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*Wintry sunrise over St Meubred's by Polly Airey*

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# FROM THE EDITOR

Hi everyone and welcome to the February / March issue of the Magazine.

There's lots to read in this issue including a couple of very interesting articles about Trevoddoe Mine. In the next issue we will be finding out about Cardinham Castle which we're very excited about!

There's so much to see and do in Cornwall over the next few months - including our Pop Up Pub which will be a monthly occurrence starting this month! See you there! There's also loads of half term activities going on PLUS you can enter IntoBodmin's competition to win free tickets to their show 'Vinland' on page 6.

Have fun!

Sending best wishes to you all,

*Lizzy, Polly, Simon, Marc, Peter and Julia*

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# ST. MEUBRED'S CHURCH UPDATE

## Services for St Meubred's, Cardinham in February & March

Feb 4th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Feb 12th		No Service in St Meubred's
Feb 19th	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Feb 26th	9.45 am	Team Eucharist at St Hydroc's Church, with Bishop Philip Mounstephen No Service in St Meubred's
March 5th	9.30 am	Holy Communion
March 12th	11 am	Morning Prayer in Cardinham Parish Hall with Millpool Methodist Church
March 19th	9.30 am	Holy Communion
March 26th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
April 2nd	9.30 am	Holy Communion

## EVENTS

**Sunday 26th February** 9.45 am

**Team Service at St Hydroc's Church** with Bishop Philip Mounstephen

**Friday March 3rd**

**Lent Lunch in Cardinham Parish Hall.** All welcome to join us.

**Saturday 11th March** 9.30 – 11.30 am in Cardinham Parish Hall

**Fairtrade breakfast and stall.** Please join us for a delicious breakfast to support this every important charity. Lots of goodies for sale on the stall too.

**Lilies for Easter** We will be arranging lilies in the St Meubred's Church for Easter. If you would like to donate a stem or two in memory of a loved one please get in touch with Libby on 01208 821303 by Monday 28th March please.

## Tea Party & Chat

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# BODMIN TEAM MINISTRY

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*Dear Friends,*

As I write this it seems as if one group of workers after another are going out on strike. The most common demand is for fair pay. It is right that people should be paid fairly and in these straightened times many are finding it hard to make ends meet. We see the consequences of this at the Foodbank where numbers of clients have rocketed.

What seems fair to us here in this country may look very different from the perspective of a producer in other parts of the world who grows our tea and coffee or produces garments. For many years now Janet and I have supported the Fairtrade movement, campaigning for producers around the world to be paid a fair price for the goods we consume. We welcome the fact that Fairtrade products have become more mainstream and people generally are more aware of the issues.

One of the factors which has compounded the unfairness is that many of the areas where such products are grown are facing, through no fault of their own, the impacts of climate change, making it harder to grow cocoa, tea, coffee, bananas etc.

The Bible reminds us we are all part of the one human race and that we should take particular care of those less fortunate than ourselves. At a time when we are all feeling the pinch let us not forget the millions who are far worse off than we are and support them in whatever way we can.

*Every blessing,*

*John Hereward*

**P.S. Why not come along to  
our Fairtrade breakfast on  
Sat 11th March?**





**Hedgehog class** This half term, Hedgehog class have been learning about different animal groups and how to care for living things. This week we have loved **Fred the tortoise** coming to stay as our temporary class pet. She has helped us learn about some of the features of a reptile. Next week we look forward to **welcoming a vet** as our visitor to tell us all about her job and her role in the community. We are very excited that all our new outdoor learning resources have arrived making taking learning outside even easier and super exciting.



**Squirrel class** have made a fantastic start to the term. They have learnt a great deal about **The Great Fire of London** and how it has influenced our lives today. In English, their writing has been based on the story of **Little Red Riding Hood**. We continue to look forward to **Forest Friday** and have enjoyed building dens and creating hotels and theme parks for mini-beasts.



**Fox class** have been working with **electricity** and making circuits using wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers in science. In English, they have focused on the class story '**The Great Kapok tree**'. They created huge pictures of the layers of the rainforest. In Geography, they have been learning about **volcanoes**. They now know where the **ring of fire** is and why it is called that! Finally, in PSHE, we have been recognising and discussing the positive and negative sides to **social media** and what dangers to look out for.



**Deer class's** Spring Term has kicked off to a great start! They have been looking at the **circulatory system** within their science topic. After reading about and researching the structure and function of the **heart**, they were lucky enough to dissect lamb's hearts! They were able to see the arteries and veins that carry blood away from and into the heart, as well as the difference in thickness between the muscular walls of the atrium and ventricles. They also carried out an investigation into how our heart rate changes during exercise.



