South Petherwin Parish Magazine

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Flowerpot Festival 2024







Parish Council Update

The council met for the September meeting at the Village Hall after the annual August break. Following a report by Cornwall Councillor Adrian Parsons on the safety of Plush Junction, the council agreed that it should express its concerns around any alternative proposals to that of a grade separation junction by Highways England (HE). Also, noting the fact that the costings presented by HE for this solution were exaggerated when compared to the cost of the Temple A30 improvements, which included a number of bridges and exits. In his regular article (see page 4), Councillor Adrian Parsons picks up on this issue.

The council agreed to the following statement concerning the wind turbine fund:

South Petherwin Parish Council understands that there has been frustration on both sides concerning the monies given for the funding of the South Petherwin Community Benefit Fund. The council wishes to sincerely thank the Trustees of the SP Community Benefit Fund for their stellar work over the last 12 years.

In response to the planning obligations made prior to the developments of the 2012 (Trevozah) and 2014 (Bottonnett) Wind Turbines, the Parish Council members at the time, in good faith, agreed to delegate funds to a separate bank account for distribution by the SP Community Benefit Trust. The Trust includes two representatives of the Parish Council as well as co-opted trustees.

In 2023 as a result of SP Community Benefit Trust's bank account being frozen, questions came to light regarding who was obliged to hold and distribute the monies held within the account. Following which, Cornwall Council contacted the Parish Council and requested additional information, leading Cornwall Council to make clear the details around who should hold and distribute the funds. Both Cornwall Council and the Parish Council analysed the documents, with specific reference to the s106 agreements and the Parish Council was informed that it was specifically their duty to hold the turbine funding. Each fund is under legal obligation termed an s106 Agreement which states who the funds go to and who distributes them. This was not an arbitrary decision taken by

the Parish Council, and it was agreed that the issues raised need to be resolved appropriately and amicably. For clarity, the Trevozah and Bottonnett contracts both state clearly that South Petherwin Parish Council is the recipient of any funds. With the changes in place it is anticipated that in the near future application for funds will be made available through the Parish Council.

There are currently two vacancies for parish councillors. If you are interested, please contact the Clerk for more information, or chat to one of the councillors.

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Parish Council Vice-chair: Alison Barham Tel 01566 777561
Other councillors: Adrian Finnimore; Roger Kneebone; Julie Barlow; Maria Lewis; John Ashdown; Mary-Ann Screech
The Parish Council meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm. May - October they are held in the Village Hall, November - April they are held in the Methodist Chapel Hall.

Welcome to the September/October issue….

August was a busy month with the Flowerpot Festival—see page 22 for a report. The front cover shows the five winners of the flowerpot festival creations competition (S.Walker, V. Elcock, N. Hosking, A. Jasper, D.Crocombe). The festival and the events during the last week of August engendered such a great, positive community spirit and there have been numerous comments to this effect. Also, the talent on show at the Craft and Produce Show was amazing, and it was great to admire everyone's handiwork.
There are plenty of other events coming up, so we hope that you enjoy the rest of this issue which shows how vibrant and busy this community is.
Alison Barham, Editor



Photo: Helen Masters

From our Cornwall Councillor Adrian Parsons:



In what is proving to be another elusive summer, the harvest is once again turning into a frustrating stop-start affair. However, when the window of opportunity arrives, with the help of our valued local contractors, we have managed to gather our few fields of corn safely, finish making the last of the hay, and have only a few fields of silage left to cut. No sooner than summer arrived, it already feels like the evenings are drawing in, as we hope things quieten down for the autumn. The rams have been introduced to the ewes, and another farming cycle begins. In five months time, the lambing season will kick off once again.

Plusha: A meeting took place last month at Lewannick with our MP Ben Maguire present, along with local parish council representatives, from South Petherwin, Lewannick, North Hill and Altarnun, the areas most affected by National Highway proposals for the stretch of road from Kennards House to Five Lanes. I felt a positive discussion was had, and it gave our MP some thoughts to consider; it is very much looking like he is supportive of our local concerns.

