South Petherwin Parish Magazine

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Parish Council

Since the publication of the past magazine there have been two Parish Council meetings and the Annual Parish Meeting.
The Annual Parish Meeting at the end of May highlighted how many organisations we have within the village, supporting our community. Representatives from the Parish Council, Village Hall Committee, Friendship Lunch, St Paternus Church, South Petherwin Methodist Church, Neighbourhood Watch, The Parish Magazine, Flowerpot Festival, The Bellringers, Launceston Medical Centre Patient Participation Group and our Unitary Councillor spoke to those present regarding their past year's events. From the meeting it is clear we are lucky to have a busy calendar of events within the parish and many individuals who put their valuable time into ensuring these events continue and are supported.

Highlights from the Parish Council meetings included the co-option onto the council of Phill Middleton and Harold Rowse as councillors in the June Meeting. There are now 7 councillors with 3 vacant positions. If any members of the parish are interested in joining the Parish Council please contact one of the councillors or the Clerk for further information.

The Annual Internal Audit Report was accepted and The Notice for the Exercise of Public Rights was published on 12th June, to commence from 13th June and end on the 24th July.

As part of the Plusha Junction ongoing traffic mitigation, National Highways/Cornwall Council are working with local stakeholders including South Petherwin Parish Council, to put in place strategies to assist with speed reduction and pedestrian safety though the local area. Suggestions from parties have included a virtual pavement from Daws House towards Petherwin Water, mitigation around Trekelland Bridge and improvement in crossing places throughout the South Petherwin village. However it must be highlighted that no decisions have been formally made regarding these measures at the present time.

The Wind Turbine Grants are open for applications via the Parish Council. Regarding the pre-existing sum of public monies from the Wind Turbine Funds that currently remains inaccessible, the Parish Council has sought legal advice, are following recommendations, and expect to have further updates regarding this over the coming weeks.

Parish Council

The Parish Council VJ event will be a coffee morning and a short service with a two minute silence, to mark the words of King George VI on August 15th, 1945: “Our sense of deliverance is overpowering, and with it all, we have done our duty”. U.S. President Harry S. Truman stated, “this is the day we have been waiting for since Pearl Harbour.” We are so grateful for each and every person who gave their life for our freedom, a freedom we must protect.

The next Parish Council meeting will be 10th September 2025 at the Methodist Church.
Please note that the Parish Council now have their own separate website: **www.southpetherwinparishcouncil.gov.uk**

To contact the Parish Council: Parish Council Clerk (Linda Coles): parishcouncil@southpetherwinpc.org

Parish Council Chairman: Phil Parsons Tel 01566 777179 mobile 07737 008416, email philparsouthpetherwinpc.gmail.com
Parish Council Vice-chair: Mary-Ann Screech
Other councillors: Julie Barlow; Maria Lewis; John Ashdown; Phillip Middleton; Harold Rowse

Welcome to the July/August issue....
After last year’s disappointing summer we are have had a fantastic summer so far and at the time of writing, we’ve just ’enjoyed’ heatwave number three!
Thanks to John Ashdown for the photo on the front cover—see page 17 for the whole story on the new flagpole.
There is a loose insertion in this issue which includes the Craft & Produce Show schedule plus a list of events during the week. If you don’t have one for any reason, you will be able to find it on the parish website (southpetherwin.com) or South Petherwin Village Hall Facebook page. Alternatively, please contact me using the details on the back cover.
Enjoy the rest of the summer and this issue.
Alison Barham, Editor


Photo: Paula Stagg



June proved to be a kind month, getting the first cut silage completed and the shearing done—one job for the year I'm always pleased to see finished! As the month progressed the hay was baled and stored in the barn, and attention will now turn to gathering in the barley. Combines have started to roll into some crops, recording the earliest harvest on record. As I write, we are experiencing the third heatwave of the year, and some areas are starting to have drought-like conditions, with the countryside beginning to look scorched and extremely dry.

Recently, I met with National Highways and CC Highways officials following their consultation last autumn regarding proposed changes at Plusha and other sections of the A30. They have confirmed that the crossing at Two Bridges will be left open and slip roads will be added to enter and exit Plusha off the A30. They are also close to agreeing on the budget required for safety mitigation measures to lessen the impact we are seeing on our local roads due to increased traffic from the closure of the right-hand turn out of Plusha heading towards Launceston.

