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Alternate Wed	Recycling: 10 th and 24 th August, 7 th and 21 st September
Alternate Mon	Garden Waste Collection 1 st , 15 th , 29 th Aug, 12 th , 26 th Sept
Every 4 weeks	Mobile Library: Glebe Place 10.35am - 10.50am. 17 th Aug, 14 th Sept
Most Mondays	Quiz at the Pavilion from 8pm, Bar opens 7pm
Every Wednesday	Evergreen meeting. Pavilion. 2pm - 4pm
Every Thursday	Village Hall Market. 9.30 - 11.30am
Every Friday	Fish & Chip Van at the Rec 5pm onward
Every Fri& Sat	Pavilion bar open. 5pm onward
1 st Sunday	Kennack Sands Beach Clean 7 th August, 4 th September
2 nd Tuesday	Book Club at the Rec, 1 - 3pm - 13 th September
2 nd Tuesday	Tea and Company. Methodist Chapel. 3pm. 9 th Aug, 13 th Sep
2 nd Wednesday	Parish Council Meeting, 7pm - 10 th August
4 th Tuesday	Village Hall Quiz 7.30 start - 23 rd August, 27 th September

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER (See “What’s On” Section for details)

3 August	Beach BBQ, organised by Christmas Lights Committee
7 August	Ruan Minor Vintage Rally, Treveddon Farm, gates open 11am
10 August	Beach BBQ, organised by St. Mary's
11 August	Fishing Competition. 6.30pm. Mackerel
17 August	Beach BBQ, organised by the Gig Club
24 August	Beach BBQ, organised by Christmas Lights Committee
25 August	Fishing Competition. 6.30pm. Gurnard
31 August	Beach BBQ, organised by Friends of St. Ruan & St. Grade
31 August	Silent Auction in aid of Church Roof Appeal ends
1 September	Fishing Competition. 6pm, followed by presentation. Bass
7 September	Start of Autumn Term
10 September	Johnno's 90 th birthday celebration. Village Hall. 11am - 2pm
11 September	Book Fair. Village Hall. Noon - 4pm
13 September	Ruan Minor Afternoon Book Club. Pavilion. 1-3pm
13 September	Tea, Cake and Company. Methodist Chapel. 3pm
13 September	Grade Ruan Gazette AGM. Pavilion. 7.30pm

ADVANCE DATES

5 November	Fireworks at the Rec
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Noticeboard

This issue is for August and September. I hope you'll find something of interest. There a tribute to Ray Skewes by Judith Heather, information about a most fascinating exhibition in Falmouth featuring lots of clever people from Grade Ruan, as well as news of a stick insect! And, of course, details of lots of events.

Enjoy your summer!

Moira Hurst

Happy Birthday in **August** to: Jacqui Dunmall, Jeb Preston, Rowan Henn, Pip Sealey, Jago G, Shamaun Legge (a big 0), Theodore Humby, Jo Sugrue, Gemma Lester Bennett, Charlie Bennett, Christine Whitehorn, Ellie Jane, Cathy Brown, Toby Fletcher, Alison Damant, Barbara Rosindale, Dylan Vamplew, Billy Jane, Ruth Alfrey-Cryan, Bryher Trewin, Richard Palmer, Roo Jumunjy, Moira Hurst

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From Donna and Wes:

Thank you to everyone who sent us such lovely wedding cards, gifts and well wishes. We had a wonderful day filled with sunshine and smiles.
– Wes and Donna (Mr and Mrs Westlake!)

From Mary Keeley on behalf of the Friends of St. Ruan and St. Grade

*A Big Thank you
to*

*Gary and Victoria Pollard,
Angela Agutter,
Claire Bollard
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*and to all who supported in
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*News of the auction will be
posted on Facebook at the End
of August.*

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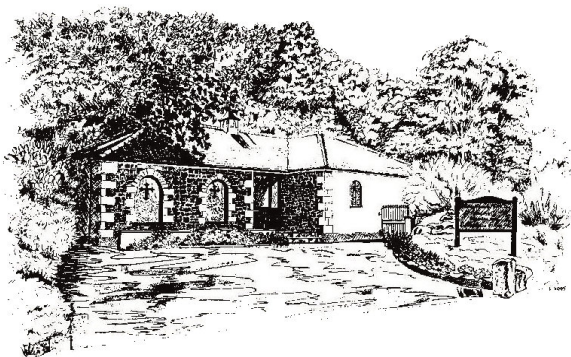
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What's ON

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Ahoy There Thursday Night Anglers

Enter on the beach - wait for the sound of Steve's horn off the cove.
8:30pm finish, then back to the cove for the weigh-in.

28th July Lesser Spotted Dogfish 11th August Mackerel
25th August Gurnard 1st September Bass

There is a 6:30pm start except for Bass that will start at 6:00pm
followed by presentation (around 8.30pm) and, of course, a few drinks.

Sharkey's competition and Jimmy's Heaviest fish will be scheduled
together - date and time to be advised (via Facebook).

See you on the beach. Tight Lines. Skinny.



BOOK FAIR at the

VILLAGE HALL

on Sunday

11th September

from

12 noon – 4 pm

FREE ENTRY

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VACANCY: PARISH COUNCILLOR

- Do you want to help make decisions for the benefit of your community?
- Can you represent the range of opinions of local people?

If you are over 18 and live or work in the Parish of Grade Ruan, which includes Ruan Minor, Cadgwith, St Ruan and Kuggar, you could be eligible to become a Parish Councillor. The Council are looking to fill one vacancy for a Councillor.

Full Council meetings are normally on the evening of the second Wednesday of the month, and occasional additional committee meetings occur on an ad hoc basis. You should be able to commit to attend most of the Full Council meetings, and have an interest in the local community. You do not need any prior experience of local government or politics. For an informal chat about the vacancy and what the role entails, please contact Lee Dunkley, the Parish Clerk. Alternatively, if you know an existing Councillor, please do talk with them about the opportunity. You can also find out more information about the Council on our website.

Should you wish to be considered for the role, please write a statement (maximum 300 words) detailing who you are and why you would like to join the Council. This must be received by email to the Clerk by **1st September 2022** (contact details at the top of the poster). You will then be asked to attend the Council meeting on 14th September 2022.

D E A D L I N E I s t S E P T E M B E R 2 0 2 2

What's ON - cont...



Please come and Celebrate my 90th birthday!

Johnno invites you to Ruan Minor Village Hall

on Saturday 10th September 2022,

on the occasion of his 90th birthday

11 am to 2 pm for a light lunch and chat.

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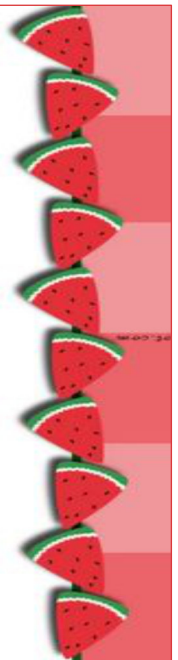
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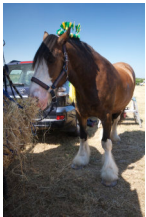
Are you interested in joining a children's or adult's art club? Are you interested in sewing or art workshops? Please get in contact.

Proposed times in August, Ruan Minor village hall:
Fridays 7-8pm adults art and craft club £10*
Saturdays 10-11am children's art club £6*

Classes and club dates will be updated on our social media pages in August and September.

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The Thursday market is now open without any restrictions. We look forward to seeing you there! Refreshments are being served as usual including the famous Bacon Sarnie!

The Monthly Quiz is held every fourth Tuesday at 7.30 pm, £1 entry. BYO refreshments, we will no longer be serving tea and coffee in the break..

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Tuesdays: 18.00 - 19.00 - Fitness with Sam Jane

Wednesdays: 17.15 - 18.15 Pilates with Clare Girling

Thursdays: 16.00 - 17.00 and 18.00 - 19.00 - Fitness with Sam Jane

Further details from the class providers

SNOOKER ROOM

The Snooker Room is operating without restrictions on numbers. Please check the Village Hall Facebook Page in case the situation changes. A new key system is to be introduced in the near future for the Snooker Room to ensure security and insurance compliance. A key safe will be installed and all paid up members will be provided with the access code.

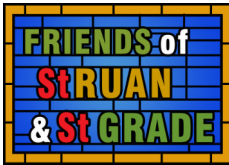
Outstanding membership fees are now due.

