

# Woodcraft in Action





### **Tree Time**

We sometimes forget how lucky we are to live in one of the most wooded parts of Cornwall, our Fowey Valley being a magical mosaic of woodland and pasture. Many of its once famous orchards have now gone and historically productive woodlands now go unmanaged. However, in its own small way Golant is starting to reverse that trend.

At *The Sanctuary* our wood group started during COVID as a way to socialise, exercise and keep us warm and has been running for 3 years, mainly over the winter months, thinning and coppicing its 3,000 trees planted in 2002. We have also planted a traditional fruit tree orchard, made charcoal from dead ash trees (see page 2 for a photo), and created more logs than its current members can use (new members always welcome).

I've long been a fan of community distribution of local surpluses (fruit, vegetables, logs, etc.) on a 'take what you need/give what you can' basis. So if you would like some nets or a small truckload of logs, get in touch for a delivery - and give what you can to *The Woodland Trust*, a wonderful charity which looks after many of our woodlands and plants new ones each year.

The next month will also see the 'fruition' of our Parish Council's Jubilee Fruit Tree project with over 100 varieties of fruit trees being planted around the village, to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's 70 years on the throne (and as a remembrance of her long reign). Over 50 Parishioners will be digging planting holes 40cm square and 30cm deep in sunny spots for their trees. It will take a while before they bear fruit, but I can see a future of apple days, cider making, tree grafting, wassailing and of course a village clothed in spring with a hundred different blossoms.

### **FROM THE EDITOR**

### hen and Now...

I've taken this phrase from the title of the calendar which has been produced by the Golant Heritage Group, with the fascinating photographs comparing Golant's past and present houses and views (see page 3 for Penny's full details).

'Then and Now' seems to be reflected in other ways, and I'm intrigued by the GHG's plans for their latest exploratory theme of village farming practices in the past, alongside the Whells' work at Leyonne Farm. Bridget has written an intriguing account of this (opposite column).

As very keen amateur genealogists, Janet Gore and I began our Ancestry Group many years ago, and whilst sharing personal family stories and discoveries, we began to focus on Golant's former parishioners and their homes. This did indeed lead, as Penny has written in her article, to our exhibition in 2012, which we named 'Looking Back', and the Golant Heritage Group was subsequently formed. With a great deal of sterling research from its members, a wonderfully impressive archive about our little village is being constantly formed for future generations to enjoy.

So 'Then and Now' should perhaps also include 'In the Future'...

Our ever active village certainly has a good number of exciting happenings ahead, listed in a very full Calendar of Events on the back page, including the Christmas Market and Boatlights, now becoming a regular December event, a number of different Christmas services at St Sampson's, Wassailing, a Village Hall 120 years celebration in January, and an exciting Pantomime in February.

Our February issue will again be chock-a-block! Finally, our *Golant Pill* team sends all our readers, far & wide, seasonal greetings, once again in Cornish & English:



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

Gillie Harris

### Carbon Zero Cows?

...And we were asked to explain at an event in the Village Hall!

We were more than happy to relate the work we are doing at Leyonne to put the record straight for those who believe that cows are killing the planet. We are in a project with *Trewithen* to monitor the changes with respect to carbon sequestration and we are learning different ways to farm with the environment in mind – like going back to Uni.

For the cows we are using diverse levs (grazing crops) that include species like Chicory, Plantain, Yarrow and numerous legumes to create a soil diversity that will encourage further diversity in the biological life in the soil. All this means that the soil will be enabled to hold higher levels of carbon in organic form (lots of science, and this will demonstrate that the carbon footprint of milk can be reduced). However, the accepted way of pegging the C footprint will still not accept that the carbon burped and farted out of cows was originally taken out of the air by the plants - the cyclical nature is being discounted. Further improving the workings of the soil allows us to reduce our imported nitrogen and let nature do the work more effectively. And it turns out that animals are a vital part of healthy soil management. Who knew!

With our arable crops we are reducing the tillage, less ploughing and rotavating, so that the soil life is less disturbed. It has been found in recent years that the fungal life of the soil is capable of massive networks that bring nutrients to the crop with the synergetic benefits of bringing the sun's energy in carbon form to the life in the soil. Wow! Again "Who knew!"

We are very excited with the potential, though we move steadily forward, not being willing to risk the health of the business with too much change at once. Trees are being planted to further increase diversity and in the grazing fields bring a diversity to cow diet and perhaps enhance production with vertical farming. The future may bring more trees, more herbal leys, methane capture from the slurry pit for energy self sufficiency and more confidence to direct drill the crops with reduced chemicals and diesel use. The mind boggles... certainly very exciting.

Bridget Whell

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A charcoal burner at The Sanctuary



Golant Then and Now Calendar 2023 is now available at £5 per copy. We are very grateful to Claire Lower who, having selected some interesting old views from our archive, took meticulous care to photograph the same view now, spending many

hours waiting for the train to come along from Fowey in order to snap it in exactly the same position! Full marks for tenacity. You can get yours from Fayre Hardy at the *Sunday House*, 833380, Sue Reardon at *Highfields*, Downs Hill 832068 or Penny Parsons at *Hortyard*, Fore Street 832727

The current emphasis on farming practices, food production, increasing biodiversity and rewilding projects make our ongoing focus on Golant and the Land over the last hundred years all the more relevant, and



especially in light of the work Martin and Bridget are doing at Leyonne Farm. A number of factors, mainly from WW11 onwards, triggered big changes to farming generally, and we aim to explore the changes here in our own parish. In no particular order, ideas for exploration include: Milk Production, Crops and Mill Grinding, Woods, Pathways and Farm Tracks, Re-purposing of Fields/Buildings, Hedges and Boundaries, Vegetable Production, Allotments, Pig Houses, Potatoes and Spud Bashing/Gleaning, Water Supply, Use of Fertilisers, Land-girls who were posted here. Anything here spark your interest?

