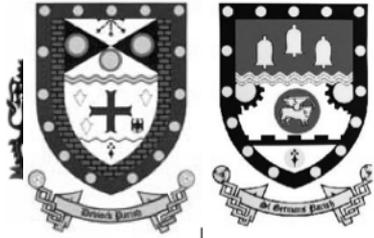


NUT TREE

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Nature Notes

The warm weather in mid-June has been a welcome change. There is now a buzz about the garden, literally. Scores of bees are collecting nectar and providing ample opportunity to test my skills of identification. I note various species of bumblebee and a few leafcutters. There are a few butterflies and hoverflies too; some will be immigrants that have taken advantage of southerly winds. A few Painted Ladies have been observed in the county and remind me of past years known for an invasion of this beautiful butterfly. I notice a Marmalade Fly, a species of hoverfly, the first I have seen this year, although it is very common. Always a good sign, it will produce the next generation of larvae that will munch their way through countless aphids.

The change in the weather may have come too late for some birds, however. Blue Tits lay just one clutch of eggs each year and have evolved to match the hatching of chicks with the emergence of caterpillars. The cold, wet weather in May disrupted this arrangement and some nestlings did not survive. In the garden I noticed that adults were relying on food from the bird table and carrying this back to their nest. Other birds have two or more clutches and can make up for earlier losses. For example, in the garden Blackbirds and Dunnocks are busy feeding young.

At this time of year, the dawn chorus is diminishing. Some birds no longer need to proclaim their territory or compete for mates. So, while the Blue Tit has stopped singing, the Blackbird continues and noisily encourages me to get up early. Familiarity with bird calls and songs enables you to recognize more birds than you can actually observe and helps to confirm that there are more species out there than you might imagine.

On a walk from Trerulefoot to Downterry, I come across over thirty species, many of which I don't actually see, such as a distant Raven whose croaks are very familiar or a hidden Wren whose loud chatter belies its small size. A male Stonechat calls from the top of a hedge, its mouth full of food, whilst the sharp tuck of a Blackcap helps me to witness a few young birds being fed by parents. I am encouraged to see so many Swallows, whose entry into the country appeared hampered by poor weather in April and May. But one bird I encounter does not call. It looms large over Bake Lakes, staying low because of a blanket of cloud, before heading west. It is a Red Kite, a magnificent raptor. Strangely many kites are seen in Cornwall at this time of year, as non-breeding birds fly west then run out of land as they move towards the tip of the county. My observation cannot compete with the sight of more than 75 over The Lizard a couple of days ago. There is no harm in wishful thinking.

Alan Payne

St Germans Parish Council

We have one Councillor vacancy on the Parish Council in the ward of Tideford. If you would like to know more, please do contact me: everyone is welcome.

The Parish Council have been looking at alternative weed control methods and welcomed a recent demonstration using 'hot foam'. The results can be seen along the wall at the start of the causeway in St Germans.

At our Annual Council meeting in May, Cllr Patricia Pipe was elected as the Chairman with Cllr Alan Hodge as the Vice. We also met our new Cornwall Councillor, Cllr Kate Ewert, who describes herself as an Environmentalist very much interested in localism.

Concerns have been noted about the speed of traffic and general safety on the A374 in Polbathic. It was agreed to try and work with neighbouring parishes who also experience the same problem. Furthermore, the mud and debris issue has now been addressed with the local Duchy farmer and should not occur again.

The work to the new path on Fore Street (near St Germans shop exit) has now been finished.

We are still working towards securing a new lease from Port Eliot for Tideford playpark.

The next St Germans PC meeting is on Tuesday 27th July at 6:30pm in the British Legion, Tideford. The agenda will be on the noticeboards and the website www.stgermansparishcouncil.gov.uk Everyone is welcome.