Cornwall Council's new cabinet has decided to scrap the planned sale of Cornwall Airport Newquay and the transfer of 19 council-owned car parks to Corserv Solutions Ltd, in order to protect vital services and key assets that will play an important role in Cornwall's future. Reversing the decision on the car parks is important for helping town centres and local businesses get through the current turbulent times. By keeping them under council control, we can focus on what matters to people - fair prices, good services, and decisions made in the best interest of the residents of Cornwall.

In my opinion, our airport is a slightly different matter. While it is vital for keeping Cornwall connected, supporting tourism, and creating jobs, should this come at the expense of the taxpayer? I think the current administration should be given a chance to see what they can do, but they must be mindful of how long they can continue to pump millions into keeping it afloat. Since the introduction of the second homes tax, we are now seeing an increase in homes entering the for-sale market, and talking to business owners, it doesn't sound like our holiday bookings are quite as buoyant as they were. When many of the passengers who pass through here are second home-owners and holidaymakers, you would envisage it doesn't give a positive outlook in the short-term.

It was a very welcome announcement that, from 27th July, the number 12 and 76A bus services will revert to their original routes. This change will ensure guaranteed connections between services in Callington, improving connectivity and reliability for passengers traveling between Plymouth, South East Cornwall, and North Cornwall. At the time, these changes were considered low impact, but this proved not to be the case. Since April, there have been several complaints regarding the changes, which were split into three sections, and added time, inconvenience and extra cost for users. Working with fellow councillors, we managed to put a strong case forward to get this decision overturned, and we thank Go Cornwall and Cornwall Council transport officers for listening to our concerns. It's now hoped people will again have confidence to use this provision, which is vital for retaining connectivity within our rural community.

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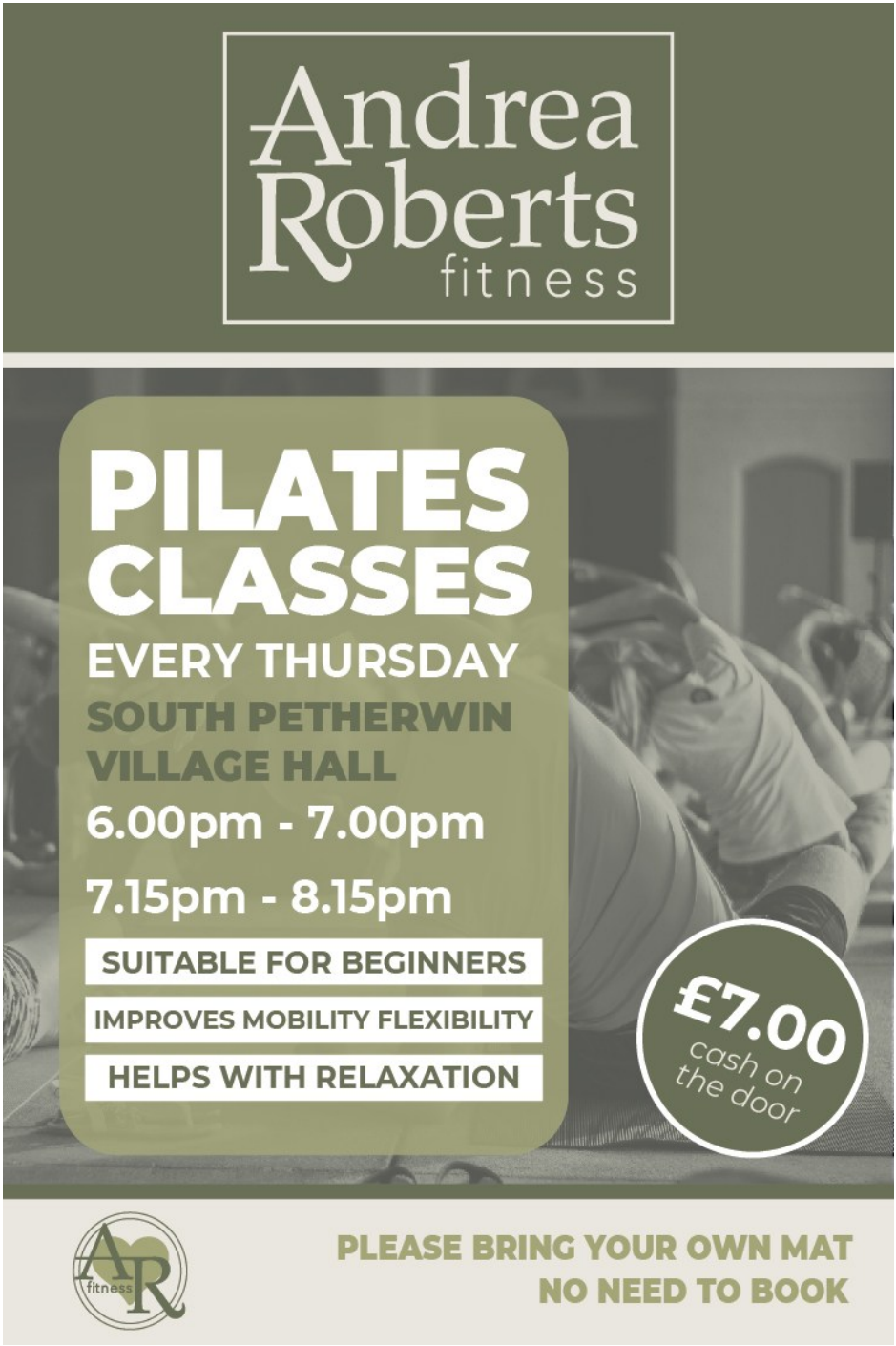
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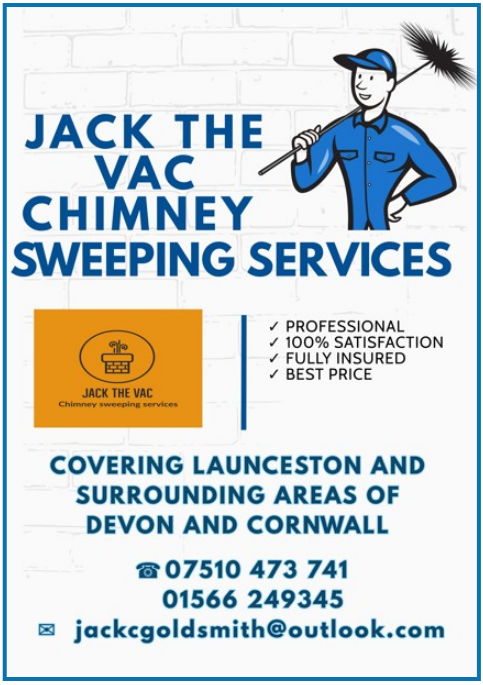


