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To give us back our village shop
They've worked, but now they're told to stop

Local folk and holidaymakers
Both serious types and mickey-takers
Partook of beverages, and food,
And left again feeling warm and good.

Dogs, too, enjoyed the wholesome fare
A bacon sandwich - medium rare,
Just the thing for weary muts
Whose owners are a pair of nuts!

But now, no more delicious smells
For Stooges Three the final knells -
An edict from the ones in charge
Writ plain and clear in letters large -

NO MORE - our use for you is done
Sell up your toast, your eggs, last bun,
The shop is being built at last,
You're relegated to the past.

And so The Stooges caf's no more,
But girls of this you can be sure
Our gratitude is deep and true
We send our sincere thanks to you.

We hope that WHEN the shop's on stream
And fills some folks enduring dream
Your contribution gets you note
You'd certainly get Dumpling's vote

It won't be quite the same next year
To buy and cook the food I fear,
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So to you three we doff our hat.

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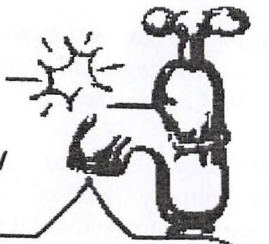

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Letters

Nancy Hill Wishes to thank all relatives and friends for their cards, Flowers, gifts and kind enquiries during her stay in hospital.

A special thanks to Mandy, Shaun, Shannon & Aidan for looking after me whilst convalescing. I'm at home now and making good progress.

Pat Dibb
I would like to sat thank you to everyone who kept my 70th birthday party a secret, those who sent cards, contributed to a wonderful present and came to the party – especially to Marge and Viv, who colluded with my daughter Sally to give me a great party.
Thank you all.
Pat Dibb

DEBRA
On behalf of the "Debra" charity I would like to thank everyone, especially John Francis, for their tremendous efforts in arranging a most successful Art Exhibition.

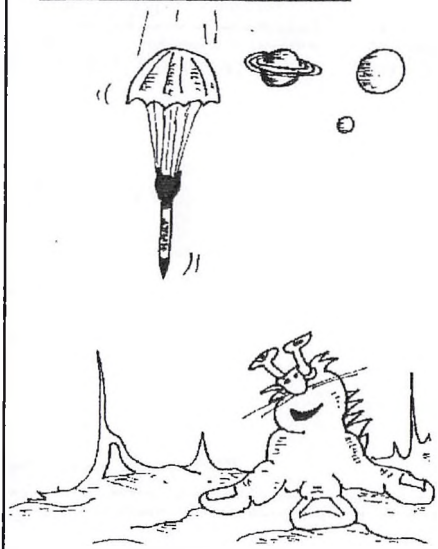
During the past year many people have been collecting small change in our "Debra" boxes, these raised £67.58.

All money raised is so valuable to help the "Butterfly Children" but also to fund research. How fantastic it will be when they have isolated the awful gene that causes this painful and distressing condition.
Anna Corns.

Wesley & Muriel Wilton offer their sincere thanks to all who helped make our Golden Wedding such a special time. We had over 70 visitors during the afternoon, coming from near and far.

Our son made a surprise visit from Malawi as did our granddaughter from the Isles of Scilly. The total amount of donations for Cornwall Air Ambulance was £435.00, and the bouquets are still bringing us much pleasure.

Thank you very much indeed.



This is where I think St Breward WI's report has ended up—in some far off interplanetary editor's desk. This is the second time in three months that I have lost their copy. **SORRY, SORRY, SORRY.**

It is one of the first to arrive each month, unfortunately this gives me more time to lose it.
Your abject Editor

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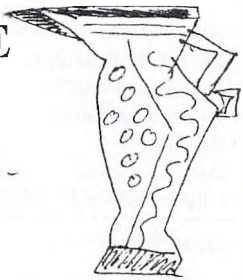

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Dear Everyone,

What were you doing on September 12th? Did you hear the heart-stopping cricket commentaries, did you punch your steering wheel when, Michael Vaughan and Ian Bell were out in quick succession, or were you occupied as usual enjoying some glorious September sunshine? I tried to imagine the feelings of those waiting to bat, hoping that Kevin Pieterseb would make a century and that, when their turn came they wouldn't be dismissed with little or no points. Heroes are easily brought down to reality with the anguish of missing a catch that is vital as a contribution to the hoped for victory. What a mighty celebration there was and the nation's gratitude went to the team and their helpers behind the scenes.

In the words of the lovely Psalm 121 we read in the New English Bible version, "If I lift up my eyes to the hills where shall I find help?" The most powerful people who have ever lived are eventually humbled as history takes its course. We need to take time to lift our gaze from the everyday troubles and chores and spend some time communicating with our living Lord, build up our confidence in him. He made heaven and earth, he can do anything. He is the shepherd of the f lock and of every sheep, watchful and always awake. He will help us. "The Lord will guard your coming and going now and for evermore. We may not have to face humiliation at the hand of a spin bowler but this verse can bring us serenity and we can pray for its application for those so tragically made homeless or bereaved in the wake of the hurricane as well as the bombings in London and Iraq. Please also pray for our new Priest, Revd Sherry Bryan who we welcome to the parish on October 31st, that she will feel at home with us. Thank you, Val

A prayer from the service sheet at Treliske Hospital:

May God bless you when all your days are grey ones,
And help you when you're anxious and alone,
May God guide you when the path of life is hidden;
And give you courage that is greater than your own.
May God bless you when frightening things surround you,
And hold you close no matter what befall.
May he bring you when troubled days are over
The peace that has no ending and the love that waits for all.
Amen

