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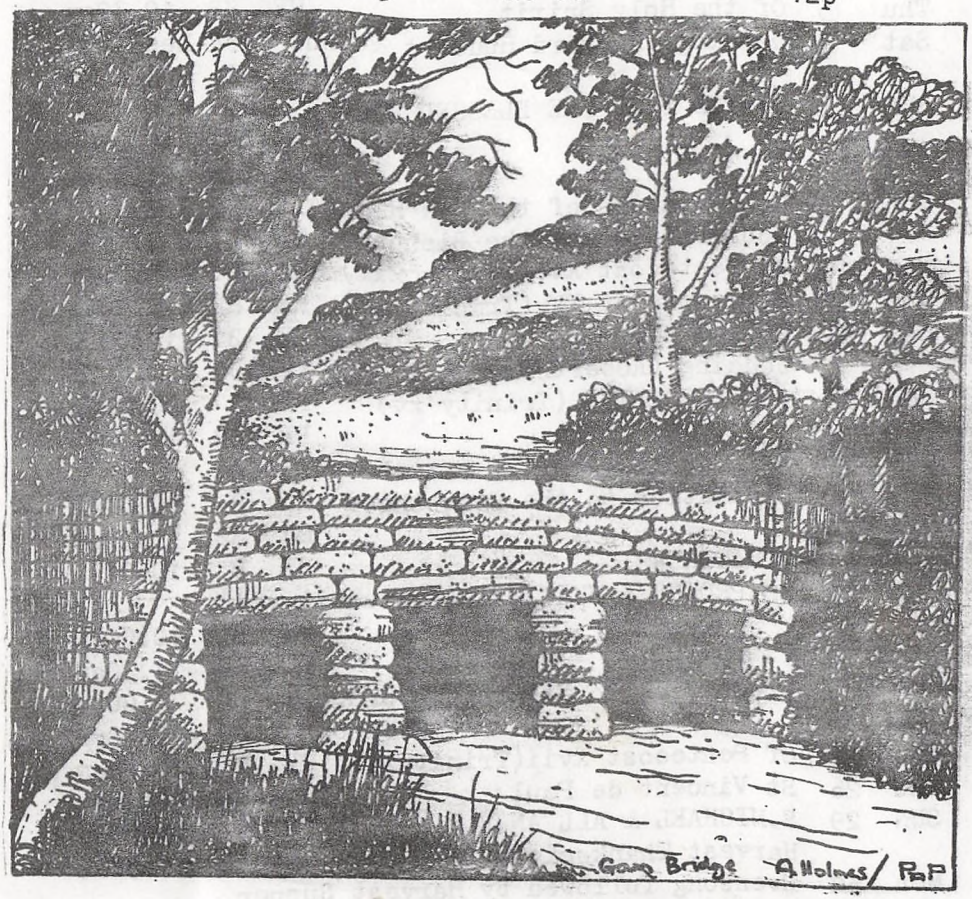


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KALENDAR & ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 1985.

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| SUN | 1 | PENTECOST XIV (Trinity xiii) | PE | B | 10.00am |
| | | Mattins | | SB | 11.30am |
| | | Evensong | | T | 3.00pm |
| Tue | 3 | S.Gregory the Great | HE | B | 7.00pm |
| | | P.C.C.Meeting | | B | 7.30pm |
| Thu | 5 | Of the Holy Spirit | HE | SB | 10.30am |
| Sat | 7 | Wedding (Richard Huddart & Anne Ward-Lee) | | B | 3.00pm |
| SUN | 8 | BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY | | | |
| | | | PE | B | 10.00am |
| | | | PE | SB | 11.30am |
| Mon | 9 | Consecration of the New High Altar & Holy Confirmation by the Bishop of Truro | | SB | 7.30pm |
| Tue | 10 | Of Pentecost XV(Trinity xiv) | HE | B | 10.00am |
| Thu | 12 | Of Pentecost XV (Trinityxiv) | HE | SB | 10.30am |
| Sat | 14 | HOLY CROSS DAY | HE | B | 10.00am |
| | | Wedding (Robert Davy & Yvonne Yeo) | | SB | 3.00pm |
| SUN | 15 | PENTECOST XVI (Trinity xv) | PE | B | 10.00am |
| | | | PE | SB | 11.30am |
| Tue | 17 | 35th Anniversary of Parish Priest's Ordination to the Priesthood | HE | B | 10.00am |
| Thu | 19 | | HE | SB | 10.30am |
| Sat | 21 | S.MATTHEW | HE | B | 10.00am |
| SUN | 22 | SS.PROTUS & HYACINTH (Pentecostxvii) | | | |
| | | | PE | B | 10.00am |
| | | | PE | SB | 11.30am |
| | | Procession to St Pratt's Cross | | B | 3.00pm |
| | | Evensong | | B | 6.00pm |
| Tue | 24 | Of Pentecost xvii(Trinityxvi) | HE | B | 10.00am |
| Thu | 26 | St Vincent de Paul | HE | SB | 10.30am |
| SUN | 29 | S.MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS | PE | B | 10.00am |
| | | Harvest Thanksgiving | PE | SB | 11.30am |
| Mon | 30 | Evensong followed by Harvest Supper | | SB | 7.00pm |

