

The Grampound Times

Edition 95

Easter 2024

Celebrating 100 Years of Grampound WI



The Big Grampound Search

Can you work out where these 3 pictures are in Grampound? If there is more than one correct answer, then a draw will take place.



Question 1



Question 2



Question 3

The closing date for the quiz is **Sunday 5th May**. The winner will win a voucher.

To enter, please either send your answers to the Editor or email them to grampoundtimes@btinternet.com



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Welcome to Edition 95, the Easter Edition of The Grampound Times. We are coming into Easter, and you will find all the latest news and events here including some Easter recipes from the WI Cookery Club. You may notice that the front cover is celebrating 100 years of the WI in Grampound and there is a special piece later in the edition. The Grampound picture quiz is back after a break with 3 new pictures for you to try and work out where they are. It doesn't matter if you don't know – have a guess, it's the one with the most correct answer.

Next we will be coming up to the Carnival Edition and the deadline for any news and articles is **Sunday 7th July**.

Elliott

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You will be able to see the latest copy of The Grampound Times on the Grampound website. It will be on there once all copies have been delivered and there will be some copies available at the Village Store.

Website:

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Edition 94 2023 Quiz

There was 4 entries, and the winner was Rachel. Here are the answers below;

- 1) Miley Cyrus, 2) Fowey, 3) Wynne Evans, 4) The Traitors,
- 5) Barbara Knox, 6) Samuel L. Jackson, 7) Wrexham,
- 8) Disney & Warner Bros, 9) Aneurin Bevan & first baby born under the NHS, 10) Gaia,
- 11) Stanley Matthews Jr, 12) The Queen, David Attenborough & David Tennant

Front Cover Pictures: The WI pictures from top to bottom are WI members in 2007, Lillian Mannell cutting the 60th cake in 1984, WI members celebrating Christmas 1999, the 100th birthday cake, WI members at the 100th Party and WI Carnival Entry in 1984 with Edith Talbot, Pat Thompson, Mary Broom & Val Blayney. (Pictures: E. Wells, J. Rowe, S. Juleff, R. Moore, M. Lyne & the Heritage Centre)

The Grampound Times

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The Grampound Diary

Fri 29th March: Good Friday Service at Creed Church
Procession from 2pm from Grampound for service at Creed at 2:30pm

Fri 29th March: Easter Prize Bingo, 7:30pm at the Village Hall

Sat 30th March: Friends of the Fal 2024 Woodland Easter Egg Hunt, 2pm.

Sun 31st March: Easter Day Special Parish Praise, 10:30am at St Nun's Church

Mon 1st to Fri 5th April: Spring Arts & Craft Fair

Mon 8th April: Parish Council Community Event & Good Citizen Awards 2024, 7:30pm at the Village Hall

Mon 8th to Thurs 11th April

Rory Webb from Plymouth Argyle will be running the Time to Move sessions at Grampound Village Hall on Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th April. Sessions can be booked via the Time to Move page on Cornwall Council website.

Sat 13th April: Bowls Taster Session, 2pm to 4pm at the Bowling Club

Saturday 11th May

St Austell Choral Society sings Schubert Mass in G with works by Dvořák and Bach 7.30pm at St Augustine's Church, St Austell
Tickets available from www.staustellchoralsociety.co.uk

Fri 30th Aug: Johnny Cowling Concert at Grampound Village Hall (in aid of the Bowling Club)

Sat 7th Sept: Grampound Carnival 2024

If any organisations have any upcoming events from Summer to Autumn, then please let us know!

Carnival Café

Last Saturday of the month at the Village Hall, 10am to 12pm
Tea, Coffee, Quiches, Cakes, Sausage Rolls, etc on sale all proceeds to Carnival Funds.

Dates: 27th April, 25th May, 29th June, 27th July

Antique Fair

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Tues 16/4 – Mevagissey, 6pm

Upcoming Arts & Craft Fair

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12th to 16th August
28th October to 1st November
7th & 8th December



Autumn Fair 2023

The Grampound Noticeboard

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Friday 29th March

2024 Dates

Fri 12th April, Fri 26th April,
Fri 10th May, Sat 25th May,
Sat 8th June, Fri 21st June,
Fri 5th July, Fri 19th July

** 25th May & 8th June is Saturday due to bowls match on the Friday.*

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The Grampound News Page

Grampound Birthdays:

Jack Marks formerly of Saffron Cottage who recently celebrated his 100th birthday.

Clarence Juleff who celebrated his 95th birthday in February.

Derek Way who celebrated his 93rd birthday in January.

Audrey Way who celebrated her 92nd birthday in March.

Pauline Holmes who celebrated her 92nd birthday in April.

Margaret Richards who celebrated her 80th birthday in December.

Des Honey who celebrated his 80th birthday in February.

Paul Ranson who celebrated his 75th birthday in February.

Charlotte Obie who celebrated her 30th birthday in January.

Pat Paynter, Annette Egerton, Mary Digweed, Tricia Colenso-Wright, Val Geal who celebrated their birthdays.

If anyone has any news, birthdays etc that could go in the Carnival Edition then please let us know!

Grampound News:

Congratulations to Marlene & Bill Netting on celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary in February. Thank you to Marlene who supplied the photo and the following piece.

'Marlene & William Netting (Bill) were married at St Denys Church on 1st February 1964, they have three daughters, a son & 9 beautiful grandchildren. Bill worked as an Engineer with E.C.L.P., and later moved to Wiltshire, where he had an Electrical/ Mech business.

Marlene worked in a Pharmacy at Bradford-on-Avon and also voluntary work at Trowbridge Hospital. They are now enjoying a quite life in the lovely village of Grampound.'



Congratulations to Alison & Chris May on celebrating their Ruby Wedding Anniversary in March.

Congratulations to Sophie Petrucci & James Fryer on the birth of their son Sebastian Petrucci-Fryer in January.

Congratulations to the Grampound Branch of the Women's Institute on their 100th birthday in February which was celebrated with a party and to the Village Hall on their 100th anniversary event in December which both events was enjoyed by all – see later for more.

We welcome all new residents that have moved into Grampound over the last few months and hope that you are settling in well!



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Grampound Sad Page

Joan Godfrey who passed away. She formerly ran Godfreys Shop in Fore Street and was a member of the Bowling Club.

Joy Champion (nee Knowles) who passed away in December. Daughter of Clem & Ethel Knowles of Old Hill, she attended the village school and was a member of Miss Richard's Children Choir. She married Pat Champion of Probus at the East Methodist Chapel in Creed Lane and they lived at Probus. She was also a member of Grampound Bowling Club.

Ken Bawden of Probus, formerly Grampound who passed away in January aged 100. He married Dorothy Goodman and many of you will remember him running his Barber Shop in Fore Street from 1947 to 1978 He also worked at Croggon's Tannery when he joined after the Second World War, working in the Limes before being a rep covering Cornwall & Devon.

George Rowe of Albenga who passed away in January aged 97. At the time of his death, he was one of the oldest Grampound boys still living in the village and one of the oldest school pupils and football players. See next page for an article on his life.

In the last edition, there was a mistake Morley Lockhart should have read Morley Lockett - sorry.

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George Rowe

A True Grampound Boy By Elliott

George was born on 31st October 1926 in Old Hill to Wallace & Florence Rowe. A brother to Ida (she was the first baby delivered by Dr Stewart in 1924), he attended the village school and was a member of the scouts, in the Home Guard as well as playing football for Grampound. He would recall 'Digging for Victory' whilst at school as well as having the cane for putting a drawing pin on the headmaster's chair. Another story goes that on the day of his grandmother's funeral he threw a firework up into the air which landed on her roof catching fire to the thatched cottage, luckily his Uncle George was on hand to put the fire out. George use to recall about the time he got sent off at a football match and was on the sidelines when the ball was played towards the wing, he ran back onto the pitch and crossed it in for a team mate to score with the referee being none the wiser what had happened.



On leaving school, George worked for Mr Bennetts in the Butcher's Shop where he got his nickname 'Butch'. Some of the stories he used to tell was taking Mr Bennett's cows from the bottom of the village to the field at Pengarth and rarely seeing any cars, going in the van with Mr Bennett to Tregony and then walking back to the village via Creed with his dog 'Duke' who on one occasion sat in the middle of the road at Creed and refused to move, until he had had a rest – Duke was a Saint Bernard. He also worked for Archie Cockwell on the farm at Bosillion where one of his jobs was talking the milk from the farm house to Miss Croggon at Parc Marras, Dr & Mrs Stewart at Tremethick, Mr & Mrs Stan Bulley and Mr & Mrs Ian Croggon in Fore Street



As a young man, George enjoyed attending village dances and would cycle for miles to attend dances in different villages with Joy's cousin Archie Mannell of Manhiers. The bicycle was soon replaced by a motorbike.