Church Services for October 2005

Date	Temple	Blisland	Helland	St Breward	Sunday Club
2nd Oct	NO SERVICE	9.30am Matins Val Jones (Reader)	6.30pm Evensong at Church (Harvest Festival) Rev Derek Carrivick & Val Jones (Reader)	11.10am Harvest Festival /Family Service Val Jones (Reader) with Tim Greenhalgh as Speaker	Harvest Festival in Church
3rd Oct				6.30pm Harvest Supper & Auctionin Village Hall	
9th Oct	NO SERVICE	9.30am Holy Communion Rev Graham Minors	9.30am United at Church Bodmin Team	11.10am Holy Communion Rev George Fleming	Village Hall
16th Oct	NO SERVICE	9.30am Holy Communion Rev Jean Marshall	TBA	11.10 am Family Service Val Jones (Reader)	Church
23rd Oct	NO SERVICE	9.30am Matins Val Jones (Reader)	TBA	11.10 am Holy Communion Rev David Pollard	Village Hall & Church
30th Oct	TBA	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev Jean Marshall	TBA	11.10am Holy Communion Rev George Fleming	Village Hall
31st Oct		TBA pm Licensing of Rev Canon Sherry Bryan to the Benefice			

Chapel's Page

Minister Rev. Stella Long Tel. 01840 212042			
	Blisland	**St Breward**	**Helland**
Senior Steward	Mr ET Ham 850691	Mr R Hoskin 851445	Mr. Nigel White
Treasurer	Mrs W Gurr 850119	Mrs J Teague 850342	Mrs J Matthews 821261

Dear Friends,

The Gospel of John tells how Jesus healed a man beside the pool of Bethesda *(John 5: 1-10)*.

> I was reminded of this story the other day when someone said to me: '...but we give so much and still the poor need more. Is there no end to the poverty in places like Africa? Are we doing any good at all?'

I wonder if Jesus felt something like this when he entered into Jerusalem and saw the crowds of sick people - blind, lame or paralysed - lying around the pool waiting for their chance to enter the supposedly healing waters. Have you ever wondered why he only healed one man there from among so many? I have, for I'm sure his compassion would have called him to heal them all; but he only healed one. Jesus also said, 'the poor will always be with you' *(Matt 26: 11)* yet still he continued to heal and feed and teach.

Perhaps we have to follow his example and keep on doing what we can to help those in need - whatever the nature of their poverty. What we do and what we give may seem like only a drop in the ocean of what is needed but, however many are left unaided, **we can help some** and those few, or many, need our help and will survive because of it. Surely it is better to help a few than to help none because the problem seems too great.

In my final degree year I had to write a thesis. I had never written anything this long before and didn't know where to start or how to go about it until one day someone sat me down and told me to break it into manageable parts and do a bit at a time. This I did and the thesis was eventually completed. Every journey begins with a first step, every book begins with a first word....

So in the west we take the first tentative (or bold) steps towards sharing God's resources more fairly and by doing so we begin to change the world. And, who knows, maybe one day we will see an end to injustice where the rich live in relative luxury and the poor die. But we all have to do our little bit, so keep up the good work and may God bless it and bless you.

Stella.

Blisland Methodist Church October Diary

Sun 9th	2.30pm	Harvest Festival Service Preacher Mrs J Rackham
Mon 10th	7.00pm	Harvest Festival Thanksgiving Service followed by sale of donated produce. Preacher Mr B Parkman
Sun 16th	2.30pm	Preacher Superintendent Minister Rev A Sowden
Sun 30th	2.30pm	Preacher Rev S Long (Holy Communion Service)

St Breward Methodist Church October Diary

Sun 2nd	9.30am	Mr Bannister
Sun 9th	9.30am	Mr J Bennallick (Harvest Festival)
Sun 16th	9.30am	Rev S Long
Sun 23rd	9.30am	Mr B Parkman
Sun 30th	9.30am	Church Fellowship

Wed 5th Coffee Morning

Mon 10th 7.00pm Harvest Festival. Short service conducted by Rev. Millson followed by salad supper and sale of produce.

The friends of St Breward Methodist Church would like to say a big thank you to all who helped in the Flower Festival. The displays were all beautifully arranged and we are indebted to the various organisations who so readily took part.

Many people came and enjoyed the interpretation of the theme, also meeting friends and having a chat over lunch or tea.

The amount raised towards the refurbishment of the chapel was in the region of £650.00.

Our grateful thanks to one and all.

Blisland WRVS Club

Some of our members expressed the wish that they would like to partake of lunch at Trelawney Garden Centre, so this was agreed for our meeting on 6th September.

It was noted an extension of the restaurant had been created where one could sit and enjoy looking over the lake. We all partook of the varying courses on offer, and were very satisfied with our selection.

It was of great interest to walk around the garden centre after lunch.
Tony Ham, Club Organiser

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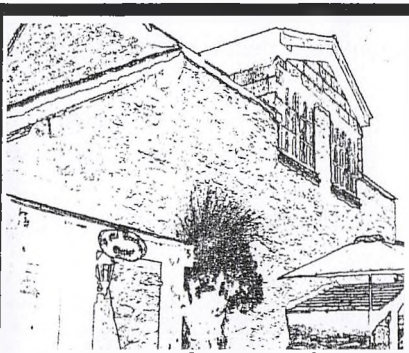

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BLISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Blisland's new Amenity Centre

The last month has been quite an eventful time for the project. First we had the Fun Day on 29th August, then we launched Blisland Foundation, with the Community Association's appeal as its first project, finally the builders got fully underway and the BBC & the Cornish Guardian were there to record the event.

