

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2006

1	10.30am	St Mabyn Community Coffee Village Hall
2	8.00pm	Barn Dance Burlerrow St Mabyn YFC
3		THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Deut. 4: 1-2, 6-9, James 1: 17-end
4	8.00pm	St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club fortnightly Mon
	7.30pm	Michaelstow Table Tennis Club – every Monday
5	9.00am	Yoga. St Tudy Methodist Church – every Tuesday
	7.00pm	Short Mat Bowling St Tudy Hall – every Tuesday
	6.30pm	Meet the Architect St Mabyn Church
6	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink – every Wednesday
	7.30pm	Meeting of the Friends of St Mabyn Menkee
	7.30pm	Meeting in St Mabyn Village Hall to plan Mistletoe Festival
7	8.00pm	St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club every Thurs
8	2.30pm	Short Mat Bowling St Tudy Hall – every Friday
9		Bike Ride and Open Church
	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink CHC Trust
10		THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Isaiah 35: 4-7a, James 2: 1-10, 14-17
11	7.00pm	St Tudy extra-ordinary PCC meeting at the Rectory
	7.30pm	St Tudy GPA
12	10.30am	Treveighan Coffee Morning
13	1.15pm	St Mabyn Garden Club Outing
14	2.30pm	St Tudy Thursday Afternoon Club
		St Tudy W I Visit to Hall for Cornwall
15	10.30am	St Mabyn Community Coffee Village Hall
	7.00pm	St Tudy W I
16	10.00am	Magazine Deadline
17		THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Prov 1: 20-33, James 3: 1-12
	9.45am	Annual Service of Thanksgiving for Friends of St Mabyn Church and the launch of the Roof Appeal
23	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink St Tudy Afternoon Club
24		THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Jer 11: 18-20, James 3: 13-14, 3: 7-8a
	9.45am	Harvest Festival at St Mabyn and lunch at Carol Grigg's
25	7.00pm	Sale of Harvest Produce St Tudy Methodist Schoolroom
27	7.00pm	St Tudy Parish Council Meeting
29		St Mabyn Community Coffee Village Hall
	7.30pm	St Mabyn Young Farmers Harvest Festival
30	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink and Book Sale

ST MABYN

This is a special edition of the Magazine, funded by St Mabyn PCC to launch the St Mabyn Church Restoration Appeal and is being delivered to every residence in St Mabyn Parish, and being given to all children who live outside the Parish but attend the School, Playgroup or Beavers / Cubs / Scouts. If you do not normally receive it but would like to do so in future then please contact the St Mabyn Distributor, Mrs Anthea Lobb, Many Views, tel: 841581.

Meet the Architect. On Tuesday 5 September Richard Church (good name for an ecclesiastical specialist!) of the Bazeley Partnership will meet the members of the Restoration Appeal Committee in the vestry of St Mabyn Church at 6.30pm to answer questions on the Quinquennial Inspection, and any other topics about the building and the necessary repairs. This meeting is open to anyone who is interested and would like to attend - and it will definitely finish in time for those attending the Parish Council meeting at 7.30pm to be punctual.

St Mabyn Community Coffee Mornings. These continue to be very well attended and are much enjoyed for the opportunity to meet neighbours and make or renew friendships. They are held on alternate Fridays in the Village Hall, and a donation of £1 per head is requested for coffee and biscuits. All proceeds to the Hall.

Open Church 9th September. The Churches of the Benefice will be open on Saturday 9th September, to welcome participants in The Bike Ride. This offers a good opportunity for those interested in the forthcoming works on St Mabyn Church to come in and have a look round this lovely old building. As always a copy of the annual accounts is displayed in the porch for those who like to see how we spend our money.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The Appeal Committee would like to ensure that anyone who has lived in St Mabyn parish during the past 30 years, and/of has strong family links but no longer lives here, is aware of the Restoration Appeal and, especially our plans for some sort of permanent commemoration of the Benefactors. Michael Williams, who writes the Guardian County feature in the Cornish Guardian will be writing about the village, the Church and the Appeal in a future edition where this plea will be repeated (and perhaps picked up by those who read it online from far away!) If you know of someone in this category please let me have their contact address, so we can write to them, with a copy of this Magazine, or let them have my details, so they can get in touch.

ABIGAIL tel. 850651

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

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

Sunday 3rd September	11am	Mr R Uglow from Egloskerry
Sunday 10th September	11am	Mr P Parsons from Tresmeer
Sunday 17th September	11am	Mr Clayton Irons
Sunday 24th September	11am	Harvest Festival with Mrs Dorothy Grundon
Monday 25th September	7pm	Sale of produce in the Schoolroom

Please remember to buy your raffle tickets for the patchwork quilt in aid of the new kitchen and disabled facilities. Tickets from Alice.

