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From the Editor

In the next month we will, fingers crossed, get back to some form of reality as the Covid restrictions lift. Each day sees more and more of our younger people receiving their inoculations. Don't forget, you may have had both your jabs but there are many who are still to be done so please be mindful of their ongoing concerns. As I've said before - we're not safe till we're all safe, so we must maintain our vigilance.

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If you have any contributions you'd like to see printed in the newsletter, do please get in touch. Any items submitted should be original, or with the owner's permission, and you'll have a world wide readership.

Steve Medway

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Angela Moore

Angela moved to Crafthole with her husband Peter when they retired, fulfilling a long held ambition to live in Cornwall. They had a very happy year-long holiday in a chalet at Notter Bridge whilst their bungalow, Serena Garden, was being built on West Lane, finally moving into the village in 1995. They always said that they could not have chosen a more vibrant or friendly village and both spent many happy years in Crafthole immersing themselves in village life.

Angela was born in Warwick in 1933. She won a scholarship to Warwick High School for Girls but was taken out of education early in order to find work. She first worked as a Mother's Help in a large country house. She recalls the shock, at age 15, of being expected to produce a full Sunday roast and care for the children whilst her employers went out hunting for the day. Angela returned to Warwick at 18 to train as a nurse and it was whilst working on the wards that she met Peter, who was a patient. They married in 1957 and she continued to work as a hospital nurse until Jane and Simon were born. When she returned to work a few years later Angela became a school nurse in Bedworth, Warwickshire, a role that she loved and continued to do until retirement. She made many friends during that time and continued to keep in touch with them over the vears.

Angela's passions were nurturing her family and her plants. She now had the time and the opportunity to do that as Jane, son-in-law Simon and her grandchildren Tom and Kate lived in Landrake. She loved having Tom and Kate close to hand and would spend weekends and school holidays with them. Her son, Simon, moved to Cornwall to join them for a while and settled for a few years in Seaton before emigrating to Portugal. She was never happier than when working in her garden, going on visits to gardens and nurseries with Jane, poking around in hedgerows with Kate

who shared her love of nature or cooking up something tasty for everyone. Her garden remained her joy throughout and she won many prizes at the Crafthole Flower and Vegetable Show for her immaculate garden and her flower arrangements. She worked tirelessly to help Peter achieve his long held ambition to take the title in the longest runner bean category, but it was not to be and it was a family joke that he always came second. She loved to be involved in the regular calendar of village events and helped with the flower show, organised the community shop library, was an active member of the W.I. and the Garden Club, to name but a few. Over the years she made many valued friendships.

Peter was not always in the best of health from the time that they met, but thanks to her unstinting care he enjoyed a full and happy retirement. In his later years, Angela provided exemplary and devoted nursing care at home until the last few months of his life. He died in September 2019 at the age of 89. Working each day in the garden, she said, kept her sane during 2020, especially coping with isolation from family and friends during lockdown. She found this particularly hard as she adjusted to life without Peter. The garden was, as usual, immaculate and she won another rosette and cup for her hard work. Her health failed shortly after in October 2020 and she died in Derriford Hospital in January 2021 after contracting Covid as an in-patient.

The family would like to say thank you to everyone who sent cards and messages when Mum became ill and again after she died – a real testament to the love and support of the village. I got to know many of Mum's lovely friends and neighbours during her illness and it was a great comfort, during a very difficult time, to know how much she was valued and loved. Due to the restrictions many people, both friends and close family, were unable to celebrate Mum's life or help to say goodbye. However, flowers and plants were gathered

Jane Adam

from her garden and her friends made the floral tribute for the casket which was very fitting as her winning flower arrangements were always made from her own homegrown plants. On the day of the funeral, the hearse drove Angela past her beloved garden for a final time; thank you to the people who set their alarms and turned out in a biting easterly wind to pay their respects.

The spring has arrived and though she isn't here to enjoy it my garden is full of life and plants that were gifted from her, many of them grown from her seedlings and cuttings. I'm sure that others remember friends and loved ones in the same way. A perfect reminder that a person continues on in our memories and our gardens.

