

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2006

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| 1 | 3.30pm | Beginners Short Mat Bowling St Tudy Village Hall (every Wed) |
| | 6.30pm | St Tudy Football Club - every Wed |
| 2 | 8.00pm | St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club - every Thurs |
| 3 | 6.30pm | St Tudy Youth Club |
| | | THE FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT |
| 5 | | Isaiah 40: 21-end, 1 Cor 9: 16-23 |
| | 4.00pm | Candlemass Service at Michaelstow |
| | 2.30pm | St Tudy Country Dance Club - fortnightly Mondays |
| 6 | 6.30pm | St Tudy Governors |
| | 7.30pm | Michaelstow Table Tennis Club - every Monday |
| | 9.00am | Yoga St Tudy Methodist Chapel |
| 7 | 7.00pm | Allen Valley Singers - every Tuesday |
| | 7.00pm | Short mat bowling (advanced) St Tudy Hall every Tues |
| | 7.30pm | St Mabyn Parish Council |
| | 7.30pm | St Mabyn Garden Club |
| 8 | 12 noon | Soup & Sweet Lunch St Tudy Methodist Church |
| 9 | 2.30pm | St Tudy Thursday Afternoon Club |
| 10 | | St Tudy School Valentine's Ball |
| 11 | 10.00am | Magazine deadline |
| | 7.30pm | Quiz Night St Mabyn Village Hall |
| | | THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT |
| 12 | | 2 Kings 5-1-14, 1 Cor 9:24-end |
| 13 | 7.30pm | St Tudy GPA |
| 14 | 10.30am | Treveighan Coffee Morning |
| | 7.00pm | Whist Drive St Tudy Village Hall |
| | | Sunshine Club St Tudy |
| 16 | 7.30pm | Coffee Evening St Tudy Methodist Church |
| 17 | 7.00pm | St Tudy W I |
| | | THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT |
| 19 | | Prov. 8: 1 and 22-31, Col 1: 15-20 |
| 24 | 8.00pm | The Frenzy Nicals Bodmin |
| 25 | 10.00am | Table Top Sale St Tudy Village Hall |
| | | THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT |
| 26 | | 2 Kings 2: 1-12, 2 Cor 4: 3-6 |
| 29 | 7.00pm | Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party and Beetle Drive at the Rectory |

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome to our services during February. We look forward to sharing fellowship with you on the following dates:

Sunday 5th February	11am	Mr Len Mabson from Camelford
Sunday 12th February	11am	Mr T Sillifant from Bradwortlry, Devon
Sunday 19th February	11am	Rev Stella Long (Communion Service)
Sunday 26th February	11am	Mrs G Ashton from Camelford
Wednesday 8th February		Soup and Sweet Lunch at 12noon in the School Room. Please let Trish or Mavis know if you would like to come.
Thursday 16th February		Coffee Evening at 7.30pm. Details later on posters. Bring and buy stall.
Thursday 23rd February		Church Council meeting at 7.30pm.

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

2nd January Reginald Philip John Lacey formerly of Oak Park, St Tudy

10th January Jane Muriel Symons St Mabyrn

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

It was very special to share the Covenant Service at the Methodist Church on 8th January. We look forward to worshipping together on future occasions in 2006.

The Songs of Praise to celebrate the Restoration of the Church Roof proved to be a happy and joyful occasion. Thank you to Lady Pamela and her committee for all their hard work in raising the £50,000 in such a short time. It was a wonderful achievement.

Thank you also to the ladies who cleaned the church for the occasion. Now we can turn our thoughts to the refurbishment and re-building of the organ.

There will be a Pancake Party and Beetle Drive at the Rectory at 7pm on Shrove Tuesday, 28th February. I hope that you will all come along and enjoy a "fun" night out.

ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

Before the AGM in December, everyone enjoyed some festive food and drink before the business got underway. It was agreed subs should remain at f3 as our bank balance and membership numbers are sufficiently healthy. We are holding a plant sale in the Spring, which will again boost funds - so please plant a few extra seeds in anticipation? Everyone agreed the green cases purchased in time for last Autumn's show look very professional. The committee and the quiz team were re-elected without dissent, particularly with regard to the quiz team, it was felt not a good idea to split up such a winning combination. It was decided to give the handing baskets and tubs competition a year off to try to encourage more people to take part.

