

SHEVIOCK PARISH NEWSLETTER

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9:00pm, Thursday the 6th of June

Lighting of the Beacon



**To Commemorate the 80th Anniversary of D-DAY:
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From the Editor

June sees the commemoration of the D Day landings 80 years ago. We will always be indebted to the hundreds of thousand who gave their lives in the pursuit of freedom for us. As these events pass further into history let's hope that the lessons learned are not lost to their descendants. Unfortunately the world is still witness to the kinds of atrocities against which they fought.

Beacons will be lit across the country including ours. You are welcome to venture up and join in, or enjoy from afar. Details are given within this newsletter.

You can now read the Newsletter on line. Go to sheviockparish.org.uk/parish-newsletter/ to access this, and previous copies.

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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Crafhole Methodist Church

Bible Study at Cross Park Crafhole on Thursday afternoons starting at 2.30pm
Barbara Snowling 01503 230326

Latest Scams To Be Aware Of

Police pretenders

Scammers call, text or email you, out of the blue, and claim to be police officers. They lie that they're involved in an undercover investigation and they need your help.

They may claim your local bank branch is giving out fake or counterfeit banknotes. You can help them put a stop to this by withdrawing some cash at the branch and handing it over to an 'undercover officer' for fingerprint analysis.

They arrange for an 'undercover officer' or courier to pick up the cash, and you're told you'll be reimbursed after the investigation. You hand over the money, but you never hear from them again.

They may also say they suspect a local shop is selling fake copies of goods, like watches or laptops. So, you need to go buy these expensive items and give them to the 'undercover officer' or courier for investigation. You hand over the goods, and you're never reimbursed.

Or they may say your money is at risk and you need to transfer it to a safe account. The police will never ask you to do this.

The criminals will tell you not to tell anyone about this. It's an ongoing police investigation, and you'll compromise it by talking to someone. They keep you trapped in their lie and move on to scam another innocent person.

- It can be scary to receive one of these calls or messages. You want to help, and you wouldn't normally question the police.
But there are some questions you can ask yourself to check what you're being told.

How do I know they are who they say they are?

If they're really a police officer, they can show you their ID and tell you which force they're with. You can then [call that police force \(opens in a new window\)](#) on 101 to confirm who they are.

Is this a real investigation?

It's very unlikely that the police would need to call you in person to help with an investigation. And if it's a real investigation, it will have a crime number. Ask them for this number and call 101 to check it matches anything they have.

Why am I being asked to withdraw or spend my own money?

The police can buy goods from stores and take out money in bank branches themselves. If you're being asked to use your own money, this is a sign of a scam.

Have I ever been asked to do something like this before?

Neither the police nor any other legitimate organisation would ever ask you for your card or PIN or to take out money or buy items on their behalf. If you're asked to do something with your own money, especially out of the blue, or if it feels at all odd – hang up the 'phone. Call the number on the back of your bank card to check it with us or dial 101 to go directly to the police.

Why am I being told not to tell anyone about this?

There's no reason you cannot talk it through with those you trust. They may spot something suspicious or know something you don't.

I DON'T believe it! By Grumpy old Git

"My star sign is Pyrex. I was a test-tube baby." – Billy Connolly

"My father drank so heavily, when he blew on the birthday cake he lit the candles." – Les Dawson

My boss told me to have a good day. So I didn't go to work.

What do you call a crocodile wearing a vest? An investigator.

How much do dead batteries cost? There should be no charge.

Crafthole and District Open Flower and Vegetable Show 2024

Saturday, 10th August – Sheviok
Memorial Hall, Crafthole
From 1.45pm

It's time again to rejoice in the sensual delights of our annual event – the whiff of a ripe tomato, the sight of a plump Victoria sandwich oozing with (the correct) jam, and the buzz of a community coming together in the name of a good time with great produce!

Everyone is welcome to take part or pop in and there's oodles of fun to be had in taking part. What better way to entertain children on a grey day during the holidays than knocking up some classic chocolate krispies (class 62), crafting something out of a good old lump of plasticine (class 76), or getting all arty around flowers, plants and nature (class 80)?

Entry is £1 but children under 16 enter free, and refreshments (caaaaaake!) are available when the doors open at 1.45pm. There's time to peruse the room at leisure to see which entries have triumphed, and admire the spectacle - from a perfectly formed set of onions to the most bonkers wonky vegetable.

