

# **Best Foot Forward**





Two-legged and four-legged happiness in the great outdoors and a welcome break for coffee at Lanhydrock House!





#### Golant Walking Group



Towards the end of summer, when some of us were lamenting the closure of a local gym (through which we aspired to health and fitness), a chat over coffee and cake prompted a discussion of alternative means to maintain our least some of the time. Above all we aspire to be an inclustrength and physical capacities.

Two ideas emerged. Introduced to the joys of the rowing machine during the Golant Carnival, gym membership of our local rowing club had its attractions. Then we thought, tendance at an introductory meeting suggested that this was ready for more. an idea with legs (arguably something you do not have after too long on a rowing machine!).

walks each month. Walks would be chosen, researched and land and moorland.

led by group members. It was important that some of the walks be dog friendly and that there be an opportunity to enjoy refreshments during or after. We agreed that walks should be organised for different days of the week to give as many people as possible the opportunity to participate at sive group, open and welcoming to all villagers.

Our first walk, the 'Duchy Walk' (suggested by one of the village's redoubtable and highly experienced walkers), was declared a great success. The dogs were not only well bewhat about our very own Golant Walking Group. We did haved but got on very well with each other. The two not know at the time but our thought echoed Hippocrates legged walkers not only enjoyed an interesting walk but also who observed 'walking is man's best exercise'. Following a social occasion with lots of chat and a most welcome cofthe jungle drum of a Maurie Mail, initial response and at- fee. We also failed to get wet. We all agreed, we were

What of the benefits, apart from the joy of stretching our legs in the great outdoors and the pleasure of the company During the course of the meeting it was agreed that we of others? There have been a few. We have appreciated would start slowly, offering two easy to moderate local the variety in landscape as we explored local valleys, park-Continued on page 2

#### **FROM THE EDITOR**

over stories for the *Pill* have, over this past year, been very varied, hopefully covering the whole village, and ranging in intensity and interest. This time, we are delighted to report a new Golantian activity on the front page – the **Golant Walking Group**, which has already been enjoying rambles far and wide in our lovely county. This will be a new regular article for our readers to share – especially interesting for those, who, like us, are now physically unable to join!

We are now coming to the end of our thirteenth year of publication, and would like to take this opportunity once again to thank all of our *Pill* team, our valued contributors and our loyal advertisers. Without you, there would be no village newsletter – it's as simple as that... What we would wish for is more response by readers to questions which may arise from our articles. In this issue, Robert Dunley has posed a query regarding an old Carnival photo (*p7*), and I have made a suggestion about pet stories on page 12! Do please contact us.

Having just said that our *Golant Pill* relies on teamwork, I'm <u>personally</u> crossing my fingers for our later February/March 2020 issue, as Mike & I have soon got to 'bite the bullet' and move from *Windows 7* to *Windows 10...* The former will no longer be providing security updates from next January – such a shame, as it has been great to work with, and the older one gets, the less one likes change! My main concern, as I use the versatile *Microsoft Publisher Programme* to put each issue together, is its compatibility with the new system. We have revisited *Microtest* in Bodmin, our local IT firm (and one of our loyal advertisers) for their expert advice & help, and will go with them!

In our last issue, Penny Parsons, as chair of the Golant Heritage Group, wrote about an earlier restoration in St Sampson's Church, and the then Bishop of Truro, Dr J Hunkin, is quoted as praising '...this beautiful little sanctuary'. Mike has written an interesting article about him (p15), not only with some personal memories, but also with very relevant links to our world & our churchyard. Do read it.

Remaining with the Cornish element – we wish all our readers-

Nadelik Lowen ha Blydhen Nowydh Da (A Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year).



Gillie Harris

#### Continued from the cover

Our second outing, a gentle walk down the *Pentewan Valley*, was in marked contrast to our visit to *Bodmin Moor* where the clamber round the *Cheesewring* and scramble over *Stowe's Pound* rewarded us with spectacular views over *Bodmin Moor* and across to *Dartmoor*. As we returned to *Eden* at the end of our *Eden-Trethurgy* circular tour, the view over *St Austell Bay* reminds us that we are never far from the sea.

During each walk we have taken the opportunity to learn more about the history of the local area and we are fortunate in having some very well-informed walkers. From ancient monuments as in The Hurlers, through the grandeur of Restormel Castle, Lanhydrock House and grounds (right) and Restormel Manor, to the industrial legacy of the South Phoenix Mine complex and remains of rail and



tramways, we glean a better understanding of what has come before us. Looking down over the *Eden Centre* we grasp how things do not stay the same and scope for renewal gives hope for the future.

By the end of this year (all going to plan) we will have enjoyed six walks — our final walk this year will be the Luxulyan Valley in the second week of December and is open to all; for more information do get in touch. Soon it will be time to evaluate our experiences and consider our next steps. Proposals for the future include extending the mileage of one of our walks each month and looking further afield. But it will be for all those interested in walking to decide what comes next. If you would like to join us or just find out more, do get in touch or come along to our next meeting which will be held in early January: look out for a 'Maurie Mail'.

According to A L Rowse, 'walking is the favourite sport of the good and the wise' and we all know it is good for the soul; surely it is an idea with legs! You might also like to know that we haven't been rained on...yet!



Anne Bonsall (anne.bonsall@btinternet.com)



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What a fascinating talk Sue delivered for us on 'Golant, Piecing Together the Past', presenting a packed hall with an historical tour through the settlement of Golant's distant past up to the 19th century. Sue is a passionate researcher and, as a group, we are very grateful to her for giving us the benefit of her findings.

A smooth handover to Ian took us neatly to a whistlestop tour of the GHG website which he has been busy building for us. This too has meant hours of time dedicated to the task for the benefit of our archives, and we are very fortunate to have Ian's skills and commitment. (See opposite column)

As promised we would like to deliver a FREE 'How to use the Golant Heritage Group website' workshop at our January meeting: Tuesday 14th January, 2pm in the village hall. Please bring along your laptop, iPad or tablet. We will provide tea/coffee and cake!

As I explained in the previous issue, we are currently focussing on getting all our material catalogued, digitised and ready to be loaded onto our website.

