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Editorial

When I opened my 2001 organiser and found that it began on January 5th 2001 I began to worry. Where has my lost week gone to? Will I go through the first week of 2001 without it leaving any trace on my memory? The vicar has assured me that there is no point waiting on the top of Roughtor for the Apocalypse, I will only be wet and cold and sorry company for the sheep and ponies.

I have made only one New Year's resolution for our magazine

'I will endeavour to publish it dreckly each month'.

It looks as though my resolution is safe for January at least.

I would like to remind our readers that The dreaded **annual subscriptions** are now due. The good news is that they are still only £3 for the year.

Advertisement bills are also due as we are charging on a calendar basis. Please be prompt with payments. Everyone connected with your magazine does so on a voluntary basis.

Finally, my heartfelt thanks to all of you who helped our magazine throughout 2000. I look forward to your involvement in 2001 as we embark on our own Space Oddyssey when we attempt to fill 40 pages of space every month.

Denis lusby

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Letters

Dear Editor

Following on from the excellent article on Pearl Harbour, it may be of interest to know that the message of the attack came through to us in Britain unscrambled! No doubt the American responsible forgot his drill in shock.

A friend of mine, a nervous and excitable lady, worked in the War Office as a telephonist. As the news came through, she, as usual, repeated it to a supervisor and was promptly arrested. Scared to death, she begged to know why but the answer she received was the advent of two extremely large Guardsmen who marched her between them to another room. There they remained for several hours, refusing to answer her frantic questions. She must have thought she was headed for the Tower of London.

She was eventually released without explanation but warned to tell no-one of the attack. She told me a long time afterwards that nothing the war could have thrown at her could have scared her more. At least she had the doubtful privilege of being the first person in this country to hear the news!.

Joan Hunt

Dear editor,

I would like to say I am in full agreement with the letter in December magazine.

Perhaps the 'Sanders' and the 'public' are just experiencing a total misunderstanding! It would be nice if the children and elderly residents could have a muck free footpath. The dog mess is easy to clean up but cattle mess? No fine for that we notice! No 'pooper scooper' big enough?

M Murray

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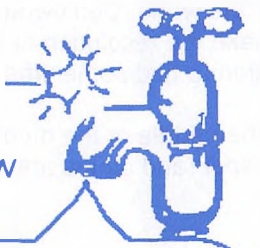

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By the time you read this it will be January 2001 — the beginning of the new millennium. You see if Jesus was born around 25th December 0 AD, then the millennium properly would start then, but then the year should start and January would start a week early and... and...

Top be frank the mathematics of calendar making is complicated and does it matter?

Well it's nice to have a feeling of a new start — giving up our worst vices and building up our best virtues. Jesus himself offered to many who were down and out for the count the chance to start again. He healed the blind, those with mental illness and to everyone especially those on the margins of society the chance to start again. Jesus was a New Year kind of person believing that new life was within the grasp of all human beings.

So this year work on the principle of hope. Expect this year to be the very best of your life. Miracles will then come your way. They were there anyway but with hope in your heart you will notice them.

Be honest with God. Ask him for what you really want, for yourself, your family, the world. Don't wrap up your requests in fancy religious language. Just make the resolution to pray honestly. Make that your New Year resolution to find some time for God in your lives.

From the middle of the month a group will meet fortnightly from the church and chapel (and others are welcome) with just that task — to pray honestly to God.

Derek Carrivick

Helland New Year Party

Friday 5th January

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The hand bell ringers were invited to play at their first engagement – 'Carols by Candlelight' at the Methodist Chapel on the 8th of December. Despite first night nerves all went well and we felt brave enough to play again at the Carol Service held in Temple Church on the 17th December.

After their stunning success at Bill Hill's birthday party held at the Old Inn recently, a group of male belly dancers are available for hire. If you can STOMACH the thought of this please contact www.bellybutton.com for details.

"The Three Stooges Restaurant" The Institute, Blisland.