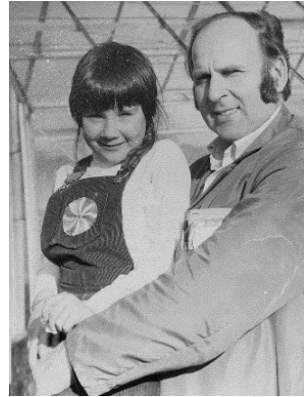
He other favourite thing other than reading the daily newspaper was his car which he had many over the years including many Maxis. He continued driving till he was 94.

George met Joy in 1950 and after a long courtship, they finally married on a snowy day in January 1963 at Creed Church, 61 years ago this year. Before they got married, they spent some time with Joy's mother in Torquay with George working for a builder at Broadpark Estate.

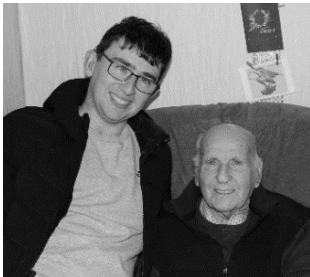
George worked at W.T. Bunkum of The Town Mill in Mill Lane for 14 years till it closed in 1970, he started in the mill moving on to driving lorries. He used to do 2 trips to Plymouth in a day. A funny story is that while driving through Tresillian with Mike Biddick in the passenger seat, he drove through some slush drenching a chap on the pavement. One time, George was asked to build a water tank behind the Mill by the path at Watery Lane as many others refused to do it and he completed it and it is still there today. Another time, he was in the passenger seat with Roy Cundy and they went up to Newstables and turning left, going on the back road, the lorry tipped over on the corner.

Their daughter Emma was born in Mill Lane in the cottages by the Town Mill in 1967 and their first home together in Grampound was in the cottage behind Broadhurst moving to Albenga in 1968 where George lived for the rest of his life.

After a brief spell at E.C.L.P, George then went on to work for Cornwall Farmers in Truro, firstly in the store at Malpas Road and then moving up to Station Yard where he stayed till his retirement in 1991. While working in Truro, he was driving down River Street to pick up Joy's mother and as she saw him, she bent down to pick up her bags by the time she got up he was out of sight. It wasn't until Joy asked George how her mother was that he realised he had left her behind.



***George & Emma at Tremethick
which photo was taken by Dr
Stewart***



In 1992, Emma married Simon and Elliott was born in 1998. George loved to spend time with Elliott as a baby taking him for walks in his pram and as he grew older taking him to the park, playing with him in the garden and in later years, spending many many hours telling him his memories of the village, the people who have lived here and walking around showing him what was where.

George was 97 when he died at his home a few hundred yards from where he was born, he was never happier then when he was at home, surrounded by his family with the daily newspaper – he didn't want anything else.

A funeral service was held in St Nun's Church by Reverend Linda Whetter and was laid to rest in a private service at Creed Churchyard when he will be with many people he knows and in Grampound, the place that he called home.

Joy & the family would like to thank everyone for all the cards, kind message of condolence and donations which went to Grampound Bowling Club.

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Grampound with Creed Parish Council

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Casual Vacancy – we are pleased to welcome Cllr. Bill Tomlin to serve as a Member of Grampound with Creed Parish Council. He was co-opted to the Parish Council at our October 2023 meeting. Already he is making a positive contribution to the Council.

Town Hall Cleaner – we are pleased to welcome Ms Stephanie Cairns to the Parish Council Team. She had taken up her post on 20th November 2023.

Derelict / Empty Properties – a list of properties that are either derelict or have been empty for a long time had been submitted to Cornwall Council for their information.

Grass Verge corner Mill Lane and Fore Street – Members have agreed to plant wildflower plugs to create a “mini meadow” on this grass verge.

Old Grampound Road Sign – we are negotiating the purchase of an old road sign that had been offered to us at a cost of £200.



Grit Bins – Members have inspected the bins and fresh salt/grit provided where needed.

Town Hall – work on the repairs to the town hall have been completed and we are now back “home”. The work has been finished to a very high standard, the cost of which will be met by our insurers, and we are all very pleased by the results.

We were told in November that the Police will not be taking any further action regarding the traffic incident, despite what the Parish Meeting was told by Sgt. Ian Chambers.

Riverside Development Site – representatives from Kismet Consultancy attended our January meeting. They explained the overall vision for the development and spoke of their desire to involve residents and the school. They asked for feedback on the proposal, which is not yet a formal planning application. Affordable / Social housing will be part of the development and Kismet were asked to consider local housing needs for the elderly too.

Community Event / Parish Meeting – the Community Event will be held this year on Monday, 8th April in the Village Hall. Further details to follow.

Proposed Flowering Trees, Fore Street – a Purple Dawyck Beech tree had been purchased and a plaque provided. An official planting ceremony was held on 9th December 2023 as part of the Village Hall Centenary celebrations.

Community Right to Buy – an application to list the Dolphin Inn as a community asset had been submitted to Cornwall Council. Members are now in the process of putting together the required information for Cornwall Council to consider.

Grampound with Creed Parish Councillors

Your local Parish Councillors are always pleased to hear from residents and if you need to contact them, they can be reached on the following numbers:

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By Michael Bunney

Cornwall Councillor for St Mewan, Grampound, St Ewe, Pentewan Valley & all the farm and hamlets in between



Apologies for being a little quieter and less present over the last month. I am still recovering from a nasty bout of Covid, that has really knocked me out. I am covering anything urgent still, so please always feel free to ask me any questions and get in touch by email if there is anything I can help with

Community events.

It was lovely to speak at the Centenary of Grampound WI. Thanks to all the organisers for a wonderful evening. I am also speaking at Polgooth Ladies Group next month

St.Pirans Day is on the 5th March and I am helping organise the St.Austell Festival on Saturday 2nd March, with events across the town centre and the parade at 1.30pm. This is a great opportunity to celebrate all things Cornish. At 10am on Sat 2nd March we will also be having our traditional Cornish singing on Gorran Haven Beach and a Cornish breakfast in the village hall afterwards. All welcome to all events. Gool Perran Lowen!

I have contacted the Lord Lieutenant, who has agreed to join us to open Trewoon Queen Elizabeth 11 garden on 11th April

I donate all funds from these talks to local charities and will be handing all donations to St.Austell and Truro food banks over the winter.

It was lovely to run assemblies on Cornish history for St.Mewan School. The children were brilliant (as were the staff) and knew lots about local history

I am speaking at Sticker Memory Café in March and this is one of the many local groups I gave a grant to from my community chest. I was delighted to support Grampound Brownies for example and many other local groups. Applications for this reopen in April, so please encourage any groups to contact me to apply for a small grant, around £200.

I chair the White River Community Project and we have drawn up plans for nature recovery, flood mitigation and community environmental protection. We are working towards £40k of funding and have secured a commitment to provide £20k already.

Roads, drains etc

I received many reports from residents about road problems and flooding and reported these to Highways. Many potholes have been filled and many more need to be done, so please keep reporting them online or to me

The Resurfacing of the Trelowth bridleway has been completed and this is a major improvement. I have received many messages of thanks from residents. We have been pressing this for the last 2 years and residents have tried to get this done over the last 60 years.

Polgooth to London Apprentice resurfacing has been done and will be sealed in the Spring. I have been pressing this for 2 years

Highways are assessing all the new Highways expressions of interest forms and there will be a community area partnership meeting next year to agree which schemes can move forward, with very tight budget restrictions.

New highways schemes will need to be submitted after May 2025 now, as there is no money left in the budget

Please do report any highways, drains, floods concerns via the website "report something Cornwall" www.cornwall.gov.uk/report-something or the emergency tel 03001234222

Planning.

I am involved with many planning enforcement cases and will continue to work closely with the parish council on planning applications. I will always support your decisions and fairly represent community views by pressing planning

I continue to work hard as your Cornwall Councillor and have met many residents to help with case work. I will be returning to volunteer at Grampound Community Shop as soon as my work schedule is a little calmer and I have properly recovered from Covid.

Oll an gwella. (All the best in Cornish)

Michael Bunney

Email cllr.michael.bunney@cornwall.gov.uk

Your Cornwall Councillor for Grampound is

MICHAEL BUNNEY

**Cornwall Councillor for St Mewan, Grampound,
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**To contact me, please email
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I am happy to help with any issues & to visit residents.

I volunteer at Grampound Shop every Wednesday morning until 10am and I am available afterwards to chat. if you would like to arrange a surgery appointment to see Michael please email him on cllr.michael.bunney@cornwall.gov.uk

Many thanks. Michael Bunney

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Grampound Village Hall

By Simon Fann



It was wonderful to see so many people and organisations present in the hall on 9th December 2023 to mark the 100 years of there being a hall in Grampound. Especially as many people and communities are still trying to recover their confidence after the covid crisis and its implications. The hall is an important space and asset for organisations within Grampound, such as the Women's Institute, and those from outside such as the Cornwall Bonsai Society. Many thanks to Will Keating and John Dowling for providing top quality music in the evening.