We recently had the benefit of an advisory visit from Tamsin Mallett, Cornwall Archivist, who was very impressed with what we are achieving, but who once again underlined the importance of having an accession form attached to each deposit, and to have established copyright where known.

We do have a lot of material kindly donated prior to having established procedures in place, and thus we are doing our best to identify provenance, but ask that, if you spot any material which needs acknowledgement, or can identify date, location, people or discrepancies in information, you will let us know so that we can add or rectify.

Needless to say, we always welcome a fresh pair of eyes as we continue to sift through our material, and are delighted that Gill joined the teamwork at our last gathering.

We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 2pm.

Penny Parsons, Chairman GHG

#### Golant Heritage Online Archive

At last everyone can now see and search the material that has been collected by the Heritage Group. It became clear to the group that just preserving the material was only half the job as its real value comes when it is viewed and used.

With this in mind, the Group set about cataloguing everything and then putting it onto a suitable on-line site. Our site address is *https://golant.omeka.net* (NB. NOT www. at the front) and it's free and easy to use so please give it a go.

At the moment we are busy loading new material, so the archive will grow rapidly over the next few months. It contains photographs, videos, sound recording and texts. From the home page you can just browse the items or search for specific things. A single search box allows you to enter concise words and retrieve all the relevant items. There are more advanced search options for combining search terms and using tags that have been added to the catalogue. Alternatively, if you take the map option it is possible to zoom in on a location and look at relevant items. There are also sections about the past projects of the Heritage Group and in future we will build on-line 'exhibitions' to feature some of our treasure trove.

We do not have much information about some items so, if you can help, there is a contact form on-line to send us details.

It is worth remembering that whilst we own the archive, we do not have copyright for many of the items, so there may be no right to use the content for other than personal research.

To help promote the archive and to show how best to use it we are planning a workshop in the new year, so look out for the dates and bring your laptop along.

Ian Laughton

#### Christmas Greetings

Fayre & Martyn Hardy wish everyone a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year. Instead of sending cards, we are contributing to St Petroc's Charity.



RA Robin Anderson
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#### News from St Sampson's Church

As so often is the case, **Remembrance Sunday** was an oasis of calm amid days of wind and rain. Many villagers gathered at the War Memorial just before 11 o'clock, and it was good that the younger generation was ably represented by Millie, who read the names of the fallen. Another innovation this year was the playing of *The Last Post* and *The Rouse* on the handbells immediately before and after the two minutes silence, which added significantly to the occasion. Sadly, this was also the last service with Mike Harris as organist, and his playing, as always, was greatly admired. An appreciation of Mike can be read on page 9.

On the first Sunday of December there was a **Celebration of Advent**, with readings, hymns and carols, and the choir's *Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord,* and *Like a Candle Flame* proved particularly effective, and were greatly enhanced by Roger Fry's recorder playing.

Like Advent itself, the rest of this article is looking forward to the services and events with which we mark Christmas. On the weekend of the 14th and 15th of December there is the Art and Craft Trail, and the Church is delighted to be helping to host. The Church, as Golant's only Grade I listed building, is a work of art itself, and within it lie some medieval stained glass fragments, lovely wood carvings, extraordinary roof timbers carved with prayers for the benefactors of the 13th Century building, and, from more recent times, the Cider tapestry and a new wedding kneeler. As well as all these, there will be exhibits from villagers, and at times on both days Sheila will play some background organ music, and she is very willing to be interrupted to talk about this fine instrument. Also, on the Saturday, between 3.00 and 4.00pm, and on the Sunday between 3.30pm and 4.00pm we will ring the handbells, and, again, questions will be welcome and visitors can ring a bell or two.

The culmination of all this is *A Cornish Christmas* at **4.30pm by candle light**. This is the fifth such service, although the first at which there will be no sermon! All the readings are new, with some fresh authors as well, and all have Cornish connections and are seasonal readings. There are plenty of congregational carols, lots of carols on the handbells, and many of these are also new. There will be a festive drink afterwards, so what better way to celebrate Golant's first Art and Craft Trail!

#### Christmas at St Sampson's:

Sunday 15th December at 4.30pm A Cornish Christmas

Tuesday 24th December at 6.30pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Christmas Day at 9.15am Family Holy Communion

New Year's Day at 12.00 noon Ringing in the New Year



On Wednesday 18th December, at 8.00pm, the handbell ringers will play carols in *The Fisherman's Arms*. We have some 35 carols in our repertoire now, but they are all short! So do come along and sing along.

Then, for many, the real Christmas begins at 6.30pm on Christmas Eve, with the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols in the magic of candle light. This is a quintessentially Cornish service, devised by the first Bishop of Truro, Bishop Benson, and this year it will run as it was originally devised – without a sermon! The pattern of congregational carols, choir carols and Biblical readings has a magical flow in its proper form, and I urge you to come along and experience a service which has run essentially unchanged for 139 years. Fewer and fewer parish churches have the musical resources to continue this tradition, and we should be proud that our tiny village, vicar-less though we may be, can offer this Christmas Festival. There will also be some festive cheer at the end of the service.

Christmas Day, at 9.15am, sees the Family Communion, which this year will be taken by the Archdeacon of Bodmin, the Venerable Audrey Elkington. Then, on New Year's Day at noon, we will be Ringing in the New Year. The big bells will ring, and then there will be handbell ringing, and the opportunity to try your hand at either – or both, or simply come and have a chat. A drink and nibbles will be provided, but do feel free to bring a bottle and / or a simple light bite to provide some sustenance for ringers and listeners.

Finally on Sunday 26th January at 10.30am, there will be an Open Forum after the morning service. This is an opportunity for anyone in the village to come up and contribute as we discuss the future shape of our services. In this period of Interregnum (without a vicar!), we have the opportunity to review what we do and also to look forward to other things that we might do. Should every 9.15am service be a service of Holy Communion? Is our traditional approach to worship supported by the majority? What else can we do for the village as a whole? Should we follow the example of Truro Cathedral and other local churches and have a Pet Service, or some other occasional service to encourage more villagers to the church? These and many other questions are up for debate, and we welcome all contributions. We cannot please everyone, but we can listen and we must do so.