"We wish to thank everyone who supported our Christmas Bazaar and the following Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, not only the helpers and the many providers of goodies to sell and of course those that came along to buy! We raised the sum of £351.70 in aid of the new Shop, Post Office and Doctors Surgery.

Also many thanks go to Margaret and Gary of Blisland Inn who kindly loaned us their small oven which proved most useful.
A big Thanks is also due to Mary & Bill Pope who very kindly allowed the use of their premises to some fishing friends for a party and they held an Auction Of Promises and raised the grand sum of £490.00 which they donated to our cause to which we are exceedingly grateful.

Mary & Bill also organised an evening of Carol Singing on December 18th. They hired The St Kew Community Bus and fourteen of us visited various houses by invitation and we raised £141.00. It was a most enjoyable evening, we must thank those that we visited for the generous hospitality that we were given, mulled wine, sherries, pasties and mince pies etc!!! Also to thank those that offered us hospitality which we sometimes refused as if we had accepted everywhere we would not have done much singing & collecting!!!! The big bonus was that it was a DRY night and after our last call at Blisland Inn we were all invited to Mary & Bill's for soup and pasties which really finished off the evening very nicely. We also must not forget to thank those that came along singing with us, reckon that we did a pretty good job considering that we had no practises beforehand!"

Many Thanks & have A very Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for 2001!
The Stooges!!!!!!

Chapel's Page

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Dear friends,

So here we are at the start of 2001.

In the name of Jesus Christ and His church I wish you all a very happy and peaceful New Year.

I wonder what it has in store for us all. Some might say, if only we could see into the future and prepare for what is in store for us. But of course that is not our privilege, nor is it possible. Personally, I am pleased that God gives me just one day at a time. Even Jesus is quoted as saying:

"Do not worry about tomorrow for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of it's own". (Matthew 6 v 34)

Does the future worry you? Or will you trust God for each day?

May I recommend to you a way of peace for this year. First day of the week worship God with others. Then for each following day read just one verse of Psalm 23 and spend five minutes thinking about the words. This a sure recipe for inner peace of mind. When and "if" troubles come your way, pray to God and ask others to pray for you too. .Local Christians in your parish will be meeting together and want to pray for anyone who is in need by name or anonymously. May God bless you and your family this year.

Yours Sincerely: Pastor Brian.

CHURCH NOTICE from Rev Derek and Pastor Brian. Each fortnight Christians of any denomination are invited to join in prayer to intercede for others. Individuals are encouraged to request prayer through the "ministers" or church members known to them. First meeting will be in the vestry of the Methodist Church on Tuesday January 16th at 2pm. This meeting will be led by Rev. Derek Carrivick and all are welcome.

Blisland Methodist Church services for January

14th	2.30pm	RSSA Service
28th	2.30pm	Preacher Pastor Brian Parkman

Helland Methodist Church Services for January 2001

7th	11.00am	Mr R Garner
14th	11.00am	Mr A Priestley
21st	11.00am	Mrs J Garbett
28th	9.30am	United Covenant Service Rev D Bridge

St Breward Methodist January Diary

No Coffee Morning this month

7th	9.30am	Brian Parkman SAC
14th	9.30am	Len Mabson
21st	9.30am	Brian Parkman
28th	9.30am	Andrew Martin

Wednesday's Kids club 3.15pm

Helland News

There is an ecumenical party in the Helland Village Hall on 5th January. All the village are welcome. This celebrates a full year of close union between Methodist and Parish Churches in Helland. See details on page 7.

Helland Hall Committee will meet again in February to announce the next fund-raising exercise for March. More news then.

Congratulations to Jennifer Carroll who gave birth to a bouncing baby girl, Jasmine at 4.00 AM on 01:01:01

Jasmine was the first Cornish baby in 2001. Her visit to friends at Rylands, St Breward was cut short by a necessary trip to Penrice.

St Breward Silver Band
Founded 1899

Band Rests After A Hectic Year.

Members of the St Breward Silver Band are taking a well-earned rest during January 2001, following one of the most successful years in the band's 100 year history.

The highlight of the millennium year being crowned the West of England's 4th Section Brass Band Champions, this followed in the autumn by the All England Championship play off held in the Royal Albert Hall, London.

