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ST. BREWARD PARISH CHURCH.

Sunday November 12th, Remembrance Sunday - Ecumenical Service in the Parish Church at 11.30 a.m.

The Harvest Festival Service was held on Sunday 17th September. This Family Eucharist was conducted by the Rural Dean, Canon Ken Rogers of Bodmin.

We were pleased to welcome Muriel and Ronald Colman, celebrating their Golden Wedding, having married in the Church 50 years ago, together with their family and friends.

Evensong was held on the Monday following and the preacher was Rev. Stephen Drakely of Lanivet. Harvest supper afterwards in the Hall was much enjoyed by everyone. The many gifts of vegetables, fruit and flowers were much appreciated. These were auctioned by Noel Hill to whom we are indeed grateful.

Of the total raised over £80 has been sent to the Red Cross famine relief fund.

Thank you to the ladies who provided the excellent pasties and refreshments - all most appreciated.

H.C.H.

Parish Registers.

Holy Matrimony.

The marriage of Michelle Simpson and Ian Marshall took place at St. Breward Parish Church on Saturday 30th September.

Miss Tina Nelder of Blisland was married recently to Mr. James Gallagher of Ireland. The ceremony was followed by a blessing at Blisland Parish Church.

Baptism.

Jenine McKenzie, daughter of Christopher and Joanne Hudson was baptised on 17th September at Blisland Parish Church.

Funerals.

On 4th September the funeral of Doris Elizabeth Carbines Holman aged 90 took place at Blisland Parish Church.

On 27th September the funeral took place of Lt. Col. Herbert Crosbie Garstin aged 72 at Blisland Parish Church.

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND. - November.

November 4th	Paignton Contest.
" 8th	Camelford Carnival 7.00p.m.
" 12th	Remembrance Day Services.
	Bodmin 9.45a.m. Delabole 2.30p.m.
" 26th	Home Farm Trust Concert.
	Public Rooms, Bodmin 7.30p.m. with
	Devon & Cornwall Police Choir.

GILLIAN WALSH - Diary.

October 28th	Carn Brea Leisure Centre 7.30p.m.
	Last Night of the Proms with Benjamin
	Luxon, Duchy Opera & Orchestra.
November 4th	St. Wenn Village Hall 7.30p.m. with
	St. Mabyn Concert Singers.
November 22nd	Fowey Hotel 7.30p.m. with St. Mabyn
	Concert Singers.
November 24th	Liskeard Methodist Hall 7.30p.m.
	Recital with Rudi Gagnon, Baritone,
	Ann Fleet, pianist & John Heard, violinist.

HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST - TEMPLE NEWS

The sponsorship for the Historic Churches Bike Ride raised £53, half of which has been allocated to Temple Church funds. Many thanks to the young lads David and Mark for cycling 20 miles and raising £22 with the help of their parents Graham and Joy Montague and to all our sponsors. Thanks are also due to Mrs. Audrey Monk who helped Mrs. Barbara Sharp 'Spring Clean' the church while waiting for the cyclists to arrive.

'A Temple-ite'

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS

On Saturday 4th November at 6.00p.m. at the Football Field. Organised by St. Breward Playgroup /Cubs/Scouts. Refreshments. £1.50 perfamily. Tickets from Post Office, Shop, or pay on night.

BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL

The A.G.M. for the Blisland Village Hall was held on September 26th with Mrs. Eileen Walford in the Chair. After the minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary Mrs. Garvey, the Treasurer Dr. Murray-Leslie presented the Financial Statement. This was eagerly awaited by all and we were not disappointed. The total balance to be carried forward to the next year (October 1989 - September 1990) is £1498.04. A truly remarkable amount considering the debt to the Parish Council who so kindly bailed us out, has been repaid in full. This amounted to £1605.69. This achievement is partly due to a grant of £1.000 from the N.C.D.C. and £500 from the C.R.C.C. But in no way must the fund-raising by individuals be under-estimated. These brought in a revenue of £1.005.59 and includes private sales of home-made sweets and cakes. We had also been given donations which amounted to£655.00. Sincere thanks were conveyed to everyone who had generously given their support in every way. At the end of his report Dr. Murray-Leslie tendered his resignation owing to ill health which has dogged him for a long time. This was reluctantly accepted and a vote of thanks given for the hard work he had done over the last few years.