Simon Funnell

#### Churchyard

The Charles Blowey Trust Fund has graciously granted St Sampson PCC the sum of £500 towards the maintenance of the Churchyard in the coming year, for the pleasure and benefit of all persons in the Parish of St Sampson.

RD

#### **Church Flower and Cleaning Rota**

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The committee meets regularly under the terms of the constitution which was adopted when the newsletter was first issued in 2007.

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#### Logs of the Moor

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Hawthorn logs are good to last;
Cut them in the fall.

Extract one from 'Logs of the Moor'

The Fisherman's Arms

#### Special Meal Deal

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#### Village Hall Committee

Following our successful C-Fylm support, we have now installed the SUPER SIZED projector screen—all singing and dancing, electric remote-controlled; all we need now are reclining bucket chairs. We hope this is going to benefit all the groups that use the Village Hall.

A big 'thank you' to GRADS for their past donations, which have purchased our beautiful new stage curtains and rail, which will be tested at GRADS' 'Treasure Island' up-and-coming performance in February.

Sadly, we are losing Debbie Pugh-Jones from the Village Hall Committee. She is stepping down on a high, following leading our successful 'Auction of Promises'. Thank you, Debbie, for all your enthusiasm.

The Committee have been busy with the Village Hall's annual maintenance inspection, creating a list of jobs to be undertaken in the Spring.

We are waiting for a structural drawing before we can proceed with the revamp of the toilets, expected in December.

The Village Hall venue is open as part of the Christmas Art & Craft Trail on December 14th/15th.

Paul Meredith, Chairman

To book the hall, or for any enquiries, contact Fayre Hardy, at:

golantvillagehallhire@gmail.com or tel no 01726 833380

#### Logs of the Moor

Holly logs will burn like wax, You may burn them green. Elm logs like smouldering flax; No flame to be seen.

Beech logs for winter time, Yew logs as well. Green elder logs it is a crime For any man to sell.

Extract two from 'Logs of the Moor'

#### Emails to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The October *Pill* mentioned that the 2019 Gorsedd at St. Just was held on the **Plen an Gwary,** *The Green*.

The name actually means **The Place of the Play**. It has no connection with recreation, but is where religious plays were once performed.

Many of these still exist, notably **Gwryans an Bys**, *The Creation of the World;* **The Ordinalia,** *Christ's Passion*, and **Bewnans Meryasek**, *The Life of St. Meriasek*.

The grammar, syntax and vocabulary in these provided the basis for the modern revival of Cornish. The language never completely died out, but is present in placenames and dialect and has been actively continued by scholars right up to the present.

There are traces of at least one other **Plen an Gwary**, that between Truro and Falmouth, now having the English name *Playing Place*.

John Jenkin

Interestingly, **Tanhay Moor** in Golant, which lies just below and to the east of St Sampson's Church, was once called **The Playing Place**.

Ed.

#### The meaning of 'THE GOLANT PILL'

For more recent readers, we felt it was about time we reiterated the meaning of our newsletter's name. John Jenkin (our Cornish Bard) thought that **Pill** derives from the Cornish word **Pol** – a pool, or inlet of water. In our village, the Pill is the name for the creek by the railway line, and is where our popular summer event 'Madness in the Pill' is held.

The late John Fenwick, in his book *The Parish of St Sampson*, quotes from a John Leland (c1540): "...From Gullant (Golant) to Lantian Pille or Crek is about half a mile..."

It was Stuart & Pam Young who suggested the very appropriate name *The Golant Pill*, with the succinct addition of ...taken every two months...!

## A Cornish Saying for Good Luck

If you put money outdoors on the window-sill on 31st December and bring it in on New Year's Day, you will bring in money all the year!!

> From 'Jan Bedella's Fiddle' by Kathleen Hawke

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## Fowey River Practice Patient Participation Group

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WE asked for funds... YOU contributed via the raffle, personal & charitable donations and sales of artwork, books and CDs....

#### To date, we have provided:

- TV screens for Waiting Rooms at Fowey and Par Surgeries
- Children's Toys for the same Waiting Rooms
- A Doppler Machine for measuring Blood Flow in the body
- A 7 day Event Monitor to measure and record Heart Rate

<u>This year</u>, we are fundraising towards purchasing another machine:

A 24 hour Event Monitor to measure and record Blood Pressure. The cost of this is £1,200.

Please give your funds generously to our target!

This machine, when used for patients in the Surgeries, will preclude the need for them to travel to *Treliske Hospital* on two successive days for their results!

We thank you for your continued support.

Robert Dunley (for the PPG)

#### The Future of Fowey Hospital

On 9th October, Dr Andy Virr attended a meeting of the <u>Patient Participation Group (PPG)</u> at *Fowey River Practice* to explain the current discussions relating to plans for development of the site.

It would appear that there has been little progress on any of the proposals put forward, possibly due to a lack of commitment by any of the various authorities.

However, Dr Virr, who is our local County Councillor, is determined to push on to establish the viability of building a nursing home within the NHS sector for the benefit of the people of Fowey & District. Should the site be too small for efficient operation, then there is still the possibility of getting joint funding to acquire the now redundant library site and its surrounding area. Discussions continue.

Robert Dunley (for the PPG)

#### **GOLANT CIDER**

On the wettest weekend of October (25th-27th), some eighteen brave souls gathered together to celebrate the annual cider pressing in the only surviving village press at *Tanhay Farm*.

Soaked to the skin on the Friday, gathering apples and preparing them. Saturday began by building the 'cheese' with reed straw (which had been delivered from Devon), and filling the chipped apple, stage by stage, then starting the pressing and collecting all the lovely juice flowing from the millstones. By a rather shortened working day on Sunday, glasses were raised to some two hundred litres of cider safely stored to mature until the celebrations next year. Well done to the Newth family for keeping up this local tradition!

Robert Dunley



#### **GOLANT CARNIVAL QUERY**



Robert Dunley has sent this old Carnival photo with a query— who is it?

He can identify Dorothy Rickwood (second from the right), but none of the other entrants in this amusing group, posing as members of the Golantee Rancid Butter House!