Emily Young – Parish Clerk

Deviock Parish Council

Forthcoming meetings: Full Council 8th July 7.30pm at the Zone, Downterry Methodist Church; Planning Committee 22nd July 6.30pm (tbc due to venue issue). Covid restrictions and reduced capacity apply. See Agendas for details prior to each meeting.

The Council: Since the Elections in May, the Parish Council welcomes two new Councillors (one returned) for Hessenford and Seaton respectively. We also have a new Chair and Vice Chair. A co-option process has taken place for Downterry Ward, so we hope to be declaring an additional two new Councillors in July.

Projects: Councillors are currently liaising with Cornwall Council on a number of parish projects, including the tank traps on Seaton beach. We will update you with any news in future editions of the Nut Tree.

Sinkhole: Further to a sinkhole that appeared on Seaton beach near the new slipway mid-May, Cornwall Councillor Toms, with the help of two Parish Councillors, cordoned off the affected area to ensure public safety until fencing was able to be erected. Cormac began remedial works the week after half term and (at the time of writing) the work is nearing completion.

Bins: There has been a recent problem with overflowing bins at Seaton due to the number of visitors to the area. Cornwall Council requests that overflowing bins are reported by calling 0300 1234 141 or by e-mailing in order to provide a clear audit trail to monitor any issues (refuseandrecycling@cornwall.gov.uk).

Planning: To comment on a planning application, search for 'cornwall council planning applications'. See Agendas for applications due for discussion at the next Full Council or Planning Committee meeting.

As the Parish Office is remaining closed until further notice, please contact the Clerk via email if you have an enquiry (clerk.deviockpc@btinternet.com, Mon-Fri).

See the website at: www.deviockparish.org.uk (where Agendas and Minutes are available).

Deviock Parish Council Loan Fund

The Council provides interest-free loans (up to £1,000) to local organisations for specific projects (subject to terms and conditions). Please contact the Clerk or one of the Councillors if your organisation thinks it could benefit from this service.

Karen Pugh – Parish Clerk

News from County Hall

Meetings are back face to face at New County Hall, but only for voting members of each committee. Members of the public are still asked to attend virtually where they can contribute in the usual way. All our informal meetings and training is via MS Teams until at least September, which is certainly better for the environment! I had my first experience of a full Council meeting at the AGM of Cornwall Council at the end of May, it was incredibly well organised and felt safely done!

I have been appointed to several committees, they are Children's and Families Oversight and Scrutiny, Miscellaneous Licensing, Central Planning and The AONB Partnership – at time of writing I am still waiting to find out if I will be on the Mount Edgumbe Joint Committee.

I attended the first Children's and Families OSC meeting at County Hall last week. I was pleased to take part in the debate to decide the work programme for the next year. After speaking to local Early Years Providers, from right across the division, I am deeply concerned about the widening gap between funding and costs and the precarious financial state this leaves our local settings in. I have managed to ensure that this is discussed and looked into over the next year by the committee, as well as looking at the severe lack of under 2s childcare provision, of which we are seriously lacking here.

Cornwall Housing. I am being made aware of an increasing amount of Cornwall Housing repairs and maintenance that has not been completed, some for some quite considerable time and some causing quite dangerous conditions. I have been working closely with the residents affected and have escalated the complaints through our internal Case Work System – I will continue to push for these repairs to be brought up to standard, and would ask any Cornwall Housing tenants within my division to please contact me if they are having any issues that I can help with.

Rame Cluster. I will be restarting the Rame Cluster meetings in July, which will be extended to invite a representative from the 2 new Parishes included within the larger division – namely St Germans and the far West of Torpoint. We will be inviting Adam O'Neill (transport officer) to come and update the cluster group on the Rame Circulatory system.

I feel I have 'found my feet' now with my new role as Cornwall Councillor, there will continue to be much to learn, but I at least know the way around the Council better. I continue to feel extraordinarily lucky to have been given this opportunity to represent the Rame Peninsula and St Germans division, and intend to do all I can to benefit our communities. Please do get in touch if I can be of any help, or you would like my support with anything.

