

ST MEWAN PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2019 EDITION

WELCOME to the second St Mewan Parish Council newsletter, we want everybody to be aware of the activities of their Parish Council and also to assist local community groups to get their messages out.

The Parish encompasses the villages of Trewoon, Polgooth and Trelowth, Sticker and Hewaswater including all of the areas in between, there are lots of details of our meetings and other activities and initiatives on our website which can be found at www.stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk

Planning and new development continues to attract a lot of attention across the Parish and our planning committee remains very busy, thanks to the members of that committee and with our Neighbourhood Development Plan we have been able to represent strongly the majority views of local communities across the Parish. More details enclosed.

We have now invested in flashing speed awareness signs for the Parish, they are portable and are currently sighted in Trewoon and Sticker, we are awaiting approval from Highways for other sites across the Parish. We have had good feedback from local residents near the current units who have seen a change in driver behaviour and the data we record from the signs shows over time the average speed is reducing.

The Community Speed Watch team continue to be out at the roadside every week and since the last newsletter in June have caught almost 400 vehicles exceeding the limits at various sites across the network. All of the drivers will have received a letter from Devon and Cornwall Police, please see the Speedwatch section for a more detailed update.

We have also taken responsibility of verge cutting from Cornwall Council who now pay us a small allowance to maintain the verges, this enables a local approach and we are also considering planting wildflowers areas on some verges in the Parish.

New recycling bins have been installed in the main playing fields in Trewoon, Polgooth and Sticker activity park, they are gradually being used for the correct purpose which is of course recycling and they are definitely not meant for rubbish, nappies etc ! Thanks to the volunteers who help us emptying them at Sticker Activity Park.

We are receiving increasing reports of dog mess in the playing fields, this is not only a very anti-social issue, but it does create a serious health hazard for everyone and in particular children. Dog fouling stickers have been circulated around the Parish, please all residents and visiting dog owners "Pick Up" and dispose of it appropriately. Dog fouling should be reported to Cornwall Council and now can attract fines of up to £1000.

There are 59 footpaths including bridleways in the Parish please see the update enclosed from Councillor Holman.



REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

at St Mewan Church on Sunday 10th November at 10am, ending at the war memorial for 11am.

Recycled plastic picnic benches have been installed in the playing fields and are designed to be all fully inclusive for wheelchair use. The older play equipment has had a coat of paint.

Sticker WI have kindly planted 100 Daffodil bulbs outside Sticker Activity Park to commemorate the Centenary of the WI and we can't wait for the Spring to arrive, special thanks to Cllr Madge Mitchell and Cllr Mrs Jenny Padley (and their husbands !!).

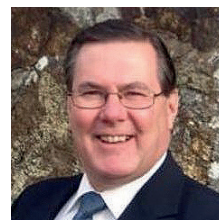
As a local Government body and being responsible for spending your precept we have tight controls on our processes and policies. We are now going one stage further and are applying for the "Local Council Award Scheme" which is an accreditation scheme that ensures local councils can demonstrate that they achieve good practice on governance, community engagement and council improvement. I hope to be able to report a successful application in the next edition of the Newsletter!

Many parishioners, especially those from Trewoon will remember Larry Budge, clerk to St Mewan Parish for decades and a true servant of the local community, who passed away at the end of last year. We have had a suggestion to place a memorial bench somewhere local, Larrys family have agreed that this would be a lovely tribute, the bench has been purchased and we are currently finalising the best location.

Community life depends on lots of people supporting local groups and initiatives. Special thanks to all those people who have helped out this year in the parish. We announced in the first edition that we would be making some awards to volunteers who have made a real difference, we look forward to these announcement at the Annual Parish Assembly in the Spring.

We currently have a Councillor vacancy in the Trewoon ward so if you want to get involved representing your local community please contact Wendy Yelland the Clerk to the Council.

Given the timing of this edition of the Newsletter I would like to take the opportunity, if a little early, to wish everybody in the Parish a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and we look forward to bringing you more news from your Parish Council in 2020.