The Fun Day was certainly just that, fun for young & old alike. No doubt Gary & Terry would agree, having been at the receiving end in the stocks of happy punters wet sponges. Food was provided by the BBQ & the Stooges, who incidentally were serving their Fayre from 8 in the morning until nearly 5 pm at night! Then there were the sporting events, lots of stalls and of course Mr. Wacky. The weather, well perfect. We raised over £1,600 toward fitting out our Amenity Centre. Thank you to all who took part whether as helpers or punters, we needed both! A special thanks to Denise without whose energy & organisation the event would never have got off the ground. Clearly the August Bank Holiday Fun Day is a great event, which should continue in future years supporting village projects.

Blisland Foundation is a new charity set up to support community projects in Blisland & Temple. The Fun Day was used to promote the charity's first project in support of the social & community side of the Amenity Centre, particularly fitting out the Consultation Suite, the Reception Area, the Kitchen and the Pergola. Through the Foundation we shall be exploring sympathetic funding bodies and individuals, willing to support our project. As a registered charity Individuals who pay UK income tax can make donations to Blisland Community Association and other community projects, through the Foundation, and amplify their donation with a tax rebate using Gift Aid. Once the Amenity Centre is up and running, any profits made from its operation will be re-circulated into the Community through the Foundation. The Foundation will continue looking for new projects to support. Further information is given in a leaflet available at the Blisland Inn or in Blisland's temporary PO & Shop. If you think you would like to help, your donations will be greatly appreciated.

As reported last month, contractors ROK took possession of the site and did some minor earthwork to take samples from the brownfields site to send for analysis for contamination. Thankfully no contamination was found, so work got fully underway on Tuesday 30th August. On Friday of that week the BBC's Spotlight team and the Cornish Guardian visited to record the start of this long awaited development. We leave you to see for yourselves progress to date.

Change

"Times change and we with them."

Ovid

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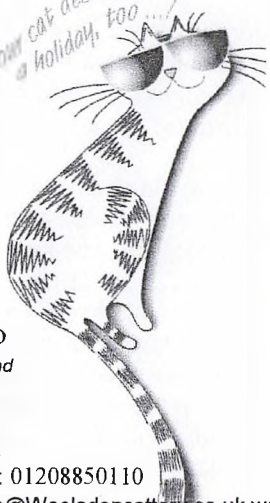

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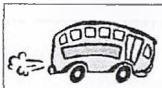

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The acres of orchards are filled with Cornish fruit trees – mainly apples – and all in the most robust health. There were many apple tarts and crumbles produced in St Breward following this visit as we came away with heavy bags of windfalls!

We also very much enjoyed a 'home' visit to East Rose Farm where we strolled around the very scenic lakes admiring the adjoining countryside that is hidden from roadside view – (don't we always enjoy discovering what is 'over the hedge'!). Having worked up an appetite we finished our afternoon by enjoying John and Veronicas hospitality and cream teas. Wonderful!

On Friday October 21st we are to visit the Cornish Orchards at Duloe to see the process of producing apple juice and ciders from Cornish apples – this is a morning visit and we will leave St Breward at 9.30 am approx and return at lunch time. Please ring Jackie on 851592 to book your seat on the Community Bus.

Our guest speaker for the Friday, 28th October meeting is Mr Graham Sutton from the Cornwall Wildlife Trust and his topic is the natural history of North Cornwall, Maer Lake, plants, birds and insects. Our meeting is at 7.30pm in the St Breward Memorial Hall – all welcome.

Jackie Greengrass 851592

Reuters: Moscow Tuesday September 20
Last week, Orbiting Space Station Cosmonauts informed Ground Control that a bright orange light ray was causing vision problems when they transited SW England. The problem had intensified as sometime two bright oranges flashes would occur together. Concerned about the possibility of some new secret laser weapon, the UK government was informed and in an effort to identify the source of these orange rays, RAF spotter were scrambled over Devon and Cornwall.

This week it has been announced that these intense orange flashes have been located in the St Breward area and the source has been identified as the ultra bright day-glow orange shirts that Dai Wills and Dave Hill have taken to wear at work.

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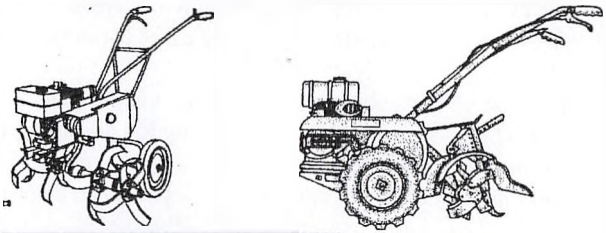

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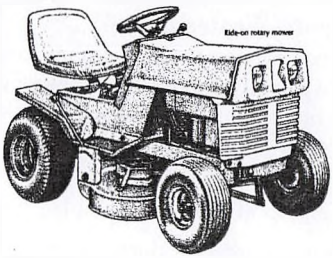

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The Adult Education courses are now underway with a Getting to Grips with the Basics in Computing on Monday afternoon.

