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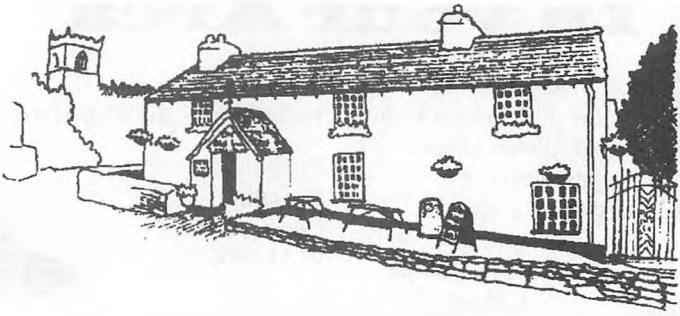

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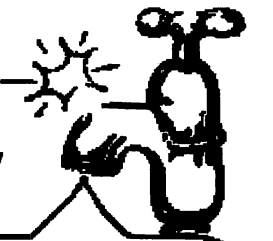

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Stop Press: Dogs Don't Read the Parish Magazine

Sorry Denis, it seems that dogs still prefer a bone to reading your monthly publication.

However dog owners do read the magazine and further to a notice in March's issue they are still allowing their dogs to foul along the lane by the church. During the summer the church is left open for visitors to come in and have to walk past lumps of dog dirt does not give a very good first impression. Even worse, if it is stepped on and then taken into the church it gets into the matting and is impossible to clean up.

So please dog owners, just consider others and take a bag with you when you walk your dog.

Also in the graveyard, people are still dumping rubbish etc on the grass cutting pile despite large notices asking them to use the dustbins provided. Please help to keep the graveyard tidy and put your rubbish in the appropriate place.

Derek is Moving On

I suspect by now most in Blisland, Helland, St Breward & Temple know that our Vicar Derek is leaving us, around mid summer, to move onto greater things in Truro. So this Easter Day was Derek's last as our Vicar at our respective Services. To mark the occasion in Blisland, after the Service we took a picture of Derek with his altar boys, Matthew Harding, Ben Smith, Mark Harding and organist John Meeson. Its not farewell yet but when you've gone Derek, you will certainly be missed.

Before Derek leaves he will be able to see us through this year's Summer Fete. Make a note in your diary, BLISLAND SUMMER FETE, 26th JUNE 2004.

Wally Hunt

For years 1 had wanted to leave London but Wally wouldn't hear of it so it was a great surprise to hear him say one morning "I think we'll move to Cornwall, near Jane". He had just learned of his last illness and decided we'd be better near her.

We have been here a little over five and a half years and they have been among the happiest years of our lives. We were made welcome from the start, with such kindness and helpfulness, and now 1 thank you all for your help during the sad time of Wally's passing.

God bless you all.
Joan Hunt

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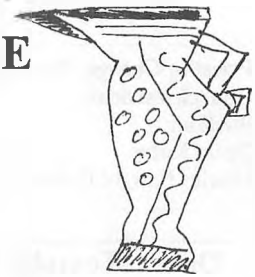

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Date	Temple	Blisland	Helland	St. Breward	Sunday Club
2nd May 4th of Easter		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion David Reed	6.30 p.m. Evensong Valerie Jones	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion David Reed	H/H Minibus
9th May 5th of Easter		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek	11.00 a.m. United Service Church Anniversary	11.10 a.m. Family Service with Baptism Derek Carrivick	F/S Minibus
16th May 6th of Easter		9.30 a.m. Matins Valerie Jones	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) Derek Carrivick	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	H/H Minibus
23rd May 6th of Easter (Aldersgate)	2.00 p.m. Church Walk 4.30 p.m. Evensong Derek Carrivick	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	11.00 a.m. United Holy Communion (AT CHURCH) Derek Carrivick	11.10 a.m. Matins Valerie Jones	FULL Minibus
30th May Whitsunday (Pentecost)		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek	11.00 a.m. United Service (AT CHAPEL) D. Osborne	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	H/H Minibus
6th June Trinity Sunday		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek	6.30 p.m. Evensong Derek Carrivick	11.10 a.m. Family Service with Baptism Derek Carrivick	F/S Minibus

Wisdom is knowing what to do next
– virtue is doing it!

Overheard in St. Breward PO Café on an April day with the horizontal rain drops hitting the window panes like machine-gun fire:

Newcomer (just moved into the village): "Some weather!"

Local: "Yes, some weather."

Newcomer: "Is it often like this?"

Local: "No...

pause; ...only about 200 days in the year"

Newcomer (looking at his removal lorry struggling to get past six cars, two vans, and a cement mixer): "Ah, well tomorrow's another day".

Some weather we have had in April. Summer, winter, spring and autumn all rolled into one. It makes for interesting conversation. If I had pound for every time a conversation started with "Think its going to rain, vicar?" or "Lovely day today, but I think we'll pay for it later." I'd be a rich man. Here in Cornwall our weather is so variable and unpredictable that almost all our conversations start something like that.

And the weather does affect us. I have lain on Par beach letting the ultra violet do its stuff and all my worries melt away. Yet on the same beach I remember a force 10 that smashed most of the caravans to pieces.

The Bible talks about the weather quite a bit – Jesus calmed the storm and calmed the fears of his friends in the boat. They said, 'What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?" Matthew 8:27). The thing is we cannot control the weather. Meteorologists tell us the weather is a chaotic system. It is difficult to make predictions. We can read the signs – "red sky at night sailor's delight" or study the seaweed, or, if you have the skill measure the air pressure changes and make weather maps of tomorrow. The sun might shine, the skies might darken, the wind might blow, the rain might beat upon the window panes.