We encourage the use of sanitisers and following the Council and Public Health guidelines of hands, face, space in order to combat any further spread of Covid 19

To get further information, please telephone Liz Outten on 01326 290910 or visit Ruan Minor Village Hall's Facebook Page

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**Grade Ruan Gazette
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**Tuesday 13th September
7.30pm**

At the Rec Pavilion

ALL WELCOME

At the moment, we are
managing with the volunteers
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Ray Skewes – An Extraordinary Man

By Judith Heather

I first met Ray 8 years ago when I moved to Ruan Minor, it was a bit blowy and I asked him about the fishing boats not going out. “Bleddy Easterlies, no damn good to anyone” he said wryly. Raymond Skewes, a lovely man, and as it turned out, one of the most interesting and funny raconteurs you could ever hope to meet.

You’d never be able to write a chronological story of Ray’s life, oh no, you get side-splittingly side-lined up creeks and down coves all day, his stories are legendary. Ray’s been a farmer, builder, fisherman - you name it, Ray’s done it, he’s led a rich and varied life full of fun and laughter. His legacy in the Cove is all around, from the Winch House roof to the Todden walls, from the summer barbeques to the Christmas lights. His effect on Cadgwith is quietly profound.

The 25th March 1931 was a grand day for Frank and Doris Skewes: they were celebrating the birth of their second child, Arthur Raymond Skewes, a baby brother for Gladys. A keen motor biker, Frank Skewes had met Doris Williams (from Touch Me Pipes near St Keverne) on a trip out to the Lizard one day and they married in 1925. The family were living in Perranporth where Frank was a farmworker, and with his family expanding, Frank took on a small-holding at Tregidden Mill, St Martin, when Ray was about 2 or 3 years old.

At the age of 4, Ray went to school in St Martin, a 3-mile walk from home. You took your own crib to school in those days; there were no schools meals, but the school would always heat up a pasty or boil an egg for the children at dinner time.

Frank worked hard at Tregidden; he started out trapping a few rabbits for local farmers and by the end of the 1930’s, he was trapping full time. There were up to 20 dozen gins (traps) to be looked after and young Ray was kept busy getting up very early in the mornings to gut and hang 50-80 rabbits a day, ready for them to go up to London by train from Helston. In those days, they got ninepence a lb for them, a good price that was enough to support the Skewes family and for Ray to pick up 10 Woodbines for Frank from the village shop for fourpence.

During the war years, from 1942 to 1943, American troops came to Cornwall - some being based at the requisitioned Trelowarren Estate - in readiness for D-Day. Nearby in Helston, the whole of the Penrose Estate was transformed into a military zone. Young Ray was often called upon to dam the river below Tregidden Mill for the soldiers to wash the tanks.

Ray tells the story about the mounds up on Goonhilly Downs that were dug during WW2 when it was thought the Germans might try to land gliders up there. Mounds of soil were piled up, and poles inserted in them. After the war, cattle were grazed on the downs, and as the poles rotted and fell away, the cattle gradually tramped the mounds down, leaving very few visible now.

In 1944 the family moved again, this time to Chy Barles, and Ray transferred to school in Ruan Minor. Funny thing though, as Ray put it, he “couldn’t always seem to find his way up there to school’. In fact, although the schoolteacher Miss Lyons chased him for his sporadic attendance, the truth was that by then there were few men left to work the land, and in any event, Ray was happier working on the farm.

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Ray left school officially at 13, just as the D-Day landings were taking place. By then, he was milking 10 cows by hand every morning and working on the rabbits. He began driving tractors around this time when Garfield James, a contractor from St Keverne, came over to do some work at Chy Barles. Garfield's mother was a great friend of Ray's mum Doris, and while Garfield spent the afternoon in conversation with Doris, Ray was sent out ploughing on the tractor! This happened quite often, and when Garfield, a gurt chap, got onto his motorbike to go home, Ray was left to carry on. Ray said that Garfield was so big you could barely see the motorbike under him.

At that time, Chy Barles only had a horse and no tractor, but their first tractor came over from Penzance in 1945 when Ray was 14. After that Ray was out on the tractor every day, driving around locally without a care in the world, and perhaps more significantly, without a driving licence either.

Ray and his friends were riding their bicycles home from the pictures at the Lizard one night when the local bobby Dickie Nicholls chased after them for not having any lights. They pedalled furiously all the way to Ebenezer Chapel where they finally lost him. The following day Dickie collared Ray on the slip down Cove talking to the old fishermen – "Come 'ere you" Dickie said, "made 'ee go the other night didn't it!"

He met Mavis when they were at school, and they married in 1955. Mavis lived in Sowenna where her family had lived since Mavis was around 2 years old. Her father was a builder and Ray started working with him. The young couple bought the tiny old fish and chip shop next door to Sowenna, calling it Seagull's Cry. The site is steeply sloping, and they spent the next few years digging and building up the site to create a family home. Nicky was born in 1956, and John came along in 1960.

Over the years Ray, and then with his son John, worked as a builder and occasionally at Trelowarren where they found GI graffiti scratched into the lead on the roof there.

When the Todden wall was being washed away, the Parish Council asked Ray to rebuild it. It was hard work to take the stone from the beach, so they took a tractor and a low loader down the steps onto Little Beach to pick up decent stones for the work. Problem was, they couldn't easily get the tractor back up!

Ray also worked on the base of the Todden on Big Beach, and all the steps on both beaches. Some of the stone was taken off the beaches, but there wasn't enough decent stone for building so Ray and his great friend Tony Jane brought a load of stones over from Trelowarren. Looking now at the massive stone works around the Todden, you realise what an undertaking it was.



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One year, the sea was so rough that it smashed the doors of Dummer's Loft down and washed all the furniture up against the back wall. It was so bad that that was the year they had to put the gig up by Ship Cottage. The tarmac on the road lifted too, with "gurt sheets of tarmac floating around. Roger Legge was lucky to jump up and catch hold of the missen or he'd have been washed away. It came right up to the ladies' toilets. The boats were all floating on the road. The sea was coming in through the bottom door of Steamer's House and going out at the top".

Well, Tony Jane was a fisherman and one day he'd brought in 30 stone of fish, but he couldn't get it up to Newlyn. Ray took the catch up the next morning at 4 a.m. before he started work, and from then on it was a regular trip for him.

Ray gave up the building work and went fishing in a small boat called *The Cornish Lady*, which had a picture of lady's head on the front. He fished when mackerelling was big in the area. He used to take his catch over to Newlyn, sometimes two loads, before 8 a.m. when the market opened. He would unload the first load and weigh them up, then he'd trip back and load up the next lot. He got to know the guys over there very well and as long as he was there for 8am the fish would be sold before he'd even fully unloaded.

He used to take Nicky and John if he only had one load, then they'd go into the Fishermen's Mission and have some breakfast. When he first started going down there, he was a bit wary about what you were allowed to have. They had tea or coffee – "the tea was like I don't know what, and the coffee wasn't much better. There was a woman there called Joan and an old chap called Norman and he used to wear rubber boots all year round, even indoors. I went in there and asked "do you think I could have a cup of coffee made with milk?", before long, Joan used to leave the milk out ready for me because she knew that's how I liked it, and it wasn't long before everyone else started having the same. Everyone was drinking milky coffee. You could have a cooked breakfast, but it used to take so long I never had time".

There was a lot of building work around and Ray went back to building after a while. When Ray was working up at Mawgan, the housing inspector had a friend who had a boat over at Mawgan and wanted it taken up to the coal yard at Gweek to have it taken out of the water, and Ray and Tony said they'd do it for a fiver. They put an outboard on the back of the boat, and Tony had to sit up top at the front to tell Ray which way to go. They had to keep clearing leaves out of the prop, but eventually got up to Gweek.

Upon arrival they took the outboard off and put straps underneath the boat. The crane had wires attached to the straps but the crane driver didn't take the bucket off the crane. "Well, the crane man started to pull the boat out and instead of going steady, when he started to pull it out, with the suck of the water as the boat lifted and the pull of the straps, the crane started lifting up from the bottom. The bucket gave way and came down, straight through the boat. Tony Jane, was on the quay

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Ray Skews, cont.

laughing his head off, "bleddy Keystone Cops!" he was saying, he was still laughing the next morning". Needless to say, they never got paid. Every time Tony went out with him, he used to say, "Well, what's going to happen today?!"

They had a job of moving an old lady from a council house in Kugger over to Mul-lion. Ray and Tony went up together with the day planned; they had two jobs that they had to do, then finish up with fish and chips in the evening. "We went up there and knocked on the door; when the old lady opened the door we had to step back as the place was stinking. When we got in the whole place was bare. We asked her where everything was and she said "Oh we took it all upstairs dear"". Fortunately, the stairs went off from the front door so they had to take a deep breath and run upstairs. "The whole place smelt of cat pee".

