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Alternate Tues	Mobile Library (Tel: 0300 1234111) - 12 th and 26 th June Glebe Place 11.05am-11.20am & Cadgwith Car Park 11.35-11.55am
2nd Monday	7.30pm Parish Council meeting, Methodist Chapel, 11 th June
3rd Saturday	9am - 1pm Farmers Market at Mullion School, 16 th June
Mon & Thurs	7.00pm Short Mat Bowling in the Village Hall
Every Weds	Rainbows, Brownies & Guides. Contact Joy Prince 01326 290280
Every Thurs	9.30am-11.30am Market and refreshments in the Village Hall 6 pm Yoga with Tanya in the School Hall 01326 290931
Every Fri	6.30pm Zumba in the Village Hall
2 - 4 June	May Festival on the Rec (see Recreation Ground News)
4-8 June	Half term (Grade Ruan and Mullion)
5 June	3-5pm Diamond Jubilee Bank Holiday. Street party in Ruan Minor
12 June	7.30pm Bingo in the Village Hall
13 June	7.30pm Recreation Ground AGM at the Pavilion - New
17 June	Fathers Day - NEW
24 June	11am Mullion School Midsummer Medley: stalls, BBQ, entertainment
26 June	7.30pm Quiz night in the Village Hall
27 June	8pm Cadgwith Book Club meeting. Cadgwith Cove Inn
ADVANCE DATES	
7 July	Night Before the Rally
8 July	Vintage Rally, Trevedden Field
9, 10, 11, 12 July	Mullion School production of "Honk" End of Summer term (Grade Ruan)
20 July	Noon till late. Folk Day at the Cadgwith Cove Inn
21 July	Last day of term (Mullion)
24 July	Beach BBQ (Xmas Lights)
25 July	London Olympics
27 July - 12 August	Fun cricket match at the Recreation Ground
29 July	Beach BBQ (Recreation Ground)
1 August	Fun cricket match at the Recreation Ground
5 August	Beach BBQ (Gig Club)
8 August	Buller Day
11 August	Cadgwith Cove Fishing Festival
12 August	Beach BBQ (Xmas Lights)
15 August	Buller Cup (at Newquay)
17 August	Sharky's Cup
19 August	Beach BBQ (Recreation Ground)
22 August	Cadgwith Regatta - NEW
26 August	Beach BBQ (Gig Club)
29 August	Paralympic Games
29 Aug- 9 Sept	Late Summer Fete at the Village Hall
1 Sept	Start of Autumn term (Mullion - to be confirmed)
4 Sept	Harvest Supper.
29 Sept	Hospice Fayre in the Village Hall.
17 November	
December:	1 - Christmas Lights Switch-on; 2 - Carolaire; 4 - Christmas Bingo; 5 - Village Hall Christmas Party; 11 - Christmas Quiz; 13 - Christmas Market; 16 - Christmas Community Evening

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

Please ensure your piece does not exceed 1500 words, or approximately three pages of A4. Articles may need to be split over more than one issue, and might be edited.

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

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Noticeboard

Sadly, I have to report the death at the age of 86 of **Sue Wooding** on Saturday 28th April. She had been in the Helston Cottage Hospital recovering from a hip operation, when she developed breathing problems and had to be transferred to Treliske, where she died suddenly and unexpectedly. Sue had a long and eventful life, much of it in the Parish. She leaves her devoted husband David, children Mandy, Andrew and Louisa, as well as grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Our condolences go to them all.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery go to **Sam Boucher, Geoff Fox and George Mitchell**, all of whom have been in hospital.

Happy Birthday in June to: Alex Jane, CC Naish, Alex Robertson, James Goddard, Jan Halliday, Morwenna Ellis, Andre Ellis, John Fleetwood, Carol Cooper, Hattie D, Len Carter, Charlie Coates, Tom Mason, Eileen Mason, Hettie W, Jean Hall, Gill Thomas, Sharon Legge, Valerie Jane, Mike Fleetwood, Shelley Cooper, Lucy Green, Grace S, Dominic H, Talia S.

Good wishes to **Desmond and Eveline Julian**, who will be celebrating their Diamond wedding anniversary. Desmond kindly made a donation to the Gazette and asked me to put this note in for him "Desmond and Eveline Julion will be celebrating their Diamond Wedding anniversary on 14th June. They request no presents, but would like donations for Ruan Minor Surgery instead."

Welcome to **Sam and Emma James** and their children **Seth** and **Tessa**, who have moved into Sanctuary Cottage in Ruan Minor. Sam grew up in Lizard Village, so

some of you may know him, although he has lived away from the area for quite some time.

Congratulations to **Billy Jane, Jess Sealey, Grace Sharrat** and **Tillie Alfrey-Cryan**, all children in the village who were chosen to represent their schools (Mullion and Grade Ruan) at the Olympic torch arrival at RNAS Culdrose. It's a part of history and we're all very envious. (See Tillie's report on p21)

Attention all sailors in Year 4, 5 and 6 The Helford River Sailing Trust (HRCST) will be running sailing sessions during half-term week (5-8 June). There are two sessions each day - 9.30 to 12.30 in the morning and 1.30-4.30 in the afternoon. Children can attend both sessions if they wish, however HRCST **cannot** be responsible for them during the lunch break, from 12.30 to 1.30. This is a brilliant opportunity to get lots of time on the water! To book please contact Alison Collins from HRCST direct on alison@hrcst.org.uk.

As you may have noticed, the Grade Ruan school wall is in need of some tender loving care. If you can **help with re-pointing and painting**, please would you let Sharon in the school office know - 01326 290613

Rita & Jean Harrison were evacuees who lived in the area during the war with their mother Eileen, who worked on a local poultry farm. Rita attended Grade-Ruan School and she and Jean popped in to see the school on a recent visit. They would love to make contact with anyone who remembers them - please call Sharon, the School Secretary, on 01326 290613 for their contact details.

The Primary Care Trust, who are still cont....

Front Cover: Flight BA2012 arriving at RNAS Culdrose, carrying the Olympic flame (photo by Andrew Fletcher). Grace Sharrat with David Beckham, Ivor and Sara Milne were Lord Coe's hosts during his visit to RNAS Culdrose.

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responsible for the provision of Primary Care, are holding a series of sessions called "**Closer To You**", to explain the transition of responsibility for Primary care from the PCT to GP consortias. The nearest one for us is on Wednesday 11 July 2.30 - 4.00 pm at the Methodist Church in Helston.

Community Energy Plus has received funding for a project entitled "**Warm Me Up**". The aim is to improve everyone's ability to manage their energy bills and access the services and organisations who can help. The project holds outreach surgeries where people can book a slot to speak with an Energy Caseworker, Amy Walker. Amy will be happy to discuss all elements of home energy management from fuel bills and tariffs to heating enquiries. The sessions are held on the first Tuesday of the month, from 2 - 4pm at the Old Cattle Market in Helston. To book a session, contact Amy on 01209 614975 ext.9213 or amy@cep.org.uk.

The **road between Kuggar and Traboe Cross** will be closed from 7,30am to 6pm



Here is a picture supplied by Jan Morgan of a rare sighting of Bruce Jane drinking TEA at the Pub.

The pub is being re-decorated prior to it being taken over by new owners in mid June.

(left to right: Ken Baker, Michael Darvell and Bruce)

each day from 22nd June to 6th July 2012 for maintenance work. The diversion will be via Cury Cross Roads.

Moira Hurst

Memories from Doris Green

My love affair with Cadgwith started with my wedding in 1945 in Bedfordshire. My brother was an artist in London, and a colleague told him he could recommend a place called Cadgwith in Cornwall for our honeymoon. We booked a room in a house by the Coastguard Cottages called Pen-y-Craig. It had a wonderful view down into the Cove. That was just the beginning - Cadgwith became our annual destination for our family holiday.

Eventually we met Buller and he kindly let us rent Kidleywinks while he stayed with his mother at Ship Cottage along the path. I remember Jimmer who used to grease the timbers to make it easier to move the lifeboat. I also remember the blissful summer evenings sitting on the stick and listening to the singing from the pub on Friday evenings. I remember so well the toy model lifeboat made for Nigel Legge by his father Bunny. My son David was very jealous! They used to play with it in a large pool on the left of the beach. David's little brother was not allowed to touch it!

