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August Diary

Sun 3	**Blisland Parish Church**
	9.30am Parish Eucharist
	St Breward Methodist Church
	11.00am Preacher Mr Mabson
	St Breward Parish Church
	11.10am Parish Eucharist
	Blisland Methodist Church
	2.30pm Preacher Mr Burd
Wed 6	**St Breward Methodist Church**
	10.00 - 11.30am Coffee Morning
Fri 8	**Mobile Library** Use it or lose it!
Sun 10	**Blisland Parish Church**
	9.30am Parish Eucharist
	St Breward Methodist Church
	11.00am Preacher Mr Docwra
	St Breward Parish Church
	11.10am Parish Eucharist
Sun 17	**Blisland Parish Church**
	9.30am Parish Eucharist
	St Breward Methodist Church
	11.00am Preacher Mrs Grundon
	St Breward Parish Church
	11.10am Parish Eucharist
	Blisland Methodist Church
	2.30pm Preacher Mr Parkman (Holy Communion)
Fri 22	**Mobile Library** Use it or lose it!
Sun 24	**Blisland Parish Church**
	9.30am Parish Eucharist
	St Breward Methodist Church
	11.00am Preacher Mr Toms
	St Breward Parish Church
	11.10am Parish Eucharist
Mon 25	*Summer Bank Holiday*
Sun 31	**Blisland Parish Church**
	9.30am Parish Eucharist
	St Breward Methodist Church
	11.00am Preacher Mrs Manders
	St Breward Parish Church
	11.10am Parish Eucharist
	Blisland Methodist Church
	2.30pm Preacher Rev Barnes

Letters

Re. St Breward Church Fete on July 12th.

Bottle Stall

Contributions received from local businesses: The Village Stores, The Old Inn, Leo's Pioneer and friends.

Thanks from John and Margie.

I would like to thank family and friends who came to visit me during my recent stay at Treliske Hospital. Thanks also for the lovely cards, gifts and flowers. Special thanks to those who helped look after Cheryl and Anthony while Trevor was at work. Thanks once again for your kindness.

Margaret Sleep

Front Cover Although this cartoon is over 30 years old it is very topical with many articles appearing in the press recently about raptors killing racing pigeons.

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St Breward Church Tower Restoration

Parishioners will be pleased to learn that the Tower Appeal Fund has been well supported, £3195 having been raised to date: this includes £950 in grants, £500 having been received from the Historic Churches Preservation Trust, £250 from the Sherrat Trust Fund and £200 from the Manifold Trust. While the PCC is most appreciative of all the support that the Appeal has received, the cost of the work is £6,473 and therefore £2,328 remains to be raised.

As it is felt expedient for the work to be done before the Autumn and Winter set in, and the tower deteriorates further, the builder has been instructed to start work in an act of faith that the shortfall will be raised quickly.

Therefore we are having to ask for further donations and/or interest-free loans, and so we seek your support once again. Those who are able to support us in this way are asked to contact Miss Virginia Cholmeley, Treasurer to the PCC, 'Deaconstow', De Lank, St Breward.

We would like to make it clear that the PCC would retain any surplus in the fund after completion of this project for future work to renew the North Aisle of the Church.

The Parochial Church Council
St Breward Parish Church

The Cornwall Historic Churches Trust are having a"Bike Ride" on Saturday 13th September. They need **Cyclists, Walkers, Recorders, joggers, riders and everyone** wanting to raise money for the church or chapel of your choice.

The **Cornwall Historic Churches Trust** was established in 1955 with the objective to raise funds to support the restoration and maintenance of Cornish churches and chapels. Quite often soaring maintenance costs continue to outstrip the local ability to pay.

The **Sponsored Bicycle Ride** encourages people of all ages and denominations to seek sponsors to pay them an agreed sum or donation in recognition of their efforts on this one Saturday annually. The money raised is shared equally between CHCT and the Christian place of worship nominated by the participant.