*Cllr Kate Ewert Cllr.kate.ewert@cornwall.gov.uk
07873 193631 FB: @KateForRame*

Quay Lane Surgery - A Big Thank You!

Helen and I would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to all of you who have sent cards, offered kind words and donated towards the present arranged by the Patient Participation Group on behalf of all the patients of Quay Lane Surgery. As many of you will know I was presented with a lovely 1920 oak bookcase which now stands in our study. I was also presented with several bottles of Camel Valley sparkling wine - a particular favourite!

It has been an absolute honour and privilege to look after the population of St Germans and its surrounds for the last 34 years. I have been present at births (some of whom now have their own children) and helped many to have a peaceful exit from this life. There are sadly some I have known literally from the cradle to the grave. I hope I have made coping with the trials of chronic illness for others easier to bear. There are three families in which I have known five generations - I don't think many GPs can say that.

General Practice is a very different place now to that we knew 34 years ago. Then we did all the out of hours care, attended home births and did minor injury care. Although we no longer do all that I hope at St Germans we still have the personal touch that we all want from "our" Doctor. I could not possibly have achieved what I have done without the help and support of my wife Helen, my partners - Richard Parrott, Simon Fullalove, Penny Thomson and Jon Carty, our practice managers - Judy and Debbie, and all the reception and dispensary staff too numerous to mention by name. They are what make the practice and I have been very fortunate to have a loyal and hard-working bunch over the years.

Once again, thank you for all the cards, kind words and donations - personally I think you are all talking about the wrong guy - but thank you anyway!

Dr James Moore

Practice News

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Dr James Moore and wish him the very best of luck and a long, happy and healthy retirement, which is well deserved after 34 years at Quay Lane Surgery. As Dr Moore leaves, we welcome Dr Emma Knight to the practice team. Dr Knight will be working at the main surgery on a Wednesday morning and all day Friday.

A polite request: We are experiencing a significant increase in demand for our services. Please help us by being kind to our staff; they are working very hard to look after you during these challenging times. Our team are doing a very difficult job and do not deserve the frustration and abuse that they are being subjected to by some of our patients. Please be kind and remember to treat our staff with the same respect that you would expect to receive, thank you.

NHS App. The NHS App is a simple and secure way to access a range of NHS services on your smartphone or tablet. The NHS App is available now on iOS and Android. To use it you must be aged 13 and over and registered with a GP surgery in England. Use the NHS App to:

- View and share your COVID-19 status
- order repeat prescriptions
- get health advice

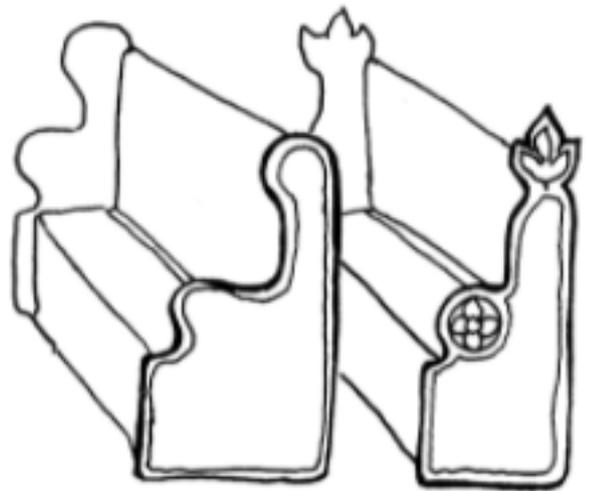
You don't need to be registered for online access at your surgery to order medication or view your COVID-19 vaccination status. After you download the app, you will need to set up an NHS login and prove who you are. The app then securely connects to information from your GP surgery. See the practice website for more information.

Mrs Debbie Todd, Practice Manager

News from the Churches

The recent halting of the end of restrictions has thankfully not affected our church services and we are now regularly getting together for Sunday worship.