WENDY BUTTON, ROSIE HAMISI, JEAN HEATH (ST MABYN)

THE FRIENDS OF ST MABYN CHURCH

For those of you who may not know, the Friends of St Mabyn Church is a charity set up about three years ago to raise money to repair and preserve our beautiful Grade 1 listed Parish church. The Friends laid on a most enjoyable Jazz on the Green concert on 21st July performed by the brilliant Bodmin College Jazz Orchestra with over 30 musicians and vocalists directed by Adrian Evans. The concert raised just under £1,000, half of which went to the Friends of St Mabyn Church and the other half to the orchestra for repairs to instruments. We have been inundated by requests for this to become an annual summer event and we have asked them to return next July.

One for the diary. There will be a Supper Safari on Friday 2 is' October in and around St Mabyn Parish for up to 80 or so people at £10 per ticket. If you would like tickets in advance – it is always a sell out – please phone or e-mail Gage Williams on 01208 841378, gagewillmsAaol.com. If you would like to volunteer to help or provide your house for one of the courses, please also let me know.

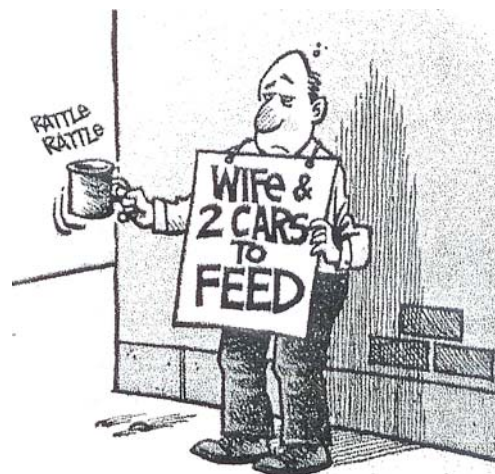
Finally, we have about 100 Friends out of a parish of 720. If you wish to become a Friend by giving an annual donation towards the long term preservation of the church, again, please let me know and I will send you a joining form. As a village, we really do need a combined and concerted effort if we are to pass on our wonderful church in good condition to future generations.

GAGE WILLIAMS CHAIRMAN

ST MABYN/ST TUDY FUELLING THE FUTURE

Three cheers for the Church in St Mabyn, for having the vision to install roof solar panels to reduce energy costs. But this is just the start of a major change in all our lifestyles.

Here's a simple question. Name 5 everyday household items that do not need crude oil to manufacture or transport them? Bet you can't. We are completely reliant on crude oil. With the combined appetites of North America, Europe, Japan, China and India, oil demand is rising ever faster. So fast that oil companies must discover a new billion-barrel oilfield every 2 weeks – or the equivalent of a new North Sea every 18 months. This is not happening and will not happen. There are no viable alternatives to crude oil. The prices of fuel, electricity and gas will keep on rising and rising and rising. The impact on all of us in St Mabyn and St Tudy will be huge. Support the Church Roof Fund and give power to the people. We must start planning now for the inevitable consequences of rising fuel, food and transport costs. Soon we will be forced to produce our own energy (like St Mabyn Church) and food locally, because it will be cheaper. We all need to be strong and visionary, as we face this looming challenge. I will be organising a public meeting to discuss this subject in October. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me for a chat. Dr Mike Haywood at St Mabyn on 841762.



ST TUDY AFTERNOON CLUB

The next meeting of the Club will be held on Thursday 14th September in the Village Hall. There will be a presentation by the Trading Standards Office. A very interesting and topical subject. Why not join us at one of our meetings? No membership is necessary.

gives you entry and a raffle ticket. We have some very interesting speakers and you will be made very welcome.

We would appreciate your support at our Coffee Morning in the Clink on Saturday 23rd September 10-11.30am.

RON HEATH CHAIRMAN

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

Sadly we report the recent death of Peter Barnard, our publicity officer. Peter worked tirelessly for both the garden club and the Memorial Hall committee, applying for and raising funds to upgrade the facilities of our, unappreciated by many, village hall. He will be sadly missed by all.

The first meeting of the new season will be a visit to Pine Lodge Gardens at Holmbush, St Austell on Wednesday 13th September. We will be using our own transport and leaving the bus shelter at 1.15pm. Lifts can be arranged for anyone who needs one, just be there. For those going direct to Pine Lodge, we will meet there at 2pm.

