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I would like to thank all those on the Church electoral roll who responded to my letter about the appointment of a new Priest-in-Charge. It was very helpful, and now we hope and pray that a suitable candidate applies.

Sue Hutton

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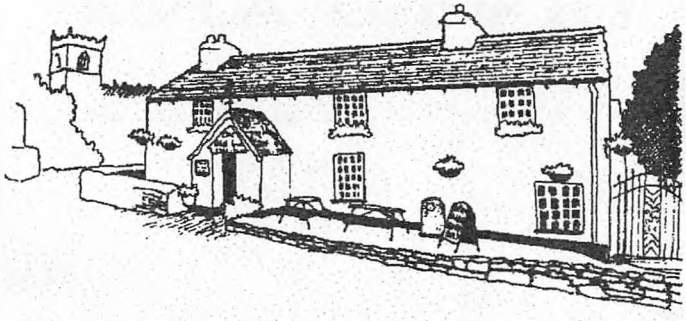

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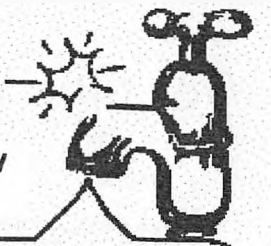

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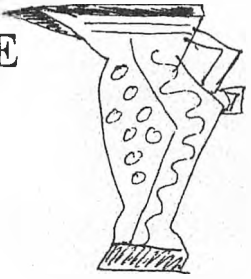

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Dear Friends,

I hope that you've had a pleasant time, storing away some happy memories for the grey days that afflict most of us from time to time.

My friend Lily and I had a long journey to a caravan site near Carmarthen, trailing in the dark down a seemingly endless narrow lane, we wondered what we were coming to, especially as the sign for the leisure park was bent over, and the first two bases for caravans were just empty spaces. But the best was yet to come, when I drew back the curtains on Sunday morning, there was Carmarthen Bay just 100 yards from the front window sparkling in the sunshine, beautiful. So we mustn't judge a sausage by its skin, or think everything has gone wrong when a few hiccups happen to a plan.

There are some marvellous surprises ahead for all of us, just be patient, exercise some faith, laced with hope and trust, all good fruit to cultivate on our individual trees of life. "The truth is that we have become altogether too busy, too noisy, too wordy and too chatty (ouch!) ... Where is the stillness, the silence, the listening - what used to be termed "the quiet time?" Are we still capable of being still and quiet - or have we become so conformed to the ways of this world that we are no longer able to hear the word of God?" (from a talk by the last Archbishop of York).

Here's a little poem to help these thoughts to germinate:

Prayer is so simple.
It is like quietly opening a door
And slipping into the very presence of God,
There in the stillness
To listen for his voice,
Perhaps to petition
Or only to listen,
It matters not;
Just to be there,
In his presence,
Is prayer.

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Church Services for October 2004

Date	Temple	Blisland	Helland	St Breward	Sunday Club
3rd Oct		9.30am Holy Communion **Bodmin Team**	6.30pm Evensong (Harvest) **David Reed**	11.10 a.m. Family Service **Val Jones (Reader)**	Church for Family Service
10th Oct		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion **Rev Conrad** Sargisson	9.30 a.m. United Service (AT CHAPEL) **TBA**	11.10 a.m. Harvest Festival **Rev Conrad Sargisson**	Village Hall
11th Oct				6.30pm Harvest Supper Service 7.00 p.m. V. Hall Harvest Supper	
17th Oct		9.30 a.m. Matins **Val Jones (Reader)**	9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) **Rev Conrad Sargisson**	11.10 a.m. Holy Communion **Rev Conrad Sargisson**	Village Hall then Church
24th Oct	4.30pm Evensong HARVEST **Led by Con-gregation**	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion **Bodmin** Team	11.00am United Holy Communion (AT CHURCH) **Stephen Williams** (Methodist **Minister Bodmin & District)**	11.10 a.m. Family Service **Val Jones (Reader)**	Church for Family Service
31st Oct		9.30 a.m. Holy Communion **Rev Brin Berriman** or Rev Bob Stratfield (Camelford)	11.00 a.m. CHAPEL SERVICE **TBA**	11.10am Holy Communion **Rev Brin Berriman (Camelford)**	Half Term Holiday

HELLAND VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HANK WANGFORD & REG MEUROSS – 25TH OCTOBER, 7.30 PM

We still have a few tickets left to see the world famous Hank Wangford and his mighty amigo, Reg Meuross. They will share with you their love of the dark heart of Country Music. This is a no-frills tour of Cornish mini-stadia, where our Country music mega celebrities will be driving their own cars, carrying their own guitars mopping their own brows but hopefully not buying their own beers!

As well as songs there will be stories and even a bit of poetry – home on the range style! As Hank said 'There are no strangers – only friends we don't recognise!

Tickets are available from Sam 01208 72603, Jenny 01208 75691 or Maria 01208 78762. Adults £5.00, Concs £4.50, Child £3.50, Family £15.00.

Sneak preview, 'Scavel an Gow' are coming to the hall on 27th November for an evening of Cornish storytelling and our Annual Christmas Fun Quiz will be on 4th December. More information next month!

Chapel's Page

Minister Rev. Stella Long Tel. 01840 212042			
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Dear Friends

Having been here just over a month now (it seems much longer because so much has happened), this seems a good time to say thank you for the wonderful welcome Richard and I have received. Change is never easy and settling into a new way of life amongst new people takes time to adjust. It has been the little things that have surprised me the most, like having to add 15 minutes to every appointment to allow time for map reading and reading the notes containing the names of those I'm going to meet with - if only I could remember them all!.