The latest announcement from the government has also taken away the "30 maximum" limit for weddings which is really good news for our forthcoming weddings – some of which have already been postponed and moved forward from last year.



The congregations remain vigilant in their social distancing, hand sanitization and mask wearing – but are really missing singing in church, and we hope that barrier will be removed in the next round of relaxation of restrictions.

All our dates are on the back page for in church services and if you are interested in joining us for any of our weekday online services then please drop me a line at parker30@hotmail.com .

Please also use this email address for any church enquiries or prayer requests.

*Rev Canon Lynn Parker
St Germans, Donderry, Tideford, Hessenford, Sheviok & Antony*

The Zone - Donderry Methodist Church

Sunday Communion at the Zone is on Sunday July 11th at 6pm.
All are welcome.

Coffee Mornings are held every Wednesday from 10am-11.30am.
Please ring Elsa on 01503 250118 if you would like to come, we might still be under Covid restrictions.



Thanks to funding from Cornwall Community Foundation, Awenek Studio are running three Arts & Crafts Workshops in The Zone in July as follows:

- Tuesday 6th July (1:30pm – 3:30pm) Lino Cutting and Printing repeating patterns.
- Friday 16th July (10am – Midday) Decorate your own canvas bag
- Saturday 31st July (10am – Midday) Family Sketchbook Social -come and have a go at still life drawing using an array of different materials for you to try from inks to pastels. Artistic guidance, tips and arty challenges to get you started.

All are at the subsidised charge of £3 per person. For more information and to book please contact Viv Parker on 250519 or parkerviv@aol.com. Covid restrictions apply so places are limited.

Elsa Guilfoyle

Recycling for Charity

I will be collecting packaging from various items (see last Nut Tree, online and posters) at the Eliot Arms Pub Car Park, St Germans on Sunday 11th July between 10:30-11:30.

Please can these be sorted by category to save a lot of work later.

Items will then be recycled with proceeds going to charity.

Any questions about this feel free to contact Freddie Brasher: (Freddiebrasher@outlook.com). You can also find information on the website (<https://south-hill.co.uk/charity-recycling/>) or join our Facebook group “Recycling For Charity” (<https://m.facebook.com/groups/832979876753455>).

Thank you for everyone who came to the first two St Germans collections. I hope to see you and some new faces with more sorted items in July.

Freddie Brasher

News from DaSRA - Donderry and Seaton Residents Association

DaSRA AGM - 19 July. The Residents Association has traditionally held its Annual General Meeting in July so as a step in our quest for normality, we plan to hold our AGM



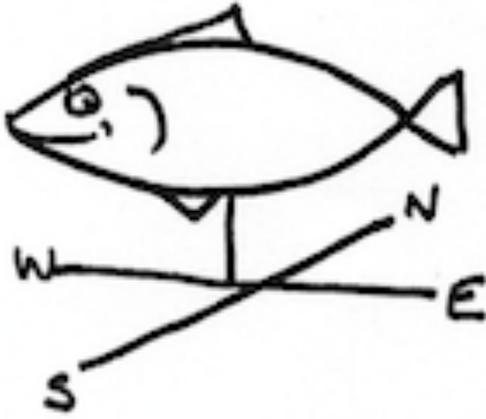
7.00pm on Monday 19 July, in the Village Hall. Our newly elected County Councillor, Armand Toms, has agreed to join us and he is interested to hear about village priorities. Thank you to our members who have shared their concerns with us which we will pass onto Cllr Toms. We know that all local authorities are facing tough financial decisions, post Covid, so it will be interesting to hear about Cornwall Council priorities. Obviously, we remain uncertain of what Covid meeting restrictions will be in place on 19 July so please be aware that there may be changes to venue, limits to numbers allowed inside, and other criteria. Up to date information will be on local Notice Boards, DaSRA's Facebook pages and website. www.dasra.co.uk. We look forward to seeing you there.