They eventually got it all loaded up, and the old lady said "I got me cat here". Ray asked her what she was going to do with 'un and suggested she put it in a bag or box. The old lady said the cat wouldn't like that, so she was going to have him on her lap. They set off with the three of them sitting in the front of the van: Ray, Tony and "Maggie with the bleddy cat on her lap". "As soon as we started moving the cat bolted into the back of the van. We got halfway there and then the smell hit us. I said "my god, that bleddy cat has shit in the back", and she said "Ooh he hasn't!". Tony was laughing away. Anyway, we got there and she got out and took the cat into the house. We told her we couldn't take the furniture in because it was plastered in shit. She said, "That's alright dear, just leave it there, we'll clean it". So they left it there, took the money and buggered off.

Another time Ray and Tony were tasked with taking a big wardrobe from Cadgwith to Helston for two old ladies, and bring another one back. They got the wardrobe part way down the stairs then it stuck fast between the wall and the handrail. With Gertie Lambrick up top and Olive Rogers down below twittering about being careful, the situation was grave until Ray and Tony sent them both off to get cushions. Once the ladies were out of the way they gave the wardrobe a big shove and got it down the stairs.

Tony and Ray started the Cove Regattas. They raffled a bottle one night in the pub for prizes, and Nigel and Plugger were some of the first to get involved. One year they went over to Coverack for the Regatta there. Everyone drank rum and shrub, - with the glasses piling up higher on the table with each round - but the pub prices were really high, and they weren't too happy. "Well, Tony had a dog, a lovely old Alsatian, tied up under the table. When everyone got up to go. Tony called the dog, who set off after us, and pulled the table over and all the glasses went flying. Serves the landlord right for ripping us off".

When Ray's grandson Brett was about 6 or 7 years old, he asked his grandad to take him to Mousehole to see the Christmas lights, but when they got there the lights weren't on. "Never mind", Ray said "we'll have our own next year". They had a few lights the first year, and for the second year Ray and George Mitchell made some frames for the figures and Timmy Goddard did the wiring. Gradually people got involved and Barrie Cook used to draw the figures for the lights so that Ray could use them as templates to make the frames. Over the years David Shepherd, Rodney Bewes, the Flucks, Lady Vivian and Graham Clarke among others were involved. There was a barbeque, roast chestnuts, carol singing, a candlelit procession from the top of New Road, and Father Christmas came in by Lifeboat.

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The summer barbeques were started in the 60's raising money for all sorts of good causes: cancer research, the football team, the Christmas Lights and St Mary's Church. There was always a band on a trailer afterwards, and bottle stands, tombola, apple bobbing, and you may have already guessed it, Ray was in there in the thick of it all.

There are so many more stories, you could write a book, especially the one where a visitor had parked his car down Poltesco when they needed to get by with the tractor. The little car ended up on top of the platform for the milk churns, I'm sure Ray said the visitor took it well.

Into his nineties, Ray was still busy, working on his plants, wood smoking the fish that John brought up from his fishing trips, and working on his pyrography.

A lovely man, a hoot, and one of the kindest men you'd ever hope to meet. I reminded him about our east wind conversation one day. He nodded sagely, "It's a lazy wind, can't go round 'ee so it goes through 'ee".

Ray died on 11th May 2022, it was a beautiful day, but the east wind was blowing, those bleddy Easterlies, no damned good to anyone.



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SIGHTING OF A RARE STICK INSECT IN ST RUAN

By Paul Penrose

I noticed it on 4th July on a climbing rose in my garden. Apparently it goes under the name of 'unarmed stick insect' (*Acanthoxyala inermis*) though I am not sure why it is 'unarmed'

This particular species is native to New Zealand and has only been found in the UK in Cornwall, Devon and Southern Ireland. It was first discovered in a garden nursery in Truro in 1920 and is believed to have come to Cornwall via plants imported around that time. I looked at the rose again on 8th July and he had gone. I say 'he' but I should have said 'she', Apparently all individuals in this country are female as they can lay fertile eggs, a process known as 'parthenogenesis' You learn something new everyday in the Parish Mag. I attach her photograph. (By the way her head is pointing downwards).





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Grade Ruan School News



Robin Hood & The Sherwood Hoodies

Everyone was blown away by the talent of the children's singing, acting and hilarious jokes at this year's Summer Performance. There wasn't a dry eye in the house as proud parents and relatives enjoyed an amazing evening's entertainment. Thank you to the Village Hall Committee, PTFA for refreshments, all the staff particularly Mrs B and to the parents for letting us teach your wonderful children!



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Sports Day

The sun shone on our first whole school sport's day for a few years and we all had a wonderful time. During the morning the children competed in a range of traditional races, followed by family picnics and then in the afternoon a carousel of fun activities.

Joint winners were Red and Yellow Houses with 89 points, second was Blue House with 72 points and third Green House with 69 points. Thank you to the Recreation Ground Committee and the PTFA for their great support.



School Improvements

During August you will see a number of changes to the school as a new metal fence is erected around the perimeter and rotten drainpipes and gutters are replaced. Thank you for bearing with us while the work is carried out.

School re-opens on Wednesday 7th September.

Thank you to everyone in our lovely village community who continue to support us.

Enjoy the Summer!

Mrs Talbot and all the team and children at Grade Ruan School.

Wednesday 13th July 2022 - Our crew were paged at 0624hrs to attend a 41ft motor vessel with three persons on board, having hit rocks just west of Black Head. RNLB Rose launched on service at 0634hrs and arrived on scene at 0642hrs. Upon arrival on scene it was clear that the three casualties had now abandoned to a life raft. The casualty vessel was taking on water at a considerable rate, semi submerged and was going down bow first. Use of the portable pump was initially considered but having arrived on scene was deemed not viable and priorities were to the three casualties in the life raft. The smaller Y-boat was deployed with 2 lifeboat crew on board to assist the casualties. They proceeded to tow the life raft with the casualties on board back to the lifeboat where they were assessed prior to boarding RNLB Rose. Once the casualties were on board, the Y-boat went back to the motor vessel and tied the life raft to it to act as a temporary marker along with a buff. The Y boat then returned to the lifeboat. With one casualty having sustained a head injury and in need of immediate medical attention, a decision was made to take the casualties to Coverack. There they were met by the Coastguard Rescue Team who would care for the casualties whilst awaiting the arrival of an ambulance. By this time, it was ascertained that another of the three persons on board the stricken vessel had suffered a potential broken arm and was also in need of medical attention. Once the casualties were safely transferred into the care of the Porthoustock Coastguard Rescue Team, RNLB Rose returned to the scene. In the interim, Falmouth Coastguard had requested the ILB from Falmouth to attend the casualty vessel to assist with further location details. Sadly, by this time the motor vessel had sunk and was unsalvageable by the attending lifeboat crews. The motor vessel's life raft was deflated and taken aboard the Falmouth ILB. RNLB Rose then collected any 'flotsam' that had become detached from the vessel and was also asked to assess and report any pollution which may be caused by its sinking. As the motor vessel had drifted a short distance prior to sinking, Falmouth Coastguard were updated with the vessel's new location and the lifeboat's 'buff' was replaced with a more visible marker to aid marine traffic in the area. RNLB Rose then left the scene at 0927hrs returning to the lifeboat station at 0945hrs where she was re-housed, refuelled made ready for service at 1030hrs

The motor vessel and lifeboat prior to the vessels sinking. Photograph taken by Terry Thirlaway



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Friday 15th July 2022 - The Lizard Lifeboat was requested to launch on service by Falmouth Coastguard at 1933hrs to attend a person in the water 100m offshore of the harbour wall at Mullion Cove. The casualty was being held on to by 2 paddle boarders. There were concerns for the person's physical and mental health state. Mullion Coastguard Rescue Team was on scene and had requested the assistance of the lifeboat. Our crew were paged at 1935hrs and RNLB Rose was launched at 1944hrs. Whilst making passage to the given location the lifeboat received information from the Coastguards that the person in question was now on shore with family and Mullion Coastguards. RNLB Rose was stood down and made her way back to the station when this was confirmed. The initial call had been made in good faith. RNLB Rose arrived back at the lifeboat station at 1959hrs and was re-housed and made ready for service again at 2015hrs.