Bob and I finally moved to Cornwall in 1992 when I was 72 years old and, though I live in Falmouth, my connection with Cadgwith and Ruan Minor remains via Maureen Girling and family who make sure I am able to read your Grade Ruan Gazette which I enjoy so much. Thank you.

These memories were written by my friend Doris Green who now lives in Falmouth. It was because Doris and Bob loved it so much that they invited us to come to Cadgwith. We loved it too, so when we retired, we moved here and have enjoyed so many happy years in this beautiful place. Thank you for making us feel so welcome. *Maureen Girling*

THE FRIENDS OF MINACK SOCIETY (F.O.M.S.)

A friendly local Society which promotes and keeps alive the series of Cornish Stories written by Derek Tangye, which are collectively known as 'The Minack Chronicles' (nothing to do with the theatre!).

The books, which begin with their move to Cornwall in 1949, detail the efforts of Derek, a Cornishman, and his wife Jeannie, at growing flowers, early potatoes and tomatoes high on the cliffs above Lamorna Cove (early Good Lifers!). Their animals form a large part of the stories, as do the creatures that live wild around them. The, at times, inhospitable rocky landscape that Dorminack, their almost derelict cottage stands on, is described with great passion. Derek wrote in every Chronicle how he looked towards the outline of the Lizard and the winking light of the Lighthouse across Mounts Bay.

Although the books are now out of print, a selection of them can be found at 'Tangye Corner' in the Lamorna Pottery. This year, being the 50th anniversary of the first Chronicle, the Society has published 'The Minack Chronicles Revisited' which contains the first Chronicle 'A Gull on the Roof' plus additional biographies, interviews, photos and area history.

The Society enjoys Worldwide membership but is based in Cornwall. Members receive a thrice yearly newsletter, and enjoy an AGM held at The Queens Hotel Penzance in March as part of a 'Memorial Weekend' programme of Minack linked events.

For further details of membership and the new book 'The Minack Chronicles Revisited' please contact – Gloria Townsin 01326 241745 or e-mail: gloriatownsin@uwclub.net

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Dog Fouling

Jane Vowles from Spar has contacted me to say that there has been a recent increase in dog fouling around central Ruan Minor. This was confirmed by Johnno who is particularly concerned about dogs fouling the churchyard, and by the Ruan Minor football team manager, Lew, who has to clear a dozen or more piles of poo on the Rec before each home game.

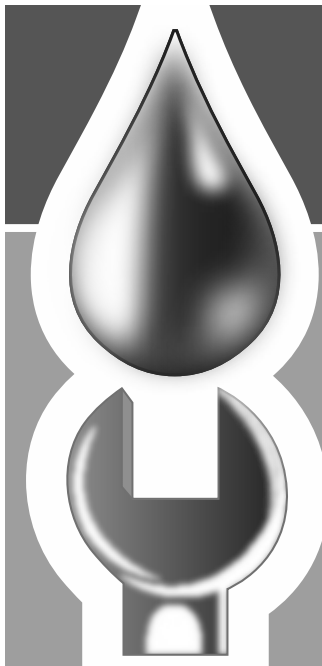
The problem of dog fouling is a perennial one, something everyone seems to abhor and yet it happens. Research* has identified people who don't pick up as "justifiers", whose typical reaction would be "what do you want me to do?", "if you've got a dog, it has to go somewhere", "everyone else is doing it, so why not me?", "you can't be watching your dog all the time". Justifiers are to be found among all age groups and social classes.

It's an offence not to pick up mess left by your dog and the penalty can be a fixed notice of £80 or a prosecution resulting in a fine of up to £1,000. Saying you didn't see your dog do it is not a defence so, if the dog is off the lead, you have to watch it all the time. The problem is that it's difficult to enforce the law, as no-one ever seems to see the offence taking place. We just have to rely on the conscience and civic mindedness of people to ensure they are not justifying leaving their dog's mess in a public place.

If you see an offence taking place, make a note of the date, time, location, type of dog, description of owner, car registration, address, etc. and contact Cornwall Council's Environment and Planning Department.

By the way, if you do pick up your dog's mess, please don't deposit it in the bin outside Spar, which is for sweet wrappers and the like only.

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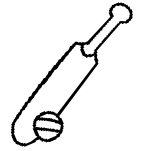
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Howzat.....



Here's the latest on the fun cricket matches on the Rec in the Summer. The dates are finalised as **Sunday 29th July**, and the following **Sunday 5th August**. I hope the weather will be kind and we can have a game on both of these days.

Briefly, the rules are: Each team will bowl 20 overs, Each team member must bowl at least one and not more than three overs, batsmen will be out when (if) they reach 25 runs.

The artificial pitch (coconut matting which plays fast, so I'm told) and stumps have arrived, and we have various bits of kit such as bats and pads, but we need w/keeper pads and gloves and some balls (we might lose one or two in boundary long grass!).

I have e-mail addresses / phone numbers for most people who've said they're interested in playing or helping. At the moment, it looks as though we'll have plenty of players, and I'm looking for a couple of volunteers to captain the teams, either as a playing or non-playing captain.

There'll be a bar and BBQ, and a few ladies have volunteered to do the teas, without which it wouldn't be village cricket!

Please would all players and volunteers contact me by phone or email (if you haven't done already) to confirm your participation in what is bound to be a fun event.

*Tim Hurst 290257
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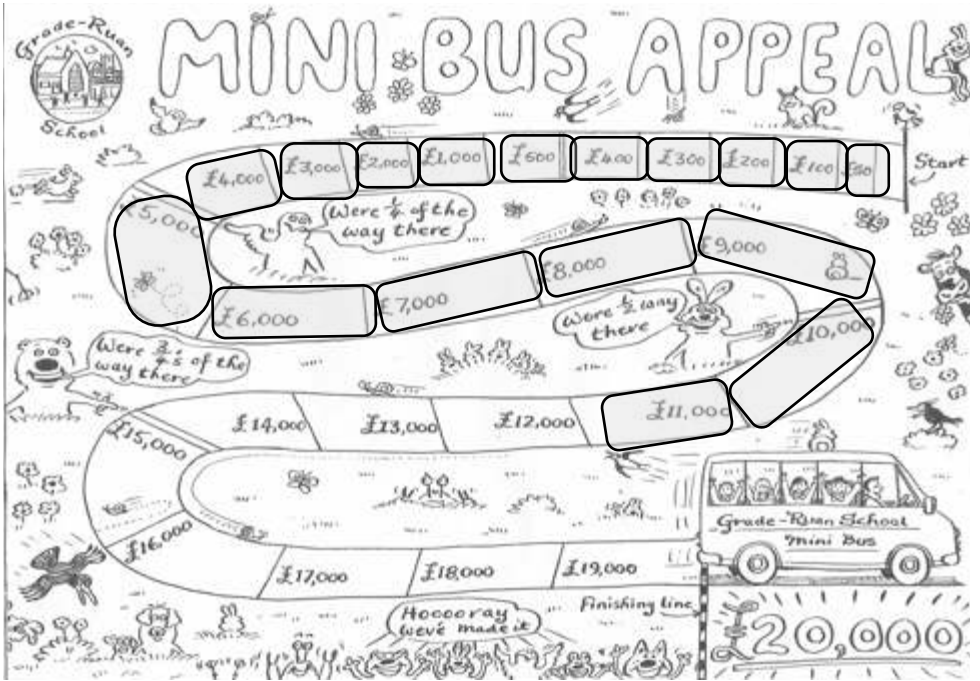
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Grade-Ruan Under 5s

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Grade-Ruan C of E School



Mullion School

Under 5s. At Grade Ruan Under 5s, we have been thinking about the Queen and her Diamond Jubilee. The children have been looking at pictures of her as a young child and as she is now, so they can begin to appreciate the concept of ageing. We have looked at photos of some of them as babies and compared what they look like now and what they can do that they couldn't as babies. To get ready for the Jubilee party they have been making crowns to wear. The children have also been exploring the globe and finding out about different parts of the world and the flags. They have been looking at shapes on flags, what they signify and have made their own versions. After half term this will continue as we move onto the Olympics and look at the different countries and sports that will be coming to our country.