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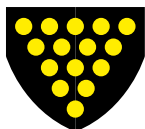


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# Village Greens

## What is Village Greens?

For those who are new to the area I would like to introduce you to Village Greens. Village Greens is a not-for-profit group run entirely by volunteers which has been serving the community for over ten years. Based in Mount, we were originally a one day café/shop, but with Covid we became a box scheme and now continue in this format.



Our objective is to provide a cost effective alternative for those who are concerned about what they eat, where it comes from and how it is packaged. Our food products are either organic or local or fair trade. We can provide meat that is organic and/or local. Our dairy supplier can supply milk in glass bottles and most of the dairy products are Cornish. We have two local vegetable suppliers and some fruit as well. Our groceries all come from Suma, a wholesale co-operative noted for its ethical approach to both the food and the way it is packaged. We also stock cleaning materials from them which are environmentally friendly [important if you are concerned about what goes into your septic tank or the ocean]. To help you reduce single-use plastic many of the products come in 5 litre containers. We also buy food items in bulk and bag them in smaller quantities to help keep prices down.

If you are interested, just email [vialverde@btinternet.com](mailto:vialverde@btinternet.com) and I can send you the current weekly shopping list. If you require anything it is just a case of returning the list with items indicated. Our collection day is Thursday and our volunteers pack all the boxes which are ready for collection between three and four, however if this is a problem, do let me know as there may be ways round this.

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Firstly a big thank you to all the volunteers who help keep everything running at the club – this is how we can keep the tennis court accessible to all who would like to play, whatever their level or age. Speaking of which we have our long awaited fun- and fund-raiser...

## **Quiz Evening - Saturday 25 March**

Malcolm's got the questions ready, so come along to the ever popular quiz night at Cardinham Parish Hall, 7 pm, Saturday 25 March, free pasty with your ticket – check posters or website for latest details – all welcome.

## **'Pay-and-play' or member?**

It's just £7.50 for the court for an hour, or £10 for a two-hour session, day-time only. All welcome, locals and holiday-makers. Or become a member and enjoy free access to the court day and night - just £15 a year for a junior, £55 adult, £90 couple, or £105 family. Full details on website.

## **Cardinham School membership**

Remember – all children attending Cardinham School enjoy FREE ACCESS to the court, not only for activities organised by the school, but also outside of school. Day-time only, must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

***For more info contact Les 821591 or Chris 821409***



## **CARDINHAM HELPLINE**



Our Christmas Community lunch was well-supported and much enjoyed by all. At the AGM in January, Malcolm, our Treasurer, was able to report that due to some generous donations our accounts are in a healthy condition. We are all most grateful for these contributions. The Committee members remain as last year and thanks are due to them and all our cooks, washers up, table layers, tablecloth washer, and of course our drivers. The lifts are a lifeline to those who use them. Without all this support we could not continue.

### **The next Community lunches are on February 16th and March 16th.**

These are open to anyone living in the Parish, just give Julia a ring if you would like to come along (01208 821216) we would love to see you.

Signs of Spring are already showing, something to look forward to.

All good wishes, Rosemary



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## CARDINHAM HELPLINE

*Our Christmas Community lunch*



# CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## **RESPONSIBILITY FOR MANAGING AND MAINTAINING ROADSIDE HEDGES**

If you have a hedge on your property which is next to a public road or right of way then you have a legal obligation to maintain that hedge so that

- users can access the highway and footpaths and
- that their safety is not compromised.

This applies whether you are a landowner/Farmer, business owner or owner of a residential property where a hedge abuts a public highway.

Cornwall Council has produced a leaflet that explains how best to look after and maintain your hedges and how best to fulfil your legal obligations.

The main points to note are listed below.

### **IMPORTANT: AT THIS TIME OF YEAR, HEDGES MUST BE CUT BEFORE THE END OF FEBRUARY.**

- your responsibility relates to any hedge that directly abuts a public highway
- If highway hedge growth has become a problem Cornwall Council can serve notice on the owner / occupier requiring the work to be completed in a specified time period. If it is not done Cornwall Council can have the work done and recover the costs from you
- Contractors working for Cornwall Council must clear surface growth; side growth remains the responsibility of the landowner,
- Hedge trimming should be undertaken annually in winter months.
- Summer trimming should only be done once in June /July on
  1. All roads- where visibility is impeded ie at junctions/passing places/ blind bends
  2. Two Lane roads – to minimum width of 5.5m/ to maintain the free flow of traffic
  3. Single Lane roads – to minimum width of 2.75 m / to maintain the free flow of traffic.
  4. Where there is a verge, trim to maintain visibility
  5. A margin of 1.5m should be maintained for pedestrian use where necessary.
- Height – if trees canopy over the highway they must be cut to a suitable height for usage over the highway. This varies from 2.1m over footpaths to 2.5m over bridleways and to 5.2m over roads. It is best done during December to February.