So now we enter 2024 with these regular activities in the hall:

Last Saturday in the month – Community Café morning fundraising for Carnival

Third Sunday in the month – Antiques Fair from 10am

First Tuesday in most months – Women's Institute 6.30-9.30 (meeting room)

Tuesday – Pilates: gentle flow and advanced – see susydiazfitness for details

First Wednesday in the month: film club

Second Wednesday in the month: Grampound gardens autumn and spring (March, Sept, Oct, Nov, Jan and Feb)

Fourth Wednesday in the month – Bonsai 6.50-9.30

Thursday - Regular Group Booking

Friday fortnightly Bowling club bingo – check Facebook for details

In addition to these regular bookings there are ad hoc events such as kids sports with Rory Webb in the school holidays and, frequently, the space is used for children's birthday parties.

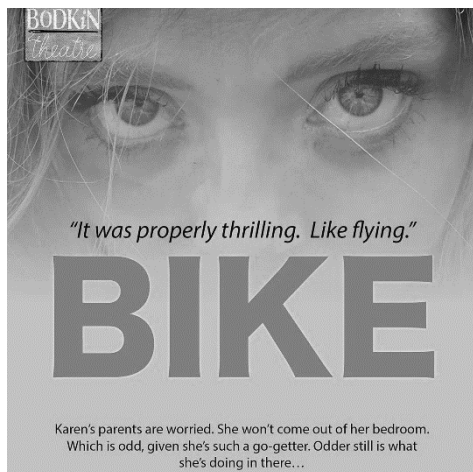
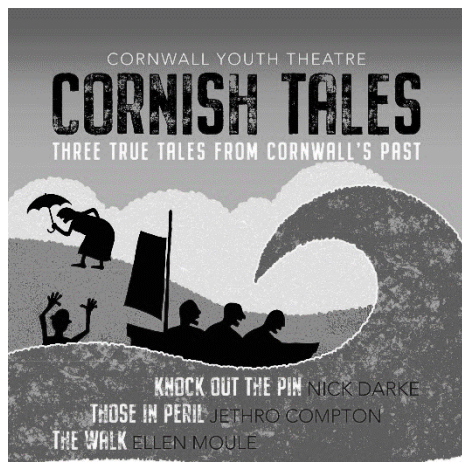
Thanks once more to Alison Ryves and Richard Pryor for organising the amazing art and craft fayres. Superb quality products made in Cornwall will again be available to purchase from 1st to 5th April 2024.

LIVE THEATRE PERFORMANCES:

Sat 23rd March 2024 7.30 Cornwall Youth Theatre.- Cornish Tales. 2024 is the 40th anniversary tour of CYT and the company will be bringing you three true stories from Cornwall's dark

and mysterious past, with heroism, determination, humour and skullduggery. The Cornish shaped

their history and influenced how we all lead our lives, and these three tales explore some of the



fascinating stories from the past and from across Cornwall. How did four men in a life raft change the law? How did a lady from Penzance with nothing but her wits and stamina manage to meet Queen Victoria? And how did one Cornish community come together to avoid a disaster at sea.

Parental Advice: parents should be advised that our 2nd play – For Those in Peril has some content that young children may find upsetting. Tickets from Cornwall365.com or Grampound Store.

Sat May 4th 7.30 Bodkin – Bike. Karen, 17, on her parents: loving and lovable; secret devotees of University Challenge. Oh, and they're cops. Karen's parents, on Karen: fearless cycling champion; a sweet-natured young lady. Karen's parents are worried. She won't come out of her bedroom. Which is odd, given she's such a go-getter. Odder still is what she's doing in there... A poignant rites-of-passage story from acclaimed writer Jon Welch (who has written many of the wonderful Cube and Pipeline theatre performances we have seen in Grampound). Reviews of 'Bike' at the Edinburgh Fringe: "Beautifully realised by a terrific cast, it's a piece of perfection from writer, Jon Welch." "A stunning piece. Draws the audience in with a light but sure touch, then turns on a sixpence to move through the darkest of territory before an astonishing and beautiful coup de theatre." Bodkin Theatre sprang out of cube theatre and Carmen & Mimi: we unpick stories - old and new - and thread our own narratives through the tales we tell. Tickets from Carntocove or Grampound Store

3 weeks before the show.

Unfortunately, the intended performance on Sat May 11th of Kevrin, Out of season has been **CANCELLED** because Arts Council funding was not awarded.

Best wishes

Simon Fann for Grampound Village Hall Committee

Grampound Village Hall Then & Now

Centenary Celebrations of the Village Hall – December 2023

Saturday 9th December saw the celebrations of the Village Hall 100th anniversary which saw many people attending over the afternoon. In the hall was an exhibition of the Village Hall history and slideshow showing many pictures over the years along with displays of organisations that use the hall; the WI, School, Bowling Club, Football Club, Heritage Centre, Gardening Club, the Guides, and Bonsai. There were some familiar faces who came back to Grampound at the event, Pauline Whetter (Ellis), Sally Varcoe (Olver), Alvin Mannell, Dougie Richards, Andrew Teague to name a few.

People then went to the tree planting ceremony which took place at the flowerbeds by the entrance to The Recreation Ground with soil being laid by the Vice Lord-Lieutenant James Williams and the Parish Council Chairman Mark Taylor. A time capsule that was made by the school was planted next to the tree.



Everyone then gathered back in the Village Hall where the high tea was declared open by the Town Crier with many cakes, scones, sandwiches etc which were enjoyed by all. *(Picture: Dean Jenkins)*

Formalities then began with Kay Chapman (Grampound Town Crier) who announced the celebrations and then welcomed Mr James Williams (Vice Lord-Lieutenant) who spoke about his connection to the village and that his great great uncle Mr J.C. Williams was at the original opening of the Hall 100 years ago and spoke about his life and works. The Grampound Fairy Queen, Freya, presented a silver key to the Vice Lord-Lieutenant.

Sally Jane Coode then thanked Mr James Williams on behalf of the village for coming. The winner of the gold watch competition was announced which was won by the Fairy Queen Freya. The formalities ended with the Chairman of the Village Hall, Dean Jenkins. This was followed by Truro Choir, music from John Dowling & Will Keating and a disco.

Sally Jane Coode speaking during the event.



Grampound with Creed School

By Bex Jane, Headteacher

It's been a busy half-term and we can't believe we're half way through the academic year already!

As part of their Amazing Africa topic, our youngest children enjoyed the excitement of visiting Newquay Zoo this half-term to support their learning about different African animals and their habitats. They enjoyed a talk from one of the zookeepers about the Savanna and loved spotting the camouflaged animals in the tropical house.

Lastledan class have been studying "People and Places" in art. In this sequence, the children have been studying abstract art, exploring the use of hard and soft pencils as well as charcoal and have created urban landscapes using muted colours. We were really impressed with the LS Lowry inspired artwork from year two in particular!



We'd like to offer a huge well done to Chase, Sebastian, Mabel, Elijah, Charlotte, Sophie, Eva-Rose and Brendon who proudly represented the school at a cross country event at the Roseland Academy this half-term. Their respect, determination, and true sportsmanship they demonstrated certainly didn't go unnoticed.



We'd like to emphasise our gratitude to the fantastic team of volunteers who support our children's learning throughout the week. We are so fortunate to welcome members of the community, including the members of the WI into our school to support children's reading and learning across the curriculum. We are so thankful for the time, support and commitment to our school and the difference this makes to our children.

Grampound Village Store

By Margie Lundie & Annette Egerton

What? No Shop in Grampound?!

Can you imagine Grampound without a Village Store?? That was almost a reality... If it hadn't been for the determination of Grampound residents to rescue the situation. With the Hollies store due to close in 2012, a small group was set up to explore the possibility of a Community Shop, which is now the Hub of the Village. It will be 10 years this Autumn since Grampound Village Store and Coffee Shop opened, a testament to the hard work, dedication and support of the village as a whole, led by a small group of volunteers- including dear Peter Wootton, who is so sadly missed.



The journey to achieving the much needed facility included

- obtaining planning permission
- promoting the shareholder offer (over 250 residents of Grampound hold shares in the shop!)
- making grant applications
- organising fundraising events
- sourcing generous donations of manpower, materials and a Portacabin
- welcoming the support of the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council
- recruiting volunteers to build, paint, furnish and staff the shop
- raising £50,000 !

Our success has spread far and wide, and other potential community shops have been visiting to seek our advice and using us as an example of what can be achieved. The success has been sustained by an enthusiastic team of volunteers, a supportive management committee and a strong manager.