Grade Ruan C of E School Governance: The Governors of Grade Ruan C of E School have been in discussion with those at Manaccan Community Primary School with a view to federating. There has been a consultation document issued and the consultation period lasts from 21 May to 2 July. The document is available from the school for any interested party to look at and to return any comments. There will be a meeting at Grade Ruan school on 13 June at 3.30 pm and at Manaccan on the same day at 7 pm. Anybody wishing to attend is very welcome, parents and other stakeholders have already had their invitations.

This is not an amalgamation of the two schools and each would keep their particular characteristics and unique identities. However there would be a single Governing body overseeing both schools. Tom Harman has been head at Grade Ruan and acting Head at Manaccan so this would continue. At the end of the consultation period the governors of both schools will meet to consider their decision.

If anybody wishes to send their comments, please either write to the Chair of Governors of either school, or email halliday@grade-ruan.cornwall.sch.uk or chair@manaccan.cornwall.sch.uk

Jan Halliday

Grade Ruan School. The Year 5 and 6 children held another successful French Breakfast - thank you to all that attended. It was also a good way for the Year 6s to celebrate having completed their SATs papers in reading, writing and maths - well done! And while the top two years are preparing for their trip to Brittany, Years 3 and 4 are very much looking forward to their camp in Dorset - will let you know how both trips went next month.

Congratulations to Tillie Alfrey-Cryan for drawing the winning design for the sports hoodies with an Olympic theme - look out for children wearing these soon!

The school has had lots of visitors recently - firstly, two lifeguards joined in an assembly - they did a wonderful, lively

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presentation, explaining how to make sure you stay safe on the beach - well done to 'Swimmer-in-Danger Matthew', 'Lifeguard Jack' and 'Jetski-driver Jessica' for the excellent role-playing!

Chartwells, the school lunch people, sent Vicky Williams to work with the children on two afternoons, working with Years R, 1 and 2 on one day making delicious pizza for them all to take home and then with Years 3-6 who created some heavenly cheese-cakes.

The School Garden is being restored to its former glory through the nurturing of Year 5 and 6 pupils and staff, but they could not have made such wonderful progress without the fantastic support from people in the village. Thank you to Tamsyn Bray for all her support and work from the start of the 'regeneration project', Johno and Raymond for cutting back the hedging at the rear of the garden to let much-needed light into the garden and Chris Newton and Arthur Coupland for all they have done, including repairing the garden shed, with wood that Chris persuaded Travis Perkins to donate! And thank you too to Nigel Legge who worked with the children in the garden, showing them how to weave withies to make supports for the peas. with all the children having a chance to try their hand at weaving. Nigel also donated one of his beautiful withy lobster pots which will be used to grow flowers and hang in the garden. Do stop by and see all the progress that all this much-appreciated support has generated.

Mullion: The school will be a much quieter place from the beginning of June as the

Year 11s are on Study Leave after half term - which will explain why you may see more around the village in school hours. as everyone knows that studying needs to be interspersed with refreshing walks and/or relaxing in the park or the Cove! Although GCSEs are a year round thing from Year 10 onwards there is still the final hurdle to get through for Year 11s, so good luck to all of you in these last few weeks. Bon chance to the hard done by Year 10s who also have exams, without the benefit of Study Leave! There is not much else to report for June - it's the calm before the marathon that is July when the Year 7s go to Brittany, the Year 8s have Activities Week, the Year 9s go on their outdoor adventure trip to Bude, the Year 10s go on work experience and the Year 11s prepare for Prom!

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QUIZ NIGHT

Quizzes are held on the 4th Tuesday of every month and its fun for all the family. It's £1 per person including tea, coffee and biscuits and you can BYO if you prefer. The contests begin at 7.30pm. Any changes to dates will be notified on the Village noticeboards.

BINGO NIGHT

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

Check on the Hall and Village noticeboards for details of the special events we hold throughout the year.

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NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL



Much of what has happened since the last Gazette was taken up with the Hall's Annual General Meeting and the implications arising from it. For any of you that have not caught up with news from the AGM, the following is a summary of election results:

1. At the Annual General Meeting of the Ruan Minor Village Hall held on 30th April 2012, the following appointments were made to the Hall Management Committee by public vote:

TRUSTEES

David Endean, David Gascoigne, Janet Gascoigne, Liz Outten, Jill Thomas

ORGANISATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Grade Ruan Foresters Friendly Society | - | No Longer Operational |
| Grade Ruan Methodist Church | - | No Nomination Received |
| Grade Ruan Parish Council | - | Cllr. M. Alford |
| Grade Ruan Parochial Church Council | - | Liz Outten |
| Grade Ruan Under 5s | - | Mike Hardy |
| Ruan Minor RNLI Souvenir Sales Branch | - | Janet Gascoigne |
| Village Hall Short Mat Bowls Section | - | Roy Vivian |
2. At the first meeting of the new committee, which was held immediately after the Annual General Meeting, the following appointments were confirmed:

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Andrew Fletcher, David Henn

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Chairman	-	David Endean
Vice-Chairman	-	David Gascoigne
Honorary Secretary	-	Janet Gascoigne
Honorary Treasurer	-	David Gascoigne

The **Annual General Meeting** itself was attended by 27 people and, in addition to the election of Trustees and Organisational Representatives, provided a comprehensive review of activities at the Hall throughout the 2011/2012 Financial Year. Extracts of some of the more salient points in the Annual Report are detailed below:

In accordance with its terms of registration with The Charity Commission, the Hall acknowledges its responsibility to provide a comprehensive range of activities and facilities for the benefit of the local community as a whole. The programme we have delivered over the last year has responded to this and has achieved its objectives with significant success. Attendance at events held has increased over 2010/2011 levels and the use of the Hall and its facilities has also been greater than in previous years.

Throughout the year we have maintained a wide range of activities, events and entertainment which have, to a significant degree, been extremely well supported. This programme has included monthly Quiz and Bingo Nights, a weekly 'Thursday Market',

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Finance generated from these events has enabled us to improve the quality of the facilities at the Hall and has also given us the ability to support The Lizard Lifeboat and the RNLI, The Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust, Children's Hospice South West and Precious Lives, The Phoenix Stroke Appeal, St Julia's Hospice, The Royal British Legion and other worthy causes.

The use of Hall premises and equipment by local groups and individuals has enabled the Under 5s Group to flourish, family parties to be held and a wide range of social and fund-raising activities to take place. The Spring and Autumn Shows continue to flourish and fill the Hall at their annual events.

The Hall Management Committee takes this part of its role very seriously indeed and every effort is made to minimise the costs involved with all such activities. Over the past year this policy has, in particular, helped the Under 5s Group to extend its provision and support for local families even further.

2011/2012 was a very busy and productive year for the Hall but it was also a financially successful one. Efficient and effective financial control by the Hall Management Committee ensured that a slight increase in income generation was achieved at the same time as a significant reduction in expenditure. **The net result of these efforts was an excess of income over expenditure amounting to £2,260.80**

The Hall Management Committee is extremely pleased with another highly successful year in every respect. To achieve the development and improvements which have taken place with such careful financial planning is most satisfactory. **It has to be said that the very hard work of a small management committee backed up by the support of our local community were the primary reasons for this splendid achievement.**

The Future

It has taken a lot of hard work from the Hall Management Committee to achieve these results, supported, of course, by everyone who uses the Hall. It will take even harder work to sustain our level of performance and take on board other issues that the future will inevitably hold for us all. **The Village, the Parish and all of the groups and organisations involved must recognise that it will take everyone working together to secure the future and provide the range of facilities required for everyone and not just those required by isolated groups. The list of Village Halls and similar operations which have fallen by the wayside over recent years is a long one. Thought to the issues we all will face and solutions to potential problems must be given now or one day we may find that the facilities which many take for granted will no longer exist.**

It is amazing what you can fit into an AGM and discuss all in the space of one hour isn't it! Well, the AGM is over and we have started another year at the Hall. We will all try very hard to make it as successful and enjoyable for everyone as the last two or three years have been.

Sorry it's been a bit 'heavy' this month but, after all, it's only once a year.

Bye until next month, *Janet Gascoigne*.

