

		CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2005
1	9.00am	Yoga St Tudy Methodist Chapel
	10.00am	ALL SAINTS DAY Holy Communion (BCP) St Mabyn
	7.00pm	Short mat bowling (advanced) St Tudy Hall every Tues
	7.30pm	St Mabyn Parish Council
	7.30prn	North Cornwall Hunt Meeting Cornish Arms St Tudy
2	3.30pm	Short mat bowling (beginners) St Tudy Hall every Wed
	6.30pm	St Tudy Football Club - every Wed
	7.00pin	ALL SOULS DAY Service of Remembrance St Mabyn
3	8.00pm	St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club - every Thurs
4	11.00am	Wedding at St Tudy
5	6.00pm	Bonfire Night St Tudy Playing Field
6		THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT Wis: 12-16, 1 Thess 4: 13-18
7	2.30pm	St Tudy Country Dance Club - fortnightly Mondays
	7.30pm	St Tudy Bellringers - every Monday
	7.30pm	Michaelstow Table Tennis Club - every Monday
8	10.30am	Treveighan Coffee Morning
	7.00pm	Whist Drive St Tudy Village Hall
	7.30pm	Bedlam Theatre St Tudy Village Hall
9		Soup & Sweet Lunch St Tudy Methodist Church
	7.30pm	St Mabyn Garden Club
10	6.30pm	Cornish Arms an AVON & Diving for Pearls Christmas party
11	10.45am	REMEMBRANCE DAY Benefice Service St Mabyn
		St Mabyn YFC New Members Evening
12	10.00arn	Coffee in the Clink for Polperro Fishermens Choir Concert
	10.00am	Magazine Deadline
13		REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Micah 4:1-5, Rom 8: 3l-end
14	7.30pm	St Tudy GPA
16	6.30pm	St Mabyn Governors
18	7.00pm	St Tudy W 1
19	7.30prn	Polperro Fishermen's Choir St Tudy Church
20		CHRIST THE KING (Sunday next before Advent) Ezek 34: 11-16, 20-24, Eph. 1: 15-23
	11.00 am	St Mabyn Patronal Festival with Bishop Roy
	12.30pm	Patronal Lunch at Jo and Colin Hyde's
	6.00pm	Choral Evensong at St Mabyn
21	7.30pm	St Tudy Village Hall Management Committee Meeting
23	10.30am	Treveighan Methodist Church Christmas Fair
27		ADVENT SUNDAY Readings Year B Isaiah 64: 'l-9, 1 Cor 1: 1-9
	2.00pm	Holy Baptism at St Mabyn
	6.00pm	Advent Carol Service at St Tudy

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

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

Sunday 6th	11.00am	Mr R Sleep
Sunday 13th	11.00am	Mrs Margaret Troy
Sunday 20th	11.00am	Rev Stella Long (sacrament)
Sunday 27th	11.00am	Mr Andrew Martin

Soup and Sweet Lunches have started again for the winter season. The cost will be £2.50 and the profit will go towards our disabled facilities and new kitchen. This month's lunch will be on 9th November. Names please to Trish (850321) or Mavis (851422) the Monday before the event. Coffee Evening - 17th November. This is a very special evening. It is for mission. Thus year our aim is to raise £1000 for the Merlin Project. We want to show that the Methodist Church in this, our Camelford and Wadebridge Circuit, cares for local charities too. The meeting, which will launch the Appeal, will be held in the Chapel, hopefully to cope with all the people that come! Dr Murray, from Par, and David and Lorraine Jasper will tell us all about the Merlin Project. There will be a "Bring and Buy" stall and refreshments. Do come to help us make a really good start!

KITTENS

Adorable, fluffy and with their Siamese mother's blue eyes, wormed, litter-trained and ready to leave home! Please contact 850651.