During the millennium year the band met on over 150 engagements made up of rehearsals, concerts, summer engagements, carnivals, no mean feat for such a small Cornish non professional band.

Sounds of brass will soon be heard again in St Breward village early part of next year, as rehearsals start all over again in preparation for the season ahead, and the participating in the West of England's 3rd qualifiers section Brass Band Competition to be held at the Riviera Centre, Torquay.

In addition to competitions, and numerous band engagements throughout the coming year, the band by popular request, and to commemorate the band's success during the millennium year, a new CD is to be released early summer in time for sale and purchase at all forthcoming band engagements.

To maintain the band's long term existence for years to come, music classes for beginners has started. This is open to all budding musicians of all ages, so if there is anyone who would like a blow with the view to learning to play a brass wind Instrument or indeed try percussion, then you would be very welcome by the band members. Tuition is free, as is the loan of instruments until promoted to senior band level, when a small weekly membership subscription is payable. To find out a little more about this exciting chance of being a brass band musician, then all you have to do is telephone Clair or Nick on 01208 851203 they would be pleased to hear from you. For more details about the band visit their web site on www.stbrewardband.freeserve.co.uk

The members of the band express their sincere thanks and gratitude to sponsors, supporters, and friends of the band taking this opportunity in sending seasons greetings and sincere best wishes for the coming year.

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The Legend of the Holly

When you are taking down the Christmas decorations do you ever wonder why we use holly. I always assumed that it was because it was the only plant that had bright red berries as well as glossy green foliage at this time of year. The following article shows just how wrong you can be.

There are many legends about this evergreen bush with its shiny leaves and bright berries. Holly has been used as a decoration representing good will and rejoicing throughout the ages.

One legend associates holly with the burning bush Moses encountered in the wilderness. Another tells us that Christ's crown of thorns was woven from holly, and before the crucifixion, the plant bore white berries, which later turned to crimson.

On the night that the holy family fled out of Bethlehem, when King Herod's soldiers were very close, legend tells us that Mary and Joseph hid the Baby Jesus under a holly bush until the danger had passed. The Christ Child blessed the holly so that it would remain forever green- a symbol of immortality.

Ever since then, the evergreen holly has been associated with the promise of everlasting life.

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Public footpaths can be an emotive issue in a parish. Recent letters to this magazine and comments at parish council meetings bear this out. Unfortunately, the views of both sides in this issue quickly become polarised, stances become entrenched and the footpath remains as it was. In St Breward the 3 footpaths that top the current list for concern are Churchtown to school; Tigers Plat and Bolts Quarry Farm.

Both landowner and user have valid concerns and rights and in an effort to encourage consensus I reprint the following from the Country Landowners Association web site.

Our parish Footpaths should be enjoyed and cared for by all of us in our parish and by the many visitors who enjoy walking them.

Denis Lusby

MANAGING RIGHTS OF WAY: A CHECKLIST FOR LANDOWNERS AND FARMERS

. . . . .a partnership is needed - between farmers and landowners, local highway authorities, and users - to tackle specific challenges. In particular, action is needed to ensure that rights of way are:

- legally defined - to improve certainty for all about what rights exist where;
- properly maintained - so that paths are easy to use by local people and visitors;
- signed and waymarked - to help users find their way and avoid trespass;
- improved and modernised - to reflect modern recreational and land management needs, for example by creating circular, off-road, walks and rides;
- and managed - to tackle any problems effectively and thus to avoid and minimise social, economic
- and environmental conflicts.

THE CHECKLIST IS AS FOLLOWS:

1 Find out what public footpaths, bridleways and other highways exist over your land. Obtain copies of the "Definitive Map and Statement" and the "List of Streets" - and any other relevant documents - held by the local highway authority.

2 Take full account of public rights of way in managing your land - and ensure that any employees, contractors, and tenants, also do so. It is good practice for contracts to require contractors to respect all such highways.