Chairman -Councillor John Kneller



1ST STICKER SCOUT GROUP

Beavers 6-8 years meet on a Wednesday evening 6-7pm contact Lauren Maughan on 07800974663, or Chris Sargeant on 07815588059 for further information

Cubs 8-10 1/2 years meet on a Tuesday evening 6.30-8pm contact Nick Maughan on 07754165017 for further information

Scouts 10 1/2 - 14 years meet on a Friday evening 6.30-9pm contact John Sargeant on 01726-64519.

If you would like to volunteer as helpers, assistant leaders or leaders please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Group Scout Leader who will answer any questions you may have. Group Scout Leader details are John Sargeant on 01726-64519.

We look forward to seeing you.

STICKER MEMORY CAFE...UPDATE

A big thank you to the St Mewan Parish Council for awarding the Café a grant of £100. Research suggests that people with memory loss benefit from music and singing and so the money will be spent on buying in 2 such entertainers who will encourage our guests to join in.

Sticker Memory Café will open on TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER in ST MARKS CHURCH HALL STICKER from 2 to 4 pm and every 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month. It will be a safe, friendly place where folk with memory loss and their carers can come together, make friends and get support. Activities will include singing, gentle exercise, word games to jog memories and refreshments. There will be no charge and parking in the village car park is free.

Please spread the word particularly to anyone you think might find it useful. For further information: Phone Catherine on 07717 333713 E mail Jean at jean.oswald@btopenworld.com

Organised by St Austell Sorooptimists, St Austell Lions Club and Sticker Residents. Funded to date by CRCC and St Mewan Parish Council

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toolbar 'Council' then dropdown to 'Newsletter'

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Post Office, Sticker and Polgooth Stores.

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for St Mewan Ward**

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A huge thank you to St Mewan Parish sponsors who continue to support the Parish Council in ways which have saved money to benefit the local taxpayer.

Here is a list of sponsors which can also be found at www.stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk with a link taking you directly to their website.

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VACANCY

A vacancy currently exists for a St Mewan Parish Councillor in the Trewoon Ward. The Parish Council is required, by law, to fill this vacancy by co-option.

If you are interested in becoming a Councillor and want to make a difference in your community, please come along to a meeting and see what topics are discussed.

please email: clerk@stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk or telephone: 07464 350837

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Published on the Parish
Council Notice Boards or
can be downloaded at www.stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk



STICKER VILLAGE BUS STOP

Sticker Village Bus Stop – Thank you to volunteers Chris Best for installing the new bench seat and Alan Moore for the re-staining. Looking smart!

Looking forward to seeing the bus stop fairies working their magic for Christmas.

STICKER WI

Councillor Madge Mitchell and Councillor Jenny Padley



To celebrate Cornwall Federation of Women's Institute's 100 years, Sticker WI decided to donate 100 daffodil bulbs to the village.

In conjunction with the Parish Council it was decided to plant the bulbs at the entrance of the Sticker Activity Park on St Stephen's Road. WI members (plus a couple of partners) cleared the area of brambles and gorse in preparation for planting in the Autumn. Hopefully, we will all enjoy the results in the Spring.

There have been many events organised by the county to celebrate the Centenary Year.

On 28th September a Centenary Service was held in Truro Cathedral. Members of Sticker WI took part, along with WI's throughout the County, accompanied by their banners.

In October a celebration lunch was held in Carlyon Bay Hotel, once again attended by members of Sticker WI. We need no excuse for a good lunch!

Sticker ladies hosted a coffee morning on Thursday 26th September, in aid of the Macmillan Nursing charity. Lots of cakes and goodies were consumed and £340 was raised. Many thanks for all the support.

On Thursday 21st November we will be holding our annual Christmas Bingo evening. Many exiting Christmassy prizes will be on offer. Doors open at 7pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Good fun and much laughter is the order of the evening.

Our regular monthly meetings are held on the first Friday of the month in St Mark's Church Hall at 7.15pm. Activities include speakers, demonstrations and crafts. We are a friendly bunch and all potential new members are welcome. Just come along for a taster evening to see if you like what we do. Contrary to popular myth, it is not compulsory to bake cakes and make jam, although it would be great if you do, of course. We welcome any skills you have, or none whatsoever!