On 10th September, along with councillor John Conway, I met officials from National Highways, and Cormac, where they presented their current proposals for Plusha and Two Bridges, with a view to implementing them next year.

There will now be a public awareness session at Lewannick parish hall, on 26th September, where National Highways will be displaying their plans to the public. It is vitally important that local people attend and make their feelings known, as there is no doubt if they deliver a scheme which closes the right turn out of Plusha and the centre crossing points at Two Bridges on the A30, we will for certain see an increase of traffic on our local rural road network.

Launceston Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) – Service Update

The works on the Waste and Recycling Transfer centre are progressing well and are on programme to be completed by the end of the year. Following the completion of works and reopening of the RTS, the HWRC site will be able to return to full capacity. This will enable the facility to move the larger containers back to the bottom yard and reintroduce the paper, and mixed cans and plastics waste streams.

In addition to this, and following the review of the DIY waste trial, once the site has returned to full operations residents will be able to dispose of DIY waste and tyres for no charge, within a free allowance limit, at Launceston HWRC.

In October, it will be our area's turn to see the introduction of new weekly food waste and fortnightly recycling and rubbish collections. Residents should have by now received a silver kitchen caddy and a starter pack of liners for separating food waste, along with a green outdoor collection caddy.

Most households will also receive a wheelie bin for their rubbish, while homes with limited space and many steps will receive a 180-litre reusable sack. After the service changes, waste will only be collected from the new bins. The collected food waste will be transformed into farm fertiliser and energy to power homes.

Finally can I congratulate all who were involved and took part in the parish craft and produce show along with the amazing flowerpot festival, to make it such a special event, it was a great effort and absolute credit to the community.

Email: cllr.adrian.parsons@cornwall.gov.uk

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The Flowerpot Festival was a great success and the Village Hall supported and ran many of the events during the week (bingo, quiz, Meet the Crafters, a coffee morning plus the Craft & Produce Show). Also, people kindly donated during some of the events. These funds covered some of the expenditure and will go towards running another festival next year. At their last meeting, the Village Hall voted to sponsor an issue of the magazine, so many thanks to them for this issue. The magazine (which also runs the parish website with its associated costs) struggles financially as we rely on grant funding and advertising alone, and the cost of printing continues to rise. However, we are adamant that the magazine remains free to everyone in the parish. Both the magazine and website are run by volunteers, who give their time willingly.

Each issue of the magazine costs nearly £1 to produce (and we print 500 issues to cover every household in the parish). Some parish organisations such as the cricket club and the village hall also pay for a page per issue sponsorship. It's great for parish organisations to support each other. When I first joined the magazine committee, we were able to occasionally give small grants to other organisations and individuals, but sadly this is no longer the case.

Can you help us? If you feel able to donate £1 or more towards the magazine—and keeping it running into the future—that would be fantastic. If you don't already advertise and wish to do so, space is available in the magazine and on the website. Perhaps you are an organisation or club who would like to sponsor an issue or part of an issue?

Alison Barham, Editor

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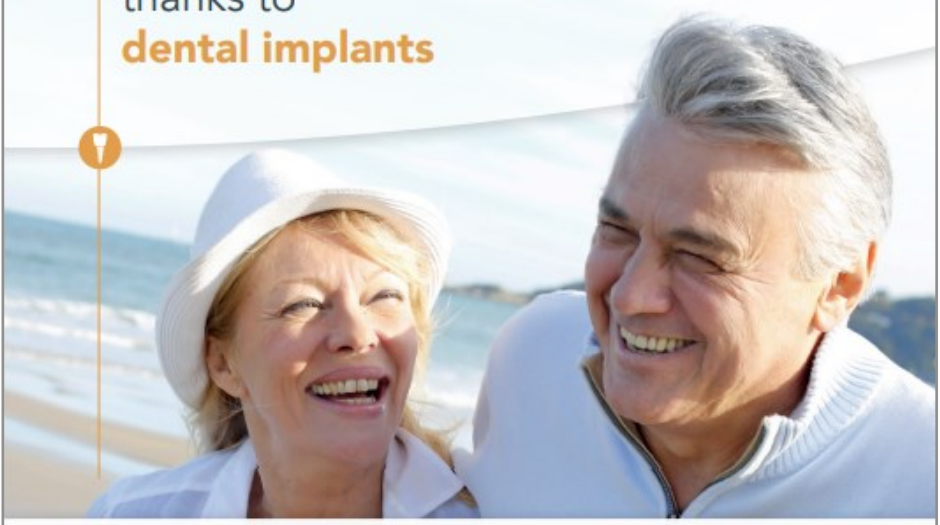
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STERTS UPDATE JULY 2024



