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1 st Sunday	Kennack Sands Beach Clean, 10 am. 3 rd December, 7 th January
2 nd Monday	Parish Council meeting, Methodist Chapel, 7.30pm. 11 th December, 8 th January
3 rd Tuesday	Soup, Pasty & Pudding, Methodist Chapel, 12.15 pm. 19 th December, 16 th January
3 rd Tuesday	History Group in the Ruan Store Café, 10 am. 19 th December, 16 th January
4 th Tuesday	Quiz in the Village Hall, 7.30pm. 19 th December (3 rd Tuesday), 23 rd January
Mon & Thurs	Short Mat Bowling, Village Hall, 7.00pm
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Every Thurs	Market and Refreshments, Village Hall, 9.00am - 11.30am
Every Thurs	Yoga at the Village Hall, 5.30pm - 6.30pm

DECEMBER AND JANUARY (SEE "WHAT'S ON" FOR MORE DETAILS)

1 December	Lizard Lifeboat Carolaire, 7pm
3 December	Village Hall Christmas Community evening, 7.30pm
8 December	Grade Ruan School Christmas Fayre, 2.30pm
10 December	Methodist Church Service taken by Praze/Hayle male choir, 11am
16 December	Cadgwith Christmas Lights Switch on, 6pm
17 December	Nativity in St. Mary's Church, Cadgwith. 3pm
19 December	Village Hall Quiz. 7.30pm
20 December	Last day of Autumn Term
21 December	Last Thursday market of 2017. Village Hall. 9am - 11.30am
4 January	First day of Spring First Term

ADVANCE DATES

7 February	Cadgwith Book Club, Cadgwith Cove Inn 8pm
9 February	Last day of Spring First Term
19 February	First day of Second Spring Term
7 March	Cadgwith Book Club, Cadgwith Cove Inn 8pm
25 March	British Summer Times starts 1am
29 March	Last day of Second Spring Term
1 April	Easter Sunday
16 April	First day of Summer First Term
25 May	Last day of Summer First Term

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Noticeboard

Valerie Atherton, of Eskelly Gwydn, Prazegooth passed away on 16th November. May I extend my condolences to her family and her many friends in the area. Her funeral will be on Friday 1st December at 11.30am at St Wynwallow's Church, Landewednack. There will then be a private family cremation, followed by a celebration of her life at Eskelly Gwydn at 2.30pm. I understand she had requested that everyone wear bright, happy colours and that donations are given to the RSPCA. Pendle Funeral Service Helston will be organising the collection.



A ring has been found recently in the vicinity of the Village Hall. Please call 290536 if you think it might be yours.

The Gazette Quiz is back. Thank you to Lydia Graham for volunteering to provide questions for you to try to answer each month. No prizes, just the satisfaction of getting them right.

This issue of the Gazette is for December and January. It contains your Christmas wishes in

lieu of sending cards. Thanks for your donations, all of which this year will go to the Cornwall Air Ambulance.

May I take this opportunity to say thank you to our advertisers for their support throughout the year. Please favour these companies whenever you can, as they ensure that the Gazette is financially viable. Thanks also to all our distributors, as well as our regular and occasional contributors, who all do so much to ensure the Gazette continues to be published.

The next issue will be out at the beginning of February; meanwhile, on behalf of the Gazette Committee, may I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Moira Hurst

Happy Birthday in December to Lorraine Wickens, Rose Bowcher, Sam Jane, James Bennetts, James Green, Danny Meek, Ivan Blight-Anderson, Rosie Jane, Lisa Mitchell, Pam Penrose, Ian Arnall, Fiona Hunt, Ben Noonan, Jack A, Jack S, Karen Forster, Jai Mallinder, Ian Shipway

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From Paul and Carolyn Ferrari:

We invite all our friends and neighbours for festive drinks and nibbles at Trescovean on Sunday

17th December. Please drop in any time between 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

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Information:

Sheila Stephens 290583

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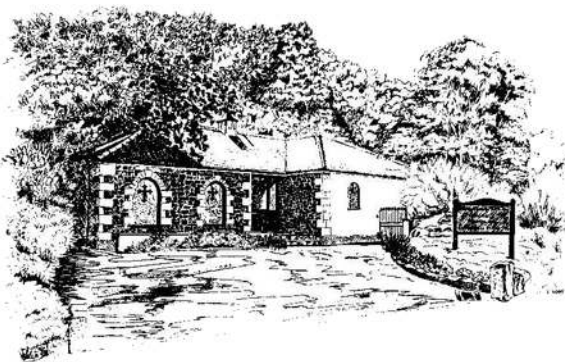
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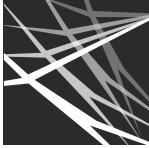
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or pop in on a Thursday morning to see what's going on.

SHORT MAT BOWLS

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

For more information call **Steve Griffiths on 290154**

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 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

Check on the Hall and Village notice boards for details of the many special events held in the Hall throughout the year.

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This year the service will be held at **St Mawgan in Meneage Church** on **Monday 18th December at 7pm**. There will be a retiring collection for church funds and ShelterBox.

Refreshments will available after the service. There will be parking in the farmyard behind the church, or park in Mawgan village and walk to the church (please do not park on the large grass area near the church).

Everyone is welcome to the service!



