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3pm - Q&A session, finish at 3:30pm.

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Parish News

The 100th Edition
 February 2012

Please email all articles for the next edition of Parish News to ourparishnews@gmail.com or give to Alan Cox at the Post Office no later than 17th February read **Parish News Online** at www.stdompo.co.uk/parishnews.htm

Entries for the **St Dominick Diary** should be sent to: Rosemary Shepherd
 Tel: 350489 by 17th of each month

Parish council Report

This month the public session was well attended by a group representing residents who live along the Tipwell Rock road. Their concern was volume of traffic, speed of cars and lorries using the road a lot. Also some drivers think the road is "one way" and they have been shouted at on a few occasions.

Councillor Flashman attended and he had some suggestions as well.

Going on to "matters arising" Sally (new clerk) had contacted Cornwall Council re the pre-school idea and a lady is to visit in Feb/March to talk about the pros and cons. The pro is that it's a good idea, and the con is mainly that 24-30 children are needed to make the project viable.

The gritting bins are now in place but we are short of snow and ice at the moment, just living in hope. I said last month that the precept had to be set this month and that was incorrect, it just had to be talked about again. A few requests were granted and some reviewed as the previous clerk questioned whether money should be given for running costs, it should be "one off" donations. The result is the same I think. Unfortunately Councillors Warne and Chapman missed their big day assisting Sita at the Royal Cornwall Showground as they had to go to work!!

The Chairman gave a full report on the Hays Marsh Planning meeting, which she had attended, and gave her views on the decision which went against the Parish Council. Councillor Flashman reiterated what she said.

A minor item is that Furzedon Allotments are now to be known as Furzedon Fields because people are sometimes confusing them with the allotments by the school.

Eventually we got on to the Festivities committee report. A big "thank you" to those who helped, especially Willis Gregg for helping to transport and erect the tree. Also to "Hunn's Poultry" for sponsoring the tree this year and to all those who bought raffle tickets and donated prizes and mince pies etc. There was a bit of a muddle here because the Chairman said the total raised was £290.00 and Councillor Flashman said that was "very well done" and gave £10.00 of his own money to round the number up to £300.00. Then everyone put in their expenses and I think the final figure was £195.00 but not too sure, not a round number anyway.

The next meeting is the first Wednesday in February at the Parish Hall and all are welcome. 7.30 start

Plea for Safer Road Use

The residents of the Tipwell area of St. Dominick are concerned at the increase in traffic on the lane that bears left off the A388 from Callington, it is the turning before the Viverdon Down roundabout and connects to the more major route into St. Dominick at the crossroads to Halton Quay.

Their requests to local residents are as follows:-

- Whenever possible use the alternative routes available
- If you must use this lane please remember that it is two way and people may be coming the other way to return to their homes.
- **Please** moderate your speed particularly where cars tend to accelerate on the straighter parts of the road before the junction with the main road.
- **Please** reduce your speed to give residents a chance of seeing and hearing you coming when trying to get out on to the road.
- Please remember that the lane is frequently used by horse riders.

These concerns are for everyone's safety.

St. Dominic Slimming Club

St. Dominic Slimming Club members and friends met on 9th December for their final meeting of 2011.

A celebratory four course meal was prepared and served by Shirley and Dave Floyd. The food was excellent and enjoyed by everyone with second helpings readily available.

The Chapel School room looked very festive with all the decorations in place and the Christmas crackers provided the usual paper hat and motto. We all received a lucky dip Christmas present from Santa's box.

Betty Behennah presented gifts to those who help run the club each year and thanked members and friends for their support. Chrissie Cross then thanked Betty for her continuous hard work as Chairperson and presented her with a gift from club members.

The slimmer of the year was June Perry who worked hard to achieve her target weight; she received a silver cup and a plant for her great effort.

A small raffle raised £45.00 for club funds; this will be held over until 2012 when members will decide on the next charity we will support.

The evening ended with Doreen Behennah playing piano and everyone singing carols, a magical evening with lots of laughter.

The Slimming Club will reconvene, at the Chapel School room, on Thursday 2nd February 2012 at 2pm. Although some members weigh in and watch weight gains and losses, others just come along for a gossip, a cup of tea/coffee and to help us work towards raising money for our next charity project. New members are always welcome. The Slimming Club would like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year.

Queen's Jubilee

Plans for the Queen's Jubilee on the weekend of 2nd and 3rd June are progressing; a new parish group called The St. Dominick Community Festivities and Project Group will oversee the activities.

