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1 st Sunday	Kennack Sands Beach Cleans Suspended until further notice
2 nd Monday	Parish Council Meeting at 7pm, by Zoom
Every Friday	Fish & Chip van at the Rec 5pm onwards.
Every Friday	Pavilion bar open. 5pm onwards

NOVEMBER

4 November	Grade Ruan Recreation Ground Consultation Meeting 6.30 pm
7 November	RMFC Home to Dobwalls - Senior Cup
8 November	Remembrance Sunday. Act of Remembrance, War Memorial, 10.45am
21 November	RMFC Home to Culdrose. 3pm at the Rec
30 November	St Mary's Silent Auction deadline at 5pm

ADVANCE DATES

2 December	Under Fives Bags2School Collection by 9 am Village Hall
18 December	Last day of Autumn Term

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Unfortunately, Tim Basher is no longer available to continue with this round and we are looking for someone to take his place. There are only 8 copies to be collected from the Shop and delivered (10 times per year) to this small area. It should only take about an hour to complete in total each time.

If you would like to say yes or have a chat first please call me on 290536 or email me on janndave43@hotmail.com

Thank you very much,

David Gascoigne

Thank you for all of your hard work in the past Tim. It has been very much appreciated.

Front Cover:

Firework season is upon us, we will all miss the usual display at the Recreation Ground

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Please send contributions to the Editors' email address shown below. Paper contributions can be put in the Gazette Box at Ruan Minor Stores. **The deadline is the 18th of the month prior to publication.**

Articles may need to be split over more than one issue, and might be edited.

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Noticeboard

It seems our What's On Section is going to be all but redundant for the next few months but what is more important is that we all keep as safe as possible.

The next issue of the Gazette will be December which will have a Christmas Greetings section as usual. If you would like to put in a message, = let me have this, along with a minimum donation of £5 (more if you're feeling generous!), by 18th November. You can put it in the "Magbox" at The Store in Ruan Minor, or drop it in the letter box at Linden Lea in Ruan Minor.

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and make your donation (with a suitable reference please) online to:

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This year's donations will be used to fund art supplies for children with special emotional needs at Grade Ruan Primary School.

Don't forget that the December issue is combined with January so, if you want to contribute anything, you should do so by 18th November, otherwise it will have to wait until February.

Sally Watts
(Co-Editor)

Happy Birthday in November to:
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WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE VILLAGE HALL?

Following the easing of lock down measures the committee have the following information about use of the Village Hall whilst abiding by Covid 19 safety guidelines.

Grade Ruan Under 5s are returning on September 7th.

SHORT MAT BOWLS - CANCELLED

Bowls is on hold until further notice.

THE THURSDAY MARKET and MONTHLY QUIZ

With restrictions on numbers allowed to gather indoors and also due to non-availability of vulnerable volunteers, the monthly Quiz and Thursday Market will not be restarting for the time being.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PILATES

Pilates Classes are resuming but please check the Village Hall Facebook Page as numbers are limited.

SNOOKER ROOM

The Snooker Room has re-opened to players who have paid their annual subs and registered their contact details before playing. As the room has been unavailable for almost four months of the present financial year, the subs will be discounted by 50% to £5 per adult (17-59) and £4 per junior/senior (16 and under/60+).

Please contact the Treasurer Jan Halliday for details of how to pay, jan_halliday@btinternet.com. Any new members are very welcome, please contact Jan, as above.

* Only two players may play at any time.

Strict sanitisation protocols will need to be followed to enable safe use for all.

This is subject to change at any time if further restrictions are either enforced or lifted.

To get further information, please telephone Liz Outten on 01326 290910

or visit Ruan Minor Village Hall's Facebook Page

Noticeboard cont...



Jean Anne Morris of Glebe Place who died 23rd September 2020

Bryan Maureen Nigel and family would like to thank everyone for their kind words of comfort and cards following the sad death of Jean and to thank all the friends that turned out in the rain on Monday 12th October to see her leave Ruan Minor for the last time.

Thanks to you all from the family

From Bryan Day-Smith

I would also particularly like to thank Tonkins Funeral Directors who I cannot praise highly enough. They were extremely professional and thoughtful and made what was a sad and difficult time so much easier to bear.

From Gary and Victoria Pollard

A massive thank you to everyone who came to stay at St Ruan Camping this summer and for their kind donations. We raised £257.06 towards The Fisherman's Mission and look forward to seeing you all again next Summer.

From Grade Ruan Parish Council

We were informed that the contact numbers for Culdrose have changed during the summer and are currently: 01326 552415 and 07768 106569. However, the first line of Enquiry should be through the Parish Council Clerk/Chair for up to date details or the liaison process.



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Arthur Coupland

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By John Spalding



Arthur Coupland, only son of Fred and Jo Coupland, brother to the late Jane Meek. He died on Wednesday 16th September 2020, on Saturday the 19th he would have been 74 years old.

When Julie and Chrissie asked me to give his eulogy, I felt honoured and privileged. He was my cousin and a great friend. People have given me their memories and stories, I had so many pages I could publish a book titled, "The Life and Times of Arty Coup". Now that would give us something to chat about !!