Help has come from unexpected quarters, though - isn't amazing how God does that! For instance, browsing through Trago Mills I was drawn as always to the books and there on the shelf right in front of me was a book containing maps and street plans of Cornwall. It was so cheap I thought it surely couldn't be any good but I bought it anyway and have used it daily ever since.

It's all about looking in the right places. Over the last year or so I have heard many reports on the dwindling sparrow population in England yet, as I sit in my office looking into the garden, I see flocks of them descending on the bird bath and the surrounding shrubs. How can their numbers be such a concern? Perhaps people are looking in the wrong place.

And perhaps people are looking in the wrong place as they seek personal fulfilment. With so many opportunities available to fill our leisure time it seems amazing that people are so unhappy with their lives.

Those of us who are Christians, of course, know where to look for fulfilment. To God. When we give our lives to Him and His ways and purposes we don't have time to be bored and on reflection we know that our lives really are worthwhile. So why isn't everyone flocking to God?

One thing I have learned since we came is that we need a helping hand to look in the right places for what we are looking for. So, don't be selfish and keep this gem of wisdom to yourself, tell your friends then they too will know where to look for what is missing in their lives.

Sparrows? There's hundreds of them. Fulfilment? There's plenty of that too. Just look in the right place and you too will find it for God's bleesing are for all.

May he bless you this day and always.

Stella

Blisland Methodist Church Services for October

Sunday 3rd	2.30pm	Harvest Festival Preacher Mr G Brown
Monday 4th	7.00pm	Harvest Thanksgiving Preacher Rev S Long
Sunday 17th	2.30pm	Preacher Rev S Long
Sunday 31st	2.30pm	Preacher Rev S Long

Blisland WRVS Club

Having postponed our annual barbecue, normally held in August, because of the weather, Tuesday 7th September saw the sun shine through in a clear blue sky so our barbecue was undertaken. All club members enjoyed what was on offer and no item was burnt!! Damp hickory chips added to grey charcoal gives off plenty of smoke and adds an aromatic flavour to the meat. To round off the afternoon we had a raffle where everyone was bound to win a prize.

Tony Ham, Club Organiser

St Breward Methodist Church October Diary

3rd	9.30am	Mr H Huntley
10th	9.30am	Rev S Long Harvest Festival
11th	7.00pm	Mr A Martin, followed by supper and sale
17th	9.30am	Rev S Long
24th	9.30am	Church Fellowship
31st	9.30am	Mr R Sleep
6th	10-11.30am	Coffee Morning

Wednesdays 3.15pm -4.45pm Children's Club

The proceeds of the Harvest Sale will be sent to Seed Sower's Trust which is based in Devon. This is run by volunteers, whose aim is "helping the poor to help themselves".

The charity has been involved in food sowing projects and water and sanitation programmes. It is currently working in Africa on orphan projects, mother and baby clinics and famine relief.

All money raised will go direct to these causes. The Trust has no paid staff, and their overheads of less than 5% are recovered from the exchequer.

By popular demand **St Breward Village Hall** is once again holding a

Christmas Flowers Evening

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Dear Sir,

I have read with interest the case for women priests, so enthusiastically supported in the September issue on the "Church's Page". Would you allow an equally robust advocacy on the part of the traditionists?

I am encouraged by the writer's plea for openness, and hope she will not mind being herself open to criticism.

Everyone is agreed on the wonderful gifts God gives to women to enable them to minister in a variety of ways, and so fulfil the ministry which is placed on every Christian at their baptism. The debate over the past few years however has been on the specific issue concerning the admission of women to holy orders, as deacons, priests and bishops in the apostolic church. Proponents of this innovation have two big hurdles to surmount. Why did Christ, whose love and concern for women was evident, and who set aside convention when He thought necessary, still restrict the apostleship to men? Secondly, has the Holy Spirit, guaranteed to lead us into all truth, been dormant on this matter until the twentieth century? Seems odd if so.

Opponents are often labelled "traditionalists". A better word is "traditionists" for we not only love the tradition handed down to the saints, but recognise that this tradition is a fast flowing river that down the centuries has spawned many tributaries. In every instance of departure from the tradition, the church catholic has to test whether the new is mainstream or not.

Those who are interested to follow the on-going debate might wish to order a copy of the report of Forward in Faith called "Consecrated women?" out this month. You can order either from Canterbury Press online at; www.scmcanterburypress.co.uk or from any good bookshop. The price is £12.99.

Yours,

Robin Ellis (the Reverend).

Blisland WI Meeting - September

Mrs Wendy Gurr welcomed members to our September meeting, last of the evening meetings of the year. The meeting October 20th will be in the afternoon starting at 2.15pm, now the days are getting shorter. New members are always welcome.

Our speaker this month was Mr Mark Norris from Newquay Zoo in charge of the insect house, bringing along slides and information of all living there and how the Zoo has expanded. I for one will be visiting as soon as possible - with grandchildren too. A very interesting and enjoyable evening,

More daffodils are to be planted on the village green by WI members as many as possible please. Meet on the green, Thursday September 23rd 10.15am for 10.30am.