THE FRIENDS OF ST MABYN CHURCH

The Friends of St Mabyn Church, a registered charity that is seeking to raise over £60,000 towards the repair of St Mabyn Church's roof and tower, are urgently seeking a new Secretary and Treasurer. Neither post is particularly onerous now that the charity and accounts have been established. The committee meets about five evenings a year. If you would like to volunteer for either post, please contact Gage Williams on 841378 or on gagewillmsgaol.com

GETTING MARRIED

Dave Hearle and Sue Mendharn (9 Oak Park, St Tudy) are getting married. That's Molly the dog's Mum and Dad!!!

On 5th November we will getting married at St Tudy Church. If any friends and neighbours would like to join us on our wedding day, you would be more than welcome at the church service which starts at 11 am.

Come and see Molly in all her wedding finery!!

DARK WOODS BEYOND

The Bedlam Theatre Company of Cornwall is back on the road this autumn, with its most eagerly anticipated play to date. Dark Woods Beyond, by Christopher William Hill, is a very dark yet very funny play, ideal for those long dark nights.

Director, Rory Wilton says, "This is a very exciting project for the company. It's marvellous to have the opportunity to work with award-winning playwright Christopher William Hill. One of Chris's plays for Radio 4, Killing Maestros, won both "Best Script" at the BBC Radio and Music Awards and the Peter Tinniswood Award for best radio play. He's written all extraordinary new play for three women. The three characters navigate truth, lies and stories in their tangled path through the edgy paranoia of city life. The script will keep the audience guessing throughout."

The project is a first for Bedlam as it is being produced in partnership with the Barbican Theatre in Plymouth and the Acorn Theatre in Penzance: both of them venues with strong reputations for encouraging exciting new work. The play has been awarded a grant from the Arts Council of England. This grant not only offers vital financial support, but also shows recognition of Bedlam as one of the south west's most original theatre companies.

A darkly psychological comedy, *Dark Woods Beyond*, is this autumn's must-see play. If you only go to see one piece of theatre this autumn - make it *Dark Woods Beyond*. In St Tudy Village Hall on 8th November at 7.30pm.

ST TUDY PARISH COUNCIL

The St Tudy Parish Council met in September in the Village Hall. District councillor C Mutton attended. There was an apology from Cllr Nick Fletcher.

- No objections were raised on a planning application for an extension to the rear of Church View. The Council asked that the NCDC Planning Officer ensures that appropriate materials be used, as the application applies to the conservation area.
- An application for the demolition of a lean-to-extension to a listed building at Lamellan raised no objections.
- Cllr J March presented drawings of a new signpost for erection in the village centre and there was discussion on how it should be paid for.
- The Chairman thanked Cllr Mev Shelley for his paper on Parish Plans which had been attached to the minutes of the July meeting. The Council decided that no action on a Parish Plan was needed at present and that the matter be reviewed, as appropriate, at a later date.
- The Council met at the Chestnut Tree on 27th September. A tree surgeon's report on the dying chestnut tree was read and a list of possible actions to take was prepared for discussion the following evening. The Council resolved that the tree should be felled as soon as possible and that plans for a replacement, a scion to be planted as near as practical to the old tree, should be prepared, priced and submitted to the village for scrutiny. The scion of the old tree is growing well and proposals consider planting it in a twelve feet diameter bed surrounded by a granite kerb to prevent traffic damaging its roots later on. At the same time the car parking would be refurbished to permit parking for the same number of cars as now.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 26th October at 7pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome.

MARGARET SHELLEY

THANKS

It is lovely to be back home again in St Tudy after my "hip op" in Treliske. Thank you everyone for all the Get Well wishes, cards, calls and visits. Very much appreciated. Would like to thank also, John, who has looked after me, even though it's only a month since he had a spinal operation. He's been a brick. Again, marry thanks.

PAT CHUGG

ST TUDY OLD TIME & MODERN SEQUENCE DANCE CLUB

St Tudy Old Time & Modern Sequence Dance Club meets every Thursday at 8pm in the Village Hall. Tuition given by professional teachers. £1.50 each Thursday evening. All are welcome.