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Rogation Day Walk and lunch



There was a lot of reminiscing and stories shared as we walked from the church, through the village, down the bridle path, through the woods and up the field to the village hall. Former pupils of the old school had great memories of play in the woods and life in South Petherwin in the '50s and '60s! The stories with a lot of teasing! Continued over lunch!





Following an ancient tradition when people would 'beat the bounds' of the parish, walking around the boundary and blessing the land, the community and the life of the parish. Everything depended on the local harvest: a failed harvest meant starvation, so people prayed for a good harvest.



We still depend on farming for our food and draw on harvest from all over the country and beyond. It is easy to become disconnected from where our food comes from and the importance of farmers and farming.

We are grateful for the community of South Petherwin Parish, the businesses, the farms, the school. The Methodist Church, Friendship group, the Village Hall, The Frog and Bucket, The Church, the Bell Ringers, Cake and Rakers, Sing!, Cricket Club, The Allotment growers, Neighbourhood watch, all the activities including Pilates, Bingo, Souper lunches, Friendship lunches, Coffee mornings ….. Thank you one and all!!!

FARMING NEWS



What a scorcher we are having this summer! Hills that were green are slowly going brown, but what the full effect will be is uncertain. I remember that after the long dry spell, farmers were harvesting late cuts of grass in the autumn cuts as they topped up their winter food stores. The winter corn crops are looking good and some have been harvested with the spring corn not too far behind. The questions on the farmer's mind is will it stay dry or pour in August? We will have to wait and see....

Phil Parsons

THE WILDLIFE PAGE by Mel Bees

Firstly thankyou to everyone who has sent in pictures, they will all be used in future magazines. This time we are looking at birds - lots of you love feeding them and welcome them to your gardens .