By the time you read this **The Beast** will have finished its run under the new theatre roof. At the time of writing, halfway through the production, it has already been a great success. Once again, the acting, singing, choreography and staging are as excellent as we have come to expect at Sterts and the show is also great fun.

The first two or three performances suffered somewhat from technical difficulties with the sound volumes, and I'm sorry if anyone was at the theatre at that time. Unfortunately, despite the large amounts of money gathered from all available grants, a new microphone system was not able to be purchased yet, and the cast are having to manage with just a few old mikes, which is not ideal! The poor director has been tearing his hair out, as you might imagine!!! The sound technicians have tweaked at every performance and by the first Saturday evening performance had succeeded in improving the quality quite a lot. Even I could hear very much better. The cast & volunteers have now started a fund towards the cost of a complete new microphone system, which unfortunately runs into the thousands, but we will get there eventually. Hopefully the second week to come will be even better than the first.

In September, we are looking forward to Ed Byrne on Friday 13th, then a great favourite, The Last Night of the Proms on Saturday 14th, followed by The Band of the Royal Marines on Saturday 28th. October brings Miscast Musical on Sunday 6th, which sounds intriguing, Warwick & Davey on Saturday12th which will be full of delightful music and excellent singing, and then Dave Hankin's Big Band on Sunday 13th followed by a collaboration of The Countrymen & others on Friday 18th. Full details are on the website.

So plenty, I hope, to tempt you to take a trip to Sterts soon – each time you go to the new theatre you will see how progress is being made. The whole site will probably be a work in progress (depending on the weather) until the beginning of next season.

I hope to see lots of you there – your support is so very important to Sterts.

Sue Vernon

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South Petherwin Village Hall

Forthcoming events:



Friday 27th September
Friday 25th October

Booking is essential. Contact John or Claire as per details below.

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Souper Thursdays
10th October & 14th November 12-1.30

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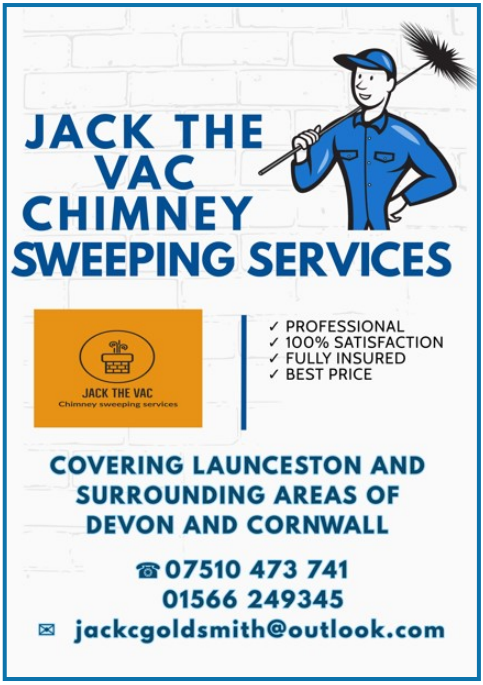


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Seed Gathering

As we wave goodbye to summer and welcome autumn, we begin to notice the changes in the trees; leaves changing to yellows, oranges and reds, ash and sycamore boughs hanging heavy with their clusters of keys, and flashes of bright berries appearing on the rowans and hawthorns.. this is seed gathering season. When you're out walking with friends and family why not gather seeds to grow trees for the future?