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Church's Pages

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The Rectory
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St Breward

Dear Friends,

On 15th of August the Church commemorates the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady, otherwise known as the Falling Asleep of the Blessed Virgin Mary; the respect and honour paid to Mary, Mother of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ goes back to the earliest days of our faith. The Angel's greeting (St Luke 1v28) tells of God's favour and grace, and Mary's own words when visiting Elizabeth (verse 48) give us our warrant for calling her 'Blessed', and still, in our time, this Festival is no less than one of the four feast days in our Anglican Church Calendar emphasising the special devotion due to her.

Our observance of this feast simply is witness to our belief that the Blessed Virgin Mary has passed to her reward, and is in enjoyment of heavenly bliss. In early times, the word 'Assumption' was applied to the death of any saint, just as we commemorate the passing of other saints -Peter, Paul, James and John and the rest. To those who feel uncomfortable in recognising the place of Mary in our Calendar, may I say that our devotion to her springs naturally from our faith in the incarnation of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is because of her unique relationship to Jesus that we love and revere Mary. We worship our Saviour, Jesus because he is God: we honour Mary because she is Jesus' Mother.

Yours sincerely,
Father David

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

The Parish Priest is available to celebrate the sacrament at Blisland by appointment. Please contact him on 01208 850869

Sunday Services

9.30 Parish Eucharist Blisland
11.10 Parish Eucharist St Breward
Temple: last Sunday in August - 6.00pm Family Eucharist

Weekday Services in August

Normally there will be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist on alternate Thursdays at Blisland and St Breward at 11.00am EXCEPT during weeks when important Feast Days occur and different arrangements are made. Details are also posted in the Church porches.

Wed 6	Transfiguration of Our Lord	Blisland	11.00am
Thur 7	No Service		
Thur 14	No Service		
Fri 15	The Assumption of BVM	St Breward	11.00am
Thur 21		Blisland	11.00am
Thur 28	St Augustine of Hippo	St Breward	11.00am
Thur 4 Sept.		Blisland	11.00am

St Breward Parish Church

This year's fete, held in the school grounds on 12th July was a great success. The weather kept fine and many stalls and attractions were able to be held outside. The St Breward Silver Band provided musical entertainment throughout the afternoon and the helicopter attended by Mr Kevin Forster, drew many people.

The total amount raised, after expenses, was £1281.75. Many thanks must go to all those people who gave their time to help both beforehand and on the day, those who gave items for the stalls, Mr Kevin Forster, St Breward Silver Band and of course everyone who attended to make the day a real village event.

The Rectory

I am sure parishioners will be interested to know that I am now resident in the Rectory, Limehead, St Breward, the property formerly known as 'Stoney Croft'; it is situated just above the turning for Coombe on the opposite (higher) side of the road.

The former rectory in Blisland is to be sold; I would wish to point out that neither PCC was involved in the decision to purchase a new parsonage, and that the PCC's receive no financial benefit as a result of this change.
Father David Reed, Priest-in-Charge

Chapel's Page

Pastoral Worker: Mr Brian Parkman, 17 Trefrew Road, Camelford 01840 212736

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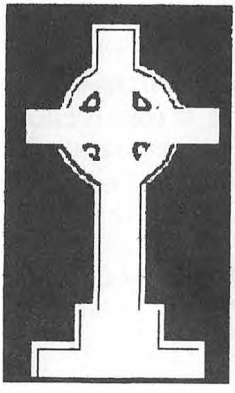
Hello Friends,

By the way; what did you think of Labour's first budget? Good for some but not for all maybe. The opposition certainly disapproved. What a pity our parliament is not united in its efforts for the common good. However, those who live in glasshouses should not throw stones I know. We, the church in these parishes (all denominations) have nothing to crow about, we appear to be divided in our efforts too. Rev. David and myself have been sharing our mutual concern on this matter. True, we must recognise our differences; our form of worship; liturgical and free, high church and low. But we have so much in common to share. In the words of St Paul, "There is one body and one spirit, one Lord, one Faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all". That's right, we all share the one Apostles creed. So what is needed to unite us in our efforts? Understanding; tolerance and YOU the people of the parishes. Your presence, views and ideas. How can the church unite in its efforts? Please: Share your thoughts with us. Phone, write or better still, just talk to us.