*Advice can be obtained from Cornwall Council -  
Environment Planning and Economy.*



# News from Millpool Methodist Church

December was a busy and enjoyable month starting with the **Kidz Club Nativity** play written by Anne-Marie. Our Chairman of the District, Loraine Mellor, led the service on the 18th December, and later that day the **Chorale** gave a concert in aid of *ShelterBox Ukraine*.

Mo's lovely **Candlelit Service** on Christmas Eve was followed by singing in front of the village Christmas tree and then it was back to the Community Room for some refreshments.

We ended the month with a social for young and old and it was lovely seeing and hearing ten lively children enjoying themselves.

**A total of £322 has been sent to ShelterBox.** Thank you to all who donated towards this appeal. Thanks also for the donations in lieu of Christmas cards which raised **£80 for Action For Children.**

We welcomed our friends from the Parish Church to a **United Service** on the 8th January, led by Mo, and look forward to joining with them again during the coming year.

**Our Church Council Meeting is to be held on Tuesday 14th March at 7.30 pm.**

As well as our usual activities we are planning the following events:

**Saturday February 11th 2.30pm:**

**Parlour Games Afternoon**

**Tuesday March 28th 10.30am - 12.00:**

**Coffee Morning in aid of the  
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## THE BIG DO - 29TH JULY 2023

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO HELP WITH THE ORGANISING**

Please call Alex on 07879080407 to offer your help.

A meeting will be organised at the start of February to get the ball rolling.

## WARLEGGAN HISTORY GROUP

**WEDNESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY - 7.30 pm**

**"The History of Coinage" - Bryan Short**

One of the great inventions of the Ancient Greeks, coins have been in use for over 2,500 years and adopted in every part of the world.

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## Cardinham Woods, Forestry England

### Forestry operations at Cardinham Woods

Updated 23rd January 2023

Cardinham Woods is a working woodland producing sustainable timber. We have recently finished tree felling in some of the main visitor areas.

Stacked timber is still being collected from the forest. Please look out for moving vehicles and follow any instructions from the driver. Do not climb on stacked timber. A log can weigh up to a tonne and rolling logs can kill. Stacks are carefully made and may look stable but, if a log comes loose, others are likely to follow.

### What is happening?

We have thinned the trees in the area above the forest entrance road. Thinning means removing selected trees to reduce competition for resources, such as light. This gives the remaining trees more space to grow to their potential and lets more light onto the forest floor. This in turn improves the habitat for ground flora and the wildlife it supports.

Cardinham Woods is classified as a Plantation on Ancient Woodland Site (PAWS) which means that we are managing it back to the way it would have been several hundred years ago. This process will take many years. Because Cardinham Woods is a PAWS, we won't replant conifer trees in this area. We will manage the site to help native broadleaf species such as oak and birch to regenerate naturally.

### Can I still visit Cardinham Woods?

The most important thing for Forestry England is to keep the public, our staff, and contractors safe. Cardinham Woods is open to visit. Please note that the play area is closed until February half term and the final section of Bodmin Beast cycle trail will remain closed until we have carried out reinstatement work.

### What about the wildlife?

Well managed forests support more wildlife, and harvesting trees is an important part of a sustainable forest lifecycle. Before we start any forestry work, we carry out thorough ecological surveys to check for species such as birds, mammals, rodents, invertebrates, flora, and fungi. For example, Cardinham Woods is home to dormice, bats, many species of birds, and several rare spiders.

We consider these findings against complex factors including tree health, how the ground slopes, soil condition, and likely rainfall when planning work that will support our long-term management plan. While working, we continue to check for wildlife and will adapt, pause or suspend work if we find any animal that must be protected.

<https://www.forestryengland.uk/article/forestry-operations-cardinham-woods>

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# Moor Diaries

## 29th December

With the unseasonably cold spells of weather, wildlife does need a helping hand. Hedgehogs, dormice and bats are the only British mammals that hibernate during cold weather, the others have to struggle through. Feeding the birds is obviously helpful but with the current risk of avian flu, please read up on this subject before feeding garden birds as birds congregating together are at risk. At present the flu has not been seen in garden birds, but, if you decide to feed them, keep vigilant and do keep cleaning feeders so that they do not spread disease.

