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Letters

Jacquelone, John, Lena and David

Would like to thank everyone for the letters, cards and kind words of condolence received after the death of their mother and nan, Phyllis Teague on the 27th September. Donations in lieu of flowers for the Cornwall Air Ambulance came to £470.

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John Pengilley would like to wish all the customers and future customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

To Micky Hunt

It was great to read of your many achievments through the years in the music world, and how much pleasure you have given so many, this leading you to become a Bard. Congratulations, from Alan, me and two grandsons, Amory and Alistair. You not only inspired the youth of St Breward to learn music, but also 'up-country kids'.

Our eldest grandchild always expressed a wish to be in a band such as yours. He passed for Grammer, excelled at music, playing piano, violin, flute and saxophone. His achievments have been many. He now lives in Jersey and is teaching music at one of the schools, loving every minute. So thanks for that Micky.

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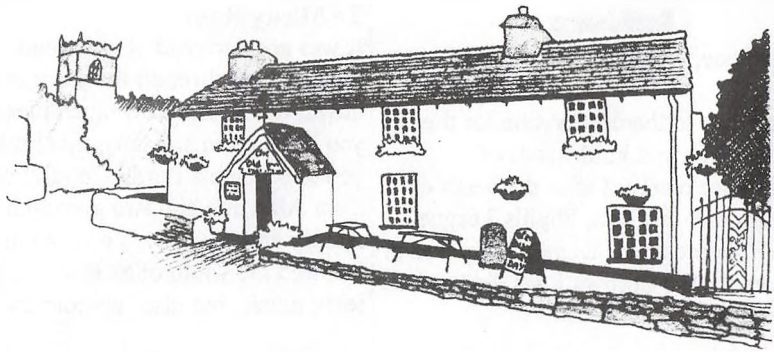

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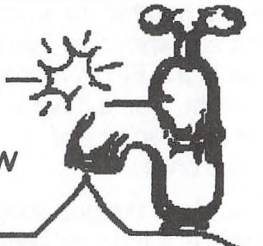

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We three kings of orient are
One in a taxi, one in a car,
One on a scooter
Blowing his hooter,
Following yonder star.

As children, we used to love to sing the wrong words to Christmas carols. I dare not ask you to write in any other variations. The editor might have to get his censor's red pen out.

Talking of censers we shall get the incense out at Blisland at "Midnight Mass" (it's at 11.30 pm, no logic in this world). Well one of the wise men brought frankincense, 'tis said! The others brought myrrh and gold. They came from the east, 'tis said, bringing their gifts and their wisdom.

Well I hope and pray that by the time you read this before, during or after Christmas, some wisdom will begin to emerge in the east. It is tragic, isn't it, that young men's minds can so easily be filled up not with wisdom but foolishness, not with truth but lies. Those who preach violence and hatred in communities across the world to young, unformed minds will need to answer for what they have done — whether they live in Bethlehem or Belfast or Islamabad, or come to that, in St. Breward, or Blisland, or Helland.

Peace and goodwill to all mankind that must be our manifesto. Three hundred and sixty five Christmases would be good. They could have done with that in the First World War. Sung everyday in German and English, "Silent night" would have suited those boys in their flooded trenches, on both sides of No Man's Land. It's a long time ago, yes, but they too laughed at Christmas once.

In the words of the pop song, "Don't worry, be happy!" Try your hardest. Christmas is a time for keeping up each other's spirits. It is a time for hoping, beyond hope that in the end all will be well for us, our families, our friends, for "all people that on earth do dwell".

A blessed Christmas to you and may you know the peace of God in your hearts.

Derek Carrivick

Date	Blisland	Helland	St. Breward
2nd Dec	9.30am Holy Communion David Reed	9.30am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	11.10am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
4th Dec	9.30am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	9.30am Family Service Valerie Jones6.30 p.m. Evensong Derek Carrivick	11.10am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
16th Dec	9.30am Holy Communion Joan Kirby	11.00am Carol Service at Helland Methodist Church [Valerie Jones]	11.10am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick 5.30pm Christingle Service Derek Carrivick/Valerie Jones
	Temple Church 6.30pm Candlelit Carol Service Derek Carrivick		
23rd Dec	9.30am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	11.00am United Communion At Methodist Church 6.30pm United Carol Service At the Parish Church Derek Carrivick	11.10am Family Service & Baptism (CAROLS & NATIVITY)) Derek Carrivick/Valerie Jones
CHRISTMAS EVE	5.30pm Christingle Service Derek Carrivick 11.30 p.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	3.00pm Carols around the Crib and the Blessing of the Crib (United Service at the Parish Church) Derek Carrivick/Valerie Jones	8.30pm Holy Communion David Reed
CHRISTMAS DAY	10.00am Holy Communion Joan Kirby TEMPLE CHURCH 12.00 noon Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	10.00am United Family Service at The Methodist Church Derek Carrivick	NO SERVICE
30th Dec	9.30am Holy Communion David Reed	NO SERVICE	11.10am Holy Communion David Reed
6th Jan Feast of The Epiphany	9.30am Derek Carrivick	6.00pm Covenant Service with Holy Communion at the Parish Church Derek Carrivick & Stephen Williams	11.10am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick

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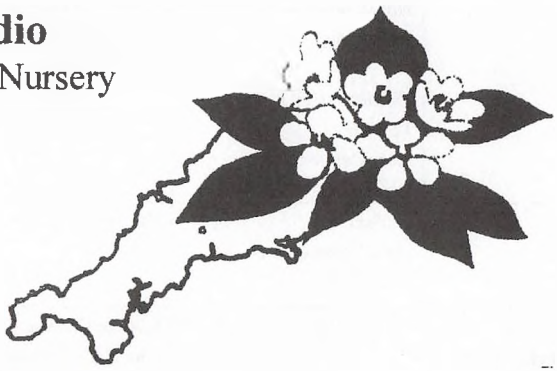

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St Breward & Blisland Bell Ringers enjoyed their first outing for many years on Saturday November 10th. A busload of 23 people set off at 8.45pm to ring jointly at Luxulyn where the bells are rung anti-clockwise providing a bit of confusion. But we battled bravely on to Tywardreath and then St Austell whose eight bells rung out over the town to be heard by the non-ringers who went shopping.

A wonderful and most welcome lunch at Sticker gave us the energy to carry on to St Mewan church followed by St Ewe and Gorren where we were greeted by a lovely warm church in which to visit. We returned by 7pm after a wonderful day.

Many thanks must go to Peter Glaser who organised the trip and Bill Hill who had to supervise us at each church.

Of course I cannot leave out the two ladies who managed to break stays in two churches – to Sue and Sandra – eat more porridge for breakfast girls!!

If anyone wishes to join us on trips or learning to ring the bells – we practise each Tuesday night 7.30 – 9.00pm in St Breward Church

Catherine McShee

Janet Prout of Hantergantick Farm, St Breward
Has been awarded 'Student Nurse of the Year 2001' at the Nursing Standards Awards held at Royal Lancaster Hotel, London. The awards were presented by Alan Milburn (Minister for Health) and Kevin Green (MD of BNA sponsors of the award)

Janet was educated at St Breward CP School and then St James Smith, Camelford. After working at Dept of Social Security, Launceston, she went to university and did a three year course at Kingston-upon-Thames and has now qualified ans is working as a paediatric staff nurse at Epsom General Hospital, Surrey.

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Dear Friends,

So December is almost upon us and the 2nd day of the month will be the first Sunday of Advent bringing a timely reminder that Christmas is almost here.

But some will say; "Christmas is for the kid's". Of course, children look forward to Christmas with a great deal of excitement. They have no preparations to make and have everything to gain from the visit of Father Christmas and gifts from parents and relatives. But, Christmas is not for kid's alone. It is everyone's opportunity to bring light into the darkness of winter as we celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ into our world and our lives.

Christmas could be celebrated without the aid of Father Christmas, presents and feasting. I am not recommending that we do without these exciting things, but this year lets make an effort to put things in the right order of importance. After all, we do not have Christmas to make way for such delights. Rather we have such delights because it is Christmas.

On December 2nd it is Advent Sunday and we begin to look forward to celebrating the coming of Jesus and remember all that he achieved for us through his life, death and resurrection. Advent; means "coming". We will also remember that Jesus is coming again. I invite you all to come to a special "family service" at St Breward Methodist Church on December 2nd at 9-30am. It will be a special family time conducted by Stephen and Joanna Cousley from Okehampton.
Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

Yours Sincerely. Pastor Brian.

Blisland Methodist Church Services for December

9th	2.30pm	Preacher Rev A Sowden (Superintendent Minister)
23rd	2.30pm	Preacher Pastor Brian Parkman Holy Communion & Carol Service

St Breward Methodist Church December Diary

Sun 2nd	9.30am	Faith Mission
Wed 5th	10 - 11.30am	Coffee Morning
Fri 7th	7.00pm	Carols by Candlelight Collection for Save the Children Fund
Sun 9th	9.30am	Brian Parkman (SAC)
Wed 12th	6.30pm	St Breward School Christmas Concert
Thurs 13th	6.30pm	St Breward School Christmas Concert
Sun 16th	9.30am	Brian Parkman
Sun 23rd	9.30am	Carols
Tues 25th	9.30am	Christmas Morning Service
Sun 30th	9.30am	Mr Bennallick

Children's Church Wednesdays 3.15pm

Merry Christmas and a Happy New year to you all.

Remembrance Day in St Breward

On Sunday November 11th the whole village joined together to remember those people who died in the two world wars.

