

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2004

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

- 1 Ezek 43: 27- 44:4, 1 Cor 13: 1-13
6.00pm Candlemas Service at St Mabyn
2.30pm St Tudy Country Dance Club fortnightly Mondays
- 2 7.30pm Table Tennis Michaelstow every Monday
7.30pm St Tudy Bellringers every Monday
- 3 6.30pm St Mabyn Tug-of-War training every Tuesday
7.00pm Allen Valley Singers - every Tuesday
- 4 6.30pm St Tudy Football Club - every Wednesday
7.30pm St Mabyn Tug-of-War Joint Training every Thurs
- 5 8.00pm St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club every Thurs
- 7 10.00am Coffee in the Clink for the Pageant

THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

- 8 Isaiah 6: 1-8, 1 Cor 15: 1-11
11.00am Allen Valley Singers Songs of Praise St Tudy Methodist Church
- 9 7.30pm St Tudy G P A
10.30am Treveighan Coffee Morning
- 10 7.00pm St Tudy Whist Drive - Village Hall
7.30pm Public Meeting St Mabyn Parish Council
- 11 7.30pm St Mabyn Garden Club
- 14 10.00am Magazine deadline
10.00am Coffee in the Clink Salvation Army

THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

- 15 Jer 19: 5-10, 1 Cor 15: 12-20
7.30pm St Mabyn YFC Entertainments Evening St Tudy Hall
- 17 12.00noon Soup & Sweet Lunch St Tudy Methodist Schoolroom
- 19 7.30pm Coffee Evening & Quiz Night St Tudy Methodist Schoolroom
- 20 7.00pm St Tudy W I

THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

- 22 Exod 34: 29-35, 2 Cor 3: 12 - 4:2
- 23 7.30pm St Tudy Village Theatre Auditions

ASH WEDNESDAY

- 25 9.30am Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes at St Mabyn
7.00pm Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes at St Tudy
2.00pm Open House for Nancy Williams Lindum House, St Tudy
- 28 10.00am Coffee in the Clink in memory of Ho ward Fraser

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

- 29 Deut. 26: 1-11, Rom 10: 8b-13
10.00am United Benefice Service St Tudy
6.00pm United Service with the Methodists at St Tudy Church

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome to our services and events during February. We look forward to seeing you on the following dates:

Sunday 1st February	11.00am	Pastor Brian Parkman
Sunday 8th February	11.00am	Thanksgiving Service with Allen Valley Singers
Sunday 15th February	11.00am	Mr S Causley from Okehampton
Sunday 22nd February	11.00am	Mr Graham Docwra from St Eval
29th February Sunday	11.00am	Revd Andrew Sowden, with Holy Communion

The Soup & Sweet Lunch this month will be on Tuesday, 17th February at 12 noon in the Schoolroom. Cost £2. Please let Mavis Kingdon (851422) or Pat Hodge (850321) know by the previous Sunday if you plan to be there.

The next Coffee Evening is on Thursday, 19th February and will take the form of a Quiz Night. 7.30pm in the Schoolroom.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO:

Millie Lanyon of 13 Wadebridge Road, St Mabyn, who celebrated her 80th birthday on 20th January. Love and best wishes from husband Fred, daughter Sheila, Derek, Catherine and Sarah.
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CAROL SINGING

Thank you to all those who braved the elements to come carol singing in St Tudy - it was good to have some new voices! Thank you for the sweets, goodies and sherry(!) to help us on our way and lastly for all the money slipped into the collecting boxes for Mount Edgcumbe Hospice - the magnificent sum of £200.07. This was added to the £62 raised at the concert given by the Allen Valley Singers in the Chapel, making a grand total of £262.07 for the Hospice.

The collection at the United Carol Service raised £120.30 and this was sent to Christian Aid. Thank you everyone in St Tudy for your generosity.

C.F.& J.B.

