

### Parish Council Meeting July and August

The July meeting was held at the Parish Hall as usual. It was attended by Jim Flashman - Cornwall Councillor, his young daughter (reluctantly I think), myself (roving reporter) and the regular member of the public. No PCSO.

At the last meeting it was decided to bring the public session to the beginning. This is to encourage the public to come and ask about anything that might be concerning them in the parish, without them having to sit through all the irrelevant council business.

Anyway, no one came except the regular one and he said he would rather wait until the end and pass comment on what had been discussed during the evening! I'm not sure if that means we are to have two public sessions at each meeting or not.

Councillor Spiers was missing so there was no update on the land purchase on Post Office corner.

However, it was thought that if there was anything to report he would have done so.

The days with the Eden Project and National trust were discussed. 500 flyers and 10 A3 posters have been distributed. Jim Flashman is to ask Sherryl Murray (our MP) if she would officially open the play area on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

No volunteers have come forward to learn to trim the willow structure, so the lady will have to be paid to do this job. Some councillors are still showing concern regarding the maintenance of the area, and a few volunteers would have come in very handy. A date was arranged for stone picking by the councillors – actually several dates as they were all busy on different days – as one area is rough.

A member of the public expressed concern about the noise from the playground.

Councillor Flashman said that £500.00 is available from the Community Fund and the Parish Council should get some this year. (If you remember he had a little slip last year and gave it to someone else by mistake, but the thought was there).

The white line painted up by M&S has almost disappeared, needs attention.

Councillor Shapland has resigned (to spend more time with his family I expect). There will now be a vacancy, no one is sure how it works, the system has changed I think.

In August the Council had an extra informal meeting at the pub, just to finalise the details for 22<sup>nd</sup> August. This will be over before you read this, I don't know if the day will relate to the plan, but hopefully it will. Councillors Warne and Chapman have put hours of work into this, but Councillor Chapman will miss it because he will be on holiday!!

### St Dominic Horse Show

This weather for this year's show, the 42<sup>nd</sup>, was perfect and the best ever financially. Provisionally over £1,100.00 was raised. The showground was very busy with 110 horses and 50 dogs competing. The Parish Council cup given for the best local dog was won by Jed with Jess Cox, and he also won the best fancy dress, coming as a Centurion in a costume made by Jess' sister, Rachel. Amongst the horse show winners were Cynthia Wilson with Hattie, who won the best grass kept horse, Lauren Nicholson, best rider, and Fiona Cooper who won best local horse with Father Ted. Thank you to the Poad family for allowing the use of their field again and to all the helpers.

### St Dominic Autumn Show

Please will everyone try to remember that Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September is the date of the St Dominic Autumn Show. We think that this is the sixtieth show, but it's a bit difficult to be exact as in the early years there were two each year, then a few were missed, but there have been a lot and we hope you all continue to support it as you have in the past.

As usual there are lots of different classes for adults and junior, many cups to be won, and a committee member will be asking you to enter something. Sections include: Flowers and Pot Plants, Floral Arrangements, Vegetables and Fruit, Cookery, Handicrafts, Art and Photography.

Those of you who enter know that the standard varies tremendously, and it's the taking part that counts. Don't be embarrassed if you think your efforts are not good enough, it really doesn't matter.

Schedules are at the Post Office, (or [www.stdompo.co.uk](http://www.stdompo.co.uk)) or ring Lorna Potter 350776, Julie Wenmoth, Jo Totterdell or Di Irons for details. If you don't enter this year please come along for a cup of tea on the day, doors open to the public at 2.30

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### St Dominic School News

6 September – beginning of the new school year already. But first a look back to the end of the Summer Term. A sell-out school concert with all children participating in some way with some brave and accomplished solo performances from our musicians. My personal favourite – the African Drumming from the Infants – how do such small children follow and maintain these complicated rhythms? Afterwards, a delicious cream tea was laid on, for the audience who also bought the spinach, peas and lettuce grown by the School Garden Club.

We said farewell to our seven Year 6's (all now off to Callington) at the end-of-term service at St Dominick Church. Each one treated us to a very personal, entertaining and - at times - emotional reflection and recollection of times at Primary School.

Billie, Charlie, Daniel, Hannah and Leah – don't forget to come back and visit your old school from time to time. Cups were presented. Hannah Ripley received the "What Would Jesus Do?" Cup (given last year by previous Head Mrs Biddle); Richard Gregg – Best All-round Sportsman Cup; Francesca Bloye – Dawe Shield for outstanding overall contribution to the life of the school. The end-of-service collection was in aid of our link school in Kenya – Genesis.

The close collaboration with St Mellion School operating since January has worked well and the Governors of both schools believe it to have yielded significant benefits already. Therefore the parents and staff of both schools, Church members and parishioners will all be consulted on a proposal to make this a permanent arrangement – called a Federation. Look out for more details in October's Newsletter. In the meantime please contact the School or a Governor with your questions or views.