Prayers and the laying of a wreath in the Memorial Hall were followed by a service in the Methodist Church. There was then a procession up to the Parish Church where another short service took place plus the laying of a wreath on the memorial. Refreshments were later served in the Village Hall. The total amount of money given on the day was £113.64.

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Spotted or Not?
Overheard at a lively gathering to celebrate a special lady's birthday in Helland, "If you choose the right field in the warmth of a summer's day, A----- can frequently be seen sitting happily in his tractor cab, enjoying his music, wearing little more than his dear wife's bikini. don't know if its a yellow polka dot or not though".

Meditation was recommended at a recent united service at Helland Church, by Rev Stephen Williams, by taking just ten minutes and a short sentence, such as "My peace I leave with you" Pray for two minutes, then consider the meaning of that sentence for eight minutes. In the over-busy lives most of us have, this discipline will provide untold benefit to determined practitioners, and the rest of us that try hard to find space for meaningful thought.

Stephen went on to encourage us to be like open coffee pots, not having our lids fixed on so tightly that we shut out God's Holy Spirit by stubbornness, disbelief or selfishness. The image of the dove showed the gentle side of God's nature. The Holy Spirit had the power to permeate our personalities like a tot of whisky or brandy did in our Christmas cakes and puddings. He could also be thought of like a gushing stream of love and goodness from our hearts, through faith. Just what our poor old world needs, along with the fact that "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has never put it out", John 1:5.

Valerie Jones

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The Journal of Thomas Greenaway.

The following is an extract from a recently found journal, dating from 1864 *Early Days*

I was born on May 19th 1864 in the village of Helstone near the small town of Camelford, Cornwall, England.
1865; My father who kept a small farm at that time was subject to severe illness and thus was obliged to give up farming when he removed to a village called Penpont where he bought a piece of ground of with a house on it. (1) This piece of ground consisted of an acre all together including the dwelling house which is considerably large apart of which we let to tenants and we resided there about five years.
1870; When my father having an offer of a respectable farm from Uncle John Greenaway we let the whole house to tenants and removed to the Kerbelly Farm. (2) This farm, a greater portion of which had never been cultivated (was) difficult to work. We however did not live there more than six months (1870-1) when we removed again to a village called Limehead (3) at which place my grandfather Hugh Philp rented a small place about two acres.
18 71/6 Kept a few cows etc, he was by trade a butcher. he getting old and unfit to do much service we undertook to look after affairs. Father obtained employment at a gravel quarry. It was now that I had to take a turn at work attending to the cattle etc. My parents were too poor at this time to send me to school although I fully believe they did their best to do so. They now managed to send me to school in turn with my brother for two months — about this time my father purchased a Donkey and Cart of which I was very proud of. It was my principle then to look after it and earn as much as possible by drawing coal running to Bodmin Road station and any little trip I might be required to do. My brother went to farm service and thus we were a great help to our parents. We resided at Limehead for three years, at the end of which in December 1876 a neighbour called Growden (4) who was then recently returned from the Cape of Good Hope requested my father to take a voyage to the Cape — such a thing never once before crossed his mind and he did not think then of going. At last he took passage to sail on or about December 7th 1876. On his return he sold by public auction everything we thought would not longer be serviceable to us and in a week after it occurred first to him we were off to the Cape.

Notes

(1) Thought to be one of the three dwellings on the left entering Penpont from Keybridge, on the road to De Lank.

(2) Probably Carbelly Farm, Blisland

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(3) House was probably "Trevor" now the home of Mr. & Mrs Dibbs

(4) Walter Matthew Growden married Elizabeth Greenaway on August 2nd 1868, at St Breward.

The above is copied as written, retaining original punctuation. It is only a small part of the journal, which runs to 25 A4 pages. As the extract shows Thomas and his family did emigrate to the Cape. Sometime after 1882 Thomas moved on again and finally settled in Australia. His journal was recently discovered by a descendant.

A copy has been donated to the library of the Cornwall Family History Society by Tony Slocombe who is a descendant, and has kindly given his permission for this reprint. If any reader can add to the above narrative, please contact Geoff Burrows, The Barn, Penpont. Tel 01208 850749.