Neighbourhood Watch. We are delighted that Nigel Jones has been confirmed as the Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator for Donderry and Seaton and will be our local community liaison with Devon and Cornwall Police. Nigel knows the village well having lived in Donderry since 1997, and previously served on the Village Hall Committee and taken part in numerous local events. His background is a long military career followed by almost 10 years as a MOD Civil Servant in UK and Cyprus. Nigel's appointment has brought important changes to our local Watch; introduced to strengthen our volunteer-led scheme aimed at preventing crime and promoting a sense of security and community spirit. It will be managed within DaSRA to ensure more robust continuity and Nigel has joined our Management Committee thus integrating the two remits for greater effectiveness. He has already agreed with the Devon and Cornwall Watch that we will aim to be fully inclusive of all members of our community and therefore will include our neighbouring village of Seaton in line with the remit of DaSRA. The DaSRA web site has been updated to contain a Neighbourhood Watch section which will be updated with information from the Police and will include Alerts relevant to our community. Nigel is keen to hear from residents interested in knowing more about Neighbourhood Watch and would welcome contact with anyone wishing to assist with the running of our local Watch. Email him at info@dasra.co.uk or drop him a line into our DaSRA Post Box in the shop.

Promote your events. Our Local Link section on our website, www.dasra.co.uk maintains an up-to-date listing of community groups. If you would like residents to know what your group is doing, send us a paragraph describing what you do, and if relevant, link it to your own Facebook/website page. Updates can be posted at any time. All community organisations are invited to promote their events so do email information to info@dasra.co.uk. Thank you.

Laura Done, Chair, 01503 250911

Downderry and Seaton Village Hall



Membership renewal - New members are also welcome - Please support the Village Hall by becoming a member or renewing your membership. Adult subscription is £7.50 and junior subscription £3.50 for 2021/22. Membership of the Village Hall entitles you to vote at the AGM, join a Village Hall Group (Badminton, Drama, Short Mat Bowls) and use the Snooker Room. You can pay online and for more details go to our website (www.downderryandseatonvillagehall.co.uk).

July events. Due to the announcement on 14th June, we have decided to postpone our Celebration Events. Please go to our website for more details (www.downderryandseatonvillagehall.co.uk) and see posters around the villages.

- **Coffee Morning Tuesday 6th July:** Pop into the Village Hall for a chat and enjoy tea or coffee and a treat for £1.50 per person. Doors open 10am to 12 noon and there will be a book sale and raffle. All are welcome at this event, including well behaved dogs on leads who will also get a little treat.
- **Art & Crafts Show** - Come and support some of our local crafters and artists. This is a sell out event with lots to see and buy. Entry to the show will be free, although donations will be welcomed. Dates and Times: Saturday 24th July 10am to 6pm; Sunday 25th to Thursday 29th July 10am to 4pm; Friday 30th July and Saturday 31st July 10am to 6pm, Sunday 1st August 10am to 4pm.

Hall Hire. We are now taking Hall bookings for one off events/occasions, or, if you want to run a regular event or class and are looking for a suitable venue, please consider the Village Hall. The cost is £10 per hour and includes the use of tables, chairs, kitchen utensils and tea and coffee making facilities, for the serving of light refreshments such as tea, coffee, sandwiches etc. If you wish to use the ovens, hobs and dishwasher there is a further charge of £5 per session and heating is operated by a coin meter. We have the following licences - live music, recorded music, dance performance and for alcohol consumed on the premises.

For more details go to our website (www.downderryandseatonvillagehall.co.uk) or telephone Mandy Smith on 01503 250412.

Mandy Smith

Hessenford News

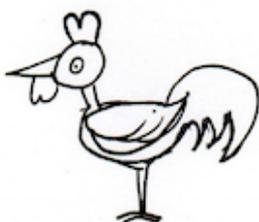
Well what a shame! We're stuck in a rut until the 19 July! But never mind, better safe than sorry and hopefully COVID-19 numbers won't increase too greatly in Cornwall and certainly not locally; and everyone who can have a vaccine gets it as soon as possible. We've been doing 2,500ish at Argyle every day, which is fantastic.