Yours concerned, but hopeful,

Brian (Methodist Pastor)



A Positive Approach to God's Ten Commandments

N°5 *Honour your father and mother:*

Or in today's language; hold your parents in high respect.. If our society today would uphold this law of God, Britain would be a far nicer place in which to live. As it is, our children; NO, some of our children and young people today show very little respect for parents or teachers.

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The result is lawlessness in the home and on the street. Parents of course have a responsibility to teach children to be respectful and also be parents worthy of respect. How I wish this commandment was kept.

N°6 *You shall not murder:*

Murder is to take the life of another human unlawfully. How could anyone say that this commandment is not relevant to our society today. Is there a day that passes without the media reporting yet another murder. God gave this law for the good of society in the days of Moses and it stands good for our own day. A God respecting society would respect the right of other fellows to live, unless there was a lawful cause preventing them to do so.

St Breward Methodist Church Diary

Aug

3rd	11.00am	Mr Mabson
6th	10-11.30am	Coffee Morning
10th	11.00am	Mr Docwra
(Family Service)		
17th	11.00am	Mrs Grundon
24th	11.00am	Mr Toms
31th	11.00am	Mrs Manders

Sunday School during services.

Baptised at St Breward Methodist Church on 29th June. **Kathryn Anne Teague**, baby daughter of Robin and Lisa

The Sunday School Anniversary was held on 6th July. Mr Rod Harrison led the service and the children took part with readings and action songs. The **Girls Attendance Cup** was won by Zoe Teague and the **Boys Attendance Cup** was won by Jonothan Harris (Who shared it with his sister, Laura)

Blisland Methodist Church Diary

Aug

3rd	2.30pm	Mr Burd
17th	2.30pm	Mr Parkman
		(Holy Communion)
31st	2.30pm	Rev. Barnes

Blisland WRVS Club

Owing to the indisposition of our host (Mrs I Willcocks) our meeting for July was cancelled so there is no report of our activities this month.

NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS

BLISLAND SCHOOL

As most people will be aware, the future of Blisland School is now secure, and will officially re-open on September 3rd 1997. There will be an official opening ceremony between 10.30 am and 12.30pm with entertainment and a balloon race. Everyone is most welcome, especially past pupils of the school.

Our campaign was successful because of the dramatic increase in pupil numbers (now 26), the excellent OFSTED inspection and the tremendous local support.

We would like to thank everyone who supported us. The governors of Blisland School are presently appointing a second teacher who will join the school at the beginning of next term. We are also planning the timescale for appointing the permanent Headteacher who will, it is hoped commence in January 1998.

Blisland School is a happy and relaxed place where everyone is made welcome, and where there is always something happening. We have just held the school Sports Day (with the welly throwing a particular highlight and hazard!), an Open Morning, a Teddy Bears Picnic, a very successful Cornish Evening with guests from all over the county, being entertained by the children singing in Cornish. The school children took part in the Heritage Day Dance through Bodmin. This term we have been to the Minack Theatre, the Sea-Life Centre and the Seal Sanctuary. Who says village school children miss out?

Don't forget the Learning Together sessions which are held in the school every Friday afternoon between 2pm and 3pm. There are activities for pre-school children: water play,sand play, painting, singing and story-time. These sessions are a valuable introduction to school life. All pre-school children (any age) and their parents are welcome, AND ITS FREE. Telephone 01208 850 945 for details.

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Blisland Garden Fête

By kind permission of Major and Mrs Charles Edward Collins, Blisland Church held their Garden Fete at Trewardale on Saturday 19th July. We were blessed with a lovely sunny day which enhanced the beautiful setting with many stalls on the lawns selling produce etc. from cakes to white elephant. There were several games for children plus the pony rides. For adults, archery and

fly-fishing were an attraction.

Strawberries and cream at tea time provided a fitting addition to a perfect summer afternoon. We raised £680 and grateful thanks are due to those who helped in so many ways.

The Old Inn

The Annual Josie Newton Memorial Darts Competition was held at the Old Inn on Friday 13th June 1997 by kind permission of Iain & Ann Cameron.

The winners of the competition were Linda Turner & Phil Roberts and the runners-up were Jacqui Champion and Kevin (Porky) Greenaway. The winner of the Ladies Highest Score was Jacqui Champion with 140 and the winner of the Mens Highest Score was Neil Morrish with 180. Congratulations to those players.