There are a couple of one day courses: 13 October – Massage Workshop
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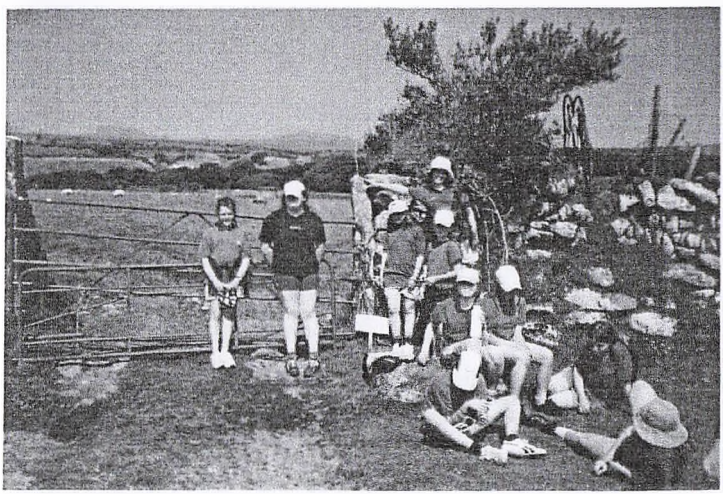
Blisland Commons Boundary Stones Project

Blisland Commoners Association has been successful in obtaining funding for a project to survey and restore the many boundary stones on the 14 areas of common land know as Blisland Commons.

The project is being funded by the local heritage initiative, a National Grant scheme to help local groups to investigate, explain and care for their landscape, traditions and culture. The LHI is run by the Countryside Agency and funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Nationwide Building Society. The project will consist of locating, recording each boundary stone and eventually those that are leaning or fallen over may be re-erected. The actual survey work has been completed with a total exceeding 90 stones located, a small number need to be re-erected (with landowner's permission) or where leaning, re-positioned.

Three stones, one on Menacrin Marsh, two on Newton Downs Marsh have been re-erected, the remainder to be dealt with before the winter months set in. This has been achieved with an enthusiastic team of volunteers, none more so than St Breward Guides who, on a very hot Saturday July 9th afternoon, searched for stones on Pendrift, Kerrow Downs and finishing at the fine boundary stone by Delford Bridge. The highlight of the day was locating and confirming the re-use of a boundary stone as a gatepost on Kerrow Down.

Well done every one, and the ice cream was super at East Rose! Thank you girls.



A verbal update on the project was given to St Breward Parish Council at their 6th September 05 Meeting and further updates were requested and agreed to.

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St Breward Silver Band Enjoys Success At Music Festival

As Chairman of St Breward Silver Band, I am extremely pleased to report on the success of the Band at the recent Exmouth Music Festival held in the Pavilion. Up against stiff opposition from thirteen South West of England competing bands our Band came within the top five, beating many top league bands who, in past years, have pipped us at the post. This enjoyable festival allows competing bands to select their own programme as against set pieces, the brief being it must be based on entertainment value, standard and quality of play. During the morning the Band played to an audience of promenaders in the Pavilion gardens. The Bands morning programme based on the summer weekly concerts held at Port Isaac. Yes, St Breward Silver Band went to Exmouth to entertain!

It really is a great feeling to report almost on a monthly basis the success, development, and achievement of our players. St Breward Silver Band is a progressive band dedicated to it's community and musical excellence. A recent letter from the Band's President Dr: Goff Richards ARCM. GRSM. supported and recognized the Band' recent achievements and improved standard of play under the musical direction of Aaron Harvey. Apart from a small minority of past players dwelling on long gone disruptive events in the Band's history, the sentiments of Doctor Goff, "Friends of the Band" and the community at large are all supportive and proud of their Band, this apparent when playing at local carnivals, concerts, church festivals, and competitions. St Breward Silver Band is a band we should all be proud of.

As the Band enters into it's 106 year I read from an interesting article published way back in 1946 reporting that all male players used to practice by candle light in a small room in Victoria Terrace, known affectionately as the " Boot Store". There was no electricity just candle power tied to music stands. Of course when the door was opened on a windy night then the candles went out. There was a penny a week fund at that time to pay for candle power!. Band Masters were also playing members of the Band, conducting when playing. The players stood around in a circle with the leader in the middle. Nearly all players had big long overcoats, boots, and leather leggings, bowler hats or caps, most supported moustaches. It is interesting to note that many of the founder family names still exist in the Band to this day, all proud of their inheritance and supportive of the future existence of St Breward Silver Band.

I feel sure you will support me when I wish the Band every success at the SWBBA contest to be held at Torquay on the 5th of November.

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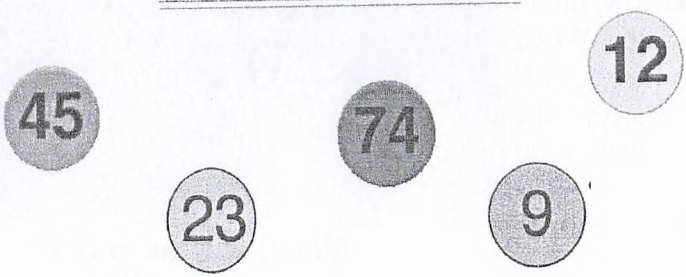

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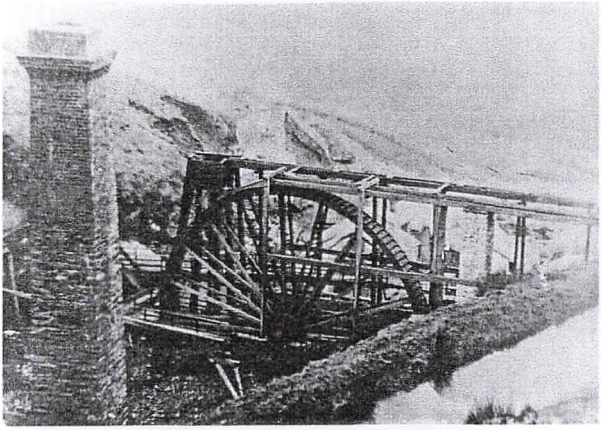
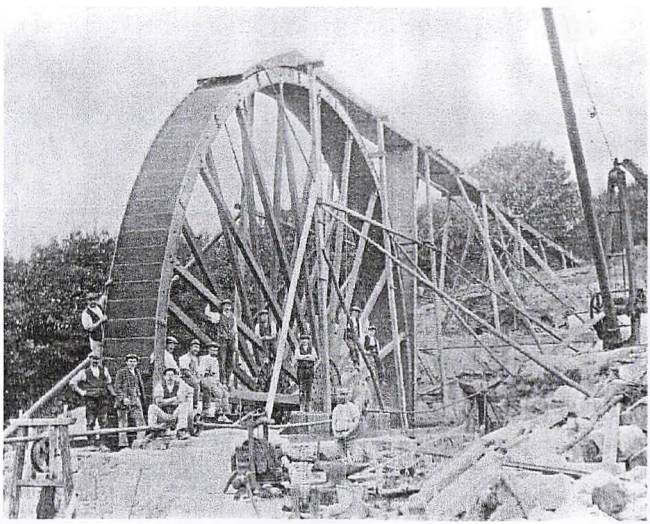