A schedule and entry form can be found inserted in this very newsletter (show entries to be in by 6pm, Wednesday 7th August), so

get perusing with a cuppa and plan your creative frenzy. As always, please remember to read any rules and presentation notes carefully to avert a crisis - a casual flick of the wrong type of sugar atop your Victoria sandwich could inadvertently thwart your chances!

And just when you thought things couldn't get more exciting, there's also our Garden Competition to enter! At the time of writing we can't complain about the lack of water in the garden, so hopefully your flowers and produce will be fulsome and bright this year. Closing date for entries is 23rd June and judging is during w/c 1st July. There are various different categories (see the back of the enclosed schedule for details) and something for everybody, so don't be shy - fill in a form and have a go! You can even enter if you're going to be away for the show, by submitting an A4 photo of your garden at its most blooming marvellous to the 'People's Choice' category, voted for by show visitors on the day.

So, get pruning your bushes and buffing up on your yeast buns! We look forward to seeing you all, and a successful growing season.

The Flower & Veg Show Committee
email gillk1066@btinternet.com

Film Club

Lynn Vickery

Screenings 3rd Sat of the month at 7pm.

Just a short message from me this time...

Our membership is thriving, but if you are interested in joining, there is space for just a few more - please contact me, however, before turning up, as viewing is strictly by membership only. **It costs just £6 to join.** Films for the next few months have not yet been confirmed, unfortunately, but here are the ones that I have requested - please watch the notice boards for confirmation :-

June 15th- The Great Escaper

July 20th- The Boat That Rocked

NO SCREENING IN AUGUST(unless we are able to

screen a children's film during the holiday)

Sept 21st- Wicked Little Letters

Oct 19th - The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry

Nov 16th The Woman King

Then for Dec (14th or 21st?) I have already booked Elvis.

We may soon be able to fully open membership up as the Village Hall Committee have agreed, in principal, to set up a screen in the main hall. Watch out for more information. This may take some time.

Look forward to seeing you

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Lots to look at in the coming months. Following years of work with Cornwall council and Cormac, we have a proposal for long requested improvements to aid the traffic flow through the parish. This is separate from the 20mph speed limit proposal, which I'll cover elsewhere.

Proposed works:

- Revised road signage at Polscoe A374 junction and at the top of Antony Hill directing traffic away from Craft-hole thus reducing through traffic.
- Improved road markings on Polscoe junction

- Yellow lines on the road between mini roundabout and the Finnygook Inn reducing constriction.
- Additional parking spaces up to the crossroads junction with Finnygook Lane.
- New build parking spaces above Burns View 1-7.
- Removal of cushions at the East end of Craft-hole.
- Resurfacing red pedestrian virtual pavements.
- Various other improvements and vegetation clearance.

Look out for the posting for this work and I hope you'll find it beneficial to the community.

Dogs

Following parishioners questioning the efficacy of the Dog Warden's role, we've decided to post the monthly report. Reading these reports will hopefully illustrate the on going issues we have in trying to educate people in responsible control of their dogs. There was a prosecution for failing to pick up dog poo, and whilst in this case it was not due to the parish council's action, we will continue to pursue offenders. But we can only take action when provided with evidence so, if you witness someone not clearing up please let us know.

20 mph

You will see the proposals posted around the parish indicating the 20 mph zones. These are very much common sense plans with existing 20 mph zones tidied up and only sited at built up areas. Please take the opportunity to make any comments on the portal.



This trailer appears to have been abandoned on the road between the mini roundabout and the Finnygook. We will report it to Cornwall Council and have it removed if it hasn't been claimed and moved by June 14th.

Parish Spring Clean

Thanks to all who took part in the spring clean. Your help in keeping the parish looking neat and tidy is always appreciated.

You can find details of the latest crime reports from this link <https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area>

Sheviock Parish Council

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Council News

2024 SheviocK Parish Council Chair's Report.

Your parish council continues to strive to work for the benefit of you, the parishioners.

Nancy our Clerk has been busy setting up the "Just Park" scheme to enable car parkers to use their mobile phones to pay. This should reduce the amount of cash collected which is a time consuming task during the summer period. We are constantly looking at problems with the roads. The bend at Polscoe has had the visibility improved following hedge work by the tenant. We also are constantly asking for Highways to ensure the road works diversionary signage is made more relevant. The locality frequently becomes gridlocked due to signs which simply state "Road Closed Ahead" with no consideration of which routes lie ahead and are unaffected leading to needless detours by local traffic.

