in the dark, The pilchard now cured by salting To travel to Pope and afar.

Once the world's biggest fishery Over fished like the mackerel and died out Swam back with those shoals of mackerel With a sonar I did shout.

Sonar with side thruster essential for the dark Rings on legs with rope through, retrieval is an art, The workings of the Cornish pilchard seining companies, Gave me the passion to revive the Cornish sardine, Ring Net Fishery www.nuttynoah.co.uk

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through their struggles. Both had led glittering London society lives before moving to the 400 year old derelict cottage, no running water or electricity, called Dorminack – known locally as 'Minack'. Derek was a Cornishman with strong family roots in the Duchy and both deeply loved Minack, according to Derek Jeannie was it's 'Scarlett O'Hara'. Derek writes of the Lizard in every book, viewing its lighthouse as a beacon across Mounts Bay.

A beautifully produced hardback book with biographies and photographs of people and places the Tangye's knew and loved, it will leave you wanting to read more of Derek's books.

For further details of the book and/or The Friends of Minack Society please contact Gloria Townsin, Secretary – 01326 241745 e-mail: <a href="mailto:gloriatownsin@uwclub.net">gloriatownsin@uwclub.net</a>. We are an active local and worldwide society with our AGM being held in Penzance every March, when four days of activities take place relating to the Minack Chronicles. We are always happy to welcome new members.

# Minutes of the September Monthly Meeting of Grade Ruan Parish Council held in the Sunday School Room of the Ruan Minor Methodist Chapel on Monday 10 September 2012 at 7.30pm

**Present**: Councillors P Collins (Chairman), J Preston (Vice-Chairman), J Trewin, P Freeman, C Cooper, M Alford, M Fleetwood, A Humby, Cornwall Councillor C Rule and three Members of the Public.

- 1. **Absences and Apologies:** Councillor R Curnow sent apologies which were accepted by those present.
- 2. **Declarations of Interest:** No declarations of interest were made.
- 3. **Public Time:** Mr Aldree from Little Trethvas addressed the Parish Council to advise a number of complaints had been made from Grade Ruan Parish about his development at Little Trethvas which is actually located in Landewednack Parish. He confirmed that planning consent had been obtained for the development. He also voiced concerns that objections had been made in his name without his knowledge or consent relating to planning application PA12/04064 and he wished to confirm the opinions expressed in a letter were not his. Councillor A Humby joined the meeting.
- 4. **Police Report:** PCSO Berry sent her apologies, her colleague PCSO Sadler was hoping to attend the meeting but in the Police's absence the Clerk read the report. There has been an increase in crime over the past two months. In July and August there were 11 crimes reported to the Police. There was a theft and a robbery to two individuals who attend a SWAT party which was held outside the village. These crimes as yet have not been detected. There was a report of an assault and a counter report of a common assault. After making these reports the victims decided that they did not want to take the complaints any further and provided negative statements. There was a report of criminal damage to a local property under construction. This was investigated; however, there was little of evidential value to progress with the crime. However, following a call to the Police they have spoken with a group of people who were found trespassing on the property. There was a report of

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criminal damage to motor vehicle which was parked on the side of the road. There has been a theft from one of the local campsites and a burglary at another. These crimes are currently under investigation. There have also been two burglaries and one attempted burglary. These crimes are all under investigation.

Over the summer months there has been an increase in opportunist burglaries on the Peninsula. In many cases thieves have taken advantage of open windows and insecure premises. For crime prevention advice, please remember to: Keep doors locked, especially the front door when you are in the back garden; Keep windows and doors closed and locked, even if you are at home, as a burglar may enter through an unlocked window. Don't leave keys in locks, especially in front and back doors. If possible, Fit strong locks. Install a burglar alarm. Mark your property with your postcode, house number or name. In other areas covered by Helston Police station there has been an increase in the number of thefts from motor vehicles. Please ensure that Parish Council Minutes, cont.

your vehicle is locked and that any items of value are locked away out of sight.

We must remember that we live in the fourth safest place in the country and we hope that with your help we can keep crime low in this area.

5. **Cornwall Councillor's Time:** Cornwall Councillor C Rule reported a grant had been authorised to the Gig Club and she encouraged organisations to apply by the end of November.

