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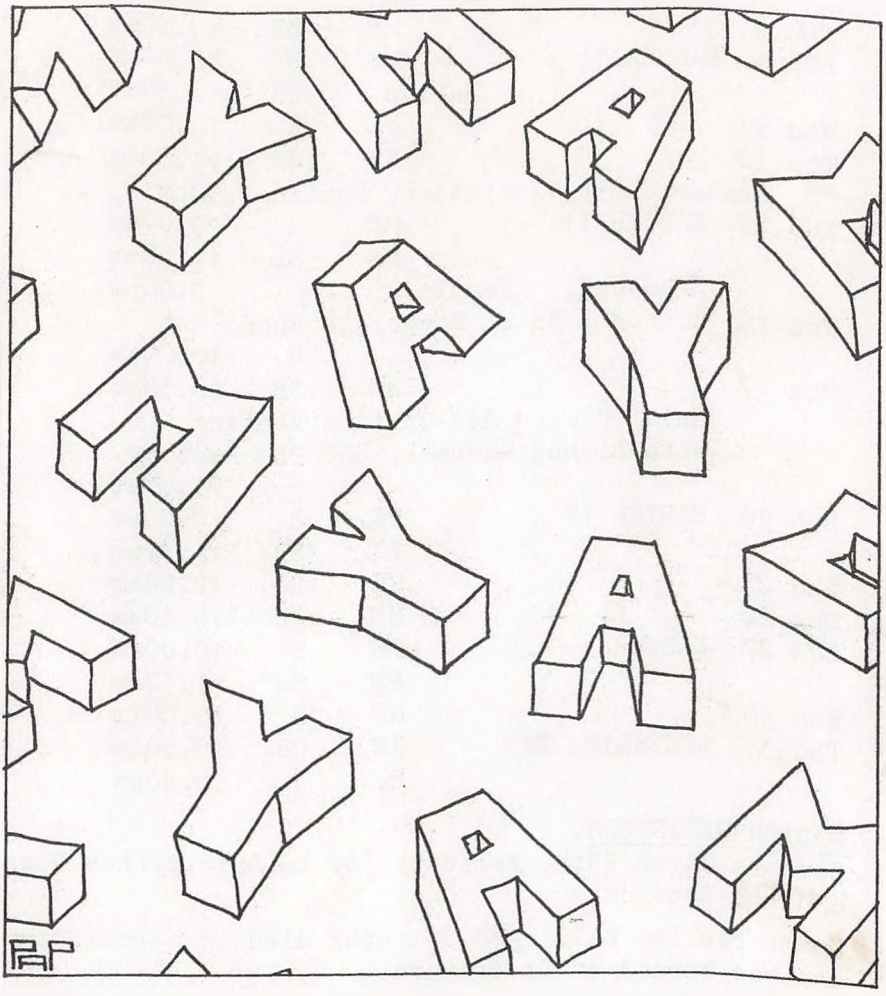

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KALENDER & ARRANGEMENTS FOR MAY,1984.

Tue 1	SS PHILIP & JAMES	HE	B	10.00am
Wed 2	S.Athanasius	HE	B	10.00am
	Mother's Union Office		B	2.30pm
Thu 3		HE	SB	10.30am
SUN 6	EASTER 11	PE	B	10.00am
	Matins		SB	11.30am
Wed 9		HE	B	10.00am
Thu 10		HE	SB	11.30am
	Archdeacon's Visitation, Bodmin			7.30pm
SUN 13	EASTER 111	PE	B	10.00am
		PE	SB	11.30am
	Evensong. Temple.			3.00pm
Wed 16	Mother's Union Corporate Eucharist			
			B	10.00am
Thu 17		HE	SB	10.30am
	Rural Clergy Association Meeting with Bishop Michael, SSF		The Rectory.	11.00am
SUN 20	EASTER 1V	PE	B	10.00am
		PE	SB	11.30am
Wed 23		HE	B	10.00am
Thu 24		HE	SB	10.30am
SUN 27	EASTER V	PE	B	10.00am
		PE	SB	11.30am
Wed 30		HE	B	10.00am
Thu 31	ASCENSION DAY	HE	SB	10.30am
		PE	B	6.00pm

PARISH REGISTERS.

Born on March 29th, Felicity Joy to Shirley(nee Rowe) and Rod Woodrow.