My personal interest is to expand on the research I did on Milking in Golant for the very first house history exhibition in 2012, staged by the Golant Ancestry Group, led by Gillie Harris and Janet Gore, leading to the formation of GHG. When researching for this, I received some fascinating snippets from the late Maureen Ettey - (see page 13) from when she lived at Sawmills in the late 1950s, and the Vincent family kept their cows in fields on the downs and had a milking parlour just through the granite posts on Gumms Lane. Here is an example:

"I like cows and found that if I went at the usual time over the downs I could meet up with Lewis or Peter (Vincent) and help take the cows in — then I found that if no one was there, I could take them in on my own. I think the Vincent family had their heads well screwed on because, as time passed, I was taking in the cows (at that time all 5 of them), washing off their udders, milking them, putting the milk in the cooler, taking them out again without seeing a soul! It was necessary to keep the cows moving otherwise they would stop to eat the wild garlic which tainted the milk."

If you have information or photographs which you think would be of interest for our project we'd love to hear from you. Or why not join us? Remember, Golant Heritage Group is open (and free) to anyone who is interested - we meet every second Tuesday of the month, 2pm in the village hall.

Penny Parsons, GHG chairman

See page 11 for a personal reflection on the Golant Heritage Group. Ed.

### A Very Special Birthday

Carol White's family organised a lovely afternoon at *Lewinnick Lodge* on Pentire Head in Newquay to celebrate her 80th Birthday in October.

The views over *Fistral Bay* were spectacular, with the sun shining on the sea. Carol's room in the care home overlooks the bay, so she has an excellent view which she enjoys.



Carol was wheeled in with her very special carer Izzy. She seemed delighted to see everyone, smiling and very much engaged with us all.

Both her sons, Robert and Christopher, (left) and their families were there, plus many friends.



Carol was especially happy to see the grandchildren who helped her to blow out the candles on her cake.

She ate a large bowl of soup, and I did see her eat some cake too.

She is managing quite well with her left hand which was good to see.

Carol had a super afternoon and the celebrations were a great success.

Linda Brice

### **NEWS FROM ST SAMPSON'S CHURCH**

The seasons of Advent and Christmas are always busy times. Plenty has happened in October and November, though, with a very successful <u>Harvest Festival Service</u> on 9th October. The choir sang *Beauty for Brokenness*, and all the donated produce went to the local St Petroc's Charity for the homeless.

On 11th October the funeral of Judy Harrison was held, and many villagers came to mourn her loss. The service was conducted by the Rev Paul Zaphiriou, and the choir sang *The Lord is my Shepherd* by Howard Goodall, which was greatly appreciated.

Remembrance Sunday on 13th November was very well attended. The Act of Remembrance at the Village War Memorial was greatly enhanced by *The Last Post* and then *The Rouse* being played on the handbells, and the service that followed included an excellent sermon by the Rev James Funnell, and a moving performance of *Steal Away* by the choir.



By the time you read this, <u>Advent Sunday</u> will have already been celebrated at the morning service on 27<sup>th</sup> November. In December, the Rev Howard Flint, our Rural Dean, will take the service on 11<sup>th</sup> December, and then the Christmas services are:

### Sunday 18th December: 4.30pm

A Dickens of a Christmas. This will follow the lines of A Cornish Christmas, but, for a change, the readings will tell the story of Dickens' A Christmas Carol – in five very short extracts! It could be the most rapid re-telling of this well-known story ever! As always, there will be congregational carols and handbell carols a-plenty, and afterwards a seasonal glass of wine will be served.

### Saturday 24th December: 6.30pm

A Festival of Lessons and Carols. This will include the traditional readings, along with choir and congregational carols. This is a wonderful way to begin the Christmas celebrations, and again a festive glass of wine will be served at the conclusion of the service.

### Sunday 25th December: 9.30am

Christmas Family Communion. The celebrant will be the Rev Derek Carrivick, who is always entertaining and informative, and all are most welcome to this Christmas service.

The handbells will be at the pub at about 5.30pm for the Christmas Market on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December, and then we will be ringing lots of carols, again at *The Fisherman's*, on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 8.00pm.

Finally, a date for your diaries: On Sunday 29th January, 2023, The Rev Shona Hoad will be licensed as the Priest in Charge of St Sampson's, Golant, and St Andrew's, Tywardreath. The service will be at 4.00pm (no service that morning at St Sampson's), and will be taken by the Bishop of Truro, the Right Reverend Philip Mounstephen. All are most welcome, and afterwards there will be tea in the Tywardreath Village Hall.

Simon Funnell



### **CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION**

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### Pamela Judy Harrison 12 Feb 1943 – 19 Sept 2022

Judy was born in 1943 in India, in the North West Frontier bordering Afghanistan. Her father was a British officer serving in a Gurkha regiment and her mother's family hailed from Tasmania. Aged 4, the family sailed for England, where Judy's younger brother, Mike, was born – but the family soon moved to Singapore, as their father had been posted to Malaya.

Aged about 9, Judy came back to England to attend boarding school, and would rely on the kindness of friends and relatives to look after her in the school holidays. She could spend up to 2½ years without seeing her family. After serving in the Army for nearly 25 years, her father took early retirement and bought a village shop in Somerset, just outside Bath, which Judy would work in as a teenager.

Judy met and married her first husband Bob, and they enjoyed lots of water-skiing and sailing and even had a pet monkey called Mendoza! When Bob's career faltered, in 1970 they moved to South Africa where Judy loved the climate, scenery, wildlife and the lifestyle, and she made life-long friends. But Bob's worsening behaviour became totally unacceptable, and after a short second marriage to a local man, Judy resolved to return to England and rebuild her life.