Tues Oct 1st

## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

My dear Parishioners of Blisland, St Breward & Temple,

Representatives from all three parishes gathered together for a Family Service at Temple on Sunday, 3rd August at 3pm. The church was almost full to overflowing and it was a joy to see parents and their children worshipping together. During the lovely service of Evensong two children, one teenager and one adult received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism and were admitted into the family of the Church. They were welcomed by regular worshippers at all three churches and everyone renewed their baptismal vows in addition to the vows made by the candidates and their godparents. It must have been an historic occasion since it was surely the first time in the history of Temple Church that four baptisms have taken place.

Seeing parents, godparents, the candidates and representatives of all three churches worshipping together one could but hope that parishioners will come to worship together as families (parents & children) and the individuals regularly in all three churches. Church attendance varies for a number of reasons. Sometimes it is increased by visitors who are always welcome. Sometimes it is diminished because parishioners are unwell or away. One also has to take into account that some parishioners come to church regularly, some from time to time (to assist at baptisms, weddings and funerals for example) some only at Easter and Christmas and Easter but there are a number of parishioners who do not attend their parish church or local chapel at all.

The well attended Family Service at Temple should serve to remind us to worship together not only when children and adults are baptised and welcomed into the Family of the Church, not only when weddings and funerals take place but also regularly throughout the Christian Year. Christians say their prayers at home and Christian parents have a duty to teach their children to do so. They also have a duty to bring them to their parish church or chapel. Praying together helps us to pray on our own. It is true to say that a family which prays together stays together and the various members of a family and congregation help one another to love, worship and serve God and to love and serve one another. We live in communities and we must endeavour to make them Christian communities.

One of the excuses made for non-attendance at church or chapel is that people have not got the time to do so. We can always find time to do the things we want to do however, I remember a student telling his tutor that he had not time to undertake a task which had been set him to which the tutor replied " You can always find time to sin, my boy." We are all sinners and we all have a Saviour, Our Lord Jesus Christ. He died to save us and make it possible for us to enjoy Eternal Life. He will never fail us. We must try not to fail Him. Hel calls us to follow Him, to love and serve Him and one another. We must do so as a family, as members of His Church who regularly come to church or chapel. We live in times when a great number of people are concerned more with material things than spiritual things, when some people care only for themselves. The characteristic of a Christian is a loving and caring person who experiences joy. This means putting Jesus first, others seoond and yourself last.

May God bless you and all whom you love and give you grace to preserve in doing just that. When you have resolved to do so as members of the Family of the Church you will be led to worship together.

EDWIN STARK.

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PARISH REGISTERS.

Holy Baptism at Temple on 4th August.
Neil Peter Spurrell.
Jennifer Valerie Conchie.
Adrienne Elizabeth Conchie.
Jennifer Louise Dynes.

Holy Matrimony, at Blisland on 20th August between
Thomas Jonathan Murray and Jean Greenaway,
at St Breward on 20th August between
Bruce Bailey and Susan Collings.

In Memorium. Miss A.Monica Collings died recently in Truro after a long period of illness.
She lived for several years at Trencoth, Blisland and was a staunch member of the church. She was responsible for renovation of some of our church vestments and banners.

R.I.P.

Badbury Cottage, St Breward.

To all our friends in Blisland.

Now that we have settled into our new home, we would like to express our most grateful thanks for the quite magnificent presentation you made to us.

From the cheque we have amongst other things for the home, commissioned a painting of the village of Blisland.

It was indeed a privilege to have been with you in the village for over 10 years and we send to you all, our very best wishes for the future.

June and Bill Whiteway.