Arthur loved to have company and always had something to say. His biggest frustration with Covid 19 was that he was so isolated, visitors not allowed nor was he able to be out and about. Even though I and others spoke to him regularly on the phone, when he was saying cheerio we knew the loneliness was there.

As you know, over the last 15 to 18 months he had increasingly serious health issues resulting in numerous hospitalisations and two critical brain operations. Sadly he never returned to his beloved Ruan and Cadgwith. We, the family say thank you to everyone who gave the additional support which enabled him to continue at home for so long. To the home care support team who were there twice a day.

A special thank you to his doctors and nurses at the Ruan / Mullion practice who always put Arthur's wellbeing uppermost in whatever they did for him. To you all who are the Ruan/Cadgwith community, for visits and phone calls, grocery deliveries and help in so many ways. Your love and kindness meant so much to him.

Then there are the carers, nurses, doctors and surgeons at so many hospitals, Helston and Cambourne/Redruth Community Hospitals, Trelisk at Truro, Penzance, Plymouth where he had his brain surgery, Bude and The North Devon General at Barnstaple. Finally the staff and Doctors at the Tor Point Nursing Home which Julie managed to get him into, this side of the River Tamar so he was back

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in Cornwall. We were told so often that he was near the end that we ended up calling him the come-back kid !!!

I must mention two special individuals who, not only in his recent illness but long before, made a difference to Arthur's life. Words cannot express our gratitude except to say Thank You Johnno and Thank You Joy Williams.

We all have our own experiences and memories of Arthur Coupland aka Art, Arty, Coup, Coupy and to so many Uncle Art. He was a life long supporter of the County Cornwall Air Ambulance service and he put his money where his mouth was by having a monthly direct debit to them. This is the chosen charity in his memory.

He was a great collector, with collections of buses, trucks and trains, some trains made from coal; fantastic collections of stamps, coins and even match boxes. He loved photography and with his camera out at sea has some fabulous sunsets and from Man-o-war, Cadgwith in the snow. He willingly gave slide shows to family and groups including pictures of his many travels.

He played tennis and snooker, sang with the St Keverne choir with which he did a tour of Canada, up and down the UK and was part of the first ever 1,000 Cornishmen voice choir to sing at the Albert Hall. This was such an important part of his life.

Chrissie remembers when they were all together at times like Christmas, they planned it so that Arthur wouldn't get the monopoly out, firstly it lasted so long and secondly he was sooo competitive that they would fall out with him ... not the spirit of goodwill at Christmas.

He came up country for holidays, usually staying with Chrissie. In her job she travelled to various towns and cities and Arthur would tag along to explore these exotic places, even Wolverhampton!!! Birmingham was a favourite destination with the fish, meat and veggie markets especially the big stores.... He went so many times that he should have been an adopted Brummie !!

I would take a days holiday and we would explore the beauty of the picturesque Cotswolds to the south and the hills and moorlands in the Peak district to the north. He enjoyed evening meals with Jackie and I, she was always delighted because he always left a clean plate. He came to worship with us at Chasetown Methodist Church where he became well known over the years. With coffee and biscuits after service there was lots of chat which he enjoyed. Through his troubles he has been on many prayer lists.

My sister Jenny and her husband Vish were great hosts to Arthur, living less than ten miles away they would also have him up for meals and days out. He probably knew the Midland better than we did. She always had a lump in her throat when saying goodbye because it didn't matter what words she used, Arthur would always say with his deep voice and Cornish accent his own unique **Cheerio then**, she will always remember him for that.

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Arthur Coupland cont....

present, Janes have sat in these pews and Arthur took strength from that heritage. He attended Sunday School and as an adult was a Sunday school teacher himself here. He was a good decent honest man and true to his faith and principles.

Fishing was in his blood, his grandfather, great grandfather and great great grandfather had all been fishermen. He started work as an apprentice carpenter, attending Cambourne Technical college to gain his qualifications. He was a man of repute, a good tradesman, more than that, he was a top man, a craftsman who took pride in everything he did and was appreciated and respected by all who knew him.

He fished from a young age, Grampy Jane taking us over Tubban and teaching us to Mully fish with a bent pin and line with a piece of limpet as bait. He went from that to a boat for proper sea fishing. He was a member of the Angling Club and participant in the competitions. He loved to win; again his competitive nature, but it brought out his dark side if he just missed out or thought something was wrongly judged..

Whether bassing in the evening at Kennack Sands or out at sea, his real pride and joy was his boat Er-An-Mor, He fitted her out completely using a lot of teak and with his carpentry skills, from the decking to the wheel house which was fitted with the latest technology, a scanner to find the fish and wrecks, sat-nav and short wave radio for communications. He spent so much time at sea and in Cadgwith that the visitors thought he lived there. Many visitors remember him and will miss him when they return.

