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Diary dates

February (WRR = Widegates Reading Room)

7: Hessenford WI, 7pm,. 'Pasties, Pies & Saffron buns', WRR

11: Sausage & Mash lunch, 12-1.30, WRR

14: Handicraft Evening 7pm, WRR

22: Garden Club, 7:30, 'Woodland plants and pruning', WRR.

23: Handicraft Evening, 7pm, WRR

24: Bingo, eyes down 7.3pm, WRR

25: Garden Club Pancake Lunch, 10.30-12, WRR

March

7: Hessenford WI, 7pm, Annual meeting, WRR

10: Fairtrade café, 3.30pm, Trenode School

29: Garden Club, 7:30pm, 'Fascinating Foliage with spring flowers', WRR

A message from Rev'd Philip Sharp

February can always seem such a cold, dark, uninviting Winter month. Unlike December it lacks the excitement of feasting and parties and doesn't, at first look, appear to have much going for it. And yet if we look more closely there are the subtle reminders that Winter is drawing to its close and Spring is just round the corner. One of my favourite Spring pointers is the approach to St. Wenna Church. As you come down the hill the lane's banks are covered with a multitude of snowdrops in bloom - singles, doubles, large and small - all testifying to the change in the ... *(continued on page 5)*

Parish Council News

At the Council meeting held in December, a presentation giving proposals for a new housing development to be located next to the

Shortacross View development was given by the developer. The current plans are for 19 new properties which will be a mixture of ten affordable rented and shared ownership housing and nine for sale on the open market properties. The developer is currently making arrangements to host an open public session at the Reading Room giving parishioners the opportunity to see the proposed plans and to ask questions or make comments about them. The Parish Council hopes that parishioners will come along and give their views.

A presentation was also given on a proposed play area for the parish. The Council has agreed to support this project by allocating £20,000 in its budget for 2017/18 towards the costs with the use of part of the Council owned field as the potential location for it to be built. The Council was pleased to see that an event held during January by the people working on this project was well attended and it looks forward to seeing the project developing into a valued community asset.

After many months of phone calls and correspondence, Hastoe has confirmed that all outstanding work required at the Shortacross View residential estate has been agreed and instructions passed to Cormac to complete it. The Parish Council is grateful to the residents of Shortacross View for bringing this matter to its attention and giving it the opportunity to resolve the outstanding matters there. It looks forward to seeing the works being completed in the near future.

A request for an alteration to a name inscribed on the War Memorial was debated at the December meeting. After lengthy discussion and after careful consideration of the comments received as part of the public consultation period held, it was agreed that the name as some of the family wished it to be spelt would be inscribed on the Memorial whilst leaving the original inscription untouched. This remedy will ensure that there is a recording of the gentleman's name on the Memorial as some might know him whilst the original name remaining ensures that history is not changed and any decisions made by the community at the time remain respected. The pole for the bus stop that has been moved to a safer location at Nomansland has been erected and the flag should have been placed on top of it during January by CityBus. The Parish Council is pleased to hear that people are using this new safer

location to wait for the bus. The shelter on the Bindown Stores side will be erected during January.

The maintenance contract for the Village Green is due for renewal and the Council would invite any person or organisation interested in submitting a tender for the next 12 month contract to contact the clerk on 01579 326152 or at morvalparish@aol.com. The Council is pleased to be responsible for the maintenance of this community asset and it will continue to ensure that it remains available for use by the community.

Cornwall Council remains the land owner of the Village Green and has an application process in place for events to be held on this piece of land. Please do make use of this process so that you are supported should anything untoward occur during your event and do please let the clerk know of any planned event dates so that the Parish Council is aware of what is happening and when.

2017 is an election year. If you are interested in putting yourself forward as a Parish Councillor please do contact the clerk who can tell you more about the role, details of the requirements necessary to be a councillor and of the process for application. 01579 326152 or at morvalparish@aol.com

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(Rev'd Philip Sharp ... continued from page 3) ... season and the harbingers of still more and better things to come - primroses, ransoms, red campion and more... And so it was with Christmas, celebrated just a few short weeks ago, the birth of Jesus, the Son of God, the demonstration of God's love for us, pointing to better days ahead, with our relationship with God restored - it just requires us to open our eyes and see....

Trenode C of E VA School

We have started the New Year with great enthusiasm. There is so much to look forward to in the Spring Term including, some warmer weather and the arrival of Spring. In this half term Trenode's Got Talent is a particular highlight with the children having the opportunity to perform their talents on stage in front of their friends

and family. We are also looking forward to World Book Day and National Science Week, as well as our Easter celebrations at the end of term. Mrs Willmott will also be running a fair-trade Big Brew event during Fairtrade Fortnight, please see more information elsewhere in Outlook.

Our building project is making good progress and we are very excitedly looking forward to it's completion at the end of term and the extra internal space that it will provide. We will also be developing a new outdoor area for our early years children.