It was in Hamble, near Southampton, that Judy met Anthony and after a while they married. He was firm, but the one man who was able to provide the love, attention, stability and security Judy needed. They shared a love of sailing and while the working week was spent in the Midlands, weekends and holidays were almost always on the boat around the British Isles or the coastlines of Northern Europe.

They both wanted to retire to Cornwall, a magical place they had visited many times on sailing holidays, and it was Judy who found the advert for the abandoned boathouse by the quay in Golant - which they then spent over a decade planning, designing and renovating/building, during which time the village became a real home to them.

Judy was bereft after Anthony died in 2014, but her beloved black Labrador Lettie gave her renewed purpose. She faced her cancer with positivity and stoicism – always wanting to make people at ease, and always ready for a chat with visitors. Judy was kind, generous to a fault, and during her relatively short illness she was humbled by, and very grateful for, the kindness shown to her by others. She would have been amazed at the turnout at St Sampson's for her funeral – but it was a mark of how she had touched people's lives.

Giles Harrison

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday morning, 29th September arrived, as did the Macmillan support crew. Some were ready with puff for balloons, others were setting out pretty porcelain china crockery which we were lucky enough to be able to use. A group was accepting very kindly donated cakes and arranging them on a not quite large enough table! Two lovely ladies were getting to grips with the water boiler in the kitchen ready to dispense teas and coffees. The laughter and comments coming from the kitchen kept us all smiling.

Finally, Golantians arrived in the village hall to eat cake and drink tea and coffee, ably dispensed by cheery waitresses. What a fantastic atmosphere there was with the buzz of chatter and clinking of cups.



Yet again, Golant achieved a wonderful total for the Macmillan charity-£558.00! Thank you again for your magnificent support, it was a wonderful and heart-warming event.

Jacky Fletcher



# 'Mary Bryant, the creation of a Cornish legend' Talk by Charlotte Mackenzie

Transported to Australia in the First Fleet, locally born, Mary Bryant made a daring escape across thousands of miles to freedom and eventually returned to England.

Charlotte is a Cornish historian and presents her new research on this fascinating local character.

Saturday, 10th December 2022 (Postponed from Saturday, 10 September 2022)

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Dates: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023, evening performances. An extra performance may be available depending on demand – book *early (ie. NOW)* - otherwise you will have to wait until it goes to the West End (!).

Doors open at 6.45pm. The performance starts at 7.15pm. Duration is approximately 2 hours.

Book tickets: £5. Payable in advance to-

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Queries/questions: anne.bonsall@btinternet.com

### Meet and Greet

One of the mainstays of Golant village life is back this December – **Meet and Greet** at the Village Hall – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Write it in your diary, NOW!

Meet and Greet is a totally *informal* gathering of villagers to welcome newcomers and family friends to the village (well, that's the excuse). 12 noon start, and if you are still there at 2.30pm you might be helping washing up. To the initiated: please spread the word and encourage newcomers who might not yet be on the Golant super broadband village network to attend and have some fun. To the uninitiated: we all bring a "bottle or two" plus some nibbles/bakes/tapas/canapes/cakes/you name it. Any questions or queries to <a href="mailto:ieremylloydevans@gmail.com">ieremylloydevans@gmail.com</a>. See you there!



We enjoyed a splendid evening at the Boatwatch Annual General Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> November, with an excellent attendance in the Village Hall.

There were our regular reports from the Harbour Master and from Russ Hall BEM

for the Police, and this year we had fascinating presentation by Marcus Lewis on his recovery of the remains of Troy yacht T12 Barbara, and its restoration. A fascinating story of detection work, securing the involvement of military transportation, and a rebuild from the keel up. A story extending over more than 30 years, and culminating in Marcus having a fascinating and extremely successful lockdown project. The restoration of T12 means that the Troy fleet is now 28 strong, with only two boats missing, both unfortunately broken up.

Once again, David Parry has generously donated a signed print of one of his paintings, this time a glorious early morning view at Penpol. The raffle for it will be drawn at the Spring Get Together on Friday 31st March 2023. So, save the date for that event.

The painting is only raffled to members of Boatwatch, so anyone yet to join should do so now, to be in



with a chance. At the AGM, we started ticket sales for the draw. When you join or renew your membership, you have the option of buying tickets for the raffle by adding extra to the subscription. And there will be another opportunity at the Spring Get Together. It is a splendid artwork, and remember – you have to be in it to win it!`

As the nights draw in, we need to start preparing for the winter. For those boats staying on a river mooring over winter, it is important to review whether your mooring ropes are adequate. If your boat has a single mooring line, there is always a risk that this will fray and part. It is well worth reviewing the condition and strength of your mooring lines, and considering fitting a secondary line to hold the boat in the event of main line failure.

If you store at home, then do take extra precautions to make the theft of your boat or trailer, or both, more difficult. Engines are particularly vulnerable if they are off the boat and stored in a shed or garage, so do take a photograph and record the serial number just in case the worst happens. Don't forget, the Police find it very difficult to return stolen engines if they don't have an obvious 'owner!'

If your boat is in the Pill, particularly by the road, please take part in the Golant Christmas Boatlights event and have lights on your boat from early December so all are sparkling in time for the Christmas Market on December 10th.

Membership renewal season is with us - membership fees remain unchanged this year. Richard Gabb sent round an early renewal reminder before the AGM, and another will come out in early December. We have 2023 Tide Tables, which will go out to each of you as you renew or join. For non-members wishing to join, membership details are on the web at-

http://golant.apps-1and1.net/village-life/golant-boat-watch.

David Bonsall, Chairman, Golant Boatwatch

### **Golant Quay Users Association**

Season's greetings from Quay Users Association. The Majority of our members have now brought their boats in for the winter, and many will now be planning their Christmas boat light displays; this has proved to be very popular with Members and the Village.