Heritage Gateway at Sheviock Parish Church

Application to Close the Churchyard for Burials

At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 16th May, the PCC announced its decision to apply to the Ministry of Justice to close St Mary's Churchyard for burials. Please be assured that the churchyard will

Churchyard for burials. Please be assured that the churchyard will remain open and accessible to all as it is now, but we no longer have the space for further burials.

We have very carefully considered the options to re-use the older part of the churchyard to the East, but there are too many technical as well as archaeological issues to make this feasible. We are not aware of any other potential land around the churchyard to extend and must, in any case, be mindful of the additional burden this puts upon the PCC to resource. We do not receive any funding to maintain the churchyard, which has been kept in good order for many decades by the hard work of local volunteers.

Under the application for closure, burials will still be allowed in existing family graves which

have sufficient space for further interments and

it will be possible to apply for the interment of cremated remains within existing family graves. However, we are looking at the feasibility of providing a Memorial Path to the West of the Church which will enable cremated remains to be interred on either side, which will provide some further years'

capacity within the churchyard.

We do appreciate that this may be a complex and sensitive issue for some within the Parish and will do everything possible to communicate the next steps in this process. If you have any further queries about this, please do not hesitate to contact Jenny Bushrod via email or telephone.

Email <u>bushrods@btinternet.com</u> or telephone 01503 230565

Jenny Bushrod & Judy Scott Churchwardens

Malcolm Sanders MBE 1944 - 2021

Maureen and Hannah Sanders would like to thank everyone for sending us both sympathy cards and flowers for their sad loss. We shall all miss him. Donations which were kindly given in lieu of funeral flowers totalled £469, which will be greatly appreciated for the Leukaemia Fund UK.

Chris Hoskin sent some bits and pieces he'd put away before moving away. He sent me this cutting from 1913 featuring the Sheviock Brass band. Who remembers the band? Do you recognise anyone?



Hello and welcome

Fditor

We have seen an extraordinary number of new neighbours over the last year or so.

This is a cause to be sad but also to be glad. Sad? Because properties have become vacant due to the departure of our friends and family.

Glad to welcome new friends and families to our community.

So to our new neighbours we say we hope you are happy here. Our wonderful countryside and facilities are an obvious attraction and it takes a conscious effort by us all to maintain this happy state of affairs.

We have a spring and autumn parish clean to help maintain a tidy environment. As well as these, we need to be wary of the problems of general littering, particularly on bin collection day. Refuse should be left out in secure bins or gull proof bags. The wind, fox and gulls will all redistribute your rubbish given half a chance. The same applies on recycling collection day. To reduce the risk of problems don't place rubbish out until collection is due.

Dog walkers also have a responsibility to tidy up after their dog. There are more bins per capita in

our parish than most other places could only dream of, so please deposit your poo bag in a bin, or take it home. Don't throw it aside - having bagged it you're ensuring the longevity of your dog's output!

We have a full network of footpaths, many designed to keep you off the road. With the exception of the South West Coast path, these are maintained by the parish council. Please enjoy the paths and respect them.

The golf course is not a public park and walking should be confined to the Coast path and link path from the top of Finnygook Lane.

The Crafthole community shop is run by volunteers and is a most useful resource when you need everyday things. It is also a great place to meet people, even more so if you volunteer. If you feel you'd like to join in, ask at the shop and we'll gladly show you how.

This newsletter is full of useful info and is delivered to your door free of charge quarterly. If you feel the urge to contribute to the newsletter please contact the editor.

Crafthole and District Open Flower and Vegetable Show

Sadly the Committee have decided not to hold the Crafthole Flower and Vegetable Show in 2021. If any of you have made a start on your Handicraft entries the classes will remain the same in 2022.

The Garden Competition will, however, go ahead in 2021 and Paul Stone has agreed to be our judge. Last year there were 45 entries across the various classes so I hope that the cold dry start to 2021 will not deter entries. The closing date for entries will be Friday 9th July with the judging taking place on Monday 12th July 2021. Completed entry forms can be passed to:

Mel Parry, 15 Kimberly Foster Close, Crafthole, or

Rosalie Dunn, Tirada, Crafthole. Entry forms will be distributed but they will also be available in the entrance of the Sheviock Memorial Hall and the Crafthole Village Shop.