Tree seeds come in different forms

Nuts: hazel, beech, walnut
Berries: holly, yew
Winged seeds: sycamore, maple
Nut-like seeds: oak, beech, chestnut
Cones: pine
Pods: laburnum

...and each needs different treatment.



Try these first:
Collect acorns from the oak tree, or very soon after they drop – usually from late September. The first to fall should be avoided, as they are often diseased or deformed and unlikely to grow. Separate acorns from their cups and float them in water; plant the ones that sink and sow straightaway in a seedbed to a depth of 2–3cm or singly, in pots, covered by a thin layer of compost. Protect from predators throughout the winter. Roots will grow during winter and the shoots will emerge in late April.

Collect the first hazel nuts in autumn, as they ripen from green to brown. Sow immediately in a pot or seedbed. Protect from predators and severe frost. You can also put the nuts in buckets of coir (a light material that does not stick) and leave covered outside over winter. Then in spring, carefully pick out the nuts that are germinating and sow them in a pot or seed bed.

Don't forget to water them as they grow, but remember, squirrels, jays, voles and other small mammals love nuts and will remove them from the earth and from pots. Always protect the seeds you've planted by covering your pots or troughs with wire mesh to keep them safe.

Lavinia Archer

Highly commended





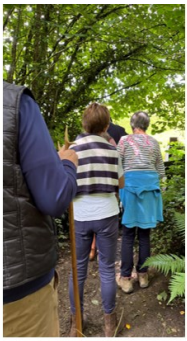






The highly commended flowerpot creations—check out the parish website to see all the entries in the parish. Below some of the events.

















St Paternus Church (C of E)

Upcoming Events

Every Wednesday midweek service at 11am. Eucharist with Reverend Sean Clancy.

Animal Blessing Service (2nd Sunday)	Sunday 15th September	4pm	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sunday 22nd September	10.15am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Coffee morning – Celebrating Harvest (1st Saturday)	Saturday 5th October	10 to 12	Tea, coffee, bacon sandwiches, cake
Eucharist (2nd Sunday)	Sunday 13th October	9.30am	With Reverend Sean Clancy
Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sunday 27th October	10.15am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Coffee morning (1st Saturday)	Saturday 2nd November	10 to 12	Tea, coffee, bacon sandwiches, cake
Remembrance Sunday (2nd Sunday)	Sunday 10th November	10.50am	10.50am at **The War Memorial** followed by a **Service at the Methodist Church** with Dr Brian Davis
Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sundy 24th November	10.15am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Remembering those we've lost. (4th Sunday). Short service with tea and biscuits after.	Sunday 24th November	4pm	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Advent Service - Service of Light and decorating the tree	Sunday 1st December	3pm	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Coffee morning (1st Saturday)	Saturday 7th December	10 to 12	Tea, coffee, bacon sandwiches, cake
Eucharist (2nd Sunday)	Sunday 8th December	9.30am	With Reverend Sean Clancy
Christmas Nativity (procession through the village)	Sunday 15th December	Afternoon	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Volunteers from the Village!
Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sunday 22nd December	10.15am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Community Carols	Sunday 22nd December	6pm	With Dr Brian Davis
Christmas Day Service	Wednesday 25th December	10.30am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis

Church Warden – 01566 782936
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?South Petherwin Village Nativity?