We have recently disposed of another abandoned boat and will be concentrating on the remaining few still in the Pill. We have received some very positive comments regarding these disposals and the general appearance of the Pill.

Ian Barker

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In 1974 the Golant Village Hall Charity was established. The aims of the Charity were "the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of St. Sampson parishioners for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants."

These aims and objectives still hold true to this day.

The Committee comprises 7 trustees, including representatives from the Parish Council, Parochial Church Council, the Carnival Committee & 3 co-optive members.

We are planning to put on an Open Day in January, to celebrate the one hundred and twentieth anniversary of the opening. We are intending to have some small displays showing the active groups within the village who engage the community in recreational pastimes.

December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022 is the end of the financial year, during which the refurbishment of the hall was fully completed.

It is also the end of the activity diary, so an opportunity for the Committee to thank the many volunteers and those residents who support us throughout the year. We hope you will continue to support us at future events in 2023, the first coffees, teas, cake and book club being held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 10.30 am.

Merry Christmas,

The Village Hall Committee

### **CFylm**

The current film season finishes at the end of December; new memberships for 2023 will commence in January. CFylm offers people across Cornwall the chance to watch great films in their own communities, in the company of friends and family at an affordable price.

Becoming a member of CFylm gives access to screenings in all of the active film clubs around Cornwall. <a href="https://cfylm.co.uk/our-film-clubs/">https://cfylm.co.uk/our-film-clubs/</a>

The £6 membership fee belongs to CFylm, plus a fee for each DVD shown in the village hall. The £3 charge at the door goes towards the £25 charged by CFlym for each DVD, and any excess allows us not to charge for Film on the Green and provide popcorn at this event.

The December film *Fisherman's Friends One and All* (2022) will be shown on Friday 30th December at 3pm.

### La Soupe Populaire

The autumn soup season had a slow start, but we will be here every month until March. The vegetables are seasonal and fresh for each different monthly recipe. Home delivered soup can be thinned by adding water, and may need seasoning to suit individual tastes. It's a lovely opportunity to share a table with old and new villagers as well as the occasional visitor. The volunteers ensure the ambiance is relaxed and soup bowls are replenished. Join the Christmas celebrations in the village hall on Wednesday 14th December for a warming bowl of La Soupe Populaire, Christmas crackers, mince pies and good company.

Carol Gabb

### A Thank You from Two 'Soup Punters'

"We would like to express our appreciation for the continued provision of La Soupe Populaire once a month in the Village Hall.

The home-made soups are always very tasty and plentiful, complemented by tasty cakes and warming tea/coffee delivered by friendly serving 'wenches'.

It is always a good opportunity to meet and chat with other villagers

Great value for money."

Maurie & Gail Parsons

### A larger dose of The Pill

As our issues are published bimonthly, it is not possible to immediately cover all the happenings in our lively village.

So don't forget that you can catch up with more immediate village news in our *Golant Pill Facebook* page, put together by our team members Penny Parsons and Robin Anderson.



# Leyonne Farm Produce

We are offering our home-reared produce for sale (while stock available)

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# Golant Boatlights Nearly time to TWINKLE



Please, if you can, get your boat-a-twinkling!! From December 1st onwards.

Golant Boatlights & Christmas Market is December 10th from 4.00pm -9.00pm. 20 stalls at The Fisherman's, The Village Hall, Encounter Cornwall and The Rowing Club.

#### Timetable of Events

4.00pm-Stalls open
5.00pm- Light up of the tree on the Village Green.
5.15pm- Carols around the tree and Parade
5.30pm- Presentation of Hampers for best lights
Festive Food & Drink served at
The Fisherman's throughout the event
(and roasted chestnuts!)
Along with Lattes, Coffees and cakes served at
Encounter Cornwall
Hot Choc served at The Village Hall

This year we are raising funds for *Little Harbour*, The Children's Hospice, with 4 Charity Stalls.

Look out for the Maurie Mails on how you can donate for the stalls, and where you can drop off your donations. Thank you so much to those who already have!

Michelle Robins!





### We are heading to Padstow Christmas market on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th December

This year we are heading to Padstow Christmas market on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th December, and yes that's the same dates as the Fowey Christmas market. Unfortunately, this year we won't be in Fowey.



We know we have lots of loyal customers who come and do some of their Christmas shopping with us every year. If you can't get to Padstow, please come and see us in our little shop in Lostwithiel. We are open every weekday from 10am till 4pm, and there is plenty of parking. You can also buy your prezzies at www.foweyvalley.co.uk/shop.



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### Christmas 2022 Annual INBLOOM Challenge

Our annual botanical challenge - the Christmas blooms in Golant count - began in 2016, and the results have been recorded in this newsletter every year since then.

I have to admit this year to an <u>ambivalence</u> of thought and emotion. Whilst last year we discovered an amazing <u>77</u> different varieties in bloom over the Christmas period, a bumper record number for our little team of sleuths, and whilst this was exciting in its result, it certainly brings home the element and dangers of global warming...

With 2022 having been a strange weather year, I await the forthcoming hunt to see whether plants have been helped or hindered. Not only did we experience the long drought, but every single month has apparently been warmer this year than the overall average. And now the heavens have well and truly opened! Flowering plants are most definitely confused, many of which should have been long dormant, a necessary time for maintaining their energy, which then ensures vigorous growth in the spring and summer. As I write this, we have primroses in flower, along with many blooms which are out in the wrong season. Karen's striking photo on page 12 shows a really confused apple tree!

It was lovely to have Claire Lower & her mother Karen join our keen botanical detectives last year, and this undoubtedly increased the count, a different factor to that of global warming.



Claire & Karen Lower's neatly laid out blooms

It would be good to have more take part. The challenge is NOT a competition, as we aim to make it a collaborative result. If you have even ONE unusual flower to add to the search, do please let me know.