The amount of £330 was raised on the night, thanks to a generous donation from Iain & Ann Cameron, which was doubled to £660 by Paul Heywood (A very big thank you to Paul for that).

ALSO £150 was donated from The Old Inn from their "Bonus Ball" charity money - thank you very much for that donation.

A total of £810 has now been presented to the Mount Edgecumbe Hospice.

A very big thank you to everyone who supported the event, to everyone who donated and bought raffle tickets, to Iain & Ann for their hospitality, Mickey for running the commutation and Liz for selling the raffle tickets.

Barney and I are wondering about the deafening silence over the Pub quiz with Radio Cornwall. How many questions did the Old Inn team actually answer?

This is an article which was published in a South African Magazine called **Vaal Ster** *in 1993 and is about St Breward School in the 1920's. Ed.*

No free education, no heat, no running water - but we didn't burn our schools down

GINGER REED of Vereeniging writes:

South Africa is continually being buffeted by political tornadoes; at present the word 'education' is ominously seen in the eye of the tornado. This causes violent upheavals and even disasters throughout the country.

As a spectator in these historic times I am forcibly reminded of the primary school in which I spent years of happiness 70 years ago. The school was situated on the edge of a moorland area in Cornwall, England. It was, and still is, a sparsely populated area which I now think of as being in the 'backveld' of England.

The school, built in 1852, showed obvious signs of age. It was built of granite with high rafters. To keep the interior respectable the walls were whitewashed every summer holiday.

It was a large room, accommodating all standards from one to seven in open-plan arrangement. The headmaster had standards 5,6 and 7 in his class at one end of the room. A teacher with standards 4 and 5 occupied the middle portion and another teacher at the other end had standards 1 and 2 in her class. Imagine the discord of sound emanating from that room (my dictionary refers to this as cacophony)!

Certainly not ideal conditions for learning. The infant class (grades 1 and 2) were in a small separate room. There was no staff room, no electricity, no running water on the premises; water was fetched from an artesian spring, fortunately near the playground.

On average there were 78 pupils in The main room and 22 in the infants room.

There was one small wash-basin for use by the four teachers and about 100 pupils. In the winter, heating of the premises was effected by a coal stove in each room. As can be expected overcoats where then a common sight in the classrooms!

When my mother was a scholar at this school at the end of the last century there was a school fee of one penny per week.

In my school days the government made great play of the assertion that education was free - yes, it was, for those who could afford it! In explanation of this paradoxical statement I should mention that the secondary

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Editorial

The last 2 weeks of July are our busiest time of the year, with annual accounts, VAT returns, School holidays, Apre-Carnival and various other matters taking up too much of my time. If I left out any of your notices etc please accept my apologies and remind me to put them in September's issue, that is if it isn't too late. Denis Lusby

Would someone please fill up this space by advertising your business at very reasonable rates. People do read this magazine and Veronica Stansfield of East Rose Farm has had benefit from her advert already as one of her new customers read about her delicious cream teas in the Parish Magazine. **Advertising pays** and Veronica, I will be up for a free cream tea soon!!

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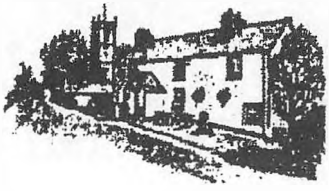

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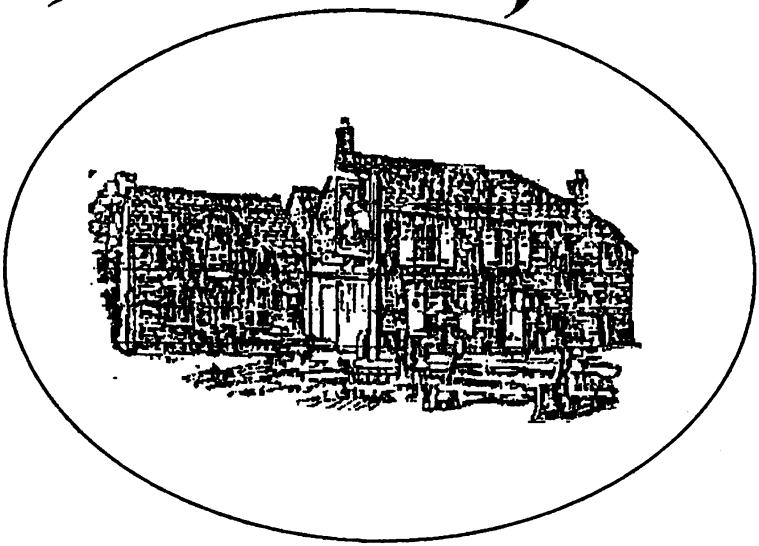