Mr. Edgar Rowe, Clerk to the Parish Council, gave a brief summary of the Committees affairs and said congratulations were in order at the way everyone had pulled together to get the Hall out of its financial difficulties. It may not be generally known but the Parish Councillors are Trustees of the Village Hall and therefore have a keen interest in the upkeep and running of same.

The officers elected for next year are, Mrs. Eileen Walford, Chairman; Mrs. Margaret Garvey, Secretary; and we were pleased to welcome back Mrs. Brenda Hardy on to the Committee and she has taken over the Treasurers job. Many of you will remember it was Mrs. Hardy who instigated that splendid show which featured those colourful and super Can-Can dancers!

Our next meeting on October 6th will be to start planning fund-raising events for the coming year for we cannot sit back on our laurels. We need at least £700 per annum for the upkeep and maintainance of the Hall and there are many other projects in view to improve the looks and entrance.

We have had a good start with the concert given by the St. Mabyn Singers. Organised by Mr. and Mrs. Gurr this raised £192.30 which I understand included £56.00 for the raffle. A marvellous effort from an evening that was most enjoyable and entertaining. The St. Mabyn Singers gave their services free of charge which was most generous of them and their performance came up to all expectations. This of course included the excellent violinist Mr. John Heard and his accompanist Mrs. Rosemary Heard.

So we now go forward into the new year with fresh endeavour to keep up our standards and we hope the opportunity to bring us all together as a village community.

Thank you all, .

E.J.W.

ST. BREWARD PLAYGROUP

I have been remiss over the summer months in not producing a news item concerning the playgroup for the magazine, but we all enjoyed a long recess with one of the best summers for some time and now the playgroup is back in action.

We have had time to take stock of our finances which are in poor shape. Outgoings far exceed our income. The playgroup has lost several children who have moved up to the St. Breward school and we are in need of newcomers to fill these gaps. So, Mums of 4 year olds and under please come to see us.

A varied money raising programme has been arranged - a Coffee morning in the Band Room and a grand Bonfire and Firework display at 6.00p.m. on November 4th at the newly opened Football Club - with the Playgroup providing refreshments and the Cubs and Scouts attending to the Bonfire and Fireworks. Profits are to be shared between us and we hope to see you all there.

Our congratulations go to Tina Nottle who, for the past year, has attended training sessions weekly in her own time and has completed the Playgroup Organisers Course and is now officially our Organiser in charge of the Playgroup who meet at 9.30 till 11.30 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday mornings of each week at the Village Hall.

Joan Sainsbury,
Chairman.

ST. BREWARD A.F.C. & SOCIAL CLUB

Fixtures for November.

Football - 1st XI

November	4th	St. Dennis (Away)
"	11th	Liskeard (Home)
"	18th	Riviera Coasters (Home)
"	25th	Sticker (Home)

Ladies Darts

November	6th	Bettle (Away)
"	13th	Millhouse (Home)
"	20th	Old Inn B (Home)
"	27th	Cobweb (Away)

Mens Darts

November	2nd	Fourways (Away)
"	9th	Bye
"	16th	White Hart (Home)
"	23rd	Bettle (Home)
"	30th	Swan (Away)

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BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

A busy meeting this month with subjects discussed including the storing of the old parish map, new signposts for the village and the bus shelter renovation which is still in hand.

The upgrading of 18 street lights is now going ahead and once a district council has approved them to the correct standard the county council will be responsible for the cost of maintaining them.

The duck pond area has now been re-seeded thanks to a few councillors and friends who helped with the final stages.

Barbara Sharp.

An Appeal

The very successful tupperware party held in the Village Hall recently for Hall funds contained a fly in the ointment! The demonstrator discovered, on packing up her samples, that her only recipe book was missing. This had been passed around and most of the potential customers had left.

This is an appeal to anyone that may have put down their bag when arriving back home; please look in it, in case it is among the things that may still be there!

A lady once collected a number of things on a country walk, among them a pretty snail shell. She left her bag untouched for a time and forgot all about the contents until she saw the snail crawling up her standard lamp. It happens to all of us. If you find it will you please return it either to Mrs. Sandra Matthews at Pentor or to Mrs. Isobel Willcocks at Tregenna. The demonstrator will be delighted, as they are not easy to come by, nor are they cheap. Don't forget to copy any recipe you fancy before returning it. Thank you.

Gwen Masters.

ST. BREWARD CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

St. Breward Carnival Committee will be holding its A.G.M. on the 14th November at 7.30p.m. in the Village Hall.