Madge Mitchell, President, Sticker WI



SPEEDING AND TRAFFIC ISSUES

Councillor Bill Harrison reporting on Community Speedwatch

Hopefully many people in the Parish have seen the Community Speed Watch team in action monitoring traffic in Trewoon each week. At the moment the team comprises three St Mewan parish councillors, one St Austell town councillor and two "civilians".

Each week one of the co-ordinators checks to see which day is best for the team to go out. Then, using the new Community Speed Watch computer system, a session is booked.

It is important to mention that the reason that we go out to monitor traffic through our towns and villages is to get the message across that speeding kills and injures many people each year. We want to de-normalise speeding in the same way that drink driving was eventually de-normalised. It is not alright to drive your vehicle at excessive speeds in built up areas.

We are not doing this because we want to be policemen! We cannot give out points on driving licenses and we cannot impose fines. What we can do though is record

people travelling at a speed of 35 mph or more and pass it to Devon and Cornwall Police via the computer system. We hope that eventually the message will get through, and that is why we go out each week.

Currently we are having some more sites authorised for us which will mean that we will be able to get out and about across a wider area in the St Austell neighbourhood. In the year that we have been operating we have recorded about 1700 speeding vehicles. Remember this is only those doing 35mph and above. Just about every car that passes us is travelling above 30 mph.

We know that the general public regard vehicles speeding through our towns, villages and parishes as the number one issue concerning our safety on the roads. There are reports now almost daily of accidents on our major roads as well. We are therefore doing all that we can to try and get the message out there to drivers, to slow down.

Eventually the Community Speed Watch teams will all be joined in a national scheme and together we can all help to cut road deaths.

PLEASE HELP TO KEEP YOUR PARISH TIDY!



Volunteers – to those of you who have expressed an interest to help!



To help combat this problem of dog fouling on footpaths and pavements the Parish Council can supply volunteers with these Stickers who are willing to erect near to of any roads/areas they know are suffering from persistent dog fouling. This will highlight the issue so requests can be made to Cornwall Council for the area to be cleaned. They are available in Trewoon Post Office, Polgooth Post Office and Sticker Post Office.

In addition, two playing fields, Lower Sticker Playing Field, Trewoon Recreational Land and Polgooth Playing Fields which are suffering the most. Please respect the signs 'No Dogs'.

St Stephens Rd, Sticker has a designated area of open space which is called the 'Dog Field' and whilst you are permitted to exercise your dogs there, we respectfully ask dog owners must still take responsibility and pick up the poo please. The space is still open for recreational use to all ages. The Parish Council has provided an extra bin but comes with an additional weekly collection cost. Hopefully this will alleviate the problem!

Dog fouling in crop fields



dogs to run around trampling down crops and fouling you are damaging the crops which ends up in the food chain.

Irresponsible dog owners are still allowing their dogs to foul in crop fields such as the Lucerne field off St Mewan Lane. There is no PROW in this field. By allowing

Farmers work very hard to protect the environment and feed the nation. Please adhere to the NFU signs erected, the gates are shut for a very good reason to stop trespassing and penalties can be severe. To those who have asked the respective farmers for permission to walk their dogs, 'thank you'.

As a community we all need to take responsibility to stop the actions of irresponsible dog owners' dogs fouling the Parish. Cornwall Council has a link on its website to report dog fouling. Please keep the Countryside Code. **Thank you.**

Councillor Richard Wallis asks you, could St Mewan Parish roadsides be blooming?



A long-running campaign encouraging councils to let neatly mown grass verges become mini meadows where wildflowers and wildlife can flourish appears to be building up a head of steam. (From BBC News)

Headlines like this have been commonplace in recent months about the benefits of wildflower verges not only to wildflowers and wildlife, but also to our general feeling of wellbeing as we walk or drive past. Cornwall Council have this year declared a "Climate Emergency" which includes plans to be supportive of wildflower planting initiatives.

St Mewan Parish Council are looking into the feasibility of wildflower planting in verges, our designated open spaces, playing fields, village centres. Maybe later we could also consider some small woodland areas or edible hedge plantings.