I know that by now one or two of you will be muttering to yourselves ... he hasn't mentioned football ---- You are absolutely right! Uncle Fred, his Dad, was the secretary of Ruan club for years so Arthur was brought up with football as a normal part of his life. He was well suited as he was physically very strong and fit and it was competitive. He certainly wasn't an armchair sportsman. He was a fan of Preston North End. Why I hear you ask ??? By pure coincidence the famous Bill Shankly played for Preston North End 1933 – 1949 and in 1938 won the FA Cup with them. Coupy took his football so seriously. I

watched him once, he was playing left back and I shuddered at the body checks to the opposing winger and his sliding tackles to stop their forwards. Recently speaking to someone about Arthur's footballing prowess, they commented that he would be "awarded" a few yellow cards today. At half time we chatted about the game and I said some of his tackles were a bit brutal and he replied,"I'm not here to make it an easy life for them, ... I'm here to stop them and that is what I do" they went on for the second half and he did what he said he would stop them and defend the goal area. That was why he was know by his nickname '**THE WALL**'.

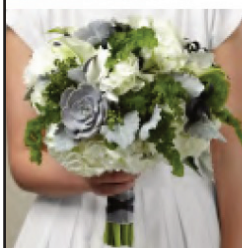
Arthur, you will not be forgotten. He will be there checking the facts of the one that got away or the goal disallowed when it wasn't actually off-side he hasn't said **Cheerio**. There are so many ways to say goodbye Art, I see you putting to sea with calm waters, a rising tide and gentle breeze to carry you to the safe harbour on the other side.

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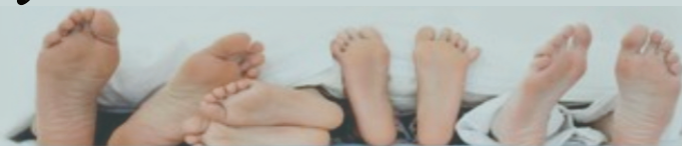


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John continues to clean the beach on a regular basis. Thankfully, since the last report there has been very little litter with only 2 and a half black bags of litter and recycling collected. At the end of September visitors, from the Isle of Wight camping in the camping dell, left it in an immaculate state

setting a great example of how it is possible to wild camp and still care for the environment. In October sadly a disposable BBQ was left behind. A large fisherman's buoy washed up on the beach has been donated to Cadgwith Xmas Tree.

Dog mess is still an issue! The Marine Management Organisation (MMO), in their campaign, have revealed that it is a myth about leaving dog poo on the beach being okay because the tide washes it away. In fact the truth is that as little as a half teaspoon of dog mess contains enough bacteria to affect water quality and pose a risk to public health. With winter approaching and many beach visitors being local folks please can we ask you to be a responsible dog owner picking up after your dog on the beach and also in the surrounding area.



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ST GRADE RESTORATION UPDATE

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But we are not standing still - we are revamping our website in preparation for our full blown Appeal : **www.friendsofstruanandstgrade.co.uk**

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Grade-Ruan Under 5s



Our Autumnal/Halloween family hamper has yet to be drawn as I write for the November edition but has so far been a great success with many lovely and varied donations received ready for the winning square to be drawn on the 21st October. Thank you to all who donated and bought a square or two.

Keep an eye out for our next Hamper raffle, we will be holding 2 hamper raffles in the run up to Christmas, one for adults and one full of goodies for children. Once again all are welcome to purchase a square/s for a chance to win some delightful festive goods whilst supporting our much needed early years setting for the children in the local community.

Due to the great success on previous dates we have been able to secure a date for our next Bags2School Collection, Wednesday 2nd December. Unfortunately due to Covid-19 we are not able to store any bags at the setting prior to the date. Bags do however need to be with us by 9am on the collection day to ensure they are with us when collection is made by the company.

Items can be placed in black bags but please NO duvets or cushions (covers are fine), they also DO NOT accept carpets/rugs, school uniform, work wear or textile off cuts. Items that they CAN take include, paired shoes, jewellery, belts, soft toys, linen and towels plus the usual clothing. A full list can be found at bags2school.com. So please have a good pre-Christmas sort out and drop your bags to us on the morning of 2nd December.

Unfortunately this year we are not able to hold our popular pre trick or treating Halloween party, we will still be having a spooky afternoon party with our children in our 'bubble', with some yummy party food, creepy activities and party games.

Our setting continues to be a Covid safe environment and our team work hard on a daily basis to keep it that way and will continue to do so for as long as needed. The children continue to thrive, explore and discover just as they always have, they have certainly kept us going strong through this first half term back as we have all had to adapt to many new ways to go about our daily routines.

Once we return back at the beginning of November the run up to Christmas will begin!

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Quiz Corner



November Quiz: It Happened in November

Year	? - ? - ?	Answer
1932	Building in Northern Ireland officially opened.	
1942	What rule did The Church of England abolish?	
1952	Play opens in London – longest run in history.	
1962	Britain and France agree to develop what?	
1972	1 st Irish woman wins Olympic gold medal .	
1982	Album released - greatest selling of all time.	
1992	What did The Queen describe this year as?	

Answers to October's Quiz

Why were these women from Cornwall Notable?

No	Name	Why were they notable ?
1	Maria Branwell	Mother of the Brontë sisters
2	Mary Bryant	Famous prisoner who escaped Australian penal colony
3	Rowena Cade	Creator, builder and founder of the Minack Theatre
4	Barbara Hepworth	Sculptor and Artist
5	Alice de Lisle	Founder of Penance Market
6	Moura Lympany	Musician – concert pianist
7	Lilian Wyles	First female police detective in Scotland Yard

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Recreation Ground News



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Busy, Busy, Busy!