Wheel at Snaefell c1890

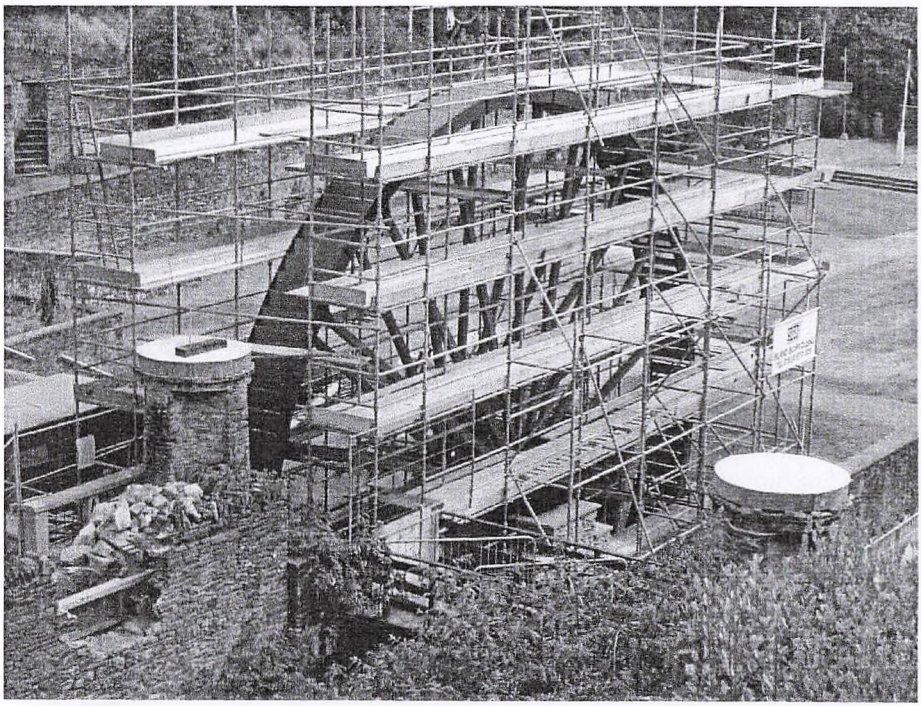
You may have heard of the Gawns wheel, a 50 foot diameter Water Wheel that was at Gawns, Durfold Manor, Blisland from 1912 until c1975, and you may know that it came originally from the Isle of Man. What you may not know is that it is back on the IOM now fully restored. I put an article in the June 2004 edition of this magazine advising that a team of engineers were re-assembling the wheel on the Isle of Man. I received an email with attached photo, from Pete Geddes (team leader), last week advising at last the wheel is fully assembled and thought that our readers may be interested. The Photos show the wheel at East Snaefell at the end of its life there pumping water from a Lead & Tin Mine. The second photo is a copy of the one on the wall in the Blisland Inn, showing the Wheel at Gawns just after it had been installed to pump liquid clay from the Greenbarrow pit to the Shell Wood Dries. The final photo shows the wheel back at Snaefell on the wash floors after 27



Wheel at Gawns 1912

months of restoration. The remaining task for the IOM team is to lay in the water supply to power the wheel. You can see detailed photographs of the restoration work on the Web Site www.snaefellwheel.com, and read more about the Wheel and its life in Blisland in Shirley Runnalls excellent venture "Blisland the Past" (£1.75 from the Village Shop or Shirley herself - 01208 851240). I have limited the information here to maximise magazine space for the photographs. I plan at sometime to put together all the information we have on the wheel, past and present, as a documentary DVD.

Arthur Ludgate



Wheel back at Snaefell September 2005

Voyager...

"The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes."

Marcel Proust

Blisland Parish Council (September 2005 Meeting)

The Parish Council held its ordinary meeting on Thursday 8th September where there were eight Councillors and two members of the Public present.