Sunday
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Friday 27th September	Bingo night see page 11	Village Hall	John Ashdown 471299	7pm
Monday 30th September	Friendship Group see page 29	Methodist Hall	Joan Whale 772847	2-4pm
Saturday 5th October	St Paternus Church coffee morning	St Paternus Church	D Adams 774244	10-12
Weds 9th October	Parish Council meeting	Village Hall	Parish Clerk see page 3	7pm
Thursday 10th October	Souper Thursday see page 11	Village Hall	John Ashdown 471299	12-1.30
Thursday 24th October	Friendship lunch see page 24	The Frog & Bucket	Claire Ashdown 471299	12.30
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Flowerpot Festival 2024

What a week! Thanks to everybody who took part and we hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did. The Craft & Produce Show which rounded the week off was a cornucopia of delights - who knew what talent was hiding in the parish! The village hall was packed as the results were read out and trophies and prizes were awarded.

Flowerpot creations appeared everywhere around the parish—there were nearly 40 of them. The five winners (on the front cover) were announced on the last Saturday, and they had a lucky dip from one of the following: Meal for Two at the Frog & Bucket, a voucher from Maunders, an M&S voucher, a Gin tour for Two at Treguddick, and a voucher from Homeleigh Garden Centre. Many thanks to these businesses for donating the fantastic prizes and to Cllr Adrian Parsons for judging.

We had an amazing donation from Tesco's of a hamper which was won by raffle on the day, along with some other prizes including two signed books by judge and author Claire Hine, and there was a guess-the-weight of the fruit basket - the nearest guess won the basket and its contents.

The Craft & Produce Show had lots of entries (about 150). Thanks to our judges: Claire Hine, Steve Reynolds, Chris Reynolds, Janet Crossman & Mel Bees. Julie Barlow and John & Claire Ashdown kindly donated prize money.

- **Flowers**: Judge Janet Crossman. Best in Class: **Sue Vernon**; Most points in category South Petherwin WI Horticultural Show Cup, last presented to Maggie Bowden: **Julie Butler**
- **Fruit:** Judge Mel Bees. Best in Class **Sue Vernon**; Most points in category, cup donated by Charlotte Firth, winner **Lavinia Archer**
- **Vegetables**: Judge Mel Bees. Best in Class **Charlotte Firth**; Most points in category, cup donated by Charlotte Firth, winner **Charlotte Firth**
- **Domestic**: Judge Chris Reynolds. Best in Class **Matthew Vaughan**; Most points in category, cup donated by Janet Crossman, winner **Julie Butler**
- **Art & Craft**: Judge Claire Hine, Photography Steve Reynolds; Best in Class **Maria Lewis** Photography **Paula Stagg**; Most points in the category, cup donated by Charlotte Firth, winner **Maria Lewis**
- **Young Exhibitor**: Judge Claire Hine. Best in Class **Bryn Sandercock**. Most points in the category, donated by Janet Crossman, winner **Thomas Frame**
- Most points overall - **Michael Screech Memorial Cup**, kindly donated by Mary-Ann Screech. Winner = **Julie Butler**
- The favourite item voted for by the members of the public was the embroidered rabbit by **Maria Lewis**.

There were events every day during the week, from drop-in sessions in regular clubs, to a family day at the cricket club, a parish walk, Meet the Crafters in the hall and Songs of Praise at the Church, to name but a few.

Full details and lots of photos are available on the parish website, including a list of all the Show winners. If you can't access the website, please contact the editor.

The committee hope to hold the event again next year, and will let you know more details in due course.

THANK YOU'S

Apart from those mentioned already, big thanks are due to: South Petherwin Wind Turbine Fund for the grant of money that got the project off the ground. St Paternus Church, Methodist Chapel Hall and Friendship Group, Wreckers Border Morris Dancers, Frog & Bucket, Bellringers, U3A table tennis, Cricket club, Pins, Needles & Patchwork, Line dancing, Rick Howlett, Phill Middleton, John Barlow, Sarah Cole, Paul Burridge, Janet Crossman. Committee: Alison Barham, John Ashdown, Claire Ashdown, Julie Barlow, Sue Vernon, Julie Butler, Phil Parsons plus help from Paul Barham, Clive Butler, and Peter Vernon.










Letter to the Editor:

Re: South Petherwin Parish Community Benefit Fund

For over 10 years money received from Bottonnett and Trevozah Wind Turbines has been paid to an independent Trust which distributes funds within the community. Many parishioners will be aware of this and may have received benefits.