As it always does, the community came together and our Shop will have been at the heart of the village for **10 years** this autumn. This calls for a **CELEBRATION!** Please keep eyes and ears open as plans and dates are firmed up to ensure we mark (in style!) the value of this thriving asset to us all.



Dean Jenkins, Margie Lundie, Steve Gilbert
& Peter Wootton

**Peter Wootton & Margie Lundie
at the Town Hill during the
information evening in
December 2013**



**The arrival of the Portacabins
expertly supervised by Helen Bunt
in August 2014**

**(Look out in the next edition
for a special article on 'Shops in
Grampound – Editor)**

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Grampound Football Club
Season's Remaining Fixtures : Feb – May 2024
Revised 19 February 2024



	First Team (All St Piran League)		Veterans	
Saturday 2 March	Lanreath	Away, ko 15.00		
Saturday 9 March	Lostwithiel	Home, ko 15.00		
Saturday 16 March	Liskeard Ath. 3rds	Away, ko 15.00		
Sunday 17 March			St Agnes	Cornwall Veterans League, Home, ko 11.00
Saturday 23 March	Week St Mary	Home, ko 15.00		
Sunday 24 March			Redruth Utd	Cornwall Veterans League, Home, ko 11.00
Saturday 30 March				
Tuesday 2 April	Bodmin Dragon	Home, ko 18.30		
Saturday 6 April	Gerrans & St Mawes Utd	Away, ko 15.00		
Saturday 13 April				
Sunday 14 April			Helston Athletic	Cornwall Veterans League, Home, ko 11.00
Saturday 20 April	Bude Utd Res.	Home, ko 15.00		
Tuesday 23 April	Liskeard Ath. 3rds	Home, ko 18.30		
Saturday 27 April	St Mawgan Res.	Away, ko 15.00		
Saturday 4 May				
Saturday 11 May	Gunnislake Res.	Away, ko 15.00		

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Grampound Football Club

By Allan Webb



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The first team has had a difficult season so far. With a number of players moving on last summer it was a desperate struggle to get enough players to start the season and it would be fair to say that most of the youngsters who have played for us found it a difficult task. Some of these youngsters have drifted away but others have improved considerably in their time with us. Since Christmas we have managed to recruit a few more experienced players and we feel that this will make a big difference in our remaining matches.

After 7 years as first team manager, James Webb has decided to stand down at the end of this season in May. He has worked very hard with all his players over the years whether our teams were good or less so. James also led our youth teams for a number of years and the club owes a debt of gratitude to him for his loyalty to Grampound FC. I will certainly miss his presence on the touchline every Saturday. Having been a very loyal club member since his mid-teens he will continue as a member of our veterans team where he is currently captain.

A new manager has been appointed for season 2024-5 and Martin Lloyd will take over in June. Martin has had several spells as a player at Grampound and we wish him good luck in his new role.

Our veterans team have had a much-improved season so far and have had some very pleasing results and performances. At the time of writing the team is about to meet a strong Southgate Seniors side from Launceston in the quarter final of the Cornwall Veterans League Cup.

The season for all clubs in Cornwall has been disrupted considerably by the very wet weather, leading to many postponements and rearranged fixtures. Our remaining matches, as far as we know them, are on the following page. *(see fixture on previous page)*

Allan Webb

Chairman, Grampound FC

For all our news, fixtures, results and match reports

Grampound FC website :

www.grampoundafc.co.uk



EDITOR – This year is 40 years since Grampound won the Duchy League Division 2 in 1983/1984 season under the management of Tim Lobb & Mike Biddick. This photos show some of the players at The Dolphin Inn.

Back: David Juleff, Roy Owen & Tim Lobb

Front: Chris Paynter, Roger Oakes, Tony Ford, Mike Biddick & Peter Cock

Just before Christmas, we had our Annual Christmas Meal & Trophy Presentation at the Carylton Bay Golf Club which was enjoyed by all members. The club have played friendlies against Veryan and Mevagissey over the winter season and some of the members have been playing at Carnmoggas Indoor Bowls Club.

We are now approaching our 97th season which will start on **Saturday 6th April** at 2pm when it will be opened by Malcolm McCarthy who has recently joined the club and is the Group 3 Chairman for this season, he will become the 5th member from our club to be Chairman of the Division after John Rhys Croggon (1969), Ronnie Hicks (1989), Barry (2010) & Ann (2012) Crowle. We hope to play the Hobbs Trophy weather permitting which everyone is welcome to watch.

The club have their annual Taster Session on **Saturday 13th April** from 2pm when you can come down and have a go at bowls! We will be starting our leagues matches soon and the Men have a few friendlies in April, you can find the fixtures and results on our website and social pages.

Our Prize Bingo continues to be going strong and we have our Easter Prize Bingo on **Friday 29th March** in the Village Hall which you can see in the advert along with the other bingo dates. Our next Horse Racing night is on **Friday 14th June**, 7:30pm at the Village Hall and Johnny Cowling will be returning to Grampound for a show for the first time since 2019 on **Friday 30th August** at the Village Hall. Please come along and join us at these events – everyone is welcome.

If anyone is interested in joining the club or have any questions, then please contact the Club Secretary Joyce Barrett on 01726 75348 or email grampoundbowls@btinternet.com

Facebook: @GrampoundBowlingClub

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Website: <https://grampoundbowlingclub.wixsite.com/bowls>



Grampound Bowling Club

By Elliott

*Here is a picture of the
Bowling Club with 3 rinks
back in 1974 (50 years
ago)*





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St Crida and St Nuns Churches

By William Trinick

Thankfully winter in Cornwall is short. While we wait for the interminable rain to stop there are already promises of cheer around us, and the primroses, snowdrops, daffodils and camellias are a timely gift from a creator who loves to bring new life.

So too our church, in this quiet reflective season of Lent, looks forward to celebrating new life at Easter. It is nearly 2,000 years since Jesus Christ died on the cross. During his life on earth, as well as performing miracles and healings, he showed us God's true character, the God whom he knew so intimately as his father, and who he wanted others to know too. Throughout his ministry, Jesus knew where his life was headed. As the day of his death approached, he pointed people towards the hope and promise that would come because of his sacrifice, and his victory over death which opened the way for us to know God for ourselves.

Please join us this Easter. Have a break from the busyness of life, the bad news in the world, and hear about the man who continues to bring hope and change to so many lives. In his own words, "I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

On a practical note, we now have a new kitchenette at St Nuns and hope that, as well as offering better hospitality at our services, we can make the church building more available for the community.

We are also still in the process of seeking a new Rector to come and lead our group of parishes. In the meantime, the Priest in Charge is Linda Whetter and Paul Salaman remains our Curate.

Regular Services:	
1st Sunday:	10.30am Parish Praise at St Nun's (refreshments first then worship from 11am)
2nd Sunday:	11.00am Holy Communion at Creed 6.00pm Celtic Evensong at St Nun's
3rd Sunday:	10.30am Parish Praise at St Nun's (refreshments first then worship from 11am)
4th Sunday:	11.00am Matins at Creed

Easter:

Good Friday, 29th March:

2.00pm procession from Grampound to Creed, for a stations of the cross service there at 2.30pm.

Easter Day, 31st March:

10.30am Parish Praise special at St Nun's (refreshments first then worship from 11am)
11.00am Holy Communion at Creed

Easter Message from Reverend Linda Whetter

As I write this, it is still Lent, the season in the church year when we prepare for Easter. Of course, there are varied approaches to Lent: The disciplined, the good intentions, the lapses, and the 'I don't do anything at all'. And in many ways I take comfort in that no one was prepared for the first Easter either. Indeed, the Gospels record that even though Jesus had been preparing and telling His disciples what was to come, they still weren't prepared for its reality.

On Good Friday we recall the suffering and death of Jesus Christ on the Cross. Easter Sunday, we celebrate His victory over death. We recall the risen Jesus appearance first to Mary Magdalene, then His disciples, and then hundreds of others. These stories are more than Biblical stories about other people in a different place and a different time. They are our stories too; and an encouraging reminder that God made promises and a covenant with His people and the fulfilment of His promises is dependent upon God, not us.

Often, Lent is approached with gloom, but Lent is a solemn and very beautiful season of the Church year and a moving reminder that Easter will come, because of what God has done for us, not because we fully understand it, or have done anything to earn it.

So, May God Bless you all this Easter and whether Easter is for you a pilgrimage with much prayer and contemplation, church services, a long weekend spent with family and friends, or a long weekend spent with chocolate. I wish you rest, relaxation, and renewal, and whatever your circumstances at this time, may you each receive the blessing you need.