Main item - the distribution of the sum of £700 to local organisations. Pleasecome and support your committee.

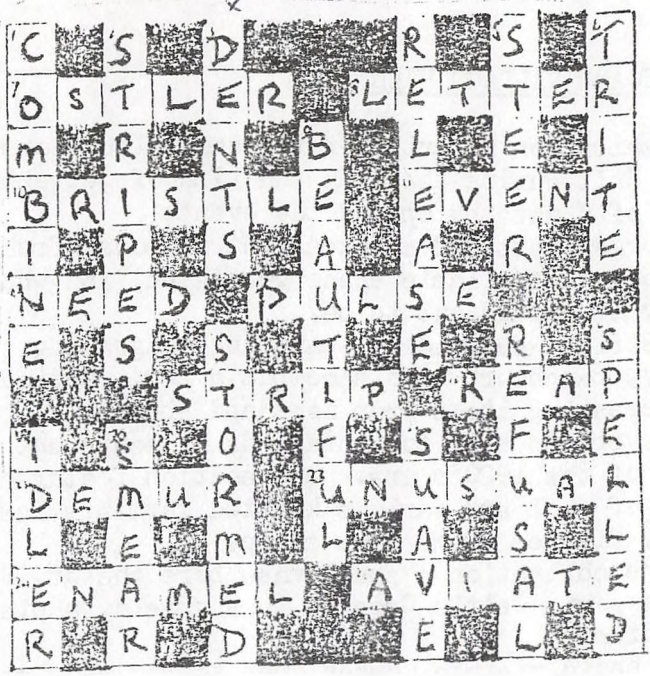
(Please note that in paragraph 2 of last month's story it should have read Chamberlain not Churchill)

Then we heard that Blisland was going to have some evacuees. Quite a large number came to the village. Too many to be absorbed into Waterloo School. They came from Brentford which was quite a rough area of London and their teachers came with them. Their school was set up in the Village Hall and life went on as usual for us. I believe it was 1940 when the evacuees arrived but it was some time after this that some official decided that my brother and I were technically evacuees as well and should join the school in the Hall. If my memory serves me correctly it was about a year after the evacuees arrived that we were transferred to that school. It must have been a difficult time for us because although I can remember quite a lot about my life in Blisland up to that time I have absolutely recollection of going to the school in the Village Hall. The only evacuees I can remember are two girls who stayed at the next farm to ours and they became friends until I went to Bodmin School the following autumn.

It was rather a long way to cycle to school every day so during the week I lodged with the Headmaster and his family at their rambling house in St. Nicholas Street and then returned most weekends either to my Grandparents or to the farm.

Here again I was very fortunate and my memories of this time are nearly all happy ones. The Headmaster's wife had two young boys but I was encouraged to invite friends to the house and even to invite a friend when we all went to the family's caravan at Polzeath sometimes for the weekend. The caravan was of the old 'Gypsy' type and was on a site in a lane close to the beach. This now leads to a big holiday complex but then it was very quiet with one or two caravans and a couple of bungalows. How we all fitted in I cannot remember but think the boys must have had a tent. Apart from Mr. and Mrs. M., their two boys, and Mrs. M.'s sister they would take my brother, myself and a friend! A few years ago I took my husband to see the place and found to my amazement that although most things had changed out of all recognition the old gypsy caravan was still in situ but acting as a hens' house.....to be continued. By 'An Evacuee'

Solution to September Crossword.



Congratulations to Mrs. Pamela Bousfield of St. Breward who won the £5 prize.

Harding

Josie, Mark and Matthew would like to thank all relations and friends who helped before, during and after my darling husband Brian died. He fought hard to stay with us and the doctors and nurses of Intensive Care unit at Truro did all they could to save him but sadly he died on the 23rd August. I also say thank you to everyone who came to the funeral service, the cards and letters and the donations in lieu of flowers which amounted to the marvellous sum of £200 which is being sent to the Intensive Care Unit at Truro by T.S.B. Bank, Bodmin in memory of my darling Brian.

My special thanks to Father Edwin and Rev. Thomas Darlington who officiated at the services. How very true they spoke of Brian, a man of few words but not domineering.

Thanks also to the chosen bearers, the organist, Mrs. J. Greenawayand St. Breward School teachers. My special thanks to my good friend and neighbour Mr. Rodney Parr, who over the years has helped both Brian and myself, Matthew and Mark. Thank you very much Rodney. I have had 16½ years of happy married life with Brian which I will treasure for ever until we meet again. I will always love you Brian.