NORTH CORNWALL HUNT

The next meeting of the North Cornwall Hunt Supporters Club will be held at 7.30pm at The Cornish Aims, St Tudy on Tuesday 1st November. Christmas period activities will be discussed. All welcome.

SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD IDEA

East Anglian Ambulance Service have launched a national "In case of Emergency (ICE)" campaign with the support of Falklands war hero Simon Weston and in association with Vodafone's annual life savers award. The idea is that you store the word "ICE" in your mobile phone address book and against it enter the number of the person you would want to be contacted "In Case of Emergency". In an emergency situation ambulance and hospital staff will then be able to quickly find out who your next of kin are and be able to contact them. It's so simple that everyone can do it. Please do.

YOGA CLASS

There's a weekly yoga class on Tuesday mornings at 9.00am in the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, St Tudy aimed at parents.

Drop your children at school and come and join us. For more information, please contact Elke Tanner, tel. 850012.

ST TUDY VIEWS CALENDAR

Christmas is approaching fast, so why not send a calendar instead of a card to your special friends. Contact Sue Dibble at Cavalier Cottage 01208 850748.

THE ST TUDY CHESTNUT TREE

In the Autumn of 1921 the Rector of St Tudy, Henry Eardley, asked for permission from the Parish Council to plant a chestnut tree on "waste land" in the village. It was a very special tree; the following is the letter in the Parish Council records to Mr Eardley from Julia Caiman, who was the widow of the soldier who collected the corker before dying from his wounds aged 50 in 1916, "The chestnut tree was grown from a seed which my husband gathered in the midst of a violent attack on the Ypres Salient. He brought home six seeds and they all lived and are now trees. The seed was planted in 1915 (Dec). The name in full is Capt. H J Cannan, DSO Royal Horse Artillery 79th Brigade 17th Division. I am very glad that the tree will have the honour of being placed near a War Memorial, so that it may speak of life after death and remind all of the Resurrection and Reunion and serve as a reminder that we must carry on the work for which millions gave their lives."

We do not know of what, if any, was Captain Cannan's connection with St Tudy.

The tree over the last few years has given cause for concern. This year it dropped most of its leaves in August. Recently the Parish Council asked for a report from an Arboriculture Consultant (see report on P.C. notice board) who has advised that it should be felled this winter. The good news is that on Remembrance Sunday 2000 a number of corkers from the tree collected by a village boy were planted. Two have survived being eaten by rabbits, squirrels and an escaped bullock.

After felling the old tree, it is proposed that we plant the strongest one, now some five feet tall, 8 feet to the right of the parent tree in a new 10 foot diameter raised and turfed bed surrounded by granite kerbs and further protected by a metal tree guard. With the introduction of new soil and the avoidance of root compaction by cars, perhaps it will last another 90 years. There may be some sound timber in the small trunk of the old tree; if anyone has any suggestions of what might be made from it, or would like to use any of the branch timber for woodturning, sculpture or any other project, please contact myself or another member of the Parish Council. JONATHAN MARCH tel. 850284 email: jonathanmarch@tiscali.co.uk

CHURCH SURVEY REPORT 2005

"HELP YOUR CHURCH GROW"

This report contains the results of an independent ecumenical investigation examining the reasons why church going is declining in Britain and Ireland and the solutions people offer to reverse this decline. It has been compiled by the Ecumenical Research Committee following a survey conducted between September 2003 and September 2004, to which 14,000 people at "grassroots" level ("people in the pews") across Britain and Ireland responded.

According to its foreword, it gives "... a fascinating insight into what they want churches to provide and what they say will make church attendance more attractive".

It was distributed to General Synod in February 2005 and was featured on BBC2 Newsnight.

This report can be downloaded FREE from www.churclisuivey.co.uk Alternatively, it may be purchased in either booklet form or CD Rom format for £3.50 (ROI 7.30 euros) per copy incl. p&p. Order online or send a cheque payable to the "Ecumenical Research Committee" at The Ecumenical Research Committee, 19 Glenfield Road, Betchworth, Surrey, RH3 7HR.