If you have a pre school child we would be delighted to welcome you both at Treasures@Trenode each Tuesday morning from 9.30am until 11.00am. The children (and accompanying adults) enjoy creative activities, including songs and stories, as well as a warm welcome and refreshments.

To find out more about what is happening at school go online and find us at: www.trenode.cornwall.sch.uk.

Mrs Lindsay. Headteacher

Calling all young artists

We would like to gather some drawings to use on the front cover of Outlook magazine. All children in the parish are invited to send a black and white drawing that shows something about our local area. It can be sent to the editors by email or delivered to Hayley at Menhay. Drawings by children at Trenode will be collected from school. Please put your name, age and contact number on the back.



Fairtrade Fortnight 27th February – 12th March

Everyone is invited to a Fairtrade 'Big Brew' at Trenode School on Friday 10th March at 3.30pm. There will be Fairtrade drinks, biscuits and cakes, information about

the communities which benefit from Fairtrade and an opportunity to order goods from Traidcraft.

During Fairtrade Fortnight, a number of supermarkets will be giving fairly traded products a higher profile than usual, giving us an opportunity to sample the full range that is available.

The focus this year is on getting a fair deal for small scale farmers in developing countries, allowing them to earn enough to escape from poverty and give their children an education. Living in a rural area, we also like to support our local farmers, but there is no reason why we cannot do both, by buying local produce when we can and buying fairly traded products such as coffee, cocoa and bananas that cannot be produced locally. For more information on how Fairtrade works, please refer to Traidcraft and Fairtrade Foundation websites, or come along to the Big Brew and see for yourself.

NOTICE

The maintenance contract for the Village Green at Widegates is due for renewal with the new contract due to start on the 1st April.

Anybody interested in submitting a tender application for this work should contact the clerk for more details and an application form.

In addition, the contract for the rental of the parish field is also due for renewal and similarly anybody interested in renting it for the next year should contact the clerk for more details.

Lynne Sutton

Parish Clerk to Morval Parish Council

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE RESIDENTS AND PARISHIONERS OF MORVAL

from Marion Morval Hambly {nee Trimble}
and her two sons Philip and David

"WHO WAS SAMUEL JOHN TREMBLE?"

We are writing this in response to what was written in the last Outlook magazine, about our request for our uncle's name to be correctly spelt on the Morval War Memorial.

The Hambly Family from Pelynt have a long-standing association with Morval parish, particularly our Mum, Marion Morval {Yes, Morval is her second name} who resided in Morval parish from her birth in 1921, until she married and moved to Pelynt where she currently resides. Her father Archibald Trimble and his three brothers were raised in Morval by their parents John and Ellen Trimble, who are interred in the cemetery and remembered by the headstone on their grave. Archie's brothers were named Edgar, Samuel and Christopher.

Samuel John Trimble moved to Canada as a young man and subsequently joined the Canadian forces, was posted to France and was killed in action as a sergeant in 1916. He is commemorated on the Vimy Memorial in France, and on the Canadian Virtual memorial. Unfortunately, for whatever reason, [a cause of much debate by Morval Parish Council] his surname was incorrectly inscribed on the local memorial at Morval as Samuel John Tremble - not Trimble.

In 2014 and in preparation for the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of WW1, members of Morval Parochial Church Council researched those who had fallen in both wars, to ensure that a remembrance display within the church would be accurate. This unearthed a discrepancy with Samuel's surname {amongst others} and the Parish Council, who are responsible for the War Memorial and have sole discretion to effect any alterations thereon, was duly informed.

Initial research found reference to two soldiers named Samuel Trimble, and it was the subsequent research by the Parish Clerk that correctly identified our uncle as the Samuel Trimble associated with this parish. Neither soldier was ever called Tremble.

And now, some two years on, my family find ourselves utterly dismayed and perplexed by the intransigence and perverse

decisions of the Parish Council. Our one and only request is that the letter "E" be changed to an "I", which is how he spelt his name, how our family spelt their name, how his parents spelt their name, and how it appears on their gravestones in Morval Churchyard. Beyond that, the over-riding evidence for this transcription error comes from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission whose records show NO soldier killed in The Great War of 1914-1918 named Samuel John Tremble. So who was this fictitious soldier? And why is he commemorated on Morval War Memorial? And why is my mum's uncle, Samuel John Trimble, not honoured on the memorial?

And, in conclusion, why does the Parish Council always feel it necessary to discuss this item in "private session" where the public are excluded?

I sent all our information to the Parish Council for discussion at its meeting on January 11th 2017. On this occasion they decided to leave the original "imposter" and place a second inscription underneath which reads: {ALSO KNOWN AS SAMUEL JOHN TRIMBLE}, implying he was also called Samuel Tremble, which he wasn't. Is one of their priorities to keep the wrong spelling because some people in the past might not have realised that it was wrong? Curiouser and Curiouser!!