We are feeling very blessed and privileged, we have had the exciting appearance of two Tawny owl chicks! They have hunted in our garden for years and this year they have chosen to nest with us. The first picture shows one of the parents on guard, the second picture is the adorable fluff bomb baby. The nest was in a tree hollow and the chicks leave the nest long before they can fly. They hop around on the branches of the tree practising balance and gaining wing strength. This is called 'branching'. The parents continue to feed them for 3 months until they are independent in the autumn. We have lots of wild areas of long grass perfect for mice and voles which is their main diet, but I've also seen the parent fly in with a slow worm. Tawny owls mate for life and have a small territory of 25 acres. If you think you have the perfect habitat for owls try putting up a special owl box to attract them to nest .



We have this lovely picture of a Siskin, taken by Wendy Lewis. It is eating sunflower hearts, a firm favourite - we find it is the only food that attracts them to the garden. They have a very distinctive song that will alert you to their presence.

DO YOU KNOW YOUR BIRD SONG?

Peter Bailey was strolling through the woods alongside Petherwin Water and used the Merlin App to listen to the birdsong he could hear. This is what it reported: Robin, Wren, Blue tit, Great tit, Nuthatch, Spotted Fly Catcher, Raven, Marsh tit and a Black cap. How fantastic is that !! It's a free app to download, sadly my own phone is too old!

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Flowerpot Festival

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Celebrating Jubilee and hope

The 2025 Jubilee Year began on Christmas Eve 2024 and concludes on 6 January 2026.

This Jubilee year, people across the world are uniting in solidarity to demand action on to the debt crisis. Pope Francis said about this, "More than a question of generosity, this is a matter of justice." The theme is Pilgrims of Hope.

From ancient times Jubilee Year was a time of renewal, freedom and celebration: Debts were cancelled, people and the land could rest, prisoners and slaves were freed, and land was given to those who didn't have any. It was known as the year of the Lord's favour.

Pope Francis has invited us to renew our hope and discover a vision that can "restore access to the fruits of the earth to everyone". We are also invited to rediscover a spirituality of God's creation in which we understand ourselves as "pilgrims on the earth" rather than masters of the world.

Fr John and members of the congregation from St Cuthbert Maine will join with us in South Petherwin for this service of hope.

Flag is flying again

John Ashdown

Our flagpole has now been replaced on the Church Tower with the Union Flag proudly flown for the King's Official Birthday on the 14th of June and the Prince of Wales birthday on the 21st of June. Funded by the Parish Council, it has been a team effort to get the flagpole installed. A huge thank you to Andy Crocombe, Paul Barham, John Stenlake and Clive Butler who made this possible.









Mass Lobby of Parliament 9th July 2025

On an extremely hot day in Westminster I joined 5000 others at a



Mass Lobby of Parliament to ask MP's to urgently take action to tackle the intertwined crises of unjust debt and climate change.

Today, 1 in 4 countries globally are in debt crisis, spending more on debt repayment than health, education, policing, and their environment. At the same time, we are witnessing the impacts of the climate crisis through an escalating number of devastating droughts, floods and hurricanes in all parts of our world.



Throughout the afternoon I had a meeting with Wes Powell who was representing our North Cornwall MP, Ben Maguire. He took on board the concerns raised and agreed to represent our views with Ben. It was a worthwhile meeting and I came away feeling confident that our views would be taken on board and raised in Parliament.

John Ashdown

Callywith College

The **Recycling for Charity project** and **East Cornwall Search & Rescue Team** (ECSRT) have kindly facilitated a donation of **£650** for outdoor equipment to support **Callywith College** students who are undertaking DofE Gold award and the Ten Tors challenge.
The Recycling for charity project has been collecting old ink cartridges and manufacturers named empty printer toners from local businesses and collectors, for ECSRT.
When Ali from Recycling for Charity heard about a local family whose son, who was an avid outdoors enthusiast, had recently passed away and had left lots of camping and outdoor equipment, she contacted ECSRT to see if there was an opportunity to help any local young people access the outdoors by using the left equipment.





ECSRT who have been working on a number of initiatives with Callywith College, know how much the college has been proactive in providing opportunities for students to access Duke of Edinburgh and Ten Tors, regardless of financial position, and immediately suggested the positive impact the donation of tents, sleeping bags and rucksacks could have for the youngsters.
Using the funding from Recycling for Charity, ECSRT were able to give a fair price for the new and nearly new equipment to the family, in trust for the two young children. The equipment has already been used by Callywith College students to use on their adventures.
Thank you to both Recycling for Charity and ECSRT for their incredible generosity and support in helping our students access these valuable opportunities.