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

When we were tidying up after the Harvest Lunch, we seem to be in possession of 24 grey plastic and metal stacking chairs that no organisation claims. Please could the owners contact Carole Gngg on 01208 841276 and collection or delivery can be arranged.

C.G.

COFFEE IN THE CLINK

There will be a Coffee Morning in the Clink on Saturday 12th November. It is hoped the proceeds will cover the costs relating to the Polperro Fishermen's Choir, who will be giving a concert in St Tudy Church on Saturday 19th November. Raffle and bring & buy and some home made produce. Please come!

ST MABYN Y F C

Over the last couple of months we have been very busy with Young Farmers. Our Barry Bash at Burlerrow was very well supported and was a great success, making in excess of £2500. During the month of September, we also had both our club and county Harvest Festivals. These were enjoyable and gave us the opportunity to reflect on what the year has been.

In October, we held our AGM: during which new officers were elected. Our new Chairman is Dale Harris, Secretary Charlotte Woodrow and Treasurer Emma Braunton. The evening was straight forward and fortunately did not go on too long! We were also able to give away £3500 to charity this year. Our chosen charities were Pencarrow House, Shelter Box appeal, Great Ormond Street, Headway and the county charities - Macmillan Nurses and the Cornwall Diabetic Society.

Our annual new members evening will this year be held on Friday 11th November and we would love to see as many people as possible there. You do not have to be from a farming background - everyone can enjoy young farmers! If anyone has any questions with regard to this or anything else, they can contact Dale on 880927.

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

Once again we are in the month of "Remembering" as we enter into November. 2005 has been a year of "remembering", as we have remembered the With anniversaries of both VE and VJ days and celebrated the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar. Our thoughts now turn to the special services of "Remembering" which always take place in November.

30th October is the 5th Sunday and as is the custom, we shall be holding a joint Benefice service in St Tudy Church at Warn, when we shall together celebrate All Saints. In the evening at 6pm, we shall be holding a combined evening worship with our friends at the Methodist Chapel. These combined services are always very happy occasions, so do come along.

1st November is the "official" All Saints Day, so I shall be conducting a service of Holy Communion at Warn in St Mabyn Church. As is now our custom, on 2nd November, All Souls Day, in St Mabyn Church at 7pm, we shall be holding a quiet and meditative service, as we remember those who we have loved but see no longer. I shall of course, be writing to all who have lost loved ones since last year to invite them to the service, but everyone is welcome to come and remember and to light a candle. There will be lists at the back of the churches for you to write down the names of those whom you wish to be remembered.

On 11th November, I shall be conducting a short service of remembrance at 10.45am in St Mabyn Church. It is in addition to the Remembrance Sunday service. It provides the opportunity for the two minutes silence to be observed at 11am. It also provides the opportunity for all the names of those who gave their lives for their country, throughout the Benefice, to be read out and honoured. Please come along if you are able to do so.

13th November is Remembrance Sunday, Services will be held at the normal Remembrance Sunday times. Michaelstow and St Mabyn hold their services at 10.15am and at St Tudy at 10.50am. At St Tudy, Sir Louis Le Bailly will be giving the address.

The St Mabyn Patronal Festival is on 29th November. Bishop Roy, the Bishop of St Germans, will be with us. Please note that the service will begin at 11am and will be followed by a lunch at Levalsa Mere. At 6pm, there will be Choral Evensong in St Mabyn Church.

27th November is Advent Sunday and it marks the beginning of the new Christian year. Morning services will be as normal, but in the evening at 6pm, we will be holding an Advent Carol Service in St Tudy Church with carols and readings for Advent. On the four Monday evenings of Advent, 28th November, and 5th, 12th and 19th December, there will be a short Advent meditation and prayers at the Rectory. It is open to everyone. Prayer is the foundation of the Christian life, so it will be good to pray together.