June dates to remember: (Apart from the Jubilee and Olympics that is!!)

12th Bingo (7.30pm), 26th Quiz Night (7.30pm).



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Olympic Torch arrives in England Culdrose by Tillie Alfrey-Cryan

Myself and Grace Sharrat, were lucky enough to be selected to represent Grade-Ruan School at the arrival of the Olympic Torch at Culdrose. From the moment I walked off the coach I knew I was in for a great time. We walked into a show room where me, Grace and Mr Harman got our picture taken with the Coca-Cola crew!!!! After having been in 2 helicopters, worn the full helicopter gear and sat in one of their seats, I couldn't believe that there was STILL more to come! Princess Anne came around and spoke to everyone, followed by Nick Clegg, who's autograph I asked for and he told me that I don't want HIS autograph and that I only want Beckhams, so I told him that I wanted his as well and he replied by telling me that I was very.....CUTE!!!!!! Then the one and only DAVID BECKHAM came around signing flags and note books, I managed to get 2 of his autographs and have a once in a lifetime photo with him! (He even lifted me and Grace over the fence!!!!!!XXXXXX) We all enjoyed the whole experience and MY highlight was DEFINITELY meeting the one and only.....BEX!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



xxxxxxxxxx (Those kisses were for David!!!!!!) :D

World Pilot Gig Championships 2012 - Isles of Scilly

Here are a couple of pics from the championships. Full report coming next month.



Men's Vets: David Holyer, Steve Jane, Sam Jane (Cox), Mike Hardy, Stuart Naish, Gary Pulfrey, Elwyn Jones. Finished 34th out of 49 boats.



Mens A: Brett Jose, Olly Williams, Isaac McNeish, Tommy Phillips, Matt Holyer, Ed Bray, Stevie Jane (Cox). Finished 57th out of 120 boats.

Results of the 2011 Cadgwith Regatta:

Men's Pair Paddles:	Dylan Jane	U16 Pair Paddles:	Paul Preston
Ladies Pair Paddles:	Caroline Dunstan	U12 Pair Paddles:	Billy Jane
Over 10 HP Outboard:	Darren Thirlaway	Under 10 HP Outboard:	Nick Prior
Seagull Outboard:	No entrants	Under 10 Team Race:	On the beach
Mens' Randan:	David Muirhead, Aaron Wilkins & Jon Wilkins		
Ladies' Randan:	Sam Jane, Sharon Partridge & Gemma Bennett		
U16 Surfski/Kayak:	Tommy Phillips	U12 Surfski/Kayak:	Billy Jane
Mixed Randan:	David Henn, Steve Jane & Sam Jane		
Cadgwith Crabbers:	Dominic Goldsack		
Adult Surfski Race:	Bruce Bray		
U16 Randan:	Tommy Phillips, Paul Preston & Tom Worden		
Lady & Gen Oarmatch:	Judith Preston & Harry Preston		
U12 Boys Swimming:	Archie Hall	U12 Girls Swimming:	Hattie Drummond
U16 Boys Swimming:	Tommy Phillips	U16 Girls Swimming:	Ellie Humby
Mens' Swimming:	Harry Preston	Ladies' Swimming:	Amy Fletcher
Fishermens' Swimming:	Tommy Phillips		
Swimming Relay:	Paul Preston & Harry Preston		
Land & Sea U16:	Tommy Phillips & Paul Preston		
Land & Sea Adult:	Tony Halliday & Jake Bailey		
Best-dressed Crabber:	Scorpio (Danny Phillips)		
Most Points for U16:	Tommy Phillips		
Most Points for Cadgwith Resident:	Tommy Phillips		
Most Points Overall:	Tommy Phillips.		

Many congratulations to Tommy for such a successful year.

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CADGWITH REGATTA

Following the successful Cadgwith Regatta in 2010, members of the organising committee decided to step down with a view to a new committee being formed. There were many meetings scheduled during the year but to no avail. On 8th August 2011, a further meeting was called to see if there was enough interest to run the 2011 Cadgwith Regatta. It was during this meeting that a new committee was formed and I was voted in as Chairman. I would like to warmly welcome the new members to the Committee: Emma Trewin as Vice-Chair, Jane Vowles as Treasurer, Sam Jane as Secretary and Sarah Stephens as Cup Secretary.

I would formally like to thank the previous Committee including David and Gwen Jane and Nicky Jose for all of the work they have done in the past 11 years.

The 2011 Regatta was scheduled to take place on Sunday 28th August. It was a superb day with the largest number of race entrants in many years. Weather conditions were near-perfect.

I must say a huge thank-you to the many people who helped make last year's event go so well, working hard to organise the event within three weeks. Thank you to the team who made Cadgwith's very own packed lunch, thank you to those who manned the bar during the day, and to those who sold raffle tickets, the commentary team, the team on the

Committee Boat. Many thanks to those who organised races, donated raffle prizes and donated their earnings. Most importantly, thank you to the people who worked tirelessly behind the scenes: without their passion, drive and commitment the event may never have happened.

If you would like to get involved in this year's Regatta, please do get in touch with me or anyone on the Committee.

Stephen Richards,

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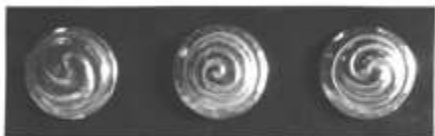


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## 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY – COD 6.30 – 8.30 PM

\*\*Keith Johnson 11LBS 9 ½ oz 2003 \*\*Tommy Phillips 5LBS 11oz 2011

## 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY – FLATFISH

Jeff Lee (Plaice) 2LBS ¾ OZ 2011 \*\* Jamma Phillips (Plaice) 2LBS 2OZ 2010

## 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – POLLACK

\*Emma Lloyd 11lbs 11oz 2001 \*\*Tommy Phillips 8lbs 12oz 2008

## 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE – WRASSE OPEN, BEST SPECIMEN to win

\*Martin Lloyd (CUCKOO) 1lb 4¾ oz 2004 \*\*Tommy Phillips (CUCKOO) 1lb 1¼ oz 2010

\*Arthur Coupland (BALLAN) 5lbs 6½ oz 2006 \*\*Jamma Phillips (BALLAN) 4lbs 3¼ oz 2006

## 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY GARFISH

Keith Johnson 1lb 10oz 2006 \*\* Peter Falkner 12 ¾ oz 2003

## 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY – BULL HUSS / LSD, BEST SPECIMEN to win

\*Joe Casley (B H) 14lbs 3 ½ oz 2010 \*\* Tommy Phillips (B H) 11 lbs 5 ¼ oz 2007

\*Richard Williams (LSD) 3lbs ¼ oz 2011 \*\* Jamma Phillips (LSD) 2lb 5¾ oz 2010

## 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY – CONGER

\*Rob Evans 31lbs 15oz 2011 \*\* Tommy Phillips 12lbs 13oz 2011

## 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST - GURNARD

\*Pat Hayes 1lb 15oz 1999 \*\*Ryan Mitchell 1lb 1 ¼ oz 2004

## 16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST – MACKEREL

\*Dave Rogers 1lb 11 ¾ oz 2002 \*\*Roxanne Hosking 1lb 3 ¾ oz 2003

## SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST - SHARKY'S CUP 12 – 6 PM

## 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST – BASS 6pm – 8pm

\*Ian Mitchell 5lbs 12oz 2004 \*\*Jamma Phillips 3lbs 11 ¼ oz 2009

## FOLLOWED BY PRESENTATION OF CUPS

\*Senior record \*\*Junior Record

All competitors to assemble off the Cove and wait for Steven Holyer to sound his horn to start. In case of bad weather the competition will still be considered to be running until a group decision is made on the beach at 6pm. Please enter the competition with Norma on the beach before fishing commences. Cheers and good fishing!

