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Boxing Booths were amongst the many events at Parish Feast Days, (see History Snippet)

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Contributions

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Parish Council Update

Welcome to the Autumn Edition

Apologies for this edition being late, simply down to personal circumstances beyond my control. Well here we are again, another summer over, but at least it was a good one this year, I've never seen so many tourists on the road! But good for the tourist industry. This magazine has a tasty seasonal recipe, what's on in the hall and much much more. As usual please pass on anything you want including in the next issue by mid November.

Planning Applications

Applications have been received for: The Stationing of 7 Static Caravans and associated works at Looe Bay Holiday Park.

Demolition and removal of existing unsafe metal barn used for small holding farming equipment. Erection of wooden structure as secure replacement for the same use at Penhale Farm.

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Parish Council Update.

Peter Powley

6th September 1931 – 3rd August 2016

Peter was born in Norfolk in 1931. His early working career was spent serving his country firstly in the army in a Guards regiment and then with the Metropolitan Police. He moved to Cornwall over 40 years ago and became an active member of the community. He was a long serving and dedicated member of St Martin-by-Looe Parish Council and served several years as vice chairman. He was also a stalwart of the Looe branch of The Royal British Legion acting as their standard bearer for several years. Our condolences go to his widow Councillor Roberta Powley and her family.

South West Coast Path

There have been reports of walkers climbing over the locked gate at Bodigga and using the closed section of the Coast Path. There is a real danger of further cliff falls, so please if you see anyone climbing over the gate please say something, it's dangerous!

Bus Shelter Project

We are working jointly with Morval Parish Council to try to get two bus shelters erected and one bus stop relocated. Currently Cormac Solutions are refusing permission for the one on the Holland Road side due to viability issues. We have appealed the decision and have contacted our MP for assistance in resolving the issue. We are also hoping to get Cornwall Council to revisit the speed limit in the village as 50mph is too fast.

Parish Councillor John Broad

John has undergone major heart surgery and is now recovering having been very poorly. Obviously issues relating to Millendreath should be brought to one of the other Councillors whist John get better. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Parish Council Meetings.

You are always welcome to attend the Parish council meetings in the Memorial Hall, No Man's Land. They usually are held on the first Thursday of each month but please check the noticeboards. Requests to speak during Public Participation need to be submitted to the Clerk by post or email at least 48 hours in advance.

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St Martins Village Hall Trust

By Tracy Chudleigh, Chairman.

No Man' Land Annual Show; Report from our Chairman Mrs Tracy Chudleigh.

Fine weather drew exhibitors and visitors alike to the show this year and the sunshine allowed everyone to make use of the new Community Seating Area in the Hall gardens.

It was with deep sadness that we learned of the passing of the Halls President, Mr Peter Powley just a few days before the show. A stalwart supporter and competitive exhibitor. It was Peter's wish that the show went ahead, so, in Peter's memory all profits were donated to the Looe branch of The Royal British Legion.

The number of exhibits were up this year and the judges agreed that the standard was high.

Overall best in show was won by Karen Pengelly for her cold porcelain sculpture of Japanese anemones.

We would like to thank everyone for entering and everyone who helped make the show such a success, before and on the day.

Trophy winners were;

Chris Halls, Bridget Hawker, Andrew Chudleigh, Ken Rogers, Noreen Grenville, Phil Thomas, Tracy Chudleigh, Meriel Kitson, Carol Bryant, Anne Rice, Barbara Reynolds, Karen Pengelly, Glenys Ward, Brendon Lee Hickman, Lily Reynolds, Erin Reynolds and Maddie Dunn.

Some Hall dates for your diary;

The *Car Park will be closed* on Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th September inclusive.

All vehicles must vacate the Car Park by 8.45am Friday morning.

The Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 25th September at 3pm.

There will be a **Bumper Jumble Sale** in aid of The Children's Hospice South West on Saturday 29th October at 2.30pm. 20p entrance fee, a raffle, cream teas and lots

of bargains! This is going to be HUGE, not one to be missed.

Remembrance Sunday Service will be at 6pm on 13th November.

St Martins Village Hall Trust

By Tracy Chudleigh, Chairman.

Kai Akido with Mark Southall in the Hall Monday evenings from 7pm-10pm.

Mother and Toddler Group Wednesday mornings from 9.30am -11.30am

Yoga with Maria Monday mornings from 10am-11am and Tuesday evenings from 6pm-7pm.

Whist every Wednesday evenings from 7pm

Aerobics with Jo Stephenson Thursday evenings from 6.30pm-7.30pm except the first Thursday in every month when the Parish Council have their meetings.

If you would like to book the Hall for an event of a group activity Advance notice of an allotment becoming available from February 2017. Any information about any of these events or if you would like to book the Hall for an event or a group activity: Please contact Mrs R. Powley 01503 240650.

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History Snippet - All the Fun of the Fair

The fabulous journey of the Man Engine this summer gave an insight into our appetite for delight and diversion. I've had a look back to Victorian Press reports for examples of attractions and distractions.