Remember, we record wild as well as cultivated flowers, and a day or so either side of Christmas Day is fine.

Please email your entries (with a photo if possible) to me at <a href="mailto:thegolantpill@gmail.com">thegolantpill@gmail.com</a> by the copy date, 23rd January.

Gillie Harris



My collection last year, just a small count within our search.

### A Friendly Bunch, by Fayre Hardy

Many years ago, I attended a meeting of the Golant Heritage Group and realised I was in the wrong place! I was trying to gain more information about researching the Cornish side of my family. After feeling a bit of a numpty I joined the (then) Ancestry Group, where I found like-minded people who helped me with various missing pieces.

After a while, having become interested in the Parish of St Sampson and its history (who were the Scantleburys, who lived in the thatched cottage by the pub?), I joined Golant Heritage Group and was amazed at the vast knowledge held by the members of that group. I have thoroughly enjoyed each and every meeting (except for the first, when I was a tad apprehensive).

If you are interested in Golant in the past and the present, enabling history to be held for the future, then come along and join the small group, as new members are very much welcomed.

Golant Heritage Group, chaired by Penny Parsons, held the second Tuesday of the month, in the Village Hall, at 2 pm.

### Golant Wassail - January 1st 2023

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

A wonderful 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 – *bring your own cup* . . . oh, and please bring something to shake, bang or blow!

Muster at the Church Lay-by 2pm. We will visit various orchards/gardens on route, beginning at Bodriggan and ending up in the two young orchards on the Sanctuary hillside. It would be good to find another venue or two on route in between. If you would like us to wassail your apple trees, please let me know! pzparsons@yahoo.co.uk tel: 832727

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.





#### **Nature Notes**

We're into the last two months of the year, but it appears nature hasn't got the memo; its has been very warm, there are still green leaves on many of our hazel trees, and in our new orchard! We have an apple variety called Pinova, which is always the last to fruit, and its nearly always full of fruit for its size. This year it is really confused as it has produced flowers again at the same time as fruit! (below) We are still picking a few raspberries, and all the flowers like Cosmos and Dahlias that should be frosted by now are still going strong, along with Mashua - a relation of the nasturtium that has edible tubers.

We have been 'invaded' by flocks of Fieldfares who have stripped all the berries off the trees - apart from the spindles, *(below)* whose beautiful fuchsia pink and orange berries no one seems to want. Unfortunately they are poisonous to humans - or we would have had a huge crop!

We have continued to be amazed by the amount and variety of fungi this year - at least 12 new species for us, which I think is an indication that the planting is maturing, and the soil has largely been left undisturbed.

One thing we didn't get this year was sloes - they all shrivelled up on the trees due to so little water, which was such a shame after all the wonderful spring blossom. I did find a few trees on the downs with some, but they are mostly out of reach - unless you really are desperate for sloe gin this year! The blackberries also suffered the same fate - there were just a few pockets here and there of fantastic tasting berries, but not many.

Out on the river I was delighted to see three young cygnets with their parents - the first that we have seen this year. The 'teenager' swans were less in number, but eventually made an appearance, although much later - I wonder where they were? There is still a single curlew hanging out with the redshanks just the other side of the pill on the embankment, but they were joined by a few dunlins (we think) and greenshanks. A large flock (30 plus) of curlews flew past us towards St Winnow, and the little grebes (dabchicks) seemed to have increased in numbers - that's if they stay for more than a few seconds before diving under the water. The kingfishers are about now, but were a little late or shy! Rupert Kirkwood (thelonekayker.wordpress.com) got some amazing footage of the Ospreys, and one of the seals taking a nap in one of the boats off Cliff! One youngster followed my kayak for a while - it wasn't Serena, but not sure if it was this year's or last year's pup; who would have thought 8 years ago when a seal popped its head up on a kayak trip that we would begin to see more!



Karen Wells-West







#### NOT REALLY GOODBYE

Many of you may have been aware that Prawn and I have been going through the process of selling our beloved house at the end of St Sampson's Terrace for quite some time now. To sell was not an easy decision, but a necessary one, mainly to fund our old age which has arrived with alarming speed of late. Also, our ageing legs have begun to struggle with the seventeen steps from the road and fifteen inside.

So here we are after twenty wonderful years, coming down every month to enjoy the village and for me to continue my intimate relationship with the glorious Fowey estuary, which I have been navigating in all sorts of small crafts for fifty years, thirty of those when I lived up river at Milltown. Small craft that enabled me to explore every creek and to observe the profusion of wildlife; I've even seen otters, all of which inspired my huge output of paintings of the river and its wildlife over the years.

Some of you may also know that we have acquired a static caravan on Par beach, so we will by no means be saying goodbye to Golant and all our friends. I will still be supporting Golant Boat Watch in my particular way, and the wonderful Fisherman's Arms will continue to be our local, continuing another fifty year relationship for me!

Of course we are going to regret and miss it all like mad, but it is what it is, and we must make the best of our changing circumstances and thank all the Golantians who have made us so welcome over the years and, we hope, will continue to do so.

David Parry

### Maureen Ettey, RIP

### Maureen Ettey (nee Duckworth, previously Vincent)

We recently said goodbye and rest-in-peace to another vibrant personality and former Golant resident. Although in recent years Maureen and her late husband Michael lived in France, she spent a large proportion of her life living in Golant where she was well known and much loved.

Maureen was a wonderful horsewoman, and taught many children to ride on her pony, Secret. I worked with Maureen for many years at Fowey Primary School, where on top of her secretarial role she played the piano for assemblies and the school choir, and together we developed and performed a number of musical concerts with the children and even recorded at *Sawmills* studio, her former home, having traipsed through the woods from the end of Penventinue Lane, carrying xylophones, drums and all sorts!