Sunday 17th July 2022 - A request was received from Falmouth Coastguard at 1044hrs to go to the assistance of a 34 foot sailing vessel, with two people on board with engine failure 3nm (west south west) of Mullion Cove. Our crew were paged at 1046hrs and RNLB Rose launched on service at 1100hrs. In the meantime Falmouth Coastguard had lost contact with the vessel via VHF radio, making locating the vessel difficult for the lifeboat. Thankfully following communications with other vessels in the area the yacht was located and RNLB Rose arrived on scene at 1121hrs. The yacht's occupants initially believed that they had run out of fuel so after fuel was put in to the vessel and the engine started, the suggestion was made to sail to Newlyn and use engine power to enter the harbour. However it was then ascertained that the vessel had actually lost its prop and as only one person on board felt competent enough to go under sail, a decision was made to tow the vessel into Newlyn Harbour. Under the command of Coxswain Dan Atkinson, the smaller Y-boat launched and a member of our crew went aboard the yacht to assist with steering. A towline was attached and the casualty vessel was safely towed to Newlyn arriving at 1348hrs. At 1354hrs the yacht was put on to a secure mooring and at 1400hrs RNLB Rose departed Newlyn arriving back at the lifeboat station at 1500hrs. The lifeboat was then re-housed, refuelled and made ready for service at 1545hrs.



**The yacht under tow to Newlyn.
Photograph - Lizard RNLI**

With the ongoing maintenance work continuing at the station sadly we remain closed to visitors at this time. Reopening dates and times will be posted on our social media sites as soon as we are able to welcome visitors again.

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GRAND CADGWITH INTERNATIONAL FISHING COMPETITION

Ahoy there anglers and Thursday night tipplers.

Part I

On 16th June it was the Pollock competition. Everyone was hoping for some fish to be brought to the scales this time. In true Cadgwith style, the gathering crowd were not disappointed, a good mix of fish were duly brought to the scales. Luke 'the Rod' Stephens, Steve 'H' Holyer and Skinny Williams all renowned for their big Pollocks in previous competitions couldn't match Callum's winner of 6lb 5½ oz and runner up Roger 'the Dodge' Legge. Junior winner was Jamie Trewin and the prizes were presented by Donna Williams (bride to be). This competition was dedicated to George Mitchell and a minute's silence was observed in the Cove.

On Thursday 30th June it was a lovely warm evening for the Cuckoo Wrasse competition. These colourful fish can be caught on any piece of hard ground off the Cove. It was a great sight to see all the boats steaming off to their favourite marks. The boats returned with plenty of fish to weigh in but 'Oh no' the scales wouldn't work. "Change the battery" someone shouted and thanks to Mike in the Watch House, one was produced but it was still no good; however, Danny saved the day when he produced electronic scales from the loft but they only weighed in kilograms. So for the first time in the history of the competition we used kilograms which proved to be very interesting. First place was shared, even after a weigh off, between Jowan and Callum 0.378 kg, third place went to Izzy Crockett with 0.374 kg. Junior winner was Tam Carter 0.268 kg, second place Jude Westlake 0.224 kg and the prizes were presented by Joy Williams (mother of the bride to be).

Part II

Wow what a scorcher - the weather is fine and dry at the moment, but just offshore in Ballan Wrasse country there was quite a stiff breeze blowing. However the Cadgwith anglers persisted and some good hauls of fish were brought to the scales. Yes the scales have been fixed, hooray back to good old pounds and ounces, thank you to Simon Trimble for the repair.

The man to beat this year is Callum Hardwick in first place yet again, with a Ballan wrasse of 3lb 2½oz, 2nd spot went to Jacob Spizer with 3lb 2½oz, 3rd place went to Luke the rod Stephens 3lb 1¼oz.

Junior winner was Jamie Trewin 2lb 9oz. Thank you to Mel Richards for presenting, and also a big thank you to Tony at Lizard Tackle&Bait for donating prizes for the juniors, and Di for the chocolate.

Tight lines for the summer.

Skinny

Rector's Ramblings

As I was gazing out of my study window, looking for inspiration for this summer's 'Ramblings', I was enchanted to see two Song Thrushes – an adult and a youngster – taking a long, refreshing and splashy dip in the birdbath, followed by a good shake of their feathers, before hopping off into the shade of the Cornish hedge to find some juicy snails (of which there are plenty in the crevices!) for a light snack. Thrush parent and child taking 'time out' together to 'chill', to bond, and to enjoy sharing a 'takeaway' meal together.

The summer holidays are in full swing and perhaps, as you read this, you are one of our welcome visitors to this beautiful part of God's world here in Cornwall – just as those two thrushes are welcome visitors to my garden! It is such a great joy to see parents on holiday with their children: 'chilling-out' together; bonding; taking a refreshing dip in the sea followed by a good rub-down with a (sandy?) towel; finding some shade; enjoying a light snack of ice cream and then maybe a 'takeaway' meal.

Taking 'time out' is important for both families and individuals. Actually, it's more than important: it's vital. As an individual, Jesus often did just that: he took himself off – sometimes into the desert; sometimes to a quiet spot, just to be away from the crowds; and in the Garden of Gethsemane, just before his crucifixion. He did this simply to **be** with God – to pray, to speak with God, and to listen to what God was saying to him. Jesus' chilling-out time, his 'time out' with God kept him going – spiritually, mentally and physically.

We all need to take 'time out' to be refreshed and renewed. Not everyone can afford a holiday away, of course, but just taking 'time out' for what I call 'Sabbath moments' can restore us in body, mind and spirit, and allow us to re-connect with our Creator God. Whether you are on holiday or not, I do hope you will find 'time out' to pray, to speak with God, and to listen to what God is saying to you.

The two thrushes, meanwhile, having been refreshed and restored, have taken wing and have flown back to their home. I pray that when you return home, you and your family will also feel refreshed and restored. Amen.'

Blessings

Revd Deirdre

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August & September



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Sunday 7th August 11am - United Service at Ruan Vintage Rally

Sunday 14th August 11am - Rev. Diane Grice

Sunday 21st August 11am - "LCA" (service led by Chapel members)

Sunday 28th August 11am - Mrs Janet Hearne

A service will be held at 11am on each Sunday in September.

Church of England Services

August

Sun 7th United Service at Treveddon Farm (Car Rally) 11am

Sun 14th Holy Communion, St Ruan Church 9.30am

Evensong (*BCP*), St Grade Church 6pm

Sun 21st Family Service, St Ruan Church 11.15am

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

Sun 28th Holy Communion, St Ruan Church 9.30am

September

Sun 4th Morning Prayer, St Ruan Church 11.15am

Sun 11th Holy Communion, St Ruan Church 9.30am

Evensong (*BCP*), St Grade Church 6pm

Sun 18th Morning Prayer, St Ruan Church 11.15am

Sun 25th Holy Communion, St Ruan Church 9.30am

October 2nd Annual Pet Service, St Grade Church 3pm

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Recreation Ground News



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A bit of a change in committee responsibilities means that this is Jake writing this update not Mike. Since the last Rec update we have held our AGM which was a success with 4 non-committee members attending. The committee members remain unchanged. However, Mike has stepped down as Secretary and this will now be taken on jointly by Emma and myself. Mike will be remaining in post as Treasurer for the time being with a view to transition this responsibility to other committee members in the next few months. To receive a full set of minutes on this meeting please email jacobscolding@hotmail.com.

Even though the AGM has been held, we're always hopeful in receiving new volunteers and committee members so please don't hesitate to get in touch.

July has been a fairly busy month. Work has started with the installation of our new 3-phase power supply, with the new pole being erected and the old one being removed. However, the connection of the supply may be delayed due to the power company being able to supply and connect a 3-phase meter. We are moving in the right direction though.

We had a lovely Cornwall Rugby celebration on the 17th July which was well attended by many in the village. It was a fantastic day and great that we could celebrate the achievements of the young rugby superstars in the village.

We've hosted two fantastic birthday parties (Judith's and Michael's) which have both been a great success and with events during August it looks like it will be a busy and profitable summer (fingers crossed the weather continues).

Looking forward to the autumn and winter months, there's a few projects which we are hoping to move forward with. One is reduction in the background noise inside the Pavilion which we are all well aware can be extremely noisy. The other is getting the patio and outside awning installed. This project will require grant applications but we're hopeful we can be successful in acquiring funds.

That's all for now. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you over the summer.

Jake Scolding
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The Kennack Sands beach clean in July was held on another sunny, warm day. We had 12 volunteers to help this month so a big 'thank you' to you all. There is a dog ban in place for July and August, between 10am and 6pm, so the volunteers with dogs had to stick to the areas dogs are allowed.