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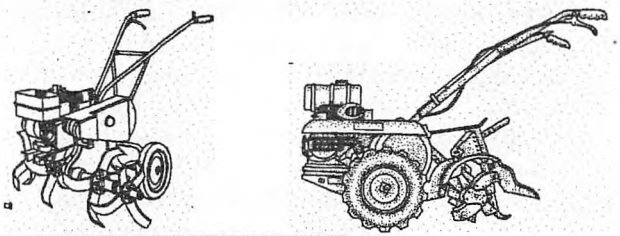

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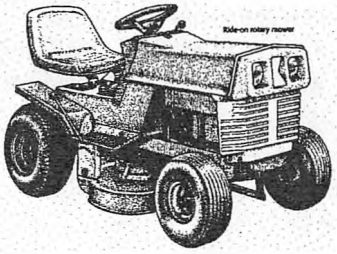

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Church Fete A Sunny Success

Doreen Kay & Freda Davey

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Included this year were new ideas for stalls selling jewellery, bathtime requisites, a Handkerchief Girl by Laura Teague, nearly new toys, surprise bottles, as well as the regulars such as Viv Crowle's Whiskey draw, yet again the most successful fund raising individual stall on the day, the Bottle Stand, Tombola, Bric-a-Brac, Book & Plant Stalls, etc. Entertainment for the children, and adults, included a Bouncy Castle, putting, bowls, wet sponge, wellie wanging, and an obstacle course game, all ably supported by St Breward Silver Band providing a fine repertoire of varied music.

Pamela Bousfield

Have we won?

Opened by Martin Eddy, Rural Manager for Caradon District Council, and his wife, Dr Julia Eddy. The day also benefited by a visit from a former vicar of St Breward, Rev David Reed, now retired in Pembrokeshire, and taking services this weekend at St Breward and Blisland during the two Parishes' interregnum period.

With a total of £999 pounds net takings recorded for the day's efforts, Peter Glaser, Churchwarden, hoped to find an extra £1 with a recount to make it a round £1,000 raised for Church funds.

youngsters taking part

PCC events organiser, Jan Jones, was very pleased with the success of the day adding, "Grateful thanks must go to the Football Club for allowing us to hold the event on their pitch this year, and to the ladies in our local Exercise Group for assistance on many of the stalls and for providing the wonderful teas."

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ON

16TH OCTOBER 2004

IN THE VILLAGE HALL

at any time between

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This kindness manifested itself admirably over the August Bank Holiday Weekend when, at the St Breward Village Hall, the Art & Craft Exhibition raised £600 for two charities, namely The Cornwall Air Ambulance and DEBRA (the butterfly children). Each charity has received a cheque for £300.

Grateful thanks must go especially to Marge Crowle and Pat Dibb for their help, advice and support. Also to all the ladies of the Exercise Group. Have these ladies ever been known to say "No!" when asked for help in a good cause?

Thanks must also go to the art exhibitors and the craft stallholders and to Peter Gant and Henry Gratton for hanging the exhibits.

Thank you all once again. JOHN FRANCIS

The following is a breakdown of monies received.

ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION St Breward Village Hall 27th-30th August 2004

In aid of DEBRA & CORNWALL AIR AMBULANCE
A total of £683 was taken over this period

Proceeds from Art Sales (10% of sales)	£120.00
" " Craft Sales (10% of sales)	£40.00
" " Raffle	£199.00
" " Donations	£220.73
" " Refreshments	£103.27
	£683.00
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Helland Ecumenical Harvest Safari Supper

After September 18th, "going on Safari", has taken on a whole new meaning. There was not a wild animal or endangered species in sight when the first hungry car load drew up outside Coldrenick. Here Iris welcomed them with an assortment of starters – her prawn cocktail rivalled Rick Stein's in succulence; Judith's melange of melon and mango was quite marvellous and Clive's pate was rich and smooth.

Next stop – Helland Village Hall, artistically transformed by Maureen, Joyce and Shirley – smiled a welcome from the serving table and what a choice! Beef casserole, chicken & ham pie or lasagne. The smiles slipped a little when Joyce discovered they had short-circuited (pardon the pun, Methodists!) the electrics and the runner beans were raw. Undaunted Maureen dashed to Ann's kitchen from whence she ferried beans and carrots cooked "a dente".

30 minutes later in response to a second minor crisis – no peas left – Ann and Peter rummaged the depths of their freezer and cooked every pea in sight, only to be informed that Shirley had produced a steaming dishful from under the counter. Behind the scenes, Val Rowe coped single-handed at the sink with the dishes and cutlery, her valiant efforts should be recognised in the New Year's honours list.

Puddings were served at Woodhayes – wondrous creations which would have horrified the presenters of "Fat Nation". Every waistline groaned, but accommodated and needed little coaxing from Astrid and Jenny. The puds were eclipsed by the sight of Denis washing up (a skill hitherto hidden from his wife!)

The motorcades final stop was at Burlerrow where Margaret and Colin had assembled a fine assortment of "Taste of the West" cheese and coffee. Nigel persuaded people to part with their last £1 on raffle tickets before he dashed off to a birthday party. Where did he get the energy?

We all agreed that, in spite of chaotic moments, the evening was a tremendous success and a lot of fun. Many, many thanks to all who helped behind the scenes and contributed to the catering. Thanks to all our guests; it was super to meet old friends and welcome new faces.

This truly was a combined effort. Perhaps we can do it again next year . . . . . did I really say that?