## 5th January

Well have you sussed out all the presents yet? How are you with technology? It seems to be impossible to avoid it these days. And of course with Christmas there is often a new technical challenge. A new watch is one. Watches no longer tell the time, tiny though they are, they come with a myriad of other functions which you have to negotiate without the benefit of a manual. You can't even download one of those now, not until you have scanned a QR code – that is if your phone will do that [now phones – that is another challenge!]. If you can scan the code and you are lucky you get yet another app for your phone, which may allow your new watch to talk to it. You will then know when your emails arrive, what your heart rate is, how far you have walked and if you haven't walked enough it will squeak at you and tell you to get moving!



## 12th January

Now I must admit that I am full of contradictions. On the one hand I complain about the all the complicated technology we have to live with, but on the other I get a lot of pleasure from some gadgets. My favourite gadgets must be my trail cameras of which I now have over a dozen. I put them everywhere. I have them by the bird table and bird pond to see what visitors there are as I can't sit and watch all the time. I put them on trees and fences to see what is about in the night. I put them on the ground to see what mice, voles and shrews are in the vicinity and of course I put them on branches to try to find dormice. And if I want to get really techie I have some



around the house and garden and can access them from a thousand miles away to see who is at the door and who is in the garden! If you do record mammals and birds on your trail cameras there are a couple of web sites on which you can record them, to add to national data on what is where, just mail me for links. Now excuse me, I have a few memory cards to look at to see who was around last night!



## 19th January

Now, I think we all have our own secret vices, and along with many other people my weakness is chocolate. I go for the darker chocolate with little or no sugar in it and then I can say I am taking it for medical reasons. Apart from being a source of antioxidants and probably lowering blood pressure it can improve brain function – now that is something I could do with! 100g of buttons is just right for the week, I hide them in the larder and ration myself to ten a day, and when no one else is looking I sneak in for a few.

**Lynda S**

# Cardinham & District Gardening Club

Its hard to believe we are already at the beginning of the New Year and as gardeners always looking forward, full of hope and expectation. I have a selection of seed, plant and shrub catalogues, that as ever are seducing me with their glorious photos and even more enticing prose. Just as with the Gardening Club, well maybe not the purple prose and pictures, but certainly our programme for 2023 has promise of good things to look forward to.

We ended 2022 with an impromptu **Quiz and social evening** generously hosted by Richard Sutton, helped along with mulled wine and mince pies! Our **AGM** on 9th January was fairly swiftly concluded, as we looked back on the year and towards 2023. There were no elections due this year, although we are very sorry that Gill Bate has resigned from the committee after nearly fifteen



years of hard work and loyal commitment, but understand her reasons for doing so. We all need a bit of time for ourselves and for gardening! The rest of the evening was spent enjoying George Kestell's talk on his favourite plants for winter, which he illustrated with live material and plenty of anecdotes, he is such an entertaining and knowledgeable speaker, we always enjoy his lectures.

The year ahead will see us out and about visiting gardens that are not normally open to the general public including: **Rose Morran at St Columb, Doff Green's garden at St Kew, Crugsillick Manor at Ruan High Lanes** and the **wildflower meadows at Cardinham Airfield**. The topics for talks include: **Beekeeping, House Plant Care** and **Tremenheere Sculpture Gardens**. Not forgetting the **Annual Flower and Vegetable Show** on September 2nd. Hopefully something of interest for everyone.

Subs are due now, £7.50 for the year, but there is still time to join, the next meeting is on February 13th at 7.30pm, in the Parish Hall when David Harris will tell us about his life in beekeeping. I know this will be a very interesting and entertaining talk, do join us if you can.

Enjoy looking ahead and planning your gardening year. For more details about the club go to: <https://cardinhamgardenclub.wordpress.com/>

I hope to see you at one of our events soon. Libby

*Photo from our Quiz Night, thanks Lizzy*

# WARLEGGAN MINE & MINERS

Although not of the size or productivity of the mines in West Cornwall or in the Minions area the production of minerals has been an important aspect of life in Warleggan Parish for many centuries.