The Crafthole and District Open Flower and Vegetable Show is always such a popular village event so let's hope that it can be held in full in 2022.

Gill Kennedy
Crafthole Flower Show Secretary

SHEVIOCK MEMORIAL HALL SUPPORTERS CLUB

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200 Club Update

As I am sure you all know, the Sheviock Memorial Hall Supporters club is a way that the parishioners can invest in the hall in an easy and fun way that means one person a week wins £10.

Thank you to all those people that paid their collectors early 2020 before the lockdown and it has been agreed to run that money over for this year. We are looking to start the club up again. I need to discuss the details with the Hall committee (including who will draw the winner - as the whist club is not currently on).

So watch this space, thank you got your ongoing support and huge thanks to all the collectors. If you have any questions, feel free to call me.

James Carter. Tel: 230757. Address - 17 Kimberley Foster Close

I DON'T believe it! By Grumpy old Git

Despite the high cost of living, it's still popular

It was an emotional wedding - even the cake was in tiers.

Russian dolls are so full of themselves.

Sheviock Parish

The Parish, Town and City Council Elections took place on Thursday 6 May 2021.

I am pleased to say that all your parish

councillors stood for re-election.

As there were no other candidates there was no election for parish councillor required and the existing councillors are now elected by default.

There therefore continues to be a vacancy for a councillor. Currently we have want of a representative for Portwrinkle, but we will welcome interest from any suitable applicant.

A candidate for a Parish or Town Council

is qualified if:

he or she is a British citizen, Commonwealth citizen, citizen of the Irish Republic, or a citizen of another European Union State.

has attained 18 years of age, and is either: in the register of electors for that Parish/Town or has during the whole of the

preceding twelve months.

occupied land as owner or tenant had a principal place of work there resided in or within 4.8 kilometres of it.

Following advice from Cornwall Council/Government we have had our first council meeting since lockdown in a face to face format.

Whilst it has been good to not have to venture out into the dark cold evenings in favour of

zoom meetings, I'm sure we all look forward to getting out and welcoming you to attend in the flesh, so to speak.

By the way, we meet on the second Monday of the month at 7 o'clock. We normally do not meet during August.

Another letter of appreciation from a satisfied visitor. Well done team:

"We visited Portwrinkle on Sunday, although we live relatively locally it was our first visit for many, many years.

Anyway I just wanted to express my thanks to whoever looks after the public toilets. They were immaculately clean and clearly well cared for - there were even vases of flowers - thank you. Additionally the flowers, growing in the borders along the walkway, were also beautiful and well thought out.

Portwrinkke certainly felt like a cared for and appreciated place for both visitors and residents. Congratulations to everyone responsible.

Cheers Jana "

Sheviock Parish Council

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Council News

Chairman's Report 2021

We started this financial year in Lockdown and only now in April 2021 does it seem that we might, at last, be emerging from this unprecedented period.

Following Cornwall Council advice, we had no council meetings from April to June. This was not to say the parish council went into hibernation – far from it. We instigated the emergency plan and organised a network of volunteers to look out for each other. Difficult decisions were made regarding the use of our assets and the safety of our staff.

Meetings from July have been conducted through the Zoom online platform and it must be said, they have been a success.

During the first lockdown the toilets and the play park were closed to the public. Following a thorough range of safety reviews and risk assessments, they re-opened until the second lockdown in January, when the toilets were again closed. The toilet upkeep team, however, decided to put their term of enforced layoff to good use and spruced up the toilet blocks – well done. The car park remained open and taking fees throughout as it was felt this could be safely achieved with no risk to staff while still maintaining an income.

The organisation of zoom meetings, along with managing the closures and the additional

communications from Cornwall Council increased the clerk's workload which was absorbed in an admirable manner.

We welcomed a new councillor in Ian Court representing the Sheviock corner of the parish.