Finally – do you (or anyone you know) have a child who will be aged 4 between 1 September and 31 March? St Dominick School is in a position to offer an "Early Years" place with the child starting either in January or April 2011. Please contact Mrs Moran in the office on 350581

### St. Dominick W.I. Report for July & August

We have had 2 entertaining months, in July we welcomed Sara Rock of SoSoapy and in August we trekked over to Harrowbarrow to meet James and Lisa Hartill of Kit Hill Alpacas.

Firstly, in July, SoSoapy came to St. Dominick.

Sara, while busily stirring the ingredients for Geranium scented, Bath Bombs, entertained us with amusing tales from the history of soap. We were pleased to hear that a local boy, Andrew Pears, a farmer's son from Mevagissey, played his part in keeping the nation clean, he created the recipe for Pears Soap.

On a warm and sunny evening in August we went, accompanied by a few husbands, to visit, the Alpacas of Harrowbarrow. The Hartills welcomed us and introduced us to, their extended family, which includes more than 30 Huacaya Alpacas. James showed us around and gave us plenty of information about these beautiful animals, who belong to the same family as camels and originate from South America.

Very much a family business, the Hartills breed their animals for sale to other breeders and for field pets. Lisa also puts her skills, as a textile designer, into action, finding creative uses for the Alpaca fleece. Our next meeting, in the Parish Hall, is on 8<sup>th</sup> September, we will be having our Harvest Auction, in aid of Dartmoor Search and Rescue Group - Speaker from Dartmoor Rescue, Tavistock. An open meeting so please come and join us, just bring along some produce and your purse, to help raise funds for this good cause.

### St. Dominick Tuesday Club. July 6<sup>th</sup>

Quite a good crowd gathered on a sunny afternoon. This was our last meeting before September, it was good to see Pauline and also some new faces. Eunice reminded us that she will be taking definite bookings for January's pantomime next time. It will be 'Sleeping Beauty' with Jo Pasquale starring. The raffle was won by Jean Hooper. She then introduced Nicki Lyons, a member of Dartmoor search and rescue team and her dog, Cavos. Both she and her husband are members. Nicki gave us a very interesting talk and certainly had many amazing incidents to tell us. She had been involved in murder hunts, finding missing people sometimes after days, always relying on the scenting abilities of her dog. What is so remarkable is that all the members of the group are volunteers, which is a big commitment. As Nicki says it is a way of life for her husband and herself.

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### St Dominic Church

**GOOD NEWS** Chilblains, blue noses and general shivers will be a thing of the past, With your help!! The existing central heating boiler keeps breaking down and is very inefficient, so the PCC are proposing to replace the boiler and install new radiators. This, along with the tower screen, will help maintain the fabric of the building and make it more comfortable for Services, Funerals, Weddings, Festivals and all the other events which take place in the Church, including those with the Village School. There is no Child friendly place in the Church, so this is also part of our plans.

All this work will cost in the region of £50,000 plus VAT and it is anticipated that we need to raise a large part in the Parish; this is why we are appealing to you. Please come to the Open Day on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September between 10 am and 4 pm to view the plans and to get an idea of the work involved. We would also be very grateful for any donation you could contribute. Please remember this is YOUR CHURCH so come and see how it will be improved for you and the next generation. Tea and coffee will be provided.

**HARVEST Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup>.** We will be welcoming the Callington Singers to our Church Evening Service at 6 pm, to celebrate Harvest with Music and Word.  
**Monday October 4<sup>th</sup>.** The Harvest Supper will be a Roast Dinner and pudding in the Parish Hall at 7pm; this will be followed by the Auction of Harvest Goods in aid of The Childrens Society. Tickets will be available from the Post Office, priced £8.50.

Parish Hall - Has everyone noticed that after 36 years the Hall has a name on the front? Hopefully all visitors coming to the Hall will find it now. Also a new notice board has been purchased to advertise your events held in the Hall. To help fund this project the committee received grants of approximately three quarters of the total expenditure. In September the committee are having the inside of the Hall completely re-decorated. This is where some of the money we have fund-raised is being spent, to keep the Hall in tip top condition for everyone in the parish. Please come and support us at any fund-raising events in the future

### Community Fun Days

Days 1 and 2 were held at Cotehele as advertised on 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> August. Arranged by the Parish Council in co operation with the Eden Project and the National Trust for children with their parents. Well, those who went had a tremendously enjoyable time. The Eden Project provided the equipment and the "know how" to build rafts etc. (mainly plastic barrels I saw), and the river was full of wet children and fathers. They finished in a mud bath before being cleaned off. A great day was had by all – I have seen pictures of Councillors Warne and Chapman in the river on Facebook. Unfortunately, although there were hundreds of people there, having a fantastic time, only five families from St Dominic turned up, the rest came from Calstock, Plymouth or were on holiday and just arrived by chance. Some saw what was happening on Thursday, and came back on Saturday so although the day was very successful it wasn't taken advantage of by those nearest. Day 3 is 22<sup>nd</sup> August and Day 4 is 23<sup>rd</sup> October, so those who have heard what a great time was had, free might go to Cotehele that day. Details on the insert in the Parish news last month, or on posters around the village.

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