The main mining activity was centred on Treveddoe Mine (also known as Wheal Whisper) set about quarter mile upstream from Woodah Bridge. As early as 1718 it was recorded that *"The work is on a Hill very steep, 200 paces perpendicular to the bottom where runs a pretty large River. I went underground 150 paces, or farther, it having been very much wrought in old time. Fissures and Veins are crossed one over the other in the bottom and run every way."*

The mine was worked fairly intensively from 1823 to 1911. During this period the tin ground was followed down by means of two shafts sunk in the floor of the opencast pit. One of these reached a depth of 60 fathoms (360 feet). However, the recovery rate was generally quite poor with only 2 to 100 lbs of tin or copper being recovered for every ton of ground worked. The working of these low-grade deposits was only economically possible as water power was used for driving the machinery with a 24' diameter wheel driving the 16-head Cornish stamp battery and tables.

*The photograph from about 1910 shows some of the men sitting on a platform over the top of the shaft.*

We have records of the output from Treveddoe between 1860 and 1913 with the production of tin ore varying from 8 tons in 1868 with a value of £375 to 67 tons in 1907 with a value of £5,900. The records for copper ore production are not so complete but indicate that a very productive seam was hit in 1903 when 1081 tons was



produced with a value of £3,150 followed in 1906 with only 17 tons worth £141. In the early 1900's around 30 men were working underground and 25 on the surface.

Treveddoe Mine was re-opened during the Second World War when the main activity appears to have been the re-working of the old dumps with the waterwheel and stamps. In the north of the parish on the moors above Carburrow there was Hardhead Mine which appears to have only worked during the years 1911 to 1913. But it was on a very small scale producing at the most 4 tons of tin ore in 1912 with a value of £460. It employed 4 men underground and 5 on the surface.

Down in the Forestry Commission woodlands set just above the Warleggan River was the short-lived Carnvivan Mine. The only remaining evidence of this working is the fenced off shaft midst the dense coniferous woodland. The production records are incomplete but first appear in 1856 showing the production of 7 tons of lead ore and 210 ounces of silver with in 1862 11 tons of lead and 138 ounces of silver. Not enough to bring about a rush of miners.

*From Mount & Warleggan Life magazine, January 2023*

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## WHAT'S ON - FEBRUARY & MARCH

### **CORNISH MYTHOLOGY TALK at Wheal Martyn** 5th Feb 11am - 3pm

In the past, Droll tellers used to visit towns in Cornwall sharing news, gossip and folktales. To celebrate national storytelling week, Wheal Martyn is hosting a droll day of Cornish stories. <https://www.wheal-martyn.com/Event/cornish-mythology>

### **PEATBOG FAERIES at Carnglaze Caverns** 21st March

'Nothing prepares you for the high octane music of the Peatbog Faeries. Powerful melodies are dextrously pumped out with a smart degree of techno attitude, while cross-rhythms ricochet over a heavy bass that hits you forcefully like a massive heart beat.' <https://carnglaze.digitickets.co.uk/event-tickets/45521?catID=33281>

### **ROCKETMAN LIVE at The Keay Theatre, St Austell** 10th February

Rocketman Live pays tribute to a true pop icon. Master musician Lee Quinney brings the music of Sir Elton John to life – a true concert experience of some of the greatest rock & roll music ever created. <https://www.cornwall.ac.uk/thekeay>

### **LOVING NATURE ACTIVITIES at Wheal Martyn** 13 - 17 February

Do you love nature? This half term, join us in celebrating nature with making, creating, painting and clay play. You could make your favourite animal out of clay, paint a model or decorate a bug house. <https://www.wheal-martyn.com/>

### **SCIENCE OF THE SEA at National Maritime Museum** 11 - 19 Feb

Family fun with a BANG! Bristol Explorer Dome are back with more science shows, we're on the hunt for creatures that use bubbles to survive on the Museum Trail and in Make & Take we're using science to create colourful artworks. <https://nmmc.co.uk/2022/11/science-of-the-sea-2023/>

### **FIREMAN SAM LIVE! at Hall for Cornwall, Truro** 25 February

Join Sam, Penny, Elvis, Station Officer Steele and Norman in an all-singing, dancing, action-packed show. You can become a fire-fighter cadet and then watch the magic of the circus. <https://hallforcornwall.co.uk>

### **JULIAN GASKELL & HIS RAGGED TROUSERED PHILANTHROPISTS at Warleggan Jubilee Hall, Bodmin** 3 March

An acoustic trio led by the wildly charismatic narrator and singer Julian Gaskell on piano, accordion, guitar and drums, with Thomas Sharpe on banjo, bass and bouzouki and Cally Gibson on violin and viola, the showmanship and virtuosity of this group is second to none. 01208 821 551