*Sarah Stephens*



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# Recreation Ground News

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## May Festival

(in June this year)

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

**7.30pm-midnight**

**Bragatanga**

**Mudslide**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

**1pm-midnight**

**Afternoon picnic with**

**Cadgwith Jazz**

**Evening:**

**Criminal Suspects**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**1pm-midnight**

**Family Fun Afternoon**

**Bar-B-Cue & Refreshments**

**Maypole Dance**

**Raffle and Side Shows**

**Evening:**

**The Ducks & The Neutrons**

**Licensed Bar each day**

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By the time you read this, the May Festival weekend will be upon us, so here's a last-minute plug! Don't forget – Saturday evening 2<sup>nd</sup> June we have live music from Bragatanga and Mudslide, Sunday afternoon please join us for a picnic whilst enjoying the Cadgwith Jazz, then more music from Criminal Suspects in the evening and, on Monday we have our Family Fun Day in the afternoon and to round the weekend off the evening features live music from young bands The Ducks and the Neutrons. We have a licenced bar all weekend and food available into the evenings. Please come along and have a good time! Just hope we have good weather!

Moving on, the next item in our calendar is our AGM. The proposed date and time for this is 7.30 Wednesday evening 13<sup>th</sup> June. If the evening is warm, we will meet outside on the Recreation Ground, but if the weather's not so good we will meet in the Pavilion – so you can see for yourselves why we need a new one! If you are interested in joining our Committee, or maybe just curious, everyone is welcome to attend.

Sadly, Moira has advised me that she wishes to step down as Secretary of the Committee, so we will need to appoint a new Secretary at the AGM. I am most grateful for all the hard work that Moira has put into the Recreation Ground over the 3 years that she has been Secretary, especially over the last few months, when she, and Peter Freeman, put a lot of time and energy into grant applications for the new Pavilion project. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the other Committee members for all the work they have put in over the last few years – especially Karen and Peter.

Thank you again for your support – I look forward to seeing you at the Festival, and maybe at the AGM.

*Mike Fleetwood, Chairman*

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**Results** since the last Gazette:

21/4 2-3 Away v. Troon Reserves  
23/4 0-3 Away v. Madron Reserves  
9/5 0-1 Away v. Constantine Reserves

The team will be promoted to Div 3 next season, if the club survives. This can only happen if volunteers come forward to help with the running of the club. Lew may be prepared to stay on as Manager, if he can find a volunteer to be Treasurer and if one or more people volunteer to mark out the pitch for home games. Lew has been doing all this himself, but cannot continue to do it all.

**Please contact me or Lew if you can help. It would be such a shame if the club were to fold now, just when they are on a winning streak and have achieved promotion.**

*Moira Hurst*

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# Gardening in June

by David Endean

Well here we are half way through the year already and, as this month is always the busiest, it's a good job it also has the longest days. These long days, warmer weather and spring moisture mean that everything is growing at full speed especially the weeds. Take every opportunity on those hot sunny days to use your hoe everywhere in the garden. Let nature do the work and shrivel those weeds up after the hoe has gone through the ground. It is much easier and less time consuming to hoe when the weeds are small than when they get larger and you have to do hand weeding.

The better weather will make the lawns grow fast also so keep on top with regular mowing. Lawns will also benefit from some feeding at this time of year - it may seem mad as you may have to cut it more but it will make the lawn healthier and more able to cope with whatever this summer will bring. At this time of year, use a feed which is high in nitrogen but if you have none of that to hand, a liberal dose of Growmore will suffice.

In your flower borders many of the plants are now coming to a peak. I always think of the end of June as the pinnacle for herbaceous plants. You can extend the flowering period of many of these herbaceous plants by performing an act known by many in horticulture as the Chelsea Chop. Now this, as the name suggests, normally takes place around the time of the Chelsea flower show which was a week or so ago but it is not too late to give it a go in the first week or so of June. What you do is cut a third of the shoots off. This can vary in your garden, e.g. if you have a group of several of the same plant, then pick out a couple of the individual plants and cut off the top third. If you only have the odd plant then cut off the top third of a third of the stems. The effect is the same in that those stems that have been cut off will

branch out and bush up and so flower several weeks later with the untouched stems flowering at a normal time. This treatment is good for plants such as *Sedums*, *Obedient plant*, *Achilleas*, *Phlox*, *Shasta Daisies* and *Sneezeworts* to name a few. Once these plants have flowered, do not forget to dead head as this will encourage them to flower a little more.

In your veg patch, I expect you will be thinking about lifting your early potatoes. This is a treat for many, and I suggest you only lift enough for each meal as you require them. This is because they do not keep well and the flavour is best the fresher that they are. I always remember being told by a local Greengrocer, who has sadly gone now, that the rain has come to ruin the early potatoes. As a grower I am always glad to see the rain to swell the tubers and bulk up the crop, as are the farmers. But he was of the firm opinion that early scrapers should not be as big as to need to be cut when you want to eat them from your plate, thus these looked good and had the best new flavour.

As for your maincrop potatoes, make sure that they are well banked up and it is a good idea to give them some protection from blight. Nothing is guaranteed but you can use products like Dithane 945, and Benelate solution. More organic methods are Bordeaux mixture and some people swear by using a very dilute solution of full cream milk, although I have never tried it.

Carrying on in the veg patch: there is much to do. Keep sowing Runner beans, French beans and peas; they will all romp away at this time of the year. Make sure you put a generous portion of well-rotted organic matter underneath them as they are thirsty devils and this will hold the moisture better. Using a wigwam system suits most people best as it will give enough crop for most and is all but self-supporting.

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Keep on sowing your salads - many people sow their maincrop carrots now. Sow and plant out most brassicas like cabbage, turnips, swedes and Kohl Rabi I would strongly recommend with these to grow them under a frame cover in a fine net. This will help to stop damage from caterpillars and pigeons. To stop problems with cabbage root fly grubs, you need to place collars made from old carpet tight around the stems from the minute that the plants are put into the ground.

Keep on top of your tomato plants. They need steady regular watering and your cordon grown style plants will need regular side shoot removal. I always favour a cordon grown plant rather than the easier bush style. This is because they can be controlled better, taking up less space and, without the tangle of branches, more air can get around the plant to reduce diseases and more light will get to the trusses of fruit to help them ripen.

June is the traditional time to sow your biennials. Just as they are beginning to

bloom in your garden, it's time to think about next year. These plants are the Wallflowers, Sweet Williams, Foxgloves and Canterbury bells. Tradition dictates that you should find a patch in the vegetable garden, make sure that it is weed free, work the ground down to a fine tilth, then sow the seed in shallow drills a foot apart. It is often good to water the bottom of the drill before sowing to aid germination. Once they have grown on they can be lifted and spaced out so that they are six inches or so apart. They can grow on from there until they are required in late summer or autumn to bed out or fill gaps.

If you are looking for something to prune this month, you can have a go at those stone fruit trees, e.g. plums, cherries, apricots and peaches. These should only be pruned when there is a J in the month. This is because they need to be growing strongly to avoid a fungal disease called silver leaf which can kill them off. Another shrub to prune is the Wisteria which has just had those lovely long blue panicles of blue flowers dripping off them. At this time of year they put on a lot of whippy growth which should be reduced back to three leaf joints.

What will I be doing this month? Well, all my exhibition stuff will need work. The sweet peas will need tying in at least weekly, if not more, and the flowers will be coming in thick and fast hopefully. My dahlias will get planted out early on in the month when all danger of frost has passed. I am late with my exhibition chrysanthemums this year. I have never taken cuttings so late, therefore they will only get in to their final pots this month. This may be an advantage as they will only get one stop and so will not be as tall but will be more difficult to time for the show.

I also hope to visit a few flower shows and some gardens and maybe I will see something interesting to buy and grow. Even if you cannot get to visit anywhere, take the opportunity to walk around the village and look over in to the gardens and see if you can get some ideas about things to grow. Remember that you cannot beat nature so go with the flow and enjoy your gardening.

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# QUIZ NIGHT NEWS

April's challenge for Quiz Night honours was, once again, a fight to the very end but this time the infamous Wipe Out and All-Nighter rounds saw off the title attempts of over half of the contestants. Cliffhangers clung valiantly to the task at hand but, at the final countdown, they were forced to play second fiddle to The Motley Crew ..... But only just! The Mixed Bunch and The Buccaneers also recorded valiant attempts but had to settle for third and fourth places.

The Hall was full to bursting and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by one and all. Jill Thomas provided an excellent Guest Round with some good questions and a few laughs as well.



