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Well Done
Gina & Del Francis would like to say well done to their daughter Sam who has come first for the second year running, and also student of the year.

Well done Sam.

Thanks
We were very fortunate to enjoy a lovely summer evening at Pengelly on 14th May for our Cheese & Wine. Many thanks to all who came and also to all those who sent donations who were unable to attend. The final total amounted to £395 for Helland Chapel.

Thank you everyone for making it such a successful evening.

Joyce Matthews

The St Breward Handbell Ringers would like to thank everybody who attended their recent Coffee Morning and helped make it such a success. A total profit of £143 was raised for their funds.

Editorial Apologies Again!!

Sorry about the delay in publishing this edition but two trips to Ireland and a family bereavement tokk up large chunks of the month of May

Just desserts...

"Life is uncertain.

Eat dessert first."

Jo Brand

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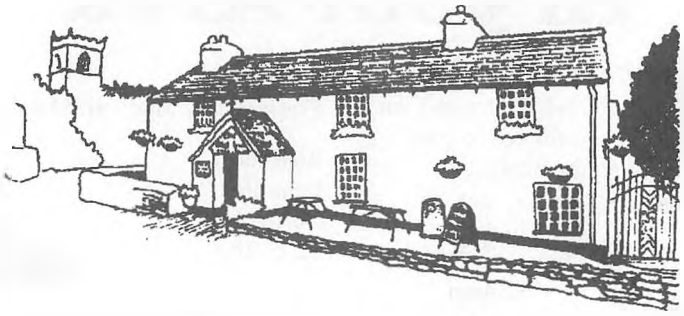

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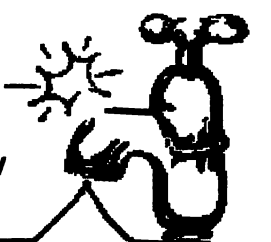

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Andy Billington

ALL TYPES OF PLUMBING
CENTRAL HEATING INSTALLATION
REPAIR WORK

THANK YOU HELLAND! We collected £24.75 for Christian Aid to help people in Peru who are living on the edge. On the edge of cities trying to find work, shelter and a decent life for their families, a tough task , but the generous help of caring people can make a difference, so please accept a heartfelt thank you for being willing to contribute.

TAKE A PAIR OF SPARKLING EYES: "Can I help you? The sparkling eyes of my neighbours' five year old required a thoughtful reply. I explained about weeding the patch near the garden wall, trying to remove obstinate plants like Rose of Sharon and ivy without breaking any bones when large bits of rock fell down unexpectedly after being tugged at. He came over and helped, telling me the plot of one of his Play Station games, hopping around enjoying a different space, and the fact that one of his cats was having a nap on my swing seat. We joined the cat for a rest then I showed him how to make a shallow drill and sow some radish seeds. It was delightful to view gardening through his eyes, the discovery of a little skill, the wonder and appreciation of God's creation (he and his brother were fascinated when we found some snails and they came out of their shells to slowly move along the wall.
The work was no longer a hard slog but a time of gratitude and contentment.

TABLE TOP SALE
5 June 2004 in the
Band Room, St Breward
10am to mid day Proceeds to St Breward Sunday Club

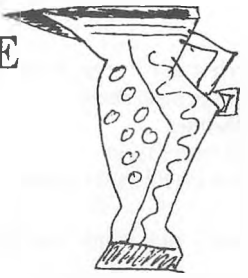
Praise Service with a Difference
6.30pm on June 18th
St Breward Village Hall
Followed by a Faith supper (bring and share a plate of something)
All will be very welcome.

It is the best of times; it is the worst of times, to misquote Charles Dickens. We have to say goodbye to Derek at the end of this month. We shall miss him yet we wish him well in his new post as Chaplain to the Bishop of Truro and Vicar of Devoran. It is sad to part with a friend who is also an excellent caring priest, has a marvellous sense of humour and time for everyone. He has set us a good example of compassion, understanding kindness and practical Christianity. Our love and gratitude goes to Penny too for all her many acts of kindness, her helpfulness and sympathetic appreciation of situations which needed wisdom. We will follow you and yours with our prayers.

VJ

PAUL JACKSON

HELLAND BRIDGE POTTERY



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Sadly this is my last letter for the magazine.

Penny, Ben and I are moving to Devoran (near Truro) at the end of June. Down there I shall have two half-time jobs – as Bishop's Chaplain and as vicar of Devoran.

We have been here for coming up to five years, and I can say quite honestly "time flies when you are enjoying yourself". Thank you for taking us to your hearts.

Our villages have become communities where people come and go. There was a time not so many years when it seemed that "nothing changed", a time when everyone was related and those not related got married – well not quite, but you know what I mean. Now there are comings and goings and things are none the worse because of it. Many of you who like us have travelled around a bit have put your heart into our communities and contributed greatly; and those of you who are like the granite, part of the moors, well your hearts remain here and you know now that there is life beyond Brown Willy.

We live in a beautiful part of the world. I shall miss the moors especially and we pray that Skip (our Collie) does not pine for his home. Brown, the cat, seems to very adaptable – I suppose, for a cat, a mouse is a mouse is a mouse?