The defibrillators require constant attention with repairs, faults and upkeep. We are grateful for the support of The Finnygook for supporting their defib.

The Church's bid to pass on the responsibility and repair costs onto Cornwall council by way of the parish council is ongoing. We continue to approach this in a manner respecting the best interests of our parishioners. We are very appreciative of the support being given by Cornwall Council and our Cornwall councillor Kate Ewert.

The Portrinkle toilets continue to be maintained to an extremely high standard thanks to Francis and our contractor. We do still seek someone to fill our cleaner's vacancy. The toilets suffer from excessive mould due to lack of ventilation so we are looking to replace the windows with opening casements.

We continue to devote much time to planning issues.

This year's excessive rainfall has led to multiple land slips along our coastline, including Portwrinkle and Blackieball. This has led to some cases of footpath closures. Other footpaths face maintenance issues at Ladywell and Georges Lane. We have again due to fiscal diligence kept the precept at a reasonable level.

I acknowledge the sterling efforts of our councillors and Nancy, and look forward to another year of service.

The parish council has been waiting for a meeting regarding the notification from St Mary's church PCC of the closure to burials in the churchyard. Historically when this occurs responsibility passes automatically to the Parish council who then would pass on that responsibility to the County Council. The meeting planned for February, postponed to March 20th has again been delayed while the church considers its stance on proposals from Cornwall council.

Steve Medway

Rame Bus Programme

Here are the highlights covered by this issue of the newsletter.

Monthly:

Saltash & Kernow	1 st Wednesday	£6
Truro City	2nd Wednesday	£9
Totnes & Dartington village	3 rd Friday	£8
Tavistock	4 th Friday	£8
7 June	Bovey Tracey Craft Fair	£10
18 June	Bude	£10
13 July	Liskeard Show	£ 7
20 July	Cowslip Craft Fair	£ 9
23 July	Trebah Gardens	£12
2 August	Sidmouth Folk Festival	£12

Contact number for bookings **07874 831814**

Please state where you require picking up. Bus normally departs Cawsand car park at 9 am, so pick up times vary depending on where else the bus needs to visit before you.

Following the Annual Meeting when Peter stepped down from post of Treasurer, Paul Babbage kindly volunteered to take his place; thank you Paul.

In March we visited Saltram House to see the beautiful display of daffodils, with over 120 varieties planted each season. It was a



lovely spring day and a joy to be out and about and to see the youngsters counting up the easter egg clues to claim their chocolate treat. In April we visited the Caerhays Estate which is set on the quiet coast of Cornwall near St Austell. The gardens and castle are open to the public in the spring with over 140 acres of woodland garden to explore with champion trees and magnolia collection. A truly spectacular garden.

In May we visited the Dartington Hall gardens. Twenty six acres of

tended grounds with stunning features, beautiful vistas and creative sculptures and Grade 11 listed gardens home to some of the most impressive champion trees. They boast ancient trees including the oldest living resident, a 1500 year old Yew tree and a line of Sweet Chestnuts believed to be over 400 year old. Well worth a visit.

Coming Up



Garden Club members enjoying the peace and tranquility of Dartington Gardens

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

Meetings are usually in the form of visits to gardens in the months of April, May, June, July and September. We do not normally have an August meeting.

Membership fees: £12 per garden, £1 per meeting, non-members £2

Enquiries - Dee Medway (Secretary)
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Wednesday 19 June - Guided Tour (Saul Walker) - Stonelands House Gardens, Dawlish

Sunday 21 July - St Lukes Open Gardens - Harrowbarrow

Saturday 14 September - The Garden House, Buckland Monachorum

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As many of our regular supporters may have noticed, the shop has undergone a bit of a facelift recently. Volunteers have been cleaning and tidying the shop front and flowers have suddenly appeared in its place (thank you Rosalie). Eye catching chalk board notices now advertise that we are open and display some of our best sellers (thanks to Celia). We have hung bunting across windows and shelving (thank you Mel) and we have updated our Cornish produce - hopefully this will particularly appeal to our many holiday makers. We have also introduced some fresh fruit onto our shelves - this has proved particularly popular.

