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Editorial

I would like to give special thanks to Mrs Bousfield who has retired from distributing 40 magazines for many years through all sorts of weather.

Also Peter Nottle (see page 34) who has distributed up to 180 magazines along with all the many other jobs he does in St Breward.

I would also like to thank those who distributed the rest of the magazines, contributed to them, read them, bought them and advertised in them. I would like to thank Christine for helping to collate, fold & staple them especially in June — she did the lot on her own.

2002 was an eventful year, with the Jubilee successfully celebrated in our villages. St Breward had a successful Carnival; raised the money for a new bus; almost there with the means to replace our two play areas. A busy year for all of us—Blisland fund raising for their shop, post office and doctor's surgery and all enjoying successful annual fund raising events.

We have all lost valuable members of our communities and gained new babies– times of mourning and sadness and times of great joy.

2003 is a year in which we have a lot to look forward to. A year in which our three communities will each work to preserve and hopefully strengthen themselves. I want this magazine to be an integral part of the life of Blisland, Temple, Helland and St Breward so please all help to make this happen.

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2002, goodbye!

For some the New Year begins on 1st January. If you are a Camel Fisherman it starts on May 1st. If you are a Mevagissey fishermen it might not (sadly) start at all.

Every year brings changes. Every year brings the unexpected – good news or tragedy. It's a good job we cannot look into the future. Old Moore's Almanac may be fun but it doesn't tell us that much about what really will happen.

What you can be sure of that you will end the year one year older, probably deeper in debt, and possibly wiser as well as older. I hope so. What we can all be sure of as well is that there will inevitably be changes in our life together for us as villages, for us as Cornwall, for us as a nation, and for us as a world. Nothing stays still.

Changes are inevitable. Look back over last year if you don't believe me. Some changes we regret – like the closure of Stannon Pit and the dawning realisation that the whole economic and social life for us in the more remote villages is changing to something completely new. We can't tell where it will all lead. But some changes we should welcome. Like, for instance, the fantastic success of The Eden Project. Whatever you think about the place of tourism in our economic life and the effect on available and affordable housing we must welcome something as imaginative as the Eden Project.

Yes, changes are inevitable. That's a prediction we can make with certainty. It used to be said that "nothing changes here" – not true anymore. There are risks involved – things can go wrong, sometimes badly wrong. But we must try and believe that we can "do better".

God's own Eden Project is based on the same principle of change, of taking risks together. He took a risk with us as human beings. He believed in us so much that, having made us in his very own Image, he let us go to have a go. We too should do the same – "let go and have a go". Try something new, and take a risk. It is New Year after all.

2003 here we come!

Derek Carrivick – 21st Dec. 2002 (the longest day)

Date	Temple	Blisland	Helland	St. Breward
5th Jan		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	6.30pm United Covenant Service & Holy Com-munion (AT CHURCH) Derek Carrivick & Stephen Williams	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
12th Jan		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	11.00am United Morning Service (AT CHAPEL) Valerie Jones	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
19th Jan		9.30am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	9.30am Holy Com-munion (BCP) (AT CHURCH) Joan Kirby	11.10am Family Service Valerie Jones & Derek Carrivick
26th Jan	3.30pm Evensong Derek Carrivick	9.30am Holy Communion Joan Kirby	9.30am United Holy Communion (AT CHURCH) Derek Carrivick	11.10am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
2nd Feb		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	6.30 p.m. Evensong Derek Carrivick	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
9th Feb		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	11.00 a.m. United Morning Service (AT CHURCH) Valerie Jones	11.10 a.m. (REVEL SUNDAY) Holy Communion Derek Carrivick
				2.30pm REVEL PROCESSION Meet at Rylands 3.00pm REVEL Service in Church

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VISIT TO DE LANK QUARRY

THURSDAY, 20th FEBRUARY, 2003

Meet in St Breward Memorial Hall at 11.30am for a short talk and exhibition of maps etc. (If anyone has any photographs or other items they would be prepared to lend, please let Virginia Cholmeley know on 01208 850769.)