The meeting opened with comments from the floor about the memorial stone to Edgar Rowe. This topic was an agenda item, and further discussion took place later. It was suggested that the stone was not inappropriate considering the service given to the Parish by Edgar Rowe, furthermore it would not set a precedent. There have been comments about the size of the stone but as one Councillor suggested, "once the sapling oak becomes a mature tree its proportions will not look out of place". PC Rice was unable to attend the meeting and submitted a written report advising one minor crime during the last month. District Councillor David Miller was also unable to attend. He submitted some useful suggestions about the planning cycle and the need or otherwise of extraordinary meetings to consider late arrival planning applications. These will be considered in conjunction with discussions with the NCDC planning department. There was one planning decision, approval for the temporary relocation of the temporary PO & Shop. The Council debated just one of two planning applications. The application for replacement windows to the original part of the Village Hall was submitted by the Council itself as trustee for the Hall. It was considered inappropriate for the Council to consider its own application. The other application was from Norton House 'Opening up of a former access...'. This was a revised version of the application considered at the Council's August meeting. The scheme was not supported, the Council considered this scheme to be more inappropriate than that submitted in August. The Chairman reported that he had been advised by English Heritage that grants were not available to support re-pinning the Institute roof and upgrading the toilets. The Clerk was asked to further discussions with NCDC for the toilets upgrade. The deterioration of the Institute decoration was clear evidence of the urgent need to re-pin the roof. Funds in the R&M budget should be sufficient for this to be carried out next year. It was agreed that preparation work should be undertaken this year for work to start early next year. Councillor Meads reported on schemes to improve the security of the Institute. She agreed to present more information at the October meeting. The Clerk reported that she had been advised by Living Spaces that the surplus 'Swings' grant money should be spent on a project associated with the children's play area. This is to be discussed in more detail at the October meeting.

The meeting closed after $2^{3}/_{4}$ hours

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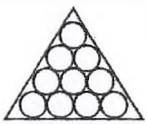

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Rubbish container turn . . . . . .Bingo
On one leg jump with a dram . . . . .Hopscotch
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Break . . . . . Snap
Wine and part of eye . . . . . Hockey
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Melodious recliners . . . . . Musical chairs
Rear of bacon. . . . . Backgammon
Climb them after the reptiles . . . . .Snakes and ladders
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The prize-winners, picked by hazard, were David and Anna Corns of Lamphill, St Breward.

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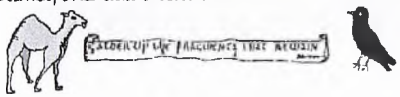

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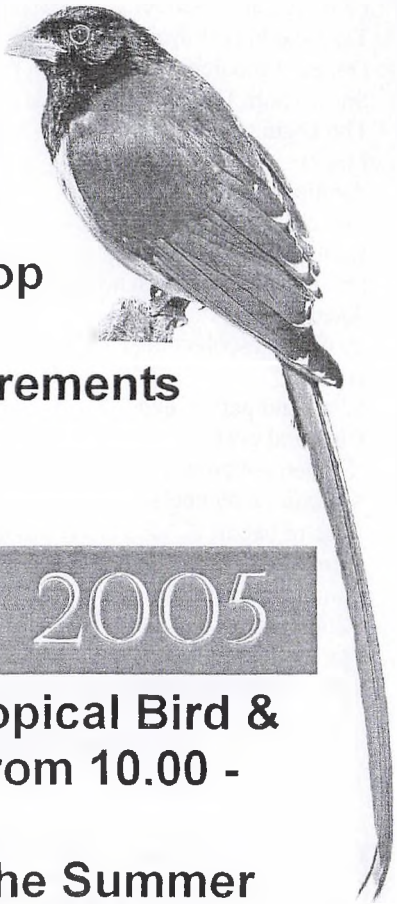

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There is so much going on in the Village in the forthcoming weeks! So here are a few dates for your diary.

Gardening Club

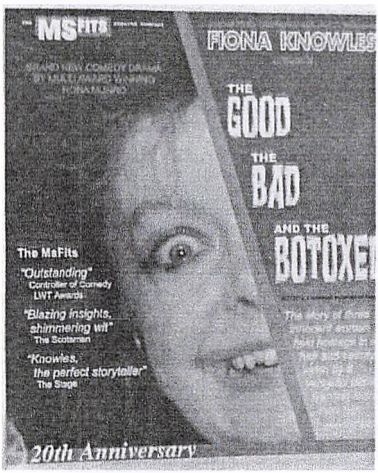
We are looking forward to welcoming Dee Strongman on Friday 30th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The theme for the evening will be Garden Inspirations. Dee will demonstrate the use of foliage in Arrangements and Ideas for Containers. Please bring your spare plants and cuttings as usual for our ever popular Plant stall. There is always a fantastic raffle and refreshments at the end of the evening too.

Remember that October 28th is our AGM and the popular 'Garden's Question Time' is returning by popular request. Come armed with your gardening questions and problems and our talented team will endeavour to solve your problems.

Looking even further ahead on November 25th Dave Vickers will be inspiring us with his knowledge on Alpines. Should you need any further information on the Gardening Club please phone Peter Haffenden on 01208 850843.

Other Activities in the Village Hall:

Include Tai Chi on Monday morning at 10.30am; Yoga on a Monday night at 7.30pm; Line Dancing on a Tuesday evening; The ever popular Art Class on a Wednesday afternoon at 1.30pm; Table Tennis on a Thursday evening, and a newly formed Chess Club will hopefully be running on a regular basis on a Friday evening at 7.30pm. For any more details on any of these activities please phone Bill and Mary Pope on 01208 850338.



Theatre in The Village Hall.

We have a treat in store when the MSFITS Theatre Company come to Blisland on Sunday 16th October at 7.30pm. Award winning actress Fiona Knowles presents: 'The Good The Bad and the Botoxed'. This is a story about , " Three innocent women held hostage in a hair and beauty salon by a vengeful client wanting more than her money back". This should prove to be a great evening's entertainment so do come along! The cost of tickets is £6 for adults and £5 for concessions. Telephone Bill and Mary Pope on 01208 850338

Grand Opening of the Refurbished Village Hall.