All in all, we are pretty pleased with our



efforts and hope that you will come and see what we have done. For our many visitors, we hope you will find our Community Shop a BIG help towards making your stay with us as pleasurable as possible, with everything you need to provide picnics: bread; rolls; ham; cheese; locally made pasties; butter or spread; biscuits; a variety of drinks; fruit etc. We have local maps and tide tables to help you plan your stay and books by local authors. Then, before you return home, come and see what Cornish gifts you can buy - local apple juice and honey for instance, Cornish tea, coffee, sea salt, saffron cake, biscuits ... so much to

choose from and you can always be sure of a very warm welcome.

We are looking forward to a bit of an upturn in the weather, so that both visitors and parishioners will want to get out and visit us to see what we have to offer. We keep our prices as competitive as possible - in some cases we are even less expensive than in supermarkets. And to help you even more, we now stock compostable food bin liners. Just think how much you could save on travelling and purchases - what's that worth to you and the community?

As ever, a few more **Volunteers** would be welcome- helping to spread the load and maybe allowing us to extend our opening hours. It is not a difficult job and is, in fact, very rewarding - a great way to get to know people and feel a part of the community. Full training is given and we would never leave you alone with the customers until you felt really confident. Please contact Ellen, our manager, or any volunteer if you think you'd like to join us.

Lastly, our **AGM** will take place on **Friday, 5th July at 7pm** in the Kennedy room and lounge at the Memorial Hall, Craffhole. There will be people preparing the hall for an event, so please enter around the front of the hall via the Kennedy Room door (follow the signs). I should like to emphasise that we shall have some **very important** matters to discuss regarding the future of our shop and so I urge as many of you as possible, who value this community asset, to come and listen to what we have to say and add your comments. Don't forget, too, that if you wish to bring anything up at the meeting, it can only be discussed if you record it in the green comment book at the back of the shop **BEFORE 22nd June** or hand it, in writing, to a Director by that date. So, we look forward to seeing many of you over the next weeks and months. We hope that the weather will improve so that you can get out into your gardens or the coast and countryside and enjoy a wonderful summer. Best wishes from the Board of Directors.

Shop opening times:

Monday to Saturday 9-1 Sunday 9-1
Bank Holidays – see notices

Doreen Evans 14/10/39 - 4/4/24

Doreen was born on the 14th October, 1939 in Romford, Essex. The family moved to the Camberwell/Peckham area of London when Doreen was quite young. Doreen was very family orientated always looking out for her brothers and even though she had the qualifications to go to university, which her parents encouraged her to do, she was adamant that she wanted to train to be a secretary. This meant she could remain at home. Doreen was a highly qualified secretary and worked between Whitehall and Westminster helping prepare speeches and questions whilst Parliament was in session. At times this meant working long unpredictable hours. She was the secretary who accompanied Edward Heath to Brussels during negotiations to join the European Union. Doreen never spoke about her work because to her "that was her job". She was a very open, caring person but private at the same time.

It was at this time that she met Frank. When Doreen and Frank married on 11th March 1961, they lived in Southfields, London.

Frank and Doreen had two sons, Michael and an adopted son James, and Doreen's life became orientated around her own family, especially as James suffered from bouts of ill health. For a while Frank's work necessitated moving house more than once, but finally the family settled in Wiltshire. In 2014 Doreen, Frank, Michael and his wife and daughter moved to the Glebe Barn in Shevioc and became part of the Parish community. James preferring to remain in Wiltshire. Doreen pursued her love of gardening by planting and caring for the tubs and hanging baskets surrounding the Barns

creating a colourful welcome to visitors staying in the holiday cottages attached to the Glebe Barn. Sadly James died on 13th July 2017.

Doreen adored her granddaughter, Amy, and was so pleased when she decided to train as a teacher. Doreen also helped with the Food Bank at St James in Torpoint, and assisted in the kitchen to prepare and serve "community" lunches always looking for ways in which she could help and care for people. Doreen died suddenly and unexpectedly on the 4th April, 2024. She will be missed by many in the immediate and surrounding community. After moving to Shevioc, Doreen quickly became part of our church family.

The church meant a great deal to her and not only did she attend faithfully each week but she also came in frequently during the week to spend time alone in the peace of the building.

Doreen also helped to clean the church applying wax and polishing the pew ends with a toothbrush after the Heritage project works and taking part in our regular Church Care mornings. She took her turn at the daily task of opening and closing the church. She served as a sacristan, a welcomer and a coffee volunteer. She willingly distributed letters and fliers around the village and supported our book club. Doreen contributed generously to church appeals, particularly any which involved children. She had the gift of being able to welcome newcomers, taking an interest in everyone and giving time and attention to all. She found the time to visit and support members of the congregation who were unwell or lonely.