This article will be put on our St Mewan Parish Council website www.stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk and St Mewan Parish Council Facebook page so you can comment or email clerk@stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk

Please let us know what you think so we can start planning

PLEASE HELP TO KEEP YOUR PARISH TIDY!



At the meeting in October 2019 St Mewan Parish Council followed in the footsteps of Cornwall Council and declared a 'Climate Emergency'. As a result of this we are considering the possibility of reviewing our Neighbourhood Development Plan to incorporate some new policies which would help to ensure that climate change and the steps that can be taken to mitigate its effects are very firmly on the agenda.

One of the areas we are keen to address relates to any new housing development in the Parish and we will be looking carefully at how measures can be incorporated into new builds to ensure that they comply with new government policy on building efficient 'green' housing in the future.



We are trialling these colourful new waste bins for all types of recycling, starting with plastic and cans. You can find them in Sticker Activity Park, Polgooth and Trewoon playing fields!

Big thank you to James England from In2Build, Sticker who offered his labour free of charge constructing the concrete bases.

Grit Bin

An additional grit bin purchased and is situated at the entrance to Springfield Close, Polgooth (off Trelowth Rd).



Harvest Festival

Two very successful Harvest Festival evenings, one at The White Pyramid in Trewoon who raised just over £1200 for Cornwall Hospice Care and The Hewas Inn in Sticker raised just over £1200 with the main beneficiary being Cornwall Hospice Care and other local community projects who also benefited.



Playing Fields and The Goffin

The Parish Council intentions as far as practically possible, is to be green and will always feature in decisions they make on purchasing items, so we hope you like the recent purchase of four new picnic tables made from recycled plastic that are in Trewoon Play Area, Polgooth Playing Fields, Sticker Activity Park and The Goffin in Polgooth.



Allotment Gardens!

Anyone wishing to rent an allotment garden in Trewoon will need to email clerk@stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk in order to put your details on the waiting list.

Everyone has had a successful year of produce with one holder able to supply their Xmas lunch for other than the turkey! Well done to everyone.

ST MEWAN INFO

LOCAL BUSINESSES IN THE PARISH UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP!



Hello we are new owners of the Wagon Wheel and are new to the village. My name is Ying Zhao and my husband Ben Pan. We took over the fish and chip shop from June and are lucky to have maintained the standard they gave to keep our local custom.

Before buying the Wagon Wheel Ben and I had been running a Chinese food business for over 20 years but one of our favourite foods is fish and chips so it made sense to buy a chip shop. We have been living in Cornwall for the past 17 years and we would love to settle down in Trewoon.

Although we have many years of experience running a Chinese, a fish and chip shop is totally new and

admittedly we did have a few mishaps which we have overcome. The important thing is we keep the food quality! We are very lucky that all the staff remained and continue to work hard to help us, especially Jo our manager who is an amazing, passionate and warm welcoming lady who has supported us in all ways possible.

We appreciate the good reviews and positive feedback from valued customers which makes us very happy and re-affirms all our hard work has been done. We will continue to keep our food to the best quality we can, giving a warm welcome so they leave with ????

Elvie hair and beauty has been established since February 2019 formally known as Crops and Bobbers in Trewoon.

The salon has been rejuvenated and brought back to life by local hairdresser Lisa Vercoe. The salon is offering all aspects of hairdressing and some beauty treatments.

Staff members are Jasmine Towsin who has been present at the salon for over nine years is offering a full range of professional service. The salon has been joined by Kelly Coe who is training with the salon and offering reduce prices during the her training.

The salon is open Tuesday through to Saturday and some evening appointments available.

Tuesday 9-5

Wednesday 9-5

Wednesday 9-5

Thursday 9-5

Friday 9-5

Saturday 9-3

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Salon contact number 01726 74598



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sore muscles, reoccurring niggles and complications from old injuries. My clients currently range from 16 to 78 and come to me with a wide range of issues. I love meeting new members of our wonderful community so drop by or give me a call to see if I can help you today!