Maureen loved drama, performed wonderfully characterful roles in a number of GRADS productions, sang with the St Sampsons' Singers and of course appeared in fancy dress on horseback at numerous carnivals.

As a point of interest, her father, Harold Duckworth, was a founder member of the Golant Quay Users Association.

Penny Parsons

### **Memories of Maureen**

In the 1950s Golant was just being discovered by incomers, and we who were growing up in the village were always on the lookout for those families coming from England – the Duckworth family arrived at the *Old* 

Sawmills in 1955 with three children- John the eldest, Maureen and Barry.

Maureen was often in the village at the Reading Room (now Village Hall) playing table tennis, and when those in charge allowed us, to play snooker and billiards.

In 1957 I obtained a job at Billy Hills Estate Agency at Fowey and Maureen came to work part time – she was a competent typist. Maureen, in a letter to me on my 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, reminded me of the time when we were picked up after work from town quay by my dad – he was master of one of the tugs - and returning up river, just off number 4 jetty, we had a salmon jump aboard our 14-ft. boat. Maureen was soaked but the salmon got away.

When it was really very inclement weather, drivers Retallick and Gould would allow the train to slow down and Maureen to jump off at *Sawmills*.

When I retired and our daughter Cathie who, together with our son Ian, had learnt to ride with Maureen, had moved to France, we often visited Maureen and Mike at Tesse on our trip south from Roscoff in our Camper van, because it was very handy stop over. We took with us all manner of things for the horses such as molasses, which were much cheaper in the UK at that time than in France, enjoying a lovely meal in the beautiful farm house and Maureen's hospitality and music from the piano.

Since Covid we have not been able to go to France, and missed seeing Mike and Maureen. It was with sadness that we heard about Mike's passing and Maureen's return to Cornwall. We have such happy memories of a very positive, vibrant, talented lady who from time to time had shared our life over the last 60 years.

### **ST SAMPSON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Planning Applications:**

We considered and supported a 'non-material' planning application to modify some features of the previously agreed application for Sunnyside.

PA22/09291.

We also completed a draft document for consideration by Cornwall Council Planners, to try and improve control aspects of contractors working in the village. Our submission has been supported by our Cornwall Councillor Andy Virr and would require contractors to operate within 'Guidelines for Contractors' laid down by Cornwall Council and to provide a traffic management plan. We are awaiting a response.

#### **Devolvement:**

In the words of the Cornwall Council Portfolio Surveyor: "I think we are nearly there!" (just tying up loose ends I think). Then we can get underway with our plans to re-surface the southern end of the carpark.

### Toilet Block:

Once we have completed the devolvement process, we will gain ownership of the toilet block building. The requirement imposed upon us, is that we retain or provide a functioning toilet facility. But we can do whatever we want with the rest of the building. So, if anyone has any good ideas, do please get in touch or talk to one of the Councillors. So far, it has been suggested that a kayak rack would be useful, or a battery rack for battery engines? But I am sure that there would be other possible uses we can put the building to, like they have already done at *Readymoney* and *Caffa Mill*?

#### **Cormorant Development:**

Currently 4 properties have been handed over, with another 3 by the end of this month, the remaining 2 being completed by the end of December or early January. As promised in the original planning application, resurfacing work will commence on the Saints Way footpath along the length of the Cormorant site, and will last between 5 and 10 days. Access will still be possible, but please take extra care while this work proceeds. The specification for the footpath has been agreed with the Cornwall Council Countryside Officer and Cormac.

### Car Park Ticketing Machine:

Following a good deal of investigation and thought-provoking discussion, we have concluded that the most sensible way forward for the future, will be to replace our old machine with a new *cashless ticket machine*. However, with such a poor mobile signal, we have had to install a landline and router in the Boatwatch Hut, from which we can then run an ethernet cable to provide the new machine with a strong and reliable signal. At this month's meeting we signed off our agreement to purchase the appropriate machine, and agreed the method to handle the credit card data and banking details. I will let you know when the installation will take place.

### Highways:

I thought I would let you know that on two separate occasions recently, I had reason to go onto the Cornwall Council main website and ask for assistance for a flooded road and to remove leaves on Water Lane. In both instances, the response was almost immediate, and it reminded me that the quickest route to a Highways issue (mud on road, pothole, blocked drain etc) is to use their system which seems to work very well.

While contacting 'Highways' on another matter, I was reminded that there is a scheduled plan to re-surface Water Lane in the next financial year from April 2023 onwards! That will be fun!!

#### Memorial Bench:

We were recently advised that a bench up on the Downs was in poor shape and would present a risk to users. As a result, it will need to be removed for H&S reasons. But it does provide an opportunity for anyone who has been waiting to install a 'memorial bench'? Please let me or one of the Councillors know.

### **Future Meetings:**

There will be a slight change to some of our forthcoming meetings which I would like to bring to your attention:

December 20th Please note: 6:15pm start in the village hall.

January...... No meeting

February 28th Meeting to be held in the church March 28th Meeting to be held in the church



In November we had a talk from Dr Rosalind Shaw of the *Bumblebee Conservation Trust* on Bumble Bees and the Fowey Valley Bumblebee Project at the *Mission to Seafarers*, Fowey attended by 26 people.

Ros began by talking about the types of bumblebees in UK and how many of the 24 resident species are in sharp decline with only about seven commonly seen.

After running through their lifecycle and preferences for habitat and forage, she talked about the project that has been running in the upper Fowey valley. With a group of landowners, they have mapped existing bumblebees and the current habitat. With Exeter University they have developed a computer modelling tool, Bee-Steward, that looks at how changes to habitat and available food sources might help populations grow over a period of several years. The landowners have made some changes in their land use such as more herbal lays and uncultivated margins.

The model predicted more bee colonies, and the early evidence from this summer is supporting the predictions. The tool has now been made into a free app that will be available to anyone who wants to map their land and look at ways to improve their habitat of these important pollinators.