The Finnygook Lane footpath has finally been signed off, the signs erected and now in regular use. Come the return of more normal times we'll have a proper opening ceremony.

The parish elections are due next month so these will be the final months of this council.

We have managed to keep our precept at last year's rate which considering rising costs of staff, legislation, defibrillator upkeep et al, is a laudable achievement.

So I'd like to conclude by thanking all our councillors, who have contributed immensely to the running of the council; our team of staff who have worked on to keep the parish moving; to the volunteers who made themselves available to render assistance to anyone in need; and to the volunteers and Warren who worked so hard to make the footpath a reality. And finally, thanks to Nancy our clerk, who has done so much to keep us going.

I commend this report to you.

Steve Medway

Chairman Sheviock Parish Council

April 2021

As mentioned above, the signage for the Finnygook Way footpath is now in place and the footpath open for use. The signage was specified by Antony Estate to match the style of the golf course signs. Considerable time, cost and effort was put into the resoursing and construction of suitable materials. What a

sad indictment of our times that someone saw fit to vandalise both signs while they were in position for final installation. Fortunately Warren was able to effect suitable repairs to the signs enabling their final fitment.

We are arranging an official opening ceremony so watch out for details of dates and so on.

We haven't had a party for a long time and now's the time to start the ball rolling. We plan to hold a community get together at the community open space on the 7th August. So let's start planning BBQs, Bars and Banquets. In the meantime, lets go more local and organise street parties. There's a great tradition in the parish and it's always good fun. So dust off those party hats and get planning.

Steve Medway

Local Public Transport Update

Geoff Cadwallader

LOCAL BUS SERVICES —Unusually there are no changes to our regular local bus services to report, so I will mention instead how indebted we have been and still are to Transport for Cornwall & Cornwall Council for providing our area with a full effective bus service in difficult circumstances throughout the Covid 19 Period. I think it is a while since I have mentioned the Rame Community Bus, which will recommence operation on the 3rd July with a visit to the Devon County Show cost £8. It was agreed some years ago that the bus will by prior arrangement (Tel. Carol on 01752 823346) call en route at Sheviock or Crafthole to pick up passengers. Regular monthly trips are:-1st Wednesday in month Kernow Mill & Saltash Cost £5, 2nd Wednesday Truro £7, 3rd Friday Totnes £6 & 4th Friday Tavistock £6. Special Day Trips include, Discovering Dartmoor, Ikea at Exeter, Dartmouth, Fowey, Tiverton Canal Trip, Garden House & Tavistock, Falmouth Oyster Fest; St. Ives, Wadebridge & Trelawny, & Exeter Christmas Market. Cost of trips only £6 to £8. Full details on Public Transport Notice Board in Crafthole near shop and other notice boards etc. Seating is subject to government rules

NATIONAL EXPRESS COACHES — The good news is that National Express are coming back to Cornwall, but initially only for a limited period. No information was shown on their website until early May, even though the services they have now listed are due to start on the 21st June. After contacting National Express I was informed by their General Manager that some services could even commence earlier! Coaches from Penzance are scheduled to call at the Tideford Bus Shelter at 06.15, 11.40, 14.30, & 22.33 en route to Heathrow Airport & London Victoria.

Coaches will depart London Victoria at 08.00 arrive Tideford 14.15, 11.00 arr. 17.10, 15.30 arr. 22.02, and 23.00 arr. 06.32. All the services are scheduled to finish no later than the 2nd November, but as things are somewhat fluid, they could terminate earlier. More N.E. Services are available from Plymouth Coach Station including connections to Bristol & Birmingham, Our RPPTUG Press/Publicity Officer has contacted the local media to help in publicising the services. For further information please use the National Express Travel Planner or telephone 08717818181.