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school was several miles away, and pupils were eligible to attend this if they passed an entrance exam after reaching the age of 11. However there was no transport to the secondary school from our village, and boarding school was out of the question for 98% of the pupils due to the depressed economic conditions. Needless to say, I was one of the 98%.

When I note the fine schools and education facilities of today, I think that we, the scholars of 70 years ago, may have had a legitimate grouse.

Grouses we might have had but due perhaps to our political immaturity, it had not occurred to us that we might have enhanced our academic prospects if we had set fire to the old school, or at least smashed the windows. Not even peaceful demonstrations were on our agenda, even though in winter we trudged to school midst snow and ice, we bore no banner with a strange device!

The school teachers had a union, a very strong union. It did not pertain directly to their trade so could not be classified as a trade union. They were an integral part of the village community and the union between them, the parents and the scholars was a big contribution to the academic achievements of the school. **PS** A new school was opened in 1930 (after I left the school at the age of 14). Primary school children may now be bussed to secondary school.

The old school is now the village hall. I believe the conditions I have outlined could have applied to many of the so-called farm schools in this country. The large number of people that attained high office after commencing their education at these farm schools is a tribute to the teachers who carried out, under very trying circumstances, what they deemed to be their duty.

Joe was leaning over the gate at Dai's work. The works manager came up and asked him how was Dai who was still off sick after a number of weeks. Joe said that Dai was ready to start back at work on Monday morning. "Good", said the Works manager, "but I am worried that after such a long absence from work, Dai will have forgotten a lot about his job and will need retraining".

"Nonsense", said Joe, "of course he won't need retraining. He never did very much when he was at work, so he won't have had much to forget!"

Unexpected Pleasures

Having the car MOTed used to be so easy for those of us who live in St Breward. Pat and Dave at Brookside, not only were extremely handy, but one could always be sure of a good tale as a free optional extra. When he closed down, Pat recommended Noble's in St Teath, so that is where I go.

Complete with my not mountain bike in the back of the car I set off on the annual pilgrimage to satisfy the law. Unless you had not noticed it has rained rather a lot this year. Incidentally if we do not get some good weather soon I shall have words with the oak and the ash, because one of them has been telling porky pies!
It seemed a good excuse to get some exercise so decked with waterproofs from head to foot, the challenge was to see just how far I could go without having to dismount.

Gam bridge was the first stop. That did not seem like cheating, and in any event if it was it was too pretty not to stop and enjoy the scene. Setting off again I noticed that the hill up to the village was only 14%. This could not present a problem as the last one had been 16%. Wrong! The bike then turned into it's other mode; 'Push'.

What a pleasure that turned out to be. I had forgotten just how enchanting the brook is which babbles down the valley. It was even better with all the recent rain. The pleasure continued round the corner after the Hamatethy junction. The bank was just an abundance of different plants. Not only were many of them in bloom, but the leaves were brought into sharper focus from the rain, which was continuing to fall. Not only that but each plant seemed to display it drops in a different way. Each one was trying to outdo the others in trying to show the light more beautifully. Of course the grasses seemed to win the day . I once collected some 70 different grasses for a course in agricultural botany, so have learned to see the differences. This is the time that grasses are in flower and are really at their best. It is quite incredible how many different ways Mother Nature has fashioned these lovely swaying heads. Well, the rain drops were just like the icing on the cake. Perhaps it should be jam and cream on the scones!

When I got to the top I felt like going down for another look. However as one should end a good meal feeling that you could really eat some more I resisted. Instead writing this has brought it all vividly back into view.

A.N.Emmitt

Blisland through the ages

'Land of Bliss' our name implies,
From ancient days our forebears rise,
Nine hundred years our children's cries
Have sounded from the green!