Once again and very sadly I have to report that we are still finding glass on the beaches and in the camping dell, plus lots of dog waste around. This month we had the delight of three soiled nappies to contend with! The dog waste bins were again full of rubbish so it is impossible to actually dispose of dog waste bags. The beach cleaners have to remove the rubbish from the dog waste bins to leave room for what they are meant for. There is no refuse collection at Kennack Sands beach so please take your rubbish home with you. It may be helpful to remind visitors to our beach as well. It is important for all to be respectful of all beach users.

Big thank you to Josh at Mora Cafe for his support.

The next two beach cleans will be on Sunday 7th August and Sunday 4th September 2022 at 10am. All Welcome!

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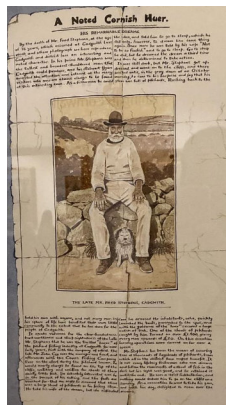
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I suppose it's no surprise that Cadgwith and Ruan are well represented in an exhibition about fishing in Cornwall, but the range of skills from our Parish is wonderful to see. Their work is displayed alongside such luminaries of the art world as Stanhope Forbes, Charles Hemy and Alfred Wallis.

The exhibition was curated by Donna Williams (Westlake) and includes work by Andre Ellis, Sarah Stephens (Brown), Lauren Williams, Maggie Weaver, and Andrew Stephens features in a video.

“Hevva” is the Cornish language word for ‘shoaling’, ‘swarming’ or ‘flocking’ and was the traditional call used by the ‘huer’, who was employed to spot shoals of pilchards (now known as Cornish Sardines), and quickly rally the fishermen to their boats when fish were sighted.



Fred Stephens (1832-1908) was a legendary ‘huer’ who spotted shoals of fish at Cadgwith for over forty years and the true story of his remarkable dream of pilchards is the inspiration for this exhibition which explores the highs and lows of fishing in Cornwall. Fred's Great Great Grandson, Andre Ellis, has turned Fred's dream into an illustrated book, which is on display.

Fred was born in Ruan Minor in 1832 and lived his whole life in Cadgwith, fishing like his father, and later became a huer. His obituary (*left*) appeared in the “Illustrated Western Weekly News” on 25 April 1908.

Sarah Stephens painted this fish for the “Catch of the Day” charity auction organised by the Fishermen’s Mission in 2019. The design was inspired by the registration names and numbers of the Cornish Fleet. She says “Their names and numbers are a part of cove life, as are the men who fish them.” Among the numbers featured are those of her husband Andrew’s boat, Britannia IV of Falmouth, FH508; as well as FH199, the Karen Marie, which belonged to the late Tony and Peter, still very much missed in the Cove.



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The exhibition also features the Gansy Project, led by Lauren Williams, entitled "Cast Out With Love" which documents the different stages of the development of a Gansy. The Gansey, or Knit Frock, is a uniform of fishermen and sailors, made to keep them safe and warm during their long days at sea. A video shows all the various processes that go into producing a gansy from shearing the sheep to the final article. It is narrated by Sarah Stephens and features Skipper Andrew Stephens on his fishing boat Britannia IV. Also on display is a knitted swatch by Maggie Weaver.



This is a most interesting exhibition with special relevance to Cadgwith and Ruan Minor and all the talented people living here. It's well worth a visit.

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June Village Hall Quiz

June quiz night was once again very popular with six teams taking part. Rounds included Science, Jubilee, Wimbledon and Glastonbury Festival to name but a few. New teams are always welcome to come along to the village hall and try their luck. So don't forget the date, it's the 4th Tuesday of the month - bring your own drinks and snacks.

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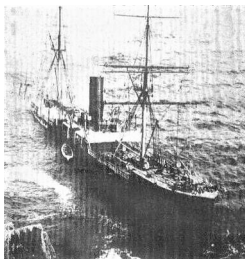
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THE LIZARD LIFEBOAT VISITOR CENTRE NEWS

By David Gascoigne, Visitor Centre Manager

THE 'SS MOSEL'



The SS MOSEL was a 3,200 tons German, steam-driven, barque rigged vessel, constructed of iron and built in 1872. On the morning of Wednesday, 9th August 1882, she was off The Lizard in passage from Bremen Lehe, Germany via Southampton to New York loaded with 620 passengers, a crew of 100 and a cargo of valuable specie, special mail, railway iron, 400 tons of English woollens and general goods.

The Mosel was following the 'corner cutting' course for this part of the voyage as was the custom adopted by Atlantic liners but, for some reason, speed had not been slackened from the usual 14 knots. The ship suddenly ran into a dense fog bank and, 'in an instant' and without any warning, ran aground on Bass Point rocks. Observers recorded that a momentary grating was heard and then an extremely loud crash which was heard for some considerable distance on land. For a few seconds the vessel remained motionless and then 'shook from bow to stern like a leaf.' The speed of the impact had driven the vessel some 300 to 400 yards onto the flat rocks on the sea bed jutting out from the shore and the Mosel came to rest very close to the steep cliffs on which the signal station was located.

Two rockets were fired to summon the Lizard lifeboat and the Falmouth authorities were also contacted to send vessels to assist in the evacuation of passengers and crew. *RNLB ANNA MARIA*, The Lizard Lifeboat, was launched and was able to

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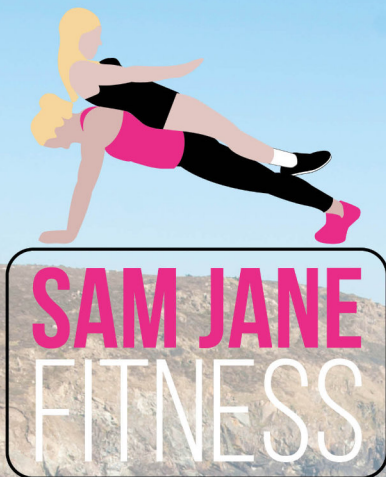
rescue 27 passengers and take them to safety. The lifeboat coxswains then stayed on board the Mosel in an advisory capacity and the remainder of the lifeboat crew assisted on board and in the ship's own lifeboats. The ship's 9 lifeboats were launched quickly and all passengers were safely rescued and taken ashore by the tugs sent to the scene to assist. The Falmouth tug, Rosetta which, by chance, happened to be in the area, came alongside the stricken vessel and transported the specie, special mail and some of the passengers to Falmouth. The larger Falmouth tugs 'Kimberley', 'Victor' and 'Sylph' quickly came on the scene but by noon the Mosel was practically full of water and her fires extinguished. The tugs picked up all of the passengers who had been put ashore and transported them to Falmouth. By evening it was obvious that the Mosel was doomed and by the end of the week heavy seas negated any further salvage work. The Mosel was left to break up over the coming days.

The incident proved to be the most spectacular wreck thus far in the history of the Lizard Lifeboat.



**THE LAST HOURS OF THE 'SS
MOSEL', STRANDED OFF BASS
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filled in prior to starting a class.*



It has come to my notice that there was a degree of confusion relating to the obituary of George Mitchell in last month's article and I would sincerely apologise for any actual upset and confusion the article might have caused.

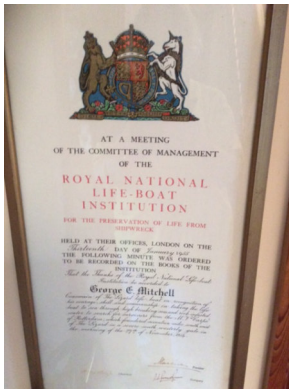
The George Mitchell mentioned in the article and the extraordinary courage shown by him and his crew, was Coxswain George Mitchell who was Coxswain from 1952 to 1961 at Polpeor and from 1961 to 1967 at Kilcobben Cove.

The George Mitchell, who we remember so well, was also a valiant and strong supporter of the Lizard Lifeboat. He was, initially, a Shore Helper and then, when the Station moved to Kilcobben, was on the winch. He joined the crew to go to sea in the 1960s, eventually becoming Second Coxswain. He retired from the crew in the 1970s and his contribution is remembered with great gratitude as well as sadness at his recent passing.

DAVID GASCOIGNE
VISITOR CENTRE MANAGER.