Many thanks to everyone who came to the Coffee, Chat and Cake morning on 12 June. We raised an amazing £85.00 for Myeloma UK and of course I'll give you the result of the Auction/Sale/Raffle that we held on the evening of 25 June next month.

Many thanks again to the people looking after our grass, gardens and churchyard. Peter's continuing to spruce up the area at the top of the graveyard where many of the memorial plaques are (be careful you may be roped in to take him up a watering can full of water when you're walking your dog up there!) Talking of Peter he had a fairly big birthday near the end of June, hope he had a great day. Alison & Andy have done a grand job round the edges of the hall grass. I hope you're also supporting Alison (and Harold's) plant table along with Helen's. St Anne's now has two little areas of bedding plants thanks to Helen & Alison, helping to brighten the garden up. If you've got a plant that you're splitting & you don't know where to put the other half we may be able to find a space in the garden in St Anne's.

Fingers crossed it'll be good weather for our next Coffee, Cake & Chat on a date in early July. We'll let you all know the date as soon as we can find a day the Church Hall is not booked and we will be helping to raise money for the NHS this month. Do come and join us and meet your neighbours, we had a lovely morning last month. Again, if you'd like to donate a cake or biscuits please have a word with Nina or Margaret.

Needless to say stay safe, keep wearing your mask and wash your hands for more than 20 seconds - my watch now tells me if I've not washed them for long enough!!



Fran Moore

Simple ways to save the planet

It may be that by the time you read this that all COVID restrictions have eased and life is almost back to normal, albeit with masks and sanitisers.



These last 17 months have been hard for everyone. However there have been some bonuses as communities have pulled together. In particular our local shops have served us proud, and some local pubs and restaurants have brightened our evenings with takeaways.

I would like to say a particular thanks to Jennie, the manager of St Germans Community shop, and to Jon and Lesley, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make sure everything ran like clockwork. St Germans community shop and other village shops in Nut Tree land offered a lifeline for the elderly during these challenging times, delivering provisions to people stuck at home, and always offering service with a smile. This continued throughout, despite a dramatic dip in the numbers of available volunteers in the community shop, and I am sure this kindness was echoed in other shops throughout our parishes.

So now, as life resumes normality, why not reassess what we want normality to be? Why not change shopping patterns so that rather than thinking of the supermarket as the default place to shop, why not consider your local shop as the primary place to buy food, with supermarkets becoming the emergency option? You will be surprised at the range and competitive prices of our local stores, and they are a great place for local advice too - where to find a plumber or electrician, or who might offer babysitting services etc. And there's savings to be made on time and fuel. Or better still, offer an hour or two as a volunteer in one of our two local community shops and make new friends to boot.

Similarly now is the time our local restaurants, cafes and pubs need your support. They've had the hardest time of all and your custom will make all the difference.

And by supporting those businesses in the community who have supported us throughout the pandemic, there's a much greater chance of them surviving to offer us a lifeline should we need one in the future. Let's just hope we don't!

Lizzy Stroud

St Germans Thursday Club

"Thought is the wind, knowledge the sail" - on one example of calligraphy, in the St Andrews Mayflower Quilt Exhibiton. There were also fine floral displays and paintings.

What bravery of those who sailed on the Mayflower without much knowledge as their sail - little knowing what awaited them on the far shore. This was depicted by the quilts, which were: "unbelievably beautiful" and "definitely not to be missed". "Quite overwhelming" in the skill of the work in making them. A real range of traditional and quite modern.

There were also quilts depicting Indian corn, "waweekanash", that is, maize. And mention is made of the "three sisters" - the companion planting of beans, maize and squash/pumpkins. Good gardening and good balanced nutrition for the family.