Do pray for us in our travels.
And thanks for all being such good friends, on good days and when we needed help and support.
God bless you all. Derek, Penny and Ben Carrivick

BLISLAND'S ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING

Blisland held its Annual Parish Church Meeting & Vestry Meeting in the Institute on Tuesday 20th April 2004. Major Charles Edward-Collins and Mrs. Barbara Makin were elected Churchwardens; Mr. Arthur Ludgate was elected Secretary; Dr. Robin Andrews confirmed that he would continue as Deanery Synod Representative, he was additionally elected as Vice Chairman; Mr Mike Ward-Lee was elected Treasurer with Mr. Charles Whitehead elected Deputy Treasurer. The meeting offered a thank you to retiring Churchwarden Mr. David Kirby.

Date	Temple	Blisland	Helland	St. Breward	Sunday Club
6th June Trinity Sunday		9.30am Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	6.30 p.m. Evensong Derek Carrivick	11.10am Family Service with Baptism Derek Carrivick	[illegible]
13th June Trinity 1		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	9.30 a.m. United Service (AT CHAPEL) J. Toms	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	[illegible]
20th June Trinity 2		9.30 a.m. Matins Valerie Jones	9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) Derek Carrivick	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	[illegible]
27th June Trinity 3	4.30pm (BST) Evensong Derek Carrivick	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Derek Carrivick	NO SERVICE (Combined with St. Breward)	11.10 a.m. United Family Communion Derek Carrivick	[illegible]
4th July Trnity 4		9.30am Holy Communion Brin Berriman	6.30 p.m. Evensong Val Jones	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion Brin Berriman	

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A sale of high fashion Ladies clothes by "Samarkand", together with Silver Jewellery, and Paintings by local artisans, was held by Mrs V Edward-Collins at Trewardale, which resulted in a presentation to the Society of a cheque for £730.00.

The Society wishes to express its sincere thanks to Major Charles Edward-Collins and Mrs Vicky Edward-Collins for their continuing support of the Society's work.

Our thanks also go to the people who came to the event from near and far away, or sent generous donations.

The Society was founded in 1984, since which time it has worked quietly in the background raising money, and contributing financial help to the PCC in maintaining the fabric of the two Churches. £1,000 has recently been given toward the cost of repairs to the 14th Century Windows of Blisland Church.

With ever increasing costs of maintenance to these beautiful buildings, we would be grateful for any donations you feel that you could make.

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Thank You, Treasurer.

Chapel's Page

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Senior Steward	Mr ET Ham 850691	Mr R Hoskin 851445	Mr. Nigel White
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Dear Friends;

In our churches we sometimes sing the 17C hymn which says; "Through all the changing scenes of life, in trouble and in joy, the praises of my God shall still my heart and tongue employ". Lovely words, but they still will not change the fact that most of us do not like change.

These next few weeks win bring changes to the churches in our parishes. First, we will lose our parish priest to "higher" duties as he takes up a new post with Bishop Bill. Both church and chapel have appreciated greatly the ministry and friendship that Rev. Derek and Penny have given us. I take this opportunity to say thank you to them for their support and friendship to me personally and for their encouragement and work in seeking to bring our respective churches to a closer working relationship in the mission for Christ in this area.

We wish Derek, Penny and Ben our sincere best wishes in the new task that is before them. Not to be outdone, I too step down from my ministry among you at the end of August and commence my "retirement".

Fortunately, the Methodist Church has appointed a successor to take my place. The Rev. Stella Long. Our prayer is that soon our Anglican friends will also be welcoming a new priest into the area. Personnel change, but God is the same and He is building His church and our faith is in Him alone. By the way; the last verse of that hymn says; "Fear Him ye saints and you will then have nothing else to fear. Make you His service your delight, your wants shall be His care".

Yours sincerely in His name. Pastor Brian.

St Breward Methodist Church

6th	9.30am	Mr B Parkman
13th	9.30am	Mr Huntley
20th	9.30am	Mr Dowcra
27th	9.30am	Church Fellowship
2nd	**COFFEE MORNING** 10 – 11.30am	

June Diary

Children's Club
Wednesdays 3.15 – 4.45pm

1st – 4th (inclusive)
Faith Mission Team 2 – 4pm.

HellandNews

MRS JOYCE WHITE

It was with sadness that friends heard of the death on Easter Monday of Mrs Joyce White of Elvindale.

Although she had been in poor health for a considerable time, her passing was sudden and unexpected. She was one of our much respected residents, having managed the Village Post Office for more than 40 years, until its closure in December 2000.

She also served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Village Hall for many years. Among her recreational interests was supporting the local whist drives.

She was a member of the Methodist Church and, prior to her latest illness, rarely missed a service. For many years she was our faithful Communion Steward and also joined with us for our lunch time Cell Group meetings. She was always a ready helper.

In her quiet manner she served her community well and will be sadly missed.

The Rev Stephen Williams conducted the funeral service in the chapel and paid a fitting tribute to her dedicated lifestyle, emphasised too by her many friends who attended to pay their respects. Her son, Nigel, devoted much loving care to his mother and we now offer him our prayers and loyal support.
Iris Strout

Jean Batten
I would like to thank all the people who were so kind and supportive during the illness and following the death of my mother, Jean Batten, also for cards received and attendance at her funeral.

My mother taught at St Breward School from January 1972 until April 1983, a career she thoroughly enjoyed and after her retirement gained great satisfaction from meeting ex-pupils and their parents and catching up with all the news of their achievements and village life.
Ruth Ellery

Jock
I would like to thank all those who have supported me during the later years of Jock and particularly since he passed away.
Your support had enabled me to care for Jock in the past and now deal with the future.
Doreen Foster, Holly Cottage, St Breward.

Literary Quiz

The winner of the Quiz at the St Breward Book Fair was Robin Webb of Camelside, Limbhead, St Breward.