Robert thinks it is probably outside Dorothy's home, *Orchard Cottage*, and suggests 1964 or 1965.

Can any readers help, please?



#### The Annual General Meeting:

We enjoyed a splendid turnout on what was a miserable night, weather wise! Although these days, that could be

just any other evening at the moment. When will the rain stop, I ask myself sometimes?

#### Speakers:

As always, we look forward to reports from the Harbour Master (Paul Thomas), from the Police (Russ Hall BEM) and this year, we had a presentation from Kathy Ogg from the St Austell branch of the Coastguard. I suspect that most of us were unaware of the level of training and dedication that their team undertake (voluntarily) for what is, after all, a Government Organisation. Our thanks to them all, for giving us their time and for their generous support. And of course, we had the additional pleasure of using the new screen!! What a tremendous new asset to the village hall. All those who made it happen should be congratulated! Fantastic!



#### Finance:

I may have mentioned previously that a good third of our funding comes from the raffle of a painting (or signed print), donated by David Parry, our very own internationally recognised artist. Sadly, David and Prawn couldn't make it this year, but true to form, he managed to provide the wonderful original painting that was highlighted in the last issue of the Pill. The painting is only raffled to members of Boatwatch, so anyone yet to join should do so now, to be in with a chance.

Those members (and partners) who did manage to get to the AGM, will have recovered their membership fee in one evening, with their free pasties, free glasses of wine and a free raffle.

(But not the painting of course, which we will draw at the Spring Get Together on Friday 20th March 2020. Please make a note in your new diary!)

#### Shift change 'on the helm!':

Every year we stand down as a committee and "allow" for resignations to occur. This year was slightly different, in that the whole committee offered to remain in post for another year. However, although staying on the committee, I have relinquished my role as Chairman, to be able to devote more time to my Mum, who is not well at the moment. But I am delighted to confirm that David Bonsall has agreed to take on the mantle, so that we can be assured Golant Boatwatch will continue to thrive and prosper under his stewardship. Can I use this opportunity to thank all of my committee for their hard work, loyalty and commitment over the years and for ensuring that the organisation has continued to provide such a good service to our river side community? My heartfelt and grateful thanks to them all, and, of course, to our members who make it all happen.

> David Jenkinson Chairman, Golant Boatwatch

#### A very early Reminder of next Summer's Events!

Madness in the Pill 2nd August 2020

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Sports & Carnival 15th August 2020

Peter Edwards

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Michelle Robins

#### **CALENDAR**

**Castledore Rowing Club** has produced a lovely calendar for 2020 packed full of stunning photos—a mix of rowing & general river views. The cost is £10, and copies can be ordered direct from Gilda at:

gilda.davies@btinternet.com

Thanks to everyone who bought one last year and contributed to our club. As ever, we are busy fundraising, trying to raise money for the upkeep of boats and the purchase of new blades.

Mary Jane Hunter

#### Appreciation & Heartfelt Thanks to Mike Harris

Very sadly, Mike has decided that he will no longer be playing at our church services.

Whilst he and Gillie were considering buying a house in Golant, Mike wandered into the church, saw the newly-installed organ and immediately decided that they should definitely live here.

They moved to Golant in 1997, and on their very first Sunday he was playing for a service. Don Ayres was also an organist here at that time, and they shared the job for a while.

Mike has contributed so much to the church over the years. His wisdom and knowledge of church matters has been invaluable, and his organ playing has been inspirational. We have all enjoyed his wide selection of voluntaries ranging from *Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor* to *The Sailor's Hornpipe*!

Indeed it was Mike who inspired me to take up the organ. I just love it, and am grateful to him for his support and advice.

Up until a few years ago he attended every choir rehearsal, enhancing our singing with supportive and imaginative accompaniments, thus giving us all a boost of confidence.

We have been so lucky and privileged having him with us. St Sampson's Church has been greatly enriched with his music.

So thank you Mike, for your friendship, your hard work and hours of practice, producing wonderful music for our services on all those Sundays throughout the years.

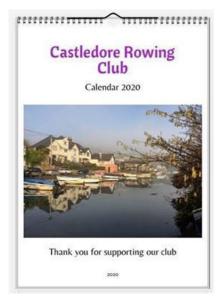
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Sheila Funnell

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The guided tour of *C Toms & Son Boatyard* at Polruan was fascinating, revealing the quality and quantity of boats built there as well as the history. There were three large fishing boats in the million pound bracket under construction in a workshop that can hardly be seen from the estuary. Thanks to Alan Toms for organising this.

We have a Butterfly talk by Shaun Poland on February 26<sup>th</sup> at *Trenython Manor* at 7.30pm, followed by our AGM on 24<sup>th</sup> March, that includes a talk by Roger Hooper on Cornish Choughs at *Royal Fowey Yacht Club*.

Some of our members are helping with the Harbour Office's programme of controlling the Pacific Oyster invasion the estuary is suffering, and whilst this is messy work, it is deemed vital to help control them and maintain the habitat for other species. The one I went on included a nice cup of tea and biscuits at the end, so it is not all work.

The committee is busy putting together next year's programme of events, that so far include a night-time Rock Ramble, a Hedgehog talk (not by the hedgehog!) and a visit to the *Gribben Day Mark*.

Membership renewals will go out end of February/early March, so please ensure you renew to get notices of these and other events.

Peter Edwards

#### Golant Wassail - January 1st 2020

## Put on your coats and boots and blow away those cobwebs!

A great way to start the New Year!



Join our merry band of wassailers as we wend our way around the village. Enjoy a drop of mulled cider and apple treats on the way. . . oh, and please bring something to shake, bang or blow!

## Start at Wringford Farm at 1pm (for walkers ONLY) OR

#### Muster at the Church Lay-by at 2pm.

We will visit various orchards/gardens on route, including a ceremonial planting of a Cornish variety in the *Sanctuary's* Orchard Field, before a -

Grand Finale on the terrace of the *Fisherman's Arms* where there will be pork and stuffing rolls (or veggie option) on the menu to soak up the booze!

N.B. the pub closes at 6pm that day.

If you would like us to wassail your apple trees, please let me know!