OTHER LONG DISTANCE BUS & COACH SERVICES (Operating from Plymouth Coach Station) - Stagecoach Falcon have reverted to full operating levels of up to 20 trips each way between Plymouth and Bristol Airport & City Centre. (Tel. 01752 495200 for more information). Stagecoach Megabus have nationally recommenced operating a limited coach service, but they are not currently running any through services out of Plymouth. They are instead using their frequent Falcon Bus Service from Plymouth to connect at Bristol into Megabus Services from there to London, Cardiff, Birmingham, Manchester, & Sunderland. (Tel. 01413524444 for further information)

LOCAL TRAIN SERVICE FROM ST. GERMANS STATION - In the new GWR K1 Timetable that commenced operation on the 16th May, there is a full Pre Covid service operating on Mondays to Fridays with 23 trains between 07.20 & 22.42 calling at the station each day on the up platform, and 27 trains between 05.55 & 22.53 on the down platform. Through Trains to Paddington at 07.43 & 08.50. Through trains from Paddington arriving at 10.03 (06.37 ex Pad.), 17.37 (14.04 ex Pad.), 19.49 (16.04 ex Pad.), 20.48 (17.04 ex Pad.) & 22.53FO (19.04 ex Pad.). Through trains to Cardiff at 07.20, 0821, 12.29, & 18.29 plus a train to Bristol at 20.57. There are 3 through trains from Cardiff & 2 from Bristol stopping at the station. There are a few more trains calling on Saturdays & on Sundays where the increase is proportionately higher rising by 3 trains to 10 now stopping on the up line, and also up by 3 trains to 11 trains calling on the down line at the station. There will be two Saturday Services with the first operating until the 11th September, that includes 5 through trains to Paddington, and a separate one running from the 18th September. It is still important to check train times before travelling. Full current timetables can be downloaded from GWR.

THE RAME PENINSULA PUBLIC TRANSPORT USERS GROUP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE ANTONY VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 22nd JUNE FROM 2.0PM. ALL WELCOME (your interest & support would be
appreciated) (This will be changed to a Zoom Meeting if proposed easing of Lockdown restrictions are changed)
OFFICERS FROM TRANSPORT FOR CORNWALL & THE CORNWALL COUNCIL PASSENGER TRANSPORT UNIT WILL
ATTEND TO TAKE PART & ANSWER QUESTIONS They will be able to bring us up to date with the One Transport
for Cornwall Project and the likely effects of The Governments New Bus Strategy.

Top of the Agenda will be a proposal initiated by the St. Germans & Area Public Transport Group in conjunction with our RPPTUG, for a demand responsive bus service based at St.Germans to be provided. This could be similar to the very good Corlink Bus Service we had, that some of you will recall, was given to us in 2002 but was withdrawn just over 2 years later. If a new bid is to be successful, we may be required to prove that there is a public need and demand for such a service, that may require a feasibility study with extensive public surveys to be undertaken.

Geoff Cadwallader

Community Shop News

Bryan Pullinger

Dear Reader.

Normally I would be reporting the outcome of the shop's AGM held in the month of May. But owing to the latest Covid Regulations the directors thought it best to re-arrange. The AGM for the year ended 31 March 2021 in the Village Hall will be sometime after 21 June 2021 – dependent on the current regulations being announced on that day. So, keep your eyes scanned for notices in the shop and/or the notice board outside.

Throughout the Covid Pandemic we are pleased to say that we have remained open, albeit mornings only. For this we have to give a BIG "Thank you" to our team of volunteers, who have faithfully turned up, come rain or sunshine.

About a year ago we acquired a Card Machine as a means of purchasing by credit/debit card. Our regular customers will be well aware of this facility; but summer visitors arriving soon may be interested to know this is now available.

For a test period, we are planning to reopen in the afternoons in July, August and September, subject to volunteer cover. We intend to review



the opening times for the Autumn in the light of the results of the summer months.

Thanking you all for your support over the last twelve months and looking forward to even more of our local residents popping into the shop for those 'last minute' purchases.

In anticipation of summer being on its way

Hopefully, Yours,

Bryan Pullinger (Chair Crafthole Community Shop Regn No. 07833286) On behalf of my fellow Directors

Sheviock Garden Club Report

Dee Medway

We've decided to go for some return to normality and have revived last year's programme. So these are the plans for the next few months.

Saturday 26 June: Visit to Ken Caro gardens.

Saturday 17 July: Garden Safari.