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Mains

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Roast Topside of Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables horseradish sauce and Madeira gravy
Roasted Monkfish, a fricassee of mushroom & red wine & thyme
Served with Cranberry Mash
Christmas Brie, Fig, Redcurrant & Tarragon Tart served with Parisian Potatoes & cream chard puree (V)

Desserts

Christmas Sorbet (V, GF)
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Friday 15 December

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Netherlands, Norway, Slovakia,
Spain, Switzerland

Saturday 16 December

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Christmas Greetings

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- ♣ To all neighbours and friends, a Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year 2018. Best wishes. **Thelma Quirk.**
 - ♣ Wishing all our friends and neighbours a happy, healthy and peaceful time at Christmas. **Brian and Cathy Brown.**
 - ♣ Ho, ho, ho! Merry Christmas to all our lovely family, friends and neighbours. We hope you have a magic one and a healthy, happy New Year ahead. Much love. **Len, Liane, Mailli Rae and Tamlyn.** xxx
 - ♣ Wishing all our family, friends and neighbours a happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas and New Year. With our love. **Nicky, Ian, Ray** and a big woof from **Samson.** xxx
 - ♣ **Terry and Deborah Stephens** wish all their friends and neighbours a Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year.
 - ♣ Wishing all my friends and neighbours Merry Christmas and a happy and fulfilling 2018. Thank you one and all for your extraordinary kindness to me this year. It is very much appreciated. **Moirá Hurst**
 - ♣ **Marcia and Keith Johnson** would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
 - ♣ A very merry Christmas and a happy New Year to everybody. Love from **Ann and Ross** (the dog).
 - ♣ **CC and Stuart** wish you an abundance of joy, good health, happiness and much Christmas cheer to remain with you throughout the year.
 - ♣ Wishing all our family and friends a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Love and Season's Greeting from **Skinny and Mags.** X
 - ♣ **Gill and Colin Thomas** wish all their friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2018.
 - ♣ **Paul and Carolyn** wish all our friends a Very Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year. Xxx
 - ♣ **Mary and Brian** wish all their friends a Very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.
 - ♣ **Isobel Sterling** wishes her friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy 2018.
 - ♣ Festive greetings for a very merry Christmas time and a happy healthy New Year to everyone. **Paul and Pam.**
 - ♣ **Diana and Peter Martin** wish all their friends and neighbours a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Christmas Greetings



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- ♣ **Jane and Peter** from Roselyn Ruan Minor would like to wish everyone in Grade Ruan a very Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for a prosperous and healthy New Year!
 - ♣ **Marea Downey and her family** wish all their friends and neighbours a wonderful Christmas and a happy, healthy 2018. We also want to thank everyone for their kindness and support in our loss this year of our beloved husband and father, Marlan.
 - ♣ **Dorothy and Caroline** would like to wish everyone at Thursday Coffee Morning a very Happy Christmas. See you all in the New Year.
 - ♣ **Yvonne** would like to wish everyone a very healthy and peaceful Christmas; and a Happy New Year to you all.
 - ♣ **Mr Ken Eustis** would like to wish all friends and family a merry Christmas and happy New Year. All the best for 2018.
 - ♣ **Bruce and Glynis Jordan** would like to wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all their friends in Cadgwith and Ruan Minor.
 - ♣ Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our family and friends. Love from **Helen and Victoria**. xxx
 - ♣ Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends. **Paul and Jacqui Dunmall**.
 - ♣ **Julie Sturman** would like to wish all her friends and neighbours Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
 - ♣ **Dom, Alison and family** wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2018.
 - ♣ To all our friends: A very "Merry" Christmas and a Happy New Year. Love **Tim, Sandra, Sam and Lauren**.
 - ♣ Wishing everyone a very special Xmas and prosperous New Year from the **Pollard Family**. x
 - ♣ **Steve and Helen Holyer** would like to wish all our family, friends and acquaintances the very best for a peaceful contented and comfortable Christmas, with love.
 - ♣ Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a prosperous 2018, with love from **Ali, Martin, Emma and Matt Russell (Josh and Hannah too)**. Have a fabulous time xxxxx
 - ♣ **Tony and Jan Halliday and family** would like to wish all their friends a very happy Christmas and a healthy 2018. xxx



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The free roaming ponies are hardy traditional breeds including Dartmoor, Exmoor & Shetland and are well suited to the difficult terrain found on our reserves where they thrive. The money raised will help to pay for veterinary care and supplementary feeds, especially over winter.

There are three levels of sponsorship: Bronze (£20), Silver (£50) and Gold (£500). All sponsors will receive a certificate, and information about the herd. Silver and Gold sponsors also get guided visits and an opportunity to meet some ponies.

Support the pony herd by making a donation on line at www.easydonate.org/NENG002 and follow us on twitter @NE_DCloS #MyCornishPony