Our meetings for the coming season are as follows:

11th October	A history and video of Trewithen Gardens
8th November	A talk on houseplants
13th December	Christmas Party with entertainment
10th January	Video on Cornish Gardens
14th February	Talk and video on "Spices of the Bible"
14th March	Talk on Perennials
11th April	AGM and video
9th May	Talk on Epiphyllwys – Orchid Cacti

If you fancy hearing any of the talks do come and join us. All are welcome.

M.K.

1st ST MABYN SCOUT GROUP

You may have noticed our fundraising thermometer that has been erected outside our Scout Hut to keep everyone informed of our progress.

Hopefully by the time you read this, the "It's a Knockout" competition will have been a success and boosted our funds towards the new toilet block. A huge thank you to St Mabyn YFC who made this event possible, to everyone who helped on the day and to those who donated raffle prizes. Our next venture will be the 2007 calendar for which we still need sponsors. £100 will buy you a whole month of advertising, so please contact me if you can help.

Initial ground work on our new building is at last due to start with the water being connected and the site being prepared. The grant money we have secured will give us a kick start, but there seems to be a lot of hidden costs! Our committee remain determined to complete the project, which will both avoid the group's closure and hopefully provide us with some income to meet annual running costs. So please don't hesitate to contact me if you can help in any way.

Beavers, Cubs and Scout sessions will start again in September to coincide with term time. Please phone Brian Farmer on 01208 871670 for more details on any of the above.

MICHAELSTOW FETE

Once again we have to give a big thank you to Monty Whitebloom and his wife for allowing us to use the Old Rectory grounds and outbuildings for the annual Church Fete. After a long heat wave it was too much to hope for to have a fine day for our fete. For the second year running the weather was against us. Fortunately, we were loaned a number of gazebos, so most of the stalls were at least under cover of sorts.

Despite the weather, we had much the same numbers as last year and those that came really were most generous. So many thanks to all those that worked so hard to set up stalls, run raffles, tom-bola and serve excellent teas. Also thanks to all that came and spent their money in aid of the Church funds, as a result collected in a record sum of money £1952.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

When the King George V Playing Field, St Mabyn is being used as a car parking facility for any event, it is important and essential to take note, that the necessary Health & Safety Regulations are to be met to the full, so too the demands of the Public Liability insurers. If part of the Playing Field is to be used as a car park, the event using the field for parking, must adhere to Health and Safety Regulations as required from 2006 onwards and adhere too, to the requirements as laid down by the event's own public liability insurers. What is of concern is the safety of our children in the Playing Field — nothing can be left to chance when it comes to the safety of our children.

The work group arrangement for Saturday 22nd July was not a success, perhaps another date can be arranged during September/October.

HELEN BARRETT PARISH COUNCILLOR

ST TUDY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The next Village Hall meeting will be held on Monday 23rd October at 7.30pm. Please note that there will be no meeting on 25th September.

The Bonfire Coffee Morning date has been altered from 14th October to Saturday 21st October at 10am in the Clink. Any help would be appreciated to raise funds for the fireworks.

The Management Committee thanks Hall users for their forbearance while hot water was not available. A new central heating boiler and fuel tank are being installed for your warmth and for hot water again.

New safety and hygienic flooring is also being fitted in the kitchen and in the committee room. These rooms are being redecorated also, thanks to grants received from Awards for All and from North Cornwall District Council.

MARGARET SHELLEY HON SECRETARY

THANKS

Brian, Ruth, Torn and Elly would like to thank everybody in St Tudy for making them feel so welcome in their new venture as owners of St Tudy P O & Stores. We look forward to meeting customers old and new.

Thanks to all who gave donations in lieu of flowers at Tresa's funeral. The amounts donated totalled £1003.50, shared between Mount Edgcumbe Hospice and St Tudy Parish Church.

JIM KEMPTHORNE

Thank you to all who came to the St John's Coffee Morning or helped in any way. We raised £180. Thank you.

MARY

Lewis, Joyce and family of the late Mrs Mary Cox, who was buried on 28th July, would like to thank all who attended the funeral. Also all who sent sympathy cards and donations received for Air Ambulance. Special thanks to Rev Stella Long, who conducted the service and for her kindness.

JOYCE BARRABALL

ST MABYN CHURCH RESTORATION APPEAL

"Above all, for its beautiful tower, one of the highest in the county, the church of St Mabyn is conspicuous" so wrote Cyrus Redding in his illustrated Itinerary of Cornwall, published in 1848.