Those feudal days the hasty sword's
Sharp clang oft' rent the evening air,
The marksman with his arrow swift
Soon put to rout his target there!

Lovely village, moors surrounding,
Temple near, and saints abounding,
'Land of Hell' lies yonder, haunting, -
Norman church our souls redeem!

Well stocked meadows, valleys green,
and fishing in the tumbling stream,
Feast of St Pratt, and Old Sheep Fair,
Weave history in a pattern rare!

Then clay and granite, rail and coach,
Shows how changing face of time encroach!

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Inez May Burrows

When Christine & and I were in the process of buying the village stores, one of the instructions we were given was that a woman wearing a pork-pie hat and mens trousers, who was a parish councillor, a staunch Conservative supporter, an active hunt follower and one who had a feel for the pulse of village life and was not backward in putting forward her views.- shopped in the store on Tuesday and Thursday mornings - We had to supply her with a chair and a cup of coffee whilst she conducted her business with various people. Charlie Lewis said her name was 'Highness' and he often called her 'Your Highness'. It took me nearly a year to realise that everyone was saying 'Inez' but by then it was too late, to me she will always be 'Highness'.

Sure enough, she would arrive through the door, throw down her bag, order us to put on the kettle, before stomping out to sort out them in the Post office and in Bill the Butchers. A while later she would re-appear and do her shopping; God help us if we didn't have what she wanted. In those early days there was many an emergency trip to Camelford for those forgotten items! Then she would sit on her stool, drink her coffee while discussing business or giving someone hell - usually Joe Kay. One day Joe got his own back when making the coffee he picked up the wrong container and put in 2 large spoons of salt instead of sugar. Highness took a large mouthful and promptly spat it out again. The air was blue for several minutes and Joe had to lie low for a day or two.

She used to sit in the shop and look out at the field opposite that was land-locked between the houses. She thought it would make a lovely memorial garden and campaigned actively around the village and on the parish council until a special meeting was arranged. "You'll be at the meeting?" she told me. Aware of being 'incomers' and fairly new ones at that, we didn't attend the meeting. Her proposal was rejected. Next morning in shop my excuse of "VAT books to do" was not accepted. I felt like a traitor. Just then, a native of St Breward asked her how the vote had gone and she said "Bloody Emmits, all came along and voted agin it!" Either way I was in a no win situation.

After her first spell in hospital she was forced to give up her Parish Council duties and with further hospitalisation she lost a lot of her assertiveness and energy ,so it was with delight that the old Inez returned. I can still picture her sitting in the Conservative Tellers' horse-box while Charlie Colman unplugged her light socket round the back, plunging her into darkness. She was definitely back on form. The day before she died, she gave me hell about the lack of her favourite Chicken & Ham paste that only she was fond of. Needless to say, off I went and bought 12 jars. I believe that she is up there chuckling at the 12 jars

of paste still sitting on my shelf, saying "That 'ill teach the bugger for not doing as I told 'im."

I may have found her exasperating at times, but I do know that we have lost and will miss, a friend who was one of St Breward's great characters,and who had the interests of the village at heart. I have no hesitation in including below the substance of an address by the Revd. Conrad Sargisson at her funeral on Wednesday 11th June

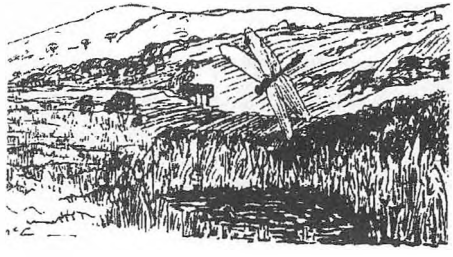
Denis Lusby

Inez May Burrows aged 72 years who passed away on Thursday 5th June 1997

In the days before St Breward Church organ was blown by electricity 'Iney' as a small girl used to pump the organ by hand on Sunday evenings in the time of Parson Jennings. Inez and Raymond's mother had been widowed early. She then married a naval officer who on retirement became the licensee of the Old Inn in the village here from 1930 to 1940.