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Friends of Kennack

Monthly Update and Annual Review

- This year Friends of Kennack (FoK) has become a formalised committee; the primary aim of FoK is to keep the beach free from litter and an enjoyable destination for the community and holiday makers.
- **FoK AGM** was held on wed 1st November (many thanks to Sea Acres for hosting us) in which we reviewed the season just gone and looked ahead to 2018.
- **Litter Management:** this year the two beach hut owners were paid to keep the beach clean. It was felt that having one or two people working together and paid to clean the beach was a good solution to the high volumes of litter in peak holiday season. This is also a more financially viable solution and visually cleaner than replacing the council owned bins that were removed 2 years ago. To ensure fairness, interested parties are invited to apply for this paid beach cleaning position (2018 season) now by emailing Joey at joey@sustainableyou.co.uk.
- **Education:** Natural England and FoK teamed up with Megan from Wild Thymes and trialled rockpooling events at Kennack this year. For a number of reasons uptake for this was not as high as hoped. For 2018 FoK plan to run rock pooling / other education events at the beach more consistently (once a week in the 2018 summer holidays) and with better promotion. Our hope is that Kennack Sands will be a place where local and visiting children have the opportunity to learn about the beach and sea-life.
- **Sunday Community Beach Cleans:** with the end of the season the paid beach cleaning has come to an end and the weekend community-led beach cleans have resumed. Our first community beach clean on Sunday 5th November was exceptionally well attended by 18 members of the community and Surfers Against Sewage. Thank you to all who came. They will continue every first Sunday of the month throughout winter and Spring - coming dates for your diary 3rd December and 7th January. We'd like to keep these running in the summer as this will keep costs down.
- In the long term, it would be amazing if more members of the public wanted to be involved in the weekend beach cleans, education events and FoK generally. To find out more, join in, or apply for the paid litter picking position please contact me on 290961.

Joey Clifton



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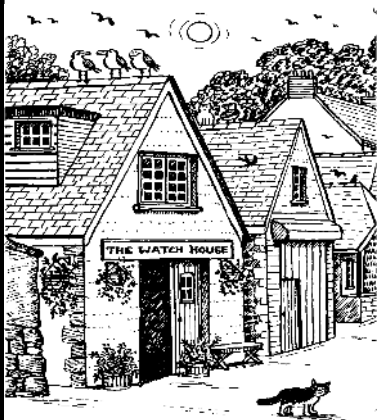
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IN THE POSTBAG

It is 1944. World War II is at its peak. Jean and Harry are serving at RAF Predannack, home to over 2000 multi-national personnel, operational, support and servicing. Jean is a very experienced operations room member and Harry is a Band Sergeant responsible for entertainment. He is a good pianist having learnt the piano from the age of five. Before the war he worked for a stockbroking firm in the City of London. He is married to Doris and has a daughter Diane aged 10. They live in Sydenham, near Crystal Palace in south east London. Jean lives off the base with her mother Una who has been unwell since her husband died quite recently. They live in a small house 'Sea Spray' immediately overlooking the now old Lizard lifeboat station.

Life is lived one day at a time. No one knows if they will be alive tomorrow, next week, next month or next year. No one knows when the war will end. Flying personnel come and go quickly, many never to return. Jean loves music and so does Harry. They fall in love and for over a year, enjoy a loving and passionate relationship.

I am Peter, the child from their affair. I was adopted at six months and I knew nothing about my birth mother Jean until we were reunited in 2004. I spent the next six years getting to know her and the family I knew nothing about previously. Doris died in 2000 aged 93, Harry died in 2004 aged 95, Diane died in 2008 aged 74 and Jean died aged 87.

I am writing a book about Jean, Harry, Doris and my adoption. Were you alive at that time? Do you know anyone who was? Do you have any pictures, postcards or newspaper cuttings about life on Predannack and the air base at that time? Do you have any relatives who were alive then? Do you know anyone who might have any memories about that time?

I am interested in the history of Sea Spray, the second of two houses to the right of the 'Wavecrest' cafe at Lizard Point. That is where I was conceived. If anyone has any pictures of the property after it was built in 1930, especially during the war years, I would be very interested to hear from them. I am willing to travel and meet people individually.

Please let me know if you have any information that would help my research. The smallest, slightest piece of information would be very valuable.

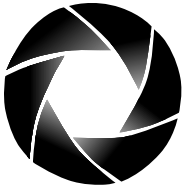
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Recreation Ground News



See us on Facebook:
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This year seems to have flown by, already I'm writing about Christmas and the New Year!

Our annual Firework Display was even bigger and better this year - with many thanks to Roddy Hall, our tame pyrotechnician! This event has become our biggest regular fund raising event - generating nearly £3000 of much-needed funds towards completion of various outstanding works on the Pavilion. I estimate there were as many as 1000 visitors to the display (and a few who declined to pay the modest £2 entry - and watched from the road instead!). This event has its roots as just a fun event for the village, with no fund-raising purpose - just to cover costs. The entry fee has remained the same for many years, as we still want the display to remain a low-cost family event accessible to all - and I see no reason to change that for the foreseeable future!

Next event on our calendar is our "First Anniversary Party" - on the 9th December. The new Pavilion was officially opened on the 10th December last year, so we thought it would be good to mark the anniversary with a party. We plan to have live music, the bar will be open and everyone is invited!

Our New Year Eve party was popular last year, so we will do the same again this year. We will be open from 7pm to 1am with music to dance to and fireworks at midnight - Roddy gave me a few "left-overs" from November 5th - so we should see the New Year in with quite a bang! There's no fancy-dress theme - so dress up, or don't, it's up to you - just come and have fun!

Our next (and hopefully, last!) big project is completing the kitchen. This won't be cheap, which is why it's been delayed so long! First step will be to install a commercial extraction system, which will cost about £2000, and clad the walls around the cooking area with stainless steel. We have a suitable oven/range, but it's not been installed yet - it can't be used until the extraction system is installed and the required gas safety interlocks in place. We need to do a bit of re-arranging of the worktops, buy commercial fridge and freezer and add griddle and chip fryer to the cooking equipment. The whole project is likely to cost about £5000, and I'm hoping we can get it completed early in the new year.