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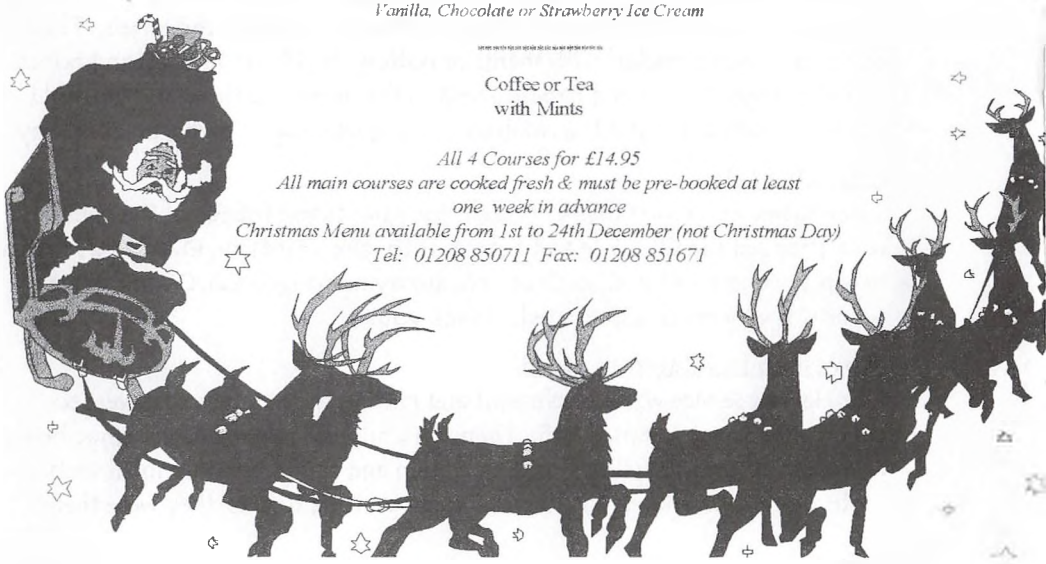

October and November have been really busy for us all at school and we have got quite a lot to tell you. Apart from the very hard work the children are doing, there has been quite a lot of fun and excitement.

Newquay Zoo.

The children in Class 1 went to the zoo for the day, along with friends from St Tudy, St Teath and Blisland. One part of the trip they will not forget, is a close encounter of the slippery kind, with Chunky the Snake and Charlie the Lizard! Most of the children touched them, but there were a few who preferred to just look! After this, they enjoyed a picnic lunch and to remember their visit, they have now made clay models and have drawn pictures of the animals they saw at the zoo.

Art & Poetry Competition 2001

Each year, several schools from the area send in entries for the above exhibition. This year, the theme was 'Through the Window' and the St Breward School entry has won the overall prize for the 'Best Poetry'. This included poems by Zoe Teague, Dan Walsh, Shane Yeo, Claire Kay, Aaron Mead, Adam Sleep, Chris Crane, Seb Clark, Kirsty Harris, Hollie Cornelius and Lauren Sleep. We have been awarded a prize of £25 - aren't we clever!! Amongst the display was a painting by Joseph Hill (the younger), which was singled out for its own commendation.

A Viking in the School!

History came to life for the children of Class 3 when an archaeologist and Viking expert visited them. The children, who have been studying the Vikings, had the opportunity to dress in Viking clothes and handle weapons and jewels. They delved into boxes packed with shards of pottery, building materials and bones and were eager to sort and handle artefacts that were two thousand years old. It was a fascinating day and the children enjoyed learning in such a practical way.

Class One Sale

Once again, we cannot thank enough, the parents and friends of the children who attended the Class Sale and helped us to raise a fantastic £171 to put towards new play equipment in Class One. We are trying to raise £2000 and your support is very much appreciated. Thank you.

Harvest and Children in Need

Our Harvest service was very pleasant and raffling the hampers that were so generously donated, raised £65. Then, on Children in Need day, strange beings were seen around the village, as the children and staff dressed up in all sorts of costumes! From Vikings to clowns, Queen Victoria to cats, they were there!

Monies raised were added to the Harvest total and £119.40 is on its way to Children in Need.

Harry Potter

On a particularly wizard day, the children of Class 2 and 3 went the cinema for a special showing of the film, Harry Potter. The children of Blisland, St Teath and St Tudy schools joined us and at 9.30am we were all in our places for the start of the film. For two and a half hours, we all sat, spellbound, as Harry Potter amazed and astonished us all. The children all agreed that it was a brilliant film and they would love to see it again. (Parents, take heed!) Thanks to the Friends of St Breward for helping with the funding of this trip.

And finally....

Our Christmas Play will take place on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th December. This year we are staging it in the Chapel as it is bigger than the school, and because it has staging, there will be a greater opportunity to see how brilliant the children are! It is called 'The Christmas Box' and is full of songs, dances and laughter. Each performance starts at 6.30pm and you are ALL very welcome to watch the children perform. They are working so hard on this production that it is sure to be a great success and well worth coming to see. A raffle will be held at school to help cover our costs and tickets will be available shortly.

The children and staff of the school would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year as we look forward to another good school year with your very valuable support.