Sonja Pauline Hill aged 8½months died on March 25th and was buried at St Breward.

David Knight died aged 71, was the last of the Knight family of St Breward. He spent all his working life in the De Lank Quarries as a stone mason rising to Yard Foreman. Ill health forced him to retire and for the last 20 years spent much of his time doing basket work. His last job at De Lank was the drinking trough in memory of Prince Chula's dog which is in Priory Park.

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

My dear Parishioners of Blisland, St Breward & Temple,

I have received a long and interesting letter from Brian Moon who is on sabbatical leave in Canada. It includes an account of the Parish Church into whose fellowship he and his family have been welcomed. Of the congregation he says "I have a feeling that the 'comfortable' worship of many who attend St Peter's is going to be considerably rocked during the build-up of Easter and beyond."

Our own build-up to Easter and beyond included a series of House Meetings at which those who attended them were concerned with the working of the Holy Spirit and hence with the Spiritual Life. I have come across the letter published by the Incumbent of a parish in Cornwall in its parish magazine from which I would like to share with you the following:"There is also a spiritual decline in our day and generation. I asked an ex-Methodist member why they thought so many chapels had closed over the last ten years. They replied that a real lack of spiritual life was th reason. The lack of any real vibrant spiritual life had driven ' the younger generation' away from the chapels. The end result was an increasingly elderly congregation of a rapidly decreasing number." As Anglicans, we ought to take note of this observation by way of a warning.

Prevention is better than cure and a positive approach to our own situation is needed. We must all be ambassadors for Christ and to serve as such we must lead spiritual lives which will influence others. Any organisation (armed service, a political party or a charitable society (for example) must demonstrate loyalty to a cause and observe discipline. As Christians we must be loyal to Christ and to His Church and we must keep a Rule of Life. Age, health and circumstances will affect the extent to which we keep such a Rule but we must endeavour to say our prayers and read our Bibles every day. We must also learn to listen to what

God has to say to us. This is all part of our personal private devotion and there are times when we might observe this rule by visiting our Church which is open for prayer and meditation. Then we should attend Holy Eucharist every Sunday and Holy Day. This forms our corporate worship as the Family of God.

There are those who attend Church regularly. There are also those who only attend Church for baptisms, weddings and funerals. These people will be encouraged to attend Church regularly if we set them a good example. However frequently or infrequently we attend Church we have a duty to support it financially. Our three churches are all beautiful buildings the cost of maintaining which should be met by the whole community which they serve. Visitors give generously and so must we. The cost of heating and lighting our churches and the repair of their fabric is great and in addition we should help the Church at large and those charities which help spread the Gospel and assist those who suffer in body mind and soul. We should give generously regularly. The best way in which to do so is to sign a Deed of Covenant which means that every pound we give produces a further 43 pence. If we were to give just £1 a week by Deed of Covenant the Church would receive £52 + £22.36 = £74.36 a year. A donation of £5 per week would produce £371.80 a year. Christians should consider how much they can afford for the work of the Church in comparison with what they spend on running a car, on food and drink, on entertainment and pleasure.

Last month we kept Maundy Thursday. The Last Supper was the First Eucharist at which the command to love, to be humble, to be at peace and to be united was given. We kept Good Friday on which the Sacrifice of the Cross accomplished man's salvation. We kept watch with Our Lord before we awaited His Resurrection. We await His Second Coming and our call to enter paradise and eventually experience Eternal Life in Heaven. Christ has done

so much for us. How can we express our thanks? By keeping a Christian Rule of Life, working for the extension of His Church and Kingdom and by supporting the Church not only by our prayer life but also by contributing financially as much as we can to its work for mankind.
God bless you and all whom you love,

EDWIN STARK.

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ST BREWARD SILVER BAND start their Summer Season with two concerts on the harbour bandstand at Padstow on Sunday 27th May.

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ST BREWARD F.C.
St Breward F.C. won against St Columb & now qualify to meet St Blazey or Liskeard in the final of the East Cornwall Premier League Cup. The deciding goal played by Brian Greenaway of Blisland. This game will give much pleasure to the retiring Secretary, Roger Winn, who has decided that enough is enough after 8 years.

Roger is the Leader of the 1st St Breward Scouts and also a keen breeder and shows his budgerigars, so will keep well occupied.

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D & C Cons. cont.
Wed 9th 3-4pm.
Thurs 17th 11-12am
Tues 22nd 10-11am.