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## ST BREWARD PARISH COUNCIL

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs R.Hall who have received the "Best nomination " for '84 in the commercial development or building section, for renovation and development of 'Trout Stream', Wenford. Nominated by the Parish Council the award scheme for improving the environment covers the whole of the N.C.D.C. area.

Mrs P Richmond, Regional Development Officer for the National Agricultural Centre Rural Trust will be attending the Parish Council Meeting on the 3rd Sept.

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Mrs Alec Hawthorn of Raynes Park, London, would like to thank all the friends who sent expressions of sympathy. She was absolutely overwhelmed with letters and did not want to leave anyone unthanked.

She sends her good wishes to all their friends and thanks you very much for all your kindness. SMV.

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We extend a hearty welcome to John & Gloria McCarron who with Beth and Kate, have moved into Blisland PO.

If my memory serves me right, there used to be a quotation 'Seul le premier pas courir' which very roughly translated is -'only the beginning is not easy!! ' We hope they will have as long and as successful stay as their predecessor's.

## LANXON SHEEPDOG TRIALS.

On the 10th August a sheepdog trial was held at 'Lanxon' by kind permission of Mrs Rush and her son Charlie, in aid of the Blisland Parish Church.

Although the weather had been extremely wet and windy the preceding week, the sun actually put in an appearance and remained for most of the day, for which everyone was extremely thankful!

Many handlers from the Cornwall Sheepdog Society participated, including two well-known personalities - Mr Victor Bellringer of Washaway, who, many years ago was a resident of Blisland, and Mr Harry Thomas of Par, who won the English National Sheepdog trial. approximately three years ago with his bitch 'Bess'.

The Driving Class event was won by Mr W.Hartley of Grampound Road. with'Jasan', and was awarded Mr C Rush's "Lanxon Challenge Cup". He also won the "Hamilton's Perpetual Shield" for the'Best Pen & Shed'. This latter trophy was donated by Mr & Mrs Hamilton, Family Butchery of St Breward.

Another new trophy - 'Mendavision's Perpetual Cup' for 'Best Pen & Shed' in the Maltese Class - was donated by Mr & Mrs Stainer, Proprietors of 'Mendavision'. This trophy was won jointly by Harry Thomas & Norman Delgano.

The Maltese Cross Class was won by Mr Norman Dalgarno of Trgony with his bitch 'Bess', scoring 87 points and took Miss Maxine Down's Challenge Shield. Mr Harry Thomas with 'Sam' came second with 85 pts and Mr Victor Bellringer was third with his 11 yr old dog 'Trim' scoring 79pts.

There were only two entrants for the Novice Class - Mrs J Carter of Delabole with 'Tony' and Mr C Oliver, Newlyn with 'Moss'. Mr Carter won this event and received Dr C D Bulstrode's Novice Cup.

Many thanks to Mr C Rush for loaning the sheep, and to the sheep stewards Messrs C Rush, M Rowe, K Greenaway,P Greenaway B.Greenaway Junr & W Shipley who did a splendid job which contributed to the smooth running of the trial. They had quite a long hard day's work.

The cake stall, with many goodies donated by the ladies of the village and two from Bodmin, was very successful,

and many thanks to Mrs Richards and Mrs Horton for running this stall. The Barbecue hot dog stall was run by Mr John Bellringer and the hot pasties, teas and soft drinks by Martin Hamilton. Clive Tunnicliffe once again supplied the electricity free of charge. The ice cream stall was run by Mrs Shipley, who also donated the ice cream.

The raffle consisted of ten prizes - the first a box of fruit donated by Mrs Bellringer, four prizes from 'Menda-vision, four from 'locals' and a hand painted coin by the House of Broomfield. Mrs Heard had a display of the various hand painted coins which were extremely lovely & novel.

Brigadier Edward-Collins kindly attended all day and presented the trophies, he also drew the raffle tickets and presented the prizes, for which services we are grateful.

Many thanks again to Mrs Rush & Charlie for loaning the sheep, field and horsebox. Also thanks are extended to Mr Larson for loaning a horsebox for the cake stall.

A greater number of spectators would have swelled the funds but as it was, the profit amounting to £97.94 was donated to the Parish Church by Mrs Rush.

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N.B. The Parochial Church Council would like to thank Mr & Mrs Burns for all their hard work and the generous donation. Thank you one and all.

**D I S C O - D A N C E & B A R-B-Q U E**

SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 7.30pm

BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL

OCEAN STAR DISCO. Admission 60p.