Apart from restoration work in 1884, nothing has changed to detract from that description since the church was built towards the end of the fifteenth century. It remains as a constant reminder of the dedicated artistry and architectural excellence of the medieval master church builders. Thus wrote Mike O'Connor the former Times journalist, in 1986 when he lived at Menydown Cottage and agreed to write a short history of the Church for the benefit of the Roof Appeal, which was tasked with raising the (then) enormous sum of £20,000 for Phase One of the repairs to the roof (at that time it was still possible to buy a cottage in the village for around £30,000!) I acted as Secretary to that Roof Appeal Committee, most ably chaired by Reg Fanner, a retired very senior policeman, whose daughter and son-in-law owned the holiday park. I have had a very nostalgic time going through the files and reflecting on the many changes (the O'Connors, the Fanners, and the Barnes's have all moved away and all the businesses have changed hands at least once) but also the continuity: the thermometer made by Tony Dickinson is still in excellent shape and with a few alterations will go up again, David Chadwick (who made the original drawing of the roof slope for the Buy-a-slate) has kindly agreed to draw another, Richard Church our architect is still with the Bazeley Partnership and will supervise the works, our church is still a very favourite landmark, the village community still a lovely place to live and there are still many residents who were involved with Phase One, though reading the names on the "slates" (hanging in the church) is a very poignant experience as we remember the ones no longer with us. During the intervening twenty years, many, many repairs and maintenance jobs have been carried out, often by John Lobb, our dedicated (and capable!) Churchwarden and his helpers, but the time has come when we can no longer ignore the very pressing advice in the latest quinquennial inspection, carried out in 2003 and this time we need £107,000.

We have formed a committee to co-ordinate the activities, and we intend to use the tried and tested formula of a mixture of grant applications, individual benevolence, and community events. We would also like to devise some sort of permanent memorial in the Church for those who would like to make a significant donation, perhaps to commemorate a loved one.

Twenty years ago we had the St Mabyn Players, a Football Club, a Tennis Club and a Village Amenity Association (formed to establish a proper play area and football pitch in the King George Playing Field and renovate the grass tennis court) but now we have a Garden Club, a Playgroup, a Scouts/Cubs/Beavers and a Friends of St Mabyn Church - and not least, we also have Gift Aid! Twenty years ago we held an Its a Knockout, a Variety Show, a Sponsored Tennis Tournament, a Sponsored Snookerthon, Beetle Drives (to name just a few) and a then resident entered the London Marathon, with the Roof Appeal as his designated charity. Many individuals and organisations held events, some on a fifty/fifty basis and there was a terrific sense of community and fellowship. Whilst we all worked hard, we also enjoyed ourselves! We hope to achieve the same again this time, and are delighted that the Garden Club have agreed to hold a Garden Safari (May Day weekend next year), the Allen Valley Singers will put on a concert, the School are putting together a display for inside the Church and the Friends, who have been so stalwart since they were set up only a couple of years ago, also have a programme of events in the pipeline.

Together we can do it, I know, and I should be delighted to hear from anyone who would like to be involved in any way (ideas are always welcome!) Jennifer Tarring, our Secretary is on 841329 and I am on 850651.

ABIGAIL KIRBY-HARRIS CHAIRMAN RESTORATION APPEAL COMMITTEE

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

In spite of the weather Michaelstow Fete was a very great success. A very big thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make sure it was a success and a very big thank you to everyone who supported it.

Although I have been in the Benefice for five years on 26th September, I am aware that there are people and places whom I have not yet met or visited. If you would like me to call, please do not hesitate to let me know. Please let me know of anyone who is sick or in hospital so that I can visit them.

September is the month when lots of things seem to start again. I do hope that the traditional holiday period has been relaxing and renewing. We look forward to the children returning to school. For some it will be a new school and we wish them well. For others it will be school for the first time with all its joys and emotions. So we should remember to pray for our children and for our teachers and all who work in our

schools. We are very fortunate in St Mabyn and St Tudy that we have such excellent primary schools and I am very aware and very appreciative of the hard work which goes on within the schools.

Once again we look forward to our Harvest Festivals. Before these take place, we have been asked to hold the traditional Old Cornwall Society service of "Crying the Neck". This is when the last stook of corn is blessed. It takes place at 7pm on Wednesday 30th August in John Lobb's field in St Mabyn and is followed by a short service in the church. Naturally supper will follow the service in St Mabyn Village Hall. It is a very interesting evening and everyone is welcome.