There was a wax works show in Redruth that exhibited a mechanical gorilla, which scraped a violin, along with moving effigies of the Royal Family, John Wesley and Daniel in the Lions Den. A mulatto showed off his performing dogs, followed by a fire eater.

Parishes had feast days with fireworks, fire balloons and flaming tar barrels. Menheniot included races in 1868. There were boxing booths and zoological exhibits.

In St.Kew everyone went to the coast for ritual cleansing in the sea. Midsummer in Mousehole saw 50 bathers swim to the island for breakfast 'al fresco'. This must be that the breakfast was 'al fresco', as "the indecent practice of bathing 'al fresco' within sight of the shore" was an indictable offence!



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Travelling shows advertised marionettes, menageries, money and birds. There was a giantess, a 5-legged horse and half-skeleton man, a sword-swallower and Tom Thumb, his wife and a fat family! Early company outings included Mr. Buller's parish excursion to the Eddystone in his yacht "Mona" — with an excellent spread and lashings of wine and spirits. Morval also hosted a ploughing match with Duloe and St. Martins. You could win a medal for spinning and spear-making (Thatchers could spin the reed ropes and make pointed spars used for thatching ricks and stacks).

Of course the local authorities were kill-joys! Nothing changes! Crimes included ferreting on Sunday, firing a gun on a highway, riding without reins and skinny-dipping 300 yards from land!

The Bench in Truro banned velocipedes and would not tolerate a Caffre eating live rats. Shame! The raw liver substitute wasn't much of a spectacle! It all makes "I'm a Celebrity Get me Out of Here" look a bit tame! But let's revive the old midsummer custom of boring holes on hilltops and filling them with gunpowder. They all had to be fired at the same time! Bring it on!

Jenny Wallis.



Looe Police Station contact number.

If you need to contact your local Police Station you can use the number below:

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If there is no one available to answer your call please leave a message and a member of the team will contact you on their return.

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Call 101 (Calls cost 15p)

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No Man's Land 'One Way'

Warning! Police have Been Informed.

There have been several reports and sighting of vehicles going the wrong way down Holland Road to the B3253. Many have been tourists finding themselves 'lost' and taking the easy way out, but also, especially in the mornings locals have been observed using it as a short cut. This is an accident waiting to happen, if you see it please take a photo and report the offender to the police.

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17th - 21st OCT THE COTSWOLDS

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18th – 21st NOV TURKEY & TINSEL TO WESTON-SUPER-MARE

26th NOV CLARKS SHOPPING VILLAGE

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Going Viral

Much in the news of late is the ongoing issue of Bovine TB and its connection to Badgers. People connected to either farming or wildlife have their own opinions on how we should tackle this dilemma. It is not how we can control this disease that I speak of here, it is the disease itself that should concern us all.

As we all know, many types of wild animals carry the bacteria that causes TB. They include Badgers, Deer, Sheep, Foxes and many other small mammals. Domestic animals too can perpetuate the disease, one which



Mr Keeble Senior 1950

does not immediately spring to mind, is the family moggie. Cases of Bovine TB on Dairy Farms have been traced to the farm cat which can continually re-infect a herd by being in close proximity to the milking parlour, probably to get its daily treat of raw milk. Left to their own fate most wild animals infected with the disease will die.

There is another disease which kills hundreds of thousands of animals that it infects, just one species of animal is involved, the rabbit – the disease Myxomatosis. For some months now we have enjoyed family groups of rabbits congregating in the garden. Ours is not a garden with vegetable and tended borders so they cause little damage – it is just lovely to see wild animals at close quarters.

Unfortunately one week in to August I saw the tell tale signs in one animal that the disease had returned after the last outbreak two years ago. The disease is spread between individuals by direct contact or being bitten by fleas or mosquitos carrying the virus. Affected animals can take fourteen days to die and it is almost

Going Viral

By David Keeble.

100% fatal – the effects of the later stages of the disease on the animals is pitiful to see. Victims will by this stage be blind, have large skin tumours, respiratory and eating difficulties, all of which culminate in their death.



Picture from naturephoto-cz.com

The history of this disease is well documented – first discovered in a laboratory in South America, then taken to Australia in 1938 in an attempt to control the vast rabbit population. Infected animals were placed in warrens to further spread the virus. By 1953 the disease had reached the UK – it was encouraged as a bio-control measure and again, placing sick animals in rabbit burrows was the preferred method. As a result it was estimated that 99% of rabbits in the UK were killed in the first outbreak.

Before 1953 my family and I ate wild rabbit regularly, pretty much staple country food. My father had quite a lucrative sideline catching and selling rabbits to the residents of our small village in Essex. Once the effect of the disease on rabbits had been seen understandably demand for the meat dropped and we as a family certainly ate less from that time onward.

Undoubtedly our garden will in time once again be host to a new generation of rabbits for our enjoyment, but I fear nothing can stop the inevitable cycle that this horrid disease seems to follow.