Currently offering 45 minute deep tissue, remedial or sports massage for £25 for all parish residents.

Call, text, or email to book.

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Cornwallsportscare@gmail.com

The Old Coal House, St Stephen Rd,
Sticker, PL276 7HA

Planning Report by Chair Cllr Mrs Tarbox

Planning September 2019



There have been a few planning applications since our last newsletter but the one which caused the most concern was put forward by Gilbert and Goode for twenty affordable homes in Trewoon. Although I am the Chair of the Planning Committee, because I live close to the proposed site, I was not able to take part in the discussion or decision regarding this application and left the room while it took place. There was a lot of opposition to this application.

There were 41 objections to the development from residents and 1 letter of support. The plans also raised some concerns from various agencies including Devon and Cornwall Police with regard to design and crime and The Cornwall Open Space Officer with regard to open space for children to play.

This application does not comply with the Neighbourhood Development Plan and St Mewan Parish Council, after looking carefully at the application, objected to the development. The objection as it appears on the Cornwall Council Planning web page is shown below.

At the time of writing the Planning Officer has not yet reached a decision regarding this application.

It is worth noting that pre application advice has been sought for affordable housing on another site in Trewoon and that this village is the only one in the Parish with existing affordable housing.

"St Mewan Parish Council"

Comment Date: Mon 02 Sep 2019

The application, plans and associated documents were viewed, together with the St Mewan Neighbourhood Plan. Discussion took place and it was RESOLVED to OBJECT to the application as it does not comply with the St Mewan Neighbourhood Development Plan.

- * Landscape Character Area Assessment - Policy 11 and 2(f)
- * Parking - Does not provide enough parking spaces for residents and there are none for visitors.
- * Greenfield and Wildlife Site - Policy 3 There is a conflict between the Cornwall Council Climate Change Emergency plan which provides money to enhance existing and provide new biodiversity sites and this application which will destroy an existing established pasture in an area of medieval field landscape.
- * Risk of flooding due to drainage issues - NPPF para 149, Policy 2
- * High-risk to poor air quality - Cornwall Council' Clean Air for Cornwall Strategy
- * Lack of sustainability to the infrastructure with particular concerns on access which will inevitably increase the ongoing traffic issues in St Mewan Lane which has been on going for many years- Policy 8
- * Design of development is not in keeping - Policy 2
- * Not fulfilling the criteria of a Rural Exception Site - Policy



Cornwall Councillor Cherilyn Mackrory

It is a privilege to serve the people of St Mewan and represent you on Cornwall Council. It is my job to find out what people want (and don't want) from Cornwall Council and to help deliver that.

In the last two years, I have helped to defend our fields against unnecessary housing development. This task is never easy but has become more straight-forward thanks to St Mewan's Neighbourhood Development Plan. We now have clear policies that back up your voice at County Hall.

I have also persuaded Cornwall Council to resurrect the much-needed Park Homes Forum. The first meeting takes place this autumn and gives elderly and vulnerable residents a voice. The forum will now be run by Cornwall Council to ensure it continues.

I have very much enjoyed organising and taking part in litter picks around the Parish. I hope to increase these and work on more proposals to help our communities live plastic free. I also look forward to working with the Parish Councillors as part of their Climate Emergency initiative.

I don't represent Cornwall Council, I represent you and champion St Mewan.

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Rights of Way

Rights of Way Report by Chairman Councillor David Holman



The summer season has seen quite a few people using our Parish Paths for leisure as well as those residents who use them in their daily lives. The network is very important to us all and we are justly proud of the path coverage within St Mewan Parish.

I am still trying to walk them all myself, but this is a major undertaking and is slowed by the fact that I am stopping to photograph key junctions and turns on each path.

There have been very few issues that require elevating to a RoW Committee Meeting since our last Newsletter, but you are still able to view minutes and notifications of meetings on our website at: www.stmewanparishcouncil.gov.uk/Rights_of_Way_24622.aspx

Our contractors have been cutting and strimming our paths and some extra cuts have been authorised and funded over the Summer.

Our paths are those defined in the 'Definitive Map'. This map records all public paths including:



Public Footpaths – open to walkers only, waymarked with a yellow arrow.