Bumblebees are important pollinators, and as Ros explained, even small changes in land use at both large scale and our individual gardens can help. The key message is to grow a range of flowers that will run right through the year, especially in early spring when the queens are setting up new colonies. Leave some rough grass and hedge bottoms as possible nest sites and leave the bramble patch alone!

The FoFE committee is currently busy putting together next year's programme of events, and so far we have a varied programme of events from a Beach Clean and Rockpool events to talks on the Dolphin Acoustics project in St Austell Bay, and a demonstration on recycling marine plastic and ghost gear.

Our February event features two bird nest building workshops by Simon Taylor, Cornwall's Regional representative from BTO, in Golant Village Hall on Saturday 11th February, either between 10.00am - 12.00pm and 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

We will be posting out the membership renewal forms in early January with the full events card as soon as it is available.

Ian Laughton & Peter Edwards

### Cornish Dialect Names for Insects

Bee-Dumble Drain (also given to a Cockchafer)
Bees (swarming) - Hez, Gliz
Dragon fly - Horse Adder, Noss Adder
Goat Moth - Magiowler

From 'A Cornish Hotchpotch' by Kathleen Hawke





### Open House at The Sunday House

Is it that time of the year already? Yes, Christmas is approaching at a rate of knots. We know that all of you will be very busy over the coming weeks, but would like to invite all villagers to our annual open house.

We will open the doors on Saturday 17th of December at 2.30pm and all are invited for nibbles and drinks through to about 6.30pm. We can all then wobble off to the Fisherman's to take part in Nick's Generation Game.

There is no need to let us know if you are coming. All foodie-type things will be provided. If you can bring a bottle of your favourite tipple that would be grand - if you can't, do not worry, we have a supply of running water now.

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the 17th.

Martyn and Fayre Hardy The Sunday House

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

These *Golant Pill* publications are usually available in the Church, Walter Baileys at Par (Gardening Book only), or from Mike & Gillie (833897).

£6 each or two for £10 (Mix or Match)

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



I d'think 'tis time for Mother Nature to realise that when 'twas very dry some time ago and we was all dagging for a drop of rain, they days ev passed and 'tis time to think again, and if'n the wet could be eased off a bit then I d'belive folks would be a lot happier. I d'knaw everyone d'say that you'm never happier than when you'm moaning, but is it any wonder?

The veg garden be looking very much like the proverbial paddy field, so 'tis best kept clear of any traipsing about for 'twill only pack the soil down and drive any air pockets out. So 'tis best left till 'tis drier, when you'm able to get on it and turn the ground proper.

One plant that do always feature at this time of yer be the mistletoe, a parasitic plant that was believed by the druids to bring good luck, and to be an aid to fertility. The act ov kissing under a sprig ov mistletoe should be accompanied by the removal ov a berry after each kiss, until all the berries are gone, and then the kissing has to stop!! This is summat that seems to have conveniently bin forgot these days.

But jist bring to mind that these 'ere berries be deadly poisonous, and should be handled with care. If you'm of a mind to try to propagate some of your own fer next yer, then pick some berries that be some ripe and soft and rub into the bark on the underside of branches of either apple, pear, thorn or oak. When the pulp hardens, the seed will, with a bit of luck, germinate and penetrate the branch, growing on to provide your own supply for years to come.

Keep an eye on the greenhouse for any signs of mould on the plants stored there; make sure that there's nort turning merthery through lack of ventilation. This is so important if'n you'm splashing water around and 'tis getting on the foliage. Also, any stored fruit needs to be checked by handling- a quick visual scan b'aint any good,. Pick them up to see if'n they'm scabby or g'wain soft.

There be just one more thing- keep your eyes open for the signs when they d'go up regarding the Waswailers. They'm a harmless bunch of villagers that go around the village, usually on New Year's Day singing and making a brave old racket, and anyone can join in! A breath of fresh air might be just what is needed.

Chris and I wish you all the complements of the season Do 'ee have a brave good time one and all.

Nort

### Auntie Paddy's Recipe Corner

This is a cook-ahead recipe for the Christmas period. Quite simple, but lovely hot on Christmas Eve and cold with the turkey & trimmings on Boxing Day.

### **Christmas Spiced Ham**

(serves 8-10)

2.5 kg/5lbs boneless Gammon
One sprig of Bay Leaves
1/2 tsp Black Peppercorns
One Carrot, cut into rounds
1/2 Onion (peeled)
1 thsp Soft Brown Sugar
11/2 thsp Redcurrant or Quince Jelly
1 thsp Wholegrain Mustard
1/2 tsp Allspice
Cloves to go in the top of the ham

- 1. Place the ham in a saucepan of water to cover.
- 2. Add the sprig of bay leaves, carrot, onion & peppercorns.
- 3. Bring to the boil, cover and simmer for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hrs.
- 4. Heat the oven to 200°C (fan), 425°F, Gas Mark 7.
- 5. Remove the ham from the water and peel off the skin, leaving the white fat.
- 6. Place the ham in a roasting tin, and using a sharp knife, mark diagonal lines across the joint to make a diamond pattern.
- 7. Mix together the sugar, jelly, mustard & spices and rub into the surface of the ham.
- 8. Arrange the cloves on top and in between the cut diagonal shapes.
- 9. Bake the ham in the hot oven for 30 minutes.
- 10. Slice and serve with your choice of vegetables.



Paddy Shelley

### Golant Walking Group

October is a colourful month, and this year was an unseasonably warm one. October was also a busy month with family, friends and holiday taking precedence over walking groups.

Though Golant walkers tramped many miles, dogs alongside, it was not until November that we met again en masse, to explore the China trails above Carclaze (below). This landscape, once disturbed by quarrying, is now being reclaimed for housing and for leisure: the trails afford splendid views over St Austell Bay and the clay pools offer opportunities for sport and garden development. The Clay Trails offer highly accessible, relatively easy walks on good paths and perhaps because on our doorstep, are often overlooked.