ST TUDY VILLAGE THEATRE

6On Monday 23rd February starting at 7.30pm auditions will be held at the Village Hall for the two one-act plays which have been selected: "Charity Shop" requires four ladies and one man to perform and "Last Tango in St Tudy" requires two men and two ladies. Both plays are light hearted fun and very amusing and will be staged in May. Anyone and everyone interested in any way, please come along on the night or contact Derek Munson on 851208.

CALLING ST MABYN

Following on from last month's article on Broadband, over 80% of the county has access to 21st century High Speed Internet Access called Broadband. Put quite simply, without the technical hype, Broadband will enable you to do everything that you currently do on the Internet but up to 10

times faster. So why haven't we all got it I hear you say. Quite simply, BT is concentrating on the big cities and towns because they have to modify telephone exchanges to provide Broadband, and they would rather do that where there are large numbers of customers, So the subscribers using little old St Mabyn telephone exchange won't get a look in. Not true. With Objective One Status there is pressure on BT to get all of Cornwall connected to Broadband BUT only where customers show an interest. So it's all down to us.

All that BT require to include St Mabyn Exchange in their Broadband update programme is for 150 customers to register an interest in receiving Broadband. That's right, just 150. No commitment, just register an interest. So far 83 subscribers have registered, of which 44 were in January following this article in the St Kew Parish Newsletter. I know St Mabyn can easily beat that figure and take us through the 150 trigger. Then we can all move into the 21st century like Wadebridge, Bodmin, Camelford and many other towns and villages in Cornwall that have achieved it.

All of us who use the Internet now and especially those with youngsters who use it for their projects at school and College will benefit, if not now then certainly in the future. You don't have to sign up till you want, but just register an interest now so that it will be available when you do want it. To register your interest either ring 0800800060 (option 1 & 1) and give your details or go on-line to: http://www.bt.com/btbroadband/register/ns_register_intro.jsp and just fill in the simple form, You don't need to enter your account number. If you want more information or help on registering then give me, Peter Hosegood a ring on 841755 or e-mail me on ph@kivells.biz

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

There was quite a good gathering of members at the village hall eager to hear Mrs Smith talk on Micro Propagation. Mrs Smith is a lecturer at the Duchy College and an expert in her field. It was explained to us that Micro Propagation is a method used to propagate plants in bulk. Many plants can be grown from one very small cutting. This method can only be carried out in laboratory conditions using a very specialised growing medium and so this makes the process expensive. The process is usually used to propagate rare plants or plants which do not readily grow from cutting taken in the normal way, or where the donor plant is very old. This method can also be used to eliminate diseases in plants. She talked on all aspects of Micro Propagation, the method of taking and sterilising the plant material, the medium required, potting on and watering. To conclude the talk we were shown slides of the environment in which Micro Propagation took place and the finished article.

Mrs Caldwell thanked our speaker for what was a most enjoyable evening. We had our usual cup of tea and a chat and the raffle was drawn. There were a few bargains to be had on the plant stall and a camellia took pride of place on the flower head table. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 11th February at 7.30pm in the village hall and our speaker will be Mr Tom Clarke talking on Tea Gardens of the World.

P BARNARD

ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The next meeting will take place on 9th February at 7.30pm at the Village Hall when Mike Haines will tell us about "Tropical Rainforests". Competitions will be for a vase of flowers and a cactus in a pot. Everyone is most welcome.

Advance notice - the Spring Show is earlier this year on 27th March.

JANE KING

IT'S MARMALADE TIME AGAIN!

If you are making marmalade (or any other preserve), please put one or two jars aside for the JAM STALL at the Church Fete on 26th June.

Also with the Spring Cleaning Season approaching, we will be requiring any "good as new" bags, belts, gloves, scat-ves etc for our ACCESSORIES STALL. So please do not throw them out just yet. Collections can be arranged. All enquiries for both stalls to Pame1a Le Bailly, Garlands House, St Tudy.

FOR SALE

Paximax Multimag Projector with table and screen. Swift Telemaster Telescope with tripod. No reasonable offer refused. Tel. 850326.