Inez in her smart trouser suit will be missed in our community as a 'character'. She was known for being direct in speech - and a few people like that add spice to village life. Perhaps that developed in her in her wartime service in the ATS. When de-mobbed she became the local postlady, tramping the moors here from farm to farm. She worked in a Bodmin factory, then on a Blisland farm and in the greenhouses at De Lank. What a versatile lady! She enriched the village life again as a Parish Councillor, she was active in the North Cornwall Conservative Party.

That St Breward Church should be full for her Burial Service is a measure of the value we set on such a useful person. BUT we wouldn't have bothered to come if we did not believe in the Resurrection of the dead in Jesus Christ, Inez lives on and we commend her to his care.



St Breward WI July Meeting

The meeting was taken by Mrs J Sainsbury in the absence of our President, Mrs C Woolf, due to illness. A Get-well card was handed around to be signed by those present. A letter has been received from our MP, Paul Tylor who will ask Matthew Taylor to take up our concern about the new weight limits for heavy lorries, which will necessitate strengthening most of the county's small bridges. Although we were offered a further day about the Heartbeat Course, which nine members attended last time, no further interest was shown. Does anyone fancy their chances in the Mastermind Motoring Finals organised by Kessels? - now is the time to apply!

Already we are urged to think of a resolution for the IGM at Brighton on 3rd June 1998! It is possible that our concern about the proliferation of telecommunication masts could be a suitable one to pursue.

Mrs H Cragg will be attending a further course at Denman Collage in July (having enjoyed her previous ones so much) - we shall be interested to hear all about this at our September meeting - so be prepared Hilary!

A problem has arisen about the visit to Mr Eric Baker's garden in Lerryn; the bus is not available , so several members are providing transport in their cars; if you wish to go and have not been included in a car party please contact the secretary about a space. The cars will all meet at Mrs P Powell's house (a well known venue for the Garden Day supporters) and we shall proceed in convoy to Lerryn.

Our speaker was Mr Henty who has a shop in Fowey full of Mabel Lucie Attwell memorabilia, and has a passion for all things connected to her life and work. He spoke mainly about her family and life, saying that she was a workaholic producing her famous postcards for over forty years.

The competition for the Flower of the Month was won by Mrs R Lowe, but sadly no-one felt able to produce a drawing in the style of Mabel Lucy, or to write a story for children this month.

In September we shall entertaining the CFWI Chairman, Mrs Mary McCabe, who will talk about the Isles of Scilly, so we hope for a good turnout on that evening. In the meantime do enjoy the summer and all that it offers to those of us who are fortunate to live here on a permanent basis.

Anne Holmes

Blisland WI

Our **June Meeting** was held on the 25th in the Village Hall. Mrs Gurr was in the chair. We welcomed Mrs MacDonald, our visitor this evening. Entry arrangements for the Produce Show on Wednesday 23rd July were discussed.

We have received a sample of tea from Messers Miles of Porlock, Somerset.

The President of St Breward WI has asked us for volunteers to help with the production of a play depicting life on the moor at the beginning of the century. So far Mrs Gurr is the only volunteer!

Mrs Gurr suggested that it would be nice to plant an oak on the Village Green to commemorate our Golden Anniversary. This was proposed by Mrs Cawse and seconded by Ms Runnalls. A letter will be sent to the Parish Council requesting permission.

Our speaker was Mr Brociner who gave us an interesting account of his work with the Glamorgan Public Health Authority fifty years ago! Having started with washing bottles in the laboratory for thirtysix shillings a week - he progressed to being responsible for the chemical and bacterial analysis of food etc. when contamination was suspected - in fact anything from water and effluent to sausages and cake mixes.

Mr Brociner, who calls himself an immigrant from South Wales, has lived in Cornwall for the past 40 years. He retired from English China Clay 7 years ago and has since done voluntary service in Cornwall - mainly as a voluntary car driver and now spends a lot of his time as a public speaker. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs O'Donnell.

Competitions: Flowers 1st Mrs Pierce, 2nd Mrs Aspinall, 3rd Mrs O'Donnell
Favourite Remedy 1st Mrs Pierce, 2nd Mrs Aspinall

Our **July Meeting** was held on 16th July, Mrs Gurr was in the chair.