What a wonderful day St Maby's Harvest Festival turned out to be. It was of course combined with the celebration of Mark Grigg's year as National Chairman of the Young Farmers. The church was filled to capacity with people from all over the country, for the joyful service. This was followed by a memorable lunch at Stone Farm. I should like to thank everyone who helped to make the service such a special occasion, in particular the Benefice Choir, Zoe Ray and of course Dr Geoffrey Gibbons.

Sadly, due to lack of support, Shell Cottage has had to be cancelled. Perhaps we can try again next year.

TREVEIGHAN METHODIST CHURCH HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Chapel, which was beautifully decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables, was crowded to capacity for the service conducted by Revd Andrew Sowden on Sunday 18th September and again on the Monday evening, when after a short act of worship, the sale of produce was held.

After fierce bidding for the produce and flowers, the grand total for the weekend was £413. The Chapel members would like to thank all those, who donated produce, those who helped with the decoration and of course, all those who came and worshipped and were so generous on the Monday evening.

MARY WATKINSON 01208 8502(19)

MARGARET MARSHALL

Margaret Marshall has resigned after many years as Magazine distributor for Michaelstow. We thank Margaret for all her hard work and dedication.

EDITOR

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

There was a good gathering at the hall for the talk by Mr Matt Lewis on wildlife and conservation at Lanhydrock. Matt is a ranger who oversees the 1000 acres of the Lanhydrock estate owned by the National Trust, over half of which is made up of woodland and trees. With the aid of slides, we were shown the layout of the estate showing the position of the Lanhydrock House and the fatuous mile long avenue of trees. Matt explained to us the work going on clearing overgrown areas and the need to leave some rotting trees for the wildlife to flourish. We were shown where wild flowers such as bluebells etc soon take over areas, which have been cleared and how the seeds of these flowers can lay in soil dormant for years, just waiting for the right time to sprout. The insects attracted to the flowers encourage bird life and butterflies. There is a large amount of work going on at Lanhydrock; the siting of dormouse nesting boxes, the monitoring of bat roosts and trees where barn owls nest. We all think of Lanhydrock as a big house and often don't know or forget that it is only part of a very large estate. Mr Barriball, our Vice-Chairman, thanked Mr Lewis for a most interesting talk. An eye opener to us all. We had our cuppa and a chat and the raffle was drawn. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 9th November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Our speaker for the evening will be Mr Philip Martyn talking on Norfolk Lavender. Everyone welcome.

P BARNARD

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

Holy Matrimony at St Maby's

24th September Garry Etheridge and Christine Kingsley-Smith

ST MABYN EUCHRE

Can you play? St Mabyn Inn has a Euchre club which is in need of extra players. We are an enthusiastic team who have fun and enjoy the game. We play in the league but don't let that put you off! We are a relaxed team who will make you very welcome. If you are interested and would like to join us, please contact Mel on 07883 018917 anytime

TREVEIGHAN METHODIST CHURCH

Treveighan Methodist Church is having a Christmas Fair on 23rd November at 10.30am in the Community Room at the Chapel. Come along and buy your Christmas goodies, have a cup of coffee and biscuits and a chat. All the usual stalls.... cakes, raffle, cards, Christmas items etc. We look forward to seeing you.

MARY WATKINSON/ PAT HARRIS 01208 850269

ST TUDY THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

The talk on the Coastwatch was an enjoyable and interesting one at the October meeting and the sum of £25 was donated towards this good worthy voluntary cause.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 17th November at 2.30pm when the subject will be on Railways and Canals, by Robert Manders Please note this is the 3rd Thursday. All are welcome.

RON HEATH

POLPERRO FISHERMEN'S CHOIR

On Saturday 19th November, the famous Polperro Fishermen's Choir will be singing in St Tudy Church at 7.30pm. Tickets £4.00 on the door. Come and enjoy a wonderful evening of song. Proceeds to church funds.

J. W.

NOVEMBER'S COVER PICTURE

The boundary stone is a quarter of the way down the lane to Gain Bridge on the right hand side. On the St Tudy side you can just make out St U (St Udy), with the T set up a bit. It must be very old and before the corruption to St Tudy. On the St Breward side St B. Not many people know it is there... apparently ... especially as it's rather overgrown and moss covered.