David Mitchell has kindly provided this information about his father, being the George Mitchell who was Coxswain on the Carpo incident. [Ed]

George E Mitchell 1902 - 1974



Above: Thanks on Vellum for the Carpo search

Right: Thanks for 29¼ years' service on the Lizard lifeboat



Gardening in August and September

by David Endean



Well last month I had been telling of how dry it had been, nothing has really changed as this piece is being digitally penned. We are due for what is likely to be some record temperatures. The effects of this can be seen all around us, our lawns have lost the lush green shade and now some are an interesting neutral beige. The hedgerows are wilting and dying back and the soil is more like rock. But truly this is not unusual.

We have slipped from a sowing cycle to more of a maintenance and harvesting time of the year now. In the veg patch keep regularly picking things like Runner beans, French beans and peas before they go past their best and it will encourage them to crop as long as possible. Salad crops are always best picked young and fresh and for these to be at their best they need to be kept well watered. If you are looking for something to sow in the veg garden, spring greens are an option using a variety like Durham early. Either sow them directly in the soil and later transplant them to give more space or start them off in modules. I like to plant them in places where I have just grown a leguminous crop like beans and peas, often sweet peas, this is because the cabbages will utilise some of the nitrogen that these crops have fixed in the soil. I also suggest employing some netting supported by a frame which will help to keep the late cabbage white butterflies off and the pigeons also.

It is also time to lift and store your onions as the tops go over. Use a garden fork and gently ease the soil under the bulbs to break the last few roots. Leave the bulbs on top of the soil for a few days to dry back, then transfer to trays or a rack in a nice airy space so that they form nice dry skins so they will store well for the winter in a dry airy cool place like the garage or shed.

In the flower borders it is a case as last month of using the secateurs and keeping things deadheaded. As some of the annual plants become spent, pull them up to free up some space should you wish to fill the gaps later in the month when the autumn and winter bedding starts to appear in the shops to give you some late colour. I have some buckets of daffodil bulbs to plant. They were dug out from a flower bed where they were no longer required and will now be planted in a naturalised situation. This job can be done anytime from now on but the biggest job will be getting the trowel or spade in the soil. If you fancy some new spring bulbs now is the time to peruse the catalogues and get an order in to plant from now on into the autumn.

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Keep watering your tubs - there have been some really lovely displays to be seen around this year. A regular feed once a week with something like Miracle Grow will help to keep the displays go on for longer, but do the watering in the evening or early morning to reduce evaporation and sun scorch, plus it will be cooler for you.

One of the major jobs to be doing now is getting all of those hedges cut now the birds have finished nesting. It is a job that needs doing as they soon get out of control and get too big. It is good to get the leylandii hedges done by end August early September so if there is any regrowth it has time to harden before the winter and less likely to be burned by the winter weather.

There is not much I can say about your lawns, except to keep the mower blades up to remove the seed heads and pick up any fallen leaves which will neaten the appearance of it. It will recover when the rains do come unless it has become a sports pitch for the children during the school holidays. Traditionally the end of August is the time to prepare and seed out new lawns, although this can be extended into the autumn. Dig over the patch and break it down to a fine tilth, add some fertiliser and fresh grass seed.

Well keep cool and enjoy your gardening.



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AUGUST / SEPTEMBER QUIZ

Well Known Events in History

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1.	Eye test chart created by Dr H Snellen.	1842	1852	1862	1872
2.	HJ Heinz founded in USA with 57 Varieties	1869	1879	1889	1899
3.	The Severn Railway Tunnel was opened	1856	1866	1876	1886
4.	First Tennis Championships at Wimbledon.	1877	1888	1898	1908
5.	Thomas Cook opens travel agency	1831	1841	1851	1861
6.	Ship the Mary Celeste found abandoned.	1862	1872	1882	1892
7.	New Holland renamed Australia	1794	1804	1814	1824
8.	Coca-Cola invented	1856	1866	1876	1886
9.	1 st Edition of Roget's Thesaurus published	1852	1862	1872	1882
10.	Foundation Sandhurst Royal Military College	1779	1789	1799	1809

ANSWERS TO JULY QUIZ

General Knowledge

1.	What was Iran previously called ?	Persia
2.	Write the Roman Numerals for the year 1926	<i>MCMXXVI</i>
3.	What is a piece of wood, a smile and a shaft of light ?	A beam
4.	When was the last leap year ?	2020
5.	Island with close connection with Queen Victoria	Isle of Wight
6.	What is the term for a male Swan ?	Cob
7.	How many chess pieces at the start of a match ?	32
8.	Country in mainland Europe in same time zone as UK.	Portugal
9.	Bill Clinton plays which instrument to a high standard ?	Saxophone
10.	A type of glass and a musical instrument.	A Flute



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From the Gazette Archives

30 Years Ago - August 1992

The August 1992 Gazette featured extracts from a book called "A week at the Lizard" written in 1848 by Rev. C.A. Johns, a facsimile of which had just been printed. The article was put together by John Bourne.

Mr Johns recalled the days when Cadgwith was the local centre of the original Coastguard service, set up in 1822 to crack down on smuggling. He described Cadgwith's population as being composed "principally of fishermen, to whom can be added the greater part of the preventive men belonging to the station". The main job of the "preventive men" as the Coastguards were known, was to keep watch for fishing boats bringing in brandy casks slung under their keels or in false bows or false bottoms. In those days tobacco was even woven into the ship's hawsers. Saving life was then only a small part of the Coastguards' job compared with saving money for the Revenue.

Some of the older locals now in Cadgwith can remember when Juliet and Paul Smith's "Watch House Trading Post" in the Cove was a tea shop, then a fish shop owned by Steve Goddard. Many years before that it was the watch house used by the Coastguards' detachment, some of whom lived in the Coastguard houses below Ledra Close. The house then had not a slate roof but a thatch. A stone from it with the date 1891 carved on it is now in the wall of Tim Goddard's house.

Mr Johns' book includes detailed descriptions of life here 144 years ago. Of Cadgwith, he remarks: "One is not likely to meet with much incident here worthy of being recorded or to gain much information except on objects related to the fisheries". Of the latter he has quite a few stories to tell - of pilchards, seine netting on Kennack Sands and a giant sun fish caught basking off the Cove, taken in tow and then cut up for crab bait. It weighed several hundredweight.

Then there was the Cadgwith man in 1847, fishing at anchor, who hauled a large conger aboard. "No sooner did the huge monster find himself fairly out of his element than he seized the astonished fisherman by the throat with his sharp teeth and wound himself, boa constrictor fashion, round his body. Fortunately, the man did not lose his presence of mind; so seizing his knife, he stuck it into the creature's spine when it relaxed its hold and fell dead."

Mr Johns relates an anecdote which would seem to show that fishermen of this coast formerly entertained a superstitious dislike of quadrupeds. It was then considered high improper to mention the name of any four-footed beast after the boat had put to sea. So far did this feeling extend that if any of the crew either accidentally or intentionally mentioned the name of one it was considered the greatest foolhardiness to persevere in the expedition.

It happened that a quarrel had taken place between two fishermen, belonging to different boats, and the one who considered himself aggrieved adopted the following strange method of revenge. After dark, he boarded his enemy's boat and secretly nailed to the bow the foot of a fox, and went home. Next morning, when the boats were on the point of departing for their respective destinations, the trick was discovered, when the party on whom the trick had been played immediately lowered their sails, returned to the shore and did not venture out for the remainder of the day."

GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting
held on 11 Wednesday 11 May 2022

The Council expressed their condolence to the family of Raymond Skewes, who passed away on 11th May. Raymond served on the Parish Council and was well-known and respected throughout the community.

1/22 Election of Chair

ELECTED Cllr Preston as the Chair of the Council for 2021/22. Cllr Lee/Agutter. **RECEIVED** the declaration of acceptance of office.

2/22 Election of Vice Chair

ELECTED Cllr Green. as the Vice Chair of the Council for 2021/22. Cllr Lee/Agutter. **RECEIVED** the declaration of acceptance of office.

3/22 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Agutter, P Collins, S Collins, Fleetwood, Keeley, Lee, Scolding, Trewin.

Apologies: Cllrs Cox, Stephens.

It was noted that Cllr Stephens has now resigned as a Councillor. The Council expressed their thanks for her service to the Parish.

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

4/22 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations. None.

5/22 Public Participation.

G Mitchell gave context to PA22/03629.

6/22 Reports from outside bodies.

Cllr Soady CC reported a number of items passed to him by Derek Thomas MP, including information on the Levelling up and Regeneration Bill, reforms to the planning system, the energy security Bill. It was also reported that the Goonhilly Fund are seeking new committee members.

7/22 Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies. None.