However, despite agreeing in 2012 for funds to be directed to the Trustees for distribution the Parish Council has now decided to take back the funds and allocate successful applications themselves. Currently there is a balance of £7,408.21 sitting in the Trust Account. Any future payments will not be added to this figure but will go direct to the Parish Council.

Therefore, in interest of transparency the Trustees felt it was very important for all parishioners to be made aware of this decision. After all, it is the Parish's money and not the Parish Council's.

As Trustees we are baffled and disappointed at the nature of this arbitrary decision. Taking into consideration that at the meeting on 1st December 2012 the Parish Council delegated the turbine money to a separate entity. Subsequently the Deed of Trust was prepared, and accepted, by South Petherwin Parish Council in 2013.

It is important to be aware that currently the Trustees meet on four occasions during the year. It is entirely voluntary, and the accounts are professionally audited on an annual basis. Following this decision the Parish Council will now need to approve all future applications, distribute the funds, provide an appropriate audit trail and pay the Parish Clerk to administer it. Currently this is undertaken at no cost.

The Trustees feel that this is a very disappointing decision and retrospective step. We cannot see any justification for the Parish Council's course of action.

In conclusion, we assume the Parish Council will maintain a separate bank account for the turbine money and continue to provide an annual report to the Parish Meeting detailing expenditure, so everything is open and honest.

Flowerpot Festival – Songs of Praise





A time for coming together, a Community Songs of Praise, was held in St Paternus Church, South Petherwin on Sunday 25th August as part of the parish's week-long Flowerpot Festival.

The afternoon began with a welcome from Canon Olive Stevens, who had extended an invitation to Canon John Deeny to participate. It was wonderful to see the coming together of a large number of parishioners encompassing St Paternus, the Methodist Church and St Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston. We learned some of the history of St Paternus Church which has a font from the Norman period, a Jacobean pulpit and Victorian altar. There is also one remaining original stained glass from before the Dissolution of the Monasteries. Several parishioners stood up and spoke about how important community is to them and what goes on in and around the parish, each choosing a hymn of meaning to them. The hymns were so uplifting especially that sung by the soloist, Deborah Adams.






Father John spoke of how St Paternus is on the route for Cornish pilgrims and that the church of St Cuthbert Mayne is also a place of pilgrimage. We have come a long way on our journey as Christians since then and it was wonderful that we can now come together and make our journey to the heavenly Kingdom side by side.






The afternoon was a true coming together of the community after which parishioners stopped and talked to each other before leaving the Church. What a wonderful occasion it was.

Claire Ashdown

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GARDENING MATTERS

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As the weather shifts to a cooler climate, attentions turn to tidying up the garden and harvesting crops ready for winter.

Jobs in September & October

Plant: *Spring flowering bulbs such as daffodils, crocus and iris.*
An autumn/ winter container - plants such as with heathers, heucheras, cyclamen, pansies, violas and small evergreens.
New trees, shrubs and perennials while the soil is still warm and there is more moisture.

Harvest: *Keep picking veg such as beans, courgettes, tomatoes and sweetcorn to prolong the season. Apples, pears and other fruit and store appropriately. Collect seed from your favourite perennials making sure they are dry and store in old envelopes. Keep picking dahlias and sweet peas to prolong flowering.*

Prune: *Prune climbing roses and tie in shoots to make a fanned framework for next years' flowers. Prune lavender back to new green growth once the flowers fade and the bees have stopped visiting. Cut back hardy geraniums and other perennials. Trim hedges and topiary to give a neat finish to last through winter.*

Propagate: *Take cuttings from roses and other hardwood plants such as fruit bushes. Divide perennials, cut them back, dig them up, then split the clump with a spade or half-moon and replant or pot up.*