The solutions were as follows:

1. Blown away ..... Gone with the wind
2. Inamoratas ..... Women in love
3. Our childhood ..... When we were very young
4. Monsieur's inlet ..... Frenchman's creek
5. Grand prospect of good fortune ..... Great expectations
6. The unseen male ..... The invisible man
7. The medic's predicament ..... The doctor's dilemma
8. In the war Denis was a guard ..... The warden
9. The chant of the wise man ..... The song of Solomon
10. The XXXIX paces ..... The thirty-nine steps
11. La fête champêtre ..... The garden party
12. The thread rotation ..... The turn of the screw
13. Lovely conceit ..... Vanity Fair
14. Found in true article item, pest control ..... The Tempest
15. The theft of the tuft ..... The rape of the lock
16. Courageous America ..... Brave new world
17. On my end I am in a muddle ..... Endymion
18. Zephyr in the salices ..... Wind in the willows
19. Dove by mail ..... Pigeon post
20. Advance on the journey of life ..... Pilgrims progress
21. The rodent gin ..... The mousetrap
22. An eastern evil relocated ..... Evelina
23. The fault-finder ..... The critic
24. From poetry one can infer noble ideas ..... Inferno
25. Afternoon in brief without the seed ..... Emma
26. The monotones unvaried? Not so ..... The moonstone
27. 16.03 as a date ..... Middlemarch
28. The foresters ..... The woodlanders
29. Trio on board ..... Three men in a boat
30. An exile of the archipelago ..... An outcast of the islands
31. A house owner? ..... A man of property
32. Rue blinds and mixes up ..... Dubliners
33. Lots of barley spirit ..... Whisky galore
34. Pop singer of the 1960s ..... Tom Jones

Pamela Bousfield

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ST BREWARD GARDENING CLUB

Many of our members have a particular fondness for the ever reliable hardy geraniums so we found the talk with illustrating slides by our April guest speaker, Charlie Pridham of great interest. He also included in the content pelargoniums and erodiums and afterwards his very knowledgeable wife, Liz, was in charge of a very enticing plant stall so a happy evening was spent!

On Thursday 13th May we enjoyed a most memorable morning at Blisland. First of all we visited the exceptional, secluded, beautiful gardens of Tregenna Cottage. What wonderful trees! Keith and Wendy made us very welcome and we came away with the gift of a plant each (plus a few others!) We were then kindly invited across the road to Tony and Isobel Willcocks lovely garden full of vivid colour. Both of these gardens very much impressed our members and we look forward to a return visit.

On Sunday 16th May the Bluebell Trail at Bolts Quarry Farm raised £113 for Garden Club funds – thank you to those members who contributed to the plant stall and helped with refreshments etc.

Our June meeting will be on Friday 25th June, 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall and our guest speaker is George Kestell. His topic for the evening is rockeries, ponds, and companion planting. There will be our own plant stall so please bring along any available plants!

Make a special note in your diaries for 16th July when we have a morning visit planned to Bosvigo House Gardens at Truro. Our Community Bus will leave St Breward at approx 9.30am and return by 2.00pm. Please call Jackie on 851592 to book your seat. Non members are welcome to join us on this trip and also at our meetings – we look forward to seeing you.

Jackie Greengrass 851592

OH, WHAT A DAY, A MEMORABLE DAY, MY BIRTHDAY WAS FOR ME
SURROUNDED BY ALL THOSE I LOVE, BOTH FRIENDS AND FAMILY.
I THANK YOU ALL SO VERY MUCH FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE
TO MAKE MY 70TH BIRTHDAY A TRULY HAPPY ONE,
WITH GIFTS GALORE FROM ONE AND ALL, AND SHERRY FOR MY STORE
I REALLY WAS JUST LOST FOR WORDS, I COULDN'T ASK FOR MORE.
WHEN I JUST STOOD AND LOOKED AROUND HOW LUCKY CAN ONE BE
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Jill Arnold

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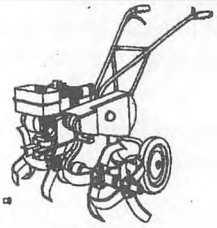

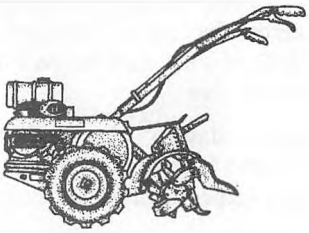

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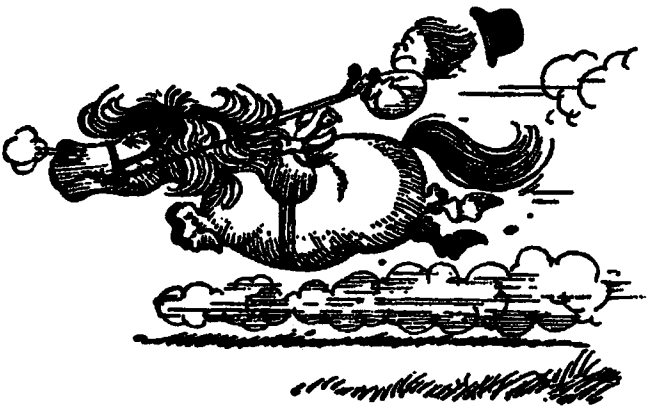

From a Walk to a Gallop, from happiness to blind panic.

Jacqui Champion was very pleased with herself when her riding instructor told her that she had mastered all the controls for horse riding at a walk.