3 Provide waymarks to help improve certainty about access routes - and to avoid trespass. Local highway authorities will often do this work. It is good practice to walk paths with user groups before waymarking them.

4 Inspect rights of way across your land and remove any natural or man-made

obstructions which are your responsibility. One area where action is often needed is to clear vegetation encroaching on rights of way from the sides or above.

5 If you cannot avoid cross-field footpaths and bridleways during cultivations, ensure that they are restored and kept clear of crops to the correct width. The minimum widths are at least 1 metre for a footpath and 2 metres for a bridleway.

6 Never cultivate field-edge footpaths and bridleways, nor any cross-field or field-edge carriageways. Respect the minimum widths - at least 1.5 metres for a field-edge footpath, 3 metres for a field-edge bridleway, 3 metres for a cross-field carriageway, and 5 metres for a field-edge carriageway.

7 Ask the local highway authority to deal with any obstructions which are their responsibility. Missing footbridges, or inadequate path surfaces, are examples. If in doubt about responsibility for any problem, discuss it with the highway authority.

8 Seek agreement to any proposals to divert or extinguish rights of way from user groups and the parish council before making a formal application to the local authority. Securing wide agreement should help speed proposals through the statutory procedures by avoiding objections - and hence costly public inquiries.

9 Honour your legal obligations in relation to any path which you might wish to divert before seeking a diversion order. This is essential for your own credibility and so as to compare existing and proposed routes. Never make "informal" diversions: the official line of the right of way will still exist and the new route could be claimed as a right of way too.

10 Consider the benefits of improving public access on rights of way on your land. Dedicating new path links can help create convenient circular walks or rides. Dedicating a footpath as a bridleway - if the width and surface is suitable - could help get horses and cyclists off the roads. Discuss opportunities with local people and seek wide agreement.

11 .Seek help from the local authority in tackling any management problems associated with rights of way. The authority may be able to provide practical help in managing difficult problems as diverse as litter, dog-fouling and sheep worrying.

12.Help improve certainty about rights of way by depositing a "section 31(6)" map, statement and statutory declaration with the highway authority. The local highway authority should be able to provide advice and forms.

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The Allen Valley Singers are made up by members from North Cornwall and have become a very talented choir, in great demand for concerts etc. They have recently won the "Best Choir" award at St Austell Music Festival and have also recently featured on Radio Cornwall.

Last year's Spring Concert was a complete sell out so you are advised to purchase tickets early (cost £2) from the Village Grocery Stores or telephone Eric Tiplady on 01208 850185

NORTH CORNWALL HUNT

January, 2001

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Sat	6th	Hamatethy
Wed	10th	The Ship Inn, Wadebridge
Sat	13th	The Red Lion, St Kew Highway
Sat	13th	Horn blowing competition, etc
Wed	17th	See next card
Sat	20th	Moorland meet

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Some interesting words in 10 varieties!

1	ABCDE in order:-	AMBUSCADE
2	Vowels AEIOU in order:-	ABSTEMIOUS
3	Vowels in reverse order:-	SUBCONTINENTAL
4	Using one vowel only:-	ABRACADABRA, DEFENCELESSNESS
5	Palindromes:-	NURSE, I SPY GYPSIES. RUN!
6	Relevant anagrams:-	STATESMAN = MEANS TEST THE CLASS ROOM = SCHOOLMASTER
7	No repetition of letters:-	BUCKFASTLEIGH, UNDISCOVERABLY
8	Reverse words:-	STRESSED = DESSERTS
9	Multiple anagrams:-	RESULT, LUSTRE, RUSTLE ETC
10	Ingenious crossword clues:-	WOLF EBB HIJKLMNO WATER

Readers may like to put forward their own contributions.

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ADULT EDUCATION COMES TO ST BREWARD!

Following an inspection on 11 December, in principle the village hall has been accepted as an ideal venue for the holding of classes. Seventy per cent of respondents to the Parish Appraisal stated their wish for an adult education facility in St Breward.

Now that this has been achieved, we invite you to indicate the subjects of your choice either by phoning me, Jon Webb, Hon Treasurer, on (01208) 851498, or by speaking to Denis or Christine Lusby of St Breward Stores.