FREE TO GOOD HOME

3 foot pine bed with mattress to be collected. Tel. 850990.

CHRISTMAS AT MICHAELSTOW (AND OTHER MATTERS)

The weekend before Christmas we held our first Christmas tree festival and a great success it was, with carol singing amidst the trees on Sunday afternoon. Many thanks to all those who organised, contributed and helped to make the event so enjoyable; we must try to make it an annual fixture.

For the first time in many years, there was a service on Christmas morning as well as the traditional midnight mass. I am delighted to report that both services were well supported and again, I hope we can make this a regular feature. The church looked absolutely magical for the first mass of Christmas, with subdued lighting, the candles lit and the Christmas trees sparkling. (Glad I remembered to polish the altar brass!) Then on Christmas morning we enjoyed a rather different service during which the Revd Margaret invited the children to tell us about their Christmas presents (the pink ballet slippers were gorgeous! Despite not having an organist both congregations were in good voice and sang splendidly. If there is anybody out there who could play for us, even if not every week, do get in touch.

More seriously, we are now desperately short of people to help keep the church running. The PCC is at half strength and there is only one churchwarden instead of two, so the work is falling on fewer and fewer people, none of whom is getting any younger. One of the committee may be leaving the area soon and if that does come to pass we will be in trouble. So please, if there is anybody willing to help, do come forward and contact either the Rev Margaret or myself.

DAVID FORD

ST TUDY AFTERNOON CLUB

We had a very interesting and informative talk from Mark Hadrell from Bodmin Fire Station. The next meeting will be at 2.30pm on Thursday 12th February in the Village Hall. Our speaker will be Mr Frank Jones of the Coastguard Service. All welcome.

SALVATION ARMY

A Coffee Morning will be held in the Clink for the Salvation Army on Saturday 14th February, 10.00-11.30am. Why not bring your valentine and don't be too shy to offer a raffle prize or item for the usual bring and buy.

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WANTED

Is anybody out there to clean Michaelstow Church? Twice monthly £5 per homo Please ring David Ford 851854.

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ST MABYN YFC

The club will be holding its Entertainments Evening featuring Gosforth's Fete, the entry to the national drama competition, at St Tudy Village Hall on 15th February at 7.30pm. Booking is advisable, call Liz Harris for tickets on 01208 880927.

There are over 30 members of the club at the moment - including plenty of new members who soon be initiated in dung bagging. We will be selling dung around St Mabyn, St Kew Highway and St Tudy on 7th March - but for any special orders you can phone Liz.

February will also include the County Ball and a visit to St Austell Brewery on Thursday 26th February. If any new members are interested in joining us please call Tom Bray on 07919 182196.

ST MABYN PARISH COUNCIL

There will be a public meeting in St Mabyn Village Hall on Tuesday 10th February at 7.30pm. All parishioners are welcome to come and hear an update on proposals for a village car park

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

Rest In Peace.

10th January Graham Murfin

ST TUDY WHIST DRNE

Tuesday 10th February in the Village Hall.

COFFEE MORNING

Please come along and help support us on Saturday 28th February for a Coffee Morning to be held at St Tudy Clink nom 10am - 12noon in memory of Howard Fraser. Samantha and Victoria Fraser will be running the London Marathon on 18th April in order to raise money for the British Lung

Foundation. There will be a raffle, bring and buy, teas, coffees. Any donations are more than welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

TUDY, THE TIME TRAVELLER

The pageant celebrating the 740th anniversary of a priest in St Tudy will be performed in St Mabyn Church on Thursday 22nd April and in St Tudy Church on Saturday 24th April. Both performances will start at 6pm.

A group of singing "minstrels" (male and female) will be needed to sing a few simple songs and to lead the community singing. If you would like to be part of this group, please contact Sue Peters on 850348 by 7th February if possible.

We need various "groups" of people in costume to take a "pageant" walk through "time". This will be much easier to organise if friends or organisations are willing to get together to form "time" specific groups. These need only be 3 or 4 in number.