Now, I hope all this does not sound like some kind of spoof sermon but really our lives, like the weather, are a bit unpredictable.

Illness overwhelms us:
or it miraculously disappears;
an old friend rings us up and we recall moments we had forgotten;
an idea strikes home and changes how we look at life.

Tomorrow is indeed another day.

Derek Carrivick MA

Chapel's Page

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Dear Friends;

After Easter what? The crowds have gone home for a few weeks, the Easter Eggs have been consumed, the special church services are behind us – what now? For those who work in the tourist trade either directly or indirectly, a chance to catch a breath before the busy summer season.

But what of the church in our local parish, both Anglican and Methodist Do we need to take a breath in readiness for a busy season? Yes, I believe we do! Jesus calls us into action. After that great act of love on Calvary and the spectacular event of the resurrection the risen Jesus met his disciples on a hill outside of Galilee and gave them a new job description.

(Matt: 28 v 19) "Go, and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." As the church of Christ in this area we have inherited that great commission. During the first three weeks of June the Methodist church is looking forward to a group of five young people who will join us in seeking to fulfil that great commission. We would ask you to pray for God's guidance and blessing in proclaiming the message of the risen Lord Jesus.

Yours Sincerely. Pastor Brian

St Breward Methodist Church May Diary

2nd	9.30am	Brian Parkman
9th	9.30am	Rev A Sowden
16th	9.30am	Mr L Mabson
23rd	9.30am	Mr A Martin
30th	9.30am	Mr P Parsons

May 5th 10 – 11.30am COFFEE MORNING
Wednesdays 3.15 – 4.45pm Children's Club

Blisland Methodist Church May Services

2nd	2.30pm	Preacher Pastor Brian Parkman
16th	2.30pm	Preacher Derek Carrivick
30th	2.30pm	Preacher Superintendent Minister Rev Andrew Sowden (Holy Communion Service)

Our **Sankey Evening** held in the Village Hall on Sunday 18th April was most successful. People from Methodist chapels as far apart as Tremail and Nanstallon attended and sang lustily their favourite hymns. Mr John Bennallick conducted the service and Mr Mark Hawken the well-known local accordionist provided the music. Refreshments which followed were much appreciated. Over £70.00 was collected for Blisland Methodist Church.

Tony Ham Church Steward

Blisland WRVS Club

We opened our summer meetings with our AGM held at the home of our treasurer, Mrs Audry Pierce. Welcome was given to two new members, Mrs Pam Haffenden and husband Peter.

Mrs Marion Humber, Supervisor for North Cornwall WRVS Clubs, attended and spoke about the changes taking place throughout the WRVS organisation. An excellent lunch was provided by Audry ably assisted by Brian. Competitions followed which required a sharp eye to note differences between two identical pictures. Other puzzles were also intriguing to solve. Marion and I obtained the highest number of points. There were prizes awarded to everyone. It was agreed our next meeting on Tuesday 4th May would be lunch at the Borough Arms.

Tony Ham Club organiser.

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BLISLAND VOTES FOR A PARISH PLAN

A Parish meeting was held in the village hall on Wednesday 14th April to explore the possibility of Blisland going for its own Parish Plan. Over 50 Parishioners attended the meeting and voted overwhelmingly for a Parish Plan.

After this we had 12 parishioners who put forward their names to join the steering committee, with a further parishioner in reserve. So we are basically set up. An application has been made to the Countryside Agency for a grant to support the venture, and NCDC have indicated that they will support. Hopefully in a short time we will have our funding applications confirmed and be able to get underway.

Marita Ward of CRCC, Emma Rowse of NCDC & Ed Thompson from Wadebridge helped the proceedings along, so many thanks to them for giving their time, experience & knowledge.

Blisland Gardening Club.

It was with great anticipation and excitement that we welcomed the celebrated Anne Swithinbank to our March meeting. She was a naturally entertaining speaker and brought an enthusiasm and energy to gardening that was inspirational! Anne told us about her own garden, from early beginnings to the current 'His and Her' borders, neither of course, must be plundered – an amusing insight and one which we can all identify with I am sure!

The village hall was packed with eager villagers and visitors. It is always good to see new faces. Thanks must go to Barbara Balloch for organising this event and to our most generous sponsors for the evening: Bodmin Plant and Herb Nursery, who supplied a wonderful selection of plants for sale, The Duchy Nursery and West Country Garden Machinery. As usual we held a most successful raffle with some exciting prizes, kindly donated by our sponsors and members of the Gardening Club! We all enjoyed some light refreshments after Anne's talk and slides. Some folk were even lucky enough to chat to Anne about their own gardening problems over a cup of tea.

Our May 28th meeting will welcome Carol Richards. She is a most interesting and knowledgeable gardener and her speciality is Fuchsias. Please remember to bring plants for our ever-popular Plant Stall. See you then!

BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL AGM

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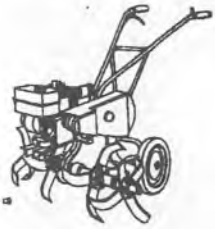

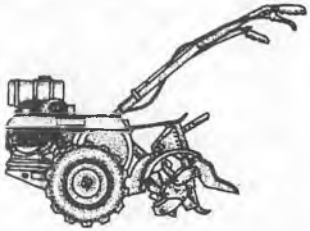

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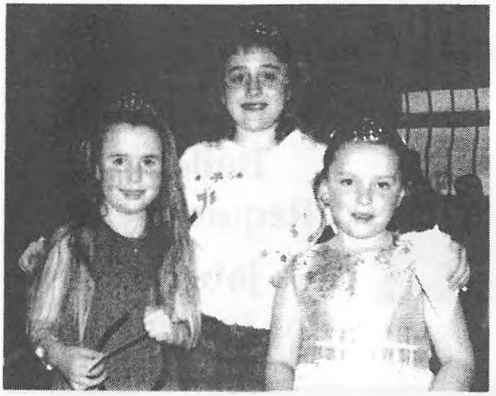

It is that time of the year again for St Breward when the village's active Carnival Committee start the events happening which lead up to their all important summer Carnival.

One of the key events is the Junior Disco which also hosts the judging for the Carnival Queen and her Attendants. Recently held at the St Breward Football Club, this proved to be a very popular evening for St Breward's youngsters with probably the best turnout in recent memory, according to the Committee Chairman Joe Kay. Kay commented, "With so many kids attending and also with 9 entries for the Carnival Queen, this surpassed all our expectations and clearly demonstrated the local support we receive for our Carnival. Following the success of the Carnival's recent Quiz Night and now our Disco, I really am looking forward to a bumper Carnival for this year."

Joe added, "It is always difficult making a choice for the Carnival Queen and this year we were lucky to receive assistance from our two judges, Mavis Miles and Norma Ludgate from our neighbouring village Blisland. I would like to extend our Committee's appreciation for their help and support."

Crowned Carnival Queen for 2004 was Lauren Sleep, aged 9 years, who is following in the footsteps of her elder sister Kylie who also held this role in 1997. Lauren's mother, Dawn, said, "We really enjoy the Carnival period and it is great to be actively involved again in preparing the float for this year's procession and to have the chance to attend the other local Carnivals as well." Lauren's Attendants also selected were Eleanor Westbury, aged 6 years, and Corrie Champion, aged 7 years.

The evening was compered by Trevor Ternouth, a well known Cornish entertainer and St Breward bred, who the Carnival Committee are privileged to have as their President for the second year running. Ternouth and other Committee members also judged the competition for the Carnival Programme Cover which was entered by children from the St Breward Primary School. There were many drawings to choose from with the lucky winner being Hollie Cornelius, 10 years.

If you want to sponsor the St Breward Carnival, enter a float or yourself, or just help on the day, please contact Joe Kay, Chairman, on 01208 850030. After last year's tremendous success in fund raising, this will be yet another Carnival to remember according to Kay. And the date? Don't forget - Saturday 3rd July 2004, with a full programme of events in the preceding week.

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A Table Top Sale was held over three days of Easter outside
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Many thanks to Garry for allowing us to place the remaining articles in his truck for a week, this was much appreciated and also thanks to those who helped, donated and bought!

Also on Sunday, April 18th we had two tables in the Bodmin & Wenford Railway Yard, which was organised by Radio Cornwall. In spite of the dreadful weather we made £58.75 profit! Again many thanks to all those who contributed Articles to sell and those who supported us by buying!!

These two sales were in support of our new Shop, Post Office and Doctors Surgery.

Bridge Afternoon in aid of St Breward Church

Two years ago a friend, Mrs Tamsin Sowerby and I decided to run a Bridge Drive for our two churches. The Sowerby's had converted a barn into a large function room which was just the venue we needed. They live in Lewannick Parish, just this side of Launston, and I am from St Breward.

Tamsin became very ill and had to have a huge operation so everything went on hold.

Last autumn we started planning again, and all went well. We just did it together so decisions were easier! The replies flooded in and we had 13 tables of four. We served a cold lunch and played until 4.00pm. With a raffle and costs deducted we raised over £800.00.

Tamsin very generously has insisted we have £400.00 despite the fact that I was ill for the two months so my active support and publicity fell very short – The telephone line, however, was very busy!

Our Rector Derek Carrivick upheld the parish and Honor O' Connor from Blisland and Felicity Swindell from Helland, all played. Sadly for one reason or another our St Breward helpers and myself were unable to attend. Everyone enjoyed themselves and it was voted a great success.

My thanks to all who participated.

Sue Hutton

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"A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday but never remembers her age."

North Cornwall Memoirs

My step-father passed away recently and whilst sorting through his possessions I happened upon a batch of photographs that had belonged to my Mother. Amongst other things, these photos included a number taken in Cornwall during the mid-fifties when I was a nipper. This made me realise that I have been visiting (or living in) North Cornwall (Polzeath in particular) for nigh on 50 years.

In those days my parents, grandma, grandfather and myself used to spend two glorious weeks in Delabole as our summer holiday. It used to take us about 12 hours to travel down by car from North London. There were no by-passes around Wincanton, Honiton, Okehampton or Launceston in those days so getting through each of these towns was an experience, especially as we came down in a Humber Super Snipe, a massive motor car by any standards. Every year we used to stop at the 'Black Bear Inn' in Wincanton for lunch - I wonder if it still exists?