### **ST PIRAN'S DAY at Mount Folly, Bodmin** 6 March @ 11:00 am

crowds will line the streets to watch the parade of children and dignitaries, led by fiddle, pipe and drum, as they march through the town, responding to the children's cry: "Oggy Oggy Oggy". <https://cornwall365.com/events/st-pirans-day-2/>

### **FOWEY FOOD WEEK 2023 in Fowey, various locations** 4 - 11 March

A week-long event when you can "Eat your way around the world without leaving Fowey". <https://foweychamber.biz>

## **EDDIE COX, CYRIL KEAST, AND A BLASTING ACCIDENT AT TREVEDDOE MINE, SIXTY YEARS AGO** [Ed- now 77 years ago!]

On a recent trip to Cornwall I had a wonderful opportunity to meet Cyril Keast and his wife Barbara who live at Warleggan. As a keen family historian I had been eager to meet them since my mother had told me about her father's accident at Treveddoo mine.

My mother is Olive Yelland, but older members of the community may have known her as Olive Fox, from Lang's Mill in Cardinham. My grandfather, Eddie Cox, worked with Cyril at Treveddoo mine during the late thirties/early forties.

After viewing some photographs of the mine taken in 1944, I spent a few hours with Cyril, John and Gill Keast, walking around Treveddoo mine. The arsenic stack, old crib house, blacksmith's shop, and (clothes) drying house are well preserved in the field approaching the mine workings, and it was possible to pick out the detail of the water wheel pits, adits and levels within the now heavily wooded and dangerous mine workings.

Eddie, whom Cyril described as placid and easy to get on with, was a blaster at the mine. His job was to hand drill holes into the rock, eight at a time, and set explosive charges in them to break up the ore before further crushing.

Cyril recalled how during a late-shift at the mine, word got out that there had been an accident. My grandfather had been seriously injured in a blasting accident, where he sustained near fatal abdominal injuries. The actual circumstances are unclear, but it seems that Eddie had possibly miscounted the eight charges that he had set, or was the victim of one charge which had not gone off until his return. Having been blown up, and knowing he was not able to be reached at that part of the mine, he managed to scramble back to a more accessible part of the mine holding his abdomen. From there, Cyril describes, "*Eddie was strapped to an old door and lowered down the vertical mine face*". There was no air ambulances or emergency services in those days, and Eddie was initially seen by a Sister Champion, the district nurse, who was accompanied by Cyril. Cyril recalled, it was getting darker, and the nurse had been summoned to go to the mine, but Cyril thought she ought not to go on her own, so they made their way from Mount, where Cyril was living at the time, by lantern light up to the mine. Cyril remembered in vivid detail seeing Eddie's injuries (the squeamish look away now!), in Cyril's words:

*"... well dear, his innards, I've seen 'em, yes, he was opened up 'ere, and all that was mud all over. Well 'ow could 'em clean thar and put it back in 'im? I came back up and said to her (Barbara) "well that's the end of Eddie".*

Cyril, traumatized by the event, could not sleep that night for thinking about Eddie's injuries. My mother recalls the blue bib and braces Eddie was wearing on the day being returned to her mother Lillian Cox sometime afterwards, "*there wasn't a square inch you could cut from them*".

But despite his injuries Eddie survived, and my mother remembers as a small child of only five or six years, being lifted onto Eddie's bed at Bodmin Hospital during his recovery, which took another year. During this time, Barbara thinks that the Cox family survived on 'Parish pay'. There was no social security, injury benefit or accident compensation.

Life post-Treveddoo had to go on. Eddie had a large family to support. With the main wage earner out of action for a year, you can imagine how hard it might have been for the family to make ends meet.

For years after the event, Eddie suffered the recurrent effects of stone chips blasted into his body during the explosion, gradually working their way to the outside. On one occasion some years later he again ended up this time in Treliske hospital where a buried stone chip severed a major blood vessel in his leg.



Eddie went to work as a forester at Cardinham woods during the years after Treveddoo mine. My memories of him were that of a gentle, hard working man who had had a hard life. I remember him tending his bees in the field next to Lang's Mill, playing cards with him, always the offer of a 'cup tea', and a roll-up delicately balanced on his lip. With Lilian his wife, he brought up his ten children, and in later years they moved to High Bore Street in Bodmin. Eddie lived to the age of 71, and is buried with Lilian at Cardinham Cemetery.

As a footnote, whilst back home for tea and cakes, Barbara was prompted by Cyril to recall an alternative use for the old crib house at Treveddoo mine. I think I remember that she said something about 'courting' when it was raining. One evening before she was married she remembered being caught by 'old Mrs Worden' in the crib house with Cyril and another couple. Mrs Worden peered into the crib house and said in that wonderful Cornish way.... "was on!"