For information on **Recycling for Charity** project **www.south-hill.co.uk/charity-recycling** and locations where you can drop off any ink cartridges or printer toners and more….. and **East Cornwall Search and Rescue Team www.eastcornwallsrt.org.uk**. ECSRT is 100% voluntary, with no paid staff at all, and rely entirely on public donations and fundraising efforts to maintain, equipment and continue life-saving work. Your support, whether through volunteering, donations, or spreading awareness, is vital. Donate to ECSRT here **www.givey.com/eastcornwallsrt**

Dates to remember

Thursday 24th July	Friendship lunch see page 28	The Frog & Bucket	Claire Ashdown 471299	12.30
Friday 25th July	Bingo night see page 9	Village Hall	John Ashdown 471299	7pm
Monday 28th July	Friendship Group see page 29	Methodist Hall	Joan Whale 772847	2-4pm
Saturday 2nd August	St Paternus Church coffee morning	Church	Olive Stevens 07480 576535	10-12
Thursday 14th August	VJ Day tea see page 9	Village Hall	Olive Stevens 07480 576535	2-4pm
Saturday 16th August	VJ Parish Council coffee morning	Village Hall	Phil Parsons 07737 008416	10-12
Monday 25th August	Friendship Group see page 29	Methodist Hall	Joan Whale 772847	2-4pm
Thursday 28th August	Friendship lunch see page 28	The Frog & Bucket	Claire Ashdown 471299	12.30
Weds 10th September	Parish Council meeting	Methodist Hall	Parish Clerk see page 3	7pm

FOR FLOWERPOT FESTIVAL EVENTS AUGUST 29th-6th SEPT SEE SEPARATE INSERT

Every Monday	Bell ringers	St Paternus Church	Sue Vernon 772640	Evening
Every Tuesday	Table Tennis	Village Hall	Malcolm Tulip 01566 451154	10am
Every Tuesday	SING!	The Frog & Bucket	Sam Davies 07950 371796	7.30pm-9.30pm
Every Weds	Line Dancing	Village Hall	Julie Barlow 07899 803196	7-9pm
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Flowerpot Festival 2025

29th August—6th September

Not long to go until this year's Flowerpot Festival, sponsored by the Village Hall, which will run from the end of August into early September, Raid your sheds and greenhouses and get creative with your old flowerpots. Not got enough flowerpots—or too many? Leave unwanted pots in the church porch or pick some up if you need more. Need some inspiration? Check out last year's gallery on the website.

How to enter the Flowerpot Creation Week?

Easy! Just contact Alison (see details below) to ensure that the judge comes to see your creation. Flowerpot creations need to be out by 29th August and should be left until 5th September please. Judging will be taking place during that week. There will be prizes from local businesses for the best ones, but most importantly it will be for fun and enjoyment.

Events during the week

Clubs and organisations in the parish are holding events during the week and a timetable of events is on the back of the schedule which has come with this issue of the magazine, and the opposite page gives a bit more detail on some. There is lots of choice for everyone and we hope that you will give one or two a try and support your local societies. Everything is free, there may be small charges for refreshments at some events. We have given you the contact details for each event. Keep an eye out for notices around the village, on Facebook (see the Village Hall page) or the website. It may be that weather or unforeseen circumstances affects some events—please check beforehand to be sure.

Craft and Produce Show

Saturday 6th September in the Village Hall (plus the Church for some of the exhibits) —please see the enclosed schedule for details of how to enter. Have a go at something and/or come along and see everybody else's efforts! Last year's exhibits were amazing.

If you haven't received the schedule and events list with your magazine, please contact Alison. Take part in this community event and enjoy!

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EVENTS

See back of the insert for the full timetable.

The following are regularly held events that organisations are inviting you to drop in, say hello and have a go:
Monday 1st Parish Church bellringing 7.30pm
Tuesday 2nd U3A table tennis Village Hall 10-12
Wednesday 3rd 7-9pm line dancing in the Village Hall

Church — see page 25. They will be hosting a **cream tea** on **Saturday 30th August,** a **Jubilee service** on **Sunday 31st** (see page 17), a **coffee morning** on **Friday 5th** September, and some sections of exhibits for the Show on Saturday 6th.