After an excellent and hard fought contest, the final scores for the night were as follows:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Team</u>           | <u>Points</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | The Motley Crew       | 86.5          |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Cliffhangers          | 83.0          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | The Mixed Bunch       | 79.5          |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | The Buccaneers        | 75.0          |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | O.T.T.                | 67.0          |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Inbetweeners          | 66.0          |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> | George and the Dragon | 63.5          |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Rumanites             | 56.0          |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> | Bob's Few             | 52.5          |

The new and even more coveted 'WOODEN SPOON' was won by a depleted '**BOB'S FEW**' team.

Thanks for yet another great evening and see you all next time

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## *A little more from the Itinerant Seafarer ...*

by Simon Sugrue

Broome. Western Australia

Broome was a mid-trip port of call; an opportunity for us all to have a run ashore and a few beers in a real pub. The ship usually stayed there two days while the crew worked at Gauntheame light or painted the ship as she dried out on the tide. There were two pubs in Broome, the Continental and the Roebuck. Both were visited during our evenings there. The following morning was usually a slow start as people recovered from the previous evening's imbibing.

Of course the ship's routine went on regardless and this involved, among other things, Jimmy Tresise, the baker, being first up to bake the day's bread. The 'DON' is not a big ship and any change in the activity or mood of the crew was immediately apparent to the officers. I became aware of a 'bubble' in the crew accommodation and went down to see what it was about. It seemed that one of the ABs, Bert (Laurenson) had lost his teeth! The general laughter went ashore with the working party to Gauntheame, one of whom was Bert.

There was another 'bubble' in the late afternoon when everyone got back from Gauntheame. Once more I went down to see what it was about. Everyone was gathered at the door of Bert's cabin and Bert was inside looking balefully at a plate which had a turd on it, embedded in the this were the top and bottom set of Bert's teeth. After a few minutes Jimmy Tresise, the baker, worked his way to the front of the crowd at Bert's door and went in and quietly broke the end off the turd and ate it. The rest of us were left standing there with feelings of mystery, disgust, hilarity and amazement.

Of course the whole thing unravelled even-

tually. Jimmy, the baker, being first up had found a basin full of spew and teeth to greet him that morning. He cleared up the mess and hung on to the teeth. During the day when we were all busy elsewhere, he had baked a gingerbread in the shape of a turd and embedded Bert's teeth in this as it baked. He put this on a plate in Bert's cabin to greet him in the afternoon. He thought he would make a point about keeping the crew bathroom decently clean. He succeeded.

As mentioned, there were two pubs in Broome; the 'Conti' and the Roebuck. There was some rivalry between these pubs and this seemed to be the origin of a fight that we all witnessed on one visit. Broome was not a particularly grand place in those days. There were a few ladies of easy virtue there; best left very well alone. We were in the Roebuck one evening when one of these 'ladies' arrived and was promptly thrown out again. It seemed that she had been banned from the premises previously. The result of this ejection was a fight between two women that started on the road outside the pub, from time to time the two fighting ladies would roll into the pub and out again. It seemed that on each rolling visit they had a few more tears in what little clothing they retained. The fight seemed to end when one lady managed to stuff the other under a car parked outside. She duly kicked the loser into place securely and appeared triumphant, hands on hips and smug, at the door of the Roebuck. She needed applause but before we managed any she was suddenly naked. The 'loser' had got out from under the car and grabbed the back of the 'victor's' dress, ripped it off her in one stroke. Before anything really untoward happened the police arrived and took both ladies away.

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## June Quiz

1. Which is the third book in the Harry Potter series?
2. What are the surnames of Bob and Terry in the "Likely Lads"?
3. What is England's largest national park?
4. How long did the "Hundred Years War" last?
5. Who were John, Paul and George before the Beatles?
6. Which bear is bigger - brown, grizzly or polar?



## Answers to the May Quiz

1. What was the first bird released from Noah's Ark? *A raven*
2. Which is mainland Britain's most northern town? *Thurso*
3. In which forest is "As You Like It" set? *Forest of Arden*
4. What is the "Old Lady of Threadneedle Street"? *The Bank of England*
5. A "Turks Head" is a type of what? *A knot*
6. Which liqueur is used in a "Sidecar" cocktail? *Cointreau*

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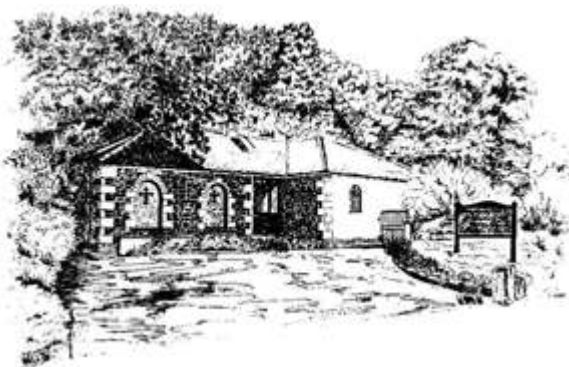
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# THE NAMING OF *ROSE*

## AN UNOFFICIAL REPORT FROM A GATE CRASHER

by Jenny Scolding

It wasn't like any of my other school books. The hard cover was an ecclesiastical purple. It was a book of hero-worship for little people, with full-page coloured illustrations of the great and famous undertaking extraordinary feats. My favourite was the Victorian heroine, Grace Darling, the lighthouse keeper's daughter who braved the raging seas in a rowing boat to rescue the survivors of a wreck. I used to return to her page again and again, in awe of this girl, not much older than myself, pictured with mountainous waves towering above her fragile boat. On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May at the naming ceremony of our new Lizard lifeboat *Rose*, this childhood image suddenly popped into my head for the first time in decades.

'Do you want to go down in the cage?' asked the RNLI man at the top. 'Ooh, yes please,' I said, and as we plunged seawards towards the lifeboat house I thought 'This is going to be an interesting afternoon.' I was in the cage with two young mums and a small boy, about four years old, dressed in his smartest clothes and wearing a somewhat large RNLI tie. He was beside himself with excitement, literally jumping up and down – no mean feat on the platform of the cage which was whizzing downwards.

I walked from the cage directly into the upper level of the spanking new lifeboat house with its spectacular curved wooden ceiling and there below me was, *Rose*, queen of lifeboats. I'd seen her before from a crabber in the summer when we welcomed her to Cadgwith, but looking down on her with a seagull's eye view provided a different perspective – an impressive sight indeed.

On entering the lifeboat house I'd had to skirt numerous chairs reserved for dignitaries and now I had joined the throngs on the upper level, cheek by jowl with the press. This all looked a lot more formal than

I'd imagined. I consulted the programme I'd been given. There were to be speeches and a service of dedication with hymns and prayers. I leant over the railing scanning the crowd, but to my surprise those I knew were few and far between: a couple of Cadgwith fishermen scrubbed up smart; one or two lifeboat crew family members; but where was everyone else? Perhaps they were tucked away on the lower level, out of sight beneath the balcony where I was standing.

The lifeboat crew climbed on board *Rose* and the land crew took their places below. They stood upright, smartly turned out, waiting. I looked at the crew, some of them so young, and tried to imagine them facing gales and huge seas. This thought was lent immediacy by an announcement that should an emergency occur during the ceremony, guests must leave the building in an orderly fashion as instructed. As ever, lifeboat personnel were on duty, pagers switched on.

The band of HMS Seahawk struck up the national anthem and the speeches began: a Justice of the Peace, an Admiral, RNLI officials, lifeboat operations people. We were told how an elderly lady called *Rose* used to sit in a window at Salcombe watching the lifeboat go out, and refusing to budge until she had seen it return safely. When this *Rose* passed away her family's bequest in her memory provided the RNLI with funding for a brand new lifeboat and our *Rose* came into being.

It wasn't until half way through the speeches that I realised I wasn't meant to be there. 'We regret we couldn't invite everyone who wanted to attend, but this building can only accommodate so many...' No wonder it all looked so formal. No wonder people were dressed up. They were invited guests – and I was a gate crasher!