September seems to be the "Wedding Season" in the Benefice. We have weddings at St Tudy on three consecutive Saturdays 9th, 16th and 23`d. Please remember in your prayers those who are getting married. September will also be an exciting month in the churches. The organ renovation will be completed in St Tudy, so perhaps we can use the beginning of September to "spring" clean and polish the church before the weddings and organ dedication. The organ will be dedicated by Bishop Bill at 7pm on Friday 27th October and will be followed by a traditional Benefice Supper in the Village Hall. Please write the date in your diaries. A big thank you to Dr Gibbons for making this possible and a big thank you to Lesley Frazer for all the extra cleaning that she has done during the organ rebuild.

The burden of fundraising now moves to St Mabyn as a vast amount of money has to be raised to repair the roof of the church. To launch this appeal and to give thanks for the work of the "Friends of St Mabyn Church", we will be holding a special service at the Family Service at 9.45am on 17th September. I do hope that all of the "Friends" will attend this service.

The preacher at St Mabyn Harvest Festival will be Sandra (nee Lobb) who works for an Aid agency and spends a lot of time in the third world countries. She will be talking about her work and I am delighted that she has agreed to talk to us.

Just a reminder that from 1st October, initially for a trial period, the morning service at St Mabyn will begin at 9.30am. This will enable both myself and Dr Gibbons to have the time to speak to people instead of rushing off.

I am very much aware of the need to fund raise to keep the churches open. The work that we do now on the buildings and indeed on the organ is necessary in order that future generations will have churches of which they can be proud. Here at this time, we are leaving our own marks on the church for posterity. However, the Church of God is not the building but the people – you and me. We are bound together by a God who loves each and every one of us and who died for each and every one of us. We are a family; a family that is strengthened by meeting together, by worshipping together and by prayer. Perhaps September could mark a new beginning where we can make a new pledge of making more effort to come to a service on a more regular basis. A praying community is a strong community.

Thank you all for making the five years that Alan and I have been with you so wonderful and so special. My licence as your Priest will be renewed by Bishop Bill at the Service of Dedication on 27th October. It seems appropriate when I once again will have the opportunity of re-dedicating myself to the Service of God and to the people of St Tudy, St Mabyn and Michaelstow. Many exciting things have happened during the last five years and I am sure that the next period of our journeying together will be just as exciting. May God bless you all.

REVEREND MARGARET

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

Holy Baptism 6th August	St Mabyn	Isabella Ascanius Davis
Holy Matrimony 26th August	Michaelstow	Matthew Francis Bass with Joanna Marie Sanders

ST MABYN SCHOOL

As the school year begins and we welcome new faces, we share the reflections and reports of the Year 6 House Captains, who left us in July.

SPORT.

We have taken part in the following competitive activities: football for boys and girls, High 5, cross country, kwik cricket and, at the District Sports, Years 3 & 4 children obtained medals for first place and certificates for 2nd and 3rd places. Paige, Sam and I were given a wonderful opportunity to develop our skills during 6 week multi-skills sessions. Paige qualified to attend a "Born to Win" day at Bude with other talented children from Cornwall. Thank you to everyone who has helped us to have a very good sporting year.

MATTHEW STEWART – MABENA HOUSE CAPTAIN

MUSIC.

We were involved in the Outreach Programme with Truro Cathedral, which meant lots of rehearsing, and a visit from four choristers from Polwhele School – they were amazing. They made it hard for us to hear ourselves and we learnt how quiet we were. We then performed in the Cathedral with two other schools, The Cornwall Junior Choir and the choristers. We had so much fun. Another musical opportunity was the Wadebridge Music Festival. All the musicians did well, especially the woodwind trio who beat two secondary school children from Wadebridge. Our wonderful choir were one point behind the winners. Thank you Mrs Renshaw. Lots of children in school play instruments – trumpets, violins, cellos, guitars, recorders, a flute and clarinets. We have to practise a lot but it's worth it in the end. Thank you to everyone who comes to school to teach us. We have all enjoyed our year of music.

HARRIET MASTERS – MABENA HOUSE CAPTAIN

TRAIL BLAZERS,

Year 6 worked toward the Trailblazer silver award. For outdoor pursuits we spent two days canoeing on the river at Roseland Outdoor Adventure Centre. We also worked towards a range of swimming badges – distance, personal survival and the National Curriculum swimming badge. Our Music Outreach Programme in February led to the opportunity to sing with the Truro Cathedral Choristers. In June, as part of the Environmental Outreach, we did a litter pick round the village. It was amazing how much litter we found! All the bags were full to the brim. Afterwards it looked a lot cleaner. We were runners up in the Scrap Attack Challenge in North Cornwall. We found out more about recycling when we visited the Bochnin Recycling Centre. We thank everyone for providing us with such wonderful opportunities.