David Keeble

Recipe - Potato and apple rösti

by James Martin. BBC Recipes

Ingredients

4 medium potatoes, peeled

2 tart green apples, such as Granny Smith, peeled, cored

75g/21/₂oz crème fraîche

4 free-range eggs, plus 4 free-range egg yolks

2 tbsp vegetable oil

50g/1¾oz butter

12 thick slices smoked back bacon salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method

- 1. Preheat the grill to its highest setting.
- **2.** Grate the potatoes onto a clean tea towel. Grate the apples on top. Wrap them in the tea towel and wring out any excess water.
- **3.** Tip the potato and apple mixture into a large bowl and stir in the crème fraîche and egg yolks until well combined. Season, to taste, with salt and freshly ground black pepper.
- **4.** Heat 1 tablespoon of oil and a knob of butter in a large frying pan over a medium heat. Place four 7.5cm/3in metal chefs' rings into the pan.
- **5.** Spoon the rösti mixture inside the rings and press down well with the back of the spoon, then fry for 2-3 minutes, or until golden-brown, pressing down occasionally.



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- **6.** Remove the chefs' rings, then flip the röstis over and fry on the other side until golden-brown and cooked through, about 4-5 minutes. Remove from the pan and keep warm.
- **7.** Meanwhile, grill the bacon on a baking tray for 3-4 minutes, or until crisp, golden-brown and cooked through.
- **8.** Add the remaining oil and butter to the frying pan used to cook the röstis. Return the chefs' rings to the pan. Crack one egg into each ring and fry for 1 minute, then carefully remove the rings. Baste the eggs with the buttery oil in the pan and fry for a further 1-2 minutes, or until cooked to your liking.

To serve, place one rösti onto each serving plate and top with the bacon rashers and one fried egg.

Public Notice

Notice of Appointment of date for the exercise of electors' rights. Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2016.

Date of announcement 6th October 2016

Each year the Council's annual return is audited by an auditor appointed by The Audit Commission. Any person interested has the right to inspect the accounts and make copies of the annual return and all books, deed, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to the accounting statements for the year ended 31 March 2016 these documents will be available on reasonable notice by application to:

Charles Hyde, Parish Clerk and RFO, 8 Trelawny Road, Menheniot, PL14 3TS, by appointment only between 24th October and ending 24th November 2016.

Local electors and their representatives have rights to: Question the auditor about the accounts and object to the accounts or any item in them. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the Council.

The Council audit is being conducted under the provisions of the Audit Commission Act 1998, the Accounts and Audit Regulations (England) 2011 and the Audit Commission's Code of Audit Practice.

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Cornwall Council's Public Protection Service is warning members of the public and groups and organisations that work with young people about a new scam where fraudsters are using social media websites to encourage young people to invest in binary options.

Binary options, sometimes referred to as "Forex trading", are where an "investor" bets on whether the value of a commodity such as currency or gold, will go up or down over a set period of time, sometimes as little as a few minutes. If the investor "calls" the option, they believe its value will rise; if they "put" the option, they believe it will fall. Just like in gambling, if the investor predicts incorrectly they will lose all the money they have placed.

"Although binary options are being advertised as an investment, they are actually a form of gambling on the markets" said Julia Groves, Trading Standards Authorised Officer. "Whilst a traditional investment can take months or years to mature, a legitimate binary options trade can see a return in a matter of minutes. Fraudsters are using this fact to attract people that would otherwise not normally consider investing."

Binary options trading is not regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and as such any "investors" will not have access to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

Research carried out by the National Fraud Investment Intelligence Bureaux (NFIB) has shown that fraudsters are using social media sites such as Instagram



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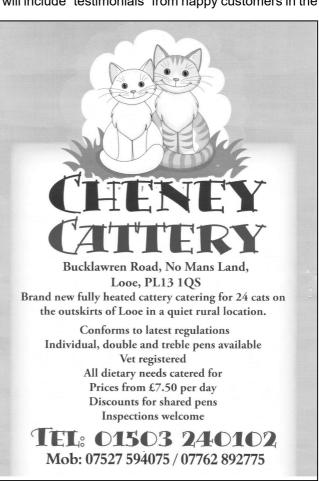
"The NFIB has seen a dramatic rise in binary options trading fraud, with 33% of victims under the age of 30, and 9% under the age of 20" said Julia. "This is extremely unusual in investment fraud and shows that the use of social media is enabling fraudsters to target a whole new section of society".

The scam involves fraudsters setting up fake profiles on popular social media websites, where they pose as successful binary options traders, often adding photographs of themselves in exclusive locations such as high class restaurants or posing with luxury items and goods such as valuable cars, clothes and watches in order to give the appearance of wealth and success.

Sometimes the fraudsters will include "testimonials" from happy customers in the

form of text message or email conversations these are believed to be faked. The fraudsters then seek out potential victims and offer them the chance to "invest" by sending money. They claim to be able to turn small investments of £100-200 into £1.000 or £2,000 for a cut of the profits - normally 10-20% - however trades are believed to actually take place. Victims are asked to pay either via a bank transfer. direct to another bank account controlled by the fraudster, or via a money transfer agent such as MoneyGram or Western Union.

As soon as a victim becomes suspicious and asks for their money back, the fraudster will block them on social media. No money has ever been recovered.



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