If any of the older members on the Warleggan and surrounding community have any recollections of Eddie or his family I would be delighted to hear from them.

**Andy Yelland.** [article written March 2006]

*[Ed. We would also be delighted to hear your recollections from our community, and if you have any old photos please do get in touch!]*

## **A GREAT LOCAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY** **AT BODMIN AIRFIELD**

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April & Nick Blanchard have been in touch to ask everyone **to remember to close gates** when using footpaths around our community. Livestock are in the fields and could easily escape. Please leave as you find and ensure you close gates behind you. Luckily on this occasion no livestock were lost.

The five points of the Countryside Code are:

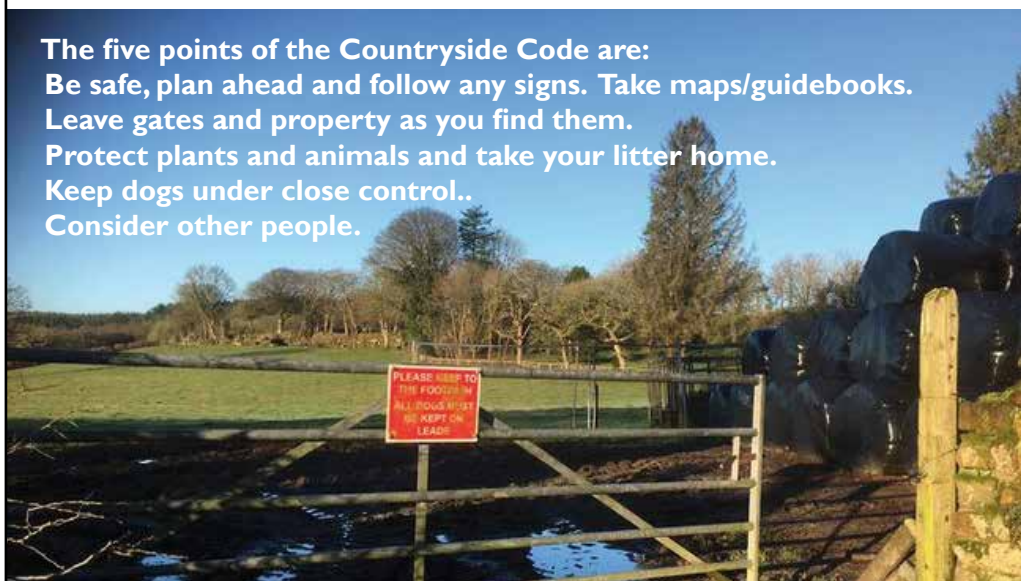
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Leave gates and property as you find them.

Protect plants and animals and take your litter home.

Keep dogs under close control..

Consider other people.



# CARDYNHAM CHURCH

## **Back to the past?**

You stand in the porch of St Meubred's church, you open the heavy wooden door. How long has it guarded the entrance to the church? I once read a novel in which the hero travelled in time a 100 years in each chapter, same place, same person, completely different time. How would it be if St Meubred's door was a time portal. That as you went through it, you time-travelled back a 100 years?

**1923**, almost within living memory. Surely the church wouldn't be very different? As you go through the door you pull aside a heavy curtain, Inside, same pews, same font to your left, but at the eastern end the church is very different. A different east window (later blown out by a German bomb). Two boards hang on either side of the window with the Ten commandments, A curtain, called a dorsal curtain hangs behind the altar and there are banners hanging on the walls. There are two rows of choir seats. You can see this view in an old postcard. Go outside and through the time portal again.

**1823**, Look to your left, the tower arch is blocked by a singing gallery. Until around 1850, the only hymns sung in the church of England were metrical settings of the psalms like *"All people that on earth do dwell."* These were led by a choir singing in parts and were accompanied by instruments like the violin, cello, clarinet, flute and bassoon. Up at the east end the chancel is wainscoting with oak panelling, The arches on the right hand side - medieval priests seats - are hidden behind this panelling. The pews are a bit different though the medieval bench ends are still there. These pews were rented out, rich people put in their own seats with gates. In the south aisle is the family chapel for the Glynnns with their enclosed seats. Unfortunately their house at Glynn burnt down in 1819 and Sir Richard Hussey Vivian purchased the house from the Glynn family. He sits there now. Pew rent was an important source of income but obviously not enough. The church is a bit run down, neglected, unloved, the roof is leaking. No postcard to help here but Lake's parochial history of Cornwall in Bodmin Library, originally published 1867-73, describes Cardynham church. Go outside for one last time and through the time portal again.