I am very pleased to update you all that despite Covid-19 restrictions the Pavilion Bar remains busy on Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons (when RMFC are playing at home).

On Friday evenings it has been a lovely relaxed atmosphere with people coming to eat their fish and chips or just having a much needed drink after a busy week.

Saturdays have been slightly busier with everyone enjoying the fine weather, sitting on the picnic benches and cheering on the players.

I would also like to thank our customers for adhering to the Covid-19 guidelines (mask wearing etc) when they come and have a drink as it makes life a lot easier for the volunteers behind the bar.

Building improvements

As ever, our team of volunteers have been working hard to make improvements to the building when time and money allows.

Malcolm has done a fantastic job of decorating the referee's changing room. This now needs a few extras added (hair and hand dryers) before it is finished.

We are also in the process of getting a baby changing table installed in the disabled toilet (something we have been meaning to do for a while). Jon Spalding has kindly

offered to fit this and it will be a much needed addition to the building which will hopefully get a lot of use.

Future Plans

As mentioned in last month's gazette, the Grade Ruan Recreation Ground Committee has been looking for expressions of interest in the future running and management of the recreation ground Pavilion.

As I write this, I am please to confirm that we have had at least two people come forward. All expressions of interest will be carefully considered by the committee. We intend to hold a public consultation to address any queries parishioners may have before we chose the best option to proceed with.

The proposed date for this consultation is **Wednesday 4th November at 6:30pm**. Due to the current situation with Covid-19, it is a possibility that the meeting will take place online via Zoom.

If you are interested in attending then please email chairman@ruanrec.uk and I will forward you details of how to join the meeting.

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Chairman.

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Rector's Ramblings

November is a month for remembering. At the beginning of the month sees All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day - the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed – and there will be special services in some churches in the Benefice on 1st November, to remember loved ones who have died.

The following Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. This year is the 80th anniversary of the Battle of Britain – when the horrors of the Luftwaffe bombs were heavy over British skies. Most of us can only imagine the terror of living in Coventry, Liverpool and London during those months. It must have seemed like the beginning of the end of the world.

Eighty years on, it is a good time to stop and thank God that evil did *not* prevail. Hitler did not win the battle to dominate Europe. And we can thank God for the courage and endurance of our fathers and grandfathers, our mothers and grandmothers, in the midst of such towering darkness and destruction.

Sadly, many places in the world are at war today. Man's greed, arrogance and desire for domination have not gone away. There are also battles to be fought for our land, major problems to be solved: economic uncertainty; terrorism; climate warming, etc.

This year we are very aware of our own struggles with the worldwide Covid-19 pandemic. We face an unseen enemy, but the effects on our lives and society are almost as devastating as a world war. The threats are different from Hitler, but our need for courage, endurance and perseverance is the same.

So November is a good time to remember to pray for peace; a time to pray for our nation, for ourselves and for each other, to turn to God in repentance and in faith - remembering to 'love Him more dearly, follow Him more nearly, day by day' (*Bishop Richard of Chichester, 1197-1253*)

Blessings.

Revd Deirdre

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Church Services



November 2020

Sun 1st	Morning Prayerk St Ruan Church	11.15 am
Sun 8th	Remembrance Sunday Act of Remembrance at Ruan Minor War Memorial Note: to enable social distancing, permission has been given by Grade Ruan School to use the playground. Evensong (RCP), St Grade Church	10.45 am 3 pm
Sun 15th	Morning Worship, St Ruan Church Evening Praise, St Mary's Church, Cadgwith	11.15am 3pm
Sun 22nd	Holy Communion, St Ruan Church	9.30am
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Zoom is a computer program used to hold online virtual meetings on a smartphone, tablet, laptop, or desktop computer. Zoom uses your computer's or phone's microphone to let you talk to other meeting participants. If you do not have a device you can use a phone to dial into a meeting. This note only covers joining and participating in a meeting that you've been invited to.

You must first download the program from the Zoom website. The free version should meet all of your needs. If you've received an email invitation to a Zoom meeting, click the link that says, "Join Zoom Meeting." If this is the first time you've used Zoom, this link will take you to a website where you can download the program or app, depending on what device you're using.

After you install Zoom, there are different ways to join a meeting. You can click the link in your invitation email, go to the Zoom website and enter the meeting ID, or dial into the meeting on a phone. If you have an email invitation, click "Join Zoom Meeting" in that email. This takes you to the Zoom website. Go to the Zoom website and enter the 9-digit meeting ID from your invitation email. If the meeting requires a password, that will be in your email, too.

When Zoom opens it will show you a preview of your camera image. Then click either "Join with Video" or "Join without Video." If you use video, other people in the meeting will see you, if not, they will just see your name. Next, Zoom asks about audio. Click "Join with Computer Audio" so you can hear and be heard in the meeting. If you don't have access to a computer, tablet, or smartphone, you can use a phone to dial into the meeting. The phone number to use will be in your invitation email.