Saturday 21 August: Visit Garden House,

Buckland Monachorum

Saturday 18 September: Visit Lukelands

gardens

The bus is booked for all the visits.

Meetings are usually held at the Sheviock Memorial Hall on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7pm.

Membership fees: £12 per garden, £1 per meeting, non-members £2 Enquiries - Dee Medway (Secretary) 01503 230661



Lockdown has been lifted once again and hopefully if we act cautiously and take

gradual steps towards the social life we once knew the word "Lockdown" will become a word in the history books. The decision to open church for services was made, but after four months of Lockdown the church cried out for some TLC. Because of COVID restrictions we were unable to call upon our loval band of volunteers so five of us set to. The woodwork was washed and waxed. cushions and kneelers vacuumed, walls dusted, brass and silver polished, and flowers once again bringing life into the church. It was well worth the effort as we welcomed the congregation of twenty-nine to Holy Communion on 2nd May and people commented how welcoming the church looked and of course the smell of beeswax!

This was the first service in St Mary's since Christmas Eve and the first time the organ had been played since the death of Dave Mashford, even though we are still not allowed to sing hymns. Not everyone is ready to return to Church so Reverend Canon Lynn and Reverend Laura continue to offer services via Zoom. If you would to join one of these services, please email Reverend Canon Lynn Parker atparker30@hotmail.com:

Sunday 10:00 am Thursday 7:00 pm Monday 7:00 pm Friday 10:00 am Tuesday 10:00 am Saturday 7:00pm Wednesday 10:00 am

Church Services:

The first Sunday of the month

Holy Communion 10:00 am

The third Sunday of the month

Morning Worship 10:00 am

All are welcome. Stay safe, God Bless

Judy Scott and Jenny Bushrod

Churchwardens

Information can be found at

www.achurchnearyou/st marys sheviock.com

Fund Raising Appeal

There was enthusiastic lobbying for the installation of defibrillators within the parish, and we now have six installed and commissioned. In the last issue I printed the following. Just a reminder it is still relevant.

We benefited from a scheme where the BHF funded our cabinets. However, since then we have had issues with some of the cabinets leading to costs of approximately £1169. While we have covered these costs from council funds, any further replacements would have to be bought, as the BHF scheme has ended.

Further, ongoing maintenance costs amount to £724 pa. These include new child pads every 2 years, £445, new adult pads every 5 years £630, inspection checks, approx. £500 and electricity costs, £144.

While we are able to cover much of these outgoings it would be beneficial to create a fundraising committee to supplement these funds.

So, can we please ask for some volunteers interested in organising such a committee. Contact Nancy at the clerks office, details on page 9.

Sheviock Memorial Hall

Michael Snowling

Whoopeeee What a year we are all still having, now that the coronavirus is receding(dare I be so bold as to comment thus....?) Hopefully we are to have clear run through to a hot summer. Though I must admit whilst writing this script it is pouring with rain, but at least the garden etc will surely grow "things" including weeds.

The Covid-19 pandemic has been one of the most challenging periods in the 46 year history of the hall. Having the building free from all but essential activity was alien and unwelcome. Now we can hopefully return to past glories and open for 'business' This means you are all welcome to join in with the many activities scheduled for the rest of this year and of course into the future.

The pre-school group has maintained the hall in good running order and with the help of our faithful cleaners we anticipate that you will all benefit from their exertions. Our booking Clerk, Lynn Vickery is already taking bookings for this summer and winter seasons so keep a look out for any activity which will suit your energetic mind and body.

We have continued to carry out all the necessary annual checks and during the pandemic all the required extra checks. This will hopefully ensure that we are able to provide a first class, safe, accessible, well maintained and well-presented village hall. Thus meeting the well-established aims and objectives of our mission statement for future years to come. Financially we are well founded and the Treasurer's recent report provides more detail

of our financial situation and we are appreciative of lan's financial management. We have managed to go into and through lock down without any major concerns of our financial survival.

As stated previously we missed the last two annual AGM 's which are usually held in February but the existing committee will continue until we are assured that there should be no further pandemics in the immediate short term future. Our annual AGM will again fall in the new year. As previously, the existing Management Trustees have agreed to continue in their posts until such time as elections can take place.