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Christmas Eve,	8.30 p.m. — Christmas Communion (at the Parish Church)
Christmas Day,	9.30 a.m. — Christmas Morning Service (at the Methodist Church)

Helland:

l6th December,	11.00 a.m. — Carol Service (at the Methodist Church)
23rd December,	11.00 a.m. — Communion (at the Methodist Church)
	6.30 p.m. — Traditional Carol Service (at the Parish Church)
Christmas Eve,	3.00 p.m. — Carols & Blessing of the Crib (at the Parish Church)
Christmas Day,	10.00 a.m. — Christmas Morning Family Service (at the Methodist Church)

Blisland:

Christmas Eve,	5.30 p.m. — Christingle Service
	11.30 p.m. — Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	10.00 a.m. — Christmas Morning Communion

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He then discovered that it was coming from his mobile phone in his breast pocket. On leaning over his phone had automatically called his son Stephen who was wondering what idiot had phoned him and was refusing to speak.

A few weeks previously, when dining at Wadebridge's premier eating establishment, Winstons he had just finished his pudding when the waitress asked him if he wanted coffee. On saying "Yes", the waitress asked him if he would like sugar in his coffee. Joe answered, "No, its OK I've got my screwdriver in my pocket"

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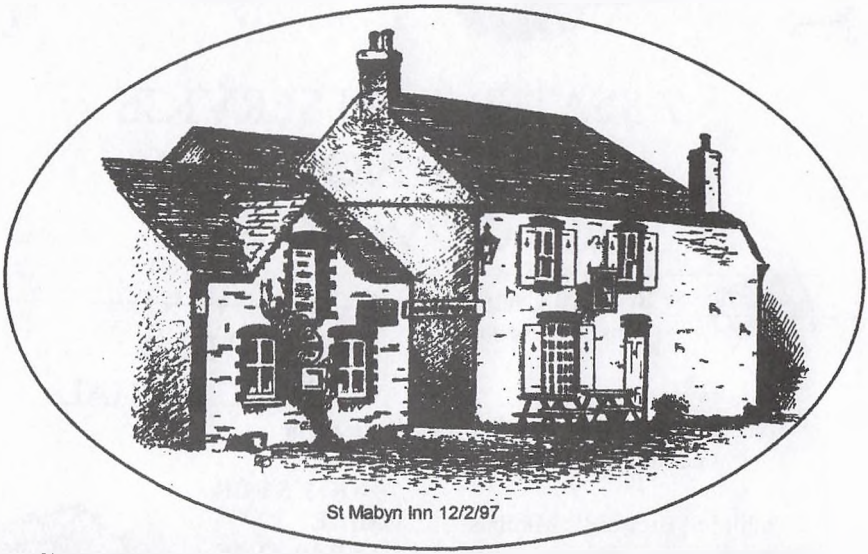

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ST BREWARD VILLAGE HALL NEWSLETTER December 2001
Charity Registration No.300600

The management committee of the Village Hall has had a busy and successful year which has resulted in much benefit for you, the parishioners of St Breward and district.

Terry Ellery retired as Hon Secretary at the AGM on 24 April. He had served the village hall very well for very many years. His place was taken by Kevin Colman. Meta Venn, a resident of the village for almost 30 years, was elected on to the committee on the same occasion. The management committee comprise eight people and, in addition to Kevin and Meta, they are: Caroline Ralph, Chairman; Lorraine Mead, Vice-Chairman; Jon Webb, Hon Treasurer; John Collings, Eric Lowe, and Brenda Walby.

As with any property, there are documents which have to be kept up to date and in this regard we have had dealings with the following: North Cornwall District Council (rates relief granted); Charity Commission (annual return completed and land vested); Land Registry (voluntarily registered); insurance (figures up-dated); and fire safety (checked), to name but a few.

As with any property, there is maintenance to be done and in this regard we have painted the sign, eaves and external doors; repaired the gutters; replaced the cattle grid and perimeter fence; and mowed, strimmed, seeded and fertilised the surrounding lawns on a regular basis throughout the summer. Particular thanks are due to Martin Yeo on behalf 6f the Snooker Club for his hard work in this respect. It was necessary to repair damage done to the lawns due heavy rains and unregulated parking last winter. Parking is now demarcated to where there is hardstanding and the consideration shown by patrons of not parking on the lawns is very much appreciated by the committee.

The grounds surrounding the village hall are attractive and lend themselves to outdoor events in the summer. In May, we were pleased to host Paddy Powell's two-day Plant Sale and, in July, to welcome back and host the Church Fete. Both events were financially rewarding for them and Mrs Powell was able to send of a large cheque to RABI for the relief of farmers affected by foot-and-mouth disease. We were all very grateful to Mr and Mrs Rodney Hall who allowed parking on their land at Rylands on both occasions.