With every blessing,
Linda



**Here Marian
Brunsdon with the
new kitchen in
St Nun's Church**

(Picture: Dean
Jenkins)

Grampound Branch of the Women's Institute

By Hilary Veal, Vice President & Press Officer

This is Grampound Womens Institute's centenary year and many hours have been spent preparing for the celebrations. February 15th was the date set for the party and what a great time it was. We had about 100 guests including the County Chair CFWI members visitors from local WIs past members and many local and village friends. We had as expected plenty of food and an extensive raffle, the brilliant St Austell Acapella choir and a great historical talk by Michael Bunney on Cornwall in the 1920s and Cornish women A big thank you to Elliott for providing a wonderful photo gallery of our WI over the years and lists of past presidents Also thanks to Jane Sloan from the Heritage Centre for providing the perpetual calendars and pictures done by WI members in the past and copied beautiful floral drawings and books Before the Centenary we had two earlier meetings in the year with two excellent speakers The first in the New Year was with Michael Bunney talking about famous Cornish Women and the second in February was with Merryn Threadgould who explained about how she developed her Cornish Memory game



The Cookery Club continues to flourish, and we had a recent visit to Phillip Warren butchers at Launceston and were shown around by Ian Warren We found the place to be spotlessly clean and exceptionally well organised.

The Book Club continues to thrive and we are now settled into monthly evening meetings We have enjoyed reading and also criticising recent novels.

A big thank you to all our members for the Centenary celebrations which we were so proud to share with women from the village and surrounding areas Also we wish to add a very big thank you to local businesses who provided us with raffle prizes

Finally, a very Happy Easter to Elliott and all Grampound Times readers

(See the next few pages of pictures of the WI party along with the history and pictures from over the years – Editor)

WI Members getting ready for the party

(Picture: Lynn Ranson)





Grampound Women's Institute

100th Anniversary Party – 15th February 2024

(Picture – M. Lyne)

Celebrating 100 Years of Grampound WI

By Elliott

This February saw Grampound WI celebrating its 100th birthday. The WI is the longest continuous organisation in the village (although the Football Club was founded in 1902 but have stopped & restarted many times over the years) and also along with the Bowling Club are the only 2 organisations to be running continually without a break since before the Second World War.

The WI was founded in

Grampound in February 1924. The first President was Mrs Alexander Brown of Trevail in Fore Street. Since then, there have been many Presidents which you can see in the list on the right. The first speaker was Miss Flamank.

For many years in the earlier days, they used to sing Jerusalem at the start of the meeting and end with the National Anthem. Occasionally Miss Gwen Dawe would read a Cornish Reading. The WI had a link with a WI in New Zealand – Whataroo. They sent Christmas presents, exchanged gifts etc – this seems to stop around the 1960s. The WI held Whist Drives in various places such as The Town Hall, Scout Hut, Mavis Thomas' house at Ventowyn (by Trewinnow) and Lillian Mannell's house at Tregline Cottage in Fore Street.

In July 1955, the WI held a Dutch Evening in the garden of The Hollies, the home of Mr & Mrs J.R. Croggon. It started off with members singing the National Anthem in Dutch. There were different parts that represented different areas of Holland. There were songs played from Holland by Mrs C. Richards on the piano (the piano was wheeled down from Nancor Farm). There was also Dutch dances & songs from Mrs Rolfe. For refreshments, there were Dutch food & drinks.

The WI have had many speakers on different topics, outings, entering many competitions including Royal Cornwall Show & Truro Fat Stock Show.

One of the WI's long traditions is entering Grampound Carnival and they have done many different themes over the years. They entered the Carnival in the early days and when it restarted in

President of WI

1924-1926: Mrs Alexander Brown
1926 to 1927: Mrs Pearce
1927 to 1931: Mrs Alexander Brown
1931 to 1932: Mrs Lavina Bunkum
1932 to 1937: Mrs Devonshire
1937 to 1945: Mrs Gertrude Pollard
1945 to 1948: Miss Vivian Ross-Crawford
1948 to 1950: Mrs Coulbeck
1950 to 1951: Miss Vivian Ross-Crawford
1951 to 1953: Mrs Catherine Olver
1953 to 1954: Mrs Jill Croggon
1954 to 1958: Mrs Catherine Olver
1958 to 1959: Mrs W.J. James
1959 to 1964: Mrs Joy Bennett
1964 to 1965: Mrs W.J. James
1965 to 1966: Mrs Joy Bennett
1966 to 1967: Mrs Robertson
1969 to 1971: Mrs J. Teague
1971 to 1974: Mrs Joy Bennett
1974 to 1976: Mrs Stella Juleff
1976 to 1979: Mrs Joy Bennett
1979 to 1982: Mrs Rita Lee
1982 to 1984: Mrs Pat Paynter
1984 to 1987: Mrs Audrey Phillips
1987 to 1988: Mrs Phyllis Parkin
1988 to 1991: Mrs Rita Lee
1991 to 1994: Mrs Val Blayney
1994 to 1998: Mrs Betty Murdoch
1998 to 2001: Mrs Pat Paynter
2001 to 2002: Mrs Betty Murdoch
2002 to 2005: Amanda Hannaford
2005 to 2007: Mrs Esme Jarrett
2007 to 2014: Mrs Sylvia Reid
2014 to 2023: Mrs Hilary Veal
2023 present: Mrs Carole Bowling

1980 and each year till 1987. After a long break, they entered again in 2014 and have done so ever since. They were the first winners of the 'Juleff Cup' in 2014 and the first winner of the 'Paynter Cup' in 2019.

The WI entered a float at St Austell Torchlight Carnival in November 2014 where they won 1st in the class and 'Best in Carnival'. Champagne followed after the presentation! The WI with the funding from Garlenick Wind Turbine got a defibrillator installed on the side of the Village Hall in 2015. Alice James & Phil Young took part in the 'Fly Like a Bird' zip wire at Eden Project to celebrate 100 years of Cornwall WI.

Over the last 100 years, one of the longest members is Stella Juleff who joined in 1952 and remained with the WI for 70 years till 2022. The longest current member is Sue Simpson who has been a member since around 1995.

The Gwen Dawe Silver Salver is a trophy that is given to the member who has the highest points in the year for the monthly competition. This has taken place every year since 1983 and is in memory of Miss Gwen Dawe who was a founder member of the WI.



WI Dutch Evening – July 1955

Back: Mrs Thomas, Nancy Mannell, Stella Juleff & Gertrude Pollard

3rd: Mary Broom, Hilda Chapman, Miss Teague, Mrs Harvey, ?, Mrs Catherine Olver, Miss Tucker, Mrs Bob Richards, ? & ?

2nd: Mrs Ellis, Miss Gwen Dawe, ?, Miss Olive Cowling, Kitty Richards, Mrs Jill Croggon, Mrs Stocker (Hewaswater), ? & ?

Sitting: Irene Richards, Muriel Mitchell (nee Bunt), Joy Bennett, Doreen Brown, Lillian Mannell & Dorothy Bawden



From top to bottom: WI Carnival Entry c1930s, WI Carnival Entry 'Upstairs Downstairs' 1983 with Pat Thompson, Val Blayney, Edith Talbot & Stella Juleff, Joy Rowe, Val Blayney & Rita Lee at Morwellham Quay 1988, WI 75th Birthday Cake with Mary McCabe & Joy Bennett in 1999, Royal Cornwall 1961 entry with Mrs Tregunna, Mrs Paramor, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Mannell & Mrs Bawden, Joy Rowe & Val Blayney at Royal Cornwall Show 1994 & Log Cabin Quilt made by Grampound Members – Rita Lee, Mrs Eaton, Joy Bennett & Stella Juleff.

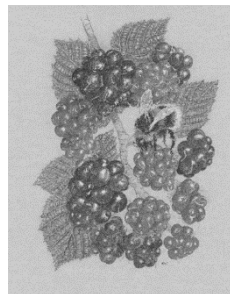


From top to bottom: WI Christmas Party at Pat Paynter's home, Pat Paynter at Carnival 2014, Stella Juleff cutting WI 90th cake in 2014, WI outing at Trewithen in 2014, WI at County Christmas Meal 2021, WI Meeting in March 2022 & WI Coffee Morning November 2023. *The pictures in the last 2 pages are from; Joy Rowe, Stella Juleff, Phil Young, Sarah McGowen & Heritage Centre*

Grampound Gardening Club

By Stewart Dowd

It's the end of February and the beginnings of Spring are definitely with us, Daffodils and Crocus are heralding things to come, whilst a walk-up Creed Lane is rewarded with the pungent scent of wild garlic. Time now to start planting those seeds for summer blooms and to think about preparing the greenhouse for my tomatoes and cucumber.



One small practical job for this week is to fit a new blade to my lawnmower. I usually sharpen the blade a couple of times a year, but it has become a bit distorted with the bashing it takes, so I think a new one is in order.