We are opening the bar regularly on Fridays 5-8pm (with the fish and chip van), Saturdays 3-8pm (open from 2pm for RMFC home games) and

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Sunday afternoons 3-7pm. We are showing major football and rugby matches on the big TV, with quite a few people coming in to watch - but we don't have Sky, as it's far too expensive! The "Cadgwith B" euchre team play every second Thursday evening, and I've been asked if we can host some beginners classes - so watch the notices for details. We are also getting a dartboard (it should be in use by the time you read this) - and if it's popular, may

open another evening for darts.

As ever, we would like a few more volunteer bar staff - if you're interested, please contact me. We've still got a way to go before we can afford paid staff, as we don't generate enough income to cover wages - and still meet our other financial commitments!

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Rector's Ramblings

Christmas

Christmas can be a wonderful time, but it can also be a challenge. The pressure of expectations in terms of presents and parties, when financially times are hard, may leave the new year burdened by money worries. Sometimes the absence of loved ones at such a time is hard to bear, and the sense of hope and renewal that Christmas offers to the new year can seem absent, overwhelmed by sadness. Or, sometimes, the presence of loved ones in the stresses of Christmas can provoke arguments and division that will sour the new year. Or, perhaps, you may just feel left out of Christmas, not invited and left out; starting the new year with a real sense of loneliness.

For all these reasons Christmas can be a challenge. I must confess, as a vicar (and much as I love it) Christmas can sometimes seem like a mountain to climb, past which it is hard to look forward into the new year. But it need not be so. Whatever pressures society, family, friends (or you, yourself) put on it, it is meant to be simply a time to remember the gift of God's presence with us.

Jesus doesn't ask much, if anything, of us: He is not looking for a home (he already has a better one than we can give), he will take whatever we will give him even a stable. Despite the wise men, he is not looking for gifts from us (he already has everything), rather he wants to give something to us. He is not looking to see how well we can do at Christmas (as if we could keep up with the Yahweh's). Rather, he has taken off his royal robes and put on a servant's smock; come to help us.

Most of Bethlehem had no idea what happened among them that first Christmas night, they were too preoccupied eating, drinking and partying. What a shame if this Christmas we were too busy to notice him. Perhaps that's the most challenging aspect of Christmas, that we simply fail to notice Jesus. Step outside your Christmas this year and enter into his. If you are not sure how, we are here to help. We would love to make the introductions.

If we do enter into his Christmas, it will not only transform Christmas for us, but it will also change the way we come to our new year.

This Christmas, may God bless you with his presence, and his present – Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ

Peter Sharpe, Rector

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Church Services



Church of England Services

DECEMBER

Sun 3rd	Morning Praise, St Ruan Church	11.15am
Sun 10th	Holy Communion, St Ruan Church	9.30am
	Christingle at St Grade Church	3pm
Sun 17th	Carols at St Ruan Methodist Chapel	11am
	Nativity at St Mary's Church, Cadgwith	3pm
	Nine Lessons & Carols, St Ruan Church	6pm
Christmas Eve	Midnight Mass, St Ruan Church	11.30pm
Christmas Day	Family Communion, St Wynwallow Church	10am
Sun 31st	Holy Communion, St Wynwallow Church	11.15am

JANUARY

Sun 7th	Morning Praise, St Ruan Church	11.15am
Sun 14th	Holy Communion St Ruan Church	9.30am
Sun 21st	Family Service, St Ruan Church	11.15am
Sun 28th	Holy Communion, St Ruan Church	9.30am

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Grade-Ruan Under 5s



Grade-Ruan School



Mullion School

Grade-Ruan Under 5s: Christmas is fast approaching and our children are very busy creating lots of festive craft to adorn their homes with; glitter galore!

Our Halloween party was a great success; we made a fantastic £75. There were some awesome costumes on the night. Well done to Jacob for winning 1st prize as a minion in the children's category and to Donna, with Darcey as a real life accessory, who won the adults category! Thank you to all that came and helped support - we hope to make the Halloween party an annual event!

The children went a little spotty for Children In Need! We had spotty activities throughout the week with Friday being our Super Spotty Day! The children had a great time making spotty teddy biscuits, decorating a spotty Pudsey and watching the live Children In Need Duck Race!

As I type we are in the final stages of planning our Christmas Fair, it should be a lovely day with natural crafts to have a go at and lots of handmade local crafts for sale.

Our next event is our Christmas Movie on Saturday 23rd December - Arthur Christmas! This is open to all to attend.

Friday 1st December the Health visitor will be visiting and we will be having our Christmas Jumper Day to support Save the Children. Cakes will be available and jumper decorating activities to partake in.

Playgroup will close for Christmas on Friday 15th December at 3pm and re-open on Monday 8th January at 830am.

We thank you all for your continued support and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Melissa Hudson.

Grade-Ruan School: Starfish Class had an exciting morning at Penrose last month, where we found T Rex footprints in the woods! These led us to a campfire where we toasted marshmallows and made hot chocolate. We made a volcano and small worlds for dinosaurs, then dug for our own fossils which we

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put in a special bag that we decorated ourselves. We finished the session with a picnic before driving in the minibus back to school. Thank you to Mrs Handford for coming along to help and to Claire Scott for organising the activities.

KS2 enjoyed a lovely day in St Ives, visiting the Tate Gallery and going to the Cinema to see Despicable 3. Everyone had a great time and were a credit to the school.

Well done to the 25 runners who took part in the Keskowethyans X-country at St. Martin school. Although it was a chilly evening, the sun shone and so did the runners! It was great to see 13 younger children taking part in the event! Thank you to everyone who helped transport, clear up, cheer on the children and marshal, as without your assistance, these events would not be possible

A big thank you for all of the donations made for Children in Need. It was lovely to see so many children in non-school uniform to support this very worthwhile cause. We raised £54.00!