Bus turning by the Chapel – an officer was coming out to look at the situation again. Councillor Rule would liaise with the Clerk.

S106 – various options had been discussed but the Affordable Housing team would like the Parish Council to indicate a preference for one option and then they could work up a scheme.

Various consultations are being conducted, one that seemed contentious related to road closures for carnivals or special local events. Councillor Rule advised this can be resolved by individuals within the Parish receiving appropriate training for setting up signs.

Joint venture partnership – another wave of funding cuts is happening. To date Cornwall Council has managed to make cuts whilst protecting many of its services but has reached the point where there is nothing more to cut and services will be affected, so it is now looking at entering into Joint Venture Partnerships with a private sector company. The company will bear the risk and expense of bidding for contracts on Cornwall Council's behalf which if successful will bring work into the county thereby securing existing jobs and hopefully creating new ones. Councillor Rule reported there had been a lot of bad press about this initiative which she felt had not been constructive.

It was brought to Councillor Rule's attention that, over the past twelve months, of the planning applications submitted for consultation to the Parish Council some 45% of the Parish Council's responses were not showing in Cornwall Council's planning website. The Clerk had

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submitted the responses by post. Cornwall Council is conducting an investigation into the situation and the Parish Council is looking to use consultee access. Councillor Rule asked to be kept updated in respect of this.

- 6. **Minutes for acceptance:** the Minutes having been circulated and amended were signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.
- 7. Planning: PA12/06747 proposed conversion of annexe and garage to form holiday accommodation at Bodrigy Lodge, Cadgwith, Ruan Minor by Mr and Mrs P Dunmall. Councillor Freeman proposed the application be supported, Councillor Collins seconded all in favour.
- a) PA12/06627 proposed house restoration and barn conversion to form dwelling at Kingey, Tresaddern, Ruan Minor by Mr and Mrs J Bosustow. Councillor Freeman proposed the application be supported, Councillor Cooper seconded 10 in favour, 1 abstention.
- b) PA12/07576 erection of single storey extension at Riverside, Ruan Minor by Mr F Leake. Councillor Fleetwood proposed the application be supported, Councillor Freeman seconded all in favour.
- c) PA12/04064 retention of 1.8m and 1.2m pole mounted sign on adjacent entrance at height of 2.5m at Worvas Farm, Worvas Lane by JC Bennetts. It was reported this application had been refused by Cornwall Council on grounds of detrimental visual impact before the application had come before the Parish Council. The Parish Council did not comment.
- d) PA12/05941 provision of up to 3 burial plots at land south of The Glanis, Treal, Ruan Minor by Mr R Packham and Ms G Feri. Councillor Fleetwood proposed the Parish Council object to the application as it is felt the proposed development it too close to a watercourse. It would appear this is 47 metres from the stream when the Environment Agency's recommendation is a minimum distance of 300 metres. The Parish Council also feels it is inappropriate there should be unmarked graves in a field. Councillor Trewin seconded. 10 supported the proposal, 1 against. The proposal was carried.
- e) It was reported the plans for Mandy's Shop had been submitted to planning.
- f) There was further discussion in respect of the Parish Council's comments not being recorded on the planning website. The Parish Council approved Councillor Green to investigate further. It was felt it may be helpful to have a more formal procedure for receiving planning applications. To be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.
- g) PA12/05796 Coastline Housing, Glebe Place. It was reported the plans on this development had been amended to include screening and a stock proof fence along the north east boundary as suggested by the Parish Council when commenting on the application.
- 8. **Finance:** financial report copies of the financial report were circulated.

Funds from Jubilee celebrations – a breakdown of the proceeds of sale of Jubilee mugs to date was provided. It was reported the Jubilee Committee were purchasing a commemorative bench for the churchyard. Ideas were requested for obtaining an item to commemorate the Jubilee in the Parish. To be added to the next Agenda.

Approval of payments as per schedule – approved.

Appointment of external auditor from 2012/2013 – notification had been received from the Audit Commission the external auditor appointed to audit the annual return for Grade Ruan Parish Council for five years from 2012/13 is to be Grant Thornton UK LLP.