Our 'digs' were at the house of Mr and Mrs Long in those days. The Longs' house

doubled as the Lloyds bank in Delabole with the owners also running the cinema in Atlantic Road opposite the house. Part of the deal for staying at the Longs was that I could go to the cinema for free providing that I sat at the front. There were always three programmes a week in those days so I guess this got me out of my parents hair for a good deal of time. I can also remember spending a long time in the Co-op shop that used to stand on the corner of the road that leads down to the quarry. I can recall that they had a large selection of Matchbox toy cars that were out of date even then. On the corner of Atlantic Road was a snooker hall where my parents sometimes spent an hour or two although I was never allowed to touch either equipment or table.

Whilst on holiday it seemed that we spent every day, rain or shine, on Tristram field at Polzeath. We were always disappointed if we did not get the first parking spot by

the stile (not even a gate nowadays). The car would be parked, the groundsheet put down, windbreaks erected, chairs placed and primus lit with military precision. I would spend all day on the beach either surfing, rock pooling or joining in the mass beach games. I can recall many games of cricket involving in excess of a hundred people. How anybody qualified to bat or bowl I never discovered. There were no wet suits in those days so all day on the beach was a long time but I am reliably informed that I never wanted to come back to the car.

Where the newsagent is in Polzeath used to be a cafe of some description where you could also sit outside (to the right where there is now a small block building). One of the highlights would be to visit this place en-masse and indulge in banana splits - probably quite risque at the time. Ann's Cottage was already there but was a petrol station that also sold a few surf boards (wooden only) as a side line. In the picture, you can see my Father with his surf board. I still use that board now. The Kellys ice cream vans did roam about the beach in those days but all you could get was the hard yellow ice cream in wafers or cornets - no namby-pamby soft whip in those days!

I have lived the majority of my years in London and during that period, the changes to it have been dramatic - new buildings everywhere, traffic schemes, far far busier, less safe, more hectic and fast paced, more consumer oriented, generally less pleasant. By comparison, Polzeath and the surrounding area seems to have changed very little for which I think we should all be grateful.

Bob Pratt

Please Dont Feed The Moorland Ponies.

Recently more and more people are taking hay up onto the moor and feeding the moorland ponies. How ever well intentioned these people are, it is illegal to feed another person's animal without their permission.

All the ponies on the moor are privately owned and are bred to forage on the moor for their food, by artificially feeding them it destroys their natural instincts and they hang around the roadside waiting for a car with food on board to arrive putting them in danger of being knocked down especially the foals.

The ponies are turned out on the moor by the commoners and are taught by their mothers to keep to their own territory. Once they learn that food is in the offering they hang around the wrong part of the common and even worse Hammatethy ponies have been lured onto Blisland Common and visa versa.

Defra has banned all stock feeding through the Stewardship Agreement and the ponies are counted and monitored under the scheme, this illegal feeding is making the delivery of Stewardship very difficult. However because of the scheme, the commons are now lightly grazed with cattle and sheep and there is plenty of grazing for the moorland pony, but they need to be left alone to find their food. If anyone should see a pony in distress for any reason the Commoners are always grateful to be informed but please do not feed them.

Mandy Fairman Dick (Secretary) Blisland Commoners Association

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April and May are always very busy months in the school. The Year 6 children are soon to take their SATs and are working hard on revision at the moment so there is not a lot else going on.

However, the Class 1 garden is coming on nicely. The sculptor, Gary Thrussell, who designed and made the Throne (see below), has been commissioned to make a metal 'tree' which will make noises in the breeze and we have been collecting old welly boots, which will soon be planted.

CREATIVE PROJECTS – THE THRONE

If you fancy s troll one evening, do take the footpath that runs through the top end of our school field and there you will find the result of Class Three's Creative Partnership. The children were asked to help design a sculpture that related to Beasts and Giants and, in conjunction with the sculptor, came up with the idea of a giant chair, with beasts intertwined. The chair was installed on the field during the Easter holidays and is quite lovely. It has a tall backrest, in which is to be found, a large spider and a lump of Cornish rock. The arms have the heads of beasts on and there's much more. The chair has been named 'The Arachnathrone', (the children of Class 3 had a competition and this one from Joe Hill was voted favourite), and will be used for storytelling during the better weather. However, it is not just for the school. It has been purposefully situated next to the footpath to be shared by the entire village. There are more projects in this theme of Giants being done all over North Cornwall and a giant fish can be found on the Camel Trail Car Park near Wenford Dryers.

And finally.....

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At their AGM held on 29th March the Handbell ringers looked back over a busy year. Back in May we played at Pencarrow at the Smallholders' Fayre and attended a rally at Callington in April which was interesting as it meant we got together with other groups of ringers and took part in massed ringing. In March St Sidwell ringers came to visit us for advice and inspiration. Some of our members attended a summer school in July where they took part in different aspects of ringing throughout the day and learnt a great deal. Christmas as usual was our busiest time with concerts in both the church and chapel. We also played at the annual Christmas Craft Fayre at Pencarrow and entertained the patients at St. Lawrence's Hospital. We also took part in the Revel Sunday celebrations at St Breward Church. Unfortunately the rally that we were organising in February had to be cancelled at the last minute because of snow but it is hoped to re-schedule this for October.

After Christmas we welcomed a new young member, Marie Ralph and she is doing extremely well. Our group has also, thanks to our funds and the generosity of an anonymous benefactor been able to purchase two new bells which has enabled us to increase our repertoire of songs that we are able to play.

We are holding a Coffee Morning in the Bandroom on 15th May at 10.30am at which the handbells will be on display so come along to spend your money and try out the bells!

We welcome new members young or old and you don't have to be able to read music. We practise every Monday night in the church 7.00 - 8.00pm so come along and join us.