IN MEMORIUM

Mr Vernon Williams (69) Ass. Manager of De Lank for many years under Mr Coggan, and for the past 12 years as Manager, died on April 5th and was buried at St Tudy.
The funeral was attended by many masons of Cornwall and Devon. He was a bellringer, a member of the RAOB, and for many years when younger, a playing member of St Breward Silver Band.

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DEVON & CORNWALL CONSTABULARY.

Chief Inspector Hallet who has recently taken over this area, attended the Annual Parish Meeting of Blisland Parish Council. He also introduced Con. Nick Henwood who is our new Community Policeman. He is to have regular 'surgeries' in the Village Institute to discuss any police matters that the public wish to chat about. The May hours are Fri 4th 7-8pm. Cont ←

ST BREWARD PARISH COUNCIL

Mr F.Whiting County Councillor was the guest speaker at the Annual Parish Meeting, being Chairman of the County Social Services Committee he spoke on the many aspects of the Committee; Home Help, Old Peoples Homes and Welfare, Child Welfare etc. and answered questions on various matters. The Chairman, Mrs D.M.Hannaford expressed thanks on behalf of the 24 people present. The 'pros & cons' of building Council Houses on Common Land at 'Silverspring' involved much of the discussion time, with people speaking for and against. Miss Cholmeley reported that the County Council had been approached with regard to them purchasing the Wenford Railway Line for use as a Bridle & Footpath.

Arising from the Annual Parish Meeting it was agreed to check on the Holy Well at Chaple. The conveyance for the purchase of the Bus Shelter and piece of ground by the Notice Board at Claylands was read and duly signed. It was reported that the Council's request to have the disused Mine shafts 'capped' had received sanction and would be done shortly. The gates for the School Lane entrance are now awaiting fixing.

W.M.Hunt.

Chief Inspector Hallett will be deploying Con. Alf Finnemore as Community Policeman to St Breward, at the present moment his actual duties are unknown neither do we know whether he will institute 'parish surgeries' as have been arranged in Blisland. But it can't be a bad thing to get to know your local 'bobbie' again. The men will not be living in the parishes and will have other duties in Bodmin but they will have a special interest in their allotted 'patches' and trust that you will call upon them. SMV

Was it our very own Pauline Nottle who had tickets for Bo Diddly after winning them on a Radio Cornwall Competition ?????

ST BREWARD SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School children of St Breward Methodist Church collected £43.08p in aid of Sunny Smiles (Methodist Children's Homes). Janet Prout was chosen as St Breward Festival Queen, Matthew Teague & Mark Prout as Purse Bearers. The money was presented at a Festival in the Foster Hall, Bodmin on 7th March.
Collectors were Marie Kay, Dareen Wills, Charlotte Long, Matthew Teague, Mark Prout, Janet Prout, John Hoskin, Philip Hoskin, Paula Hillson & Susanne Brown.

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* ST BREWARD COFFEE SHOP open in the *
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* Sunday School on Thursdays *
* 10am to 11.30am. *
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* STARTING MAY 3rd. *
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* The first Coffee Morning will be in aid *
* of Holidays for the underprivileged *
* children of Cornwall. *

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\+ ST BREWARD C.P. SCHOOL together with \+
\+ ST BREWARD PLAYGROUP are celebrating \+
\+ MAY day on Sat May 5th at 2.30p.m. \+
\+ at the County Primary School. \+
\+ Fun for all the family. Children dancing \+
\+ around the Maypole. Crazy games. \+
\+ Side Shows. Home Produce Stall. \+
\+ Hot Dogs. Refreshments. Ice cream & \+
\+ Soft drinks. \+
\+ Followed by DISCO at Village Hall \+
\+ 8p.m. till Midnight Admission 50p. \+

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Our best wishes go to Keith Hillson for a speedy recovery.

MY CHILDHOOD by N.SAUNDRY.

I was born at Row, St Breward on December 19th, 1903. My parents were Irwin Rowe from Blisland and Annie Rowe nee Bunt from Whiteheads, St Breward. My first recollections are about the time I was three or four years old. I can remember standing between my parents, with a bunch of flowers in my hand, having our photos taken.

We lived at Limbhead - where Mr Len Greenaway lives now. The Pethicks, Duncan and Harry lived opposite. I was a bit of a tomboy and my Mother bought me a pair of hobnail boots so that I could go out and play football with them.