PLEASE NOTE If you are planning to hire the village hall then you will be welcome and your support very much appreciated, but please bear with the Management Committee whilst they strive to put all the necessary precautions in place. Our hall, like all other Village halls, is a registered charity, run by volunteers; the management committee may be taking a cautious approach to opening the hall and consequently, to the public again. The Village hall buildings are used by a range of organisations, many supporting vulnerable people, who need to be safe and secure. Where you have specific questions and have a national body for your particular activity or service then please refer to them.

Michael Snowling. Chairman. Sheviock Memorial Hall, Crafthole Trustee Management Committee

Diary Dates:

The Village Hall Management Committee monthly meeting is usually on the first Monday in each month, starting at 7.00pm. The next meetings, covered by this magazine should start in **June 2021** followed by the regular monthly meetings. Please pass on your ideas for the future or contact one of the Management Committee and give them the subject matter.



Our Mission Statement.

We pray that Crafthole Methodist Church may always be God-Centred, providing a place where God's family may worship, reach out in Christian love and service to the community and draw in all people of all ages and abilities, so that they can learn that God loves and values them.

The chapel is open for services. All the chapel has been sanitised regularly and distances have been kept. During lockdown we have been aware of missing the important occasions in the church year. We look forward to seeing you at all or as many as possible Sunday morning services starting at 10.30am.

Coffee Mornings.

Many people have said how much they have missed the regular monthly coffee morning and we are intent on bringing this event back onto your socialising calendar as quickly as possible. The first coffee morning will be on the fourth Saturday of June starting at 10.00am in the

Sheviock Memorial Hall, Crafthole

Keep your eyes and ears open for any further news. Looking forward to seeing

you all at

"The socialising centre of the universe"

Namely the Methodist Chapel Schoolroom In the near future.

We would like to say a big thank you to all our previously loyal supporters who share our coffee mornings with us. Come and join them and start a new cliental base.

Bible Study

Will resume as soon as we can. We meet at 10 Cross Park Crafthole on the first Thursday of each month, subject to the lifting of LOCKDOWN

Tuesday Club meets on the First Tuesday of each month in the Schoolroom. Come and join us at this partly devotional meeting and with interesting discussions as well as entertaining games and quizzes. We also have visiting speakers and will meet as soon as possible.

For more information contact Barbara Snowling 01503 230326

Film Club / Craft Fair

Lynn Vickery

We are very keen to restart the film clubs as soon as it is safe to do so. Originally we thought it might be nice to take advantage of the recent relaxing of rules in respect of entertainment and put on a show in June but, in view of the uncertainties which still persist, we have taken the view that, all things being well, we'd start in the second W.E. of September. We hope to run the showings over two days, limiting the audience to 15 and advanced ticket only. All membership will start at your first film visit and last a year from that date so, as far as I understand, your first show will cost £6 and after that, just £3.

I would welcome some feed back re your interest in this venture, so please do make your feelings known to myself or anyone on the Village Hall committee. If we feel there is sufficient interest then look out for info in August and prepare to book tickets.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Craft Fair.

With the relaxing of restrictions, we hope to reinstate the Craft Fair for Oct. 9th & 10th. It would be run quite differently, taking social distancing and directional flow into account and catering would be restricted this year to tea/coffee and cakes(perhaps) and biscuits. So, please look out for the adverts and if you or someone you know would like to have a table, please get in touch and I'll send out the booking details when they are finalised.

Lynn Vickery - 01503 240048 07528127017

What's on at the Sheviock Memorial Hall

The Recreation/Snooker Club

When possible, we will be opening the Recreation Club. Remember where is the Snooker Room? Try the first room on the left as you enter the main entrance hall. The cost of membership is £16.00 per person per year to join, plus 20p per 20 minutes lighting cost. Members have virtually unlimited usage throughout the day upto 10.30PM when it is expected the hall will be cleared. For details contact **01503 230326**

Short Tennis.