State your preference for morning, afternoon or evening classes. If there is a good response, we can make a start in the New Year. Subjects offered appear in the Adult Education publication, as do the fees, and include, for example, watercolours, drawing and painting, bridge, book-keeping and accounts, computing, historic Cornwall, French, health and fitness, mathematics, wood-carving, writing and yoga. Almost any subject can be entertained.

Roll up! Roll up! Adult Education arrives in St Breward!

STOP PRESS

To start the ball rolling, it is hoped that the following two evening courses will commence in the week commencing 15 January 2001:

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St Breward School

December has been a very exciting month for St Breward School. Some of us visited the Eden project, Class Two had a Sale and we were all involved in the Christmas Play. Here are our reports:

Our Visit to the Eden Project by Kelly Bunt and Tim Clark.

On Friday 1st December, Class 3 went to the very exciting Eden Project at St Austell.

"At first," said Kelly, "I felt very tingly and excited because I had no idea what it would be like. It was vast!"

We were taken on a tractor ride down to the enormous conservatories called biomes. From there, we were able to see those colossal structures up close.
Inside, we could see the men planting lots of different types of trees from all over the world.

Then we went to the Visitor Centre where we were shown how the Eden Project will conserve many different plants.

Tim said, "It was brilliant and I can't wait to go again, next summer, to see it fully open."

Class Two Sale by Ben French and Lisa Millward

On Thursday 30th November. Class 2 held a sale to raise money for more equipment for their class.

"We sold toys, clothes, books and china," said Ben, "and lots of cakes, biscuits and buns were eaten!"

There was also a raffle, which created a lot of interest.

"Altogether," said Lisa, "we raised £186.13 and we are now deciding which equipment we will buy."

Class 2 would like to thank all of the people who gave their support and attended this sale and to the children who donated their toys and books.

The Christmas Play by Rebecca Teague and Dan Mead

December was a busy time for us all at the school as we had to practice hard and rehearse for, what we think, was the best Christmas Play we have ever performed.

"Called 'The Elves and the Circus', it took us weeks to perfect," said Rebecca, "but I think everyone enjoyed themselves and found it exciting."
Mr Marvello Marvellous, a.k.a. Dan Mead, who was the Ringmaster in this performance said,

"They were brilliant family evenings, a complete success and we would like to thank Mr & Mrs Brewer and all of the people who helped to make it the best ever……YET!!"

We would also like to thank all the Mums, Dads and families who have supported us in lots of ways.

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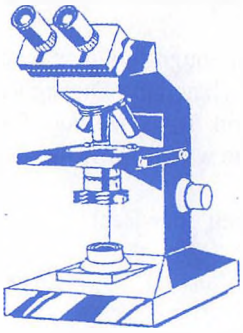

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THE MOLE ON THE GREEN

The puzzle this month is, what do the following have in common?

(i) housewives rushing to the butchers before Christmas;

(ii) Southampton supporters going to "The Dell";

(iii) Bec from the Ladies Darts Team.

The answer is Turkey Trot!!

Although this may be obvious for the first two, the third item may require a little explanation. During a darts competition around the public houses of Bodmin, Bec won first prize out of all contestants in their League. However, suggestions that she was favourite because she normally scores most in the pub are strongly denied.

Well done Bec!

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No doubt some of you will have noticed the attempted re-enactment of the popular television detective series Miami Vice, with the title amended to Blisland Vice for the benefit of locals. Unfortunately, due to a tight budget, the powerful, slick sports car has been replaced by a T J Brent's van. Furthermore, it would appear that Crockett and Tubbs have had a career change to stewards in a bar – well at least that's what I think it meant!

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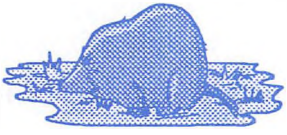
Gentleman at the Blisland Inn thought that Christmas had arrived early when a stunning blond bimbo strolled casually into the bar one evening in December. Unfortunately, all their hopes were soon dashed when they realised it was that man again with the Dairy Crest shorts!