8/22 Council Meeting: Minutes 13 April 2022

RESOLVED that the above [Minutes](#) of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs S Collins/Lee. 7 in favour, 3 abstained: Cllrs Agutter, Keeley, Scolding. No matters arising **NOTED.**

9/22 Planning Applications for consideration

PA22/02858: [Residential development of one 4 bedroom house.](#) Robert Fletcher. The Beach Kuggar Ruan Minor Cornwall TR12 7LX

The Council objected to the application on the basis that it felt the proposal constitutes overdevelopment of the site. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

10/22 PA22/03151: [Use of annexe as holiday accommodation and](#)

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ancillary accommodation. J Noonan. Moorlands Prazegooth Lane Cadgwith Ruan Minor Cornwall TR12 7LB

The Council objected to the application on the grounds that there is no local need for the proposals (more holiday letting accommodation). The original application in 2013 was supported by this Council only on the basis that condition 3 was in place for residential use. The Council understand that family circumstances change, but request that the use of the annexe is for long-term residential letting (where there is significant need) and not for holiday letting (where there is a surplus in the Parish). Proposed, seconded. 8 in favour, 2 against.

11/22 PA22/03626: Single-storey rear extension to bungalow to provide additional habitable space and provision of a new detached double garage. Mr And Mrs Suckley. Chy An Menheere Hervan Lane Predannack Mullion Cornwall TR12 7AU

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

**Cllr Green declared an interest in PA22/03629 and left the meeting*

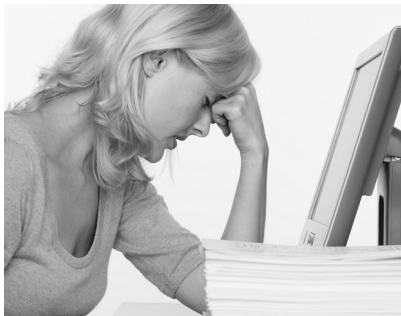
12/22 PA22/03629: Remedial works & extension to dwelling. George Mitchell. White House Farm Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7JP

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

**Cllr Green re-entered the meeting*

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13/22 PA22/03902: [Reserved matters of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale following outline consent PA21/11037 dated 24.01.2022 for the construction of a new dwelling.](#) Land Adj To 1 Ledra Close Ledra Close Cadgwith Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7LD

The Council object to the application on the following grounds:

The design of the building and of the walls (within the illustrative view documents) is not in keeping with the local vernacular of Cadgwith, an issue accentuated by the site of the dwelling being in a prominent location at the entrance to the village. The Council's comments on PA21/11037 have not been heeded – in particular that vehicular access should be moved from New Rd to Ledra Close for safety and screening reasons. If access is permitted on to New Rd the visibility splay requirements will severely limit the height and extent of screening that can be added on the New Rd side, and so will make the development more visible from distant view points. Screening along the roadside boundaries should be stipulated as a condition. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

14/22 **Planning Applications decided by CC since the last meeting**

APPROVED:

- PA21/09651: Listed building consent for alterations and refurbishment of existing dwelling. Beach Cottage Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JX

- PA22/00354: Proposed barn conversions with extension to form a single dwelling. Trerise Farm, Chybarles Road Between Friars Lane And Croft Pascoe Ruan Minor TR12 7NA

- PA22/01761: Extension to rear outbuildings. 1 Coastguard Houses Cadgwith TR12 7JZ

15/22 **Preapplications, consultations and appeals.**

NOTED: PA22/00721/PREAPP [Pre-application advice for the conversion of two redundant barns into two holiday lets, with the inclusion of a new single storey extension to unite the two barns around an existing courtyard. Associated landscaping works including resurfacing and planting to courtyard, the reinstatement of existing stone walls around a new open air swimming pool and pool house/plant room.](#) Elizabeth Norris And Sam Philips. Redundant Barns Gwendreath Farm Gwendreath Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7LZ

NOTED: A request for an update on the enforcement issue at St Ruan.

16/22 **Finance report and Payments**

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

L Carter	Cleaning	20.00
Octopus Energy	Public lighting	15.32
M P Keeley	Reimburse Jubilee materials	41.98
Hudson Accounting	Internal Audit	200.00
S Drummond	Reimburse Jubilee materials	240.83
R Sanders	Cutting of PROW & SWCP; Play Area	917.46
Staffing		783.60

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Cllrs Scolding/Trewin. 9 in favour, 1 abstained: Cllr Keeley.

17/22 **Committees**

- a) **APPOINTED** Cllrs P Collins, Green, Preston, Trewin to serve on the Staffing committee.
- b) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Preston, Green, S Collins, Scolding, Lee to serve on the Finance committee.
- c) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Preston, Green, Trewin, Fleetwood, P Collins to serve on the Footpaths committee.
- d) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Scolding, S Collins, Lee, Preston to serve on the Play Area Unit Supervision committee.

18/22 **Outside groups**

- a) **APPOINTED** Cllr Agutter as the representative to the Village Hall.
- b) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Fleetwood, Keeley, Scolding as representatives to the Recreation Ground.
- c) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Agutter and Keeley as representatives to Churchyard maintenance.
- d) **APPOINTED** Cllr Preston as a Treewarden (non-Cllr Treewarden – J Fletcher).
- e) **APPOINTED** Cllrs Keeley (primary) and Cox (reserve) as representatives to the Community Network.
- f) **APPOINTED** Cllrs P Collins and Keeley as board members of Grade Ruan Community Land Trust.

9/22 **Annual Return Section 1: Annual Governance Statement 2021/22**

RESOLVED to approve [the above](#) as circulated. Cllrs P Collins/Green. Unanimous.

20/22 **Annual Return Section 2: Accounting Statement 2021/22**

RESOLVED to approve [the above](#) as circulated. Cllrs Trewin/Scolding. Unanimous.

21/22 **Internal Auditor's report Year End 2021/22**

NOTED the contents of [the above](#).

22/22 **General Risk Assessment 2022/23**

RESOLVED to adopt [the above](#). Cllrs Scolding/Trewin. Unanimous.

23/22 **Internal Control Policy**

Reviewed [as above](#) and **RESOLVED** to adopt. Cllrs Scolding/Green. Unanimous.

24/22 **Meetings Calendar 2022/23**

NOTED as above, following verbal input from Staffing Committee members.

25/22 **Potential projects and funding**

CONSIDERED as above in relation to the Cornwall Cllr Community Chest fund. The Council representatives on the Recreation Ground Committee will suggest funding for goalposts for general play when the main

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goalposts are removed for the close of season.

26/22 Noticeboard repairs

CONSIDERED as above and **RESOLVED** to spend up to £300 on repairs. Cllrs Trewin/Green. Unanimous.

27/22 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.

a) **RECEIVED** an update on potential resurfacing/tarmacking at FP6.1, Cadgwith. An indicative quote has been received and a map will be requested to show the extent of the works quoted for.

b) **RECEIVED** an update on registering as a PROW the access from New Rd to the above FP6. The administrative process is being pursued by the clerk.

c) **RECEIVED** an update on Higher Moor-Glebe Place access. There has been no response to a request for quotations.

d) **CONSIDERED** Highways projects for inclusion in the Community Network Panel Highways Scheme. Cllr Keeley will continue to investigate potential projects and bring back to Council in due course.

e) **CONSIDERED** other reports: overgrown vegetation at junctions with the A3083 was reported; St Ruan bridge has been recently repaired; there are drainage issues at Chapel Terrace which South West Water have attended; there was a request to tidy up grassy areas at Mundy's Field car park before Jubilee celebrations.

28/22 Notification of meeting/items for agenda

NOTED: Potential for moving the noticeboard inside the former bus shelter; community fridge initiative; maintenance by the former bus shelter where a bin has been removed; Council archive material; appoint a Council observer to the Cadgwith Fishing Cove Trust.

29/22 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, personal data. Cllrs S Collins/Trewin. Unanimous.

30/22 Response from properties on Chapel Terrace re: surface improvement

RECEIVED as above and **RESOLVED** to set up a working group (Cllrs Green, Preston, Lee + any other interested) to draw up a specification that will be affordable and workable and to seek three quotations. Cllrs Agutter/Green. Unanimous.

31/22 Insurance renewal

RECEIVED quotations and **RESOLVED** to accept via BHIB Insurance.

Meeting closed: 21:05.

GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2022

32/22 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Agutter, Cox, Fleetwood, Keeley, Lee, Trewin.

Apologies: Cllrs P Collins, S Collins, Scolding.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). 10 members of the public.

33/22 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllr Fleetwood declared an interest in item 8: Finance.

Cllr Preston declared an interest in PA22/04102.