Cricket Club open day Sunday 31st — see more details on their regular page 39

Sunday 31st Parish Walk
Meeting at 2pm outside the village hall – whatever the weather. We will be walking on fields and lanes, over some stiles. Dogs are welcome on leads please. Free refreshments on Tregaller Lane before the return journey.

Wednesday 3rd Meet the Crafters! Village Hall 2-4pm
Come and meet the craftspeople, including woodturning, pottery, bee-keeping, willow weaving, wood engineering, and needle-felting. Have a look or have a go at some of the crafts. Refreshments available to purchase.

Thursday 4th Morris Dancers at The Frog & Bucket, approx. 7.30pm.

Saturday 6th Craft & Produce Show—see enclosed schedule for classes, how to enter and the timings of the day. This will be held in the Village Hall and the Church.
On the field behind will be **Old Fashioned Games** for the whole family to take part in, with small prizes to be won. Starting at 2pm.
Prizes for the best Flowerpot exhibits and winners of the Craft & Produce Show will all be handed out in the hall at around 3.30pm.

THANK YOU to the Parish Council Wind Turbine Fund for the grant of money to help organise this community event. Other funds were from money left over from last year and a bingo event held in the village hall. We would also like to thank the following people and organisations for help, support and/or donations of money or prizes:
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Upcoming Events

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

Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sunday 27th July	10.00am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Coffee morning (1st Saturday)	Saturday 2nd August	10 to 12	Tea, coffee, bacon sandwiches
Eucharist (2nd Sunday)	Sunday 10th August	9.30am	With Reverend Sean Clancy
Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sundy 24th August	10.10am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Flowerpot Festival: flowers, photography, Young Exhibitors displayed on Sat 6th Sept	Saturday 30th August to Saturday 6th September		Church open all day, every day
Cream tea	Saturday 30th August	2 to 4pm	Flowerpot Festival
Jubilee Service	Sunday 31st August	6pm	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens
Drop in bell ringing	Monday 1st September	7.30pm	Come and have a go
Coffee morning (on 1st Friday in September only)	**Friday** 5th September	10 to 12	Tea, coffee, bacon sandwich
Eucharist (2nd Sunday)	Sunday 14th September	9.30am	With Reverend Sean Clancy
Eucharist (4th Sunday)	Sunday 28th September	10.30am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens and Dr Brian Davis
Animal blessing	Sunday 5th October	2.30pm	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens
Eucharist	Sunday 12th October	9.30am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens
Gift Day and Harvest Festival Service followed by tea	Sunday 19th October	3.00pm	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens
Eucharist	Sunday 26th October	10.00am	With Revd Canon Olive Stevens
Concert	Friday 14th November	7.30pm	Our Atlantic Roots

Flowerpot Festival: please note that spare flowerpots for your creations will be in the Church porch in the run up to the festival. Please help yourself.
On Saturday 6th there will be exhibits in the Church as part of the Produce & Craft Show, so the coffee morning will be held on the Friday instead.
See also the events list in the enclosed Festival hand out.
For more details on the Jubilee Service (Aug 31st) see page 17.

For more details of the concert in November, see the advert on page 35.

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Harvest: *Vegetables such as peas, courgettes, shallots, garlic; and soft fruit such as currants, raspberries, tayberries & strawberries.*
Pick and deadhead bedding and repeat flowering plants regularly.
Early potatoes are ready to lift once the flowers and foliage die back.

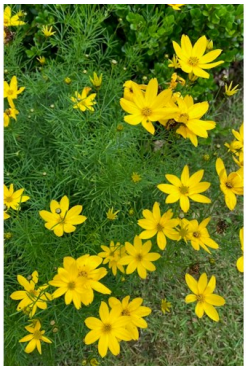
Prune: *Late flowering spring shrubs such as spiraea, deutzia, weigela, philadelphus. Cut lavender once the flowers fade and the bees stop using it. Trim box and evergreen hedging and topiary. Prune the long whippy growth of wisteria*

Feed: *Tomatoes, courgettes and cucumbers regularly, and dahlias and bedding plants to boost displays.*
Feed camelias, rhododendron and azaleas with a liquid ericaceous feed and water as they start to form new buds for next spring.