Some members didn't go to the exhibition because of the discomfort of standing for some time to view the quilts. "We won't stand for it" - could be quite a good motto. A short fairly vigorous walk is much healthier for all of us than standing around.

Our first club meeting in 16 months was enjoyed by all who came; the weather was kind in that the hall was cool and breezy - doors open and sun not too hot. We all brought our own cups, wore masks until having our refreshments, distanced as required, though as I'm sure we've all found, it was not always easy to get our words across. Strange times, and it was so good to meet again.

Future events are eagerly anticipated. First of all, our next meeting will be on Thursday 15th July at 2 for 2:30 pm, in the Eliot Hall. Already, we hope you're all thinking of what surprise, or amusing story you can bring along. No, the awful traffic that we meet on the way to the seaside is neither a surprise nor at all amusing!

Meanwhile, we hope to meet each other during our daily walks, bird-watching at the quay, or at the village shop. We commented on how well our community shop had served the village through such tricky months, with praise for our manager Jenny L. and for those who help as volunteers.

Meanwhile be happy, careful and stay well. Keep in touch - phone our Chairperson, Jean Mills (01503-230324), or leave me a note at Merryweather Cottage (just along from St Germans shop).

Sue Cousins 230106

Buses and Trains - St Germans & Area Public Transport Group

Busses. The 75 and 71 routes are still operating smoothly, keeping to time, and social distancing has been observed on the buses we've travelled on. There are good connections at Derriford Hospital for the Tavistock bus - and we've found that makes a very enjoyable journey without using the car. The buses seem to be able to get onto the Tamar bridge more quickly than the cars these days, and the route to Derriford keeps clear of the busy roads. Please get in touch with us if you know about people needing regular bus connections where there is no service at present (for example to and from the train station or getting to a GP's surgery). We are trying to find out what public transport services people need in the area.

Trains. You may have picked up a copy of our newly printed St Germans station May-December train timetable (or had one delivered to you). There are copies at the station and in local shops etc. You'll see that there are hourly or half-hourly services in both directions, and that there are very good weekend services these days. We told you last month that we have a pdf e-version of the timetable (which will be adapted if there are any GWR changes). Get in touch if you want one sent to you - or if you need a printed copy of the timetable. A reminder that you may be able to think of someone who doesn't use emails etc. and may need assistance in getting information. We're hoping that people will become bus/train buddies, to help people get the information they might need.

Phone me on 01503 230106 if you have a question or a suggestion - and also if you are looking for a railway jigsaw puzzle - or have a bus or train one to share.... Or a book - I see that David Henshaw's *Great Railway Conspiracy* has turned up on our shelves - as has volume 1 of *A Regional History of the Railways of Great Britain: The West Country*, and Terry Coleman *The Railway Navvies*. Get in touch if you want one of these - or if you have ideas about being a buddy or a volunteer.

Alan Cousins

Downderry Bus 300 Club

Thank you everyone. The lucky winners for the month of June:

1st. No.62 Jane Hall £20

2nd.No. 149 Sharon Pallet £15

3rd. No. 76 Kath Banks £10

Jo Woodley (01503 250489)



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9TH OCTOBER 2021

Morning – Exhibition of our 100 years. Reasonably priced Coffee/tea, Bacon and or Sausage baps, fabulous Cakes, and Gifts to buy for Christmas

Later, dance the night away with Downterry's very own Rock band... Tickets on sale in September



Downterry and Seaton WI

Advance notice of a big celebration is above – Save the Date!

For more information about our Meetings, Zoom calls and craft group please email downterryandseatonwi@googlegroups.com.

Maura Swabey

Sustainable Development Fund open for Tamar Valley projects

As Tamar Valley communities begin to ease out of lockdown, Tamar Valley Area of Natural Beauty are pleased to confirm that this year's Sustainable Development Fund is open once again for 2021. Applications are welcome for small grants to support projects that help to conserve, enhance or celebrate the Tamar Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There is £5,000 in total available for grant requests of between £500-£1,000 for projects that will benefit the area.