The plans so far are, on Saturday 2nd there will be a huge Parish Tea Party, at the Hall, this event will be free.

There will also be a Parish Barn Dance, where tickets will be as cheap as possible, more details at a later date.

Sunday 3rd, we plan a Parish Picnic, at Lovells, with a hog roast. Any further ideas will be welcomed.

To keep costs down, we need to fund raise and are planning a Jumble Sale/Table Top Sale on Saturday 10th March from 10am to 1pm. Entry will be free and homemade cakes, tea & coffee will be on sale inside the Hall.

For those wishing to sell their own goods, the cost of renting a table, will be £5.

We are eagerly searching for any local organisations or businesses willing to help sponsor this Jubilee weekend.

For more information, contact Diana Greene 351631. Sally Loveiov 350550 or Chrissy Cross 350743.

St. Dominick W.I. report for January

No better way to start a new year than getting to know more about your neighbours, in our case Cotehele, with its medieval origins, standing high and proud above the river Tamar

This ancestral home to the Edgcumbes, was gifted to the National Trust at the end of the 1940s, following the death of the last Earl.

Our January speaker, Rachel Hunt, the House and Collection Manager, revealed to us some of the work going on behind the scenes. Work such as the famous Christmas garland, which attracts thousands of visitors each December, a mammoth task, every flower is grown in their own gardens, dried and then carefully threaded in.

Opening up the chapel will be 2012's biggest challenge, allowing the public to view but at the same time, desperately searching for ways to protect the crumbling floor tiles beneath those visiting feet.

Interaction with local people plays a vital part, not just with the group of volunteer workers but also with families whose ancestors have lived in this part of Cornwall for many generations and can pass on, photos, objects and knowledge, helping to build a fuller picture of the Tamar Valley's rich history.

Our Annual Meeting takes place on 8th February.

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January Draw:

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Anyone wishing to have a number please contact
Ken on match days, or any member of the
committee

THANK YOU

Penny Garrod would like to thank all those who kindly supported her following the death of her husband, David, on 7th December in Derriford Hospital. The invitations over the Christmas period, plus the flowers, cards and kind words were all a great comfort and helped her more than words can say.

Thank you all.

Tuesday Club January 10th

Once again we enjoyed our annual trip to the pantomime at the Theatre Royal.

This year it was Cinderella. As always the production was lavish with excellent scenery and costumes.

The young dancers performed with great energy in various costumes throughout the show.

The star this year was Julian Clary as Dandini. His costumes were lavish in the extreme and he gave a very polished performance. He even managed to give us a chance to see his dancing skills learnt on Strictly, when he performed a quickstep with one of the female dancers.

Keith Harris with his friend the Green Duck, Orville, was very amusing as Buttons. He had a good rapport with the audience and got us all singing.

The Ugly Sisters were very ugly. Cinderella was very pretty and it all ended happily as usual.

I'm sure we would all like to thank Eunice for arranging the trip.

ST DOMINIC CHURCH NEWS

After 2 years of planning, fundraising and work on the Church Building we were pleased to welcome Bishop Tim to the Service of Thanksgiving and Rededication in December; furthermore many Parishioners came and appreciated the changes at the various services over the Christmas Period.

The heating system has been extended and improved which makes for a more comfortable environment for Services and events, and will preserve the fabric and be much more fuel efficient. There is a full length glass tower screen with etchings on the lower part depicting the arrival of Christianity in the area. Part of the Church has become a new Family area with appropriate seating and toys; we have also had a new altar frontal made for the Lady Chapel. Finally the weekly climb up the tower to wind the clock is no longer needed as an automatic winding system has been installed.

The alterations and work on the Church were made possible by the support of the Parishioners of St Dominick and area, together with grants received from local and national organisations.

Hedgerow survey – volunteers needed! from St. Dominick

As part of a EU-funded project 'Cordiale', the Tamar Valley AONB are piloting a project to record historic hedgerows in the parishes of Calstock, Bere Ferres, **St Dominick** and Buckland Monachorum.

These surveys will help us discover important hedgerows, to understand their contribution to the development and character of the landscape, to help guide management decisions for landowners, and also consider their potential as a managed source of woodfuel.

We are looking for volunteers to undertake the surveys. Knowledge and an interest in biodiversity or archaeology would be useful, but full training will be given in the survey techniques in late April 2012.

For more information or to register an interest, contact Simon Bates or Samantha Barnes at the Tamar Valley Centre: sbates@tamarvalley.org.uk 01822 835035 / sbarnes@tamarvalley.org.uk 01822 835036

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