Every Tuesday afternoon and Thursday evenings short tennis takes place in the Village Hall. This is played on the Badminton court and is a very good game for those out for some exercise without too much strain. Come along and try it out and swell the numbers enjoying themselves.

Short Mat Bowls

The Club meets twice a week in the Sports Hall: on a Monday afternoon starting at 2.00 pm and on a Friday evening at 7.00 pm. Come and chance your arm and mental agility. We have plenty of spare bowls of various sizes for you to choose from.

We need <u>new players</u>; people should not be put off by what they see on TV or feeling that they are not capable. Everyone has some ability come and give it a whirl,

Contact Teresa Colrein 01503 230611

Keep Fit or Gentle Exercise

Why not come and join us for some fun and a chance to keep your joints moving.

Thursday afternoon at 2.15pm for an hour. Anyone is welcome to join us and no previous experience is necessary! We laugh a lot and sweat a little SADLY we only managed three sessions before lockdown but we hope to begin as soon as possible when the lockdown is over.

Looking forward to seeing you there. Barbara 01503230326

Badminton Club

Subject to Governmental rulings this will be held on Wednesday evenings at the following times,

5.30 - 6.30 pm 7 years and upwards 6.30 - 8.00 pm Senior School children

There is plenty of room for adults and we would welcome you to join us even if you have not played since school days. Come and give it a try.

Thanks must be given to all the ladies who help with young people. The club could not function without them. Members may use the equipment if they wish to hire the hall during the holidays. Club will reconvene as soon as possible according to the covid rules.

Barbara Snowling

Crafthole Pre-school

Pre-school is open daily from 9.30 term time with vacancies from September for 2, 3 and 4 yr old children. For a welcome garden visit or more info please call **Paula Brooks 07900 553116 or paulasabrooks@aol.com**

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(Donations for Cornwall Air Ambulance welcome)
Lynn Vickery - 01503 240048

Freedom Rev. Iris Bray



Dear Friends, However you imagine the nature of freedom, the call for freedom continues to be heard around the world, for example in Hong Kong and Myamar. The late Nelson Mandela led the mission to free all the people of South Africa from the denial of humanity fostered by apartheid. His quest was later dramatized in the 2013 autobiographical film: 'Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom.'

The measures taken to control the pandemic have been described as the most far-reaching curtailment of freedom during peace time. Although the signs of recovery continue to appear to be positive, in the United Kingdom at least, the nation has yet to return to the kind of freedom enjoyed just 15 months ago. Those heady days when we could enter a bank and not look as if we were going to rob it, hand sanitizer was unknown beyond a hospital or other care setting, and we made purchases with cash rather than wave a contactless plastic card. Such practical freedoms ran alongside freedoms such as enjoying large family gatherings without restrictions on numbers or having to keep our distance from those we do not live with. Freedom may have been taken for granted, but not any longer. So the tangible sense of "school's out" as people make the most of re-gained freedom is hardly surprising.

This has prompted a timely review of the personal use of freedom, particularly the use or misuse - of social media platforms, which are increasingly being used to perpetuate malicious comments with the sole intention of causing pain to others. Isn't it odd that such people strenuously claim the right of freedom of expression for themselves, but deny others this same right? Tolerance is a truly beautiful and creative gift to humanity, but is not honoured by allowing intolerance to spread a poisonous

infection which could be every bit as destructive as the Covid virus itself. As Simon Wiesenthal said "For evil to flourish it only requires good men to do nothing." Even tolerance will draw a line of limitation: the social media boycott by sports professionals in protest against racism in sport is a recent example.

Being free is an important and precious gift. How that freedom is used is equally as important. In the Bible, St Paul wrote in one of his letters "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love" (Galatians 5:13). In other words, freedom is a privilege and responsibility to serve the common good. A more recent publication recalling Mandela's life 'Dare Not Linger: The Presidential Years' Nelson Mandela is quoted: "But I can only rest for a moment, for with freedom comes responsibilities, and I dare not linger, for my long walk is not ended."

Simply as human beings, all are on a life-long *Long Walk to Freedom,* for ourselves, our community, the nation and the world. No-one is truly free, until all are free.

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