Jenny Trethewey

Halloween Supper - Saturday 30th October at 7.30pm Blisland Village Hall

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Band Hits a high note for Flood Appeal

Just days after flash storms hit the north Cornwall coast causing devastation in the fishing villages of Boscastle and Crackington Haven, a Flood Appeal Fund was set up to help victims who were suffering hardship and discomfort by this freak of nature. I'm proud to report that St Breward Silver Band immediately rallied to the appeal within days of it's announcement raising £600 in just one hour from the sale of their CD's, a donation from band funds, and a collection, all this during their weekly summer concert on the Platt, Port Isaac, a tremendous achievement for such a small but talented band. Bodmin Band followed a week later fund raising some £400 towards the appeal at their "Proms in the Park" concert. As I write this article, other bands within the south west are to follow suit, lets hope the music makers raise thousands of pounds in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

The band now fully recovered from a busy summer season of concerts and community work, had no time for relaxing, yes it's that time once again for competition work, one addition to this years programme being by invitation to play at the Exmouth Brass Band Festival organised by the South West Brass Band Assoc: on Saturday 18th of September. St Breward Silver Band came second in it's class, beaten by just one point by South Molton.

Well to prove banding is fun and not all work without play, players and supporters are off on a jolly next month, it's a good old fashioned caravan, beach games, bucket and spade weekend at Harlyn Sands Padstow,. As my beloved Cornish have to be fed every 4 hours, a Bar-B-Q and carvery meal will all be on the itinerary.

Many of you have asked if the band will be repeating the success of last years Christmas Concert in the St Breward chapel, what I can tell you is that a letter has been sent to Father Christmas asking if he could be in attendance, giving him a number of date options. Meanwhile the answer is YES a Christmas concert is on the bands programme of events a date to be announced in the next months magazine.

Brian Hummerstone Band Publicity Officer

Mobile Library Times

Tuesday's stops for Blisland.	TRESSARRETT	9.40 - 9.50
	THE VILLAGE HALL	10.00 - 10.30

Both stops are fortnightly visits; Stopping on 5th Oct. 19th Oct. and 2nd Nov.

Mobile Library Times

Wednesday's stops for St. Breward.	LIMEHEAD	4.10 - 4.25pm
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The stop at Churchtown has been cancelled.

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Blisland News.

The Community of Blisland have been treated to some excellent entertainment recently. A few weeks ago our village hall rocked with hilarity. The Camhayle Theatre Company were exceedingly professional and the comedy play ' Play On' had us all 'in stitches'. It does the soul good to see so many people having such a wonderful time - on and off the stage! The hall was packed to a capacity crowd and I only feel sorry for those of you who missed such a treat.

Then on Saturday we were 'exposed' to three highly talented ladies who have the beguiling title of 'Dangerous Curves'!!!! The entertainment included wonderful songs with naughty words and actions to match, (all done in the best possible taste of course!!) The 'girls' obviously have a great report with one another and their infectious humour spilt over, even onto the more mature members of the assembled audience!!! If this is a taste of things to come we are in for a real treat in Blisland!

The Blisland Gardening Club

We will have the AGM of the Gardening Club on October 29th. It will commence at 7.30pm with the necessary business. We will have cheese and wine on the evening and then we will be'educated' by our own homegrown panel of experts. Many thanks in advance to Jean Smith, Henry Kendall and Alan King for kindly offering to be our invited guests for the evening! It promises to be a most interesting evening. Please come along armed with your gardening queries and problems. We will also have our usual raffle and plant stall. So if you are thinning out your borders please bring your cuttings etc for sale on the evening. Guests and new members are very welcome to join us. For more information phone, 01208 851601 or 01208 850843.

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Edgar Allen Poe

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As I write this, thoughts of the summer are fading fast - not that it was a summer to remember - except for all the wrong reasons.

Our friends and neighbours in Boscastle will certainly remember August 2004. So too will the National Trust and its employees. The warden, Mike Simmonds and his family lost their home and virtually all their possessions. The Youth Hostel and many of the cottages were owned by the Trust - the repair bills are going to be horrendous and whether insurance will cover it, is always a vexed question.

In the light of this disaster, it is perhaps relevant to emphasise one of the major roles of this Association - to raise funds for the National Trust. All the profits from our activities go toward the work of the Trust, almost exclusively for projects within Cornwall. We were pleased that we were able to donate over £1000 immediately to the Trust to help those affected by the events in Boscastle purchase essential replacements. So, your attendance and support at our meetings is a very pleasurable way of helping the National Trust and its staff.

Our winter programme continues, our next meeting will be held at Rock Village Institute on Friday 12th November, commencing at 2.30pm. Our speaker, paying us a return visit after a near sell-out talk last time, is Christine Woolf, known to many of you. Her subject this time is "Useful & Beautiful, William Morris - Designer and Craftsman." You are most welcome to join us, whether a member of the Association or not. Tickets cost £3.50 for members and £4.00 for guests, which includes afternoon tea.

Saturday 18th December welcomes Christmas in with our annual Christmas Carol Concert in Wadebridge Town Hall, starting at 7.30pm, featuring the ever popular Wadebridge Male Voice Choir. They promise us something new this year, so do join us and find out what's in store. No increase in price, still £4.00, which includes mince pies and a glass of
mulled wine.

Tickets for both these events may be obtained from our Booking Secretary, Eileen Treby, The Barn, Church Lane, St Teath, Bodmin PL30 3JF Tel 01208 850964. Please include S.A.E.

If you would like to know more about the Association or would like to join us, please give our Membership Secretary, Jane Windeler a phone call, on 01208 863548.

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QUIZ - OCTOBER 04

QUESTIONS

Continuing last month's food theme - the answers to the following clue types of cake.