J.K.

THE ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

On 10th October the choir held their 9th annual concert at Charlestown in aid of the Home Farm Trust and we thank members of The Ship Wreckers for their musical contribution to the evenings entertainment, We gather that The Ship Wreckers can be found in The Ship Inn in Wadebridge most Wednesday evenings., holding up a glass of ale, propping up the bar and launching themselves into song with gay abandon. Ale and bar were missing at Charlestown but the singing was great. Once again, Janette Eathorne and her husband treated us to a couple of songs in close harmony and of course Janette's humour kept its all laughing. No musical evening is complete without a raffle and good refreshments and we are pleased to announce that £256 was raised. We are now rehearsing for the St Austell Music Festival on 2nd December and of course, the choir is looking forward to being in the St Tudy Methodist Chapel on Thursday 15th December for the annual Concert of Carols and Songs commencing at 7pm. The audience is a vital part of any performance and we hope to see you not just in St Tudy but maybe also at St Austell.

JENNI TARRING PR/PUBLICITY 841329

HELP START A BAND OF BELL-RINGERS AT ST MABYN

There is presently no band of active bell-ringers at St Mabyn, but the bells are rung occasionally by the visiting band from Lanteglos/Advent. Many would like St Mabyn to have its own band again; and a recruitment and training initiative, starting from scratch, seems to be the only way ahead.

Fortunately, the well-established Lanteglos/Advent band would be pleased to provide really good teaching and development for complete beginners and for those who have done some ringing before and would like to take it up again.

Then, when a small core of St Mabyng ringers was ready, the St Mabyng band could reform and grow with the continued support of Lanteglos/Advent for as long as was necessary.

To get started, new ringers would be most welcome to come along initially to Lanteglos/Advent practice nights from 7-9pm on Wednesdays. Contacts are Andrew and Ruth Reeves on 01840 213120 or Jim Izzard on 01208 851699.

ST MABYN THANKSGIVING AND HARVEST CELEBRATION SERVICE

The sun shone and the eight peal church bells rang out to mark the start of this celebratory service in the beautiful 13th century parish church of St Mabena. The church was spectacularly adorned with flowers and local produce symbolising the harvest festival, packed to its full capacity with people of all ages and denominations who came from all over the country to celebrate the year long National Chairmanship of the Young Farmers by Mark Grigg - only the second Cornishman to have had the honour of holding this position.

The service was conducted by the Reverend Margaret Millson, with the music being led by Dr Geoffrey Gibbons (organist) supported by the Benefice Choir and a hymnal blessing beautifully sung by Zoe :Ray.

A poignant selection of prayers was read by Mark's relatives and close friends, giving thanks for the fruits of the harvest and for all the good work that Mark,, with the unstinting support of his family and friends, has done during the past year.

The numbers present stood testament to the glorious festival of harvest thanksgiving and the devotion to and support of young farmers that tills community celebrates.

The service was followed by a celebratory lunch at the Grigg family home of Stone Farm.

ST TUDY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Bonfire night will be held on Saturday 5th November on the St Tudy Playing Field starting at 6pm.

All are welcome to come and join the fun.

Children's Guy Competition on Bonfire Night. Guys must be in place by 6pm. Judging at 6.15pm

Prizes for best guy and for all other entries.

The next Hall business meeting will be held on Monday 21st November at 7.30pm.

M SHELLEY

ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

At our first meeting of the season in September, our speaker was Gary Long, who is now Head Gardener at Trewithen Gardens. His subject was Garden Maintenance month by month. Dividing the year into three-monthly sections, he took us through all the work needed in each season, planting, pruning, care of lawns and general maintenance. His guiding philosophy is "little and often" especially when it comes to those tedious or strenuous tasks! He then answered the many and varied questions put to him by the audience.