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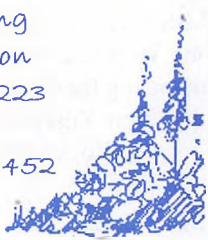

THE GUIDE ASSOCIATION

An Ode of Thanks

News is important to folk such as we
Who live in a rural community;
It's quite a job bringing it all together
But Denis doesn't seem to complain, not ever.

At this time of year, it's time to recall
Those who organise and do things for all.
We just want to say "THANK YOU" from
The Brownies and Guides of St. Breward
For your support and donation, before we go forward
To another year of "Growing Together" for the common good

THREE CHEERS FOR DENIS & THE ST. BREWARD NEIGHBOURHOOD.

Happy 2001

St Mabyn Pre-school

A lovely time was had by all at our Christmas Craft Fair & Social Evening in St Mabyn Hall. We raised over £250. Many thanks for all the donations of food etc. . . . and the cash donations in our tin.

All money raised will go towards new equipment for the pre-school. Look out 2001 here we come, for a year of fun and fundraising for the Pre-school. Happy New Year to everyone.

Robyn Ball

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St Breward Neighbourhood Watch

It is with great sadness that we announce that PERCY DINGLE, the Founder and Chairman of St. Breward Neighbourhood Watch, passed away on the morning of Sunday, 1 0th. December.

Percy started NHW about six years ago and had also been a Police Special in the past. He was well known in the Village and will be remembered for his "laid-back" and relaxed attitude and his sense of humour.
He will be greatly missed by those who knew and respected him.
The greatest tribute that we can pay him is to carry on the work of NHW, making it even more successful than it has now become

BEWARE ANTIQUE KNOCKERS

The police have brought to our attention, that a team of Antique Knockers is calling from door to door, to give prices for your treasured clock and household items. You are advised not to let them into your house as their motives are suspect. If you should experience a visit please call 0990 700400 and inform the Police of your experience.

OPERATION AMETHYST

The Home Office has provided £1 000,000 to Devon & Cornwall Police, to help deal with crimes which are drink and drugs related. The Police are to introduce schemes aimed at stamping out this serious social problem.
Said the Scheme Co-ordinator, Sgt. Lynn Gooding, "Figures in domestic violence and drunken behaviour are growing, so a concerted effort is required by all parties involved." Those parties are, The Probation Service, the Youth Service, the Health Authority, the Police and district Councils. 'There is a vested interest for all parties to be involved.

CRACKDOWN ON CRIME

Police are clamping down on car crime in Bodmin in the run up to Christmas. They are bringing in a range of measures, including patrols in town on late night shopping evenings, distributing posters and leaflets and giving advice on how to avoid becoming a victim.
Last month over a third of crime in Bodmin was vehicle related, ranging from letting down tyres to causing damage and theft.
Cars are particularly vulnerable, as people leave just-bought-presents in view, on the back seats.
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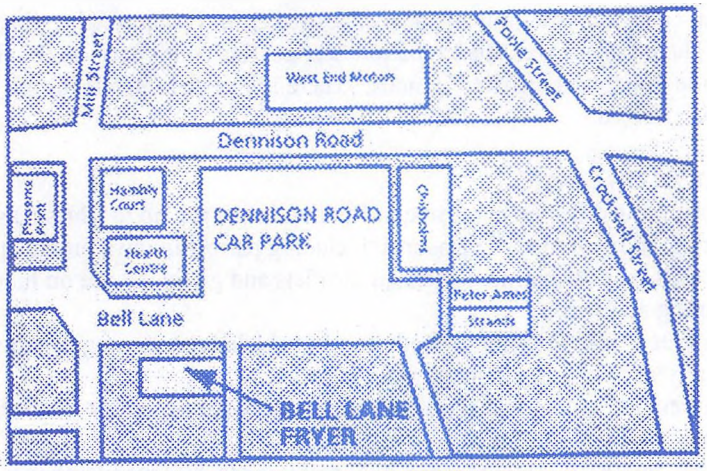

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St. Breward WI

In eager anticipation of Mr. Charles Perry's slides entitled " Focus on Nature" thirteen members braved a particularly wild and wet evening, and were not disappointed. Once again his meticulous portrayal of flowers, butterflies, fungi and birds, coupled with his extensive knowledge made us forget the weather rattling the windows outside.