DEFENDING THE DEMON DRINK

The next time someone attacks you for drinking too much hit them with this academic argument.

A herd of buffalo can move only as fast as the slowest buffalo, and when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group, keeps improving by the regular culling of the weakest members.

In much the same way the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Excessive intake of alcohol, we all know, kills off brain cells, but naturally it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, constantly making the brain a faster and more efficient machine.

ASK A SILLY QUESTION

A newly qualified lawyer is prosecuting his first case in Truro court.

After he called his first witness to the stand in a trial – a grandmotherly, elderly woman he approached her and asked, "Mrs. Hosken, do you know me?"

She responded, "Why, yes, I do know you. I've known you since you were a young boy. And frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me.

"You lie, you cheat on your wife, you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a rising big shot when you haven't the brains to realise you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Davey, do you know the defence attorney?"

She again replied, "Why, yes I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. I used to baby-sit him for his parents. And he, too, has been a real disappointment tome, He's lazy, bigoted, he has a drinking problem. The man can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the shoddiest in the entire city. Yes, I know him."

At this point, the judge called both solicitors to the bench. In a very quiet voice, he said with menace, "If either of you asks her if she knows me, you'll be in jail for contempt within 5 minutes!"

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children. They have not been retouched nor corrected. (i.e., incorrect spelling has been left in).

a.. In the first book of the bible, Guinessis. God got tired of creating the world so he took the sabbath off.

b.. Adam and Eve were created from an Apple tree. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark and the animals came on in pears.

c.. Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.

d.. The Jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic Genitals.

e.. Sampson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.

f.. Samson slayed the Philistines with the axe of the Apostles.

g.. Moses led the Jews to the Red sea where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.

h.. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert, Afterwards, Moses went up to Mount Cyanide to get the ten ammendments.

i.. The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.

j.. The seventh Commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

k.. Moses died before he ever reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.

l.. The greates miricle in the bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.

m.. David was a Hebrew king who was skilled at playing the liar. He fought the Finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in bibical times.

n.. Solomon, one of Davids sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

o.. When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.

p.. When the three wise guys from the east side arrived, they found Jesus in the manager.

q.. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.

r.. St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.

s.. Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule, which says to do unto others before they do one to you. He also explained, a man doth not live by sweat alone.

t.. It was a miricle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.

u.. The people who followed the lord were called the 12 decibels.

v.. The epistels were the wives of the apostals.

w.. One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.

x.. St. Paul cavorted to Christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marraige.

y.. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.

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Blisland Parish Council (March Meeting)

Blisland Parish Council should have met on Thursday 11th March, but unfortunately the weather was exceptionally bad that day so the meeting was rescheduled for Thursday 18th March too late for inclusion in the April edition of the Parish magazine. The following is a précis of the key items form the March meeting for the May edition of the magazine.

The issue of damage to the Public Toilets had moved on, there had been a session in the Bodmin Magistrates Court on 15th March where the offender was given a four month referral to the youth offenders team and Blisland Parish Council had been awarded £100 compensation.

During Public Participation, questions were raised associated with the large increase in the precept for this year. The Clerk advised that this was associated with provision to repair the roof of the Institute (probable cost £6000), a contribution to the regeneration costs for the village hall, and correction to bring Council employees salary into line with accepted standards. It was pointed out that despite the increase, the Blisland precept is still less than that of neighbouring villages such as St Breward, St Mabyn, and Cardinham. It was agreed not to renew the notice boards.

The Council agreed to the PCC's request to erect a memorial seat outside the Institute for Deanna Kendall. Terms and conditions for the hire of the Institute were agreed. Mrs Pope advised that a grant had been applied for to repair the area under the swings on the green & install a safety mat.

Blisland Parish Council (April Meeting)

The Parish Council met on Thursday 8th April, six Councillors were in attendance, there were no members of the Public present. The Clerk advised that he had received a cheque for £100 from the family of a second offender who had damaged the toilets. Thus the Council now had received a total of £200 to set against the cost of repair. A quotation had been received to repair the lighting in the toilets and to set up a security light (£450). The Clerk was asked to ensure that these repairs and improvements were put in place ASAP. Attention was drawn to the state of the decorations in the toilets, and the Council agreed to consider this further at a future meeting.

There were no planning decisions, and just one planning application, retrospective for Whitely Barn. The extraordinary meeting to consider the Council's risk assessment did not complete the task, a further meeting was set for 6th May. The Clerk advised that he had had contact with the PCC to discuss the legal ownership of the Institute. Assistance with this matter was sought from PCC members, and anyone else in the Village who may have knowledge on the subject. The Council

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had employed Solicitors in Wadebridge to assist in this matter.

The government had asked all Councils to identify 6 responsible persons from the Parish who could be called upon in the event of an emergency, 5 individuals had agreed to their names being put forward providing that they are only called upon in an emergency, and not required to attend endless training sessions & meetings.

Please note that a copy of the approved minutes for the meetings of 12th February, and 18th March plus minutes of extraordinary meetings of 15th February, 4th & 30th March can be downloaded from the Parish Council page of www.blisland.com.

Heartswell: Camelford & District Cardiology Fund

At the recent AGM it was pleasing to report that we had donated £4000 in the past 12 months to the Plymouth Heartswell Fund. This brings our total contributions to £62,500 in 11 years of fund raising!!