The business quickly concluded, we were well entertained by George Kestell with his slides of plants with strappy leaves. He brought along various items for sale from the Gardeners' Benevolent Society, which proved very popular. We look forward to welcoming hire again in March.

The New Year meeting on 9th January was a talk by John Mann on Hellebores with some beautiful slides showing the many variations of colours that can be produced. His garden at Truscott near Launceston is open on the first Sundays in May and June and should be worth a visit. The next meeting is on Monday 13th February, when David Pearce will tell us about "The Garden in Winter". David has been to us before and is an excellent speaker, so that's certainly a date to put in your diary.

JANE KING

ST TUDY W I

We were greeted by a beautifully decorated hall for our members' evening on 9th December. After our President, Mrs Judith Jasper had welcomed us, she quickly dispensed with the business, so we could get down to the really important part of the evening, answering really ingenious quiz questions set by Sue Dibble, listening to amusing Cornish readings by Pat Hodge, exchanging presents and singing carols. We ate a delicious supper supplied by all the members and served by the committee, finishing off with wine and a superb Christmas cake baked by the President. The competition, a decorated log with a candle, was won by Jennie Harris, second Margaret Lobb and third, Sue Dibble. Flower of the Month was won by May Halls. A lovely evening to prepare us for all our other events in the village.

POSTER CAMPAIGN

£39.02 has been sent to the Children's Hospice South West as a result of people's generous donations in return for posters put up in the window of Virginia House, St Tudy. The charity for 2006 is The Cinnamon Trust, which cares for people's pets, when they are unable to do so. Please note that with limited space, we would prefer to keep to Benefice posters only.

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REBUILDING THE ORGAN IN ST TUDY CHURCH

We have now received the faculty from the Chancellor of the Diocese authorising the commencement of the work to rebuild the existing organ. Most of this will have been removed to the organ builder's premises in Penzance by the time the Magazine is published, as will be readily apparent to those visiting the church.

There is now a display in the church showing the work involved in the rebuild, with photographs of some of the new pipe work, a sketch of the new console and the interior of the existing instrument, with an explanation from the organ builder of the work that is now in hand. The present estimate is that the rebuilding operation will be completed by the end of September next.

Donations of money continue to arrive and at the date of writing this note, £11,000 has been received, of which, £9700 has been contributed by five donors, for which, we are extremely grateful. In the fixture, we will be publishing the names of all donors and, as an encouragement to visitors to the church to give anything that they are able, an organ pipe, located on the table near the church door, has been converted to accept gifts. To date it has produced nearly £25.

The hard work of raising the remainder of the contract price of £23,000 now begins and we would be grateful to anyone who would be willing to organise any type of function that will help towards our target. The contract provides for stage payments as the work proceeds and ideally, we need to raise an average of £1,500 per month between now and the end of September.

I am confident that the organ when completed, will be an adornment to the church for many years to come. As long ago as 1960, the Archbishop's Committee on Music in Worship stated that the organ and its use in the hands of a competent player was an important element in services in the Anglican Church.

GEOFFREY GIBBONS

ST TUDY SCHOOL

The school's Carol Service held in the church was a lovely evening. It highlighted what talented children we all have! It started with a rendition of "Jingle Bells" played by three children - two on their trumpets and one on a french horn. We were then treated to the traditional Christmas story read by some of the Governors and their children; whilst the youngest children in their beautiful outfits acted the story out. The children's singing was superb and we even had a great solo performance. We heard a lovely hymn played by a group of children on their recorders. What an enjoyable evening it was. After the service we were treated to mince pies and mulled wine beside the new Chestnut tree. Father Christmas even found time to visit and all the children were treated to a gift. Many thanks to the carnival committee for organising this. I am sure that everyone enjoyed themselves and it was a superb end to the evening and a great start to Christmas.

The start of the new term did not go without a hitch! Unfortunately, we discovered that the heating system wasn't working, so the children had an extra day off school whilst the problem was rectified and heat restored.

As revealed in last month's Magazine, we will be holding a Valentine's Ball for all the children at St Tudy School at the Village Hall on Friday 10th February. So come on all you kids, put your glad rags on and get ready to party! There will be a disco and various competitions throughout the evening. A buffet will be provided. We are looking forward to seeing you all there.