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December 1st, the first Sunday in Advent, started the Christmas celebrations at St Breward Church with a Christingle service when the entire congregation were given a Christingle to take home. This was made up of a ribbon tied round an orange with a candle and sweets to signify Jesus being the light of the world.

On Saturday 7th December, the annual Christmas Fayre was held. This was very successful raising £484.86 for the church.

Friday 13th December heard an intrepid bunch of carol singers singing Christmas songs as they tramped around Churchtown. The money collected will be sent to the Children's Society. Thank you to John & Margaret Overton who organised this and who provided the most welcome refreshments afterwards.

December 20th saw the annual Carol Service in the church service, with lessons and carols plus the handbell ringers. The use of candles for lighting gave a wonderful atmosphere to the evening, which finished with tea and a mince pie. The retiring collection will be sent to the Bible Lands charity.

On behalf of the vicar, churchwardens and PCC can I take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and peaceful New Year and to thank those who support the church throughout the year; cleaners, flower arrangers, bell ringers and all those those who attend church events and help in any way.

Catherine McShee

Written on the envelope which contained the above was "Denis please look inside the envelope this month.

I was quite excited; maybe it was a Christmas card or a thank you? I looked – nothing. Consumed with disappointment I realised that it was referring to last month when I didn't include a poster for the Christmas Fayre. I would like assure all contributors that every envelope is opened, emptied and torn up immediately (I once threw away a cheque in an envelope). Regarding the Christmas Fayre poster, it arrived with November's copy and was in that edition (page 9). I was not asked to include it in December's edition and as I seldom read all the copy did not remember to keep it over for the next month. Maybe I will receive my reward in heaven, if I ever arrive there! (Disgruntled Editor)

BLISLAND HARVEST SUPPER,

I must apologies to Mavis Roose and Thelma Tucker as I inadvertantly printed Mavis Roose as having played the organ for us when in fact it was Thelma Tucker, I am very sorry!

BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL,

The additional charges for hiring the hall where there is recorded or live music should have been £2.00 and NOT £20.00!

Chapel's Page

Pastoral Worker: Mr Brian Parkman *(St Breward & Blisland)*		Telephone 01840 212736 17 Trefrew Rd, Camelford PL32 9TP	
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Dear Friends;

I wish you all a Happy New Year.

What for you, brings or constitutes happiness? And so, what will be your aim? World leaders are constantly striving for more power and greater territory.

Commercial enterprises constantly compete for a greater share of the world market. As you and I enter the year of 2O03, what are our aims, and will those aims bring us true happiness? The Christmas season now passing was to celebrate the Christ-child who came into this world to establish a kingdom.

The kingdom of Heaven that He so successfully established is not one of power and dominance as most people would see things. Christ's kingdom is one of peace, love, joy and contentment. AH! there it is- true happiness. Not achieved through sweat, blood and tears, but by a living faith in the King of Kings himself. Charles Wesley penned some wonderful words of wisdom 250 years ago.

God's adorable will, let us gladly fulfil. And our talents improve by the patience of hope and the labour of love.

May this be our aim for the year ahead.
Yours Sincerely, Pastor Brian.

St Breward Methodist Church January 2003 Diary

No Coffee Morning this month

5th	9.30am	Brian Parkman Covenant Service
12th	9.30am	Mr Docwra
19th	9.30am	Mr Huntley
26th	9.30am	Fellowship

Carols by Candlelight Collection for Save the Children Fund amounted to £74

Happy New Year to you All.

Blisland Methodist Services for January 2003

12th @2.30pm Preacher Pastor Brian Parkman
26th @2.30pm Church Fellowship Service

Blisland Village Hall

Keep Fit Classes will commence in the Hall on Wednesday, January 8th at 10.30am for toning exercises at £3 per session.