Our usual bi-monthly meeting followed the AGM to discuss fund raising for 2004. It was decided to have our usual Summer Draw, with mainly monetary prizes of 1st £150 2nd £75 3rd £50 plus other prizes.

A sponsored walk will be held, (with kind permission of Mr & Mrs Northcott) at Little Oaks, East Dizzard, St Gennys on Sunday 27th June, at 11am. This will conclude with a Bar- B -Q. Please try and come to this event as it has been very successful in the past! Sponsor forms may be obtained from 01840 770 671.

There will be (provisionally) a musical evening at Camelford Hall on 11th September 2004.

The Christmas Craft Fayre will be held at Wadebridge, on Thursday/Friday 25/26th November. This was not an easy decision to make, but it was thought that perhaps a lot more money might be raised. Volunteers/helpers will be needed to serve refreshments and sell raffle tickets, any offers of help nearer the time would be much appreciated, don't forget, the more help the easier it will be for all concerned!

There may be some coffee mornings/cheese & wine held throughout the year so please keep watching the local posters and papers!

Thanks in anticipation of another successful year, but remember that your committee are another year older, and more limited in their involvement !!

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QUIZ - May '04

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They were worried about sailing the North Atlantic - often called _____ not long ago a liner had run out of food, and the only nourishment was a ton of _____. Early one morning, enjoying _____ , Millie confessed she had had a _____ . _____ _____ had released all the poultry from the _____ . She had gone to see _____ , _____ G P
but the _____ , _____ing her medical history suggested she spend a week in Italy looking after a mother and her _____nos. He wanted her to make an appointment with the nurse, _____ . _____ ide the office and arrange it, he told her.

What they actually did for their vacation is a mystery, though they were spotted leaving Heathrow extolling the virtues of _____ who had piloted planes which were Heath Robinson affairs resembling a collection of _____ .

List of film names to be used:
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QUIZ April '04 Answers			
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2. Liver	8. Groin	16. Navel	24. Tastebud
3. Heart	9. Shoulder	17. Cheek	25. Eye
4. Hand	10. Rib	18. Back	26. Toenail
5. Tongue	11. Muscle	19. Fat	27. Beard
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	14. Hair	22. Thigh	30. Molar

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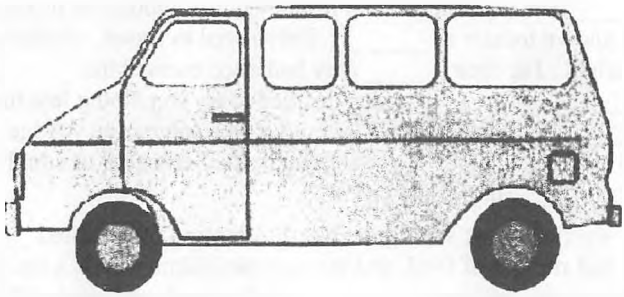

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We are now in the process of booking our next Carn to Cove evenings which will take place in the Autumn.

GRANTS

We have been successful in our request for a Lottery Award for All grant to enable us to put new safety flooring in the toilet area.

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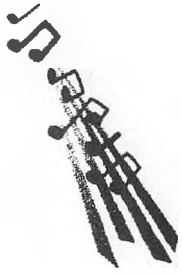

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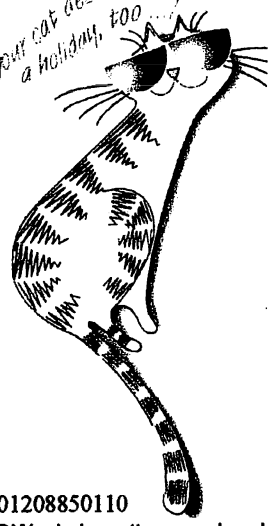

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St Breward Gardening Club

We regretfully cancelled our February meeting as the forces of Mother Nature were very much against us! The snow and icy conditions at that time made travelling for our guest speaker and for our members a trifle difficult but all is not lost!

Mark and his wife from Trecanna Nurseries were reappointed for our March meeting when Mark made his presentation on Bulbs for all year round all the more enjoyable by using slides to show us how this organic Nursery started, progress made and plans for the future. It is certainly a very individual Nursery with all plants on sale being grown, tried and tested before being offered for sale. Advice is freely on offer and the layout of the Nursery into separate gardens of like species will make this Nursery a priority for a visit in early summer!

Mr George Kestell will come to our Gardening Club later in the year to have a chat to us about garden ponds and water features.

The very cold and frosty weather also adversely affected the gardens we planned to visit during March but in early April we visited Bodwannick Manor, Nanstallon, the home of Mr and Mrs Martin Appleton. This was our first visit of 2004 (so perhaps we were excited!) but we all so thoroughly enjoyed this morning out – the sun shone, the daffodils, narcissi, and magnolias were absolutely stunning and Martin accompanied us around the gardens he had created with such foresight. Tea and biscuits were provided and much enjoyed as was the chance to see the collection of over 200 inkwells – in fact there is so much to see and admire at Bodwannick. Further visit opportunitys on 9th May and 11th July when the garden is open for the National Gardens Scheme, will be occasions to make a note of.

Our guest speaker for April is Mr Charlie Pridham (a welcome return visit)and his subject will be Geraniums, Pelargoniums and Erodiums – Mrs Liz Pridham will offer a selection of these delightful plants for sale.

Our May meeting on Friday 28th will be at Bodmin Plant and Herb Nursery (6.00 – 6.30pm). Mark will centre his talk this time on shrubs for our gardens.