The Garden Club ended 2023 with an excellent Christmas buffet lunch in the Dolphin, many thanks to Robbie, Neil et al for making us all welcome. We began 2024 with our annual fun quiz and wine evening, - Thank you to Simon for being a great quizmaster, we all had a very enjoyable evening.



Our February meeting saw our first guest speaker of 2024, the renowned wildlife photographer David Chapman whose brilliantly illustrated talk on 'Gardening for Wildlife' was very well received.

In March we look forward to welcoming naturalist, author and wildlife gardener Bridget Strawbridge, whose talk is simply entitled "Bees".

April will see our first members outing of the year, when we will be visiting Trebah Gardens at Mawnan Smith, where we look forward to a guided tour of this beautiful valley garden at this special time of year.

New members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, or are just curious, give one of the committee a call. Our numbers are below.

Stewart Dowd (Chair) – 884515
Kathy Wells (Sec) – 337543
Geoff Hodgson (Tres) – 882921

Grampound Garden Club 2024

All talks begin at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

April 10th	Visit to Trebah Gardens
May 8th	Talk – Claire Woodbine NGS
June 29th	Summer Celebration (note this is a Saturday)
July 10th	Visit – Heligan (details to follow)
August	Free Month
Sept 11th	Talk – Martin Pallet – Plants grown in Carylton Bay
Oct 9th	Talk – Kim Parish
Nov 13th	Talk – Gary Mitchell – Boat Building Portmellon
Dec 11th	Christmas Party
2025	
Jan 8th	Quiz Evening with Wine – A free and fun event
Feb 12th	Talk – Liam Shoesmith
For further information contact Kathy Wells on 01726 337453	

Grampound Carnival Committee

By Charlotte Obie

Hello GT readers ☺

As the start of a new year is here we are about to start organising Carnival again. I hope you will all agree we had a really successful year last year and our current bank balance reflects this being the healthiest it has ever been. By no means does this mean that we can stop fundraising as costs are increasing every year but it does mean we are definitely doing

things the right way. A massive thank you to my committee for their continued hard work throughout the year and the ongoing support from the village at the various events we put on. Some villagers are very generous with donations etc. and it doesn't go unnoticed. A few special thank you go to the following people who very kindly donate their bakes and time for our monthly coffee morning, without them it wouldn't be possible to run! Sylvia McKay who bakes a lot of the cakes and quiches, Val Geal who makes delicious scones and traybakes, Mariam Brunsden who makes the yummy sausage rolls, Annette Egerton and Philip Freer who both bake us a gorgeous cake every month, Alice James who helps in the kitchen and is chief bacon roll maker at Christmas time and finally David Butterworth who not only helps in the kitchen and packs away at the coffee mornings but has for years been a vital part of helping to set up and pack away for Carnival day, everyone's help is truly appreciated by us all!

As always please look out on socials and through your doors for any advertising from us for the yearly events and don't forget to stick that all important Carnival date on your calendars – Saturday 7th September – a late one this year!

As always, I can be reached on the details below, see you around!

Charlotte Obie

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Chair of the Carnival Committee

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Grampound Heritage Centre

By Liz Fisher

We opened in 2009 and there have been many new people in the village since then so we thought it would be useful to tell you more about the Heritage Centre.

It is in the Town Hall building – the one with the clock on it. This ancient two storey building has the Parish Council Chamber on the first floor (with a fine 17 century ceiling) and the Heritage Centre on the ground floor.

The Heritage Project is a Committee of the Parish Council, and the Heritage Centre is an Accredited Museum (under a scheme run by The Arts Council England). We are too small to be an independent charity. We have an agreement with the Parish Council; a constitution which confers the management of the project onto a committee. The Heritage Project Committee consists of 3 Parish Councillors and up to 5 other members.

The Arts Council Accreditation helps everyone involved with a museum to do the right things, helping people to access and engage with collections, and protect them for future generations.

The scheme does this by making sure museums manage their collections properly, engage with visitors, and are governed appropriately by encouraging all museums and galleries to meet an agreed standard in: how they are run, how they manage their collections and how they engage with their users.

Our collection consists of many items and memorabilia covering the history of the village from Roman times to date. We have a large photoarchive available at <https://photos.grampound.org.uk/photos.php> and are always pleased to see photographs of anything going on in and around the village. We don't need to keep them (although we are happy to do so) we just need to scan them.

We collect items to do with the history of the village so if you are in the sad position of sorting out a house after someone has died, please keep an eye out for anything to do with the village. Football memorabilia, Scouts, choirs, British Legion, Oddfellows, bowling, tennis, dancing, jubilees, crockery etc etc – all of life is here! You might think it's just stuff or junk, but we often see things differently!





We have a small group who work on the collection on a Monday afternoon. Cataloguing, indexing, sorting and keeping things in good order.

We have a second group who man the Heritage Centre when it is open (and some people do both).

If you would like to join in or see what goes on come and see us either on a Monday or when the Heritage Centre is open.

Or get in touch with the Committee : Jane Sloan, Philip Freer, Alice James, Liz Fisher, Kathy Wells, Jenny Woollam.

The Parish Council holds a lease on land at the bottom of the Tannery estate called The Limes. This is the oldest area of industrial workings belonging to the Manor Tannery that operated in the village for 300 years until the early 2000s. It is unique in Cornwall (and there's only a few in the UK) and we are striving to get funds to repair and restore so that it is not lost and will be visible as a reminder of a valuable industry in Grampound. The pond and meadow will balance the industrial area but were a key part of the operation.

There is a different team working on this area. We will be digging out the pond (once the rains stops) and there will be a quantity of good soil available if anyone would like some. Please don't go onto the site and help yourself but let us know and we will advertise when we are due to be digging. The site is not safe to walk around. There are hidden dangers, hence the notices on the fence.

If you want to volunteer to help please get in touch. Heritage@grampound.or.uk

If you would like further information about the Heritage Project please get in touch as above.

We look forward to seeing you.

Liz Fisher, Chairperson, and the team, Grampound with Creed Heritage Project.

RECORD YOUR SIGHTINGS

Cornwall Wildlife Trust has been one of the many groups involved in the creation of the Environmental Records Centre for Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly (ERCCIS) <https://erccis.org.uk/>. They work to gather, manage and share invaluable biological and geological information to research, and conserve all aspects of Cornish wildlife both locally and nationally.

ERCCIS has launched their new App & website ORKS so you can play a part in the data gathering and help support the ecology of Cornwall. You can download the app either on Apple or Android

We are happy to announce that Friends of the Fal is now one of groups where you can to observe, record and report wildlife found in the community woodlands on their new ORKS App & website; <https://erccis.org.uk/share-sightings>

WOODLAND EASTER EGG HUNT

Suitable for ages 2-12

Saturday the 30th of March.

- On your marks at 1:45pm
- Hunt starts at 2:00pm sharp!

Suggested donation £2 per child

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/woodland-easter-egg-hunt-tickets-842905642467?aff=ebdsshcopyurl&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=>

Bring a basket and you'll need to find 5 tokens hidden in the woods. Exchange your 5 tokens for chocolate eggs

Secret Mission! Somewhere hidden in the woodland, are 5 special 'Golden Tokens'. Find one of these and your reward will be a big Easter Egg (as well as your other reward!)

Dairy free options are also available.

We've attached a PDF of the poster if you could be so kind to pinup for us please?

BAT TALK & WALK WITH CORNWALL BAT GROUP

We had arranged for a bat walk last September but the rain stopped play. We will be looking at May for the next opportunity but this time with an on-site talk from Cornwall Bat Group (CBG). Friends of the Fal are currently working with Cornwall Bat Group to understand what species we have in our woodlands. If suitable, they may set up a static detector so they can record data overnight.

We'll keep you posted but please reach out to us if you're interested in joining or would like to know more.

Friends of the Fal

By Sarah Roberson



In the meantime, CBG will be helping Westcountry Rivers Trust to install bat boxes in March while they are onsite also fitting owl boxes.