**1723**, The church doesn't actually look much different from the last time, just in a better state of repair. This is because in the previous two hundred years it has gone through enormous change. The font is still there, as it has already been for 600 years. The windows are plain glass, the medieval stained glass ones were smashed by Parliamentary soldiers in the 1650's. The splendid memorial naming 3 generations of the Glynn family: William Glynn, born 1599 at the very end of the Elizabethan era, died 1664 just after Charles II returned from exile. Nicholas Glynn his son, who died in 1697 was only installed in the south aisle in 1699 by Dennys Glynn, William's grandson.

Did you enjoy time-travelling back to the past? The building is only there because of the care and support of generation after generation. What will our descendants make of our care for the oldest building in Cardynham?

# Cornwall Councillor Jenny Cruse



To start the year we have some good news - the reservoirs have filled steadily over November and December and I understand we will all receive a £30 rebate on our water bill.

Bodmin is the first town in Cornwall to receive approval for a **Shared Prosperity Fund** bid. **IntoBodmin** has been awarded £180,000 to enable restoration work and create further training opportunities for young people. The **Nanstallon Chapel Trust** has made their application over the holidays and I hope very much this will be successful.

**Bodmin Hospital** now has a fully functioning Community diagnostic hub, this unit will work alongside the Urgent Treatment Centre which will be opening its first phase in the spring. This is great news as it means residents will not have to travel to Treliske or elsewhere for MRI, ultrasound or CT scans. It will relieve pressure on the A and E departments which are always so very busy. I know there is a great deal of work going on to improve the Ambulance delays looking at how we provide care and how we can enable patients to receive some treatment safely at home. The loss of some care homes (and some being deemed unfit for purpose) has made the provision of new purpose-built homes a priority for Cornwall. There are exciting plans for **extra care housing** coming through and we know that we will experience a big surge in need in the coming years. The latest Census showed there is an upward trend of over 70s retiring to Cornwall which puts even more pressure on our resources. I am always concerned about ambulance delays and support all the placement of new defibrillators in my ward. I also encourage everyone to familiarise themselves with where they are and to arrange a 'buddy' system whereby you have a neighbour who will be able to help respond should there be an emergency.

I have been pleased to have confirmation of further Government support for business through the **Energy Bills Discount Scheme** which is extended to March 2024 and further household support. Additionally, extra funding has come through to our schools to deliver help to students who lost teaching time due to the pandemic. This is aimed at securing qualifications particularly in mathematics and other core subjects. This funding will enable our youngsters in North Cornwall continued access to qualifications they need for their future.

At Full Council this Tuesday a motion was passed to place a **100% levy on second homes**. There is also a letter going to Government to extend this in total to 300%. This does not include second homes that are used as holiday lets or for other letting purposes. I have also visited the two Bodmin water treatment works to learn more about how the closure of some spreading facilities have affected them and what plans they have for the future to ensure our sewage is treated to required standards.

Please feel free to contact me for advice or help regarding Council matters. I will always do my best to help.

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# REGULAR EVENTS

DATE	WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Monday	7.30pm	Warleggan Young Farmers' Club	JHM
Monday	7.15pm	Millpool Chorale Practice	CRM
Tuesday	11.45-12.45pm	Pilates Mixed Ability Class	JHM
Tuesday	7pm	Table Tennis (821409)	JHM
Tue (1st in month)	2.30pm	Book Club (821208)	CRM
Tue (except 3rd)	7.30pm	Bell Ringing	St. Meubred's
Tue (3rd in month)	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	CPH
Tue (last in month)	10.30am	Millpool Coffee Morning & Book Swap	CRM
Wed (2nd in month)	2.30-4.30pm	Crafternoon	CRM
Wed (4th in month)	7.30pm	Warleggan History Group	JHM
Thur (1st in month)	2.30-4pm	Tea Party & Chat	CPH
Thur (3rd in month)	12.45pm	Helpline Lunch	CPH
Sun (1st in month)	10.45am-12	KIDZ CLUB	CRM
Sun (2nd in month)	4pm	Café Church	CPH
Sunday	10.30am	Table Tennis (821409)	JHM

**The Farmers Saturday Market is on the last Saturday in the month at Mount Folly in Bodmin. It would be great to support.**

CRM = THE COMMUNITY ROOM, MILLPOOL METHODIST CHURCH

CPH = CARDINHAM PARISH HALL,

JHM = JUBILEE HALL MOUNT

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