34/22 Reports from outside bodies.

The Council would like to raise with Cllr Soady CC improved verge cutting at junctions on the A3083 – with the potential for partnership working. Cllr Preston talked through the [AONB Management Plan](#). There is renewed focus on supporting communities and working in partnerships following the pandemic. While recognising the living, working nature of places like the Lizard Peninsula there is a 'Statutory Duty' on all relevant Authorities to have regard to the purpose of conserving and enhancing the Natural Beauty when coming to any decisions or carrying out activities.

35/22 Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies.

The Jubilee working group reported that the event was a great success, with around 350 people at the street party, and gave thanks to all organisers and attendees. The event cost the Council a total of £357.87, taking into account income from mug sales. The Council thanked the organisers and stated that events such as this are rare, are of great important to the community, and will be remembered for a long time to come. Cllr Agutter reported that few other local Parish Councils ran Jubilee events like this and the Grade Ruan PC can be proud.

Cllrs Preston and Lee attended a preliminary meeting which was hosted by St Keverne Parish Council to explore the potential for joint responses by Parishes on the Lizard peninsula about a number of common issues. Planning Enforcement, Highways matters and affordable housing were high on the list. Fur-

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ther discussion planned. GRPC may host the next meeting with input from the Community Land Trust

Culdrose liaison: The Council reiterated its request to resume meetings. These had been working well pre-pandemic, helping to inform and raise mutual awareness about the specific circumstances in this area and identify where small adjustments can mean large gains in reducing impact in the AONB and local community.

36/22 **Public Participation.**

R Stone indicated interest in item 9: Ruan Major Church Building.

C Hunt indicated interest in item 9: Ruan Major Church Building, and item 10: Grant request.

37/22 **Ruan Major Church building**

CONSIDERED [information](#) from the diocese and **DISCUSSED** the Council's approach. It was agreed in conjunction with members of the public present that the priority for the building was for it to be preserved as a historic building or monument (rather than used in another way) and that access to the churchyard must be maintained. The cost of maintaining the building was disputed and therefore it was decided to gather more information regarding insurance and grant availability before presenting options to the public in a survey. The aim will be to survey the community within three months.

38/22 **Annual Council Meeting: Minutes 11 May 2022**

RESOLVED that the above [Minutes](#) of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs Lee/Agutter. 7 in favour, 1 abstained: Cllr Cox. No matters arising **NOTED**.

**Cllr Preston left the meeting*

39/22 **Planning Applications for consideration**

PA22/04102: [Extension and alterations as decision notice PA21/01695 approved 20.04.2021: amending the use of the converted workshop to a holiday bedroom](#). Frances Bristow. Polstangey Praze Rd From Junction South Of Polstangey Bungalow To Polstangey Bridge Ruan Minor TR12 7LS

The Council objected to the application on the grounds that there is no demonstrable need for the development and that there is a surfeit of holiday accommodation. Proposed, seconded. 6 in favour, 1 against.

**Cllr Preston re-entered the meeting*

40/22 PA22/04966: [Listed building consent for refurbishment of existing dwelling](#). L Walker. Beach Cottage Cadwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JX

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

41/22 **Planning Applications decided by CC since the last meeting**

APPROVED:

- PA22/03629: Proposal Remedial works and extension to dwelling. White House Farm Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7JP

- PA22/03626: Single-storey rear extension to bungalow to provide additional habitable space and provision of a new detached double garage. Chy An Menheere Hervan Lane Predannack Mullion Cornwall TR12 7AU

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- PA22/03151: Proposal Use of annexe as holiday accommodation and ancillary accommodation. Moorlands Prazegooth Lane Cadgwith Ruan Minor Cornwall TR12 7LB

REFUSED:

- PA21/12523: Proposed Parking Area. Corner House Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JU

- PA21/12524: Proposal Listed Building Consent for proposed Parking Area. Corner House Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7JU

CLOSED - ADVICE GIVEN:

- PA22/00721/PRE: Pre-application advice for the conversion of two redundant barns into two holiday lets, with the inclusion of a new single storey extension to unite the two barns around an existing courtyard. Associated landscaping works including resurfacing and planting to courtyard, the reinstatement of existing stone walls around a new open air swimming pool and pool house / plant room. Redundant Barns Gwendreath Farm Gwendreath Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7LZ

42/22 **Preapplications, consultations and appeals.**

It was noted that PA22/04005, an amendment to discharge a condition regarding a design/materials aspect per PA21/09835 at Land West Of White House Farm, was refused by Cornwall Council.

**Cllr Fleetwood left the meeting*

43/22 **Finance report and Payments**

RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Reports ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#)) and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

L Carter	Cleaning	20.00
Octopus Energy	Public lighting	18.03
Cornwall ALC	Training: Cllr Keeley	36.00
Cadgwith Sound/FACE	Sound System Hire	60.00
R Sanders	Extra strimming, cut and strim play area	192.00
Biffa Environmenta	IDog wate bin emptying 2022/23	1063.61
Atmosphere Publishing	Jubilee Mugs	1501.20
BHIB Insurance	Insurance premium 2022/231	824.24
Staffing		600.76

Cllrs Trewin/Agutter. Unanimous.

**Cllr Fleetwood re-entered the meeting*

44/22 **Grant request: Predannack Anti Aircraft Museum and Heritage Centre**

RECEIVED [as above](#) £200 for materials for waterproofing and painting a bunker. **RESOLVED** to award £200. Cllrs Fleetwood/Trewin. 7 in favour, 1 abstained.

45/22 **Wooden Skate Ramp offer**

RECEIVED an [offer](#) for the above at the Recreation Ground. Decided to pass to the Recreation Ground Committee for their consideration.

46/22 **Councillor vacancy update**

RECEIVED verbally as above. A co-option procedure will begin shortly.

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47/22 Potential for moving noticeboard inside the former bus shelter

CONSIDERED the above as requested at a previous meeting. **RECEIVED** a quotation for repair and decided to instead investigate the cost of moving the noticeboard to inside the shelter.

48/22 Community Fridge initiative

CONSIDERED the above as requested at a previous meeting. Decided to invite representatives of the Helston Community Larder group to a Council meeting.

49/22 Council archive material

CONSIDERED the above as requested at a previous meeting. Parish Plan materials will be collected and stored by Cllr Cox. Cllr Agutter will investigate storage space at the Village Hall.

50/22 Appointment of Council observer to Cadgwith Fishing Cove Trust

Item deferred. Further information to be brought to a future meeting.

51/22 Fibre Internet installation at Surgery building

RESOLVED to approve planned works as previously notified ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#)). Cllrs Lee/Fleetwood. Unanimous.

52/22 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.

a) **RECEIVED** an update on potential resurfacing/tarmacking at FP6.1, Cadgwith – contractor to be contacted for further information.

b) **RECEIVED** an update on registering as a PROW the access from New Rd to the above FP6 – application in process.

c) **RECEIVED** an update on Higher Moor-Glebe Place access. There was a consensus to spend in the region of £300 on the project. ^{Cont.}

d) **RECEIVED** an update from the Chapel Terrace surface repair working group. Group to convene.

e) **RECEIVED** an offer to voluntarily maintain the old village well site in Kuggar and accepted with thanks.

f) **CONSIDERED** other reports: FP#?? is impassable and needs reporting; Following correspondence it was accepted that no PROW diversion is being attempted at Crowgey Farm. Overgrown vegetation is affecting access on FP23.

53/22 Notification of meeting/items for agenda

NOTED: Verge cutting on A3083 junctions; Sewage treatment plant; defining Lizard Peninsula boundaries.

54/22 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. Cllrs Trewin/Agutter. Unanimous.

55/22 Quote to repair rotten timber on the Activity Platform at the playground

RECEIVED as above. Deferred a decision pending the reconvening of the Play Area Committee to review the equipment and associated needs.

Meeting closed: 21:30.

SURGERY HOURS - see page 52

Ruan Minor Surgery - 290852

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Tuesday	2pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday	CLOSED ALL DAY
Thursday	2pm - 5.30pm
Friday	9am - 12 noon

Lizard Surgery - 290415

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Tuesday	9am - 12 noon
Wednesday	CLOSED ALL DAY
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Friday	2pm - 5.30pm

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Tue	8.30am - 6pm
Wed	8.30am - 6pm, 6.30pm - 8pm
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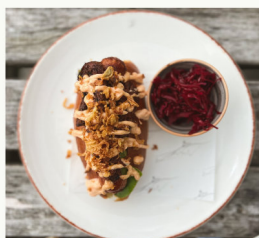
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