9. **Matters arising from the Minutes:** Play Area – Councillor Elliott had obtained a book for recording play equipment inspections. She was also obtaining quotes for fencing. Some

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replacements had been made to the bark chippings. Councillor Elliott requested that a larger sum than the £5000 already planned towards improving the Play Area be allocated to the project as she estimated it would cost £12 000 to make a significant start on it. The Chair and Councillor Elliott to liaise and obtain quotes.

Register of Interests – revised forms are available for Councillors to register their interests.

Outstanding items of business – Councillor Freeman had prepared a list of items he had identified to be outstanding and was circulated.

- i. Play equipment this is ongoing had been discussed earlier.
- ii. Terms of reference the Parish Council had agreed each of the sub-committees should have terms of reference but none had been approved. These had been drafted for most of the committees by the members of the relevant sub-committee but were yet to be approved by the full Council.
- iii. Cadgwith Car Park registration of the Council's tenancy with the Rural Payments Agency to facilitate grant applications. Clerk to investigate.
- iv. Right to buy strategic community buildings. It had been agreed in January a list be compiled of strategic buildings in the Parish whose sale would affect the whole community but no list had been prepared to date. The procedure for compiling such a list needs to be researched.
- v. Surgery lease, has agreement been reached or is it still in progress. This was to be discussed later in the meeting.
- vi. Weeds in roadside gutters. This had been reported to Highways earlier in the year but nothing has happened. Clerk to chase again.
- vii. A request had been made for a litter bin in the Kuggar bus shelter. Clerk to chase.
- viii. S106 working party this was established in April and met in June. Clerk to circulate minutes. Working party to consider which is the most appropriate option to follow.
- ix. Footpath adoption from Sowenna to New Road a request had been submitted to Highways. The Countryside Access Team had responded to say if the Parish Council wanted this added to the Public Rights of Way network this could be achieved by proving evidence of use but advised the Parish Council wanted it adopted as part of the publicly maintained network this would have to be dealt with by Highways. There had been no response from Highways. It was felt it would be better if the path was adopted. Clerk to chase Highways.
- x. Polstangey Bridge works had been requested but nothing had happened. It was reported the works had now been completed.
- xi. Resident parking in Cadgwith this had not been furthered.
- xii. BT phone box whilst the glass had been replaced the kiosk still needed painting. The Clerk had been advised that it is included on the next cyclical repainting contract but this would not commence before March 2013. Councillor Freeman to ask Cornflower Garden Services if they would clean the kiosk as it has become very dirty.
- xiii. Granites in Mundys Field Car Park Councillor Fleetwood to investigate.
- xiv. Martha's Acre is anything going to be done with this?
- xv. Coastline grass cutting -Clerk to write.

## 10. **Matters for consideration:** New lease for Ruan Minor Surgery

The new lease prepared by the Council's solicitors had been circulated for inspection to the Councillors and incorporated all the terms stipulated by the Council which were drawn up as the "Head of Terms" document previously approved together with a form of resolution to grant a new lease for Ruan Minor Surgery to the "Mullion and Constantine Group Practice" of medical



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Councillor Freeman proposed the grant of the new lease in the form of the circulated resolution, Councillor Green seconded – unanimous approval. The lease was signed as a deed by two members of the Council present at the Meeting and countersigned by the Clerk.

- b) Memorial seat on The Todden a request had been received from the parents of Toby Hart, who had died at Cadgwith during the summer, for a bench to be placed on The Todden in his memory. Councillor Freeman proposed the request be granted, Councillor Fleetwood seconded all in favour.
- c) Venue for Parish Council meetings it was reported that the main hall in the Ruan Minor Village Hall was now available if the Parish Council wished to meet there. The consensus was Parish Council meetings continue to be held in the Sunday School but Councillor Fleetwood would investigate the practicalities of obtaining some electric heaters for the meetings with a view to the Parish Council contributing to their cost.
- 11. **Correspondence:** [The list of letters and emails is not printed here, due to space constraints. It is available from the Editor.]
- 12. **Footpaths, Environment and Treewarden**: Clerk to check dates as to when paths 2 and 6 were cut. Contact details for contractor to be circulated to Footpath Committee. Councillor Freeman to speak with the contractor re trimming the Church hedge.