Once you've joined the meeting, you can see and hear other participants who are represented by a square that displays their face or just their name. If you're in a large meeting, make sure your microphone is muted. Your computer microphone is sensitive and can pick up background noise. The mute button looks like a microphone in the bottom left corner of the Zoom screen. If the microphone has a red line through it, you're muted. Click the button again to unmute yourself if you want to talk in the meeting.

Only one person in the meeting can talk at a time. Zoom indicates who is speaking by highlighting their image with a yellow square. There is also a chat feature in Zoom, where you can type messages to other participants. Participants can send messages to everyone in the meeting, or just certain participants. However, after the meeting, the host can view the transcript of all chats, so it's not entirely private. If there is a message for you in the chat, a notification appears on the Chat button, which looks like a speech bubble. Click that button to open the chat window.

To leave a Zoom meeting click "Leave Meeting" on the bottom right hand corner.

THE LIZARD LIFEBOAT VISITOR CENTRE NEWS

On 15th November 1955, the Cadgwith lifeboat 'RNLB GUIDE OF DUNKIRK' was launched to assist the Irish motor vessel 'mv CITY OF GHENT' and was able to save her entire crew of 17 in difficult circumstances.

Built in Lubeck, West Germany, in 1953, the motor vessel was owned by Coastal Shipping Ltd of Dublin and was on voyage from Dublin to Fowey in ballast. She ran aground on rocks off Black Head in poor visibility on a dark evening and, although she refloated relatively quickly, she began to take on water and was listing heavily to starboard. With her engines out of action she drifted southwards on a calm sea with her list increasing severely.

In response to her radio alarm, emergency services were called into action and, as part of this exercise, a coastal command aircraft dropped a flare to assist 'RNLB GUIDE OF DUNKIRK' which had been launched to search for and assist the stricken vessel. The lifeboat was able to locate the sinking vessel and take off her crew to safety. The 'CITY OF GHENT's' list increased further and she quickly sank.





RNLB GUIDE OF DUNKIRK

This was the last life-saving service of the Old Cadgwith Station with just one more launch occurring on 7th August 1962.

As I explained last month, the unique location of our own Visitor Centre and Shop inside the lifeboat station itself creates additional corona-virus safety problems and it will be some time before we are able to welcome visitors once more.

However, considerable work has gone into other 'self sufficient' retail units and the RNLI has been able to re-open our shops at Looe, Fowey, Mevagissey, Falmouth, Penzance, Sennen Cove, St Agnes, Newquay, Rock and Padstow.

Operating 238 lifeboat stations on rivers and around our coastline and effecting, on average, 24 'shouts' per day takes a great deal of resourcing.

In an attempt to regain some of the retail sales income lost through Coronavirus regulations enforcing the closure of shops, the RNLI's on-line retail shop has been working at full steam to satisfy public demand.

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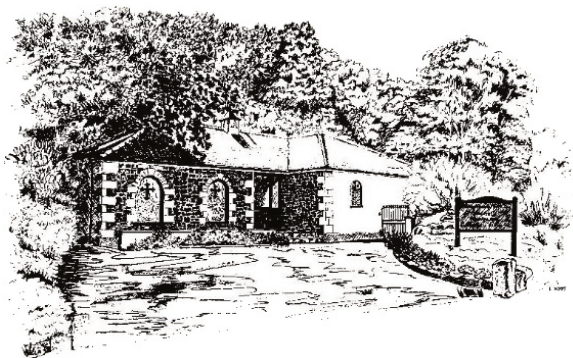
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The Old Killing House, aka The Butcher's Barn

In response to my request in the last Gazette for information about this building in Poltesco Lane, Jeb Preston and John Williams both got in touch to fill in some of its history.

Jeb said that the first reference the building was when it was shown on an 1811 map. There used to be a Cornish hedge alongside which gave an impression that it was incorporated into the field and so it didn't used to stand out quite so prominently. It was probably used originally for storing hay or other farm items.



In more recent times, it was called The Old Killing House or, less gruesomely, the Butcher's Barn on account of its use by the Dale family of butchers for slaughtering pigs. The artist, Vince Tutton, bought it in 1989 and used it as his studio. He installed electricity and used to take a supply of water with him for his painting. Sadly Vince is no longer with us, but the barn is still owned by his family.

John Williams, who lives in Glebe Place, kindly sent me his memories of the building as follows:

"At first I assumed it to have been used as a barn, which at one time it may have been. It was two stories high, at the rear is a slope or ramp and a door, there must have been a wooden floor at the top which must have been removed many years ago, as now there is only the ground floor. I read in a book on the area that many years ago it was used by a butcher for slaughtering pigs; hence the building being out of earshot of the village.

Since then, it has been used for different things. It was left derelict for many years, but was possibly used by Mr Dick Rogers, who farmed Poltesco and Cargerrick farms, to store bales of hay or straw. When Mr Rogers retired and moved to the Redruth area, it was again left unused for a while, then Mr Albert Williams (no relation) who lived where Jeb lives now, used it to store odds and ends.