Our second November walk will see us return to the Pentewan valley rather than striding out along the coastal path from Mevagissey. The former has the advantage of being relatively flat and sheltered, and the paths well made, which, given the stormy weather forecast, seems like a sensible choice. This walk also has the benefit of including a visit to the beach, so a sight of the sea will not escape us.

We will finish the year with a walk in December after which we hope to enjoy a seasonal lunch – all are welcome!

Anne Bonsall

### FINDING The Golant Pill ONLINE

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#### golant.net

Below the lovely image of our river, click on **Golant Pill**, where you will find copies going as far back as the April/May Issue for 2017.

### **CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS**

| <b>DECEMBER</b> |
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| Friday 2nd  | 10.30am          | Bookshelf, coffee/tea and chat                             | Village Hall     |
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| Sunday 4th  | 9.30am           | Holy Communion   | St Sampson's     |
| Sunday 4th  |                  | Christmas Roast 1  | Fisherman's Arms |
| Tuesday 6th -10th   | 8.00pm           | Quiz Night   | Fisherman's Arms |
| Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>   | 4.00pm - 9.00pm  | Christmas Market, Boatlights and Carols                    | Various Venues   |
| Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>   | 9.30am           | Holy Communion   | St Sampson's     |
| Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>   |                  | Christmas Roast 2  | Fisherman's Arms |
| Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>   | 12.00pm - 2.30pm | Meet and Greet   | Village Hall     |
| Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>   |                  | 12 Days of Christmas Starts (see insert)                   | Fisherman's Arms |
| Tuesday 13th  | 8.00pm           | Euchre   | Fisherman's Arms |
| Wednesday 14th  | 12.15pm          | La Soupe Populaire   | Village Hall     |
| Saturday 17th   | 6.00pm           | Christmas Generation Game                                  | Fisherman's Arms |
| Sunday 18th   | 4.30pm           | A Dickens of a Christmas                                   | St Sampson's     |
| Extracts from Dickens' A Christmas Carol, congregational carols and carols on the handbells |                  |  |                  |
| Sunday 18th   | 6.00pm           | Christmas Roast 3 - 3 Sittings - last Orders at 6pm        | Fisherman's Arms |
| Sunday 18th   | 8.00pm           | Christmas Carols by the Pub Tree                           | Fisherman's Arms |
| Tuesday 20th  | 7.15pm           | Parish Council Meeting                                     | Village Hall     |
| Tuesday 20th  | 8.00pm           | Christmas Quiz   | Fisherman's Arms |
| Wednesday 21st  | 8.00pm           | Handbell Concert & Charity Raffle & Auction                | Fisherman's Arms |
| Saturday 24th   | 6.30pm           | A Festival of Lessons and Carols                           | St Sampson's     |
| Saturday 24th   | 8.00pm           | Christmas Eve Sing-Along and Christmas Street Food         | Fisherman's Arms |
| Christmas Day   | 9.30am           | Family Holy Communion                                      | St Sampson's     |
| Monday 26th   | 11am -2.30pm     | Boxing Day Brunch  | Fisherman's Arms |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>   | 3.00pm           | CFylm Matinee - Fisherman's Friends One & All              | Village Hall     |
| Saturday 31st   | 9.30pm           | New Year's Eve Party Theme: James Bond Meets Austin Power. | 0                |

### **JANUARY 2023**

| Sunday 1st              | 9.30am           | Holy Communion                            | St Sampson's                    |
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| Sunday 1st              | 12.00pm - 2:30pm | New Year's Day Brunch                     | Fisherman's Arms                |
| Sunday 1st              | 2.00pm           | Golant Wassail - muster at:               | Church Lay-by                   |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>  | 10.30am          | Bookshelf, coffee/tea and chat            | Village Hall                    |
| Sunday 8th              | 9.30am           | Holy Communion                            | St Sampson's                    |
| Tuesday 10th            | 2.00pm           | Golant Heritage Group Meeting             | Village Hall                    |
| Tuesday 10th            | 8.00pm           | Quiz Night                                | Fisherman's Arms                |
| Saturday 14th           | TBC              | Golant Village Hall 120 years celebration | n Village Hall                  |
| Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> | 6.00pm           | Evening Prayer                            | St Sampson's                    |
| Tuesday 17th            | 8.00pm           | Euchre Night                              | Fisherman's Arms                |
| Wednesday 18th          | 12.15pm          | La Soupe Populaire                        | Village Hall                    |
| Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> | 9.30am           | Holy Communion                            | St Sampson's                    |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Copy Date        | The Golant Pill                           | thegolantpill@gmail.com         |
| Tuesday 24th            | 8.00pm           | Quiz Night                                | Fisherman's Arms                |
| Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> | 7.30pm           | CFylm - Mrs Harris Goes to Paris          | Village Hall                    |
| Sunday 29th             | 4.00pm           | Licensing of the Revd Shona Hoad          | St Andrew's Church, Tywardreath |

The licensing of the Revd Shona Hoad as Priest in Charge of Golant and Tywardreath by the Bishop

of Truro, the Right Reverend Philip Mounstephen, followed by tea in their Village Hall

Tuesday 31st 8.00pm Euchre Night Fisherman's Arms

### **FEBRUARY** advance notice:

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> 10am-12.00pm & 1.00pm-3.00pm FoFE Nest box building workshop Village Hall Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> GRADS pantomime 'Wind in the Willows' Village Hall

If you have any item you wish to be entered into this Calendar of Village Events, please contact **Penny Parsons**, the Parish Diary Member of our team, (tel: 832727) by the <u>Copy Date</u> shown on this page of the newsletter, and we will try to include it.