Friends of the Fal Community Events Calendar 2024				
Event	Location	Dates	Time	Comments
Green Gym Keep fit by volunteering with general community woodland maintenance.	Friends of the Fal woodlands Fore Street Grampound	Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month (weather permitting and excluding public holidays)	13:00 - 16:00	Bring gloves, refreshments, appropriate clothing, and footwear. Follow the signs from the main gate. Tools can be provided or bring your own if you prefer. Instructions will be given onsite.
Looking Ahead to 2024 meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	22nd January	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	26th February	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Monthly meeting and review of 2022/2023 accounts	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	25th March	18:30	Review of 2022/2023 accounts & monthly meeting
Woodland Easter Egg Hunt	Friends of the Fal woodlands Fore Street Grampound	30th March	14:00	Bring a basket to find the hidden tokens in the woodland for Easter eggs and treats!
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	29th April	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Bat talk-and-walk by Cornwall Bat Group	Friends of the Fal woodlands Fore Street Grampound	TBA	TBA	A talk by Cornwall Bat Group followed by a walk and bat watch
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	20th May <i>(accommodating school holiday)</i>	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
AGM & review of 2023/2024 accounts	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	24th June	18:30	AGM & 2023/ 2024 accounts
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	29th July	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	26th August	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	30th September	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	21st October <i>(accommodating school holiday)</i>	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Monthly meeting	StNuns Church, Fore Street, Grampound	25th November	18:30	Opportunity for the community and members to gather to discuss future planning and current activities.
Christmas campfire	Friends of the Fal woodlands Fore Street Grampound	16th of December	18:30	Bring your drink and join us for a festive campfire, a little mulled wine, mice pies and toasted marshmallows

1st Grampound Rainbows

By Emma Sharp



Thursdays are always full of fun with the Rainbows.

This term they have been working towards the 'Express myself' Theme award, Innovate Skill Builder and Storyteller badges. Activities have included being turned into 'Go gobots' to discover how computers and robots work, using their imaginations to creating monsters out of clay, getting creative with salt art, finding ways to turn their bodies into musical instruments and making puppets with moving parts. In a few weeks time they will become scientists and spend the evening carrying out exciting experiments before we move on to some fun Easter activities.

Rainbows celebrated Burns Night and Chinese New Year as part of their storytelling badge finding out about stories and traditions from different cultures. We had a trip to Probus Pantomime and on 25th February Rainbows spend the day with Brownies and Guides celebrating 'World thinking Day' travelling the world to find out how Girlguiding is represented in different countries and enjoyed a visit from 'Friends of the Fal' reflecting on the importance of taking care and nurturing the environment around us.



Rainbows enjoyed completing 'Year of the dragon' challenge this evening.



Rainbows continues to thrive in the village and it is wonderful to see so many young girls join us each term. If your daughter would like to join Girlguiding you can find out more on <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-a-child/>.

We also enjoy a visit so if you have a skill/ interest you would like to share with us please make contact with me.

1st Grampound Guides ended 2023 on a high with our Christmas themed indoor holiday at St Ewe. We made Christmas decorations, baked gingerbread houses and rocky road, and went on an exciting (but very damp) trip to the Heligan night garden. We played lots of games, including a candy cane tournament, and sang songs and toasted marshmallows over our campfire. On Saturday evening, we had an amazing Christmas dinner cooked by a very dedicated leader, with a turkey kindly donated by Treway farm.

1st Grampound Guides

By Claire Below

This term we've improved our first aid skills, as well as creating mini pantos with shadow puppets to get us in the mood for our trip to see the Little Mermaid at Probus panto in half term. On Burns night we tried Irn Bru, making sheep and ceilidh dancing. In the run up to Easter we'll be marking World Thinking Day, where we celebrate Girlguiding around the world, including doing activities from lots of different countries, and doing the Cornish food challenge badge.

Our Guides are aged 10 – 14 and love to make new friends, if your daughter is interested in having adventures and lots of fun, please come and join us!

Join us for Friends of the Fal



2024 Woodland Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday 30th of March

Egg Hunt Start time 2:00pm

Suggested donation: £2 per child

Tickets available on Eventbrite & on the gate

Suitable from 2 to 12 years

All children must be with an adult

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Friends of the Fal

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My Memories 2

Andrew Teague

Following on from the first one in Edition 92 with Pauline Whetter, the next one in the series is Andrew Teague, the son of Richard & Rona Teague and sister to Carole.

Where were you born in Grampound?

I was born in Grampound, in the house opposite the Dolphin, which I believe is now called Trewithen apartments, but was called Mirfield when I was born. The house had been in the family (I think continuously) since 1919 when my Great Grandfather, John Henry Teague, bought it at a large auction from G H Johnstone of Trewithen. (The auction catalogue and solicitors letters re conveyancing are available) After John Henry died in 1928 the house appears to have been kept by his estate (very complicated will!) until 1953 when my Father purchased it (equally complicated as Mirfield had sufficient land to be classed as a small holding rather than just a residence, but mortgage was for domestic house only, so it appears Treglines meadows were split off at that point). My father obviously managed to buy the meadows at some point as in about 1963 he started work on building our Bungalow, Bosvethan ('House in the field' I think) (4) This house was at the end of the lane past (1)Treglines cottage, (2) between Mr Miners' Forge (now cottages) and his raised garden (the former site of Tim Lobb's garage, now houses), (3) between Mirfield's back garden, and 'New Holme' the first bungalow on the right.

- (1) another Teague Helena Evangelina (Auntie Eva) (one of John Henry's daughters) lived in Treglines cottage at the time and I remember going next door, and it being very small and dark
- (2) I remember visiting the Forge, and (trying) to move the bellows when I was very small. and can certainly remember when Tim's garage was first built.
- (3) I believe New Holme was built by the local builder Don Olver on a part of the first meadow that he bought from my Father, there are several letters and covenants about where they could each build!
- (4) Bosvethan was a work in progress through most of my early life, being built almost completely by my father during evenings and weekends. Although we moved in in 1968, we only really finished it in the mid-late 70's. He sold it when we left Grampound in 1978 to Peter and Margaret Lundie

Bosvethan being built
(Picture: A. Teague)



What are your memories from growing up in the village?

Growing up in the village, my early memories are of the school (2 whole classes: primary, and junior). Church, Mum ran Sunday School. and associated summer fetes, carol services etc. Later on we got a dog (Rusty, mad Irish setter) so the bias was more on walks in and around the village, through the woods, down (almost) to Golden, up to Barteliver, across to Carvossa, or out to Creed etc. As I got older/stronger I spent a lot of time helping out on Bosvethan - the garage, and outside projects were always on-going. Certainly, in the summer, The Rec was the most common meeting place for us youths!) as there weren't any clubs that I recall. and there was no carnival at that time.

What shops/business do you remember?

Businesses. The main shop I remember is Godfrey's, later Churchill's in the middle of the village.

But working from the Probus side: The (abattoir) knackers yard used to also sell pet food that my grandparents used, and above that there was a coal yard, then Bostock's petrol station,

Vernon Richards used to run a campsite on the left as you went down Mill Lane, the mill was already closed, but still an imposing building. Hunt's hardware as you came back out of Mill Lane (later a Chinese, Eastern Promise), The dairy, where you could knock on the side door and pick up a pint of milk, or half a crate if you wanted, from Mrs Dawe. Mrs White's general store was I think still around when I was very young. and James Woodman's Butchers was opposite (later Atlantic fish).

There was a small side alley that went into (I think the old congregational church/hall (later may have become scout hall) and now being/been re-developed on the way in was a little lean to where Ken Bawden was the local barber.

Next up was the Dolphin, and then the former post office (or is that Ye Olde Post office :-)) which my Grandparents had run for many years, and which still contained many features related to its former life, in particular, a funny little triangular space between the conservatory and the dining room, this was where the original telephone was, the door from the dining room was used for my grandmother to set the call up and exit, then the door from the conservatory allowed the customer to call in private.

Opposite was Mirfield, which later became an antiques shop, then an Indian Restaurant I think, but probably after my time in the village Then was Godfrey's as I have mentioned. further up the hill there was Way's bakery, where my sister worked one summer, the tannery, The Hollies stores, and I think another store opposite which may have been the post office before it moved to the Hollies, which may also have become an antique shop subsequently.

Other places of note were Dr Stewart at the very top of the village, now I think Tremethick brewery, with the surgery and pharmacy in the building to the left of the main house, and Dr Rentouls' house, halfway up the hill on the left, which I was taken to when I broke my arm.

St Nun's and St Crida (or just Creed) were fairly central to much of village life with fetes being held either in the Rec or out at Creed Rectory, always with a very well stocked WI cake table.

Do you have a funny story that you remember?

(funny stories) Not particularly, but I do remember various events, the annual spring clean at Creed, - beating the hessian rugs, and applying a 'wood preservative'/polish made by (I think) Mrs Broom and handed out in jam jars.

Carol singing where several cars used to drive to various outlying farms to sing/eat mince pies (and probably have a drink!) cutting the edges of the recreation ground with a lethal (by today's standards) Allen scythe.

Summer fetes often had clay pigeon shooting, and between rounds, we would go into the adjacent field to pick up un-broken clays, the fire at Way's bakery, fireworks held up on the Juleff's field. My mother also co-ordinated Poppy collection, and I remember making up the cardboard trays, and counting out the poppies (and taking the backs off to add leaves to about 10% of them)

I could probably ramble on for longer but should probably stop now.