ALL Welcome!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Friday, February 14th **A Valentine Dinner** to be held in Blisland Village Hall in aid of the refurbishment of the hall.

Further details in next months magazine.

The Three Stooges will have a grand re-opening for next year in the Institute on Easter Saturday, April 19th.

In aid of The New Shop, Post Office and Doctors Surgery.

More details later!!.

NORTH CORNWALL HUNT

Dates for your Diaries

January 2003

Wed	1st	Blisland (no transport in village)
Sat	4th	Children's Meet, Entrance to Devil's Jump
Wed	8th	Cobweb Inn, Boscastle
Sat	11th	Little Tregolls
Wed	15th	Helland Barton, Delabole

Meets are subject to alterations, please see press for any changes
Car Followers are requested not to take vehicles on to the moor as it is now subject to stewardship

Saturday 1st February 2003
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At the Royal Cornwall Showground

Power corrupts the few – weakness and laziness corrupts the many.

LOUISA D. HAWKEN (1902 – 2002).

When Mrs. Hawken died in Bodmin, having celebrated her centenary earlier this year, St Breward lost its oldest inhabitant. Louie was born at Newham Farm, Otterham, the daughter of Thomas Pearn Bartlett. Later the family moved to Tredethy, from where she walked to St Mabyn School, and then to Polglaze, Higher Lank and Deaconstow.

When she left school Louie worked in Wills' Drapery shop in Molesworth Street, Wadebridge. She married Joseph Henry Hawken, the son of Stephen Hawken. The Hawkens were carpenters and Jo and Louie lived at Limehead (now The Nook) where the carpenter's shop still stands by the road. The firm produced coffins (Jo was known as "Stiff"), wheels and the organ canopy in the Church. Jo's signature was also found on the floorboards in the village hall.

When the Hawkens built the cottages, Mabena and Menefreda, at Lower Lank, opposite the foot of the lane to De Lank Quarry, in the 1930s Louie and Jo moved to Mabena where they spent the rest of their lives. Jo had a workshop in the yard there and Louie worked for a time as a cook in the canteen at De Lank Quarry.

During the Second World War, Valerie West lived with "Aunt" Louie as an evacuee and regarded her as a second mother. When De Lank House came on the market in the 1980s Louie advertised the fact to Valerie and her sister Jackie Klag seized the opportunity to buy it.

Jo died in 1975 aged 82, leaving Louie to tend her garden and keep up her prodigious consumption of cigarettes.

Louie had one daughter, Dorothy, who married Douglas Yeo and they lived next door with their three children, Madeleine (Hill), Martin and Paul (deceased), all of whom gave her a great interest in life. She was much-loved lady who will be remembered for her quiet support of her family and her great enthusiasm for gardening.

A visitor to St Breward was standing on the doorstep of St Breward Stores when the Christmas lights on Joe Kay's house came on. "Oh, is that the village pub?"

Overheard on the school bus whilst stopped for a tractor blocking the road.
"Who's that on the tractor?"
"That's Chris Greenaway, he owns the football Club"

Let us remember that the sunset is often the most beautiful part of the day.

ROB DAVEY

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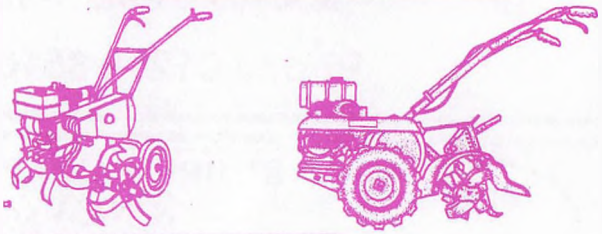

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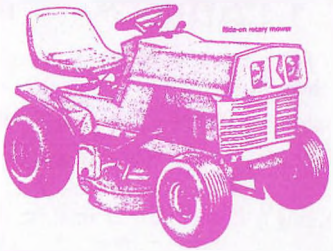

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(Founded 2001)

At their recent Annual Darrynane Durbar the Society voted to adopt "The good wife's guide". Chairman David Clark explained that with 2002 being a difficult year for members, especially their spouses increasing vis-à-vis interference in Society affaires, he felt it was necessary for all members to implement the 17-point "Good Wife's Guide"

He further explained that this guide has been in existence for over one hundred years and had even appeared in Housekeeping Monthly on 18th May 1955. He suggested that members encouraged their spouses to adopt the guide in its entirety or at least implemented the points underlined, as these were fundamental to the philosophy of our society.