Public Bridleways – open to walkers, horse-riders & cyclists, waymarked with a blue arrow.



Byways open to all traffic (BOAT) – open to walkers, cyclists, horse-riders, horse-drawn vehicles and motor vehicles, waymarked with a red arrow.



Restricted byways – open to walkers, cyclists, horse-riders and horse-drawn vehicles, waymarked with a plum coloured arrow.

Permissive paths – A permissive path, permitted path or concessionary path is a path (which could be for walkers, riders, cyclists, or any combination) whose use is allowed by the landowner.

There are paths, especially with our villages that link together public roads with each other and will the various amenities with the parish.

Some of these are Public Rights of Way but many are not.

I recently received an enquiry as to why we had not cut a certain path in Polgooth. In fact, this is not a Right of Way covered by the Definitive Map but is used by the public and has been for some time. The process of adding it to the Definitive Maps is complex and takes a lot of time. Until and indeed if this is done, the Parish Council is not responsible for maintaining it. In this case I spoke with the owner of an adjacent property who hedge was encroaching onto the path and they agreed to keep it trimmed.

Please do get in touch if you have any issues concerning our Rights of Way.

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Roles and Responsibilities of a Parish Council

The Council as 'It'

- The council is an 'It'. In law, a council is a single corporate body and the decisions it takes are the responsibility of the council as a whole#
- The council is responsible for the services it provides. It establishes policies for action and decides how money will be raised and spent on behalf of the community. It is responsible for spending money lawfully and without risk, and for achieving best value for money.
- The council represents and serves the whole community. Most communities are made up of many smaller communities, often with different interests; a council's duty is to serve them all. The council balances the needs of different elements of the community for the best result. Frequently it has the difficult task of deciding what the best result might be.
- Parish councils are local authorities first created by statute in 1894. Parliament has given parish councils the power to raise and spend money - a power shared by other local authorities

- The parish council is the first tier of local government closest to the people.
- Each parish council is made of individual councillors who contribute to the work of the whole council by: -
- Suggesting ideas, engaging in constructive debate, responding to the needs and views of the community, representing their constituents, behaving in an ethical way and being open about interests, commenting on proposals to ensure the best outcome, voting - to enable the council to make decisions
- No individual councillor (including the chairman) can make a decision on behalf of the council
- The chairman, assisted by the clerk, guides these activities by managing the meetings of the council
- The council as a body decides whether to work in partnership with other organizations and can agree to serve on other bodies. When working in partnership, councillors often represent the council as a corporate body

Next quarter's newsletter will cover the role of 'The Clerk'

Sticker Home Guard WW2



Landlord Carl from the Hewas Inn is setting up a Sticker History Wall in the pub!

This photo was taken at the bottom of Chapel Hill, Sticker. If any readers recognise some faces of these brave Home Guard volunteers who supported the troops in the war please call Carl on 01726 73497.

Sticker Rally



Sticker Rally has now been in existence in various forms and titles for 16 years during which time many thousands of pounds have been distributed to various good causes within the parish of St Mewan, in excess of £60,000 of which has been distributed in the last 7 years.

The administration of such a large event which covers more than 14 acres starts immediately after the Rally when certain aspects of its content are booked ready for the following year.

Sticker Football Clubs ground hosts many of the various entertainments that cater for the younger fraternity with children's sports, bouncy castles etc, whilst the adults enjoy live evening entertainment in the marquee where a licensed bar is in situ during the whole event.

Many businesses and organisations also attend and add to the fantastic atmosphere of the weekend.

Three fields surrounding the Football Club and kindly made available F.O.C. by Mr Michael Grigg are used for free car parking and the excellent Vintage Rally which appears to grow ever larger every year.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL

The event has now got so big that extra help is needed to efficiently organise the items required to keep the event on a sustainable footing.

If you feel that you have the time and enthusiasm to join our band of ardent committee members, please call Peter Twining on 01726 72319.