We are always pleased to have new members and visitors to our Club and of course welcome interested people on our visits. Looking forward to the joy of warm days, long evenings and happy gardening hours!

Jackie Greengrass 851592

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St. Breward Primary School are applying for Ofsted approval to extend our current provision for early years education. At present we offer part-time education for four year olds and if the application is successful, we would be able to extend this to include three year olds. This would be five sessions of two and a half hours every week. If you are interested in applying for a place, please contact Mrs. King on 01208 850547 as soon as possible.

The Pipes Are Coming!!

Following the success of past years, St Breward Silver Band have agreed to present a third consecutive year of 'Music By The River'. To be held once again by kind permission of Seth and Bobbi in the grounds of Wenford Bridge Pottery on Saturday August 14th. Since closing the gate on last years extravaganza the band has been inundated with complimentary letters, e mails, and requests for a repeat in summer 2004.

I am particularly pleased to report that following numerous requests, the City of Plymouth Pipe and Drum Band, under the leadership of Commander Charles Crichton O.B.E., have agreed to return to St Breward following their enjoyment of last years event. They remember the warm reception from the audience and their love of St Breward and the surrounding countryside.

The organising committee gained valuable experience from last years unexpected high audience attendance. They have set plans in motion to iron out problem areas with an increase in catering staff numbers and equipment at the Bar-B-Q to reduce lengthy queues. Also an increase in the number of toilet facilities for the fairer sex!!, Improved car parking management, park and ride facilities, signage, and the appointment of an accommodation officer as demand for bed and breakfast for performers is a high probability.

It has been decided at this years event to involve local youth organisations, in particular the St Breward Girl Guides and Brownies, and possibly local Army Cadets and Young Farmers. Enquiries are also being made about the possibility of having the St John's Ambulance brigade as official first aiders. Although a large contingent of Matrons from Derriford Hospital will also be in attendance thanks to the influence of our Chairperson Debbie (Matron for Surgery) and her close friend Anita Cornelius (Matron for Medicine) – so all bases covered there!

Yes this years **Music By The River** promises to be even bigger and better than last year. So get your pencils out and run a circle around the **14th August** on your wall calendar and prepare yourself for what promises to be a great five hour non stop show of west country entertainment. Finally if anyone in the community can offer bed and breakfast around the event dates, then please contact Debbie on email **stbrewardband.freeserve.co.uk** or telephone 01752 203571.a.s.a.p.

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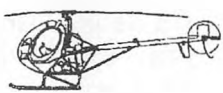

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Tony Champion Takes Gates. Local Woman takes offence.

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St Breward Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 6 April 2004

Members of the public present included Mr J Webb, Mr Jackson, Mr Cambouropoules, Mr & Mrs Stansfield and others. District Councillor, David Miller also attended. There were apologies from Mrs Hannaford, Mrs Hanscomb, Mr Hoskins and Mr Lusby.
Planning applications reviewed were as follows:

- Mr & Mrs Cambouropoules - Millers House, Coombe - erection of extension to the rear of the listed building. There were no objections to this application as an extension to a house but a concern was raised that listed buildings basically ought to remain unaltered wherever possible.
- Mr Greenaway - resubmission of plans to develop the site surrounding a listed building at Churchtown. The previous plans had been recommended for approval by the Council. The two storey building opposite the pub has been altered to be single storey. The pair of semidetached houses has been altered to appear as bungalows when viewed from outside the pub. The Council felt that the resubmission was a visual improvement and raised no objections to the application. However, there was concern about slurry from the farm flowing onto footpath 13 which footpath otherwise could be used by children in the new development to get to school. Parish Council correspondence to the County Council on this matter would be copied to the Planning Department.
- Mr & Mrs Mead – Bronson, Limehead - vehicle entrance to the property. There were no objections.

A member of the public wrote that the house nearly finished adjacent to Ticketeeboo was positioned closer to the road than approved. The Council voted that a letter be sent to the Director of Planning, pointing out that the Council had often opposed development on the site and adjacent developments. Now, through constant revisions and changes, ad hoc development bore no resemblance to the original plans approved for this important centre of village site.

Joe Kay reported that the Public toilets were filthy. The responsibility for cleaning still remains with the District Council. Bob Benham would make urgent representations and Joe said that he would personally visit Technical Services to twist arms for action. If no action be taken, the cleaning will be authorized locally by the Council and the bill sent to the Director of Finance in NCDC.

To make the steep footpath leading down to the Memorial Hall safer, it has now been fitted with a handrail along its entire length.

The Chairman presented the updated Annex 1 to Parish Council Standing Orders, covering management of play areas and toilets, risk analysis and management, and Council participation in the management of village halls. The form of

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contract of employment for the Clerk was also presented. The Council voted unanimously to adopt Annex 1 and the form of contract.

On 6th of April 2004, four members of the Council had, in the afternoon, interviewed candidates to fill a vacancy for a Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer. All of the three candidates were exceptionally well qualified for the post. The unanimous choice by the Council was for Mrs Anita Cornelius to be Clerk who accepted when telephoned. The salary to be offered was agreed by the Council and the form of contract will be sent to her for signature.

Bob Benham has been Clerk to the Council for the last ten years and has resigned for family reasons. Bob has worked hard and well for the benefit of the Parish during this time. Most people will be sorry to see him go but, as a personal friend, I will hopefully be seeing him for a lot longer. Anita will take over Bob's duties on 1st of May.