We shall miss Doreen so much for her loyalty, support and her quiet sense of humour.

Lighting of the Beacon

9:00pm, Thursday the 6th of June

Located on the hilltop, Trewickle Farm, West of Crafhole.

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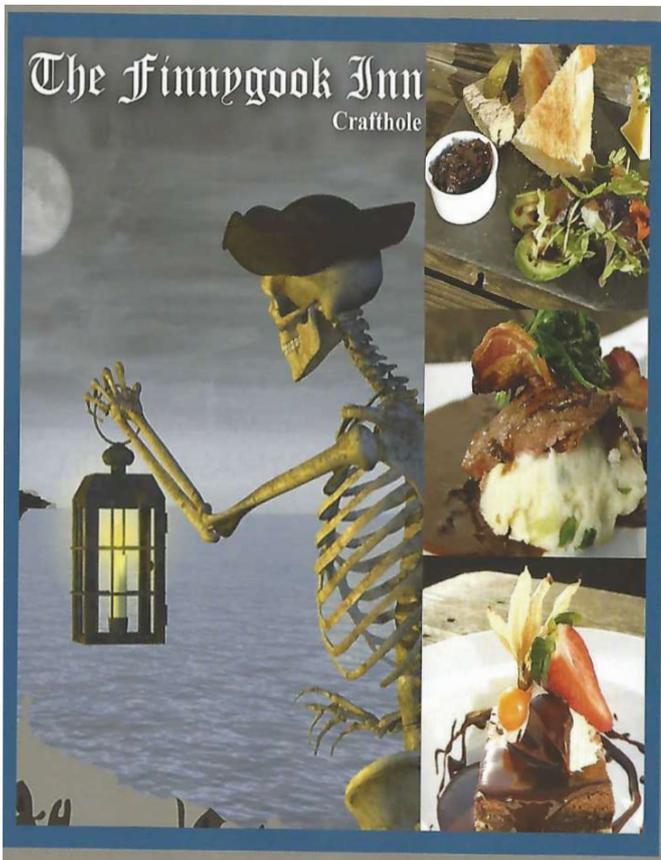
NO VEHICULAR ACCESS.

Due to the difficulty in accessing this location: uneven ground, lack of footways, no street lighting,

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OUR LOCAL BUS SERVICE It has recently been confirmed that the joint bid by Plymouth City Council, Plymouth City Bus & Cornwall Council has been successful in obtaining government funding for fifty Zero-emission electric double deck buses that include an allocation of six buses to run on the 70/70A/70B Routes. This will mean that electric buses will operate on most weekdays on three 70B buses that call at Crafhole & Sheviok en route to Royal Parade and on five 70B buses departing Royal Parade that call at our villages. The Project Partners have thanked us for our letter of support that accompanied the bid, but we of course very much welcome being consulted about such projects that can only be of benefit to our local community. MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE OPERATION OF THE NEW ELECTRIC BUSES IN OUR RPPTUG AREA WILL BE GIVEN BY GO S.W. BUS AT OUR AGM/ PUBLIC MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE SCOUT HALL, FORE STREET, MILLBROOK ON MONDAY 17TH JUNE FROM 6.30PM. We hope that all our prospective parliamentary candidates will attend this meeting. It is just a pity that we will not also have new electric buses operating on our local Cinderella Bus Service – The No.75!

We are delighted that common sense has at last prevailed thanks to Go South West Bus, for responding to our pleas for a bus timetable covering our local bus services, that is easy to use and that local bus users can take with them on their travels. The excellent new Tamar Connections Timetables that they have produced are ideal, as they not only includes our 70/70A/70B & No.75 bus routes but also the CityBus No 34 Royal Parade – George Park & Ride Bus that links both the Cremyll & Torpoint Ferries with Derriford Hospital. The 34 is being used by an increasing number of local residents as the best way to get to the Hospital for patients, workers & visitors alike. Some residents park their cars at Torpoint & Cremyll, travel by foot on the ferry & then catch the No. 34 Bus to the hospital. The new Tamar Connections T.T.'s are now available in the Crafhole Community Shop, the Memorial Hall, and the Crafhole Telephone Kiosk etc. There is now little need or demand for the large bulky all Cornwall Bus Timetable that has been strongly criticised by many for a number of reasons.