The benefits available to Parish Organisations

As stated above the beneficiaries of our annual event are restricted to good causes or organisations that benefit the parishioners of St Mewan, this of course includes Polgooth, Trewoon, Hewaswater and Trelowth, in fact anywhere within the confines of St Mewan Parish.

If your organisation suits the criteria stated, and you feel you are willing and able to help us with the stages of progress leading up to the event, please contact us on the number above.

Groups who have committed to helping with the stages of organising will be given preferred status. Please visit www.stickerrally.com for more information.

Trewoon Support Fund

In 2017 the Trewoon Social Club was sold, and the trustee wanted the people of Trewoon to benefit from some of the proceeds. We agreed to manage this process and have a fund of £15,000 available to spend, there are strict legal controls on what this fund can be spent on and there are only four criteria – Benches, village enhancements, speed reducing equipment and playground equipment. There was a recent list produced from an ideas box in the Post Office which included 29 suggestions.

All of them were great ideas but some did not fit into the fund criteria, some were out of our control/remit and some were far too expensive! We can report however that we are currently progressing a number of the suggestions and one in particular will be started during the winter months. The large bank covered with brambles opposite the lay-by and shop will be cleared and, in the Spring, we will be planting hundreds of hydrangea bushes to produce a bank of colour in the Summer, also this will eventually keep other weeds at bay. Watch out for more news in the Spring when we will be looking for the community to get involved with the planting.

HEADING FOR THE OLYMPICS!

An Olympic star in the making, Trewoon's Caitlin Parsons has been training in martial arts since the age of 7 with the Byrne Blackbelt Academy. By the age of 10 Caitlin was seriously competing and travelling all over Britain.

She has won numerous titles and since 2016 to date has been South West champion in her age group and at the adult age group.

2017 saw Caitlin win her first ICO (International Combat Organisation) World and British titles and in March of this year retained her British title thus qualifying for Team England.

In July this year, she took part in the ISKA (International Sport Karate Association) US Open Martial Arts World Cup in Florida and won three world titles in her age category.

An amazing feat for this popular young lady who still manages to find time for her hobby of singing, another talent of hers.

In October she fights to retain her World Title, the competition being held in Glasgow.

These are amazing achievements for this young 15 year old who will be collecting her Team England suit any day now.



JUBILEE SEAT AT HEWASWATER

Thank you to Mr John Lobb for refurbishing the Jubilee Seat at Hewaswater.

St Mewan Carol Service

SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER

at 4pm followed by afternoon tea

Usual Sunday Services at 9.30 am
on all Sundays in December.



Seasonal Events Polgooth



SATURDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 2019

POLGOOTH FIREWORKS AND BONFIRE PARTY

Held on the Goffin. Gates open at 5.30pm, with a Guy competition at 5.45pm, lighting of the bonfire at 6pm and the display due to start at 6.30pm.

It is a ticket only event. Tickets cost £4 (babes in arms are free) and are available from the Polgooth Inn, Polgooth Post Office & Store and Hawkes Shop.

BBQ food will be available to purchase throughout the evening.

www.facebook.com/events/466629257285164/



TUESDAY 18th – SATURDAY 22nd FEBRUARY

POLGOOTH PANTOMIME TREASURE ISLAND

Rehearsals are now underway for next year's Polgooth pantomime production, which will be our 35th since the traditional annual show was revived in 1986.

The panto this time around will be Treasure Island, featuring a script that was written for the group by Martin Barnes and was last performed by them in 2004. Ian Taylor will be directing for the first time since 2016's Mother Goose.

The pantomime will be performed during February half term, from Tuesday 18th to Saturday 22nd February. Doors open from 7pm, with curtain up at 7.30pm. There is likely to be one earlier performance like previous years – keep a look out for posters for more details. Tickets will be available from Polgooth Post Office & Store from early January.



THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER

POLGOOTH FILM CLUB

We will be showing a British comedy following the exploits of an all-male synchronised swimming team (licencing limitations mean I'm not allowed to name the film outside of the village).

You will need to become a member to join the club, but this only costs £6 for the year and includes entry to the film when you first attend. You can sign up on the evening of any film showing. Members can attend future showings for just £3, as well as attending any of the 20+ C Fylm film clubs around the county. Refreshments will be available during the interval, including homemade cake.