From your heartbroken wife Josie and sons Mark and Matthew.

ST. BREWARD VILLAGE HALL

An Exhibition of Arts, Crafts and Collections was held in the Hall during the 16th and 17th of September. Mr. John Alford of Hamatethy opened the event.

The organisers had an excellent response from exhibitors and soon all available space was taken, and what an amazing display it turned out to be.

Tapestries, embroidery, painting, engraving, woodwork, pottery, patchwork - to name but a few. Various collections of interesting items from home and abroad, ranging from models, spoons etc. to vintage dairy equipment and motor cycles of the 1920's era. One section featured the original fleece of wool and various knitted garments fashioned from similar fleeces from Jacob sheep.

In one collection a small vase bore the St. Breward Coat of Arms - six Celtic Crosses in a shield, a piece of W.H. Goss china.

A splendid vintage Humber open tourer complete with chauffeur provided an added attraction with rides around the village.

The competition and Raffle were well supported; Mrs. Muriel Colman, one of our visitors, but no stranger to many of us, drew the winning tickets.

I feel the organisers are to be commended, having got the show going in a comparatively short period of time; also the kitchen staff, working in difficult conditions to provide lunches and cream teas around the clock.

One thing learned from the Exhibition, we have many talented people amongst us, and maybe next time more hidden talents will be apparent, who knows?

The total proceeds amounted to £280.00 which will go to provide further improvements to the Hall.

H.C.H.

Congratulations to Christopher Vanderplank of St. Breward for becoming the runner-up in the Duckhams-Haynes DIY Mechanic of the Year competition. He beat 18 other finalists and was only narrowly beaten into second place. He won £150 worth of tools to help him with his hobby.

I would like it to be known that it was entirely my idea that my husband and I attended the Blisland Church over the past two years. When my husband was proposed for nomination to stand as church warden of St. Breward, he accepted with great pleasure. Unfortunately he failed to be elected to this position, but he accepted the situation. However I felt very strongly about his rejection and I feel he did not get the support that had been promised him. My husband, possibly a more understanding person than myself, was quite prepared to let bygones be bygones but I felt he had been cheated and let down and therefore he respected my wishes to go to Blisland.

Josie Harding.

BLISLAND W.I.

On the 19th September our meeting was opened by Mrs. Gurr and the Minutes were read by Mrs. George.

There was quite a lot of news to catch up with and we were reminded of the Annual Council Meeting at Hendra Tourist Park on the 24th October. The next Group Meeting will be at the Methodist Chapel in Bodmin on the 19th October. There are competitions, refreshments, a play to be performed by the Bodmin members and the speaker will be Mrs. Pryor who will give a cookery demonstration.

Mrs. Wendy Gurr was congratulated for again winning the Smale Cup at the Royal Cornwall Show.

Other dates to remember are the 16th November when there is a Christmas shopping trip to Debenhams. This is an evening trip and the restaurant will be open to serve a three course meal for £5.50. On the 24th and 25th November 'Crafts for Christmas' will be at Wadebridge Town Hall. On the 10th November 'Fun with Antiques' will be at the Lostwithiel Community Centre and you are invited to bring along your antiques and test your knowledge against that of the experts.

Mrs. George advised us that she had heard from the District Council in response to her letter and they intend to implement a waste paper collection either at Wadebridge or Bodmin in a similar manner to the Bottle Bank.

The profit from our Produce Show was £81.41.

Our speaker was Mr. Greenwood of St. Neot and he spoke about Guide Dogs for the Blind. Mr. Greenwood is blind and he came with his dog 'Vance' a beautiful labrador/retriever cross.

All the dogs are bred by the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association at Leamington Spa. When they are five to six weeks old they go to 'Puppy Walkers', i.e. people who walk the puppies and generally look after them up to the age of twelve months. The dogs get used to people, shops, roads, trains, buses and other situations. Any dogs which are aggressive are not accepted for further training.

At the age of twelve months the dogs go to a Training Centre. There are nine of these and the nearest one to Cornwall is in Exeter. The dogs go out each day on an ordinary lead and are first of all taught to walk in a straight line in the centre of the pavement and to stop at

kerbs. When they can do this the next important step is harness training. All movements are transferred through this to the blind person via the handle which is very sensitive. The dogs are neutered and stay with the same Trainer until they are eighteen months to two years old which is the average time it takes to train the dog before it can go to a blind person. Matching dogs and people is most important.