This will be on the morning of November 5th at 11.30am. There will be a Buffet lunch to help us celebrate in style!! So do come along. Anyone who has had the luck to enjoy the new faciliates already will

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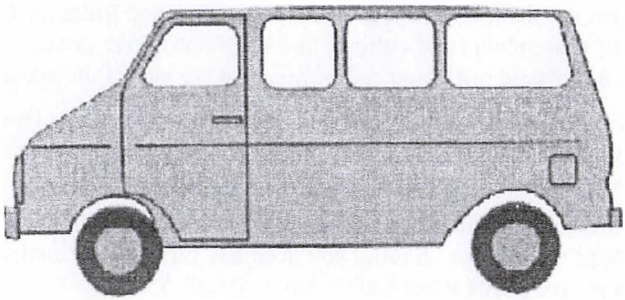

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Art Show.

Watch this space for more details of this event. There is a real wealth of talent in and around Blisland so this is an ocassion worth attending if you can. More details will be posted soon. Watch for posters in the Post Office and Village Hall too.

Blisland Village Day

This was a new venture for the village and an excellent day it turned out to be, despite the inclement weather. But folk who live in Cornwall are never daunted by a bit of rain. It was to be held on our lovely village green but a rain-check was taken at the eleventh hour and it was decided to move everything into the village hall.

On entering the hall at midday one was met by a sea of activity – many interesting stalls were arranged around the hall. These were in much demand by village folk and also holiday makers who came in their droves to join in the fun. Of course there was a most successful Raffle that seemed to never end all day; thanks to so much generosity of folk who had donated such excellent prizes.

There were tables beautifully laid for lunch. The food was excellent too and there was a steady stream of hungry people. One had to be tactful on one occasion - as ravenous campers decided it was so good they would tuck into seconds. The 'Fruit Bar' for the children looked amazing, delicious and healthy too. So much work had gone into the preparation and presentation.

Other activities included a very entertaining Dog Show! The rain had abated sufficiently for this to go ahead on the village green. There were many proud owners by the end of the show – and even the dogs seemed to enjoy themselves, judging by the difficultly our judge had in coming to a decision about the category, 'Dog with the Waggliest Tail.' Our thanks must go to Tony Lodes-Carter for the organization of this event – the first of many we hope. Also our grateful thanks go our very fair judge Simon Draper, who was also 'on duty' that day too, but most generously gave up his time for us.

There was also a Flower Show in the Church. There were so many wonderful displays of flowers all ably executed by the ladies of the village. This gave another dimension to the day and hopefully will be repeated.

Later in the day the WI organized Cream Teas with an amazing assortment of other cakes too. This of course swelled the hall yet again – the 'campers' couldn't believe their luck.

So, all in all, an excellent day was had. Many thanks must go to all the organizers and helpers and of course to everyone who supported this event! What a wonderful village this is to live in.

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The Art & Craft Exhibition over the August Bank Holiday period was well attended and supported, thank you.

Special thanks are due, once again, to Pat Dibb and Marjorie Crowle and all the ladies of the Exercise Group; Also to Peter Gant and Henry Gratton in displaying the artwork so well. I must not forget the time and materials given by Rob Webb and June Gant in producing application forms, labels and promotional literature.

The net result of people's time and effort produced £526.38. Debra and St. Breward &: District 1st Responders Group each received £263.19.

May I close with a profound thought? Let us hope that the lives of the persons who removed our roadside signs will never depend on the skill and availability of a 1st Responder and that they never have to raise children born with Epidermolysis Bullosa (E.B).

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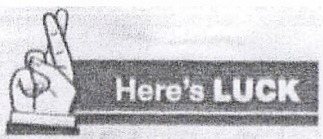

AN amazing story about an e-mail gone wrong, sent to us by **John Beahan**:

"A Minneapolis couple decided to go to Florida to thaw out during a particularly icy winter. They planned to stay at the same hotel where they spent their honeymoon 20 years earlier.

Because of hectic schedules, the husband left Minnesota and flew to Florida on Thursday, with his wife flying down the following day.

The husband checked into the hotel. There was a computer in his room, so he decided to send an e-mail to his wife.

However, he accidentally left out one letter in her e-mail address, and, without realising his error, sent the e-mail.

Meanwhile, somewhere in Houston, a widow had just returned home from her husband's funeral.

He was a minister who had a heart attack and died. The widow decided to check her e-mail, expecting messages from relatives and friends.

After reading the first message, she screamed and fainted. The widow's son rushed into the room and saw the computer screen which read:

To: My Loving Wife
Subject: I've Arrived
Date: October 16, 2004

I know you're surprised to hear from me. They have computers here now and you are allowed to send e-mails to your loved ones. I've just arrived and have been checked in. I see that everything has been prepared for your arrival tomorrow.

Looking forward to seeing you then! Hope your journey is as uneventful as mine was.

North Cornwall National Trust Association

As the evenings get longer and the temperatures begin to fall, it is time to look back on our last summer outing. This was a repeat, due to popular demand, of our evening walk around Boscastle, once again led by Ian Kemp, the National Trusts Property Manager for North Cornwall.

In warm sunshine, 35 people were able to enjoy a leisurely stroll up the Valency valley and back through the village. It was so pleasing to see the progress that had been made in the 3 months since our previous visit and to find out more about the Trusts plans for the regeneration of Boscastle.

Friday 16th September saw our first indoor meeting of the winter season, when an audience of over 60 people were entertained by a superb talk from Alan Cox. Although just entitled "Lighthouses", Alan used the title as a peg to take us on an aerial flight around Cornwall and The Isles of Scilly, including beautiful views as well as various lighthouses and wrecks around the coast. Back on the ground he continued his fascinating tour with often historic pictures of lighthouses, lifeboats and rescues. Not only was Alan an enthralling speaker, the quality and variety of his photographs were at times breathtaking.