Grampound School 1969 (Picture: Heritage Centre)

Back Row: Nigel Couch, David Juleff, Alison Way, Angela Bennett & Connie Bennett

3rd Row: Linda Burton, Jackie Pooley, Ann Still, Ian Mitchell, Andrew Teague, Anthony Bostock, Pauline Bennett & Carole Ann Merry

2nd Row: Karen Latise, Nigel Still, Angela Crowe, Robert Pooley, Beverley Way, Tina Biddick & Elaine Bostock

Front Row: Katherine Way, Sonia May, Alison Latise, Martin Bennett, ?, Jonathon Morford & Christopher Paynter

There was a 'tap tap' at the door. The door belonged to Trengoffe, the thatched cottage on Old Hill, and we were moving in. It was May 12th 2001.

Granny Pease

By Bob Digby

"Hello, I'm Mary Oliver," said the tap-tapper. "Welcome! I live opposite with my sister, Pat."

Her cheery face and piercing eyes were immediately noticeable. I sensed a genuine welcome as we exchanged smiles.

A thought struck me. "Were you the Miss Oliver who used to walk her dog every day with my grandmother, Florence Pease?" Florence Pease was my maternal grandmother – known to us as Granny Pease – who moved to Grampound to join us in 1962, after we had moved from Essex.

Had I done the maths, I'd have been prepared for Mary's answer. By 2001, when this conversation took place, my Gran would have been 105. It was unlikely that her dog-walking companion, who had been of a similar age, would have been Mary.

Nonetheless, her answer was a great surprise. 'Mrs Pease! I remember Mrs Pease! My mother and she used to walk their dogs together each day. She was always so polite.' I could picture her walking the dog with friends Marie-Jo James from Trevolland and a Miss Piper who lived on Mill Lane. Granny Pease suddenly came back to life.

Granny Pease came to life again last year. It was 27th November, her birthday, together with that of an online friend, to whom I was messaging birthday greetings. I remarked in the conversation that my Gran would have been 127 on that day. My friend remarked 'A happy birthday to her, then – a good Sagittarius woman!'

A good Sagittarius woman perhaps, but one who had an eventful, often difficult, life. I decided to research more about this woman who was already 52 by the time I was born. If any of you have researched your own family, you'll probably have had similar experiences to me, delving into official records such as the census, as well as listening to family stories. It's a matter of blending the two to get a semi-complete picture. In some cases, family stories are selective; families often hide as many tales as those that they readily speak about.

For example, the 1901 census (when she was five) records my Gran's family living in a lodging house in Norwich, the family all together in one room. Lodging houses were among the last refuges for those living in poverty. My mother told me that the family split up when my Gran was young; at one point, she had been taken to a hotel by her mother to escape her father. The story suggests violence; that's never been confirmed by anyone, but the list of reasons for a family to split up in such a way must be fairly short.

Gran moved a lot in her youth. From Norwich, the 1911 census shows that the family had moved to run a small village pub in Essex. The First World War took her to London, where she worked and then married in 1920. Her husband – my grandfather – came with a ready-made

family of two children, his first wife having died, to which the birth of my mother and her sister added to make a family of four.

Poverty became a recurrent thread through family life at that time. From being a railway worker, my grandfather was a victim of the deep depression that hit the country during the 1920s and 1930s. He lost his job on the railways and took a job a gardener for the local large country house. Pay was low and the family struggled to feed six mouths. My mother told me that dinner would often consist of a suet pudding with onion and gravy. Water came from the well in the garden and the toilet was outside in a shed.

Yet my Gran pushed both my mother and older sister to enter for scholarships at the local grammar and independent schools. Meals were included as a part of the school provision. Both girls achieved the School Certificate in the early 1940s (the equivalent of a clutch of GCSEs) and only economic need during wartime forced them both out to work once their schooling was complete. War had a bizarre effect on my family's circumstances. World War Two brought my grandfather a job in Marconi's in Chelmsford, in the rapidly expanding radar and electronics industry. My mother went to work in the telephone exchange in Chelmsford, and her sister as an invoice clerk. Ironically, the family had never been so well off.

Throughout all the tribulations faced by the family, my grandmother never lost her belief in betterment. After she lost her husband to cancer in 1948, she continued to work and became clerk to an optician locally, moving to a flat above the shop. When we moved to Cornwall, she followed. When Mum and dad took on a pub in Callington, she moved with us. She became an avid crossword solver in the 'Daily Telegraph' (and absorbed its politics, about which my rebellious teenage soul wept) and baby-sat for local families a few nights a week to put more jam on the bread. My cousin Christine and I became part of her project. We were each harried about the correct pronunciation of words. I would be told 'Christine pronounces her words much more clearly than you', while Christine suffered the reverse fate. We were in our 30s before we exchanged stories on that one. Betterment indeed.

Exchanging some of these stories with my online friend last November, he commented that 'she sounds like a really strong woman'. She was strong, as her mother had been, and my mother after her. In spite of a series of life events which might have held her down, she took on a full life. She loved Grampound and did all the things that you are meant to do when you move to a village. A frequent churchgoer, she walked to Creed in the days when there were Sunday services every week. She joined the WI, the Old Cornwall Society (its trips giving her the chance to get to know Cornwall), and the over-60s.

Even better, she baked great cake, always ready for the hungry teenager getting off the bus from St Austell at 4.40 each day before he cycled home to Benallack.

Grampound WI Cookery Club

By Sarah McGowan

Grampound WI Cookery Club have been very busy over the last few months, and I can hardly believe it is the Easter edition of the Grampound Times that is upon us. That said, Easter is a wonderful time with all it has to offer in terms of the Spring and new life. It is again a time when we are often pleased to see family and friends and of course there may be

occasion to share time over the dining table.

This time I am going to share two recipes, a little something for all members of the family and a delicious recipe using left over cross buns (if there is ever such a thing). In our home HCB's as they are otherwise known have to be purchased especially as there are rarely any simply left over.

EASTER NESTS

Ingredients

200g (7oz) Shredded Wheat

200g (7oz) Milk chocolate

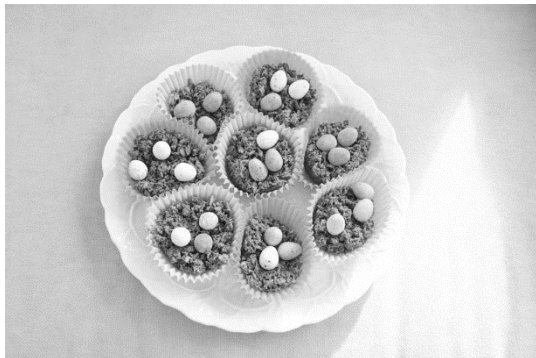
Cake paper cases

A bag of mini eggs

Method

Please ensure that there is adult support with the next step as it involves the use of the stove with hot water.

1. Place the shredded wheat into a plastic bag and with a rolling pin, gently roll and break up the shredded wheat into shreds that are fine and resemble small twigs.
2. Place a saucepan onto the hob with hot water and gently simmer.
3. In a bowl that fits onto the saucepan but does not touch the water underneath, break up the chocolate into small pieces.
4. Place the bowl over the water and melt the chocolate slowly.
5. Once the chocolate is melted, tip the cereal into the chocolate and mix well until all the shreds are coated.
6. Place the paper cases on a baking sheet or tray and then fill the cases with the mixture to resemble a small bird's nest.
7. Place three mini eggs on top of the mixture.
8. **SHARE with friends and enjoy.**



HOT CROSS BUN BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING (Mmmmmm)

Ingredients

6 large Hot Cross Buns (HCB), each one sliced into three horizontally

Softened Butter for buttering each slice of HCB

175g Raisins or Sultanas

3 Eggs

1 pint/560ml of milk

1oz/28g brown sugar or a little more sugar if preferred.

A little Maple syrup for pouring

Method

1. Grease lightly a rectangular Pyrex type dish or similar.
2. Lightly butter each slice of Hot Cross Bun
3. Lay the bottom of each HCB into the dish side by side.
4. Sprinkle this layer generously with half of the dried fruit.
5. Place the next layer of each HCB on top and again sprinkle the second half of the dried fruit.
6. Place the tops of the HCB's on last
7. Beat the eggs together in a pouring jug, add the sugar and milk and mix well.
8. Slowly pour this well mixed liquid over the Hot Cross Buns and allow to stand until all the bread has soaked up the liquid. If there is a little too much liquid, it could be discarded but ensure that all the bread has absorbed liquid.
9. Heat the oven to 160°.
10. Place the Pyrex dish into a baking dish filled with hot water to about halfway up the dish.
11. Place in the oven and leave for approximately 30-40minutes or until the custard mixture has set and the top has browned slightly.
12. Remove from the oven and pour a little Maple Syrup over the top of the finished pudding whilst it is hot.

This is a delicious traditional pudding but is so delicious covered in Maple Syrup. Serve with a little cream and enjoy.

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