Our nativity this year is "Mary's Knitting" and we would like to invite you to our performances which will take place on Tuesday 12th December, at 2pm and 6pm in the school hall. Everyone welcome!

Every Friday our year 6 children join Starfish Class and spend time reading and chatting to the younger children. This is something that everyone enjoys.

After-School Club runs 5 days a week, Monday to Friday until 5.15pm. The cost is £3.00 per hour, (billed half hourly after the first hour) and £2.00 per sibling. Breakfast Club runs 5 days a week, Monday to Friday from 8am, at a cost of £2.00 per child which includes breakfast.

The Grade Ruan Community Trust has generously paid for the children in KS2 to have a lantern workshop on Wednesday 6th December, which will be run by Chris Nixon. The children will then be able to use their lanterns at the Cadgwith Christmas Light Switching on, on Saturday 16th December, if they wish. The workshop will need many hands on and if there are any parents who are free and would like to join us we would be delighted to see you. Please talk to a member of staff if you are interested in helping out.

[Extracted from school newsletters. Ed]

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



Ruan Minor Football Club News



See us on Facebook:
"Ruan Minor Football Club"

Since we last reported we have only played two games an away Win 2 - 1 in the Cup against St Kew (goal scorers Jack Green & Will Trewin, Man of the Match Dale Cummings) and a 0 - 1 loss to Holmans in the League (Man of the Match Stephen Legge).

Upcoming fixtures during the Festive period include:-

- 2nd Dec Away to Newlyn – League Game Kick Off 2.30pm
- 9th Dec Home to West Cornwall – League Game Kick Off 2.30pm
- 16th Dec Home to Ludgvan – League Game Kick Off 2.30pm



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Finally thanks again to all our supporters and sponsors for getting behind RMFC in our 2nd season in the Trelawney League, and we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a magical Christmas and prosperous New Year!

Regards

Gary & Wayne



Stephen Legge receiving the 'Man of Match' bottle of Champagne from Jason Hickey from JMH Stonemasons & Landscaping for his performance against Holmans.



Wayne and Gary receiving new 'Match Balls' from Simon & Francesca Herbert from 'New Thatch'.



Wayne Briggs kindly receiving RMFC New 'Short sleeve' shirt from Jason Hickey from JMH Stonemasons & Landscaping.

A verse for Christmas Night

By Jonathon Coudrille

Sitting by the fireside I placed another log.
Merry sparks burst cherry red. The flames renewed their power,
Gleaming on reflected richness, rare antiquity, Treasures that affirm my status and prosperity.
In my glass a mellow malt. The coldness of the hour
Prowled outside. Nearby I heard the barking of a dog.

Ding dong went the door chime; guests weren't due yet at my door...
Testily I called the staff; did no-one hear my call?
Thunderously a knocking came that shook the Christmas tree.
Angrily I called again, "Is no-one here but me?" Sullenly I left my chair and shuffled down the hall.
On the step a stranger stood. Dishevelled, young and poor.

Irritably I enquired his purpose. By what right did he dare disturb my easy comfort and my peace?
Silently he raised his eyes and looked me up and down,
Taking in my slippers, my cigar, my dressing-gown...Nastily I mumbled about calling the police.
Sadly he regarded me and moved into the light

Eyes of fire held mine and I was helpless in his gaze...
Tales of ancient mariners came flooding to my mind
Samuel Taylor Coleridge? But this man was not malign.
Quietly he shook his head. Again his eyes met mine. Reaching out he took my arm,
A gesture not unkind. He and I were travellers. We walked alone for days.

Here the sea and there the sky. They blaze, two setting suns.
Softly, winter wraps a silent night around the hill.
Felted clouds release their snowflakes on the naked trees.
Huddled hard upon the frozen higher ground one sees shadowed figures,
Moving in unease or lying still... Whimpering, a child in terror dreams a dream of
guns.

Where the village? Where the park, the school, the hearth, the home?
Only bones beneath the snow remember where they stood,
Buildings that affirmed a faith in higher things above,
Beds where once grew flowers, beds where bridal pairs made love, cushions, books,
utensils, toys,
Is nothing left that's good? All are crushed, to lie with broken hope beneath the loam.

Tenderly my guide now spoke. His voice was warm and low,
'If you'd be remembered, friend, and, if you'd save your soul,
Know: a man's not measured by his net financial worth,
Use your wealth to help the helpless, everywhere on Earth
Think on this and, think on me; for soon your bell will toll.'
Standing shaken on my step I never saw him go.

How long did I shiver there? Intrusively the cars
Drive up. They break my waking dream. My guests are many.
Put away the tinsel and the reindeer and the elves!
Are you troubled for the poor, or only for yourselves?
And I? How many years to make amends are left, if any?
Awkwardly they wonder why I weep beneath the stars.



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Aunt Martha's Cottage, Poltesco

By Di Fitzsimmons

My thanks to Ann Adkin, formerly Rogers, who provided the information about her aunt, Martha Rogers. Ann's family ran the farm here at Poltesco for over a hundred years before it was bequeathed to the National Trust by the remaining daughter of Mr Ironside, who owned most of the valley at one time. I believe it was bequeathed in 1972.

Martha was born in 1860. The 1911 census shows her as Housekeeper to William Wearne, the miller living at Poltesco Mill

She later lived at Poltesco Cottage, a thatched cottage adjoining Poltesco farm, which was badly damaged by fire on 6th January 1946, her furniture



Poltesco Cottage as it was before the fire. It is now known as "Aunt Martha's Cottage".