Groups needed are: Welsh and Scottish warriors, Yorkists and Lancastrians, individuals from Tudor England e.g. Henry VIII, Mary Tudor, Elizabeth 1, Mary Queen of Scots, Edward VI, Walter Raleigh, Francis Drake, plus James 1, Pilgrim Fathers and Mothers, Roundheads, Charles II and Cromwell, Town Cryer, Cornish tin miners and wives, Richard Trevithick, a "Bodmin" woman, First World War soldiers, suffragettes, hunger marches (depression), 2 Blackshirts with swastika, 2nd World War soldiers, Land Army personnel etc, Astronaut, Stone-mason, villager with a bucket.

Most rehearsals will take place in March. They will be very simple and will involve the small groups at different times. "TIME" will move quickly. I do hope that we will have a lot of fun throughout the Benefice putting this Pageant together and continue the work of the church for many decades to come.

REVEREND MARGARET

FROM THE REVEREND MARGARET

On Sunday 1st February at 6pm in St Mabyn there will be a service for Candlemas. This celebrates the time when Jesus at forty days old was taken to the Temple in Jerusalem and was "Redeemed" according to the Jewish Law. You will meet Anna and Simeon and have the opportunity to light candles representing Jesus the Light of the World.

The Lent Course for 2004 will commence on Monday 8th March at 7.30pm in the Rectory. More information will be in the March Magazine.

If there is anyone amongst you who would either like to read a lesson in church on a regular basis or Intercede (or both) please let myself or the Churchwardens know.

On Monday 31st May, 37 people from Loctudy in France will be coming to visit us in St Tudy on their way home to Brittany. They will arrive at about 5pm and leave about 7pm as they need to catch their ferry. More information about their visit will be in a later Magazine. If any of you speak French and are willing to show a small group around the village would you please let me know.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION

A reminder that your subscription for 2004 is due now. Please pay your distributor £3.50 as soon as possible. Thank you.

EDITOR

PAGEANT COFFEE MORNING

We are holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday 7th February from 10am in the Clink. The aim is to raise funds for the Pageant to be held 22nd to 25th April, to provide an opportunity for people to find out more about this event and, hopefully, to offer their services! If you just want to come along for coffee and a chat, however, that's fine too. We'll try not to press gang you!

We hope to have a display in the upper clink, giving more information. If anyone has information, artefacts, props, costumes etc which they think may be useful, this would be an ideal time to bring them along. As we are covering 740 years of local and national/international history, there is a great deal of scope!

For more information, please ring Sue Peterson (850348) or Rev. Margaret (851691).

ST TUDY VILLAGE HALL EXTENSION PROGRESS REPORT

The St Tudy Village Hall Management Committee is happy to report the progress of this project for the extension to the Village Hall, planned to include necessary toilets for the disabled and child sized toilets for young users in accordance with changes to the law effective in 2004/2005. The Committee hopes to extend the Hall at the same time to enable short mat bowls to be enjoyed. .

The work involves removing the present toilets to extend the length of the Hall and constructing a new toilet suite and an improved entrance to be adjacent to the present entrance. Plans have been approved by NCDC and three quotations received for the building work. Anticipated costs are about £38,000. At present, we have promises and donations of £21,088 of 55% of the total needed. We have and will continue to make other grant applications to meet the sum required in the expectation of starting building construction in 2004.

The Rural Community Projects Trust has written that what makes communities strong is the existence of community buildings that encourage varied community groups mainly centred on social activities. The St Tudy Village Hall Management Committee is a forward looking group of people dedicated to continuing to enhance the services of the Hall offered to the people of St Tudy.

ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

The choir brought 2003 to an end on a high note with their annual Concert of Carols and Christmas Songs in St Tudy Methodist Chapel and has already had a really good start to 2004 with an enjoyable and sociable concert for the Padstow Old Cornwall Society, held on 7th January in the Padstow Social Club. This concert has become an annual event for us and one we look forward to, seeing old friends and meeting new ones. On the subject of new faces, the choir welcomes a new member and we hope that it will not be long before Catherine feels part of the family.