Penny Parsons

#### **Golant Really Amateur Dramatic Society**

has sprung into action once more and we are busily rehearsing and preparing for our next **PANTOMIME!** 



We are delighted to have some new faces treading the boards this year and it promises to be a swashbuckling show! *Ahaaaa, Jim Lad!* 

Performance dates:

Friday 7th and Saturday 8th February 2020 <u>Tickets</u>: adults £6 children £3

Book your seat with Viviane Barr (832454) from the beginning of January.

#### Christmas Meet & Greet

Sunday December 8th at 11.00am

in the Village Hall

Please bring your choice of beverage & nibbles and meet old and new residents.



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#### <u>'Cornish Country Houses' by Paul Holden:</u> Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 at 2.30pm Fowey Parish Rooms

Paul Holden, FSA, is a freelance architectural historian, lecturer and writer. He was Chairman of the *Cornish Buildings Group* between 2010 and 2018. His talk will take us through the history and development of the Cornish house from the mediæval period to the modern day as well as the architects and patrons who designed and built them.

## <u>'The Spider in the Web – Elizabeth Andrew Warren, 1786-1864' by Guy English:</u> Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 at 2.30pm Whitecross Village Hall

Guy will share his research on Elizabeth Warren of Flushing, a once highly regarded 19th Century botanist and algologist. At a time when British women had no access to higher education, Elizabeth concentrated her efforts along the southern shores of Cornwall collecting and preparing plant specimens, and corresponding with other botanists. Elizabeth's work reflected the values of the Enlightenment, the Age of Reason, a state of mind that Western Civilization need, arguably, to re-discover.

We look forward to welcoming you to these talks - all are welcome. £6.00 on the door, Members\* half price. Light refreshments are provided.

#### <u>Chairman's Heritage Awards Lunch: 2nd November 2019</u> Royal Fowey Yacht Club

Strong winds, horizontal rain, not to mention England losing to South Africa earlier in the day, proved insufficient to dampen spirits of those who attended the Society's inaugural Heritage Awards Luncheon at the *Royal Fowey Yacht Club*. Dr Helen Doe opened the occasion by welcoming the Mayor of Fowey, Mrs Ruth Finlay, the Chairman of Lanteglos by Fowey Parish Council, Dr Pat Moore, OBE, Nigel Hall and Paul Richards, members and guests.

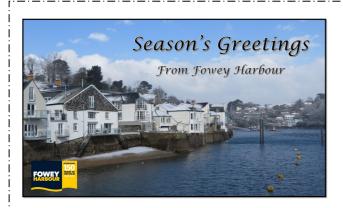
Following a splendid and convivial lunch, Heritage Awards were presented to Nigel and Paul in recognition of their contribution to preserving the heritage of the Fowey Harbour area. Nigel's work is best evidenced by his book, *Polkerris: A History of the Village and its Pilchard Fishery*, published in 2018, and Paul's by the exhibitions in Fowey covering some of the major events in World Wars I and II. Heritage Awards were also presented to the Society's 'retiring' guides: Angie Crown, Alex Lewis, who also stepped down from the Chair of FHHS in April this year, Hilda Marshall-Johnson, and Al Trenary. They have set the standard for those who are following.

The Chairman was pleased to announce a new and exciting heritage project for Fowey Harbour: Heritage Open Days, a European project which has grown into the country's largest heritage festival. It involves opening places for free to the public over a period of two weeks each September to celebrate their history, architecture and culture. To find out more visit: <a href="https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk/about">www.heritageopendays.org.uk/about</a>.

#### The Talk on 16th November: 'Some Insights into Golant's History':

The Society was pleased to welcome Sue Reardon and Ian Laughton who gave a fascinating, well-illustrated, and instructive talk on the work of the Golant Heritage Group from its Domesday entry up to the mid-19th century, including the various mediæval owners of the lands of Lantyan and Golant: people, occupations, Civil War skirmishes. Many questions from a packed room with more than a smattering of people from Golant concluded a very successful event.

\*Membership of Fowey Harbour Heritage Society costs just £10.00 for the year. An Application Form can be found at www.foweyharbourheritage.org.uk



The Fowey Harbour Commissioners and Staff would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Harbour Office Christmas Opening Hours: Closed from Friday 20th December at 1400 Open for business again on Thursday 2nd January at 0900 The telephone will transfer to the out of hours number

in case of an emergency only

Fowey Harbour Commissioners reception@foweyharbour.co.uk 01726 832471

#### **Nature Notes**

'Rain, rain go away, come again another day' is probably the theme of the Autumn this year..... Our pond has filled up nicely, and it's safe to say everything is well watered! The upside this year has been the long display of autumn colours - the warmth has kept them developing and when the sun did eventually put in an appearance the whole area has lit up with an amazing variety of shades of colour...

The berries have been more or less stripped by visiting Fieldfares and resident Blackbirds, Robins etc, except Holly, which is still hanging on so far.... we had an overload of Sloe berries (there's only so much gin you can make...), and they have sat on the trees waiting for the birds.

The winds have blown a few trees over, which is sad, but an opportunity to add to the woodpile, and this winter we are hoping to plant more fruit trees - some in our Forest Garden, along with nuts and fruit shrubs, and also in the newly (and optimistically) renamed 'Orchard Field'. The plan is to plant a few sections with as many local and Cornish fruit trees as possible, with the eventual aim to invite the village to visit, picnic, and harvest fruit from this field. Our local Friends of the Fowey Estuary have offered to come and help, and we are hoping that we will plant a tree during the rounds of Wassailing on New Year's Day.

As we have finished for the season we haven't been out kayaking so much, but David did see Serena, our local common seal at the end of October, who looked fit and healthy, and was lucky to have multiple Kingfisher sightings, some youngsters - and as many as 12 sightings in one trip - that's the beauty of kayaking in the quiet times!

Looking to next year, apart from planting fruit trees, we want to expand the layered planting of our Forest Garden, eventually (we hope!) mimicking the growing microclimates of places like the Amazon forests, using shade, humidity, climbing & support potential to grow in a linear as well as a horizontal way.

We also want to experiment with permaculture, and growing of more perennial crops, which we hope will have benefits for wildlife (including us), water and fertiliser management - we'll keep you posted!