Final arrangements were made for the produce Show on July 23rd. Our Annual summer Lunch will be at Trelawney on August 20th. -this is usually a most enjoyable outing.

Our speaker was Mrs Betty Donnelly who gave us a talk about her experiences

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as a hairdresser from the 'Forties' to the present day and how techniques and hair products have changed over the years. How nice for a change having one of our own members as a speaker - it was a very entertaining account and we all thoroughly enjoyed listening to her. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs King.

Two members hope to visit Prideaux Place on September 19th to enjoy learning about 'A House and its History'

Competitions: Flowers 1st Mrs Pierce, 2nd Mrs Aspinall, 3rd Mrs Barwood
Decorative Hairpiece 1st Mrs Pierce, 2nd Miss Runnalls, 3rd Mrs Barwood

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Tuesday 29th July is a day that Mrs Sue Mitchell of Barn Park will remember for a long time. Just as she was settling down with her family for a quiet evening watching television, their peace was shattered by her tom cat Cooper. So-called because the pitiful scrap rescued by Sue proved to be a battler in his fight to survive (just like Henry Cooper).

Cooper placed a tiny bundle on the rug in front of them. It turned out to be a new born kitten still wrapped in afterbirth which Cooper had found in the long grass of the one acre field adjoining their house. Sue roused her household to begin a search of the long grass for the mother of the kitten and the possibility of there being more kittens abandoned in the field. They had hardly begun when a troop of 16 weary and hungry scouts from Cologne, Germany asked if they could camp in their field overnight. They had walked from the other side of Alternun that morning and had expected to pick up some supplies on the way.

The kitten search was abandoned and the two gallon teapot Sue had kept for such an emergency as this, was pressed into service. Soon 16 scouts, boys and girls, were stretched out along the drive enjoying a cup of tea with milk and brown sugar, which is apparently quite expensive in Germany and is only used on grand occasions. (St Breward comes up trumps again!).

Imagine the look of surprise on Sue's husband, Bryan, who on his return from work found his drive cluttered with 16 scouts and 16 even larger rucksacks, all rattling away in German, the tom cat had found a kitten, they had run out of milk and what's German for toilet? When things had settled down Cooper appeared with another kitten. Then the penny dropped - They should have named the cat after Alice Cooper not Henry as she is now the proud mother of two kittens.

St Breward AFC & Social Club

Secretary's Report The football season kicks off again on August 16th. Pre-season friendlies have been arranged and are listed below. July 11th saw the arrival of a **Biker Convention** *(So that's what one o' they is! I thought that it was just Barrie and some of his mates. Ed),* who camped at the top of the football field for the weekend. Catering was provided by the club. A collection was made amongst themselves and they donated £50 to **Arthritis Care**. They gave a vote of thanks to everyone and said they will definitely be coming back again.

1st Team Friendlies for August

Date	Opponents	Venue
Sat 2	TBA	Away
Sat 9	Porthleven	Home

1st Team Fixtures for August

Sat 16	Sticker	Home
Wed 20	Bude	Home
Sat 23	Bugle	Away
Wed 27	Padstow	Home
Sat 30	St Austell	Away

2nd Team Friendlies for August

Date	Opponents	Venue
Sat 2	Torpoint	Home
Sat 9	Bugle	Away
Tue 12	Padstow	Home

2nd Team Fixtures are still to be confirmed.

Saturday Kick Off time is 3.00pm until end of October

Entertainment

Sat 2 Jumbo's (This is the last one) Disco
Sat 9 Al Hodge Tickets £2 prior or £3 on the door
Sat 16 Jumbo's Disco (*This must be the last plus one. Ed*)
Sat 23 Live Music
Sat 30 Tim's Disco (Definately without the Art Colman Formation Dance Team)

Arthritis News

Doreen Kay would like to thank everyone for taking part in the Hippy Walk on June 18th, despite the awful weather. A profit of £200 approx was raised. Thank you Hippies!!

Mrs Hazel Kay of 'The Kays', Trefrew Road, Camelford is having a **Coffee Morning and Afternoon Teas** day on August 14th 10.00am - 4.00pm. Everyone welcome. There will be various stalls and proceeds will be for the local branch of Arthritis Care

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