David Feasey proposed that TSBADGDS adopt the Good Wife's Guide, seconded by Ian Browning. The voting was almost unanimous with Denis Lusby the only member voting against stating "I have not the courage to face Christine with these rules never mind Fifi leHoop's reaction when she reads them.. Neil Clark and Robert Henderson both proposed to blackball Denis for voting against the proposal but were undecided about how to carry out this proposal.

The Good Wife's Guide is printed in full below

1. Have dinner ready. Plan ahead, even the might before, to have a delicious meal ready, on time for his return. This is a way of letting him know that you have been thinking about him and are concerned about his needs. Most men are hungry when they come home and the prospect of a good meal (especially his favourite dish) is part of the warm welcome needed.

2. Prepare yourself. Take 15 minutes to rest so you will be refreshed when he arrives. Touch up your make-up, put a ribbon in you hair and be fresh - looking. He has just been with a lot of work weary people.

3. Be a little gay and a little more interesting for him. His boring day may need a lift and one of your duties is to provide it.

4. Clear away the clutter. Make one last trip through the main part of the house Just before your husband arrives.

5. Gather up schoolbooks, toys, paper etc and then run a dustcloth over the tables.

6. Over the cooler months of the year you should prepare and light a fire for

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him to unwind by. Your husband will feel he has reached a haven of rest and order, and it will give you a lift too. After all catering for his comforts will provide you with immense personal satisfaction.

7. Prepare the children. Take a few minutes to wash the children's hands and faces (if they are small), comb their hair and, if necessary, change their clothes. They are little treasures and he would like to see them playing the part. Minimise all noise. At the time of his arrival eliminate all noise of the washer, dryer or vacuum. Try to encourage the children to be quiet.
8. Be happy to see him.
9. Greet him with a warm smile and show sincerity in your desire to please him.
10. Listen to him. You may have a dozen important things to tell him, but the moment of his arrival is not the time. Let him talk first – remember, his topics of conversation are more important than yours.
11. Make the evening his. Never complain if he comes home late or goes out to dinner, or other places of entertainment without you. Instead try to understand his world of strain and pressure and his very real need to be at home and relax.
12. Your goal: try to make your home a place of peace, order and tranquillity where your husband can renew himself in body and spirit.
13. Don't greet him with complaints and problems.
14. Don't complain if he's late home for dinner or even if he stays out all night. Count this as minor compared to what he might have done through that day.
15. Make him comfortable. Have him lean back in a comfortable chair or have him lie down in the bedroom. Have a cool or warn drink ready for him.
16. Arrange his pillow and offer to take off his shoes. Speak in a low, soothing and pleasant voice.
17. Don't ask him questions about his actions or question his judgement or integrity. Remember, he is the master of the house and as such will always exercise his will with fairness and truthfulness. You have no right to question him.

A good wife always knows her place.

Tact is the art of making a point without making an enemy.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Another year over and an exciting one about to begin. We had a lovely time coming up to Christmas and would like to thank everyone for their support.

The Christmas play was a great success, thanks to the auspices of Mr & Mrs Brewer, who excelled themselves with the scriptwriting, choreography and rehearsals and the school staff who made the play such a roaring success and such fun. (Perhaps it should have been called the Ben French Show though!!) The children really enjoyed themselves and were brilliant in every part. The Chapel was packed to maximum capacity on both evening and maybe we should consider following in the steps of the Silver Band and book the Royal Albert Hall next year! Due to your kind donations after each performance, we were able to donate £30 to the Chapel and keep £65 towards the costs of this years' play. Thank you to the people of the Chapel who opened doors and warmed the place up for us.