"That didn't take me long," she thought as she was given a livelier horse on her next riding lesson. "You can go out on your first solo ride today, take him on a steady walk and on your return we will practice cantering; you won't have any problems."

"O the joy of being on your own, on horseback out on the moor on a fine day, fully in control of a magnificent animal" Jacqui had covered a lot of moor and had just turned her horse towards home when it spotted the rest of the horses in the far distance leaving the stables on a pony trek. With a swift neigh or two, a quick shake of its head, a toss of its mane and a wrench of the reins out of her hands, Jacqui's mount took off like a racehorse in a hurry in a six furlong race and was soon eating up the miles back to the stables.

Holding on tight, with her legs hooked around the horse's ears, gripping the tail in her teeth and bouncing alarmingly all around the horse's back, Jacqui was relieved to find herself quickly back at the stables before she fell off.

The riding instructor said that it was a bit adventurous to go straight from walking to full gallop without some cantering lessons. Unfortunately history has not recorded Jacqui's reply.

Viv Crowle was moaning about buying plants. He said that he had more plants than a garden centre.

Paddy Powell put up a big sign "Garden Centre Opening Here Soon." After 2 days he still hadn't notices it!!

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St Breward Village Hall

May 6th was the date of a very well attended Annual General Meeting. The chairperson, Caroline Ralph welcomed everyone and gave a short report which included the news that the Toddlers group was relocating to the school and a 0-3 years play group would be held in the Village Hall, two or three days a week. Caroline also announced her intention to stand down as Chairperson.

Juliet Wright, Hon. Sec. gave a comprehensive report of the many activities taking place in the hall. She highlighted the increased bookings, cheaper pricing structure and improved publicity. She touched on future plans including the possibility of going "on line" which would increase the scope for lettings for conferences and further education.

Kevin Colman, Hon. Treas. reported on a successful year. The current income exceeds the running costs at present, leaving some surplus funds for continued improvements. He pointed out that the largest expenditure is insurance and the committee would be looking into equal cover, adequate for the needs of the hall with a different firm. He thanked Margery Crowle for her sterling work as bookings officer.

Ample opportunity was given for questions from the floor, but only two people made use of this opportunity.

The election of five committee members was overseen by Veronica Stansfield and we thank her for undertaking the task.

Duly elected were Kevin Colman, Viv Crowle, Pat Dibb, Darren Wills and Julie Wright. John Francis stood down.

There being no other business the meeting closed at approx. 8pm.

At a short committee meeting following the AGM officers were elected as follows: Chair, Pat Dibb, Hon Treasurer, Kevin Colman; Hon Secretary, Juliet Wright; Bookings Officer, Margery Crowle; Maintenance Officer, Viv Crowle; Health & Safety Officer, Darren Wills; Publicity, Pat Dibb.

Representatives of organisations: - June Gant, C Greenaway, J Marshall, C Ralph, M Yeo. Rep. from Parish Council to be appointed. J Francis was co-opted to the committee.

P Dibb Publicity Officer

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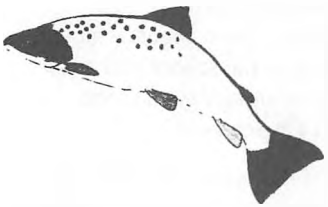
The Camel Fisheries Association



The Camel Fisheries Association is working to restore the salmon and sea trout runs on the Camel to the days of the river's former glory. The Atlantic Salmon is a designated species in the Camel Valley SSSI. The river is generally in good health and is doing as well as, or better than, other rivers in the South West, but there is still much that we can do.

We work in two main areas; first, through habitat improvement programmes which means reversing some of the factors which have reduced the river's ability to encourage natural spawning of the fish. These factors are mainly the result of changes in farming practices over the past twenty years such as draining parts of Bodmin Moor to allow increased stocking levels. This reduces the river's ability to maintain the water flows the returning fish need if they are to reach the spawning areas high up the river system. There are also problems with silt being washed from the Moor and into the river. This tends to clog the gravels the fish need for spawning and this can starve the eggs and recently hatched fish of oxygen. It also reduces the amount of insect life the fish need to grow. This silt can also become the seedbed for some plants such as Hemlock Water Dropwort which further consolidates the silt within the spawning gravels.

The Environment Agency has produced a Salmon Action Plan for the river and we work very closely with them on these matters, as well as other problems such as diffuse pollution caused by farm effluent being washed into the river, and invasive plant species such as Japanese Knotweed and Himalayan Balsam.

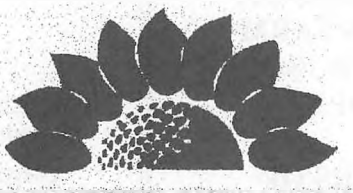
Our second main activity is our programme for restocking the river with our own local salmon. We catch the fish in November and December, on rod and line, and we take them to the hatchery at Wainsford.

We need about 25 adult fish to provide enough eggs to be able to return 50,000 juvenile fish to the river. The adults stay in tanks at the hatchery until they are "ripe" and we can strip the eggs and milt from the fish. The eggs stay in trays at the hatchery for about two months, depending on the water temperature, and they then hatch into alevins. These are free swimming but still have the remains of the egg sac attached. The egg sac provides enough food for about a month and the alevins then turn into fry. They can be returned to the river at this stage and we do return some of them. However, they do better if we feed them until they are about two months old and about 40 mm. long. The bigger they are, the better their chances of survival when returned to the river. If they are too small, they tend to get eaten by the larger insects and other fish in the river.