ST TUDY LOCAL TALENT CONCERT

11th March in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. If you would like to take part in this event, please contact Mavis Kingdon (851422) as soon as possible. Last year's concert was so enjoyable and proved what talented people live in St Tudy parish!

LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

Congratulations to Kerry Livesey on passing your Grade Two Electronic Keyboard exam. Well done!

DIANNE BARTLETT CTVC

SONGS OF PRAISE

Morning really did gild the sky on Saturday 14th January. The sun was shining, spring flowers bursting into life and a repaired roof, what more could we ask for? About 80 people attended the service led by Rev Margaret and we were delighted that Archdeacon Clive Cohen and his wife were able to come and also Rev Raymond Wood. There were representatives from the architects, builders and some of the bodies from whom we received grants, including Mrs Priscilla Hext from the Cornwall Historic Churches Trust. Ray Shaddock, made the journey from Bude to represent Radio Cornwall. How wonderful it was to hear the congregation singing their hearts out to the chosen eight hymns, including one especially written for the service. Archdeacon Cohen was asked to cut the first slice of the Celebration Cake made by Lady Le Bailly and beautifully decorated by Dianne Bartlett and everyone then enjoyed a piece along with a glass of sherry. Unfortunately, some of our invited guests were unable to come, several due to illness, but they will still be able to hear the service as we are going to produce a CD, which be on sale for £3.50 each or 3 for £10 (proceeds to the Organ Fund).

We were very fortunate that Gary Pearce, a free lance recording technician, who does a lot of the outside broadcasts for Radio Cornwall, was able to help us out by making a recording of the service (free of charge). The Roof Fund Committee would like to thank, for the very last time, everyone who has helped in any way, by giving their time, expertise and their money!

NORTH CORNWALL HUNT

The North Cornwall Hunt Supporters Club will hold their next monthly meeting on Tuesday 7th February at the St Mabyn Inn. Please forward any subject of discussion to the Hon Secretary on 01637 876098. Raffle prizes for the bowling evening at Trethorne would be welcome as will all members and their guests.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Your annual subscription is due on 1st February. Please pay your distributor £3.50 as soon as possible. Many thanks for your continued support.

THE EDITOR

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 11th February in St Mabyn Village Hall 7.30pm for 8pm start.

£5 per person, to include a glass of wine/beer and pasty. Teams of 4 people. To reserve a table, please ring Susie Farmer 01208 841760. All proceeds to St Mabyn School HSA.

PHOTO-VOLTAIC (PV) PANELS FOR ST MABYN CHURCH?

A public meeting has been arranged in St Mabyn Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 15th March to discuss the proposal to fit PV panels to parts of the roof of St Mabyn Church (connected to the national grid) to generate electricity for sale to SWEB.

Anyone interested will be welcome; if you would like more information, I can supply a few sheets giving the background and some of the technical details. If you cannot come to the meeting, your written comments beforehand will be welcome.

GEORGE DYKE, The Old Farmhouse, Tregaddock,
St Mabyn, PL30 3DE. Tel. 01208 841704

A GOOD READ?

Traditional good old-fashioned fireside mysteries by Westcountry author, Harriet Hicks. "Peacocks and Parsnip Wine" is her fifth nostalgic novel, set in 1935, wherein Nun and Phipps, unmarried middle age sisters, investigate a churchyard shooting in St Tudy, a real-life Cornish village near Bodmin Moor, while staying at the Rectory as guests of their cousin the curate. 276 pages in hardback for only £12.95 post free. Please make cheques payable to Don Longthorp or write for further details to Trevaides Press, Falmouth, TR1 15RG.

An ad in the winter edition of This England

ST TUDY THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Roger Brewer from the Bodmin & Wenford Railway gave an interesting and enjoyable presentation on 12th January.

On Thursday 9th February at 2.30pm in the Village Hall, our next presentation will be on the subject of the Camel Trail; another interesting and historical local subject. Tea and biscuits will be provided; all for 50p. Come and enjoy a pleasant and interesting afternoon in good company at our meetings. All are welcome.