Weed: *Weed and mulch borders after rain to keep in moisture and supress weeds. Weed around vegetables that stand through winter such as leeks, parsnips and sprouting broccoli . Aerate and scarify your lawn and apply an autumn fertiliser.*

Protect: *Your pond from falling leaves with netting. Brassicas still need protecting from cabbage white butterflies and birds.*



Rudbeckia and Sedum

SOUTH PETHERWIN METHODIST CHURCH

Dates for HOLY HABITS Bible Study Programme in Methodist Hall 2024 Led by Rev John Haley:
Thursday 26th September 2.30pm
Thursday 3rd October 2.30pm
Thursday 10th October 2.30pm
Thursday 17th October 2.30pm
No prior knowledge expected or assumed.
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Methodist Church Friendship Group

The Flowerpot Festival has been on all our minds and in an effort to introduce the theme to our members, at our July meeting we all made Bill and Ben in their flowerpots. What a happy bunch of flowerpot men we produced! While our efforts may have been too small to decorate the street we could enjoy the spirit of the festival at home. Our August meeting fell on a Bank Holiday and during the Festival week.

This meeting was advertised as a 'drop-in' event in case anyone was interested in what goes on – we only had one visitor! However, most of our regular members were there and we enjoyed a quiz naming 'plants in pots' – a range of houseplants both well-known and more unusual.

We thank those who helped with the afternoon by serving refreshments and making such good cakes. We look forward to meeting our members again next month.

Angela and Michael Noakes

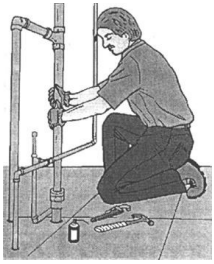


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Not a gondola in sight!

Last year, my wife and I were privileged to have a few days in Venice. It was a great holiday and our first time in Italy. We rather unexpectedly complemented that at the end of the summer holidays this year with a visit to Birmingham which, with 35 miles of canals, is said to have more miles of waterway than Venice. The friends we were visiting live in one of the new canal-side developments of modern town houses and we took several opportunities to walk along the towpaths.

Most of the canals were built in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. Cargoes of coal, iron and other heavy goods were transported to meet the ever-increasing demands of the industrial revolution. Although the canals were profitable, they were expensive to maintain and with a top speed of about 4 mph the system of waterways could not compete with the new and expanding network of railways, which often ran parallel with the canals. By 1980 they were all disused.



Birmingham Main Canal JH1

On our last full day in Birmingham, we decided to venture into the city centre and the famous Bull Ring by following the course of the Birmingham New Main Line Canal as far as the Gas Street Basin. It was then only a short walk to the city centre. While evidence of the canal's original purpose for industrial transportation is still around, today many stretches have all the characteristics of modern city life as cafés, restaurants and all kinds of entertainments cluster around them.

After our visit to the Bull Ring and its busy shopping centre we started to wander back the way we had come towards the canal. A sudden deluge of rain brought about an immediate change of plan and, for no better reason than to get out of the rain, we jumped on a passing tram. Before we had time to gather our wits, the conductor was with us to sell us tickets. I was forced to say to him, 'I don't know where I am, and I don't know where I am going!' He smiled knowingly.

I am sure that the conductor had met passengers as confused as us before. Happily, at least he knew where we were and, once I explained where we hoped to be, he was able to guide us to the right stop and all was well. But I instantly realised the significance of my playful remark – 'I don't know where I am, and I don't know where I am going!' It's almost a parable of the situation of life in modern Britain.


Brindley-Metro

Over the years, there have been plenty of times when I have not known where I was. Of course, it's possible to not to know where you are geographically, in relationships, emotionally, in business, in all kinds of ways – but we try to navigate from where we are to where we want or even need to be. We can follow our instinct, our 'nous' (as the Yorkshiremen might say), our intuition, our heart … We can follow any one of a great number of options.