The ruins of Martha's onetime home, Poltesco Cottage, are in our bottom garden, and we have put a sign on the gate "Aunt Martha's Cottage". We thought it would be nice to add a stained glass window. It's a work in progress, as we are thinking of having two more panels put in. Jeff also bought an old Redruth mangle some time ago, and the cottage has now become a sort of a 'folly'. Many tourists and visitors appear to love it, as they are often seen leaning over the gate taking photos. The best time to take a photo is in the morning when the light comes through the stained glass window ... we love the old ruin!



Martha at the gate to Poltesco Mill (Photo from Angela Harrison)

being saved by willing helpers. Martha, then aged 86, was uninjured but considerably shocked, and she went to live with Lily and Peter Hodge. She died on 5 June 1948 at Trezebel Farm, Manaccan, aged 88 years. Her occupation was given as Spinster Domestic, a daughter of John Wicks Rogers, Farmer (deceased). She was buried at the Parish Church of St. Grada, Grade in an unmarked grave.



Aunt Martha's Cottage as it is today, with a stain glassed window at the front and a mangle in the garden.

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QUIZ NIGHT NEWS

October saw a full hall for the next instalment of the Village Hall Quiz evening. Malcolm conducted the quiz attempting to keep things rolling so everyone could get home before anyone turned into a pumpkin, especially as there was Halloween themed round this month. Glynn and co were proud to collect the prizes and hold the trophy for this month for the winning team. David Hawkins collected the prize for his team with the Killer question which had rolled over from last month. The Motley crew were chivalrous in claiming the wooden spoon as the Jumblies had cared for it last month. I hope everyone enjoyed their evening - by the hub bub in am sure that they did - and will return again on the 4th Tuesday of the month. My grateful thanks go to Malcolm and to Sally W, Carolyn F and Mark O for all their efforts behind the scenes.

By the time you read this we will have had the November quiz so we hope to see you in December on the 19th as I think few of you wish to be in the hall quizzing on Boxing Day.

David Endean

Results

1 st	Just us 5	42pts	7 th	The Mixed Bunch	31pts
2 nd	Bob's Orchestra	39.5pts	8 th	Scilly old fools	30 pts
3 rd	Universally challenged	39 pts	9 th	The Buccaneers	29.5 pts
4 th	Cliffhangers	35.5 pts	10 th	Motley Crew	27.5 pts
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Gardening in December and January

by David Endean

Well another growing year has ended and we have already been thinking about the next. I do not think 2017 will go down as a vintage one, a dry start moving into a decidedly damp summer and autumn meant that there was a lot of lush growth but we suffered a lot of fungal problems from the lawns through all the borders and even in the veg patch, with mildews and the like shortening the flowering and cropping periods of many things.

What jobs have I got lined up for these months of short days? One advantage is that the jobs tend to be less pressing - if they are not done this weekend, then next will do or even later maybe. In the veg patch there is little to sow or plant now so I would concentrate on clearing the debris of old crops and weeds, then digging over the ground as time and weather allows. Digging the ground will drain and warm it up quicker in the spring, plus it is more accessible for birds and the like to root through to find the bugs and grubs and so help to reduce pests next spring.

December is a time I like to go to town on pruning the roses, Hybrid teas and floribundas are easy as these are cut back hard each year removing all dead and diseased wood and all good stems are cut back to a point just above the 3rd or 4th bud which you aim to be outward facing. Aim to prune everything back to an outward facing bud if possible. If you have got shrub roses these require a light trim taking only up to a third of the length of the stem back and in the case of mature bushes remove the odd one or two complete stems only. With climbing roses just trim the spur shoots back to 4 buds of the main stem and tie in any new main stems and possibly remove some of the oldest stems. Then with your ramblers cut them back to shape. Once pruning is complete, I scrape up the old dead leaves to reduce disease next year, then I like to put down a thick mulch of well-rotted organic matter, preferably animal dung. If this is carried out right away, little damage to emerging shoots occurs. This is a problem in our mild Cornish climate if the job is left to the time the books will say in March.

Out in the greenhouse, those of you with grapevines will find that the next few months are ideal for pruning the vine. The plant is now dormant and the leaves have dropped. Prune all the fruiting spurs back to a single bud. This will leave you with a few long branches, called rods, along which there will be numerous knobby protrusions from which next year's flowers and fruit will come, the spurs. Check the plant for pests and diseases and treat as necessary. Often scale insect is a problem; the old fashioned treatment was a spray with tar wash but this is not ideal in the greenhouse. You can use a proprietary soap based wash but I find the best treatment is to wait until the spring and use a biological control, for this problem the answer is a predatory insect which you can buy mail order.

Get in there and tidy that shed - you know it should have been done months

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ago if not years. Put some order back in there and evict those pesky varmints that may be lurking. While you're in there, inspect your garden tools. They will not get much use at this time of year, so give them a good clean up, sharpen and oil. Remove all the dirt by scraping and wire brushing and sharpen the blades then wipe over the metal parts with an oily rag (Engine oil). This will help to prevent the metal from rusting and so the tool should work much more efficiently next season as the soil will be less likely to stick to it. Those tools with wooden hilts (handles) could also have the same oily rag rubbed over them but linseed oil would be even better, as this brings back a bit of life in the wood so it is more forgiving. It will be more pliant, softer on the hands, more weather proof and it helps to keep woodworm out.