ST TUDY YOUTH CLUB

The Youth Club Christmas Party turned out to be a great evening. The fancy dress costumes were wonderful; we had many celebrities amongst us! There was a Kylie, an Elvis, two very Cheeky Girls, a Buzz Lightyear and even a scary Ozzy Osborne to name just a few. The winner of the fancy dress competition was Bill Yea as "Chico" and runner up prizes went to Rosa Busman as Baby Spice, Felix Canbourooulos as a king and Siegfried Bellringer-Burden as Mick Jagger. Even the helpers and parents joined in the fun - we had a naughty Christmas Santa, a dad as Bob Marley and just who were those Three Degrees? Well done to you all! Many thanks to "Right on Cue" for providing the entertainment; they were greatly enjoyed by the children and the adults alike. If you have the opportunity to go and see the band locally, don't miss it!

Thank you to the parents who brought raffle prizes, bought tickets, helped in the kitchen or just came along. We must also thank the children. They behaved extremely well and we are sure that they enjoyed the evening.

The Village Hall. Extension Opening will be held on 11th March. All the children from the Youth Club have been invited to open the event with a song and dance. If anyone would like to take part individually, or in groups, they will have the opportunity to do so on the night. We could have groups of singers, solos, instrument playing, poem recitals or anything else that you can think of.

Youth Club is being held on 3rd February, 3rd March, 10th March and the last one for this year will be held on Friday 31st March. It is held at St Tudy Village Hall from 6.30-8.00pm. If you fancy coming along, just turn up! For any more information, please see Nat Moore or Jane Bailey.

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

There was a change of speakers on Wednesday night. We were expecting to see Mr Mike Haines talking on orchids, but unfortunately he was unable to attend due to ill health and so Mr George Kessell stepped into the breach. Mr Kessell can talk on many subjects, but we chose a talk on the winter garden. By means of slides, we were shown various trees, shrubs and plants grown for their winter colour. Some are grown for their flowers, some for their berries and others for the colour of their foliage or bark.

As each plant came up on the slides, Mr Kessell explained the benefits of growing it; what it would be like in a bed with plants of contrasting colour and if it was a tree or shrub, the pruning regime. We also discussed the way to take cuttings of many of the shrubs. Our Chairman thanked Mr Kessell for a most enjoyable talk and for showing us some excellent slides. We ended the meeting with a cup of tea and a chat and finished off the Christmas cake.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 8th February, when our speaker will be the very famous, Mrs Beryl Davies talking of Fruit Growing. A talk not to be missed; everybody welcome. Our meetings start at 7.30 in St Mabyn Village Hall,

THE ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

December was a busy month for the choir with a joint concert with the Tintagel Orpheus Male Voice Choir, our annual Christmas visit to Bederkesa Court in Bodmin and of course, our favourite Christmas Concert of Carols and Songs in St Tudy Methodist Chapel.

The joint concert with the Tintagel Orpheus, held on 9th December, was in aid of SKYD (Supporting Kernow Young Diabetics) and a grand total of £636 was raised on the night. The choir thanks everyone who supported this very worthy cause.

With Christmas over, rehearsals have resumed and we are now working on some lovely new songs for our repertoire and also on pieces for the Wadebridge Festival of Music and Speech in February. It is several years since we participated at Wadebridge, but we hope to continue our success at festivals by coming away with a cup or trophy. At St Austell Festival in December, we won the Aberdeen Laundry Cup and in a sing-off against Imerys Eastern Area Male Voice Choir, we won the Jack Kent Memorial Rosebowl (Championship Class).

Bookings for concerts and weddings are beginning to come in for 2006 and we will be joining forces with the Imerys Eastern Area Male Voice Choir in a joint concert at St Stephens in June. That is one date you will definitely want to put in your diary. JENNI TARRING PR/.PUBLICITY 841329

POLGLYNN HOLIDAY COTTAGE, ST MABYN

For details go to www.cornwall-online.co.uk

Polglynn is a recently converted self-catering holiday cottage and has just become available for holiday lets. Renovated to an extremely high standard, it offers first class luxury accommodation with two en-suite bedrooms. One bedroom has a king-size double bed and the second has two three foot single beds. Both en-suites have power showers. The building has oil fired central heating. From the five large patio windows and terrace, there are stunning views across the Allen Valley towards Padstow around to St Endellion Church and on towards Brown Willy and Rough Tor on Bodmin Moor.

Why not tell friends and family who may be considering a holiday in Cornwall?