Karen Wells-West

#### PAWS FOR THOUGHT...



After my **Murine Mystery** feature in the last issue, concerning the dead mouse in Mike's old gardening shoe, I offer this personal **Feline** story for your consideration!

Our little re-homed Burmese cat Tosca is always (quite happily) shut in our living room for the night, with the necessary litter tray, water and a good choice of food.

Amusingly, and rather touchingly, we sometimes -not always - find that during the night she has adorned her food tray with an assortment of cat toys from a basket kept in the room...!

This photo is a prime example of what may greet us in the morning—it



is JUST as we found it, and is NOT set up, I promise!
So why does she do it? The interesting thing is that
Tosca never fetches or plays with the toys during the day.
So is she perhaps bored at night? We like to think differently, as each selected toy is ALWAYS placed carefully in or near the bowls of food, or on or by the tray, and it really does appear that she is saying, "Thank you for my tasty food tonight"- a seemingly loving gesture. Fanciful? We don't think so. After all, real mice are sometimes brought home to us as presents!

So perhaps this photograph should be entitled **Feline Gratitude**...?!

There are so many stories of how bright and loving dogs are, but what about cats?

It would be great to hear of any similar feline (or canine) stories from our readers. Just email us on our usual newsletter address— <a href="mailto:thegolantpill@gmail.com">thegolantpill@gmail.com</a> or our personal email address, should you know it. Perhaps we could start a regular Golantian Pets Corner?!

Gillie Harris







#### **WING WALK DONE!**

FINALLY... after about 5 failed attempts due to weather or unserviceability of aircraft or CAA bureaucracy, David Earl managed his wing walk in November at Bodmin. Not only did he survive, but he enjoyed it, and was not the oldest

A huge 'thank you' to all those who kindly sponsored him. Thanks to you, £3,500 has now been raised, split equally between the Cornwall Air Ambulance and the RAF Benevolent Fund.

#### **THANKS**

Martyn & Fayre Hardy would like to thank everyone who has been so kind, caring and considerate to us over the past year. For your cards, gifts and general support whilst Fayre has 'not been at her best', whilst your words and deeds have been very much appreciated, especially when Martyn broke his hand. What a wonderful village to live in.

#### The Golant Village Website

Don't forget that you can access *The Golant Pill* on our village website. It is, quite simply- golant.net

Click on 'GOLANT PILL' below the lovely photograph of the river, and you can open past editions of our newsletter, saved as PDF files.

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#### Community Network Column

Our area: St Sampson, St Blazey, Fowey & Lostwithiel

We meet quarterly to cover subjects affecting our area. The Panel consists of representatives from Town & Parish Councils, Cornwall Councillors, Community Link Officer Tasha Davis and Communities Support Assistant Allison Worth. Members of the public are very welcome to attend.

#### Calendar of meetings:

27th Jan 2020 – Theme: tbc

27th April 2020 - Theme: How do we do business.

Annual AGM

20th July 2020 - Theme: Health and Wellbeing

12th Oct 2020 - Theme: Community Safety

The Network Area now has a <u>Facebook</u> page – St Blazey, Fowey and Lostwithiel Community Network and a Twitter account- @SBFL\_CN

> Community Link Officer Tasha Davis – tasha.davis@cornwall.gov.uk

Communities Support Assistant Ali Worth allison.worth@cornwall.gov.uk

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Christmas Greetings

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Stuart & Pam Young and Maurie & Gail Parsons

wish everyone a lovely Christmas.

Instead of sending greetings cards, we will be

giving donations to various local charities. Stuart & Pam Young and Maurie & Gail Parsons

#### ST SAMPSON PARISH COUNCIL

#### Footpath above the Cormorant:

I mentioned in my last report, that there was some opposing view about the pathway above the *Cormorant* site, which the developer seemed to suggest was actually within the Cormorant 'footprint!' I am pleased to report that following a legal response from *Cormvall Council*, this has now been clarified, and has been correctly established. The Saints Way is outside of the development footprint.

#### Developer parking/vehicle movements:

There was also a growing anxiety about a change in the 'discharge of conditions' notice, suggesting a weakening of the original Traffic order, whereby the vehicles going to site might occasionally make use of the car park. This had the potential to generate a lot of ill will in the village and as a result, a meeting was called between the various parties to discuss the situation. The very positive outcome was a newly drafted set of conditions, whereby no site traffic will be allowed to park in the village or indeed in the car park, and all vehicle users will be appropriately advised.

Having said that, the meeting was cordial and positive and a good working relationship has been established between the developer, builder, demolishing team and ourselves, with a simple and effective method of communication between us.

Each month we will review progress on the site as the development gets underway and the developer will advise us in advance of any heavy or high-volume traffic movements down Water Lane. Where necessary (and to avoid congestion), they will adopt the use of Banks men with 'walkie talkies' to control traffic entering Water Lane when such vehicle movements are taking place.

Similarly, the Developer will aim to contact the Rowing Club and Canoe Club when larger vehicles are likely to be constrained at the narrowest part of the road, near their buildings.

#### **Cormorant Site Development:**

So far, it has been a low profile beginning to the development which will cease operations by 20<sup>th</sup> December and restart on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020. The complete demolition of the hotel is scheduled to be completed by the end of January. Some fencing has been erected around the site where possible, but unfortunately, some Health and Safety signage has been vandalised. Clearly this is unacceptable and additional security measures will need to be taken if this were to happen again.

#### <u>Useful Telephone Numbers</u>:

In the event of flooding, road closed, tree down or beach pollution, then the Cormac contact number is 0300 1234 222

David Jenkinson, Chairman St Sampson Parish Council

As always, please read the minutes of the monthly Council meetings on the St Sampson Parish Council website : <a href="https://www.stsampsonparishcouncil.org.uk">www.stsampsonparishcouncil.org.uk</a>

Our Parish Clerk Sue Blaxley can be contacted on **stsampsonpc@gmail.com** for any further information or to raise issues of concern.

#### Logs of the Moor

Pear logs and apple logs, They will scent your room. Cherry logs across the dogs Smell like flowers of broom.