Also, we must thank Denis and Christine for their kind donation, which enabled us to buy some party food for the last day of term. The children really appreciated it and had a lovely half hour devouring every crisp, biscuit and cake crumb!

Class One Sale

We are ever grateful to the parents and friends who attend our coffee mornings and sales. The one held on 5th December raised a truly magnificent £224, which will be spent on toys and games for the younger children.

Football

Our school team have been doing exceptionally well in their matches against other schools and I will bring you further news of this next month. Adam Super-Sleep continues to run rings around every one and Luke Hands-Hicks is proving to be a very worthy goalie, having caught and saved the 'Man of the Match' award a couple of times already. So, watch this space.

And finally.....

We keep saying thank you, but we do have an awful lot to thank you for. Your support for our school is vital and the children really benefit. We would like to wish you all a happy and healthy 2003 and look forward to inviting you to many more fun days and occasions.

1st St. Breward Brownies

Happy New Year to everyone.

Our Unit is made up of girls from St. Breward, St. Tudy and Blisland and 2002 was a great year for us. We were able to participate in one of the best of the 8 points of guiding - promoting enjoyment out of doors.
We really missed it when we were grounded by the foot and mouth crisis, but bbq'd, beached, picnicked, enjoyed a walking safari supper, and completed our Cornish Badge which required a visit to another part of Cornwall. Each time I took my Gazebo just in case the weather turned, but guess what, it's never been unpacked!

After our brilliant international adventure to Pax Lodge in London, one of the 4World Centres of Guiding, our Autumn term was spent thinking of others before ourselves. We were so proud of the girls on our London trip, some of whom had never travelled on a train before, their manners, and caring country ways shone through.

The girls really entered into the spirit of thinking of others, as we

- Prepared boxes for our World in Sight Appeal. Thank you to all those who gave us their old spectacles - we collected approx. 200 pairs (some of which our Guides gave us) but like topsy its still growing! I'm going to organise a photo of them wearing them before I hand them in.
- Swam for Asthma, which is worryingly prevalent in a high proportion of youngsters these days, St Breward Brownies raising £114.00 of the £400+ District total.
- Biscuit baked for Pudsey and with the Playgroup at St. Breward helping us by buying some of our Pudsey biscuits, banked £30. We baked them at the hut and the Brownies took some home and bought the pennies back to pay for them. They even had to pay if they ate them themselves!
- Sent "Love in a Box" to a child in a war torn country with toys, chocolate, books, hats and gloves and toiletries being packed in a shoe box and sent with a photograph of the Unit inside.

We did fit in a safety trip to the Fire Station in Bodmin and the girls were challenged to get out of the homes with their eyes closed, because in a real fire situation you can't see through smoke. The Fire Officers looked after us so well and really highlighted fire safety, at a vulnerable time when the Officers were striking.

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We finished as we should with our own families, making presents and cards for loved ones and our Carol Service.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us along the way, we do appreciate it. It helps the girls to grow and we do try to help our communities when we can.

In 2002 we took part in Michaelstow and St Breward Flower Festivals, St Breward and St Tudy Carnivals, a Guide supported by two Brownies laid the Remembrance Sunday wreath at St Breward Church. A very poignant moment, as Rebecca Teague laid the wreath and saluted it, her Mum Clair, played the last post on her cornet.

Marilyn Pluess Barn Owl

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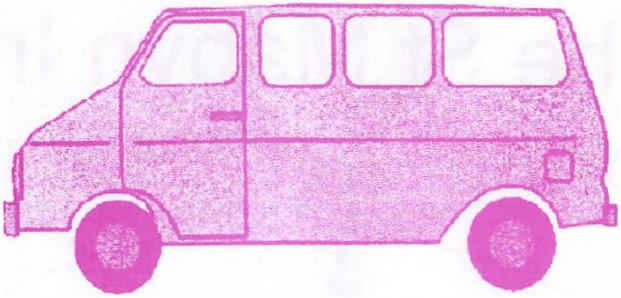

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St Breward Parish Council

St Breward Parish Council met on Tuesday 3rd December 2002 in the Memorial Hall. Members of the public, Mrs S Muskett, Mr T Good and Mr Feasey attended.