People didn't go to town to buy things in those days because we had a man come round with a cart and he had all kinds of things hanging on it. You could hear it jangling for a long time before you saw it. He sold pots and pans and all kinds of wicker baskets and even baby's chairs. He was known as the 6½d man because everything he sold cost 6½d.

If my Mother or I wanted any new clothes, we had a sewing lady who came and stayed for a week or so and made all we wnated at that time. I do'nt know where the materials came from but probably from the local shops because they sold nearly everything that was needed. My Mother always knitted our stockings, which were long black woollen ones.

My Father worked as a sonemason at Spion Kop near Jubilee Rock. During the summer my Mother would bake us a pasty each and we would walk out across De Lank and meet my Father and sit in the heather and eat our pasties and drink sugary tea from a bottle, because there were no flasks in those days. The men at De Lank had boys to take hot pasties to them for their dinners.

Being an only child I was always looking for company and on one occaion I had gone to play with the Moore family and when it was bedtime I promptly went to bed with them. Some time later I heard my Father's voice asking Mr Moore if I

was there. Mr Moore's answer was "I don't know Boy (my Father's nickname) but if you will wait a minute I will go and count the boots at the foot of the stairs". Of course when he counted them there were fourteen instead of twelve so I was hauled out of bed and marched home.

My Father took me around with him quite a lot and I loved going to the Blacksmiths to see the sparks fly and often I was allowed to use the big bellows to make the fire burn.

I often went to stay with my Grandparents at Whitehead and I helped all I could on the farm. The drinking water had to be fetched in pitchers from a spring out on the moors and as I wasn't quite up to carrying a pitcher I took a kettle. In summer my Grandmother would take all the clothes that needed washing out to the spring and kindle a fire and wash the clothes out there and then spread them out on furze bushes to dry. It was left out there for days at a time and when it was brought in the sheets would be snowy white.

I remember one very bad winter we had and the sheep got buried under the snow and everyone helped to dig them out.

Sometimes I went to stay with my Fathers parents and I did have some really jolly times. Grandmother always reared a pig to be killed and salted down, but the pig was just like one of the family. It would go across the fields with us to pick blackberries or whatever we were going to do. It was alright until the time came for it to be killed and then there were tears galore.

My Grandfather was Captain of a small clay pit at Carwen and Durfold and there was a small railway line there and my Aunts and I used to go and play on it. The attraction was a sort of platform on wheels and you stood facing each other and worked a bar up and down to make it go. I don't know the name of it but you do see "The Girls of St Trinians" riding on one in their films.

Both my Grandmothers had cloam ovens and the food baked in them tasted wonderful.

I started school at Churchtown when I was about four and a half years and on my first day I had a

fight with Mollie West. Very often on the way home from school we would see an Italian with a barrel organ and a monkey. I never liked the monkey but I was very fond of music so I would hang around with the rest. Another favourite pastime on the way home would be the kill house at Row where the bullocks were killed to be sold in the butchers shop.

My Father was a keen bandsman and for a number of years played in St Breward Band. When it was Band of Hope Day we would have tea in the Sunday School and march behind the Band to a field in Lank Road for the Sports. They also played for other things in the village just like the Silver Band does today.

During Revel Week there would be a fair with roundabouts and swings and all sorts of side shows in the field where the Ryland council houses are. Revel was and still is the feast of St Breward but I have forgotten the significance of it all.

When I was eight years old my parents decided to move to Blisland again. We had lived there before when I was a baby. We lived then in the village in a cottage behind the Post Office and next door to the Webbers. The next time we lived at Bradford and from there I had to walk to school.

I never walked straight to school as I had friends and cousins and my Grandmother living on the way and I would call in for someone or for a cake from my Gran. I often called in to see my Gran on the way home as well and as I had a couple of Aunts who were only a couple of years older than myself I would stay and play around and go to bed with them. My Gran used to clean the Chapel on Saturdays and my Aunts and I would help. One would be the preacher in the pulpit, one would play the harmonium and the other was the choir.

Saint Pratts was the Feast Day in Blisland and it was a lovely time because it was in September and it was nice days then. The Green was a beautiful place with all the lovely trees. My Daughter took me out around there recently and all the big trees are gone and lots of new houses built, but Miss Rich's shop is still there. N.S.