We continue to press for improvements to our local bus services using existing resources and in particular the re routing of the 15.00 No.70 ex Plymouth – Cremyll Bus on Schooldays, when there is not a connection to the No.75 at Torpoint that there should be. It is good that seven minutes have been added to all the timings of the 75 Liskeard to Torpoint Buses thus reducing the late running, but there are still a number of anomalies in the timings. The 07.25 ex Liskeard 75 Bus continues to regularly run approx. ten minutes late, and the timetable now shows impossible connecting times, with the scheduled departure times for the No.70 at Torpoint being shown as before the No 75 arrives. It also takes a few minutes at Torpoint to walk from where the No.75 terminates (often across traffic queues) and where the No.70 departs for Plymouth, or alternatively on to the ferry itself. The fact cannot be disguised that there is not a morning commuter bus service that would enable residents living in Seaton, Dowederry & Portwrinkle etc. to arrive in Plymouth before 09.00 e.g. for those attending schools in Plymouth.

There is an interesting recent article sent to me, that you can easily find on the internet, entitled 'A Premature ride on the Mid Cornwall Metro' written by Roger French OBE a retired & much respected ex managing director of large bus companies. As you will probably know the Government awarded no less than a £50 million levelling up grant to fund the controversial so called metro from Newquay to Falmouth, using existing rail lines with an estimated total cost of £56.8 million. After travelling over the route of the proposed hourly through service using existing connecting train services, Mr French has raised the same concerns as I and others have also done of 'Who is going to use the new metro service?'. when such good and cheaper bus services already exist in the area that directly link the town centres and the university campuses etc: Mr French points out that the most worrying concern is that if the project does not live up to its expectations, it will be Cornwall Council picking up the financial price tag with the possibility of money being taken from the Councils Public Transport Subsidy Budget that could further detrimentally affect the County's Bus Services. It seem likely that further debate on this highly expensive project & how its was researched, will continue for some time at both a national & local level.



A warm sunny hello to everyone. The committee hope you are all well and enjoying the long awaited warm weather. Since the last newsletter we have held our Easter Monday event, this was a great afternoon, enjoyed by many and the hall buzzed with excitement from all ages. This year we had a record entry of Easter bonnets and we also included some craft stalls. Thank you to everyone who helped on the day or kindly donated a prize for the raffle, including Ideal Homes.

There has been a change of date to the Summer event. It is now on **Saturday 20th July from 1pm** onwards. We will have BBQ and foods available all day and the Polbathic Apple cart will also be available for cool refreshments. Cakes and warm refreshments will also be available. There will be children's games and races, a tug of war competition and many more fun activities throughout the day. Write it in the diary now to ensure you don't miss a great community day with friends.

Recently the hall held its very own snooker masters competition which was won by Matt Lane. It has greatly increased the yearly membership for the snooker club and the table is now seeing more action ?

The craft fair dates are planned for the **12th and 13th October**, if you are a crafter and would like a stall. There is always a great array of unique crafts which offer ideas for gifts or treats for yourself, or come browse and enjoy some homemade cake and tea.

Thank you to all that have offered help with fundraising events. More help is always welcome as are donations of cakes, help to run stalls or help in the kitchen at events. Please drop me your contact details in an email - paulasabrooks@aol.com if you are able to help.

Paula

Pre-school – open daily 9am- 3pm, term time for children aged from 22 months

Toddler stay and play group – Friday afternoons 1pm – 2.30 Contact Paula 07900 553116

Snooker – open daily for members (no weekday am sessions during term time

For more info and get membership

Contact Craig 07779 098260

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SATURDAY 20th July 2024 FROM 1PM ONWARDS



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Our Community Services

It was lovely to see so many children – and adults – with their teddy bears at our recent Teddy Bears' Picnic service at the Memorial Hall on a sunny Sunday afternoon in April.

Our next Community Service will also hopefully be in the sun when we hold our **Sea Sunday Service on 13th July at Portwrinkle Harbour Beach**. We do hope to see you down there where we will be serving tea and cake after the service.

We will then celebrate harvest with a short service at St Mary's followed by a **Harvest Tea on Sunday 8th September at 5:00 pm**.

Whilst funerals reflect a sad life event, it is always a privilege - and we hope a comfort

- to mark the passing of dear friends from our community at St Mary's. We have indeed lost a good friend to St Mary's with the passing of Doreen Evans and our thoughts and prayers remain with Frank and their family.