In the journey of life, it is no different. The message of the Kingdom of heaven, that Jesus taught, caused men (like Peter and Andrew, James and John) and women (like Mary Magdalene and Joanna) to trust Jesus, both his person and his message. As the Gospel unfolds, the way of following Jesus turns out to be the way of self-sacrifice (supremely exemplified through Jesus and his death on the cross) and also the hope of resurrection, to which the women were first witnesses.

It's not wrong to say that the message Jesus preached and lived was 'love' – but it is too simple. The message that Jesus preached and lived was the message of the Kingdom of heaven and the values of the Kingdom of heaven – humility, caring, faithfulness, compassion, reconciliation, justice, forgiveness, mercy, faith, hope and love. It is the conviction that Jesus is the Son of God and that following him is the way to life eternal that has caused countless men and women to follow him.

John Haley

(Revd John Haley, TYS, is a minister in the Launceston Area Methodist Circuit. His responsibilities include South Petherwin Methodist Church).

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Dear all,

I can hardly believe that it has been a year since my first school update for the super Parish Magazine. Over the course of last year we had many successes to celebrate. The children had many memorable learning experiences such as visiting farms and beaches; taking part in numerous sporting events over the year and not to mention visiting the Houses of Parliament during our trip to London.

It has also been wonderful to see the children achieve so much over the past year too: performing on stage; winning a technical mastery award during their first visit to the Lego league competition at RNAB Culdrose; producing endless amounts of high quality work and achieving End of KS2 test results to be proud of.

The school and Pre-school continue to thrive and grow with the hard work of all of the children and adults in the school community; within the past week, children in our upper KS2 have already been out - taking part in their Bikeability level 2 training. On the 11th October, we are looking forward to our Harvest Festival at St Paternus Church. We are thrilled to be a fantastic school, in a fantastic village with a fantastic community. I am looking forward to another wonderful year filled with rich learning and unforgettable experiences.

Thank you, **Matt Avery, Headteacher**






South Petherwin CP School


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SOUTH PETHERWIN CRICKET CLUB

The season has just come to an end so South Petherwin Cricket Club would like to thank all of its supporters and sponsors this season and hope to see them next year.

Thanks also to everyone who came up to see us and take part during the village's Flowerpot Festival.

In the next magazine edition we will let you know:-

- Results of this season
- Players of the Season
- Dates of Winter Training
- Sponsorship Information

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Best in Show for photography by Paula Stagg

South Petherwin Pre-School

OFF WE GO AGAIN! It's so lovely to be back seeing so many happy faces, full of eagerness to learn! We are sad to have said goodbye to our leavers at the end of July but are delighted to see how well they have settled into Reception already.

We have welcomed several new children to preschool in the last week or two and look forward to getting to know them.

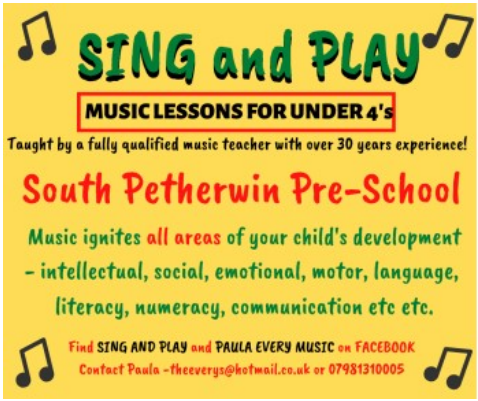
This term we have started by looking at ourselves with the topic 'All about me.' We have talked about what we look like, how we look different to our friends, who we live with and who is in our family, what our likes and dislikes are etc.

We will be moving on to a lot of exploratory play as we learn about materials and what we can do with these different materials and how materials can be changed. We will be using our senses to explore and have lots of fun.

We are continuing to offer our two stay and play sessions on a Wednesday 9:30am-10:30am (Multi-skills & Multi-sports) & Friday 9:45am - 11:00am (Sing & Play) for FREE so if you would like to come and see what it's like at Pre-school and meet myself (Natalie) & Debbie then please come along and join in the fun. It is a great way to help your child become familiar with our setting.

Natalie Bewes





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