It is with regret that a letter of resignation as Councillor was received from Brenda Walby as other commitments were preventing her from regular attendance at meetings. Brenda has been on the Parish Council for twelve years, making a useful contribution to the village and I am sorry to see her go. There has been talk of further resignation from the Council. When the statutory processes are completed, new councillors will need to be elected or co-opted onto the Council. Anyone in the village who has a hankering for learning about local government and wants to join in with Parish Council affairs should keep a lookout for the notices which will appear shortly.

To remind those of you who took the leaflet entitled "**A30 Temple to Higher Carblake Improvement,**" your views are needed by 15th May, to be sent to the address in Bristol given.

The next Council meeting will be held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday, 4th of May 2004 at 7pm. This will be the Annual meeting of the PC where elections of Council functionaries takes place. The regular monthly meeting will then follow. Members of the public are welcome to attend either to listen or at the appropriate time to bring to the attention of the Council any Parish concerns that the Council could fix within its remit.

Mev Shelley

Base Bus Rumours: I would like to scotch all the rumours about the dent in St Breward's Community bus. The truth of the matter is that I had carefully driven up to Palmers Farm on the school run. Whilst I was stationary and before reversing around the corner of a cattle pen, imagine my great astonishment when the corner post, decorated with a huge bolt near the top, suddenly leapt out of the ground and struck the bus a glancing blow, leaving a deep foot long groove. I quickly jumped out of the bus to remonstrate with the post but by the time I got round to it, it was already quietly sitting in its hole looking for all the world as if it had never moved. Although the Met Office say they have no record of a seismic shock on that particular morning I am sure that an earthquake must have made the post leap out at the bus.

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St Breward WI Aril 13th, 2004

Mrs Woolf welcomed seventeen members and a visitor, Mrs Sue Matthews, who has newly moved to the village. The first item was our Spring Lunch at Trelawney on Wednesday, April 21st, members to arrive for a twelve o'clock meal.
Mrs P Bousfield was given the dates for the written work for the Royal Cornwall Show. No volunteers were forthcoming this year for the Show's stewards except for a Judge's steward.

Mrs Gwen Daws gave a report from the new resolutions meeting when Mrs Kay Wadey gave the results of the 2003 . This year's resolutions are as follows;
1. to ask the Government for funding for the Air Ambulance - this could lead to a lack of independence was a thought put forward;
2. GM crops; the Government should ban it; this proved a controversial subject.
3. the modern "slave trade"; i.e. women and children forced into sexual abuse in order to support their families.
Daphne Skinnard was one of the main speakers of the day and she talked to two authors about their works.

Mrs Pamela Bousfield spoke about the new WI leaflets which update those originally produced; she has allocated an area in St Breward to a member living in each one who should then notice anyone moving in nearby and then apply to Pamela for a leaflet to give to the newcomer to welcome her (or him).

The 2005 calendars are now available at £2.50; Mrs Jennie Teague has these.
The new list for donating a raffle prize for our meetings is on the board; please tick your name off when you provide one (ready wrapped please)

Members eagerly bought the cakes brought by members to raise funds for ACWW.

Our speaker, Captain M Hocken, showed informative slides and spoke about the causes and effects of osteoporosis which affects so many older women. The cost to the NHS is now 19 billion pounds a year! When young our bones are renewed every two years but due to many causes including lack of oestrogen, bones lessen in their density causing many fractures. Bone density can be measured to find out if back pain is caused by osteoporosis, and many drugs are used in its treatment.

The competition for a homemade Easter Chick was won by Mrs Jennie Teague, Mrs Irene Alexander came second with Mrs Muriel Wilton third. The best arrangement in a small basket came from Mrs Muriel Wilton, Mrs Linda Burdon was second and Mrs Jennie Teague third.

May 11th will be the resolutions meeting at 7.15pm in the Memorial Hall; there will be no competitions that evening.

Anne Holmes

ST BREWARD AFC & SOCIAL CLUB

Don't forget the football Dinner at Trethorne on June 4th. Please book your tickets early. Also if you want to go on the bus.

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On Your Bikes: Hayley & Mark Harris took their kids for a cycle ride down the Camel Trail the other Sunday. "We're having a picnic near the Borough Arms," said Hayley, "seven miles should give us an appetite."

Reliable sources report that getting five bicycles off the car was exercise enough—they ate their picnic in Poley's Bridge car park before they set off!

Budget Imbibing: Is it true that Denis Lusby visited the Old Inn with only 40p in his pocket. Three pints of Guinness later and 40p lighter, as he went out the door he was heard to say I must try this again soon." How to lose friends quickly!

When your mouth feels like the bottom of a budgie's cage

The other morning the Sleep's house on Rylands was in uproar. Roger had merrily returned from the Old Inn the previous evening but couldn't remember where he had put his mobile phone. Dawn & the kids had searched everywhere and Roger's blood pressure was rising, so Roger phoned his mobile hoping that he could locate the phone whne it was ringing. To his consternation his mobile was answered just after one ring. "Dawn some idiot keeps whistling at me every time I ask him who he is!" After some minutes of fustrated shouting and whistling, buster their budgie was discovered hanging upside down off the top perch in his cage whistling 'Seven Drunken Nights'. Roger denies leaving his phone in the budgie cage.

Close Cut: Mickey Harris couldn't find his toenail scissors so he tried to trim them with his lawn mower. Dave Hill says that he hadn't got the same control as you do with scissors so he took off a large toenail as well as shredding a Wellington boot.

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