ANNE KEMP - PETROC HOUSE CAPTAIN

RESIDENTIAL.

On our residential visit to the Delaware Outdoor Education Centre, we took part in a range of different activities – archery, canoeing, climbing, abseiling, moorland walking, dry slope skiing and ice skating. For many of us, these were new activities. We worked in teams and earned points. Each team had a set of duties to do – washing up, setting and clearing tables. We had to keep our dorms tidy and help one another. The Residential taught us to have a go at new activities, work as a team, encourage and help others and achieve things we did not think we could do. Our thanks to Mrs Puttock for organising it – a wonderful Residential.

RHYS BRIGHT PETROC HOUSE CAPTAIN

SCHOOL COUNCIL.

Last September I was voted the Year 6 representative for the School Council. The School Council is made up of one pupil from each year to represent their year. We meet every half term to discuss what we would like to do to improve our school and what events we can do to raise money for charity. I chaired the meeting. Mrs Puttock is the secretary. This year we have worked towards our Bronze Award. Other School Council members came in to see what we had in our school. They asked us questions about what we did for our School Council. Harry and I went down to Truro to receive our award. We found out some more ideas from some of the other schools. I have enjoyed my time on the School Council – going places and receiving awards. We have achieved a lot this year and I hope St Mabyn School will achieve their Silver Award next year.

ROWAN LEWIS CHAIR PERSON

POETRY ON THE WALL

The response to my request for poems was brilliant and many people have since asked me if they could be put into a book. I have made some enquiries regarding this, and have decided to go ahead. If possible, the booklet should be printed in colour as the children's poems in particular lose a lot of their appeal when converted to black and white.

The best price I have been able to get for printing 250 copies (this seems to be the minimum that most printers are willing to do) is a minimum of £600. This is a lot of money, especially as it would be nice to make a profit, which would be spent on a village project (suggestions have been made that the St Tudy azaleas should be surrounded by granite to match the blocks around the new chestnut tree). I feel that to charge more the £3 per book would put a lot of people off buying a copy (or two!) so I am asking if anyone person or persons would be prepared to sponsor the booklet. Their name(s) could be included in the book if they wish.

I have already prepared a sample booklet, which can be shown to the chosen printer, but of course, unless I am certain the money will be available I cannot proceed any further yet. If you feel you can help, could you please contact Sue Dibble at Cavalier Cottage, tel 01208 850748. It would be nice to get this project underway as soon as possible so that the booklets could be available in good time for Christmas.

ST TUDY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

St Tudy Short Mat Bowls Club has been successfully running in the Village Hall for almost a year and now has 20 regular members.

Although originally set up as a village social activity, the Club will this year be entering a team in the North Cornwall Short Mat Bowls League Division 2.

New members will be most welcome to join us any Tuesday evening from 7 to 9pm or Friday afternoon from 2.30 to 4.30pm. Don't be afraid to come along and have a go ... most of us had never bowled a wood before the Club was started!!

J.B.

THE ORGAN IN ST TUDY CHURCH

"Superb", "Beautiful" "Magnificent", "a real adornment to the church". These expressions of approval of the rebuilt organ have been made over the last few days following the installation of the large wooden pipes and those facing into the Chancel. The silver and gold metal pipe-work and the "Pugin" red and blue wooden pipes above the Chapel have created a considerable impact and justified the great care taken in selecting appropriate colours.

Not so obvious, but just as impressive is the solid oak hand-made console with cherry wood drawstops. In all the whole concept and its completion have proved in every way to meet the highest expectations we had. This is almost wholly due to the care and craftsmanship of our organ builder David Gridley of Penzance.

It will be a few weeks before the organ has settled down to its new existence and the tuning already carried out will have to be repeated in a short while. There will be some fine adjustments to be made over the next week or so and the final touches to the structure will be completed in September. We hope that all those who have contributed in whatever way to the construction of this splendid instrument will wish to take the opportunity to look at the result.

The Organ. Fund will not close for the time being as we still need to make provision for occasional maintenance and half-yearly tuning and any future contributions will be used for these essential needs. However, we are now in a position to pay the final instalment during early October.

CELEBRITY ORGAN RECITAL:

This is a reminder that on Wednesday 4th October, Peter Dyke, MA, FRCO, Deputy Organist at Hereford Cathedral will be giving an organ recital on the newly rebuilt organ in St Tudy Church. The recital will commence at 7pm. This will be a very special occasion and it is hoped that the church will be full for this event with local residents and interested listeners from the surrounding villages.