Building on the Year 2000 Lottery Grant for refurbishment of the hall, the

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committee made further applications for grant-aid and lottery funding on parishioners' behalf in order to replace the perimeter fence, which was very old and in poor repair, and children's and adults' chairs and tables. We are pleased to say that we were successful and during the year raised £3,355. We are exceedingly grateful to the following organisations for their contributions: St Breward Parish Council (£400); NCDC (£340); Cornwall Rural Community Council (£239); (Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Fund (976); the Lottery's Awards for All (£1,200); and £200 from our own funds.

We are grateful to those who patronise the village hall and thus contribute to its viability. New patrons this year are Rick
Povey with his Karate Class and Cornwall County Council's Adult Education Dept who have laid on Watercolours for Beginners and BHS Horse Owner's Course. We are hoping for Computers for Beginners in the new year.

Other regular patrons are the Snooker Club; Parish Church and Sunday Club; Margaret Willetts's yoga and osteoporosis classes; Hamatethy Commoners' Association; and the Toddler Group. In September the Pre-School section of the Playgroup ceased but it is hoped that it will recommence when circumstances are suitable.

We are always looking for new patrons and, if you wish to make use of the village hall, please contact me on St Breward (01208) 851498 to make a reservation. It is proving popular to parents for children's birthday parties. We are St Breward's very own charity and, at this time of generosity and giving, we invite your donations towards our future projects.

The committee and I wish you all a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.
Jon Webb Hon Treasurer

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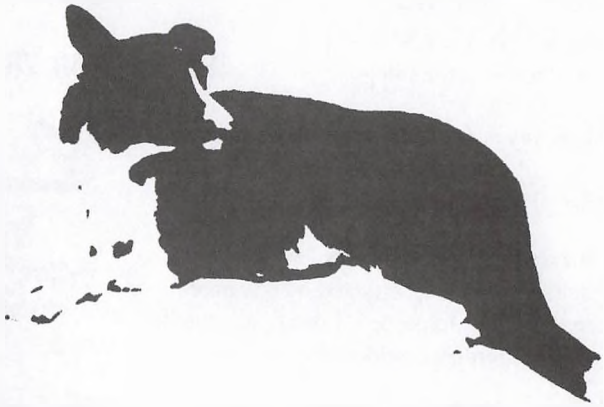

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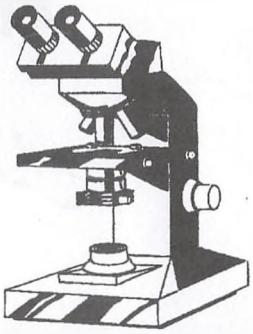

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On the stormy autumn morning of the 26th of October, members and supporters of the St Breward Silver Band could be heard singing a rendering of "Day Trip To Bangor" as they set off on their merry way by coach to represent their parish and county in the 28th year of a Pontins sponsored Brass Band championships at Prestatyn, north Wales. Alas little did they know what lay ahead, yes within a matter of minutes, flooding, severe flash storms and torrential rain lashed across the moor making driving conditions almost impossible for the long 360 mile trail ahead. Once off the moor and onto motorway, driving conditions improved slightly, flash storms abated, to give way to intermittent heavy rainfall, drizzle and the dreaded motorway spray.

As the party headed north, traffic gridlock, road works, and shear frustration developed, knowing that a late arrival would mean no important pre competition practice. The singing of "day trip To Bangor" now giving way to the rendering of "show me the way to go home". Some 13 hours later, the scheduled 6-hour journey came to an end; the band and supporters had arrived just in time for the holiday camps "lights out" call.

St Breward Band the only 3rd section up from Cornwall did extremely well during the competition, playing their hearts out despite tiredness from the previous day's epic journey. The hours of practice and dedication gained just rewards, from the adjudicators who praised the band for their skill and high standard of playing throughout. In addition, they recognised the effort and determination made to attend the championship.

The band was particularly proud of it's three youngest members, Sian, Joanne and Cindy, who gained valuable experience from the competition, with 11year old Sian just missing the Pontins "Youngest Player Award", being pipped at the post by a 7 year old from Lancashire. The general opinion being that a good time was had by all, especially the experience of playing at competition level. Many friends were made from the 113 other competing bands, experiences exchanged and friends made after an enjoyable day of contesting.

St Breward Band, are always on the lookout for new members no matter what age group, novices, or established players, all are made welcome. Music is fun!

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St Breward Parish Council

St Breward Parish Council met on Tuesday 6th November 2001 together with District Councillor Jim Kempthorne and members of the public Darren Wills and Jon Webb. Eric Tiplady duly signed his acceptance document as a Parish Councillor. Your Parish Council is now up to its full strength often councillors.

The 6th of November 2001 was a special occasion as it was Dorothy Hannaford's 82nd birthday. She had joined the St Breward Parish Council in May 1961. In her forty years of service to the village, Dorothy had been 'Madam Chairman' for nearly 30 years and had only twice missed a Council meeting. Amongst other of her activities, she champions the elderly and the less well-off members of the village and has always striven to preserve the character of St Breward. On behalf of the Council, the Chairman presented Dorothy with a birthday card and best wishes and a beautiful basket of flowers. A surprised but delighted Dorothy thanked the Council.