The Annual Autumn Show was held on 8th October. The judges were Mr Kendrick (veg), Mr Crewes (flowers), Mrs L, Jasper (floral art) and Miss Sheer (juniors). Our chairman, Brian Lamerton presented the prizes. The vegetable section was well represented; the playgroup had done us proud with their entries in pressed flowers and the hall looked well with all the flowers.

Mr Pearce won the MEL Williams Cup for the Best Exhibit in the Vegetable Section with his 36 shallots on a stand as well as winning the cup for most points in vegetables, with Mr Colston taking the runner-up cup. Mr Peace also won the cup for the Best Flower Exhibit. Dave and Jane Miller won the F and M Hillson Memorial Cup for most points gained the flower section whilst Brian Lamerton presented himself with the runner-up cup! Judith Jasper won the Millennium Cup for most points in Floral Art as well as the Dulcie Denny cup for best exhibit.

Miss Sheer was very complimentary about the children's entries, the winning Pressed Flowers on a Card by Kate Scott particularly took her eye with a view to future patchwork design! 2nd in the

playgroup entries was Hannah Bate, 3rd Joseph Hocking and Highly Commended Emily Dawe. The Animal made from Vegetable Matter was won by Rebecca Trewin, who was also Highly Commended for her 2nd entry, whilst her sister Stephanie came 2nd and 3rd with her two entries. Rebecca also came first with her autumn basket and Stephanie second.

Mary Winn ran the tea bar throughout the afternoon and Vat Smith took the entrance money and the raffle. It's a considerable amount of work staging a show and Peggy Metters always manages it smoothly! Well done, everyone! Photos soon on the website.

The next meeting will be on Monday 14th November when Peter Holden will be telling us about Pruning. Usual time - 7.30 at the Hall.

JANE KING

ST MABYN PARISH COUNCIL

The agreed minutes are posted on the notice board outside the Village Hall in St Mabyn after the meeting. The council met on 4th October and the following business was discussed:

- Due to illness Mrs Lisa Menhenitt handed in her resignation with immediate effect.
- There is a vacancy following the resignation of Mr McLachlan. Official notices of vacancy are posted on all three of the Parish Boards. There will be a Parish Election on 17th November, if 2 or more names come forward by 21st October. Please see notice boards.
- Concern was expressed about cars parking in front of the small gate leading into the Playing Field and blocking it. Please avoid parking there.
- Concern too, was expressed regarding children on their bikes cycling out of Watergate Lane onto Wadebridge Road - some times at speed. The Parish Council asks that this practice stops immediately. Also children should be reminded to keep to the left side of the road when riding their bikes.
- The Playing Field Sub-Committee hopes that, following distribution of questionnaires in October, they might get the views of the villagers concerning the playing field. In particular, the Parish Council is anxious to have feedback from young people in time for the meeting in November.
- A donation of £20 was made recently to the fund for the Playing Field following parking there during a recent wedding. Thank you.
- The subject of maintenance around the village was discussed. The matter will be addressed again at the next meeting in November.
- Rights of way were discussed. There is a £2 million scheme in Cornwall (to be introduced later this year) to prioritise the footpaths to get them up to a certain standard. Each path would be graded gold, silver or bronze. Work would commence on those graded "gold" to bring them up to the required criteria and then attention would be given to the "silver" and "bronze". A draft programme for each parish has been drawn up and details of the programme can be found on the County Council website later this month. Details will be sent, to each parish council.
- Councillor's training. It was agreed that all councillors receive training on the "Code of Conduct for Parish Councillors" and a joint seminar with St Tudy Parish Council (subject to agreement with St Tudy) is to be held on 7th February at St Mabyn Parish Hall.
- It was suggested that following a number of minor vehicle accidents during the year on the somewhat "risky" bend in the road (up from Dinham Bridge to the A39), a staggered white line dividing the road would be a good idea. NCDC is to be consulted.

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 1st November at 7.30pm. All parishioners are most welcome to attend. Your concerns and suggestions are of interest to the Parish Council.

HELEN BARRETT