GEOFFREY GIBBONS

THANKS

My thanks to Joy, who not only managed a business trip to the USA in July but also managed to type the Magazine virtually at the same time; the different look to last month's issue was a one-off. Our condolences to her and her family on the death of her grandmother. Many thanks also to Lawrence Rooke who stepped into the breach and ensured we had a copy of the Magazine to print.

THE EDITOR

ST MABYN YOUNG FARMERS

These last few months have been very busy with visits, competitions and social events. We had many successes at the Royal Cornwall Show in areas including floral art, handicrafts and a respectable 6th place in the annual cubicle competition, following the theme of letters of the alphabet. We were allocated At the end of July, the county held its annual rally near Lostwithiel, where both boys and girls tug-of-war team were entered. Both teams should be congratulated not only for their hard work when pulling, but for also bothering to take part on one of the few wet days we have actually had that month! Overall we were placed 9th in the county, once points from all competitions had been totalled; a result that we were all very proud of.

August has seen a trip to Harlequins in Bude go-karting and a talk by Dr Mike Haywood educating us all on the diminishing cheap oil reserves and the alternatives available to us. I think we were all given some food for thought although I think a few of us were surprised to hear him refer to petrol as cheap oil!

Coming up in September, we will be holding our Barn Dance at Burlerrow, St Mabyn on the 2nd, starting at 8pm. This is always a good evening out including a bar, BBQ and music. Later in the month we will also be holding our club Harvest Festival at St Mabyn church on the 29th, at 7.30pm.

Young Fanners is open to all and we are always pleased to see new faces. If you would like any details, please contact either Dale 880927 or Charlotte 851924.

ST TUDY WI

Judith welcomed members to the July meeting when Mrs Alice Brown gave a very interesting talk on Church Music – "Where would the Church be without music and where music would be without the Church" – giving an historical account of the composers with taped music to illustrate examples – finishing with the members singing a well known hymn, helped by a recorded choir.

On Friday 28th July, we provided a light lunch for 30 members of the Saltash Forum, their second visit, so we must be creating a good reputation further afield!

Sunday 22nd October we are celebrating our 85th anniversary with a lunch at the Hotel Metropole, Padstow. Anyone who would like to join us would be most welcome, men included! The County Chairman will be present and a guest after-lunch speaker. The cost is £12.95. Please contact Judith or Lilian if you are interested.

ST MABYN PRE-SCHOOL

... is going from strength to strength and welcomes everyone back from the summer holidays.

Our Sponsored Toddle around the village raised £382.50; a very big thank you to all who helped sponsor the children and adults!

Over the holidays Mr Cohn Milburn, a local green woodsman, from St Tudy was commissioned to make and install an oak bench in memory of Benjamin Thomas, which is placed outside the village hall. Now everyone can benefit from the bench. We wish to thank family and friends in making it all possible.

St Mabyn. Pre-School is a registered pre-school for children aged 2-5 years old. Funding is available for 3 year olds. We come back on Monday 4111September. Open Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9.10am – 11.40am. in the village hall. Anyone interested and wishing to come along is most welcome. First sessions is FREE. Just ring Angela Brown playleader on 841659.

ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

We are about to enter our Autumn schedule, with the joy of singing at two weddings and we wish the brides, Lisa Grey (Bodmin 9th September) and Helen Tiplady (Newquay 22nd October) all good wishes for their special days and much happiness in the future. Lisa is a member of our choir, as is Audrey, her mother-in-law (to be!) and Helen is well known in the area for her work with Cornwall dance, particularly in schools. Her mother Janet is also a member of the choir and we remember her father, Eric Tiplady, distinguished in all areas of choral singing and conducting. Concerts, including those in Tresparret Chapel (Sunday 10th September) and Charlestown (Sunday 8th October) will commence our full programme on the run-down to Christmas!! I know! – the sun is shining – but all learning needs to start many weeks in advance for any event. It is odd for us sometimes to be singing Christmas music, particularly about snow, when we are gasping at the heat but that is the nature of choirs. It is all in the preparation, as often exhorted by TV cooks!! Amongst our activities, we are taking part in the St Austell Festival, an event we always enjoy. Social and fundraising occasions include our Autumn Dinner to be held in St Teath on Saturday 28th October and our Annual Concert to be held at the Camelford Hall on Saturday 25th November.