This year, we will put 50,000 salmon back into the river, mainly in the smaller feeder streams, such as the Stannon, Withiel and Clerkenwater, where there is good

juvenile habitat. They will take two years to grow into smolts and return to the sea.

In nature, a pair of salmon will produce about 5,000 eggs but of these only about 100 (2%) will return to the sea. By using the hatchery, we can improve the survival in the river by a factor of between five and ten and we may be able to return as many as 1,000 smolts to the sea. We know that there are serious problems with over exploitation at sea, notably in the Irish drift nets which intercept the Cornish salmon returning from the arctic to our rivers, but at least we are doing our bit to help the survival of this endangered fish.



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Blisland Parish Council (AGM & May Meeting)

The Parish Council met on Thursday 13th May for its AGM & the May meeting. Eight Councillors were in attendance, plus four members of the Public.

The AGM elected Officers of the Council. Chairman - Mr. Arthur Ludgate; Vice Chairman - Mr. Morley Rowe. The following representatives were also elected Village Hall Committee – Miss Stephanie Meads; CAPTC – Mr. Edgar Rowe; Bodmin MCTi – Mr. Arthur Ludgate; Bodmin Moor & Camelford Focus Groups – Mr. Arthur Ludgate; Camel Trail Partnership – Miss Stephanie Meads.

The Clerk advised that he had received a cheque for £100 from the family of the third offender who had damaged the toilets. Thus the Council now had received a total of £300 to set against the cost of repair. There were 5 planning applications, 4 approved by Council with one rejected; there were no planning decisions. The meeting was advised that the memorial seat for Deanna Kendall would be dedicated before the Sunday service on 13th June. The seat's upkeep is the responsibility of the Church. The PCC reported to the Parish Council that there were no deeds for the Institute, and that further investigations were in progress. A further extraordinary meeting was arranged for the 3rd June to continue with Risk Assessment. With the summer season now almost with us, dog fouling of the green is seen to be increasing. It was agreed to write to NCDC requesting repair/ replacement of the existing rubbish bins and addition of a further two bins on the Pub side of the green, with notices added to encourage disposal of wrapped excrement in the bins. The Council advised its clerk to write to BT objecting to the planned removal of pay 'phones at Temple & Bradford. Council agreed to procedures for the cancellation, when necessary, of its meetings.

Please note that a copy of the approved minutes for the meeting of 8th April can be downloaded from the Parish Council page of www.blisland.com.

BLISLAND PARISH PLAN PROGRESS

17th May 2004. The following progress has been made toward Blisland's Parish Plan since the meeting of 14th April and the overwhelming vote for a plan. The Countryside Agency has advised that they will support our plan, but to maximum funding of £3,000 (£4,500 requested). They have asked us to rework and resubmit our application in line with their funding limit. We have looked at our approach, and made two changes, increased the value of our own effort (in-kind contribution) by £500, and applied for a Community Champions grant of £1,000. The application to the Countryside Agency has been resubmitted. We have advised them that should we not be successful with Community Champions, then we have another funder to approach, and/or write the final plan ourselves rather than spend £1,000 with consultants. We are now waiting for full release of funds, in the meantime the first meeting of the Steering Committee is being planned for June.

Carnival Time Again At St Breward

Saturday 3rd July is the date to remember for St Breward's event of the year, their village Carnival.

According to Joe Kay, Carnival Committee Chairman, "This year's event has last year's tremendous success to build on and I am confident we will have yet again a Carnival to be proud of. Last year was one of our best in recent memory and with funds raised we were privileged to be able to donate £1,750 to a number of our local organisations, including a special donation of £1,000 to our Brownies and Guides group for improvements to their building."

Booked already for this year's procession are 2 Bands, including St Breward's renowned Silver Band, the Launceston Majorettes, North Cornwall Motorbike Club who were such a success last year with their large display of two-wheeled machines, and the North Cornwall Hunt. Entrants for the numerous floats and walking classes come from the local business community and families,

providing a wonderful display of colour and imagination!

One of the largest village summer Carnivals in North Cornwall, the St Breward Carnival follows a long line of tradition going back many years. Although the Carnival did not appear for 20 years during the 1970's and 1980's, the Carnival was revived in 1988 thanks to the enduring efforts of St Breward's Barney Nottle and the late Noel Hill, and now provides an opportunity for the whole village to come together for a

week of fun-filled activities and fund raising.

Details of the village's supporting events during the preceding week will be posted locally. Registration for the Carnival procession is from 5:45pm at Rylands in St Breward village with the lead off at 6:30pm. Following on from the procession, which will culminate at the Football Club, will be an evening of entertainment to include a Jazz Band.

For further information on sponsorship, individual and business float entries, or just support on the day, contact the Carnival Chairman, Joe Kay on 01208 850030. And a final word from Joe? "Don't forget 3rd July - see you there!"

Photos by Peter Glaser

Blisland Gardening Club.

For our outing in April we had a most entertaining time visiting Eric Baker's wonderful and immaculate garden in Lerryn. I don't know when three hours disappeared quite so quickly! Eric retired from the Duchy Nursery some years ago. However, he and his wife still work tirelessly to maintain a huge garden. It is open to the Public on occasions during the year for charitable events and there must always be something to admire and get inspiration from at every season. Everyone went away feeling tranquil and relaxed, promising that they, too, would have a weed and slug free garden in the future!! Eric had kindly potted up some wonderful plants for us to purchase. I always think the best plants in one's garden are those from another garden. Very nostalgic!