Planning applications received were for Myrtle Cottage and for the Old Inn. No objections were raised to the proposed alterations to Myrtle Cottage. Mr Wills explained that a new kitchen in the Old Inn was needed to bring it up to date with the latest regulations and that a dining room extension would enable more staff to be employed. The Council, with one abstention, raised no objections to the application although there was discussion about parking outside of the pub.

The Clerk reported that at long last and helped by the intervention of our County Councillor, Bob Ellison, the County Council were preparing to adopt three short unadopted footpaths in St Breward. Notices will be displayed and subject to no controversy, the paths will be maintained by Cornwall CC.

It is noted that the Village Hall has a properly constituted Management Committee which includes a member of the Parish Council. Any enquiries about the hall or for bookings should be addressed to the Hall Committee.

The paper recycling bin has been removed from Rylands and subsequently from Chyrin Drive as a result of public complaints. Some villagers now request that the bin be reinstated in the village? Where would they like it to be sited?

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held in the Memorial Hall at 7pm on Tuesday 4th December 2001. At this meeting, the parish precept, the funds needed by the Council for next year, will be discussed. Members of the public are welcome to attend, to listen or to raise matters of public concern.

Mev Shelley

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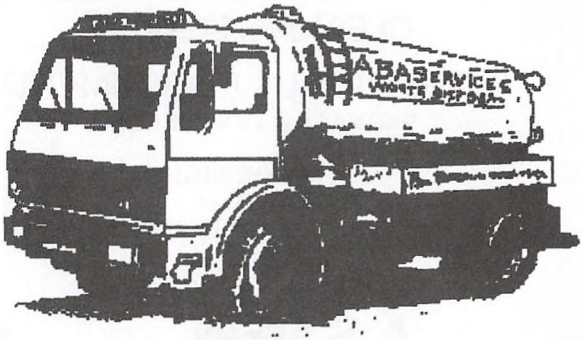

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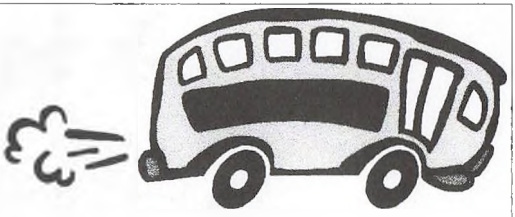

It may not be obvious to all and sundry, but behind the scenes there is much activity, and some progress, in our quest to update the community bus. There will soon be a survey conducted to ensure that the next bus will be able to cater for the majority of needs. A sub-committee has been formed to deal with this survey and a number of meetings have already taken place with various bodies that may be able to assist with the funding.

Self help is key to the access of any grants and we are therefore carrying on with the Bus Lottery which is our major source of revenue. New members are always welcome - you are not committed to buying a ticket every week - but of course you can't win if you're not paid up for the week of the draw. Ask for details in the shop if you would like to join in.

We have for the past two years made a double draw at Christmas and this year will be no exception with the draw taking place on Saturday 22nd December. There will be **Two** First and **Two** Second prizes. It will definitely be a Happy Christmas for four St Breward residents.

Terry Goode

ST BREWARD PLAY AREAS

Stop Press

It was decided, with great reluctance, that something had to go, so Denis and his fatastic crew are going on a sponsored diet to lose a joint total of 9 stone in the new year. Any of the crew who do not meet their personal target weight will be photographed in a revealing bikini and shown in the June issue of the Parish Mag (lets hope that Denis meets his personal target).

Further fund raising events are being organised to boost our funds of £9,500 to meet our target of £35,000 and will be published in the next issue of the magazine.

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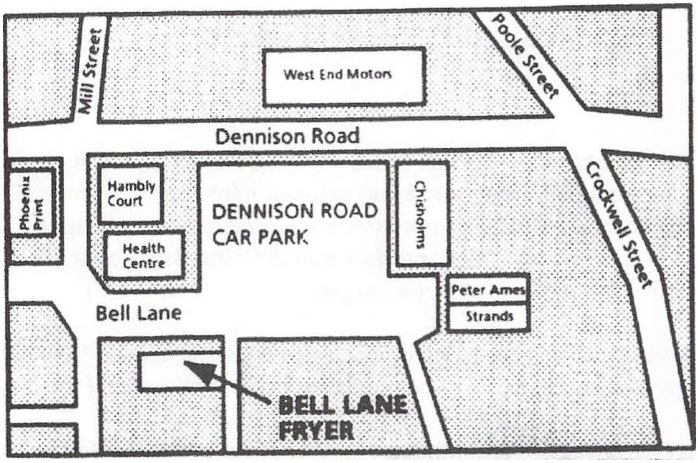

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Once again honours have come to St. Breward! The Visual and Performing Arts Trophy was awarded to our president. Mrs Christine Wolf, at the Autumn Council Meeting, following her recent success with her play Tiresidder's Seeds. Another success was the McMillan Coffee Morning which raised £282; a letter is on show in the shop thanking our Institute for this handsome amount: many thanks to all who helped make this day such a worthwhile event.