As the family are required to give our permission before any alteration can be effected, we are still considering their latest proposal.

Church Services at Morval Church

FEBRUARY 2017

Date	5th February
Service	Eucharist
Reader	Carolyn Burgoyne
Sidesperson	Ann Rice
Flowers	Val Olver

Date	12th February
Service	Family Baptism
Reader	Victoria Kitson
Sidesperson	
Flowers	Val Olver

Date	19th February
Service	Eucharist
Reader	Bridget MacArthur
Sidesperson	Ann Williams
Flowers	Maggie Willmott

Date	26th February
Service	Morning Prayer
Reader	Brian Young
Sidesperson	Mary Howes
Flowers	Maggie Willmott

MARCH 2017

Date	5th March
Service	Eucharist
Reader	Brian Young
Sidesperson	Bridget MacArthur
Flowers	No flowers in Lent

Date	12th March
Service	Family Service
Reader	Sarah Cawrse
Sidesperson	
Flowers	No flowers

Date	19th March
Service	Eucharist
Reader	Carolyn Burgoyne
Sidesperson	Ann Williams
Flowers	No flowers

Date	26th March
Service	Morning Prayer
Reader	Linda Harrison
Sidesperson	Val Olver
Flowers	No flowers

The Christmas Tree Festival

The tree Festival was a multi faceted success this time. It was staged to cover Trenode Schools Christingle. The warm church and atmosphere, with the magical light from the candles and the Christmas trees, combined with the children's voices singing the carols, brought a tear to many of the adults' eyes, including mine. The tree dedication service brought into the church many fresh faces, and the carol service followed by the Christmas day service had an enhanced tingle with the candles and tree lights. Thank you to the readers, some of whom did it for the first time and did a brilliant job in bringing Jesus's story to life. Those of you who came for the first time, please don't remain strangers. I hope this Christmas experience has dispelled the myth that we are a bunch of

unapproachable people with strange beliefs. Should you come again you will be very welcome.

Many thanks to all of you who participated this year and made it work so well. We had 17 trees, an increase on last year. Our sponsors were Moore Electrical who also supplied and fitted the wiring, The Farm shop at Tredinnick, Bindown stores and Post Office, Aunt Sally, Hessenford W.I., Morval Parish Council, Grace Community Church, Morval Bellringers, Trenode School P.T.F.A., Looe Beach Cafe, Wringworthy Cottages, Widegates Garden Club, Widegates Hall, Looe Branch of Slimming World, and Daisy Chain. Sue Aunger displayed a modern version of a Christmas tree and also held a workshop demonstrating wreath making. All those who attended came away highly motivated into making their own. Huge thanks to Looe Garden Centre Calamazag who supplied the trees. Even though they were away for Christmas, they honoured a long held commitment and delivered the trees as promised. We made a profit of £166 - 67p and also supplied enough in the way of refreshments to cover the 4 Christmas functions, and later I had an additional £300 given; collected from Morval shoot, boosting our total to £400 - 67p A big thank you to all of you who contributed.

Church Reflections

We are really desperate for help in maintaining our heritage and our Christian ethos. As a Christian body and part of the Parish structure for many decades, we hope to continue to provide a spiritual element. Now I realise that many of you could not give a hoot for religion and see it as outdated and unnecessary; but if that is the case why do many of you still want your children christened? Why do you celebrate Christmas? Why do you blame God when things go wrong? Look for a God when things are looking desperate? Often I have found people sitting in our church seeking something, writing messages for the dedication tree and in our prayer book. So yes! I do believe that there is a place in our Parish for our church. I recognise that change is required. We need fresh thinking, and also practical help in maintaining the fabric of our church. This year we have lost two valuable pillars, John Chapman and Vera Pearce. Some of us remember John, as a Reader, leading our Evensong services. Vera aged over 90yrs was still cleaning the brass, providing refreshments and doing her bit on the flower rota. Most of

us who are already committed are getting older and are not as able as we once were also we are getting thin on the ground. We need brass cleaners, church cleaners, church yard maintenance, bellringers, organist, treasurer, and Friends of St Wenna's to help us fund raise. Having specific days to do these things is not an option any more and so I propose that those of you who may wish to help, adopt a bit of the church to keep cleaned, maybe once a month as and when you can; or help in a bigger capacity. Your comments and ideas would be welcome, and again, many thanks to all who help in keeping the function of the church alive.

Val Olver Churchwarden (valolver@gmail.com or 01503 240439)



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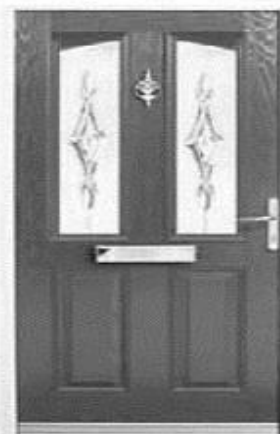
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