**A S E R I E S OF W H I S T D R I V E S**

commencing Friday 20th September

at 7.30pm. Admission 50p inc. refreshments.

## BLISLAND RECTORS IN 16th & 17th C.

During the Civil War the priests in many parishes were removed by Parliament if their ideas of religion did not coincide with those of the Puritans - the Roundheads- who held strong views against the Church of England.

The priests were left in poverty to look after themselves and find alternative ways of earning a living. For example the ancestor of the Edward-Collins of Trewardale was John Collins, Rector of Illogan. After the defeat of the Royalists in 1646 he lost his living in 1651 and became a doctor. He went back to his church in 1660 when Charles II was restored to the throne.

In Blisland the Rector was George Kendall, appointed by Charles 1 in 1643. He was turned out in 1655 and replaced by Charles Morton who was very much against the Church of England. He removed most of the stained glass from the windows and had the granite slab forming the altar removed outside the porch so that all who entered the church walked across the altar.(In Dr Madge's church guide, the granite slab is said to be still outside the porch - later corroborated by Rector Conrad Sargisson.)

In his turn Charles Morton was turned out in 1660 with the return of Charles II and Philip Dynham became Rector for the next 49 years.

Most people know the song "The Vicar of Bray" which tells of a vicar who kept his position whatever religion was in power. Blisland had a similar 'Vicar of Bray' in the previous century to the Puritans - one wonders what he would have done if he had lived a hundred years later.

Thomas John, Rector of Blisland from 1529-1580 weathered the religious storms of the 16th century. In 1529 Henry VIII was king, a Roman Catholic when he was crowned in 1509. When Henry broke away from Rome and proclaimed himself head of the Church of England in order to divorce his wife Catherine of Aragon and marry Anne Boleyn in 1533, Thomas John accepted the new Protestant religion and remained Rector of Blisland throughout Henry's reign and that of his son Edward VI.

From 1553 until 1558 England was ruled by Mary I and the Roman Catholic religion returned to power. During her

reign many Protestants were driven from office or were burnt at the stake - but not Thomas John, he remained Rector of Blisland and went back to the Roman Catholic religion. In 1558 Mary's sister Elizabeth came to the throne and the Protestant religion was again restored.

Thomas John still had 22 years to live before his death in 1580. Whatever monarch ruled, whatever religion was proclaimed, he still remained in office. He was quite happy to swear that Henry VIII was head of church, then Edward VI then the Pope and lastly Elizabeth I.

His Will is still in existence and is quoted by Sir John Maclean. It was proved on January 31st,1581 by his executor Thomas John. He left £68.11s.9d. (£68.59p) In his Will he wrote:- My soul to the great mercy of Almighty God my Maker and Redeemer and my body to Christian burial. To the poor men's box of Blyston 10 shillings. My executor to pay my 'curratt' John Powell his 'premise for his panes and good sence'. The rest of my goods to Thomas John my 'neaphewe' - the eldest son of Robert John now living whom I make Ex'or to dispose of the rest of my goods as he shall think best and most convenient to the glory of Almighty God.'

Thomas John was buried on January 7th 1581, probably in the church. His bones may now be mixed with those of many others that repose beneath the great stone in the west of the churchyard, marked only by the rediscovered ancient cross and the inscription recorded on the base: "Unknown and yet well known".

The Parish Registers were introduced by him, the first entries in 1539. His own burial is entered in them. Members of the John family lived in Blisland for many years, the first entry in the registers was in 1542 and the last in 1928. A number of Wills of the John's family are in the Archives of Truro and were written between 1571 and 1697.

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## NEW SURGERY HOURS FOR BLISLAND

Commencing Monday 2nd September 1985 Dr Barker will hold his surgeries from 9.30am - 10.30am in the Village Hall, Blisland. Please note these times..

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## ST BREWARD SILVER BAND.

An End of Season get-together and Summer Draw will be held at The Poldark Inn on Friday 20th September at 8.30pm. Tickets are £2.75 which includes the meal and entertainment.

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## ST BREWARD FOOTBALL CLUB.

St Breward F.C. were represented at Boscastle in the Six-a-side Tournament by three Greenaway brothers and three lads from Camelford. They came home with the Plymouth Argyle Perpetual Cup.

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## BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

The M.S.C. have done a very good job on the Institute floor and walls. Mike Trevarthan installed the sink and with the new chairs it really has a new look, and is back in operation for Council meetings and the after-church coffee sessions on Sundays, etc.