I love brass bands. They are the reassuring

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sound of my childhood, when bands still played in band-stands in parks and town centres. It's the same with hymns. *For Those in Peril on the Sea* echoes down the years, borne on the crest of a wave of nostalgia. As the voices in the lifeboat house rose towards me I was a tiny girl again, holding my mother's hand. I was on holiday in Cornwall, coming out of Constantine church after a service in support of the Mission, and my mother was explaining about *those in peril on the sea*. That was the first time I realised the sea was dangerous. At the lifeboat ceremony, during the brief moments of hush between hymns, prayers and speeches, I was aware of the sound of the sea, tame at the moment, lapping the bottom of the slipway.

Rose was duly named. The champagne bottle whacked the prow, a trickling treat to placate Neptune and the gods. Some of the crew disembarked and those who remained donned their modern seafaring gear, with

life jackets and crash helmets on top. They took up their posts and with a triumphant farewell from the band, the newly-christened *Rose* slid down the slipway and out to sea.

When it was all over, being a gate crasher, I didn't go to the marquee. I walked back to my car with an old-timer. 'We used to wait for the lifeboat to return,' he said. 'All we had was a small damp hut and a tin of custard creams to keep us going.'

'The gate crashing's all your fault,' I told my son later. 'It was you who told me about the ceremony.' 'Yeah, but I didn't expect you to just rock up there!' he said. For those of you who weren't there, whose places I usurped, I'm sorry, but I have to say I loved every minute of it. We have come a long way from the days of sou'westers and cork life jackets, of Grace Darling in her open rowing boat, but in those brave crew members I watched standing on the deck of our state-of-the-art 21<sup>st</sup> century lifeboat *Rose*, the spirit of my schoolbook heroine lives on.

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## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Grade Ruan Parish held in the Sunday School Room of the Ruan Minor Methodist Chapel on Tuesday 10 April 2012 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** Councillors Paul Collins (Chairman), R Curnow, W Elliott, P Freeman, J Preston, N Green, M Alford, M Fleetwood, A Humby and J Trewin (Vice-Chairman) and four Members of the Public.

- 1. Apologies:** Councillor C Cooper and Cornwall Councillor Rule
- 2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 2010:** the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 11 April 2010 had been circulated and approved at the Parish Council Monthly Meeting held on 9 May 2011.

Councillor J Trewin joined the meeting.

- 3. Matters Arising:** there were no matters arising from the Minutes.
- 4. Police Report:** [The report was published in the May Gazette. Ed]
- 5. Reports from local groups: Royal British Legion Appeal:** it was reported the Remembrance Service was well attended and fundraising had been very successful.

**Spring Flower Show:** the Chairman of the Spring Flower Show reported another successful show that had been well supported.

**Ruan Minor Village Hall:** it was reported there had been another successful year with good loyal support from the community with particular thanks going to Mr Paul Williams for organising the Youth Snooker Club. The playgroup continues to operate from the Hall and the main source of fund raising is the weekly market.

**Autumn Show:** a successful show had been held in October, albeit not a record year. Good support was enjoyed on the day but more help would be appreciated during the year.

**Grade Ruan Community Trust:** a detailed report was given on the activities and financial affairs of the Trust.

**Gig Club:** the club now has four boats, two sheds with an electricity supply being installed in the top shed. It is well used, very well equipped and there is a regular turnout for training. The Juniors had just won the County Championships in the Under 14 age group, with the Under 16s coming second.

**Recreation Ground:** the Committee is putting all its efforts into grant applications for the new Pavillion; the estimated costs are now in excess of £200 000.00. Fundraising is still being undertaken but grants will be key to progress the project.

- 6. Other community matters: Bus turning at the Chapel:** the Parish Council was asked what it was doing about this. Buses are still turning at the Chapel and obstruct the road. Concerns were also raised at the speed the buses were being driven through the village. It was suggested that the rubbish bin by the school be relocated which would improve the turning area by the school.

Those present were advised the Parish Council was doing all it could to support parishioners in this matter but it has limited influence in this regard. It was advised that any road blockages and speeding buses should be reported to the Police with the licence number and the time of the observed offence. Cornwall Councillor Rule is aware of the situation and has been liaising with various parties to find a solution to this.

**Parking at Kennack Sands:** car parking is an increasing problem at Kennack Sands when the

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gates are locked. There is no facility for easier access for the elderly or disabled. Parking has been further restricted by the quarries erecting posts and chains across the quarries.

There is little the Parish Council can do to assist in this regard as the land concerned is private property.

**Adders at Kennack:** large numbers of adders had been observed near Kennack. It was felt warning signs would be beneficial.

It was thought Natural England are managing the land. Clerk to advise of the situation and request warning signs be erected.

There being no other matters raised, the Annual Parish Meeting closed and was immediately followed by the April Monthly Meeting of the Grade Ruan Parish Council.

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**Minutes of the April Monthly Meeting of the Grade Ruan Parish Council held on Monday 10 April 2012 immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting of Grade Ruan Parish in the Sunday School Room of the Ruan Minor Methodist Chapel**

**Present:** Councillors Paul Collins (Chairman), R Curnow, W Elliott, P Freeman, J Preston, N Green, M Alford, M Fleetwood, A Humby and J Trewin (Vice-Chairman).

**1. Apologies and Absence:** apologies were received from Councillor C Cooper. The apologies were accepted. Councillor Codling was absent.

**2. Declarations of Interest:** there were no declarations of interest.

**3. Public Time:** a complaint was received about the state of the roadside gutters in Ruan Minor. Weeds are growing in the gulleys and through the kerb stones. It was thought they had last seen to be cleaned by Highways about five years ago. Clerk to request Highways to clear gutters.

A query was raised about the status of the path from the telephone box in Cadgwith to the beach, running past Todden Cottage. It was thought this was a Public Right of Way (PROW) as there is common land beyond. This path does not appear to be included on the registered PROWs in the Parish.

**Sign on the Todden:** the warning sign is still to be erected.

**Refuse collection:** under the new collection arrangements, the day of collection is now on Wednesday. Concern was expressed that there may be excessive amounts of refuse put out on changeover days. It was felt the situation needs to be monitored but the effects of the change should be negligible once everyone got used to the new collection date.

**Glebe Place** – the new parking areas had been created in Glebe Place. There are nine extra spaces and this is felt to be a great improvement.

It was requested that the triangular corner of the beach next to the path be cleared between the steps down to the beach to the Todden.

**Police Report:** this had been read out during the Annual Parish Meeting.

**Cornwall Councillor's Time:** Councillor Rule was not present.

**Minutes for acceptance:** the Minutes of the April monthly meeting having been circulated were approved subject to some amendments.

**Planning:** PA12/01498 – lifting of condition 3 attached to decision notice 79/01068 relating to occupancy period at Mullion Holiday Park, Penhale, Ruan Minor.

PA12/01500 – lifting of condition 6 attached to decision notice 89/01526 relating to occupancy period at Sea Acres Holiday Park, Kennack Sands, Kuggar, Ruan Minor.

As the principle of both the above applications were the same they were considered together. Councillor Freeman proposed both applications should not be supported on the following grounds:-

- a. The Parish Council sees no evidence of large demand for caravan holidays during the period covered by the lifting of the restriction.
- b. The Parish Council feels caravan use during the later period of the year is inadequate accommodation.

Councillor Alford seconded. 7 in favour, 2 abstentions – the proposal was carried.

PA12/02385 – various works to trees at Malahat, New Road, Cadgwith, Ruan Minor by Liam Hywel Williams. Councillor Preston proposed the application be supported, Councillor Trewin seconded – all in favour.

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Application by Mr B Roberts at Parc an Crouse – this had been advertised on Cornwall Council’s website but no plans had been received by the Clerk. Clerk to raise enquiries of the Planning Department.

**4. Finance:** financial report – copies of the accounts as at financial year ending 31 March 2012 were circulated.

The cheque to HM Revenue and Customs was still uncleared. It was agreed this cheque should be cancelled and a replacement issued.

The Clerk’s salary should have been paid in March and will have to be shown as an outstanding payment on that year’s accounts.

The Notice of Audit had been received from the Audit Commission. The books of accounts have to be made available for public inspection from 8 May 2012 to 8 June 2012. The Clerk had liaised with Charlotte Chadwick and it had been agreed the books could be made available at the One Stop Shop in Helston for inspection.

**5. Requests for donations:**

Sunshine Cafe Mullion – Councillor Freeman proposed a donation of £50.00 under s137, Councillor Preston seconded – all in favour.