Weed: *Keep on top of weeding by hoeing around vegetables and new plants. Thin out weed in ponds to keep good pond health.*

Propagate: *Divide irises. Take semi ripe cuttings from shrubs and hydrangeas. Re-pot the offsets of succulents.*

Plant: *New potted perennials with regular watering*
Strawberry runners can be separated and re-potted or planted out.


SOUTH PETHERWIN METHODIST CHURCH

On Sunday 10th May a warm welcome was given to Deacon Ruth Richey who led our Chapel Anniversary Service celebrating 153 years of worship. We sang some well known hymns including Great is the faithfulness and To God be the glory. Lessons were read by Tony Stephens.



Deacon Ruth had set up a scene depicting a river and based her service around this. She likened the church life to a river of faith in which each ripple tells a story, continues to flow, never the same, never runs dry and grows wider. She then handed us three blue pieces of paper, (representing the river of life) and asked us to write down our first memories of attending church or Sunday School, who inspired us and what was special in our journey and reminded us of Christ's words, don't lose heart, keep going, and keep trusting. The race is not over until you cross the finish line as happens in the Olympics, as he is with us always. Prayers of intercession followed and the service concluded with the hymn, I Will Sing the Wondrous Story.

Mary Stoneman

FRIENDSHIP LUNCH

Friendship Lunch at The Frog and Bucket for our parish seniors @ 12.30 on Thursday 24th July & Thursday 28th August

Please book one week in advance by calling Claire or John on 01566 471299 and advise of any special dietary requirements or allergies when booking

Methodist Church Friendship Group

Preparing this article at the start of May in beautiful weather, it seems so long ago that we met on a wet and miserable afternoon at the end of March. We were pleased that so many members braved the elements to join us. We decorated parchment 'stained glass windows' and wreaths to decorate the chapel for Easter Day and, together with the spring flowers, we had a bright, welcoming church for our Easter celebration service.

The Easter Day service was led by Henry Stanbury, the organist was Mary Stoneman, and the congregation sang some beautiful well-known Easter hymns in celebration of this special day for the Christian faith.

By the time our next Friendship meeting was held, Easter was long gone. Instead, we took the opportunity to welcome everyone with a quiz! This was a picture quiz of items around the home from a different aspect. Once we got started most of us managed to identify all but a couple of really 'mystery' things – who knew that a book spine would catch so many out!

As usual we thank everyone for their continued support, to Joan for her wonderful baking, and Linda for her help with refreshments (and that job often forgotten when everyone else goes home – the washing-up). If you are free on the afternoon of the last Monday of the month we would be pleased to welcome you at 2.00pm.

Angela and Michael Noakes







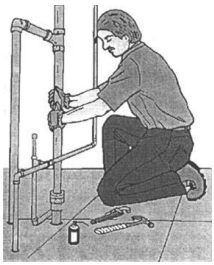
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Launceston Leisure Centre – Update!



We want to take the opportunity to introduce to you our new Centre Manager, Patrick Lucas.
Patrick brings over 20 years of experience in sport and leisure (including 10 years running Camelford Leisure Centre) and is all about making fitness welcoming, inclusive and something people genuinely enjoy,
He's a qualified PT, lifeguard, and badminton coach with a serious passion for helping people grow in confidence – whether that's in the pool, on the gym floor, or trying something new for the first time.
A proud Cornish resident for 15 years, Patrick's also played badminton for over 40 years and coached youth players across the county. When he's not supporting our community to get active, you might spot him with a racket in hand – or just enjoying a good chat in the café!
Patrick has arrived in good time to help guide staff and community through a number of changes for the centre. Planning has been granted for a new roof, so works for that will hopefully start ahead of the winter. This is just the first phase of a number of changes that will take place in the near future and will allow the centre to offer a wider range of services both in fitness activities and support to community groups.
Ultimately we will be able to offer more comfortable spaces for our community to take part in classes such as Pilates and Yoga. With a new improved gym suite and changing facilities we aim to enhance our customers' experiences.
Furthermore, we are excited about our new café, with its covered outdoor area which all park users can access. The whole team @ LCLC are excited about the plans for the Launceston and surrounding area community leisure centre and community hub.

We're excited to share that a new and very special project may take shape this summer in a field just south of the village. Called **Ellie's Field**, the plan is to plant it with **sunflowers** and a mixture of other flowering plants. If all goes well, the deep yellow of the sunflowers will soon join the fading golden hues of the earlier rape crop, creating a beautiful and vibrant landscape.