1. Used to clean a London station?
2. A mule
3. Cut in two
4. Used to make walnut bread?
5. Change a letter to get a pebble
6. Cheap girl with a road block
7. From Copenhagen?
8. Peaches in a split tin?
9. Cricket or pipistrelle with a large block of ice
10. Cook superbly
11. One of the Goons
12. Two mysterious sheep
13. Sweet sauce for a golfer's mistake
14. Town in Scotland
15. Sugared or ground, cut thinly
16. Holiday island and sweet wine
17. Glass ball
18. Not a long loaf....
19. Rhymes with a French boat
20. Created a row
21. Red headed bloomer
22. Crocus the rabbit
23. Do dates grow on this 'ere?
24. Worn on your foot?
25. To unlock the sound of a dove?

QUIZ - SEPTEMBER 04

ANSWERS

1. Chocolate mousse
2. Lemon tart
3. Rhubarb crumble
4. Summer pudding
5. Tapioca
6. Lemon meringue pie
7. Sticky toffee pudding
8. Chocolate fudge cake
9. Tiramisu
10. Strawberry shortcake
11. Crème brulee
12. Profiteroles
13. Syrup sponge
14. Blancmange
15. Caramelised oranges
16. Banana split
17. Apple strudel
18. Raspberry trifle
19. Blackcurrant cheesecake
20. Bread and butter pudding
21. Treacle tart
22. Semolina
23. Jelly and custard
24. Plum duff
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Other council services such as: Recycling & refuse collection Planning applications, Housing, Leisure services.

St Breward Institute and War Memorial Hall 10am to 3pm: Third Wednesday of the month. Next visit on Wednesday 20th October.

St Breward Primary School

A new school year is now well under way and all the changes are in force. The new Nursery unit is in place and the new tiny people seem to be enjoying themselves. They are James, Callan, Zara, Connor, Jordan, Jessica, Jake, Caitlin and Sheri.

Mrs Brewer is now back in Class 3 after her maternity leave and is sharing her teaching week with Mr Brewer. We also welcome Cheryl Sleep and Michelle Colman who are working with the Nursery children and Class 1 children respectively. Mrs Robinson also joins us for one day a week to take over from Mrs King when she has an 'office' day and to teach music to all of the children.

We are also delighted to welcome our new pupils. Gabriella in Class 3, Lolita and Annabel in Class 2 and Katie, Antonella, Isabella, Dean and Charlie in Class 1.

All these new names to remember!

FUNDS FROM THE OLD PLAYGROUP

We were delighted to receive a delegation from the old playgroup, who presented us with a cheque for £250. There were some funds available from previous fund-raising activities by the parents of our new Nursery children. We would sincerely like to thank the playgroup committee members for their generous donation. It will go towards some much needed new furniture in the Nursery unit. Our thanks to Niki Hicks, Gabby Waters, Michelle Colman, Claire Pearn, Tracey Haynes and Caroline Ralph for presenting this cheque.

YELLOW PAGES (AGAIN!!!)

"Oh no!", I hear you moan, "not already!". Well, not quite, but very soon. Please keep an eye out for any old copies you may see lying around in homes, offices , factories and certainly hotels (who have lots all in one place!). We shall be collecting for real just after Christmas, but will gladly take any in that you may find now. Please ask your relatives and get them to ask theirs too!! **WE CAN DO IT IF……** we all start now! The winning school, last year, says that nearly every family contributes by collecting all year round and asking large hotels/

businesses for them or to put their school's name on them when the time comes.

TOKENS

We are still collecting Nestle and Persil Tokens and would be grateful for any that you can cut of your packaging.

And finally…….

The new slide and play house has been erected in the main playground so the children now have something to play on. Thanks go to you all for the fundraising over the last year. As the old one was vandalised regularly, please could we ask you to be vigilant and report any people you see entering the school grounds out of hours. We have also had a problem with skateboarders who use the picnic tables to make ramps. The edges of the tables are becoming quite badly splintered and this can be a hazard to the children. Thank you.

A good wedding brings out all those wedding jokes

Scientists have discovered a food that diminishes a woman's sex drive by 90%. It's called a Wedding Cake.

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Despite scepticism by many, on Saturday 27th July a convergence of folks from all over the county arrived at St Breward Church to enjoy a wonderful evening of music and fun.

The Mevagissey Male Choir streamed in to the church nestled among the trees on Bodmin Moor with the glorious sun setting behind them. A warm balmy evening invited us all to enjoy their wonderful singing of a wide range of songs, some solos and a quartet. The rafters rang with laughter as the Rev Tony Olivey gave us some of his poetry and jokes while the choir tried hard to rest their voices. We thank the choir and their supporters for coming to our community – a first time in St Breward and to Tony Olivey and his wife for travelling up from Truro but helping to make the hard pews disappear in laughter. Such a very happy occasion raised over £800, of which £300 was sent to Victim Support North Cornwall, a charity working in all areas of Cornwall providing a valuable support to those who have experienced crime in its many aspects. No-one knows when and where they might need this help – it could be you!. The other funds were put aside for improvements to the disabled facilities for the church .

Our thanks go to all who sold tickets, to all who supported this enjoyable evening and to all those who helped with the provision of the refreshments afterwards, but of course mainly to the sponsors of this event – The Old Inn and Ennstone of the De Lank Quarry who helped to make it such a successful and well supported evening.

JJ (on behalf of St Breward PCC)

St Breward Parish Church

Harvest Festival

The annual Harvest Festival service will take place in the Parish Church on Sunday 10th October at 11.10am

Any contributions to help decorate the church will be most welcome. The church will be open on Saturday 9th October to receive these.