W.R.V.S. OVER 60's REPORT

On March 20th a good party of us visited Tregaddick gardens where we were met by Mr & Mrs Partridge who apologised that their garden was not at it's best owing to the cold spring, but suggested that we come again at some future date. However we did enjoy exploring the new layout and found it facinating & shall look forward to another visit. Isobel had laid on a marvellous tea for us at Oak Ridge which we were more than ready for & for which we thanked her most heartily.

April 3rd was a social afternoon, whist & dominoes were in action. A welcome cup of tea as we arrived helped keep out the cold and an Easter Bonnet Parade finished off a busy afternoon. The winner of the Easter Bonnet (made from pins and paper) was Mrs Parkhouse. Mrs Hambly & Mrs Collins provided the raffle. Mrs Vause received a donation of ½p's for club funds, which was just as well as the proceeds for surplus food was conspicuous by it's absence, which confirms that a good time was had by all.

Several of our members were away with 'flu & we hope they will soon recover & that Mr Parnell will soon be his old cheery self & be back with us again. Also the speedy return of Dr Turner from hospital.

Gwen Masters.

" GYMKHANA" at TEMPLE

begins at 10.30am PROMPT

on SATURDAY 2nd JUNE, 1984

SHOWING GYMKHANA & JUMPING CLASSES.

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Home Produce Stall. Raffle.

Refreshments on Field & Kelly's Ices.

Schedules from:- E.Bray Card. 401.
B.Sharp Card 363

WOMEN'S INSTITUTES.

ST BREWARD.

In spite of our open invitation we only had one visitor, Mrs Champion, to our March meeting to hear Mr Albert Riddle the Secretary of the Royal Cornwall Show. This was a rare opportunity for a small group to hear his lively account of the history of the Show since 1791 and his more personal memories of it since 1957 as it expanded at a great rate on the permanent site.

After a vote it was decided to support Mount Edgecumbe Hospice as our chosen charity for 1984 and after a lot of discussion members agreed to hold at least one Disco in the Village Hall in the late Spring or early Summer to support this. It was felt that this gave more pleasure to other age groups than a coffee morning mainly supported by our own W.I. members, but we still propose to hold our November fund raising evening.

Mrs I.Bate will be the delegate to the Spring Council Meeting in Truro, and two or three members may attend the canework days in Wadebridge on April 27th and May 4th(there may still be room for more if you receive this in time). Camelford Disabled Ass. have asked us to provide tea again on Sept.5th which we agreed to do but not to rehearse and stage a show as last year.

Other items mentioned but not taken up were Rag Doll Comp. and Floral Displays for the Show, a photography afternoon, an overnight trip to Olympia or nine days in the Black Forest; So proving that we are not all Jam and Jerusalem!

The Old Cornwall competition was won by Mrs J Greenaway with a charming old water colour of the Old Inn yard at St Breward showing the thatched cottages there, and Mrs Willetts won the Flower of the Month. The entries were all duly noted on the attractive points cards made by our Treasurer, Mrs Donald, to encourage us to enter regularly in the future.

The May meeting will take the form of a Social Evening with games and refreshments provided by all members which will not entail too much preparation for anyone hopefully. Anne Holmes.

BLISLAND

The Blisland Annual Meeting went off fairly smoothly, Mrs Wardfrom Liskeard was our visiting V.C.O. who officiated over a large part of the meeting. As Mrs Ward is a member of a small W.I. she appreciated our struggle to keep going and apart from giving us a talk on W.I.matters in general she gave us a few ideas on keeping our W.I. alive, to dispel any illusions of the W.I. consisting of geriatric gossips.

I am hoping that during the latter part of May to have a Social Coffee Evening to welcome any newcomers to the village who would like to come along and see what we get up to at our meetings, and generally get an understanding of what the W.I. is all about. Invitations will be sent out but if we miss anyone (& that's quite easy with so many new faces around) please come along, we should be delighted to see you.

The new Officers elected are:- Secretary Mary Price, Treasurer, Isobel Willcocks & President, Yours Truly.

Several of our members attended the Cavalcade of Costume, a fabulous collection of fashion from past years, which was shown at Launceston Town Hall and was most interesting.

On May 1st Miss J.Runnalls and Mrs Richards are attending a "Spices & how to use them" day at Probus and of course Mrs Vause is off to Taunton on April 17th for the Cider tasting!! so there is always something'doing'in the W.I.