Sunday Services at St Mary's

Everyone is welcome at our Sunday services so please do let your visitors know. Our regular Sunday services start at 10:00 am but as our pattern of services continues to evolve please do check the physical church noticeboards and our website

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/2565> for details.

Jenny Bushrod, Churchwarden



Heritage Gateway at Sheviock Parish Church

MIDSUMMER HAS MOVED!

Well our Midsummer Concert has moved to **SATURDAY 6 JULY at 7pm** so that we could book a return Summer visit for the much loved **ROCK CHOIR CORNWALL**, featuring plenty of local talent.

You can reserve a pew to be sure of getting one on the night by phoning or emailing Jenny (details below) and remaining tickets will be available on the door. Wine and nibbles will be available during the interval.

Continuing with a musical flavour, our Sunday Afternoon Teas with local musicians will commence on **Sunday 28 July and run for 5 weeks until Sunday 25 August from 3pm to 5pm** so do drop in with friends and family for our delicious cream teas and cakes. It's a very convenient spot to break a Sunday afternoon walk around the Parish!



Signifying the end of the harvest and the start of Autumn we will celebrate with a **Michaelmas Concert on Saturday 28 September at 7:30 pm**, the Eve of Michaelmas Day.

Please look out for the posters closer to the events and we hope to welcome you to our events over the

Summer.

Thank you as always for your support for your Parish Church and if you feel that you could help as a volunteer at one of our Heritage Gateway Events please do get in touch – we are always pleased to have more help!

Jenny Bushrod, Churchwarden

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Heritage Gateway Funds are dedicated funds for the upkeep and maintenance of Sheviock Parish Church buildings and graveyard and heritage information and materials.

There was only one race that I regularly took notice of as a kid. It wasn't the gruelling steeplechase in the Commonwealth Games or the manic peloton in the Tour De France; no, it was *Wacky Races*, a cartoon in which a mix of odd-balls tried to drive first across the finish line. Penelope Pitstop, Professor Pat Pending, and others whose names did not begin with P (e.g. The Ant Hill Mob) all had their attractions, but for me the most compelling one was in car double-zero. Dick Dastardly was the villain who would do anything to win.

Soon the Olympic Games will be back. Likely, some competing will fail drugs tests, or be accused of cheating. The pressures on athletes are great, as are the potential rewards. Yet to pursue winning at all costs, whatever the impact on oneself or others, is to lose in life. It betrays a skewed attitude to what is of value.

Jesus told a parable about a successful farmer who loses grip on what matters in life. "A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions", says Jesus, meaning all sorts of things which a person might gain, objects, money, titles, privileges, trophies and medals and more. It is not so much the things gained that are wrong, but the means and attitude towards getting them, and being obsessed by them. As Jesus asks, "What good is it for a person to gain the world and lose their soul?"

Sprinter Harold Abrahams in the biopic *Chariots of Fire* spells out his personal dilemma:

"I will raise my eyes and look down that corridor; 4 feet wide, with 10 lonely seconds to justify my whole existence. But WILL I?"

The problem is that ultimately, none of us can 'justify our existence'. We don't get to pronounce such judgments. Only God can see well

enough, and whether we keep God in sight is more important than the rate we drag to the finish line.

Eric Liddle, Abraham's teammate famously had a different mindset. His life ended in service as a missionary in China, and he is revered to this day there. Driven to compete, he always did so keeping things in perspective. In the film he speaks to an admiring crowd like this:

"You came to see a race today. To see someone win. It happened to be me. But I want you to do more than just watch a race. I want you to take part in it. I want to compare faith to running in a race. It's hard. It requires concentration of will, energy of soul. You experience elation when the winner breaks the tape - especially if you've got a bet on it. But how long does that last? You go home. Maybe your dinner's burnt. Maybe you haven't got a job. So who am I to say, "Believe, have faith," in the face of life's realities? I would like to give you something more permanent, but I can only point the way. I have no formula for winning the race. Everyone runs in her own way, or his own way. And where does the power come from, to see the race to its end? From within. Jesus said, 'Behold, the Kingdom of God is within you. If with all your hearts, you truly seek me, you shall ever surely find me.' If you commit yourself to the love of Christ, then that is how you run a straight race."

Enjoy the summer,

Lynher Methodist Church, at Craffhole and St Germans.



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