Harvest Supper

On Monday 11th October there will be a harvest Supper at the Village Hall starting at 7.00pm. This will be preceded by short prayers and followed by a Harvest Auction which is always a lot of fun.

Note for your Diary

Remembrance Day Sunday 14th November

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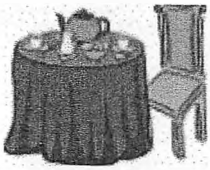

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St Breward Village Hall and Memorial Hall

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Please support us. A Grand Raffel will be held. The meal will be enjoyed at Treglanes, Trevor, East Rose, Wilburn Cottage and ending at the Old Inn for coffee and the raffle draw.

Tickets £8 are available at the village stores.

Transport will be available for the 8pm sitting – book when you purchase your ticket.

We look forward to seeing you.

St Breward Village Hall & Memorial Hall
Safari Supper

The Safari Supper which was held on 25 September was a great success and we managed to raise just over £1,000 which is to be split between the two Halls.

I would like to thank everyone who helped in the organising, the venue holders and all the kind donators of food, prizes and money. Also, both Committees would like to give a special thank you to Christine Lusby for all her efforts in selling the tickets.

Julie Wright, Village Hall Secretary

I know how Christine does it - she threatens to talk them to death if they don't buy them!!!

Would you like some fun on Monday Evenings?

If so why not come along and join St Breward Handbell Ringers. We practice every Monday evening in the Church from 7 to 8pm. No musical knowledge is necessary as we play from numbers. Just come along and visit us one evening, you will be made most welcome. We have plenty of fun and laughs as well as ringing the bells. Or contact our secretary Cathy Glaser for details on 851 744.

On Saturday October 2nd St Breward Handbell Ringers are hosting a Handbell Rally to be held in Blisland Village Hall from 12.30pm onwards. Teams from all over are coming and will play solo pieces as well as taking part in massed ringing which is great fun. The hall will be open for anyone to come along and listen at any time – just turn up at the door – there is no charge.

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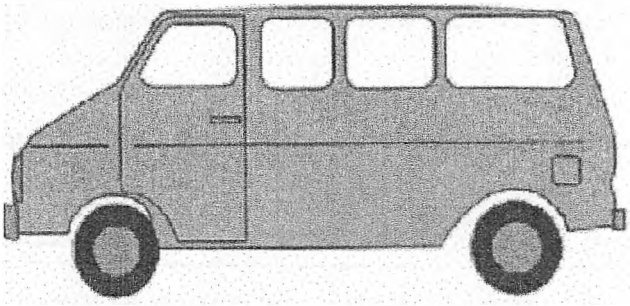

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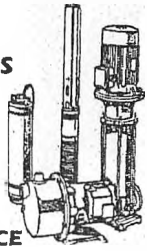

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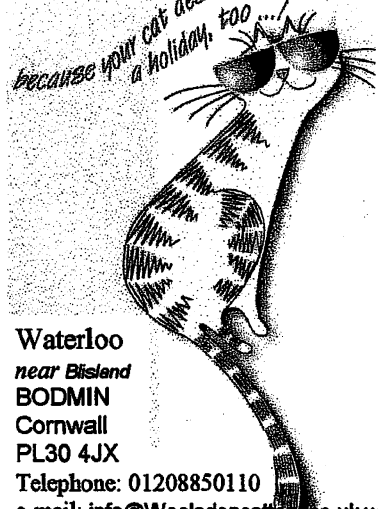

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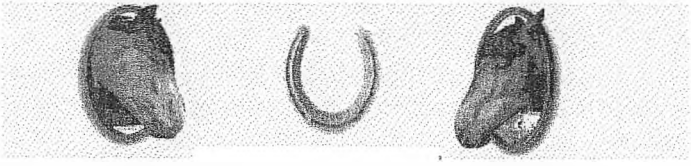

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1 Long-handled brush (5)	Broom
2 Sounds like an elegant King of the jungle (9)	Dandelion
3 By any other name would smell as sweet (4)	Rose
4 Spread on bread with tea container (9)	Buttercup
5 Baffle hand-warmer (8)	Foxglove
6 Device of Sir Peter Blakeney (7,9)	Scarlet Pimpernel
7 Pupil is clever (9)	Eyebright
8 Albert the fictional detective (7)	Campion
9 Sad ringer (8)	Bluebell
10 Informer (5)	Grass
11 Starts collecting lots of very early roses (6)	Clover
12 Demure flower girl (8)	Primrose
13 Muddled language of the Letts (7)	Nettle
14 Wed a rich man? (8)	Marigold
15 Confused deep swell (9)	Speedwell
16 Aristocrats (5,3,6)	Lords and Ladies
17 Dig out a bug left in (5)	Bugle
18 Endearment and nurse (11)	Honeysuckle
19 Put in, cleaned and mixed up (9)	Celandine
20 Fatal under cover of darkness (6,10)	Deadly Nightshade
21 Did the heifer stumble? (7)	Cowslip
22 Find it in the Cornish Gorseth (5)	Gorse
23 Tandem rider? (5)	Daisy
24 Sounds like a cattle stampede (7)	Bulrush
25 Curtail (4)	Duck

There were five correct entries from Peter Moore of Truro, Maria Francis of Camelford, P Billing of St Austell, Christine Woolf of De Lank and Sue Mitchell of Barn Park, St Breward, whose name was drawn to win the prize.

Pamela Bousfield

Footnotes in the history of St Breward

What did Jonathon Haywood say when Michael Hollister drove over his foot outside the shop? Christine attempted to look up the words but couldn't find them in her dictionary.