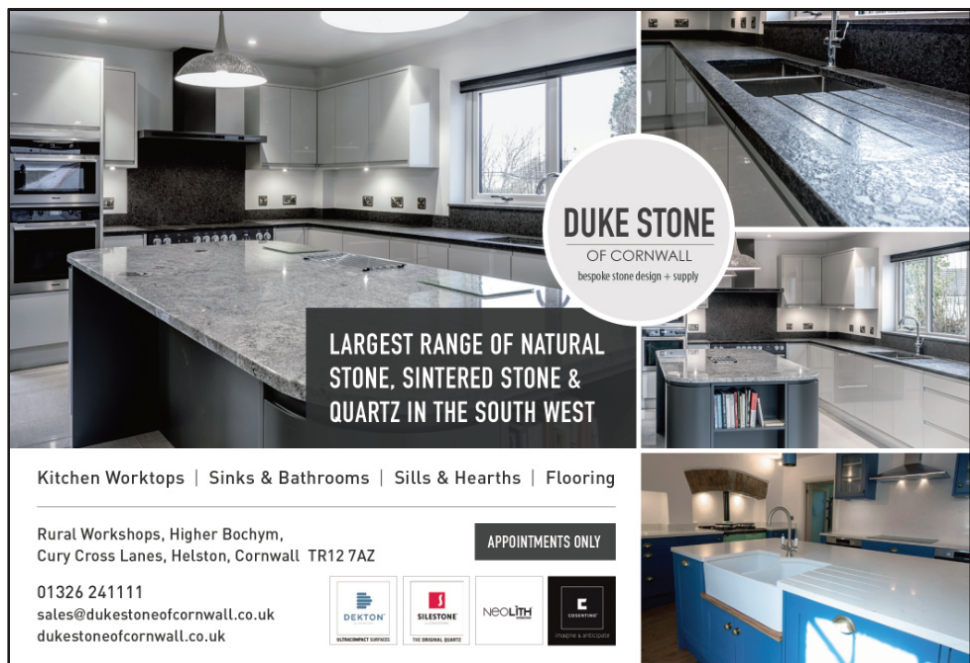
It was then used as an art studio by Mr Vince Tutton who used to live just down the road towards Poltesco in the little thatched cottage on the sharp right hand bend.

So, as you can see, the old building has had a long, useful and varied life and hopefully it will continue to so so for a good many more years yet.

I have lived in the area for some 60 odd years, having come from St. Keverne in the early 1960s, so I've seen a few changes, but glad to say that Ruan Minor has not changed much in all those years."

My thanks to Jeb and John, it's nice to know more about the building.

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RUAN MINOR FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS



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26th September 4-0 win against Helston:

Goal scorers were Josh Wilson Hone, Will Trewin, Jack Green and Fraser Patterson. Man of the Match was Jamie Greet and special thanks to Matthew and Catherine Hendy from M H Groundworks for sponsoring the Match



Matthew and Catherine Hendy from M H Groundworks presenting Jamie Greet Man of the Match against Helston

3rd October 5-1 win against Marazion:

Goal scorers were Chris Ensink 2, Jack Green, Fraser Patterson and Jack Rutterford. Special thanks to Sam Jane for presenting the man of the match to Jack Green (pictured overleaf) in memory of the late Arthur Coupland.

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10th October 7-0 away win to Perranporth:

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17th October 3-0 win against Wendron:

Goal scorers were Josh Wilson-Hone, Fraser Patterson and Will Trewin. Man of the Match was William Trewin and special thanks to Stephen Green from Treleague diary for sponsoring the match.

Our next fixtures are as follows, which includes a home fixture against Dobwalls in the Senior Cup on the 7th November. This will mark the first time in history that a South Western Peninsula team have ever played at the Recreation Ground.....it should be a cracker of a game and we hope to see a bumper crowd on that day!

24/10 Away to Ludgvan

31/10 Home to St Day

7/11 Home to Dobwalls - Senior Cup

14/11 Away to Rosudgeon

21/11 Home to Culdrose

28/11 Away to St Agnes

Once again I would like to thank all our Match Day Sponsors, Chris Jumunja Hunt for taking the amazing match day photos, all the volunteers from the Rec for running the bar, our President Michael Halliday, Wayne Briggs and our loyal supporters who turn up on match days to cheer the boys on.....this month is going to be a very tough one for the rats and we look forward to seeing you all at the recreation ground soon.

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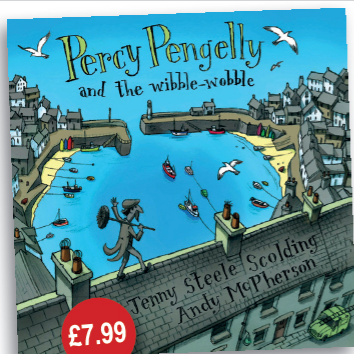
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Gardening in November

by David Endean

Well here we are again, it looks as if it is going to be a really long winter. This is not necessarily because of the weather but more because of the world health situation. It looks quite possible that our little outdoor areas will be very important to us once again as in the spring. Unfortunately the clocks have now gone back and the days are rapidly shortening, this means that there is far less opportunity to be out in the garden except for weekends unless you have the luxury of retirement.

There are several deciduous shrubs which I like to prune now. They are plants like *Berberis thunbergii*, I do it now because they show some lovely autumn colours which are lost if they are cut back any earlier. When they lose their leaves they are generally dormant and then you can be much harder on the plant. Cut them back to a pleasing shape, doing it at this time of the year means that you do not notice any bare patches which may occur but they will readily grow in, in the spring.