If your excuse for not cleaning the shed is that the mower is in the way, well you will not need it much over the next couple of months so it is a good time to get it serviced. It may well be running well but nothing will annoy you more when next spring with the grass is growing like wildfire and you suffer a breakdown or even worse you cannot get the mower started.

When you have finished in the shed, start on the greenhouse, cleaning out all the old debris then washing it down inside and out with a good garden disinfectant. This will reduce pests and diseases and increase the light getting in. You will then be ready for later in January when there are a few seeds that can be sown in the greenhouse. Onions, lettuce and pointed cabbage are always my first sowings, as they do not need much warmth. Use some fresh dry compost, not some that has been left out to get soaking wet all winter with all the goodness leached out. Use clean seed trays in the clean greenhouse. The traditional time to sow those large

exhibition Kelsae onions is Christmas but the record growers sow them back in November. Hopefully mine will be sown during the Christmas and New year period. Annual flowers which need an early start are begonias and lobelia. They need more heat as well, so can be expensive to grow so I find it better to let others to do the early work and purchase plug plants in the spring. One thing which I will be doing at the end of January will be sowing my Sweetpeas ready for the exhibition season in July. These will be sown in individual pots which is space intensive but worth it for reduced root disturbance.

On those wet days and dark nights it is good to peruse seed and plant catalogues and plan your garden for next year. Well make the most of the good days and enjoy your gardening.



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4. Who invented the electric Christmas tree lights in 1882?
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Grade Ruan Parish Council Meeting held at Ruan Minor Village Hall on 9th October 2017, at 19:30

110/17 Persons Present/Apologies

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

Apologies: Cllr S Collins, Freeman. Cllr Rule CC.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk), 8 members of the press/public.

111/17 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllrs Green and Trewin declared an interest in PA17/08963 & PA17/08690. Cllr Clifton declared an interest in PA17/09171.

112/17 Public Participation.

A Agutter and B Avey expressed concern over noise and aesthetic issues regarding seemingly permanent advertising boards on Ruan Minor Recreation Ground. C Coates gave context to PA17/09171.

J Lester expressed concern over PA17/08963 that a visible obstacle was encroaching on Poltesco valley.

W Elliot gave context to PA17/04346; and informed the Council that a telecommunications company had approached her as a landowner regarding temporary siting of an aerial presumably in anticipation of the proposals per PA17/08963.

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113/17 Reports from outside bodies.

Cllr Lee reported that Sgt Cooper is due to attend every Community Network Panel meeting.

114/17 Council Meeting: Minutes 11 September

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the above date having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Proposed Cllr P Collins, seconded Cllr Lee. 7 voted in favour, 2 abstained: Cllrs Clifton, Bosustow.

115/17 Matters arising from the Minutes. None.

116/17 Planning Applications for consideration

PA17/04346: Erection of dwelling. Wendy Elliott. Lyndale Bruggan TR12 7JS The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

PA17/08110: Residential development of 5 houses. Robert Fletcher. Land At The Beach Kuggar Ruan Minor TR12 7LX. The Council objected to the application on the following ground: no affordable housing provision; development in the open AONB coastal landscape. If approved by the Planning Authority a contribution towards affordable housing should be sought. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

PA17/08464: Variation of Condition 3 (Landscaping) of planning permission PA16/11052 Condition Number(s): NUMBER 3 LANDSCAPE PLAN STATING 12 PLANTS OF YEW OR HOLLY PLANTED IN A SINGLE ROW OF 1.2 M HIGH AND 12L POT SIZE TO FORM A SCREEN. Condition(s) Removal: Condition 3 to be changed to enable sufficient and appropriate sized plants to be planted between existing trees and roots without causing them damage and to change from yew or holly to provide a faster growing evergreen screen. Variation to condition 3 to allow planting sufficient 5l pot size or bare root stock of elaeagnus in a single row to form a screen. Mr & Mrs Allen. Riverside St Ruan Ruan Minor TR12 7JS. The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

**Cllrs Green & Trewin left the room*

PA17/08963: Proposed Base Station Installation at CTIL241925_TEF80921_VF14533. Mr Martin Allwork. Treleague Farm Treleague Crossroads Ruan Minor Helston TR12 7JP. The Council objected to the application on the following grounds: a previous application was refused due to the proposal constituting inappropriate development in an AONB; there is no proven need as there is existing infrastructure which can be utilised (as used by EE); there is concern that approval will set a precedent for further such developments; it appears that groundworks have already begun and there is an attempt by the developer to "steamroller" through the proposals; health concerns regarding such masts are yet to be addressed. Proposed, seconded. 6 voted in favour, 1 against.

**Cllrs Green & Trewin re-entered the room*

PA17/07670: Improvements to studio-raise level of entrance, install wood burning stove, move interior wash room. Replacement lean to, change of use of land to holiday letting, erection of a utility shed and positioning of shepherds hut. Mr Nicholas Gardner. Trelugga Friars Lane Ruan Major Helston Cornwall TR12 7NB.

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The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

PA17/07673: Listed building consent as above. The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

**Cllrs Green & Trewin left the room*

PA17/08690: Application for the Modification and Discharge of a Planning Obligation removal S.106 agreement dated 28/02/95 per Planning Application PA94/00551/0. KFP And IJ Bosustow. Higher Treall Farm Treall Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7LS. The Council objected to the application on the following grounds: there is concern at the loss of housing reserved for local use, and that this proposal constitutes such a loss. The Council felt it would be favourable to review the terms of the s.106 agreement to maintain the dwelling for local use, but to remove ties to a given profession or vocation. Proposed, seconded. 6 in favour, 1 abstained.