Our next meeting, a Dinner to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar, is now fully booked. However we round off our year of thinking about all things nautical, on Friday 11th November, with a talk by Helen Doe, a noted marine historian. Her subject, "The Women who built Nelson's ships". Now that's a subject to think about - or even better join us; the venue, Rock Village Institute; the time 2.30pm.

Blisland. W.I. - September Meeting.

Mrs. Wendy Gurr opened the meeting, followed by input from Secretary, Mrs. Stella Kerr, and from Treasurer, Mrs. Jo Cotton.

Mr. Stephen Gunn, from The Cheese Shop, Truro enthralled all members for an hour or more with the history of cheese making in this part of the country, with a delicious selection of cheese. Also we were encouraged to taste this wonderful product, whilst he told us the origin of the local cheese brought by him from all parts of the Westcountry, again reminding us of the support our farmers need, and deservedly so.

Visiting The Cheese Shop is a must next trip to Truro.

N.B. Our next meeting 19th October 2.15pm. Back to dark evenings

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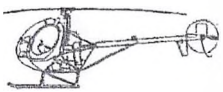

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North Cornwall **Credit Union**

Once again a first for St Breward – on the 23rd September 2005 the opening of the St Breward collection point of North Cornwall Credit Union took place in the Internet Café of the village Post Office when a number of new members were enrolled.

For over 3 years a Steering Group made up of volunteers has been working to enable the North Cornwall Credit Union dream to become a reality. The first village in North Cornwall to set up a collection point was Delabole and this has been working for about a month. On 24th September another collection point was set up in Bodmin.

This means that everyone can save money and then take out a loan based on

Joining The Slate on opening day, whilst enjoying a superior cup of coffee in St Breward Post Office's Internet Café Photo by Peter Glaser

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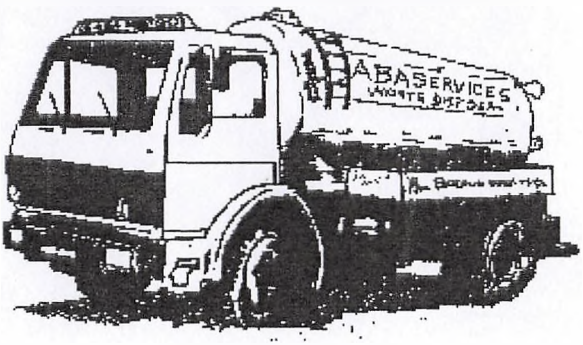

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their savings, which is especially useful with Christmas round the corner. With a low rate of 1% per month on a decreasing balance this sort of loan is very acceptable in the present climate.

As with all well run organisations the North Cornwall Credit Union also known as 'The Slate' is dependent on those who run it and of course being a financial organisation it is highly regulated by the Financial Services Authority. The Slate is run by a Board of Directors two of whom are from St Breward. Volunteers are required in St Breward to help on a rota to run the once a week opening of the collection point. This will be on Fridays each week from 3 – 4 pm. Training will be given to volunteers. Just speak to Denis Lusby (850260) or Mike Jones (850089) and they will tell you what the job entails.

Mike Jones
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Five St Breward boys reprobates at Pam Ternouth's 60th birthday bash are:

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1. Love divine all loves excelling
2. Dear Lord and Father of mankind
3. Jesus loves me, this I know
4. I vow to thee my country
5. And did those feet in ancient times
6. The King of love my shepherd is
7. Make me a channel of your peace
8. Be thou my vision 0 Lord of my heart
9. Jesu lover of my soul
10. Brightest and best are the sons of the morning
11. For the beauty of the earth
12. All things bright and beautiful
13. Immortal invisible God only wise
14. Morning has broken
15. On a hill faraway
16. Holy Holy Holy
17. Lead us heavenly father lead us
18. All glory laud and honour
19.0 for a thousand tongues to sing
20. Praise my soul the King of heaven
21. To God be the glory
22. Great is thy faithfulness
23. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
24. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
25. Thine be the glory

QUIZ - Oct '05
These are the titles or opening words of songs with the colour removed

eg My love is like a - - rose Can you identify all of them?

= red, red

1. - grow the rushes-o
2. A - shade of pale
3. - moon
4. - sails in the sunset
5. We'll gather -
6. - - wine
7. - rain
8. - is - I want
9. Little boy -
10. - are blooming in Picardy
11. - - dilly
12. I'm a - toothbrush
13. - submarine
14. - threads among the -
15. Two lovely - eyes
16. Jeanie with the - - hair
17. - fields forever
18. little - jug
19. Lady in -
20. - girl in the ring
21. Band of -
22. Woman in -
23. - and - say the
24. - ripe, - ripe
25. Lily the -

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Why do banks charge a fee on "insufficient funds" when they know there is not enough?
Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion but check when you say the paint is wet?
Why doesn't glue stick to the bottle?
Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?
Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?
Whose idea was it to put an "S" in the word "lisp"?
What is the speed of darkness?
Are there specially reserved parking spaces for "normal" people at the Special Olympics?
If you send someone 'Styrofoam', how do you pack it?
If the temperature is zero outside today and it's going to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold will it be?
If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
If it's true that we are here to help others, what are the others doing here?
Do married people live longer than single ones or does it only seem longer?
If someone with a split personality threatens to commit suicide, is it a hostage situation?
Can you cry under water?
What level of importance must a person have, before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?
If money doesn't grow on trees then why do banks have branches?
Why does a round pizza come in a square box?
How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on bigger suitcases ?
Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up, like, every two hours?
If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?
Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
Why do doctors, when they ask you to strip, leave the room or close the cubicle curtain while you change? ..... They're still going to see you naked anyway

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