This treatment is ideal for many deciduous trees and shrubs. This means that November is the ideal month to start the winter pruning of fruit trees such as apples and pears. Do not go to town on a mature tree right away as you will be rewarded with little more than lots of soft whippy growth and no fruit next year. Initially go in and remove only dead diseased and crossing branches. Leave major branch removal to a gradual process in future years. Young trees should be pruned back to encourage spur growth whilst keeping the shape required.

Now and all through the winter is a good time, and it will be necessary, to give your paths a good clean. There are many methods and products which can be used. The most low tech is the old fashioned broom but this is best used in conjunction with some kind of garden disinfectant/detergent product. Many people use bleach, this is important to lift and kill the slippery moss and algae. Be careful to make sure that there is no run off going into your flower beds or lawns as it will kill the plants there. Using a pressure washer will induce less sweat but you must be careful that your paths are in sound order as these are powerful machines and will soon dislodge any loose masonry and even take the top surface off concrete paths and slabs making them more porous.

If you want to have some bulbs flowering at Christmas and New Year now is the time to think about potting up and starting off those *Amaryllis* bulbs. They are really easy, put the bulb in a pot which is slightly larger than the bulb. Half the bulb should be above the soil surface, use compost or bulb fibre. Soak the compost and

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bring the pot into a warm bright spot and growth should soon start and flowering will occur in about 8 weeks (see picture below left).

Narcissi like Paperwhites (see picture below right) are even quicker and need less warmth, a sheltered spot will suffice, I often used an unheated greenhouse. These will be ready in four to six weeks so if you have quite a few bulbs spread out your planting over a few weeks. If you plant Soleil D'or narcissi at the same time these will flower in succession after the Paperwhites. I am struggling to get my mail order bulb consignment this year due to double the usual demand so, if you are leaving it to that, you may have to think about getting to a garden Centre to see what they have. Also now is the time to plant your Tulips and any other spring bulbs which have not gone in yet.

In the veg garden it is a case of tidying up finished crops like beans, courgettes, marrows and get them on the compost heap. Remove any weeds and if possible dig the ground over to give you a head start in the spring. Covering the ground stops winter weed growth but unless it is porous you will not get the benefit of the winter rains also the birds will not be able to root through it and eat the bugs and slugs which may well be a problem next year. Keep harvesting root crops like carrots and parsnips, and brassicas as needed, make sure that the pigeons do not get there before you use some netting to keep them off, I have some nice Brussel sprouts this year.

Well make the most of your garden and enjoy it.



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**Minutes of the Grade Ruan Parish Council Meeting held online on
Thursday 17 September 2020 at 5pm**

37/20 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Green (Vice Chair, Chairing the meeting), P Collins, S Collins, Fleetwood, Lee, Stephens.

Apologies: Cllrs Agutter, Clifton, Freeman, Harry, Preston, Trewin.

Absent: None.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). 1 member of the press/public.

38/20 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

None.

39/20 Public Participation. None.

40/20 Council Meeting: Minutes 17 August 2020

RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be amended to include "RESOLVED to alter the agreement as previously circulated to include a Force Majeure clause with a payment holiday clause, and the clerk is authorised to execute the document altering the agreement on behalf of the Council with two councillors signing also" at 25/10. Approved and signed. Cllrs P Collins/S Collins. Unanimous. No matters arising.

41/20 Council Meeting: Minutes 28 August 2020

RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs S Collins/P Collins. 2 abstained Cllrs: Lee, Stephens. No matters arising.

42/20 PA20/06674: Proposed self-contained residential annexe. Mr And Mrs M Thirlaway. Kingey Road Between Friars Lane And Croft Pascoe Ruan Minor TR12 7NA.

The Council supported the application provided that the annexe remains tied to the property. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

Clerk to Respond

PA20/07070: Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of a new pitched roof conservatory. Mark Johnson. 13 Ledra Close Cadgwith Ruan Minor TR12 7LD.

The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

Clerk to respond

43/20 Planning Applications decided by the Planning Authority

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PA20/05385: Certificate of lawfulness for existing Use of land for the stationing of a residential caravan. Karn Merrer Farm Friar's Lane Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall [GRANTED]

PA20/04876: Proposed Rear Extension, balcony and new vehicular access to property. Greystones Ruan Minor Helston TR12 7JL [APPROVED]

PA19/10632: Application for Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved for an Affordable Housing-Led Development of up to 4 dwellings. Land Adj To Rosemerryn St Ruan Ruan Minor TR12 7JS [WITHDRAWN]

44/20 Preapplications, consultations, appeals and enforcement cases

RECEIVED a presentation on the following:

PA20/01416/PREAPP: Pre application advice for conversion /change of use of one block of existing kennels and part of the land at Bos Lowen from kennels to camping site (D1) to allow for the pitching and servicing of 30 tents, caravans and motorhomes. Alan Hodge. Bos Lowen Hervan Lane Predannack TR12 7AU

The Council heard plans and the Cornwall Council response, which raised a number of objections, particularly around the view from the road. Feedback included: that the site seems well screened by vegetation; a concern over an increase in traffic, although the site formerly housed a kennels where there would have been an element of traffic; there could be consideration to reducing the

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number of pitches; consideration of a 28 day trial under permitted development; the need for the development should be evidenced – are there sufficient camping pitches locally already?