**Cllrs Green & Trewin re-entered the room*

**Cllr Clifton left the room*

PA17/09171: Crown reduce Mature Oak. Mr Coates. Ledra Mill St Ruan Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7JS. The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

**Cllr Clifton re-entered the room*

117/17 Planning Applications decided since last meeting. NOTED:

PA17/07026: Conversion and extension of existing ancillary residential outbuilding to form a living room for "The Cottage". The Cottage Ruan Minor Helston TR12 7JL. [APPROVED]

PA17/07027: Listed building consent as above. [APPROVED]

PA17/06026: Proposed alteration, refurbishment and rear extension. Veronica Cottage Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JY. [APPROVED]

PA17/06027: Listed building consent as above. [APPROVED]

PA17/07957: Installing an outside staircase on west side of property to access 1st floor living accommodation at Ruan Minor Store. Ruan Minor Stores Ruan Minor Helston TR12 7JL. [APPROVED]

118/17 **Pre-applications, consultations and appeals.** None.

119/17 **Grant request: Grade Ru-an under 5s RECEIVED** as above. Given

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a sharp rise in amount requested it was **RESOLVED** to support a grant in principle but request further information from the applicant.

Proposed Cllr Lee, seconded Cllr Clifton. Unanimous.

120/17 Finance report

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

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Proposed Cllr P Collins, seconded Cllr Bosustow. Unanimous.

Cllr Trewin thanked the Council for payment of a grant for the Autumn Show.

121/17 Conclusion of external audit NOTED as above.

122/17 Bus stop relocation RECEIVED an update as above.

123/17 Noticeboard management policy. DISCUSSED as above and **CONSIDERED** content for a policy/statement.

124/17 Purchase of IT equipment. RESOLVED to authorise the Clerk to spend
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up to £1,000 of the transparency fund (total £2317.33) to purchase IT equipment including a laptop, printer/scanner/copier, accessories etc. Proposed Cllr Trewin, seconded Cllr Green. Unanimous.

125/17 **Consultation: New division boundaries for Cornwall. RECEIVED** notification of a consultation. **APPOINTED** Cllrs Freeman, Preston & Green to investigate and feedback to Council.

126/17 **Update: Formalising agreement with Grade Ruan Community Trust. RECEIVED** an update. The Council have been advised to either grant a license or enter a management agreement regarding the car parks and toilets. The Council is currently pursuing legal advice.

127/17 **Update: Resurfacing of Mundys Field car park. RECEIVED** an update. The Council are investigating surface run-off issues.

128/17 **Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report. RECEIVED** an update on Cadgwith footpath issues. **CONSIDERED** other issues: Concern was expressed that Highways were not acting on reported issues, causing potentially costly problems in future; Ebenezer Road hedge trimming is needed; FP4 is overgrown at Holy Well; A sign is missing on SWCP at Cadgwith – south of the Cove.

129/17 **Reports from Council representatives to outside bodies.** Grade Ruan Community Trust are pursuing connection of electric to Kennack public toilets; Friends of Kennack AGM due on 1/11/2017.

130/17 **Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 13 November.** Ruan Minor Village Hall request for continuation of Christmas Tree purchase by Council; Christmas bus; Bodrigy light pollution update; Mundys Field car park sign and enforcement.

131/17 **Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw during the discussion for the following items: Quotations.

Proposed Cllr Green, seconded Cllr Lee. Unanimous.

132/17 **Signage quotation.** No quotations yet **RECEIVED**. Council agreed the basic content of the signs.

133/17 **Dog Waste Bin collection quotation.** No quotations yet **RECEIVED**.

The meeting closed at 21:30.



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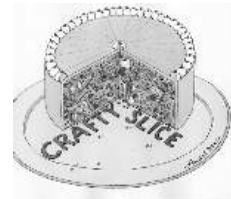
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As well as veg boxes from Chris Hosken and meat orders from Vincent Family Butchers, we've created some fabulous food hampers full of all your Cornish favourites. A small selection will be on display in the main shop window, but why not create your own – 'the spice box', 'sharing tray' or just 'a little of what you fancy!' We've got the contents and the packaging – you provide the inspiration. If you can't find what you're looking for, just ask a member of staff. Let us take the hassle out of Christmas for you. ***(Mr Retallack of St Keverne has retired, but Mr Vincent, who has been a butcher at Retallacks for some years, has taken on the business – so the name is the only real change).***

By the time you read this, the latest Shop Locally offers will be available. November saw some great deals on Christmas chocolates, biscuit boxes, crisps and drinks. Make sure you check out December's offers – there's sure to be something you're looking for at a great price.

We're gearing up for that time of year in the Post Office too. We have all the packing materials you will need to ensure that your gifts arrive in one piece. Make sure you post parcels early, to avoid disappointment.

Our opening times over the Christmas period are as follows:

Saturday 23rd Dec	Post Office closed
Christmas Eve	Closing at 12 noon
Christmas Day	Closed
Boxing Day	Closed
27th - 29th December	Shop and Post office open 9am to 5:30pm
Sat. 30th Dec	Shop and Post office open as usual
New Year's Eve	Closing at 12 noon
New Year's Day	Closed
Tues. 2 Jan	Back to normal except shop closes at 6pm Monday to Friday from January through to Easter

Finally, from myself and the team, thank you for your fabulous support in 2017. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2018.

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