THANKS

Thank you everyone for your generosity to Mount Edgcumbe Hospice in the week before Christmas. £71 was donated at the wonderful concert given by the Allen Valley Singers in the Chapel and £304 was collected by the carol singers! Thank you to everyone, especially those who came carol singing. We

were pleased to have so many male voices - "While Shepherds" was splendid! Thank you also to those who gave us hospitality and such warm welcomes at their doors. We are looking forward to next year! A cheque for £375 has been sent to Mount Edgcombe via St Tudy Methodist Church.

John and Anthea would like to thank everyone who came and supported us at the Christmas party in aid of church repairs for St Mabyn Church. We raised the magnificent sum of £230. Thank you.

THE FRENZY - ST TUDY'S VERY OWN MUSICAL SENSATION!

February will be a landmark month for St Tudy-based rock band, The Frenzy. Formed in July 2005 by Richard and Ben Partington, of Chy-Arn-Bron, Redvale Road, the project was initiated as just a bit of fun for singer/guitarist Rich (18) and drummer Ben (16). However, their early jam sessions betrayed superb potential and the band were thus named, due to the powerful intensity and excitement of their first songs. They began taking things more seriously, buying some decent equipment and playing for anyone who'd listen throughout the summer and autumn. But something was missing and The Frenzy decided to recruit a new member to broaden their sound. Delabole-based bass guitarist Fiona Stacey (18) fitted the bill perfectly. On 12th November, they played live at St Teath Village Hall to an appreciative crowd of 65, performing 10 original compositions and 5 covers. Fairs of the band have described their music as "a vibrant mix of rock and pop, with an alternative edge".

On 11th February, The Frenzy are heading into the studio to record their first CD, as yet untitled. This will be released shortly afterwards and more details will be available soon. On 24th February, they are playing their first gig of 2006 at Nicals Restaurant, Bodmin, supporting Plymouth band Wishlist. Doors open at 8.00pm and the admission price is £2. They would love to see some St Tudy residents there to support them!

For more information on the band, ring 01208 850253, or visit our web page at www.ainplifeye.com/wisigiied/tl-tefrerizy where you can also listen to song clips and rate the band out of five.

ST MABYN PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting on 9th January was opened with seven councillors attending, the Parish Clerk, Cornwall County Councillor Colin Brewer and five young people from the village. Mark Menhenitt was welcomed back on to the Parish Council. There was an open forum when the proposal for a dirt track in the King George Playing Field was presented by the young people. It was agreed that the KG Playing Field Sub Committee continues with their investigations. ROSPA is being contacted to repair loose planks and to clean wood affected by water retention and slime on playing equipment. The gate to the KG playing field is to be fixed to make it self-closing. It is hoped that Mr Stephen Smith will be able to solve the problem once and for all.

Parish Council Notice Boards. The inner board is to be painted. People pinning notices onto the boards are asked to use drawing pins only.

Village Sign Posts. Thanks to Paul Menhenitt for the excellent work he did on the sign post at the top of "Killer Hill". The sign post at the bottom of the hill near Dinham Bridge will be replaced within 8 days by the Highways Authority.

The bench in the car parking area (outside the pub). Paul Menhenitt has ordered the wood and hopefully the bench will be back in situ by early Spring.

Vandalising of Public Toilets outside the Village Hall. Why anyone would want to vandalise these toilets beggars belief - wrenching soap holders off the wall! The toilets are a valued asset to the village for walkers etc. If anyone knows who the offenders are, would you please report them to the Chairman, Mr Alf Finnamore.

St Mabyn Village Plan was brought to the meeting by Mark Menhenitt. What was most interesting was the identification of the Village Green. This is the area where the school children hold their Sports Day and where the Church Fete is held every year. The Bus Shelter will be painted and the inner back wall covered with a boarding on which notices can be easily pinned. The inner roof too, will be dealt with to prevent pigeons access - our thanks to Mark Menhenitt. Recent planning applications can be inspected in the Minutes on the Board outside the Parish Hall.

Football (Ron Heath). Application for grant funding towards the cost of purchasing the new Junior goal posts has been completed and submitted to the Football Association through Bodmin Leisure Centre (Paul Allsey).

Parish Board at Longstone. A step or two (cut into the bank) to enable access has been agreed and this work will be carried out as soon as possible.

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 7th February at 7.30pm. The Parish Council wishes all parishioners a very Happy New Year.

HELEN BARRETT