Miss Runnalls and Mrs Richards provided the delicious tea and the Monthly Comp. won by Mrs Sharp.

We meet every third Wednesday in the month and for May, Mrs Charge will talk on her visit to Morocco.

Eileen Walford.

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* STALL ON FLEA MARKET, (Public Rooms, Mount *
* Folly, in aid of TEMPLE CHURCH, Gymkhana *
* Funds. MAY 5th 10am - 4pm. *
* Wanted:- Bric-a-brac & small items C363. *

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BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL.

This column is the first of what will be a regular bulletin of Parish Council involvement in village affairs and will hopefully give parishioners an insight into the discussions and activities of the elected members one of whose functions is to reflect the views and issues which are important to the village and surrounding hamlets. By means of these articles we hope to make communication easier, as to what actually happens and what the Council can actually do about various issues.

Perhaps the most positive action being taken at this time is the effort to provide a new floor for the Village Institute. Arrangements are well in hand for the work to proceed, the cost of around £1000 being 50% grant aided, due to the listed nature of the building. 2/7ths of the rest will be funded by the Parochial Church Council as their proportional interest in the building. The work is to be carried out by the Manpower Services Commission and the Council is awaiting word that their discussions with the Unions on a number of projects will allow our work to be instigated during the Spring.

The unilateral withdrawal of the Waterloo telephone kiosk by British Telecom has occurred despite the intervention of both the Parish Council and Robert Hicks MP & Gerry Neale MP. Because of the need to move the box due to the construction of a layby, the Parish Council was presented with the ultimatum that the box could only be moved to an alternative site on payment of a movement fee of £1300. It was put to B.T. that the box provided a social service for several elderly persons living alone in Waterloo, but this did not affect the decision to remove the box, before the Council felt that negotiations had ended.

The state of the bridle/footpath along the Ham has been a hardy perennial in recent years and during the recent wet weather, passage became difficult at the Waterloo end. Discussions are being undertaken to try and avoid this in future,

although part of the problem could have been caused by the recent drainage operations on Cassacawn Hill.

It has come to light that that the footbridge over the river at De Lank Quarry is in need of repair and a joint site meeting will be held with St Breward P.C. to ascertain what repairs need to be undertaken.

The above reports indicate some of the work being done by the Parish Council and in future we would expect to keep parishioners informed through the medium of the Parish Magazine and by reminding you that you are welcome to attend meetings, other than the parts involving confidential planning and that significantly the next meeting on 12th April is preceded by the Annual Parish meeting where parishioners can air their views & also meet our local District and County Councillors. D.Pearson.

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BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL.

You may feel that it's somewhat soon
To think ahead to 'blazing' June.
We didn't want to leave it late
To mention here, the Blisland Fete.

It's going to happen on the twentythird,
(Perhaps you have already heard?)
So make a note, keep that date free,
For all your faces we're hoping to see.

Take out your best bonnets
Your bibs and tuckers too,
Let's have a good turnout.
We're depending on you!! BP.

The Tree Competition.

CLANG..CLANG..CLANG.. If you are going to'drop one' make it a good'un.
For the U's read not 'ewe' but YEW...
If I had the nerve (which I haven't) I'd say " Just testing!! "

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WEBBER'S TOURS 1984

JULY20 - 23 INTERNATIONAL GARDEN FESTIVAL

Stay at Atlantic Tower Hotel, Liverpool.
Full day at International Garden Festival.
Per person inc VAT £74.

JULY 27 - 30 VISIT BLENHEIM PALACE & RIVER CRUISE.
Cruise on River Severn.Day at Blenheim Palace.
Shopping in Bristol on way home.
Per person inc VAT £82.

AUG 10 - 18 ISLE OF MAN
Via roll-on roll-off Ferry Link at Heysham.
To include day trip and half day trips.
Evening entertainment in own hotel or two others in same group.
Day trip to Douglas in steam train.
Per person inc VAT from £146

AUG 24 - 27 A MEDIEVAL BANQUET AT LUMLEY CASTLE
Long week-end close to Newcastle-on-Tyne.
Banquet at Lumley Castle and local sight-seeing.
Per person inc VAT £89.

SEPT 30 - 60CT ISLE OF WIGHT from £136
OCT 22 - 25 HALF TERM TRIP TO LONDON. £57.

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