2004 is our 10th anniversary year and we will be enjoying some social events to mark the occasion. The first of these will be a Songs of Praise in St Tudy Methodist Chapel on Sunday 8th February at 11am. The choir will then be having a celebration party on the 28th February, followed by our visit to Locmine in Brittany at the beginning of April. Whilst all this celebrating and socialising

goes on, we will also be learning new songs for our summer season at the Camelot Hotel in Tintagel and rehearsing for the Wadebridge and Cornwall County music festivals.

JENNIFER TARRING PR/PUBLICITY 841329

THANKS

I wish to thank all the people who said prayers and sent sympathy cards to me, during my recent bereavement of my brother. God bless you all.

ANTHEA LOBB

On Wednesday 17th December, a Whist Drive was held at Michaelstow Manor Holiday Park. A total of £306 was raised for Mount Edgcumbe Hospice. Thank you all who helped in any way.

MAUREEN NARRA WAY

Last month, when thanking people for their contributions to the production of the Magazine, I omitted to mention Jane King - I'm sorry Jane! Her drawings feature on the cover most months and are always a delight. So, thank you Jane.

ANNA

Thank you very much to all the kind friends in St Tudy for all the beautiful cards you so kindly sent me when I was in Treliske. I am home now and getting better day by day.

JOAN BROOKS

THE 2003 ST MABYN POPPY COLLECTION

I didn't think last year's total collection could be bettered - but how wrong I was. The combined St Mabyn poppy collection for 2003 amounted to £488.24. Many thanks to those who gave so generously.

CAROL BROWN

MICHAELSTOW

On Saturday and Sunday, 20th and 21st December, a Xmas Tree Festival was held in Michaelstow Parish Church. The Church was beautifully decorated by many trees. Light refreshments were served throughout both days. During Sunday afternoon, the congregation was entertained by the musical Blackbmn family and many carols were sung. Many thanks to the ladies and children who made the Church look so festive and thanks to the men who also played their

90 YEARS YOUNG ...

Despite her protestations, that the date on her birth certificate cannot possibly be correct, Nancy Williams will celebrate her 90th birthday on Wednesday 25th February. We would be delighted if you would come and raise a glass at Lindum House anytime during that afternoon between 2 and 6pm. She says she doesn't want any fuss or gifts - just a smile and maybe a card. Please come!

ST TUDY WOMENS INSTITUTE

Deadlines, colds and flu, visitors, Christmas, New Year and just plain forgetfulness have all conspired to make this an omnibus edition! Back in November, Sonia Stevenson, former proprietor and chef of the celebrated Horn of Plenty restaurant, gave St Tudy W I a fascinating talk on how she became a cook and the development of their restaurant business. She was a great inspiration because she was really a musician and learnt to cook "on the hoof".

During November, members had also enjoyed a delicious luncheon, prepared by the Luncheon Club, to celebrate St Tudy W 1's birthday, plus a Christmas shopping trip to Plymouth.

December is always a busy time and our meeting, early in the month, was a festive one. Business was brief and we enjoyed ourselves listening to Mrs Sue Rescorla, talking about her G-string - on the violin, naturally - with musical illustrations. We had a splendid supper, with toasts, and ended up singing carols with Sue accompanying us on her fiddle. And - everyone went home with a present!

Arrangements were made for yet more jollity and food when members will be going to Restormel Lodge for the annual New Years Dinner. This proved a great success.

In January, Tamsin Thomas came to talk to us about the RNLI. Together with the coastguards, helicopters and other services and modern technology, the lifeboat men, all volunteers save the coxswain, are able to cope with an amazing variety of emergencies in all sorts of conditions.

We had only a little business to attend to. However, we raised some money during the meeting to buy a silver badge for our president, Mrs Lobb, to wear in her official capacity, which will be passed on to future presidents.

YVONNE NOBBS - PRESS SECRETARY