The Parish Council voted on planning applications as follows:

1. De Lank Quarry-mason's shed for industrial use No objection.
2. Mr and Mrs Feasey - extension to house No objection.
   Mrs Kirby Harris - trees with preservation orders - trimming No objection
3. Mr & Mrs Sherry - White Meadows - conversion of barn into holiday accommodation. Objections to this application included site remoteness and possible visual impact on the Moor.

The Parish Council and the Commoners Association would like to make you aware that St Breward is not only surrounded by common land but has common land inside the village. "Common" does not mean that this land is public property. Farmers whose land borders the common are "Commoners" and they have long established grazing rights on the common for their animals and have a duty to preserve the common in the future for this purpose. Unauthorized vehicle parking on the common land in St Breward is a cause of concern as common land is not for providing free vehicle parking.

Where common land borders the boundary hedges of property in the village, it is the responsibility of the property owners to maintain their hedges to be stock proof to keep livestock out.

The Council fixed the precept for next year, which is the cost of running Parish activities. A fraction of this cost is then added to your Council Tax. The precept agreed for next year was £4,000, which is £1,000 less than this year's precept.

Deals Lusby reported that the Play Areas Committee was in the process of finalizing the pricing and specifications of such equipment for the two village play areas at Rylands and Penvorder. To save the expense of VAT, the Council voted to undertake the placing of the orders for the play equipment, to pay the VAT and to claim it back subsequently.

It is most likely that, in the near future, the Parish will own the public toilets behind the Post Office. We expect them to be modernized and improved before this happens. Costs of repairs for any future vandalism will fall on the Parish so we hope that all users will treat the toilets with care. One big advantage of ownership will be that the toilets will be kept in a much better state of cleanliness as at present we must rely on cleaning contractors who are outside of our control and apparently anyone else's also.

The Council aims to represent you all in the village. We do not deal with health matters, problems with purchased items or disputes with neighbours. But if you

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have any concerns about other matters affecting you, on footpaths, roads, street signs, traffic, planning, dog nuisance, public toilets, transport, vandalism, economic development or problems that cannot be resolved by the police, school or housing authorities, then please let a Parish Councillor know. You are free (and welcome) to raise the matter yourself at a Council meeting where the atmosphere is relaxed, informal and friendly for members of the public.

The Parish Council wish everyone in St Breward a happy and prosperous New Year. The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Memorial Hall at 7 pm on Tuesday 7th January 2003. All folk are welcome to attend the meeting.

Mev Shelley.

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The Society, with the active help of its members, monitors and makes representations about planning policies and applications that could be detrimental to the area. It works closely with planning authorities and other associations whose interests overlap: recognising that some change will be inevitable but that it is carried out in sympathy with the magnificent landscape of the area. Care is taken to restrict the Society's intervention to matters of importance and to back its comments with relevant planning arguments.

The Society holds about three meetings a year at local venues, when speakers are invited to cover subjects of relevance and interest. The next meeting will be at Jamaica Inn on Wednesday 12th February 2003 at 7.30pm at which Cohn Hawke (Chairman of the Cornwall Hedge Group) will be giving an illustrated talk on Trees and Woodlands in Cornwall, with special emphasis on North Cornwall and Bodmin Moor. Light refreshments and a glass of wine are included in the cost of £5.00 per person and, if you would like to attend, please contact Nicola Mundy on (01208) 812915.