Ash logs, smooth and grey, Burn them green or old; Buy up all that come your way, Worth their weight in gold.

Extract <u>three</u> from 'Logs of the Moor', A Dartmoor Log Poem

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## The Cornish Bishop of Truro Ahead of his Time

The distressing defilement continually recurs, and it cannot be beyond the wit of man, and the power of natural science to prevent it.'

In 1950 Bishop Joseph Hunkin included these ominous words in a speech to the *House of Lords* when commenting upon his observations of sea pollution. His was not the only voice to utter such portentous views at that time but no one took action and the state of the seas across the world now cause such huge concern to us all. It has taken another 70 years for the extent of the devastation and its consequences to be realised by many in authority. Who can resist the truth when seeing images of islands of defilement floating in so many areas on our planet, or disregard the ominous predictions of our distinguished natural historian, Sir David Attenborough?

Joseph Wellington Hunkin was every inch 'a Truro boy.' His father was a successful coalman and the whole family were devoted Methodists. His father was a notable local preacher. My mother recalled seeing Mr Hunkin in his coalman's garb, preaching at the bottom of *Lemon Street* in his lunchtime. Joseph attended *The Truro Methodist College* (now *Truro School*) where his brilliant mind was developed.

I know nothing about the effect on his family when he decided to seek to be ordained into the Church of England. As a young curate at the outbreak of World War I he became an army padre. There are many reports of his heroic acts as he attempted to help the wounded soldiers; he gave away chocolate "...and even his last Woodbine..." in his efforts to spread comfort to the troops. He was eventually gassed and returned to the UK to recuperate but he soon managed to return to the front line. To recognise his many acts of heroism, he was awarded the Military Cross with Bar.

After the war he became a Cambridge don and archdeacon and rector of the huge parish of Rugby. In 1935 he became Bishop of Truro, much to the delight of many Cornish people.

I first saw him when I was 5 years old and he attended Evensong at Devoran. We all went outside and he helped with the planting of a number of shrubs which had been discovered by the distinguished plant explorers, William and Thomas Lobb, both of whom had been born and bred in the village. Some of those shrubs have been replaced.



This notice takes pride of place in Devoran Churchyard.

Hunkin had always realised the uniqueness of so many shrubs & trees which grow in Cornwall. He did not even know the names of most of them. So he set about learning everything he could, not just by reading about them but actually looking after them, secateurs in hand. He soon acquired an extensive knowledge and became so proficient that for seven years he wrote gardening articles for *The Guardian*. He wrote a book about the Cornish shrubs and trees, which includes many practical suggestions about placing suitable plants beside the roadside and over the clay tips in the St Austell area.

He was very fond of planting shrubs of all kinds in churchyards within the diocese. At St Sampson's we get great joy each January with the sight of the pink Camellia, *Elizabeth de Rothschild*, beside the porch. That was planted by our Cornish Bishop over 70 years ago and it's still going strong!

I have many memories of the bishop when I became a chorister at Truro Cathedral.

Though he was controversial amongst many for his evangelical approach to ritual, everyone loved his kindly, genial manner and admired his unflagging work rate.

On October 27th 1950 several of us ran down the hill from the rugby pitch at Kenwyn JOSEPH WELLINGTON
HUNKIN
BISHOP OF TRURO
1935 — 1950
A MAN GREATLY BELOVED

to reach the Cathedral in time to process for Evensong. We were met by solemn, stunned faces; the bishop's throne was enshrouded with purple. Bishop Hunkin had died that morning in a dentist's chair.

Mike Harris

#### <u>Christmas 2019</u> INBLOOM Challenge

After all this very wet and windy weather, I wonder which flowers will have kept their heads up ready to be discovered at Christmas?

Last year, between the four of us who took part in the regular seasonal challenge, we identified an amazing 61 different blooms.

Jacky Fletcher's last year's finds are shown in her photograph, and included a Himalayan Honeysuckle, which normally flowers between June & September!



It would be great to have more folk taking part, but we do need identification so that a comprehensive list can be compiled. Help is available! Gillie Harris

Interestingly, <u>Bishop Hunkin</u>, on Christmas Day 1945, wrote: '... my wife and I walked round the garden and counted the shrubs which were in considerable flower. There were just over two dozen...'





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#### <u>Uncle John's Gardening Year</u> <u>& Auntie Paddy's Recipe Book</u>

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£6 each or two for £10 (Mix or Match)

#### **UNCLE JOHN'S GARDEN PATCH**

What a wisht old time of it w'em having. There can't be much more rain left up there, but w'em a bit better off than those poor souls upcountry, at the moment! There baint no point in even thinking about gwain out on the ground because 'tis so sadgy and you'm only gwain to get lampered up in a brave old hog stog. So best left well alone, and do it dreckly.

Thanks to the summer's handsome weather there be scoads of berries around this autumn for the birds to feed on, so there may be enough holly berries left at Christmas to fetch indoors for decoration. Mind you, I've watched the little blimmers clunk enough berries at one sitting, to wonder just how they manage to take off!

Talking of berries, there be the mistletoe, a parasitic plant that was believed by the Druids to bring good luck, and to be an aid to fertility. A berry should be taken off the bunch after every kiss, and the kissing has to stop when all they berries are gone, summat that seems to be conveniently forgotten these days. These berries be poisonous, but if anyone has a mind to try to get these berries to grow on, then wait 'til they be soft and pluffy, and rub them onto the underside of the branches of apple, pear, thorn or oak. When the pulp hardens, the seed will hopefully germinate, and the roots will penetrate the bark of the tree, and so grow on and give you a supply of mistletoe for years to come.

'Tis now that a greenhouse is worth its weight in gold. You can get in there with a pint of beer, or whatever is your particular preference and work away; never mind what Mother Nature is aiving down outside. 'Tis some important to keep adequate ventilation at all times because with plants, cuttings and stored fruit in there, it don't take long for things to start to turn merthery, and get covered in mould.

Keep lifting the pots off the benches looking for they slugs that sit underneath feeding on any roots that are poking through. Now these little blimmers get no mercy from me but end up under my boot, and the other pest is the greenfly, along with its cousin the whitefly. A good insecticide spray will get them to curl their toes up.