Our Coffee Morning raised £160 and the proceeds will go towards building four pit latrines for females only at Kebele 16 School in Ethiopia. Our next coffee morning for Kebele 16 will be on Saturday 11th November in the Clink from 10am to 12 noon. The choir thanks the kind and generous people of St Tudy for supporting our aim to raise as much as we can for much needed toilets. It will take about £700 to build four latrines and so far we have raised about £200 but we will keep on trying. Thank you so much.

If you would like to book the choir for concerts, weddings etc, please contact Jennifer May, tel. 01208 880131. Choir rehearsals take place on Tuesday evenings at 7.15pm in the Music Suite, (West End), Sir James Smith's Community School, Camelford.

JOYCE L HARGRAVE-WRIGHT (DR), PUBLICITY OFFICER, CONTACT 01208 264004.

ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The Summer Show in August was a real joy! Despite the hot weather we had in July, there were lots of colourful entries and the hall looked stunning. The judges were Mr J Kendrick from Bodmin (vegetables), Mr M Hawken from Wadebridge (flowers) and Mrs J Bennallick from St Want (floral art).

The Cup for most points in Vegetables Section and the Lamerton Memorial Cup for best exhibit in show (three carrots) were awarded to Mr C Menear, who also displayed the Best Top Tray of Vegetables. Mr I Colston won the Runner Up cup for most points in Vegetable Section and also the Dray Memorial Cup for most points in Veg and Flower Sections. The Cup for most points in Cut Flower Section was won by Mr & Mrs J Edward Collins with Mr J Lacey taking the Runner Up Cup. The John Stone Cup for most points in Pot Plant Section gained by a St Tudy GPA member was awarded to Mr S Bastard.

In Floral Art, the Cup for Best Exhibit went to Mrs J Muir for a charming petite arrangement and Mrs J Jasper won the Cup for most points in Floral Art. In the Juniors Charlotte Dibble won the Cup and Medal for best exhibit for her miniature seaside garden with Rebecca Trewin coming 2nd and Stephanie Trewin coming 3rd. Rebecca and Stephanie also came 1st and 2nd respectively for their fun arrangements of flowers and foliage in unusual containers.

A very well attended show thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Autumn Show is the last one of the year and will be held on Saturday 7th October. Before that, however, we start our "winter" meetings on Monday 11th September, when Mr Sutton will tell us about the Natural History of North Cornwall. As usual – all are most welcome!

JANE KING

COFFEE MORNING FOR CHC TRUST

The annual sponsored event or cycle ride in aid of the Cornwall Historic Churches Trust is the major fundraising event for the trust, which has given generous grants to many of our churches and chapels, including the three parish churches in our benefice. Unfortunately, requests for grants have exceeded monies collected and this year grants will have to be reduced unless income increases. Half of the money raised is kept by the parish concerned, so by helping the Trust we help ourselves. Two cyclists from Michaelstow are reported to be taking part and there will be a Coffee Morning from 10-12 in the Clink, St Tudy on Saturday 9th September. Anyone volunteering to steward in the churches from 10-6pm would be very welcome and could be sponsored for their efforts. We look forward to a record breaking event.

SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 10-12

Coffee Morning and Book Sale in aid of Children's Hospice South West, Shelter Box and St Tudy Church. Please look through your book shelves and leave your gifts in the porch at Virginia House, or we can collect.

A & J MUIR 850293

ST TUDY PARISH COUNCIL

The Council met on Wednesday 26th July at 7pm in the Village Hall. Apologies were received from Cllr D Selby, County Cllr C Brewer and District Cllr C Mutton. There were no members of the public present.

Cllr March tabled a map of St Tudy parish. To increase its utility, he was asked to have its scale doubled and features colour coded and posted in the bus shelter for the benefit of visitors.

Cllrs March and Fletcher gave a disk containing details of the village pumps and wells for the Clerk to keep with the parish records.

There were no objections to a planning application for the erection of a conservatory at 3 Wayside, Bodinnick Road.

The Chairman stated that if vandalism in the public toilets continues, it may be necessary to lock them overnight. The situation would be reviewed.

Standing orders, model financial regulations and risk assessment policy for the parish council were updated and approved.

A précis by Cllr Mev Shelley of a consultation paper from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister on English Local Authority Byelaws was discussed. The Parish Council had no power to enforce byelaws. There was no response needed.

The Clerk read a letter from a local MP and the Council answered the accompanying questionnaire on affordable housing.

The Clerk read a letter from parishioner Miss N Sheer on a matter concerning the Water Board, which had been resolved.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 27th September at 7pm. All villagers are welcome to attend.

MARGARET SHELLEY