More details can be found at www.polgooth.weebly.com/film-club

FUTURE POLGOOTH FILM SHOWINGS

Thursday 5th December, 9th January and 6th February

THURSDAY 12th DECEMBER

PANTOMIME CHRISTMAS BINGO



As a fundraiser for the pantomime group, we will be holding a prize bingo evening in the village hall on Thursday 12th December from 7pm. There will be some great prizes to be won!

FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER AND 20th DECEMBER

Singing for Wellbeing group. A group who meet in Polgooth Village Hall on the 3rd Friday of the month from 10 – 11.30am. Entry is £3, £2.50 for OAPs. All welcome and no previous experience needed.

Christmas

A DAY OF FESTIVE FUN

IN

POLGOOTH

Saturday 30th November

Craft Fair from 3pm,

Christmas Lights Switch On at 6pm

With St.Mewan Community Choir, Roasted Chestnuts, Mulled Wine & Mince Pie

All at the Village Hall

Book your

Christmas Party at

The Polgooth Inn

Lots on over the

Christmas Period

with

Carols in the Pub

Christmas Draw

Meragissey Male Voice

New Years Eve

1920's Fancy Dress & Disco

TUESDAY 26th NOVEMBER

(and last Tuesday of the month, excluding December) – Polgooth Ladies Group. The Clay City singers will be performing. Members pay £2, visitors pay £2.50. The evening begins at 7.30pm.



TREWOON

Trewoon Village Players presents Robinson Crusoe and the Pirates starting Tuesday 25th Feb 2020 to 29th Feb 2020 with two performances on the Saturday at Trewoon Village Hall.

Seasonal Events Sticker

29th NOVEMBER

Quiet Hour at 7 pm in St Mark's Church

A wonderfully peaceful and relaxing hour of quiet before the busyness of the run up to Christmas. Peggy leads this lovely quiet time with some thoughts for us to ponder on interspersed with music and periods of silence.
Very restful and tranquil.



SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2019

Coffee, Cake and Craft Morning 10 am to 12 noon at the Hewas Inn, Sticker. Enjoy a cuppa while having a browse around an assortment of craft tables from jewellery to jams, knitted items to cards and decorations.
In aid of Hospice Care and St Mark's Church.

For a table phone Sybilla on 63394



SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

A lovely Service for children and they get to have a Christingle orange and sweets to take home (if the sweets make it that far!! Error! Filename not specified.)



FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER

Prayer, Poems, Stories and Carols in St Mark's Church.

Get in the Christmas spirit with this informal gathering to celebrate the Christmas. Everyone is welcome to bring along something to share be it a poem, story or prayer and we will intersperse this with carols we don't sing so often.



MONDAY 9th DECEMBER at 9.30 am

Story Time



Children's Storytime in St Mark's Church

Christmas stories and songs for the little children in the Church with their childminders.



STICKER VILLAGE HALL COMMUNITY FILM NIGHTS

Every 3rd Friday of the month. Doors open at 7.00pm, film starts at 7.30pm with raffle ticket included in your £4.00 entrance fee.



Sticker Pantomime proudly presents Treasure Island from Tuesday 25th February to Saturday 29th February.

Follow Sticker Village Community Group for more information nearer the time.

CHRISTMAS MENU

TO START

Cream of Winter Vegetable Soup
Local artisan roll

Cheese Croquettes
In a light crumb crust with date & apple Chutney

Harty Game Terrine
Accompanied with a red onion compote

MAIN COURSE

Traditional Roast Turkey, all the trimmings and seasonal vegetables

Cider braised Pork Belly sat on a potato and apple rosti

Smoked Haddock simply fried with a rich spinach and chive butter sauce and crushed new potatoes.

Chestnut and Butterbean Wellington with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables

DESSERT

Homemade Christmas pudding and brandy sauce
Rum & Dark chocolate tiramisu
Griddled peaches with candied walnuts and ice cream
Lemon or Blackberry Sorbet

£24.95

Hewas Inn Christmas Menu