'Tis now the gardeners' comics (seed catalogues) come through the letter box, and many a pleasant hour can be spent planning for next year's cropping. Think on, as to what did well and what tidn't worth bothering with again, but do try summat different, whether 'tis veg, fruit or flowers.

And 'tis now you can get some seeds started in the green-house in seed trays. The likes of beetroot, broad bean, on-ions, shallots, lettuce, leek and tomato can all be started off towards the end of January, giving them a brave good start for the coming season.

When the dryth do come, and 'tis right and proper to get out on the ground, then get as much of the ground turned over as is possible, so that any frost can get at it and break it down to a friable tilth.

At the start of January, there is the annual Waswailing ceremony, when some good-intentioned villagers roam around the village making a brave racket in some of the orchards, to ensure the trees will give a fitty harvest with lacing gurt apples. Do come out and join in. I mean it costs nort and 'tis a brave good way to get rid of any excesses of the night before.

Tis here I'd like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a fitty growing season next year.

Nort

#### Auntie Paddy's Recipe Corner

#### Maurie's Prize-winning Chutney

This was the first time that a man had won the best 'Cookery Exhibit' award at the village Summer Produce & Craft Show. This chutney will make a tasty accompaniment to Christmas cold meats & cheeses. Well done, Maurie, and here's to next year!

#### KHAT MITHI SWEET & SOUR CHUTNEY

450g/1lb Green Mangoes (overripe mangoes make the chutney too runny)

225g/8oz fresh Root Ginger

25g/10z whole Almonds

12 Dates (stoneless)

7g/1/40z Peppercorns (freshly ground)

2 tsp Ground Cumin Seeds

1/2 tsp Ground Cinnamon

1 tsp Crushed Cardamom Seeds

6 Cloves

1 dessertspoon Chilli Powder

25g/10z Salt

100g/40z Raisins

570ml/1 pint Malt Vinegar

450g/1lb Brown Sugar

- 1. Peel & slice the mangoes; put into a bowl and set aside.
- 2. Slice the ginger finely.
- 3. Blanch and halve the almonds.
- 4. Slice the dates thinly and soak in water that just covers them for 15 minutes.
- 5. Put all the dried spices, salt, raisins, almonds & dates in a bowl and mix all together.
- 6. Put the vinegar and sugar in a saucepan and stir until the sugar is dissolved.
- 7. Bring almost to the boil before adding the spice mixture, mangoes and ginger.
- 8. Cook and stir until the mangoes are tender. You may have to reduce the mixture by cooking longer, until it has a thick consistency.
- 9. Remove from the heat, cool, and put into sterilized jars.

Paddy Shelley

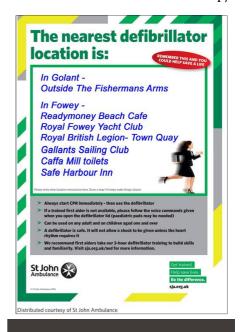
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## **CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS**



#### **DECEMBER**

Sunday 8th	9.15am	Holy Communion	St Sampson's
Sunday 8th	9.30-11.00am	Breakfast Club (Booking essential)	Fisherman's Arms
Sunday 8th	11.00am	Meet'n'Greet	Village Hall
Tuesday 10th	8.00pm	Euchre	Fisherman's Arms
Thursday 12th onwards -	daily	'12 Days of Christmas' (see insert)	Fisherman's Arms
Saturday 14th -Sunday 15th	11.00am-4.00pm	Golant's First Art & Craft Trail (see p9)	Various Venues
Saturday 14th	3.00-4.00pm	Handbells in the Church	St Sampson's
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Christmas Generation Game (prebooked only)	Fisherman's Arms
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	3.30-4.00pm	Handbells in the Church	St Sampson's
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	4.30pm	A Cornish Christmas (readings, carols & handbells)	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Christmas Quiz	Fisherman's Arms
Wednesday 18th	8.00pm	Carols on Handbells	Fisherman's Arms
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	-	No Service	St Sampson's
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00pm	Carols around the Christmas Tree	Fisherman's Arms
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	_	Christmas Carols Sing-a-long	Fisherman's Arms
Christmas Eve	6.30pm	A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols	St Sampson's
Christmas Day	9.15am	Christmas Family Communion (Choir)	St Sampson's
Sunday 29th	9.15am	Holy Communion (Said)	St Sampson's
Tuesday 31st		New Year's Eve Bash -	Fisherman's Arms
		Fancy Dress - Theme: Musicals	

#### JANUARY 2020

Wednesday 1st	12noon	Ringing in the New Year	St Sampson's	
Wednesday 1st	2.00pm	Wassail (see p10)	Church Layby	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00-11.00am	Book Shelf Bring & Browse	Village Hall	
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Holy Communion	St Sampson's	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Quiz Night	Fisherman's Arms	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Holy Communion (Choir)	St Sampson's	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	12-2:30pm/6-8.00pm	Sunday Roast	Fisherman's Arms	
Tuesday 14th	8.00pm	Euchre	Fisherman's Arms	
Sunday 19th	9:30-11.00am	Breakfast Club	Fisherman's Arms	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Evensong	St Sampson's	
Tuesday 21st	8.00pm	Quiz Night	Fisherman's Arms	
Sunday 26th	9.15pm	Holy Communion (Choir)	St Sampson's	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Open Forum on Future Services (See p4)	St Sampson's	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	12-2:30pm/6-8.00pm	Sunday Roast	Fisherman's Arms	
Tuesday 28th	7.15pm	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	
Thursday 30th	Copy Date	The Golant Pill thegolantp	thegolantpill@gmail.com	
Friday 31st	7.30pm	C-Fylm Club (new season – new membership)	Village Hall	

#### **FEBRUARY**

l	Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.15am	Holy Communion	St Sampson's
l	Friday 7th	10.00-11.00am	Book Shelf Bring & Browse	Village Hall
l	Friday 7th/Saturday 8th		GRADS Pantomime: Treasure Island	Village Hall
l			(See page 10 for booking details)	
l	Sunday 9th	9.15am	Holy Communion (Choir)	St Sampson's



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