As Foggy was arriving for work at De Lank, he saw the manager drive out of the gate so Foggy asked where the manager had gone. They said to Merrivale. Later Foggy told Dai Wills that the manager had gone to America. The manager returned to work just after lunch so Dai asked Foggy had he flown ballistic class.

Peter Davey wowed them all at his daughter's wedding with a star performance on the karaoke. Freda was heard to say "My God" 2,478 times, was this a new Guinness world Record?

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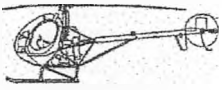

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A Blow-in's Plea (Donegal's version of an Emmet)

I am often asked what it is that makes St Breward special or why did we choose to live in St Breward.

I usually give three reasons; 1. St Breward still possesses its very strong sense of community; 2. We could afford its run down shop and 3. When I first drove down through the village it reminded me of Donegal, so I instantly felt at home.

During the ten years we have lived in St Breward my three reasons still hold good. I only have to look back at the tremendous fund-raising that has gone on in the village—community bus, two play areas to think of just two; the instant rally round for neighbours when they are in need of support or help. No longer is St Breward's shop run-down, with good village support and hard work it is doing well. Occasionally it still reminds me of Donegal but more often I just think of St Breward as home, the place where I belong.

The last ten years have brought great pressures on our local communities, not just St Breward. We have had many new families moving in to our villages, others dying out or moving away, especially our young people with limited job opportunities and expensive housing. Quite a few families seem to pass through, only staying for a couple of years before moving on. This leads to a gradual erosion of that strong Cornish community spirit, which is strengthened by extensive family connections, and also to a weakening of community involvement for those of us who were attracted by that community spirit in the first place.

We all need to fight against this creeping wearing down of our community. We all should ask ourselves what have we done for St Breward this week or month. We should make the effort to support one or more of our village organisations—there is a lot to choose from. Most of them need more participants, so turn off the TV for one evening a week, get out of the house, join with some of your neighbours, you will be surprised how much you will enjoy it.

By now you are probably wondering why I am going on about this, the answer is simple. Last Wednesday afternoon we had to cancel the Thursday afternoon school bus run because of lack of a driver. Our regular Thursday afternoon driver was away and the very few relief drivers were unable to help. Christine spent an hour she couldn't afford phoning around trying to find a driver. When this effort failed she had to spend another hour on the phone notifying all the parents about the cancellation. We were both very upset that our school bus run failed through lack of volunteers, it would be a shame if this service stopped as it would jeopardise our bus's existence.

Please spare 30 to 40 minutes a week and drive our bus—it has power steering and is easy to drive. Failing this, make an effort to join or help one of our other village groups, many of them regularly ask for help or support in this magazine.

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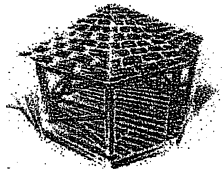

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Blisland Parish Council September Meeting & August Extraordinary Meeting)

The Parish Council met on Thursday 8th September, there had also been an extraordinary meeting on the 18th August to consider the appointment of a new Clerk, the Annual Return to the External Auditor and two Planning Applications. Six Councillors were in attendance, plus two members of the Public for the 8th September meeting. Nine Councillors attended the extraordinary meeting.

The August meeting reviewed the analysis of the financial transactions for fiscal year 2003/04 prepared by the Internal Auditor, Brian White. The figures presented were accepted and copied on ready for public viewing & presentation to the External Auditor in October; the Internal Auditor's report was also accepted and new procedures agreed to address his comments on Internal Control. The Chairman drew attention to changes to the Council's banking arrangements imposed by Lloyds Bank; the account no longer attracted interest. Council agreed to the proposal to open an additional interest bearing account to resolve this problem. The planning application from Darcroft Garage for the retention of an unauthorised mobile home was rejected, but that from South Penquite Farm to convert a number of small barns into one dwelling house was supported. The meeting considered a suitable memorial to our late Clerk Mr. Edgar Rowe, and set in motion the process of selecting a new Clerk.

The September meeting started with a few words of appreciation for the life & work of our late Clerk Edgar Alan Rowe. It was agreed to plant an Oak tree on the village green to be known as Edgar's Oak. The Oak will be accompanied by a sympathetic granite stone advising of Edgar and his contribution to the Parish of Blisland. There will additionally be a brass plate mounted on the inside wall of the Institute together with the clock Edgar gave the village on occasion of his 40th year as Clerk to the Parish. There were two planning applications, one for a new vehicle access to Jollybrook Farm - Temple, which was supported, the other for the erection of a dwelling at Temple Fisheries, which was rejected. Progress was reported toward a further dog bin on the village green & considerations for the Institute, a Hearing Loop, and Disabled Access to the Toilets. The draft Action Plan from the risk assessment was presented for Councillors to consider at their October meeting. The meeting concluded with detailed discussions of arrangements to recruit a new Clerk.

Please note that a copy of the approved minutes for the meeting of 8th July & the extraordinary meeting of 18th August can be downloaded from the Parish Council page of www.blisland.com.