45/20 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. None.

The meeting closed at 17:30.

Minutes of the Grade Ruan Parish Council Meeting held online on Monday 21 September 2020 at 7 pm

46/20 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Agutter, P Collins, S Collins, Freeman, Harry, Lee, Stephens (late), Trewin.

Apologies: Cllr Fleetwood.

Absent: Cllrs Clifton.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). Cllr Rule CC. 3 members of the public.

47/20 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations. None.

48/20 Public Participation.

S Watts – spoke about the Pavilion management. Current/past use of the facility was welcome, though there are concerns at the potential loss of community control if plans to outsource management of the bar are progressed. Further details were circulated prior to the meeting.

W Watts – requested the Council carefully consider the Pavilion management at item 7.

M Hurst – spoke about the Pavilion management and concern about the potential for the 'venue' to become a draw for greater numbers of people from outside the Parish which may have knock-on impacts for neighbours regarding noise, antisocial behaviour etc. Further details were circulated prior to the meeting.

49/20 Reports from outside bodies.

NOTED from Cllr Rule CC: The community fund is open; the Cornwall Council budget will be looked at imminently – a resident survey has been issued though balancing the budget will prove difficult after spending related to COVID-19. Community Network Panel meeting is forthcoming to decide upon Highways schemes. An update on the local COVID-19 figures was given.

50/20 Council Meeting: Minutes 17 September 2020

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RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs P Collins/Lee. 5 abstained: Cllrs Agutter, Freeman, Harry, Preston, Trewin. No matters arising **NOTED**.

51/20 Finance report and Payments

RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

Mr L Carter	Cleaning	20.00
Grade Ruan Gazette	Survey	40.00
Marie Curie	Grant per 21/20	100.00
Merlin MS Centre	Grant per 22/20	100.00
R Sanders	Addition footpaths; play area grass	162.00
Staffing		733.73

Cllrs Green/Lee. Unanimous.

**Cllr Stephens entered the meeting*

52/20 Recreation Ground Pavilion lease query

CONSIDERED as above. There was discussion on the principles of the Recreation Ground Committee seeking other management options for the Pavilion bar, including the inclusion of a third party. The role of the Recreation Ground Committee is to manage the facility for the community, and the purpose of any profits is to invest into the Recreation Ground facilities. There were queries about the viability therefore of involving third parties. It was explained that there was no intention from the Committee to lease the Pavilion. Queries were raised separately about the late submission of accounts. The Council were verbally assured by Cllr S Collins that three of the last four years of accounts will be submitted imminently. The Council will formally raise concern if the accounts have not been submitted by the time of the next Council meeting.

No resolution necessary. Council to consider Pavilion management plans when further information is forthcoming.

53/20 Cadgwith Fishing Cove Trust Deed

CONSIDERED further details arising and potential amendments to the Trust Deed. It was **RESOLVED** to request: that a substitute for the Council-appointed Trustee be allowed to attend and vote where the primary person is unable to do so; that the quorum figure is changed from two to three. Further **RESOLVED** to authorise the signing of the amended document and application of the Council's seal if no changes are forthcoming from the Charity Commission. Cllrs Agutter/Trewin. Unanimous.

54/20 Play Area inspection and repairs contract per minute 15/20

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RECEIVED insurance information as above and **RESOLVED** to approve the contract. Cllrs Lee/S Collins. Unanimous.

55/20 Update: Public consultation on loan application - Winch House purchase

RECEIVED as above. The survey is live and is publicised via social media and the Gazette.

56/20 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report

- a) **CONSIDERED** a request to investigate installation of bicycle hoops at sites across the Parish. The Council felt this was a worthwhile suggestion.

Clerk to investigate costs and permissions for bike hoops

- b) **RECEIVED** an update on Cadgwith car park and FP6 surface. The Clerk has requested a site meeting with CC to clarify/simplify the issue. There are other interested parties to inform and involve in the process.

There is an issue with overgrown vegetation on FP6 (Cadgwith)

Clerk to liaise with PROW contractor over responsibility.

- c) **CONSIDERED** the upcoming Highways scheme Network meeting; The Council were pleased with the plans and came to a consensus that they were happy to pay up to a third of the costs involved up to a cap on payments of £1,000.

- d) **CONSIDERED** any other reports: Martha's Acre project to begin on 5th October, with a preliminary site meeting taking place on 28th September. There is a drainage issue at FP23 (St Ruan) which requires packed gravel and a neighbour's drain to be redirected. The Council authorised the expenditure of up to £150 to deal with the issue if Cormac will not conduct the work.

Cllr S Collins to install drainage on FP2 below stile by Chyreen.

Clerk to report to Cormac once provided with specific location map

57/20 Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies
None.

58/20 Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 12 October 2020

NOTED items for the next Council meeting: Grade Ruan Recreation Ground late submission of accounts.

59/20 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. None.

The meeting closed at 21:00.

Memory of Old Cadgwith

Thanks to Rose Bowcher for providing this photo.



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