We held another very successful Plant and Garden Accessories Sale on May 15th. Many thanks to all those valiant people that grew plants, manned the stalls and generally took part. I'm sure this is likely to be an Annual event.

Our next Gardening Club event will be on June 27th when we will be visiting the famous RHS Garden at ROSEMOOR. For further details please phone Peter Haffenden on 01208 850843 or Carolyn Wilson 01208 851601.

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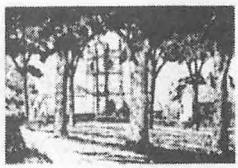

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"Lucky The Duck" Put To Rest

After two years of hectic racing on the River Camel at St Breward Silver Band's Music By The River, 'Lucky the Duck' is to be rested from the annual Duck Race competition. He's had enough and has decided to retire from racing as age has crept up on him, and as a much sought after celebrity it's driving him quackers!!. Not wishing to miss out on this years five hour spectacular programme of West Country musicians and entertainers, 'Lucky' will be seated in his Royal nest box on the bank of the Camel at the events venue, Wenford Bridge Pottery. Instead of the usual feathered race the band is holding a raffle with £200 as the first prize. Tickets can be purchased from any band member as well at all our events this summer.

In addition to the exhilarating sound of the City of Plymouth Pipe Band, two other acts are certain to get you up dancing and singing. First on is a local Camelford Country Dance caller Les Burden who will introduce you in his professional style to the art and fun of Country Dancing. I can guarantee this will test the fitness of all who participate, but no fear, St Johns Ambulance will be on site to defibrillate should the need be necessary! Les has been calling for 25 years throughout the UK and Europe, St Breward Band are delighted that Les has agreed to be at this years Music By The River.

Forget about Jazz in the Park, how's about "Jazz on the Grass" because that's what's happening at Music By The River, on the 14th of August. Yes the sound of one of the most popular jazz bands in the Duchy, the Pennyroyal Jazz Band, will give a full hour of foot tapping entertainment for all to enjoy. Over the years the band have played at a variety of venues from pubs, clubs, beer festivals, Jazz in the Park, Jazz in the Church, hotels, Harvest Festivals, and the Bude Jazz Festivals. The sound of the Pennyroyal Jazz Band is bound to get the audience up on their feet.

There are many other acts performing on the night with more information to follow in later editions. In the meantime full details of this years Music By The River are now available on the bands web site stbrewardband.freeserve.co.uk

Brian Hummerstone
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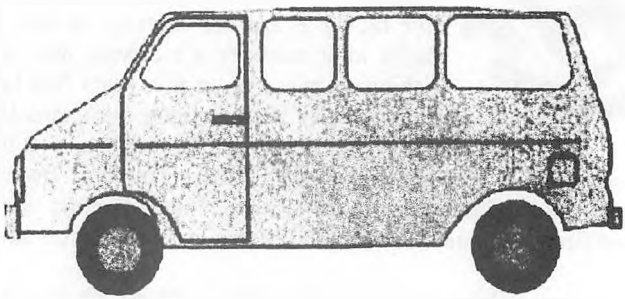

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St Breward Parish Council Meeting Tuesday May 4th

At a well attended meeting (12 members of public), our new Parish Clerk, Anita Cornelius, was welcomed by the Parish Council. The meeting was conducted by the newly elected chairman, Denis Lusby.

Planning applications

Mr & Mrs Matthews – Trees, Churchtown – erection of bungalow to replace converted garage. The Council objected to this application. They felt that it will affect the visual integrity of the adjoining listed building; extension is too large and appears as a new building rather than an extension; it falls outside development boundary.

Mr & Mrs Turner, Tor Lodge, Row – erection of house. This was a resubmission of a previously granted application due to a change in position. Letters were read out from planners and objectors and after assurances from the architect, Mr J Overton, that the height of the house had not changed, the council (4 to 2) had no objections to the proposal. Mr N Teague said that some of the concerns raised were bringing their business into disrepute. Parish Council unamimously agreed that this controversy in no way affects the integrity of "Teague Brothers".

Miss Westlanke & Mr Vaughan, Rivendell, Coombe Road – major work on a sycamore-council opposed application and voted that the County Forestry officer's recommendations be followed.

Mr R Webb, Camelside, Limehead – erection of single garage. No objections.

Other Business

Resignations: Derek Carrivick said the Mr Benham & Mr Shelley must be thanked for their hard work and contribution to the Parish Council during their terms of office. Miss Chomleley had this matter in hand.

Footpath 13 – School to Churchtown. Bob Ellison, District councillor has arranged a site meeting after letters from previous clerk, Mr Benham.

Public toilets. Responding to a request for an update Denis Lusby said that with the council's approval he would have the toilets open in a week.

Play Areas – They have been inspected by RoSPA and we are awaiting their report.

Council Vacancies – following the resignation of Mrs Walby, Mr Shelley (at the end of this meeting) and Mr Carrivick (by nest meeting) the Clerk advised to notify the Electoral Office at NCDC.

Standing Orders – Mr Lusby reported that these would be ready for adoption at the next meeting. The Annexes to SO's were distributed by Mr Shelley, who was thanked by the chairman.

Institute & War Memorial Hall Mr Kay's report on their last meeting was distributed to members.

Public phone boxes – BT is going to close boxes at Rylands and De Lank due to a major decline in use. The Clerk was asked to contact BT about the Council's concern over loss of phone boxes in remote rural areas.