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St Breward Community Bus

We had hoped that by the time this Magazine hit the newsstands our regular school run driver, Peter Nottle would be back driving the bus after a particularly nasty bout of 'flu. News that Peter urgently needs a hip replacement operation has made Terry Goode and Denis Lusby realise just how much we have been relying on Peter's goodwill in driving the bus everyday when it came to looking for relief drivers for a couple of weeks. ("Terry, I told you that temporary in St Breward means PERMANENT!")

To take the pressure off us, Peter has decided to avoid the 18-month queue for hip operation and to go private if funds allow. This means that he will be able to drive the bus much sooner. In desperation, the current drivers of the School bus are putting a "Peter's Hippy Fund" collecting box in the shop. Any donations are welcome (except Charlie Coleman's crutches, as we have been told that they are worn out – from listening!)

Seriously, we would like to have a relief driver roster for the school run. If you can spare a little time and are willing to help, then please contact either myself on 01208 851392 or Christine at St Breward Stores. The morning run starts at approximately 8.10 am and finishes at the school just before nine, the afternoon leaves the school at 3.00 pm and finishes about 3.30 pm.

We really do need to be a position where we have a fall back position for drivers who can help out occasionally.

We would like to thank Peter, not only for all the years he has driven our school bus, but also for all the other jobs he does in St Breward. We all wish him a speedy operation and hope that it will not be too long before he can take a turn on the school run again.

From the first of December 2002, the new owners of Longstone Garage longer offer a Fuel Account Service at their premises. We have made alternative arrangements with Camelot Garage at Camelford. Should you be using the bus and require fuel this can be obtained on our account at Camelot Garage. If you fill up elsewhere then you will need to obtain a VAT receipt for fuel purchased which will be reimbursed to you from the Community Bus Treasurer.

As you are already aware that we have obtained a grant from the Cornwall County Council and we have received the Countryside Agency Grant and have actually ordered a **NEW BUS** and **SHOULD** be getting it towards the end of **MARCH**.

Terry Goode & Denis Lusby

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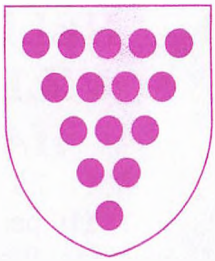

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Blisland Gardening Club.

Blisland Gardening Club is in full swing it seems. We had another excellent turnout for our second meeting, with a total of 29 people. More folk in the village have expressed an interest in joining us after the New Year too.

We were all given the opportunity to share our knowledge with George Kestell, our guest speaker. George is working for Ken Willcock of Ken Caro Gardens and is also a garden consultant in his own right. George was a most personable and entertaining speaker, aided by John on slides! Throughout the evening George found time and the enthusiasm to listen to us and even consulted us on occasions, pleasing the budding horticulturalists amongst us! The main theme of the evening was Climbers and their habits. We were all a great deal wiser at the end of the evening!

Not only have we had some excellent people to speak to us so far, but also, it has to be said that the social aspect of the evening is a real plus. Wendy Gurr and Barbara Balloch kindly provided tea and biscuits. We have very successfully secured funding for our Gardening Club from selling the tea and biscuits, which raised £6.00; the raffle, which raised £19.50 and the plant stall, took £13.00.

Please make a note in your diaries for our next meeting, which will be held on 31st January 2003. It will be in Blisland Village Hall and commence at 7.30pm. Alistair Rivers, who used to be the Curator of the Probus Experimental Garden, will be our guest speaker. He is now a part time teacher and has his own garden design business. Alistair will be speaking to us about propagation.

Membership will commence in January at £3.00 per head per annum. However, please feel free to join us anytime, guests and visitors are always most welcome. Please do not forget to bring along your plants for our ever-popular plant stall.

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Report of meeting of St Breward NHW Scheme held at 'The Barn', Penpont on 2nd Dec 02

Apologies were given from Dave Powell. An update was given on the list of people who are willing to act as First Responders for St Breward. These people would, when available, respond to life threatening situations and would be given training and equipment. We presently have 5 volunteers with at least another 4 required to be able to guarantee a response.