The Fund continues to encourage individuals, community groups and businesses to work together to develop practical and sustainable solutions to the management of their activities across the AONB.

The range of projects previously supported in the Tamar Valley includes the enhancement of village halls, wildlife conservation projects, small-scale renewable energy schemes, water-based recreation, advice for rural businesses and a number of exciting education-based projects.

Dan Cooke, AONB Manager, says; “After the strains of lockdown and COVID-19, it’s great to offer a little something positive for local communities in the Tamar Valley. Though modest in scale, the Sustainable Development Fund could help kick-start some of those project ideas and initiatives that have been thought about over the past year. If you’ve got a good idea, please contact us, or apply to fund it.”

Due to its success in 2019, Tamar TLC will offer a small community grants scheme alongside the SDF, for community groups and individuals to access smaller sums of money to help their projects. Four grants of £250 each are available to bid for.

If you have an idea for a project, where £250-£1,000 would help to conserve or enhance the area, or get people involved with the work of the Tamar Valley AONB, please get in touch.

- Closing date for applications – 12 noon, Friday 16 July 2021.
- Applicants to be notified w/c 26 July 2021.
- Successful projects must be completed by 31 January 2022 (1 March 2022 for Tamar TLC small community grant).

Please visit <https://www.tamarvalley.org.uk/tvaonb-caring/> (and scroll down to Sustainable Development Fund) for guidance notes/application forms. Applicants are strongly advised to discuss project ideas with AONB staff before submitting a completed application to ensure eligibility. In the first instance please use email enquiries@tamarvalley.org.uk .



Rita's Rota

July 2021 Dates

- 4. 10.00 Morning Worship SNCh;
7.00 Evening Worship zoom
- 6. 10.00 Communion TC;
10.30 CM D&SVH
- 7. 10.30 CM CZ
- 8 7.30 Deviock PC CZ
- 11. 10.00 Communion SGPC;
10.30 Recycling collection Eliot Arms;
6.00 Communion CZ;
7.00 Evening Worship CZ
- 13 10.00 Communion TC
- 14 10.30 CM CZ
- 15 2.00 Thursday Club EHSg
- 18 10.00 Communion SNCh;
7.00 Evening Worship SNCh
- 19 7.00 DASRA AGM venue tbc
- 20 10.00 Communion TC
- 21 10.30 CM CZ
- 22 6.30 Deviock PC Planning venue tbc
- 24 10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH
- 25 10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH;
10.00 Morning Prayers SGPC;
7.00 Evening Worship zoom
- 26 10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH

- 27 9:45 Mobile Library St G Almshouses ;
10.15 Quay Road;
1.55 IOS; 2.45 Seaton Car Park;
10.00 Morning Service TC;
10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH;
6.30 St Germans PC TRBL
- 28 10.30 CM CZ;
10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH
- 29 10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH
- 30 10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH
- 31 10.30 Art & Craft Show D&SVH

**CZ Donderry Coastal Zone; CB
Community bus; DSVH Derry & Seaton
VH; PolH Polbathic Hall; EHSg Eliot Hall
St G; HC H'ford Church; HCH H'ford
Church Hall; SGMC St G Methodist Ch;
SGPC St G Priory Church;; SNCh St
Nicolas' Church; TC Tideford Church;
TRBL Tideford RBL Hall; WVH W'gates V
Hall**

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preceding month.

Rita

This edition marks the end of an era. Rita is moving on. Many will know that Rita is, in fact, local resident Chris Wiseman who is shortly due to move home. Over many years, Chris has thanklessly kept the Nut Tree community diary known as Rita's Rota. Every one of us owes her an enormous vote of thanks. It will be a hard act to follow. If there is anyone who thinks they might be able to assist, please contact the Editor at the email address below. In the meantime, thanks again Chris for all your hard work and our very best wishes go with you.

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