Parish Council Meetings take place on the first Tuesday in every month at 7pm in the Institute & War Memorial Hall. You are all welcome.

Denis Lusby

The Friends of St Breward School

Thank You - You - Thank

Safari Supper

After a slow start the Safari Supper on Friday 14th May took off like a rocket and raised a magnificent £840 on the night for St Breward Primary School.

The 73 diners wended their way through St Breward starting with swomp water at Oaktree cottage. Then swaggering on to Darrynane, where they met the dickie bow tie boys and a nourishing selection of starters. Fortied, they bravely attacked the St Breward hills to Tarny, where they were faced with a feast of edible delights. If that wasn't enough they continued to Treverbyn for their just desserts – and by all accounts they did them justice!! Some sauntered, others staggered and many drove but they all seemed to arrive at the Pub for their coffee & mints and raffle draw.

Drawn by David Clark, who managed to retrieve more than he raffled, to make more money on the auction. Is Elvis still warmly tucked up in bed with you, Therese?

A Big Thank you to Jacqui, Angela, Jayne, Jo, Darren & Simon for allowing your homes and Pub to be invaded. Christine for selling tickets, Julie and Denis for chauffeuring and Kevin Foster for the loan of the fridge.

Also a huge Thank you to all the helpers, and everyone who donated, attended or contributed in anyway to the night. Everyone agreed it was a really great evening and good value for money.

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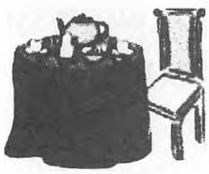

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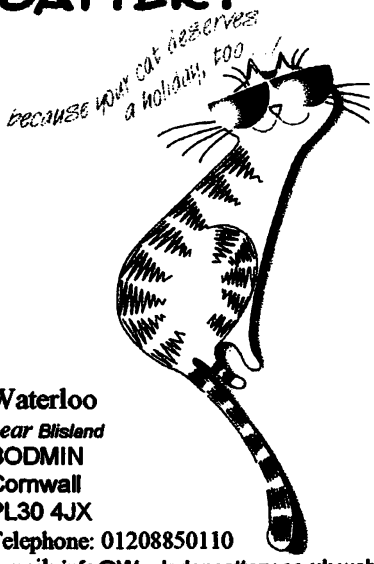

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Many men have contributed greatly to their local libraries: They donated their sets of encyclopaedias after they got married, since their new wives knew everything.

Those who have bought a copy of No. 2 of Shirley Runnalls excellent new venture "Blisland the Past" (£1.75 from the Village Shop or Shirley herself - 01208 851240) will be aware of the project underway on the Isle of Man (IOM) to reinstate the 50ft diameter Gawns Wheel, or as it was originally called the East Sneafell or Ellan Vannin Wheel, on the IOM a few meters from its original location. The Wheel was originally installed at East Sneafell in 1865, and remained there to pump water from a lead and zinc mine until the turn of the 20th Century. In 1912 the Wheel was bought by Frank Parkyn of Durfold Manor to Pump liquid clay from the Grennbarrow Pit to the Shell Woods Dries (now in ruins beside the Camel trail). The wheel remained at Gawns until 1971 and after a brief stay at Wheal Remfry was shipped in pieces to Llywernog Mining Museum, it was returned to the IOM in Sept. 2003. Thus so far 47 years @ IOM, 60 years in Cornwall and 32 years in Wales, so perhaps Gawns should be its name.

I have been in touch with Pete Geddes, Chairman of the IOM project to restore the wheel at East Sneafell, we have exchanged data and photos. Shown above is the wheel at Gawns,

Pete advises he will keep us informed of progress. In meantime I'm asking you to search for any other pictures showing the wheel at Gawns. At present the only photos I have are two of the wheel in 1912 with the men who assembled it standing on/around it, and one taken probably c1950 showing the wheel in a sorry state of disrepair(also shown in Shirley's booklet). If you have any other photos I could copy, contact Arthur Ludgate (851012).

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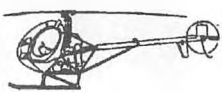

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Safarians enjoying their main course, hosted by Jane & Bob Pratt, in the conservatory at Tarny, during the recent Safari Supper which raised lots of dosh for St Breward School

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It's a Dave's Life

It was a warm day down at De Lank Quarry so Dave Hill decided to eat his lunch outside.

He sat down in the glorious sunshine and opened his crib box. The aroma of fresh bread assailed his nostrils and his stomach rumbled at the sight of the thick slices of ham nestling between the delicious slices of bread (All from St Breward Stores). But before eating his crib, Dave got up and returned to his bench for something soft to sit on.

Image his chagrin on returning to his crib to be told that a stray dog had eaten the lot- leaving only the wrappers and his plastic crib box.

Micky Harris and Dai Wills, feeling very sorry for Dave, went over and asked the office for donations for Dave's lunch. Their efforts were meagrely rewarded, returning to Dave with a single, out-of-date packet of crisps (Not from St Breward Stores!).

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At the time they were offered twice the size of the present site but this idea was turned down as they did not have sufficient money, in hindsight now this was a great pity, but then there were no cars to be parked! Mr. Tucker presented a plan, which was adopted in principal but Mr, Ernie Whale got the contract to build it. Many of the men from the village helped to dig the foundations and then Mrs Morshead laid the first foundation stone in 1929, and it was opened in 1929. At the opening ceremony, which was performed by The Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall, Mr J.C. Williams. There was two long tables down the centre of the hall, laidened with food. . June Runnalls's vivid memory of this occasion as a six year old was of a lot of tall glasses down the centre of the tables and these were celery glasses.