The Data Link packs are proving very popular. These give vital information on medication and next of kin etc for use in the home and vehicle. They are available from Doctors surgeries and Moorgoods.

Universal Securities of Plymouth are offering monitored residential alarm system at discount for members of a NHW Scheme.
Kevin Foster explained the door label idea designed to combat bogus callers. This gave important telephone numbers to ring as well as Post Code and OS map reference for your property. Geoff and Hazel Burrows gave a copy of some useful memory joggers for description of vehicle and persons that will be added to the door label. Kevin explained the difficulty that the emergency services had in locating property in St Breward since they rely on the quality of information given to them. It was pointed St Breward has many regions and that their boundaries are often not signed on the roadside so that the emergency services do not know where one area starts and finishes. Kevin said he would make the point known at the forthcoming Parish Council meeting so as to promote the idea of better signs. Kevin further developed this idea such that the proposed sign at Higher Lank could include such regions of St Breward.

The only recent incident in the village was some cows found on the road on 6th November.

It was agreed that the next meeting would be on Monday, 17th Feb 03 at 7.30pm to be held at 'The Barn', Penpont followed by a letter to be sent inviting all members to attend an AGM to be held on Monday, 7th April as an AGM.

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Jubilee Luncheon Club, St Breward

We had a splendid Christmas luncheon, provided free on 17th December. Before the meal began the manager of Tesco, Wadebridge presented a cheque to us for £1,500 for which we are most grateful. We have bought a cooker, fridge and chairs. We are now fully equipped to make our monthly lunch a great deal easier.

Following the full Christmas we were well entertained by Trevor Trenouth, this was especially enjoyable to the many people who have known him since childhood. Derek our very good value vicar led us on guitar and harmonica in some Christmas carols to end a most successful lunchtime.

We wish all our luncheon clubbers a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you every 3rd Tuesday. Thank you all for the lovely presents, which were a great surprise.

Margery, Pat, Rosemary, Margaret, Muriel and Gerda

St. Breward WI December 10th 2002

Our bowls team went to the competitions at Newquay and in spite of being a Short Mat team managed to win against the Newquay team which was a feather in their cap indeed.

Mrs Janet Tiplady gave us a box of Roses (the edible sort!) to enjoy during the afternoon meeting.

Mrs M Crowle and her friends continued their own fundraising recently and have sent a further £3,500 to Mount Edgcumbe; this is a tremendous effort on their part and they are to be congratulated by us all.

Our president, Mrs C Woolf, is definitely resigning and our secretary, Mrs J Gant so we urgently need two volunteers (or pressed men) to take over these positions. A new Group Convenor is also required for St Petroc's Group. Anyone who cannot attend the Annual Meeting on February 11th at 7.15 pm may send in votes in advance for these St Breward positions, also nominations for committee members.

The next committee meeting will be at Rose Cottage at 7pm on January 29th. Please note that there will NOT be a meeting in January; it was decided during the summer that a replacement meeting would take place in August.

Mrs R Lowe won the competition for a decorated Christmas candleholder & candle.

Our speaker was Andy from CHICKS - Country holidays for Inner City Kids. He showed a new promotional video about the six-day holidays for sixteen children at a time with very good proportion of caring staff. A new centre is planned in a barn complex on Bodmin Moor. Many children, even those living near the sea etc, have never been to the seaside or even seen farm animals. These few days are able to help in many ways. Andy answered many questions from interested members and a collection was taken to help fund the voluntary work that is required to run these holidays.

Immediately after the meeting members went to East Rose Farm near Delphy Bridge for another sumptuous Christmas tea provided by Mrs Veronica Stansfield, this was especially welcome as the weather was absolutely freezing outside.

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Ladies Fixtures – Watch Notice board!

On Tuesday December 11th the Priory House Centre enjoyed a two course Christmas lunch at the club, followed by a disco. Chocolates were given as a token of thanks.

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