Dogs mess – this is an increasing problem on the Recreation Ground and the Treleague verge. To be discussed at the next meeting.

The Council were advised of the death of the husband of former Parish Councillor Mrs J Thomas. A letter of sympathy to be sent. The funeral to be held at 11am on 14 September.

Casual vacancy – the statutory Notice period was completed with no expressions of interest so the Parish Council can now co-opt. A Notice requesting expressions of interest to be received by 24 September had been posted.

Councillor Preston left the Meeting.

St Ruan Bridge – it was asked if the works requested at St Ruan Bridge could also include works to the verges in Poltesco Lane.

13. **In committee**: the Parish Council then went into committee.

Police Report: Report compiled by PCSO Berry at 1700 hrs on Sunday 7 October 2012.

During September there were two crime reported to the Police within this Parish.

Someone has been arrested and charged with an assault causing actual bodily harm.

There has also been a burglary which is being investigated and we are currently awaiting the results of finger prints taken by a Scenes of Crimes Officer.

I would also like to advise you that in other areas on the Peninsular there has been an increase in the number of pedal cycles stolen from properties in remote locations. Four cycles in total have been stolen. Where possible, please keep bikes locked and in a secure shed or garage. If you are the owner of a bike please record and register your bicycle, keeping a description of the model, make and frame number. The website <a href="https://www.immobilise.com">www.immobilise.com</a> is an ideal way to record any valuable property; it is even possible to upload photographs.

If you have any crimes you would like to report please telephone 101, or should you have any concerns which you would like to discuss please call me on 01326 555158, this is an answer machine service, please leave a message and I will get back to you.

PC 5951 Dave Vaughan, PCSO 30053 Julia Berry, SC Chris Butterill, SC Tony Soady

# Rector's Ramblings

all me a wimp, but I'm terrified of heights. Three steps up a step ladder is high enough for me. For years now I have told my family that when a 'big' birthday comes around - those ones with a '0' or a '5' on the end - please do not, NOT give me a Flight in a Hot Air Balloon!

So the thought of anyone going 24 miles up into the atmosphere in a balloon so as to jump out of it and plummet back down to earth at over 833 miles per hour – well, it leaves me with a mixture of admiration for their bravery and incredulity at their utter stupidity.

But this, of course, is just what Felix Baumgartner did recently - and maybe you will have seen the newsreel pictures as he was about to take that leap from the platform of his balloon to free-fall back down to earth, landing somewhere in the desert of New Mexico. Later he said, "Let me tell you - when I was standing there on top of the world, you become so humble ...". I remember similar sentiments being expressed by the early American astronauts way back in the 60s.

Now, I don't claim to have insight into Baumgartner's religious beliefs, nor those of the American astronauts. As Queen Elizabeth I said: "I have no desire to make windows into men's souls". But I do believe that their words sum up our human smallness compared to the awesome might and mightiness of God, the Creator of all things.

Karl Boberg sums this up in one of our best loved hymns, 'How great thou art', which begins with the words, 'O, Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder, consider all the works thy hand has made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.' And then that wonderful refrain; 'Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee: how great thou art.'

Yes, we humans may have the technology, the expertise, the knowledge, the sheer audacity to push back the boundaries of nature, but we can never, EVER overthrow or surpass the power, the greatness or the sovereignty of our Saviour God.

So, whether your feet are firmly on the ground, whether you are three rungs up a ladder or 24 miles up in the atmosphere – look around you and praise God for the wonders of His Creation!

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# Church Activities

# **Church of England Services**

Sun 4th Morning Praise, St Ruan Church 11am

Sun 11th Remembrance Sunday

Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial 10.45am

followed by Service in St Ruan Church 11am

Evensong, St Grade Church 3pm

Sun 18th Family Service, St Ruan Church 11am

Evening Praise, St Mary's Church, Cadgwith 6pm

Sun 25th Holy Communion, St Ruan Church 9.30am

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| Wednesday | 12.15pm at Culdrose  |                   |
| Thursday  |                      | 10am              |
| Friday    | 10am                 |                   |
| Saturday  | 4pm                  |                   |
| Holy Days | 10am                 | 7.30pm            |

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