Parish Councillors Ralph Parnell and Peter Pengelly did a grand job in cutting the grass on the Village Green in July. Apparently the County Council fee was going to be astronomical so the lads set too and did the job themselves. It would be nice to see them assisted by other able-bodied males. A well kept Green and verges is an asset to us all.

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## FROM THE EDITOR.

Could I please have some more articles - long or short - as I am running very low in my bag of'bits! If you do not like writing up stories & tales yourself, then I am always willing to do it for you, or news & views. SMV.

## ST BREWARD PARISH CHURCH

The St Breward Church Fete was held on July 13th. It was a highly successful affair, netting £620 for church funds. Mrs Scott won the raffles first prize and promptly gave it back to swell the kitty. The weather stayed fine enough for the Band under Mr Hunt's direction, to play outside.

The children's fancy dress was again a success, especially in the younger group. The children were judged by Mrs Williams & Mrs Swann who were down on holiday. The winners were:- Under 5. 1st Daniel McShee. 2nd Joanna Dynes. 3rd Jonathan & Rebecca Greenaway. 5-11yrs. 1st David Benham . 2nd Carly McShee. The Fancy Dress was organised by Mrs McShee and Mrs Greenaway of the Playgroup.

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You may have read the Kalendar & Arrangements for this month, in which case you will see that St Breward Church is to have a new High Altar consecrated on the 9th.

The Bishop of Truro is officiating at this event. This is a truly wonderful evening. The altar is a gift from the parish, and the Quarries. The masons have donated their craft. After the consecration and confirmation the congregation are invited down into the Village Hall for refreshments.

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## ST BREWARD PLAYGROUP

If you are nearly 3 years old or over and enjoy painting, dressing up, splashing around in water, making sand castles, going on outings and would like to make new friends. Come along to ST BREWARD VILLAGE HALL from 9.30am to 11.30am or contact Karen Nankivell on Bodmin 850871 for further details.

Don't forget our appeal for rubbish for the annual bonfire.

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## R. N. L. I.Appeal

During the recent appeal the boat in Blisland PO collected £4.21 and Mr Boyd in St Breward collected £40.70.

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTES.

### ST BREWARD.

In spite of many members being away on holiday or ill there was a good number present to hear Miss Elizabeth Johnston speak about her family tree. This was particularly interesting to those people who had visited Trewithen which featured largely in her talk and in the old photo's shown to us.

Time was spent discussing the summer outing but since the meeting enthusiasm has waned and numbers dwindled so it was decided to cancel the outing.

Our Disco in aid of Research into Cot Deaths is now well organised and posters will be put up nearer Aug 31st to remind everyone.

There were very few County Notices relevent to us, which made a change from the usual struggle to include everything in the short time available. The Rounders Day at St Austell has been cancelled which is a pity as we'd managed to raise a team without too much difficulty. No further news yet about the indoor bowling competition.

The competition for any item made locally drew a very varied offering and was won by Mrs I Donald. This time the flower of the month was won by Mrs G Gill.

The September speaker will be Mrs Julyan, well known to many members. Her subject being "A funny thing happened to me on the way to the W.I." The competition following this theme is a limerick beginning "A funny thing happened to me" - so start composing now!

Anne Holmes.

D I S C O

S t Breward Village Hall 8.0pm. Aug. 31st

with Chris Vanderplank.

W.I. Charity Night - Proceeds to aid 'Research into cot deaths'

Please support this worthy cause.

Admission 50p.

BLISLAND.

At our July meeting we had the pleasure of 'discovering' Cornwall through the photography of Mrs Hilda Hambly from Wadebridge. We should have been watching slides of nature studies shown by Adrian Langdon but as he couldn't come he arranged for Mrs Hambly to come along and show her excellent pictures. Obviously a very keen photographer & very dedicated - no heads missing!! Joking apart Cornwall from every part of the County was shown at its best and the studies of sunsets were beautiful.

After a refreshing cup of tea etc., supplied by Mrs Gwen Mas ters and Mrs Isobel Willcocks we got down to the business of the evening. Next years programme was discussed & finalised and the arrangements made for the Produce Show being held the following week.

Mrs Miller hit the jackpot by winning the competition 'Happy Holiday Snap' and also the raffle prize.