At the Bodmin Group meeting Mrs J. Gant won first prize with her seascape painting. Mrs G Daws and Mrs P Powell went to the day at Trerice to learn more about the history of this attractive house.

Mrs Daws acting president, gave a report about the Council Meeting . More money has been given to the Sunrise Appeal - £50 from the Bones in Mind group. and £50 from the Yoga Group.An interesting point was made that the bursaries given by St. Breward WI need not necessarily be used for a course at Denman College (this is the N WI's own college) or even for a WI course, but may cover the cost of any tuition the recipient wishes; now wait for the rush!

On December 18th , Tuesday, there will be a Carol Concert at 2.30pm in the church at Launceston by the choir and congregation under the guidance of Mrs Alice Brown, V & PA Committee there will be a £1 charge only for the order of service, and a normal collection.
Now for the bad news! The annual subscription will be £17. 25, to make it worthwhile ideas for speakers or demonstrators are required from you, so please think of interesting people to invite to St. Breward.

Mrs Margaret Griffiths came to show us the slides taken in France all about the distinctive market buildings and the colourful festivals there. Unfortunately because it was a bright type of evening they were not seen at their best which was not Mrs. Griffiths fault at all; we all know the perfect quality of her previous slides. It seems that some extra curtains are absolutely essential in the Memorial Hall if slides are on the program. Mr & Mrs Griffiths have donated £496 to the Sunrise Appeal , the major part of any fees received.

Mrs M Wilton produced the four best decorated biscuits, and Mrs R Lowe came first with her flower for November, with Mrs Greenaway second and Mrs Wilton third.

The December meeting will be at 2pm on Tuesday, December 11th and I understand that the program has been changed to " Cornish Apples ", but certainly at 4pm we shall proceed to East Rose where Mrs Stansfield will once again provide a Christmas Tea! Remember last year ?

Anne Holmes

Bellringers have a Smashing Time!

St Breward and Blisland Bellringers teamed up for their first annual outing for some years, visiting 6 Church Towers around St Austell on Saturday 10th November. With 23 intrepid travellers, including 3 unsuspecting ringers from St Tudy, our coach collected us for an early start depositing us at our first tower at Luxulyan for 9.30am. This tower definitely proved to be the first real challenge of the day (apart from catching the bus) as the bells are hung in reverse order, a rare find - problematic for many of us still half asleep, even Bill was caught facing the wrong way! Tywardreath tower proved to be a welcome relief allowing us to regain our confidence and fully demonstrate our ringing skills. St Austell tower challenged the enumerate of us with its 8 bells - it was only 2 more bells than our normal 6 - but we managed a few peals in numeric order providing Saturday's shoppers in St Austell with some beautiful sounds echoing through the town's streets! Lunch was pre-booked at the Hewan pub at Stickerwhere excellent food and maybe rather too many an ale was downed (making perhaps for unsteady ringing from that point onwards?).

In the afternoon, St Mewan Church proved to be in a very pretty setting - the resident bellringers have a full programme of weddings, something we must encourage our St Breward and Blisland younger parishioners to contemplate here! Onwards to St Ewe where we encountered one of the smallest towers for 6 bells in the UK. Close armpit ringing ensued - if we did not know each other that well before...we do now! As a diversion we benefited from Sandra's demonstration of her previously undiscovered talent at power ringing....however, her bell did not appreciate this technique and we apologetically left St Ewe with one bell down! Finally, Gorran Church also took our punishment when Sue quickly learnt that a branch of elm as a stay was not sufficiently strong enough to withstand practising Sandra's new technique - we had to agree that woodworm was the real culprit...wasn't it?

So our weary travellers were delivered home in the early evening with some very good memories - an outing next year is assured! Thanks must go to Clive, our driver, who managed to ignore Paddy's insistence that the next turning was always left (luckily we managed no wront gurnings), to Henry for buying the first round (which we must have missed), to Laurie for having the biggest bobble seen this side of the Tamar (on his hat), to the accompanying ringers' wives, husbands, friends and daughter, Esme, for putting up with the all-day ringing antics (anoraks banned next time, Peter), and to Bill for keeping us all under control in strange towers (and churchyards), a new and unnerving experience for many of us!

If you want to join us on next year's Bellringers Outing, you must come and practice!! To find out more contact Bill Hill, Captain, on 851308 or Peter Glaser, Secretary, on 851744, or any of the ringers for details.

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