The heating in those days was an open fireplace and when people booked the hall they had to light the fire and bring their own lightings, it was known as a cold hall especially in the winter.

The hall was used a lot for dances, the village had their own dance band and also a lot of plays and entertainments were organised. A memory of Mrs Billings is of going to whist drives and then continuing with a dance at 10pm followed by a walk home at about 2am! During the war the Home Guard would have drill practices there.

In the 1930's Mr. Clarabut , the Rector, tried to get the hall declared as a Church Hall but this idea was outvoted by the Parish and he never tried again.

Miss Gladys Nelder was the first secretary and it's believed that the first minutes could be still with someone.

EXCERTS FROM THE CORNISH GUARDIAN

BLISLAND NEW HALL JULY 14th 1929

Messrs Whale and Worth have received the contract for the erection of the Village Hall. Excavation for the foundations have been carried out by voluntary labour under the direction of Messrs Rickard & Nelder. Preparations are being made by the energetic Committee for the laying of the foundation stone on July 13th. It is hoped that a good number will come forward and lay stones as more funds are needed before the Hall will be completed.

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St Breward WI May Meeting

The fourteen members present were pleased to hear that the Cake Stall at the last meeting had raised £16.45 for the ACWW, and the Spring Lunch at Trelawney had been very enjoyable, particularly as we were able to all sit together at a long table.

One ongoing problem is that Wenford Bridge will be closed for a further six weeks which is causing problems for strangers with the complicated diversion signs.

The treasurer, Mrs Muriel Wilton, gave a good report of our finances to date, and offered books of the CFWI draw tickets; the final date for ordering WI diaries is June 30th, there will be no surplus stock available after this date.
A long discussion regarding items for the Royal Cornwall Show exhibit followed, and a further meeting of the participants arranged for May 24th.

The three resolutions were then discussed as follows;
1. To oppose the growing of Genetically Modified crops; 7 voted for this and 7 abstained saying that they did not have sufficient knowledge to commit themselves.
2. Air Ambulance funding; calls for substantial government funding annually for ALL air ambulances; (bearing in mind that our own Cornwall Air Ambulance do not want government funding) the result was 11 for and 2 against with 1 abstention.
3. To urge government legislation to control the trafficking of women and children for sexual purposes; this is a growing global problem caused mainly by poverty and war; this was unanimously approved.

There was no speaker tonight so all the members enjoyed a pleasant social time and refreshments provided by Mrs Paddy Powell and Mrs Gerda Gilham.

Forward notice was given of the WI Lunch at Mrs Powell's Rose Cottage at 12.30 on July 13th.
Several members prepared teas etc and a hot lunch on May 12th to support the Prose and Verse Day at the Memorial Hall tutored by our president, Mrs. Christine Woolf which was attended by about forty members from all over Cornwall. Although hampered by the noise of the hall windows being scraped ready for painting and later by the paint fumes, it was a pronounced a success by all.

The speaker at our June 8th meeting will be Mr R Bowden-Cummins about Cornish Stone Hedging. The competitions are for an old cooking utensil and a June Rose. You would be welcomed as a visitor (7.15pm at the Hall) to see if you would like to become a member later on and make new friends.

Anne Holmes

St Breward AFC & Social Club

The football season has now finished. We would like to congratulate Steve and his Sunday Team for winning the cup at Newquay in the Sunday Shield Final and also for coming runners-up in the League Cup. Well Done.

Also to Dean and his Pool Team who won the Championship. The Ladies Darts also won the League Pairs over all. Congratulations to all of them.

Well done to the Duchy side and the Ladies team who have both done really well this season.

Thank you to Nic, Andrew, Ben and Phil who walked the 10 Tors for the football Club.

We are already getting organised for next season, so do not forget **we always need plenty of helpers to keep everything going.**

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AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME JULY 18th 1929

BLISLAND NEW VILLAGE HALL

The Foundation Stone-Laying. After months of patient, yet determined efforts a deffinate stage was reached on Saturday in the project which the inhabitants of the Parish of Blisland have cheerfully undertaken to bring about the erection of a Village Hall. The stage reached on Saturday was the stone-laying ceremony and this was made an occasion of a concerted effort towards wiping out of the debt remaining which was in itself a further indication of the energetic preparations which preceded it.

The Village already has an Institute and the Hall will fill a long left want, in that, except for the schoolroom at Waterloo, it had no place which could be used for it's social activities. In addition to the Hall itself, which is quite a spacious room, there will be two dressing rooms at the back of the stage, two cloakrooms near the entrance and a kitchen under the stage. The contractors are Messrs. Worth & Son of St Tudy and it is expected that the hall will be ready for use the coming winter.

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Of the total cost of £600, £300 has already been raised locally by subscription , fetes, and judging from the excellent way in which organisers of Saturdays event set to work, the proceeds should go a long way towards the total remaining to be found.

The proceedings were opened by Capt. V.H.Morshead (Chair of the committee), who remarked that the hall would be a start of a new era in the Village Social Welfare. Healthy recreation was one of the most important things of everyday life. They could not work hard if they could not have recreation. They had worked hard to get the building started and now he hoped they would work equally hard towards paying off the debt and bringing the scheme to a triumphant end. He paid a tribute to the energetic work of Miss (Gladys) Nelder, the secretary to the scheme.

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