A blind person has one month's training with the dog at the Centre. It is a very exciting time as having a good dog can completely transform the blind person's life. At first the Trainer goes with the owner as commands, etc. have to be learned and obviously the dog will have become very attached to the Trainer during the time it has been with him.

Guide Dogs for the Blind was started 50 years ago and there are 4,000 Guide dogs in Great Britain. There are 1,000 puppies in training all the time and the organisation extends to Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Spain. It is a voluntary organisation.

Mr. Greenwood told us that since he has had Vance he can go virtually anywhere and that the dog loves London as well as the country. When you first have a dog the Trainer comes home with you to sort out any problems. The dogs are trained to come to a whistle and they are even fed on a whistle instruction. They have to be groomed each day, are fed on a strict diet and are weighed regularly.

It was interesting to know that the Veterinary Association gives two free medicals per annum to Guide dogs and Boots give prescriptions to them free of charge.

It costs £1,000 to train a dog but the service is free to a blind person apart from a nominal charge of 50p. The dogs are retired at the age of ten but may stay with the owner as a pet.

The Blind services are very good nowadays and the facilities available include talking books, newspapers, braille watches, compasses, talking calculators and watches etc.

We were all full of admiration for Mr. Greenwood; the way he has overcome the very real difficulties of being blind and manages to lead a very full life working for the Blind Association, plus following his own career as a Potter, is a wonderful example to us all.

Mrs. Aspinall proposed a vote of thanks and we all enjoyed the refreshments prepared by Mrs. George & Mrs. Horton.

 W. Barwood.

ST. BREWARD W.I.

The President, Mrs. Mavis Metters, welcomed members to the September meeting; there were three apologies.

Mrs. Margaret Shelley read the minutes. Members have been invited to Debenhams this year for the Christmas shopping trip, leaving at 5p.m. on November 16th, names please to the secretary.

Subscriptions are going up yet again and it was decided that if anyone would like to start paying in advance, £1 per month would help, especially OAPs. Josie Hawken agreed to collect same. Mrs Ann Hole will deputise as speaker for the November meeting and will be showing us how to make Christmas specials, crackers, decorations, etc. so come along and join us.

Members are going to knit squares to make blankets to be given to Elderly People's homes.

Competitions for November and December are reversed. Four members were presented with Birthday Posies.

Our speaker was Mrs. Stephenson, Veterinary Surgeon, who deals mostly with small animals. It was interesting to learn that 50% of students training at the Veterinary College are women. Mrs Ann Holmes thanked her for a most interesting talk.

Winners of the Flower of the Month were: 1st Margaret Shelley, 2nd Gladys Champion, 3rd Jean Taylor.
Competition - My Pet: 1st Sue Mitchell, 2nd Josie Hawken, 3rd Doreen Bennett.

Josephine Hawken.

POPPY DAY APPEAL

The house to house collection in Blisland and Temple will commence on Monday 30th October; the collectors being again Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Sharp and Captain Hicks.

Last year's collection raised £167, so one hopes that this year's will at least keep pace with inflation and top £180.

This year's Remembrance Sunday is 12th November, 50 years on from 1939, but the need still continues.

Capt. R.B.N. Hicks.

W.R.V.S. MONDAY CLUB

We held a very successful Harvest Auction on September 18th raising funds for our own Harvest Supper. Members gave generously and spent well! Thanks to Tony Ham, our auctioneer and to all the members. The competition, 'Arrangement of berries and foliage' was won by Mrs. E. Webber.

On October 2nd we were delighted to welcome Mr and Mrs. Jefford, who left the village some months ago to live in Lincolnshire. Mr. Jefford showed some slides of Scotland's famous places and with the beautiful scenery was a most enjoyable show. Mrs. Jefford brought a surprise gift of a home-made Christmas cake. This has been safely stored away for our party in December. They were both warmly thanked and replied that the welcome made them feel they were 'back home'. Three othervisitors were also welcomed and we hope they all enjoyed the afternoon. The competition, 'Necklace or garland of Berries' was won by Mrs. A. Pierce.

Gwen Masters.

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Christine Crowle would like to thank everybody who voted for her on her successful candidacy for St. Breward Parish Council.

Temple Church - St. Catherine's Feast Day 25th November. Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m.

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