Why the name *Ellie's Field*? This field holds deep meaning for our family — it's where my daughter **Ellie** and her husband **Dom** held their wedding reception. Sadly, just over two years ago, Ellie fell seriously ill with **Long Covid** and has not recovered. She is now bedbound, living with us here in the village.

Despite the challenges, we are blessed by the continued prayers, the kindness of family and friends , and the dedicated carers who visit daily to support her. This project is a small way to bring something joyful into the world — a peaceful space for visitors to enjoy nature, beauty, and a moment of reflection. It also marks a step into diversification for the land. Please keep an eye out. Phil Parsons

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Somehow, we have made it to the end of the school year, and what a fantastic year it has been. Over the past few weeks, the children have had a fantastic time with their learning, enriched by a whole range of activities and trips in amongst it.

Our oldest children in the school had a fantastic time on residential where they were able to take part in all kinds of team building activities and fun adventurous sports such as abseiling, climbing, archery, zip-lining and raft building. It was a great few days.

Our Year 3s and 4s recently visited the Eden Project to further their knowledge of rainforests. They had a great day of learning and have come away from the trip and their topic with great knowledge.

In the first week of July, we were very lucky to enjoy some lovely sunshine as we hosted our school's sports day. It was a great day for the children, they all really enjoyed themselves and competed with such fun and sportsmanship. Well done to team Rudh (Red) who won for the second time in a row.



And now we say a fond farewell to this year's Year 6 as their time in primary school comes to an end. They have been amazing. Their end of year assessment results came through recently and they have really done themselves proud — and we are very proud of them.

Happy summer everyone.

South Petherwin Pre-School

We have continued on the topic of growing and we have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. We read the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and used sequencing cards to retell the story. We have looked after our very own caterpillars which have just come out of their chrysalis! We will be releasing them in the next couple of days. We have tasted the fruit that the Hungry Caterpillar liked and made butterfly buns. We also had lots of fun toe painting to make little caterpillars on a leaf. We have also been doing a couple of science experiments; one where we made static electricity with balloons to make the butterfly wings move and the other one was observing what happened to carrot tops if left in a bit of water in the sun. We looked at them every few days and drew what we noticed and talked about the changes.

In the next few weeks we are enjoying our topic of the seaside. We have a sandpit inside, we are serving ice creams in our role play ice cream parlour and we will be decorating shells. We will also be saying GOODBYE to our 17 leavers who will be moving up to school in September. We wish them luck on their next adventure!







NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Local Co-ordinators:

The Village: Helen Masters (775545)
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SOUTH PETHERWIN CRICKET CLUB

As we pass the halfway point of the season, the club stands in a great position. Both Saturday teams are currently hovering about the middle of their respective leagues and the women's team have won 2 of their last 3 matches. Some stand out performers for these teams include: Adam Creasey's 100 for the first team against Saltash, Richard Watson's 100 against Roche, for the second team and Emma Barnes' 5 wicket haul for the women's team, against Redruth. We have home games every Saturday afternoon up at our ground until the end of August and we always welcome anyone who would like to come up and watch.

We have also just finished our Allstars cricket program, where James Weeks and Rich Watson have delivered 8 fantastic weeks of cricket to local children. If you have a child who will be aged 5-8, at the start of next summer, make sure to contact the club to get signed up for the next season!

Our next big social event in our calendar is during the village's flowerpot festival. On August 31st, we will be hosting a cricket session for children in the morning followed by a BBQ and a sponsors game. If you'd like to sponsor the club or get involved in watching or playing, don't hesitate in contacting us on the details below.

Jacob Masters, First team captain

For information on any of the above please contact myself on 07891 115713 or email southpetherwincc@outlook.com

To coincide with Launceston's Poetry Festival organized at the end of May by the Charles Causley Trust, a special exhibit was mounted at Lawrence House Museum's Pop-up in the Merchant House (opposite the Co-op). In August the plan is to introduce early photos of some of Launceston's school classes and sports teams. Plans are being made to contribute a display to the Launceston Flower Festival taking place from the 17th to the 20th of July at St Mary Magdalene Church, and we will have a presence at the Launceston Show on 31 July. We hope to see you there.

Lesley Barker, Volunteer Assistant Curator

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