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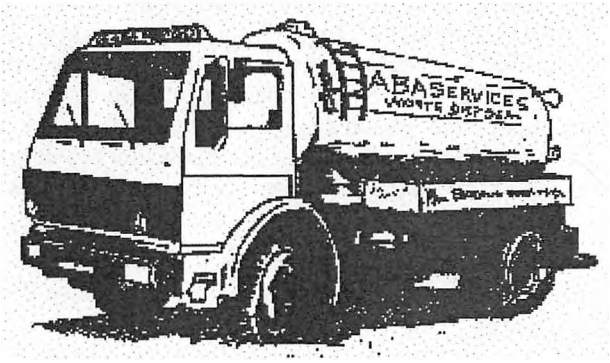

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St Breward Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 7th September 2004

Apologies were received from Mr T Hutton (holiday).

Mr Paul Walton gave a presentation about Cornwall's Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. He distributed the management plan on this subject and urged the Parish Council to seek the Parish's view on this subject. If anyone wishes to read this document – please contact either Mr Lusby 850260 or Mrs Cornelius 850954.

An amendment to the minutes from the August meeting was made:

a) **Mr. D Belcher –Penvorder House, St Breward**
Erection of block/granite built shed at rear of garden for storage
All voted in favour to this proposal. Concerns were raised about the use of the shed. The applicant reassured the Council that the shed would be used for storage only.

Planning Applications

a. Mrs A Gooderham, Limehead Cottage, St Breward: Erection of a rear conservatory and iron railings to front garden. Listed Building Consent for the erection of rear conservatory and iron railings to front garden. A letter from Mrs P Dibb was read to the Council, declaring her objection to the railings only. The applicant reassured the Council that agreement has been arranged with her neighbour at Morlanow, to splay the railings. The PC advised that the railings needed to give a splay. The PC took a vote of proposing no objection: 3 in favour, 4 against and 1 abstention.

b. North Cornwall District Council –Poleys Bridge & Wenfordbridge, St Breward. Extension of Camel Trail through the former clay dries and using the railway corridor and former coal yard. The Council welcomed this planning application, and had no objection to the extension. The Council agreed that in view of the overall width, it is recommended to take this opportunity to make a horse track and cycle path from the outset. Additionally, any future plans for the disused clay buildings should not limit or discourage this application.
All voted in favour.

Complaints had been received from members of the public about gorse, reducing visibility after the cattle grid at Hallagena and the length of hedgerow at Delank. The relevant parties would be contacted by the Clerk.

The footpath at Corgelly has been repaired. This team has had to prioritise the repairs on the Boscastle/Tintagel coastline, delaying other schemes.

The next PC meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th October 2004, at 7pm in the Institute & War Memorial Hall. All members of the public are most welcome to attend.

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St Breward WI **September Meeting**

Our president, Mrs Christine Woolf, welcomed Mrs Valerie Hill as a new member and also thanked Anita Webb, Paddy Powell and Irene Alexander for serving tea to the Camelford Disabled Club, all the items being provided by our members.

Mention was made of the Group Meeting at Blisland WI on October 27th at 7.30pm when the speaker will talk about Floral Art and also demonstrate this popular subject; there will be a raffle on the night. The charge to our institute is £24, but the entry charge is only 20p so why not enjoy the company of the Blisland WI.

The Annual Council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 2nd when the speaker will be David Mudd on "Puddings, Pies and Pantos". New rules allow any member to attend, no more booking just for a representative and a visitor. If you are interested in the quality of our speakers why not go to the auditions for new speakers at County House on Friday, November 19th; the closing date is October 9th (before our meeting so apply as shown on the back page of the County News). By now we shall have held our Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Bandroom when we hope that St Breward will have supported our efforts.

As usual the annual subscriptions have risen, this will be £21 in 2005, of which our institute keep £10.10, County have £4.90 and National receive £6. It is possible that we may hold more afternoon meetings; this will be voted on later. The Home and County magazine will be delivered to your door from October, the subscription is £15.60, please contact Christine Woolf to order this.

A hat was handed around to sponsor one member's daughter for a parachute jump and another for a Cancer Research Channel Swim - the proceeds were divided between the two efforts. This year our Christmas Tea will take place in the Memorial Hall, details to be discussed later.

Our speaker was Mrs Jeanette Coote who had visited the Bayeux Tapestry and was able to give us a very interesting history of the meaning of the various panels. This included handing around colourful and LARGE photos, and also a folding representation of the tapestry which was held by members to go around the room, not quite the full 70 metres but very impressive. Her enthusiasm gave real life and meaning to this 960 year old masterpiece.

The competition for a small embroidery was won by Mrs. Christine Woolf, Jennie Teague second, and Mrs Anita Webb third. Mrs Pamela Bousfield, Mrs Jennie Teague and Mrs Rosemary Lowe came first, second and third with their flowers.

The October 12th meeting at 7.3opm competition will be "Something new from something old", and "an Arrangement of Autumn Flowers and Leaves". Mr and Mrs M Jones will speak about their Experiences in Central Asia.

Anne Holmes

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Don't forget **Johnny Cowling** December 17th Back by popular demand.

St Breward Ladies

The start of the season saw some new faces in the team and sadly one or two players have left to further their careers, we wish them all the best.

We started slowly, having lost our first two league games, but did win our last match against Roche beating them 3-0, with Leah Pethick getting her first goal for the club – one of many we hope.

We are still training on Thursdays and anyone wanting to come along is more than welcome. Tina

A Foggy Story

An anonymous St Breward resident was invited to the evening do at a wedding reception near Camelford recently. He arrived at the reception at Lanteglos with his wife, bought a drink and sat down to watch proceedings. Nothing untoward you might think, but imagine his consternation when the bride and groom began to cut the cake . . . . .

"That's not John and Helen," he said to his wife.

She checked the invite and said, "You fool, it's Juliet's Wells we are supposed to be at."

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