The president, Mrs. C. Woolf, announced that this year there would be two bursaries of £100 each for members to attend a course at Denman College; applicants would be required to give a written application stating why they had chosen a particular subject.

Once again it has been decided to have a Craft afternoon once a month, moving from house to house; the first one will be at Mrs. Muriel Wilton's home on Wednesday, January 17th 2.00pm till 4.00pm when Muriel will give a patchwork demonstration.

Three members went to the Seafood cookery evening at Padstow when many demonstrations were given, and recipes copied out for future reference. At a future date we are hoping to have Mrs. Rosemary Slee on " Cooking with a Wok"; the way she presents this is an entertainment by itself even if you never intend using a wok!

As subscriptions are almost it was announced that they might be paid in three instalments, in January, February and March.

Our next meeting will be the January Social in the Methodist Church on January 9th at 7.15pm; each member is asked to bring a wrapped gift (the maximum cost £1) and a small amount of food for the supper; there will be three £5 vouchers for WI subs, as prizes.

The weather relented a little for our Christmas tea at East Rose on Wednesday the 13th of December; about seventeen members gathered to enjoy the varied and tasty food that Mrs. Stansfield had prepared for us, even down to crackers to pull and gave a real party atmosphere to the afternoon.

The next outing will be the New Year lunch at the Old Inn at St. Breward, arriving at 12.30 on Wednesday, January 10th, 2001; the social life of our institute is continually improving!

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There were not many competition entries due to the small attending the December meeting so Mr. Perry's judging was not too difficult Mrs M Wilton wrote the best poem on his theme of "Focus on Nature," and also produced the best posy around a candle!

By the time you read this it will be 2001 but still not too late to wish everyone A Very Happy and Healthy New Year from St. Breward Women's Institute: why not come to a trial meeting in the spring and see what we have to offer at our meetings: we can guarantee that you will make new friends and possibly learn about something new for a hobby.

Anne Holmes

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1000 cash thefts from cars in Devon & Cornwall.
Inspector Fowell of D & C Police advised, that if you are leaving your car unattended with valuables in it, make sure that you are in a well lit or conspicuous area, your vehicle alarm is activated, your windows and doors are securely shut and locked and that any valuables are locked away in the boot or out of sight.

ON THE BRIGHTER SIDE
Reported crime has fallen in the West Country as a whole according to recently released figures.
An annual report of Chief Constable, Sir John Evans shows that total offences fell from 110,644 last year to 110,361 this year, a drop of 0.3%
There will be 275 extra Police officers recruited in the next three years.
Police officers spent 61.5% of their time out and about in public this year an increase over last year of 3.5%
During the year the control room operators were able to handle 22,000 more calls than last year.
Investment in the force's infrastructure has included a new communications centre, with cutting edge technology to assist the Police in responding to incidents and provide a better general enquiry service.

Ian Burns

St Breward AFC

Social News

On November 28th a disco was held and a large crowd attended. Jumbo provided the music.

On December 1st Mark Andrews held a Christmas Party , about 100 people were invited and music was by Tim's Disco.

On December 2nd The Playgroup held a Horse Race night, approx. £300 was raised for their funds.

On Dec 9th Maura Yeo & June Osborne organised a 1940's to 1950's school reunion. A good crowd turned up with Maura and June providing a lovely buffet. Everyone agreed that it was a great night.

Fixtures

1st Team			**2nd team**	
6th	Nanpean	Home	St Columb Major	Away
13th	Bodmin	Home	Tideford	Away
20th	Roche	Away	Boscastle	Away
27th	NO fixture		St Merryn	Home
Feb 3rd	Foxhole	Home		

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Q Why do policemen have bigger balls than firemen?
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