The Produce Show once again went off very well & in spite of the awful July weather most of the classes were well supported. I did remark to Mrs Masters that it was the first time in my memory that there was an absence of onions & shallots & Mrs Masters, who is a founder member of our WI couldn't even remember it happening before. So is July 1985 going to be remembered as the coldest and wettest ever?

The Show was opened by our County Chairman, Mrs Sue Oliver from Mount & a spray of flowers presented to her by Matthew Sleep.

Miss June Runnalls won the Kathleen Hutchison Cup for the most points in the show, also gaining the most points in the Cookery & Pot Plant Sections. Mr Roger Harper once again scored the most points in the Vegetable & Fruit classes, though he was heard to say that he will have to look to his laurels next year as there was keen competition. Other prize winners were Mrs Ann Bulbeck, Flower Arranging. Mrs Isobel Willcox, Cut Flowers. Mrs Barbara Sharp, Preserves Mrs Rickard, Produce. Unfortunately as the schools had not broken up for the holidays the childrens entries were down on last year, but the flower entries were good, and I hope they all got the prizes they deserved.

As our Produce Show is the one event left in the year in which the whole village can take part it was good to see it well supported. Thankyou for coming, see you next year. EW.

## 1st ST BREWARD SCOUTS.

The Coffee Morning and sponsored walk to Rough Tor held in June proved to be a great success. Thanks to everyone who came along to the Coffee Morning, or contributed towards the stalls.

During school term-time Beavers will now be held on a THURSDAY evening, at the Village Hall St Breward from 6.00 - 7.15pm.

During the school holidays we have various things in the pipeline, including a trip to R A F St Mawgan, and a day at Scout Camp at Mount. On the weeks that trips are arranged, there will be no Beaver meeting on the Thursday night, otherwise meetings to be held as usual. Details can always be obtained from Lyn Turner Bodmin 850815.

We have arranged a boat trip on the Tri-Star out of Pads Padstow at 6.30pm on Monday 2nd September. Everyone is welcome, and tickets are available from Lyn Turner 850815 and from the village shop. Adults £2.00 Children £1.25. Proceeds in aid of Scout Funds. Please come along.

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## TEMPLE GYMKHANA

Temple Gymkhana raised £230.70 clear profit. We are most grateful to everyone who supported us in any way.

As most people know we have purchased chairs for Temple Church at a reasonable cost; and now we have a project to "Sell A Chair " Each chair would have a plaque fixed to it stating by whom it was presented. A donation of £5 would cover the cost and any monies surplus at the end of the project would be put into the Temple Church Fund.

Anyone interested in supporting this project can contact either:-

Mrs Elaine Bray, Merrifield, Temple. Cardinham 401.
Mrs Barbara Sharp, Tor Farm, Temple. Cardinham 363.

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

July 16th was a social afternoon when children from the Blisland School, accompanied by Mrs Rose Adamson, entertained with various songs, which were much appreciated.

There was no competition, but members were asked to bring something treasured and to tell its history, which proved very interesting.

A Boots Token and card of Good Wishes were presented to Dr Turner, who will soon be leaving the district, wishing him and Mrs Turner every Happiness in their new home.

It seems incredible that after the stormy week-end we should have a very pleasant & dry afternoon for our Annual Picnic on August 6th. We changed the venue from Delphi to a walk in the forestry at Shellwood & along the railway line, where we stopped in a sunny spot for our tea. We then continued to walk with a popular treasure hunt to Tresarret bridge where our car drivers were waiting for us, for which we were very thankful. 5 members qualified for the prize, with an equal number of items found. Altogether a very enjoyable & unexpected walk in lovely surroundings.

Gwen Masters.

## Blisland Village Hall

The Village Hall Annual General Meeting will be held on 24th September at 7.30pm.

We hope that as many people as possible will make it their business to attend. By then we hope the M.S.C. will have refurbished the floor.

New Officers are required on the committee but as there are only 3 - 4 meeting a year it isn't an onerous task.

# Webbers Travel

## HOLIDAY AND EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL

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TIMETABLE CHANGES.

Friday Service leaves Blisland 11.00am
leaves Bodmin 2.15pm

Plymouth bus will run 1st Saturday in the month only.

TOUR TO SCOTLAND

September 8-14 £157 per person. £5 single supplement. Staying in Stirling, evening meal & full English breakfast. Touring daily and visiting places of interest. Some real Scottish entertainment with Scottish Folk Night & Ceilidh.

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We are indebted to Mrs Anne Holmes of St Breward for the original drawings of the bridges for August and September issues, transposed for printing by our Paul.


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