Grade Ruan C of E School – The Chairman proposed a donation of £320.00 towards the School’s Brittany trip under s137, Councillor Elliott seconded – all in favour.

The above were added to the Schedule of Payments.

A letter was received from the Under 5s playgroup advising they were now running afternoon sessions but this had resulted in a doubling of the group’s insurance. They were not requesting any financial assistance from the Parish Council.

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**6. Approval of payments** as per schedule – Councillor Fleetwood proposed the payments be made as detailed on the schedule, Councillor Alford seconded – all in favour.

**7. Contract with Cornflower Garden Services** – the contractor was willing to continue working for the Parish Council but provided details of increases in charges. Councillor Freeman proposed the Parish Council accept the new rates subject to them being applied for the next two years, and with an option to remove the Car Park from the contract should a different approach to its management be decided. Councillor Trewin seconded – all in favour.

**8. Matters arising from the Minutes:** casual vacancy – this had now been filled by Mr Alan Humby.

Play Area – a quotation had been obtained to convert the zip line tower from Taylor Made of £1159.00

Councillor Elliott circulated details of possible play equipment which had been suggested by users of the Play Area.

The works on the fence had now been completed. Although not invited to tender for the work Cornflower Garden Services stated they would have been interested in this and requested to be considered for any similar works in the future.

Cornflower are willing to renew the bark chippings but it was felt by the Council that chippings approved for use in play areas needed to be obtained. It may be difficult to obtain a small enough quantity. Councillor Elliot to meet A Lewis of Conflower Garden Services to shift the existing bark.

Bus turning at Chapel: this had been discussed earlier in the Annual Parish Meeting.

Despite the change in contractors, buses are still turning at the Chapel. The new service from First is turning at the Chapel. Zoar Coaches are turning at Glebe Place. Clerk to write to Cornwall Councillor Rule and request report from Wendall Roberts and ascertain what time scales would be involved. Diamond Jubilee celebrations: the application for road closure had been approved. The Parish Council's insurers had confirmed there would be an additional charge of £30.00 to cover furniture borrowed for the street party. Councillor Green proposed this be added to the insurance policy, Councillor Curnow seconded – all in favour. The Parish Council had pledged £250.00 towards the celebrations in the Parish. Councillor Elliott requested the payment be made so orders could be placed. The Chairman proposed this be paid and added to the Schedule of Payments, Councillor Curnow seconded – all in favour.

Ruan Minor telephone box – no response had been received from BT despite the Clerk contacting their dedicated telephone line and email address for reporting disrepair to telephone kiosks. Despite this being the only kiosk in Ruan Minor, the Clerk felt it may be helpful to supply the phone number to support the report.

Councillor Trewin left the meeting.

Litter bin request – no response had been received re the Parish Council's request for a litter bin at Kuggar Bus Shelter.

Transfer of grassed areas at Glebe Place - Coastline Housing had advised that charities have to commission an independent valuation for any proposed disposal. The valuation for the communal land at the Glebe Place estate has come in at £1,500 – but their solicitors have suggested that there may be a way to greatly reduce this figure if it is shown as more of a “charity to charity” transfer, done because both parties have mutual goals. To move this along, they need sight of the

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Grade Ruan Parish Council “Governing document (Memorandum and Articles).” The Clerk had sent a copy of the Standing Orders to Coastline but felt this was inappropriate as the Parish Council is a statutory body and does not have an equivalent of Memorandum and Articles. She had also contacted CALC for advice and they had made some suggestions which she had also forwarded to Coastline. It was suggested that as the Grade Ruan Community Trust is a charity it may be possible to do a “charity to charity” transfer with them instead of the Parish Council.

Common land around Cadgwith – Councillor Green circulated a report showing the areas of common land around Cadgwith.

S106 working party – this had been suggested but no further action taken. Councillor Freeman proposed a working party be established to look at possible ways of utilising the funds available for affordable housing. Councillor Curnow seconded – all in favour. Volunteers for the working party are Councillors A Humby, R Curnow, the Chairman, M Fleetwood and C Cooper and possibly invite Cornwall Councillor Rule.

Addition of path to PROW network - the request to add the path between Sowenna and Chy Lowertha to the PROW network had been allocated to Paddy McCready at Cornwall Council but no further information was available.

Councillor Freeman thought a request had been submitted to have the Maen O War path adopted. The Clerk advised the only request she had submitted for adoption was the path between Sowenna and Chy Lowertha.

9. **Matters for consideration:** GP Commissioning – a Member of the Public wanted a meeting to discuss the effects the proposed commissioning process would have on services to the Parish. The Parish Council felt it would be better if this was a public meeting with the Doctors from Cont...

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the Surgery to advise on the possible differences and choices that may be available. Clerk to contact the practice to suggest a meeting which the Parish Council is willing to host.

10. **Correspondence:** [Letters and emails not listed here due to space constraints. The list is available from the Editor.]
11. **Footpaths, Environment and Treewarden:** Councillor Fleetwood to liaise with Cornflower Garden Services to direct to the area that needs strimming beside the path to Little Beach.
12. **In committee:** The Parish Council meeting then went into committee.

**Police Report:** Report completed at 1700 hrs on Sunday 13 May 2012.

During the April there were seven crimes dealt with by the Police. These include:

Two cannabis warnings were issued for the possession of a class B drug.

There were three thefts reported:

There was the theft of a bar-b-cue from a holiday park within the Parish. A wooden gate was stolen and was later found burnt on the grass area at Kennack Sands. There was also a theft of a washing machine. Enquires were made in respect of these crimes.

There were also two burglaries: Both these crimes were full investigated, someone was arrested in regard to one of the crimes, however, was later released without charge as there was insufficient evidence to progress the crime. In relation to the second crime the reporting person confirmed that whilst they believed that someone had entered their property through an insecure window nothing was taken nor was there any damage caused. This has therefore been filed undetected.

Whilst boat crime has not affected Grade Ruan, I would like to report that there has been a considerable increase in the theft of outboard engines on the Peninsula. There are currently 8 crimes being dealt with by the Police with the value of engines stolen exceeding £30,000 plus the damage incurred to the boats.

I would ask members of the public to be vigilant and report anything suspicious to the Police either by reporting on 101 or anonymously on Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111.

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# *Rector's Ramblings*

**G**reetings! With my licensing now having taken place towards the end of last month, I realise that to many people I am as yet unknown. That works both ways, of course; I don't know many in the parishes either.

As you can imagine, I have been much in prayer as I prepared for my coming among you. Many words and phrases have occurred: 'great expectations', 'behold, I am doing a new thing', 'Vicar's come and go but the church continues' ... I am sure that there are great expectations, but I would be more comfortable if they were, prayerfully, great expectations in God than myself.

There is a new thing happening – I will be Vicar to three parishes and it is not clear what that will mean, but it will be different – and yet, part of my joy will be to discover what God is already doing among you and to encourage you where you are.

So, I do hope that my coming among you will bring something new – and not just the new arrangement of three parishes with one Vicar – but I hope that it will also give us all a chance to reflect on what is already here in the life of the churches and parishes.

Perhaps it would be a good exercise for each of us to reflect upon: ourselves and our journeys in life; where we have come from; how we have changed; and what really matters in life?

I hope, too, that in the centre of all of this we will all find the goodness and glory of God – His steadfast love and faithfulness, and His persevering grace.

I am looking forward to meeting you all, to hearing your stories and discovering together what God is calling us into.

May God work in us as we look back upon all He has done among us and through us, and as we look forward to where He is taking us.

Yours in anticipation in Christ

Revd Peter Sharpe

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| Churchwarden, Sheila Stephens               | 290583 |
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## Church of England Services

### June

|          |                                            |        |
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| Sun 3rd  | Morning Praise, St Ruan Church             | 11am   |
| Sun 10th | Holy Communion, St Ruan Church             | 9.30am |
|          | Evensong, St Grade Church                  | 6pm    |
| Sun 17th | Family Service, St Ruan Church             | 11am   |
|          | Evening Praise, St Mary's Church, Cadgwith | 6pm    |
| Sun 24th | Holy Communion, St Ruan Church             | 9.30am |

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