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## Editorial

Exactly ten years ago the first edition of the newsletter appeared, and its present production team would like to thank all their predecessors, contributors, distributors, advertisers, artists and those who've been kind enough to say they've enjoyed reading it. We hope to keep it interesting and therefore we encourage more uninvited articles from our readers. So tell us about your adventures, discoveries, interests, favourite jokes – add photos or other images too. How about someone resuming the lovely biographies of longer-stay residents along the same lines as David Hall used to do? And guest reporters of Parish Council meetings would be especially welcome, remembering to tell the chairman that he's off the hook for the write-up that night. **Please would all contributors send copy to the team by the 15th of the month preceding issue.** This ensures a calm editing process, timely distribution, and eternal blessings on you and your household. P.S. Don't be miffed if sometimes we have to reduce text to fit available space, or to cut down on colour to stay within budget.

## Parish Council Matters

At the Council meeting on 18th January, we began with a presentation by Andrew George, Director of the Cornwall Community Land Trust about affordable housing. A CLT is a community-led organisation providing land and buildings to meet the long term needs of that community. This includes building affordable homes for locals. Membership of a CLT is open to everyone in the community, so everyone can have a say on what happens.

In Cornwall, successful CLT's have been set up in St Just-in-Roseland, Delabole and St Minver, for example. Where a community may be too small to set up its own CLT, it may enter into an arrangement with another adjacent parish, or work with the Cornwall CLT directly.

Cornwall CLT housing projects are community led, but with Cornwall CLT taking on the initial risk on their behalf. The homes are sold at less than two thirds of the markets price, or rented at a discount. Such homes are reserved to meet local housing needs for ever, and are designed to be low carbon homes that are cheap to run.

Andrew George pointed out that the starting point in considering setting up a CLT is to carry out housing needs survey. The Council is considering this, so watch this space.

Otherwise, the Council's deliberations were not exciting, covering such matters as a planning application, the procurement of a laptop and other electronics to enable paperless planning applications to be shown on the big screen in the Hall Annexe, and receiving a report on the activities of

the Saltash Area Road Safety Committee.

The Council was pleased to note the progress of the neighbourhood planning group and the successful consultation process which had just been completed.

Finally, we still have a vacancy for a parish councillor, and this has the potential to cause problems; for example we are often very nearly in a quorate when considering planning applications.

Your Council Does Need You!

*Gerry Stevenson*

### **Nikki Gill retires from LMH**

As you all may or may not be aware, Nikki Gill has stepped down as Booking Clerk after 10 years. I would like you to join the committee in thanking Nikki for her commitment and assistance during that time.

Jo Pearson has now taken over the reins, so if you need somewhere to host your event/party/wedding/bar mitzvah, please contact Jo on 845280 or email [landulphhall@gmail.com](mailto:landulphhall@gmail.com).

Thank you also go out to the anonymous donor of the latest Christmas Tree and to Nigel Cummings for the excellent decorating and lighting.

A small thank you goes to the newly reformed WI group who had the task of creating tree decorations during their social gathering in December. Well done ladies!

By the time this article goes out, the Burns Night event will have already occurred. Hopefully those of you who were there enjoyed themselves and a final thank you to all who assisted with the organisation and cooking of all that lovely buffet food.

*Charlotte* the Chair of LMH committee

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## **A WI Club in Cargreen?**

Two meetings have been held, attended by advisers from the Cornwall Federation of Women's Institutes, to explore the possibility of starting a new Women's Institute club in Cargreen. A third meeting was planned for 26 January as the Newsletter was going to press. If there was sufficient support at this meeting and six volunteers came forward to form a committee a club will have been formed.

Feedback from the earlier meetings indicated that, while there is a lot of enthusiasm for a women's group in the village, a case has not yet been made for linking up with the WI.

There will be more news on this in the next Newsletter.

*Jennie Rayment*

## **Village Christmas Walk**

We had rain of biblical magnitude either side of the annual village walks, but in the event the weather was fine for all 58 walkers that ventured out on what turned out to be a very mild day.

There had been much trepidation about the prospects of deep mud, but as it happened, it was no worse than usual. Maybe fewer horses had been down the perhaps inappropriately named Paradise Lane!

Between the three groups, we managed to walk all but one of the recognised footpaths of the parish, and there were no reports of near misses with angry bulls, or electrocution from fences, to liven up the post-walk chatter, although Allen's dog Bonnie found one live wire with her

tail end! (History doesn't relate whether she went in stern first.)

There was quite a convivial gathering at lunchtime; non-walkers swelled the crowd, attracted no doubt by the prospects of something other than cold turkey! Actually the home-made soups were delicious, and even the

commercial pasties went down well. A small surplus of money enables us to make a donation to the Newsletter, and to the Yacht Club to whom we are most grateful for the use of their facilities.

*Richard Bowman*



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## Under Fives

We welcome William and Amber to Landulph Under Fives. We also welcome Maire who has joined our team.

This term our topic is 'out of space'. We are learning all about space, planets and the travels of Tim Peake. We have been practising blasting off into space, walking in space and are looking forward to launching rockets next week!

Thank you to all those who attended our Carols and Crafts afternoon. A fantastic total of over £140 was raised. Also thank to all those who purchased the children's handmade Christmas cards. £40 was raised. Finally, thank you to Alan and his team of ladies who organised the sale of the Christmas photos. A whopping £279 was made for pre school funds. Some dates for your diary...

4th of March we have Company B playing at our band night fundraiser...and Sunday 10th April is our Easter Egg hunt. We hope to see you there!

*Amy Hilborn*

## School News

We have hit the ground running this term. We are extremely proud that two of our Year 6 children have been chosen to join children from saltash.net community school at the British Educational Training and Technology (Bett) show that takes place at ExCel, London in January. Bett is the world's leading learning technology event and has been bringing innovation and inspiration to the education sector for over

30 years. The children will be making a presentation on the main stage and will be demonstrating the use of Promethean software.

Sporting teams from our Year 3 to 6 children competed at a sports hall athletics event against other local primary schools in January at saltash.net community school. In February we have a Year 1 and 2 gymnastics competition at Brunel school followed by our annual school sponsored swimming lessons.

With coaching from Mrs Bonner and Mrs Hooper along with continued support and practice at home, our team entry for the Youth Speaks



competition, which takes place in January, is looking very strong. This event is run by the Rotary Club and gives the children an opportunity to research a subject, then develop and demonstrate their formal speaking through a presentation. Our Year 6 children have been invited to attend a Big Bang experience as part of a STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) event at City College Plymouth. We are looking forward to welcoming Warburtons the bakers into school in February who will present a Healthy School workshops to all the children.

*Marie Beaven-Smith* Secretary Landulph School

### **OK, it's "hands up" time**

Hands up if you knew that the Parish Council have an official website. You knew that? Well then, perhaps you are one of the 85 visitors that the website got on average every day last year. That's more than 30,000 visits annually. For a Parish with a population of under 500 souls that's pretty impressive and with those visitor numbers I would have expected a mine of useful information; but in its current form, the site is somewhat under-utilised. It contains minutes of past council meetings, agendas of forthcoming council meetings, a few photographs from around the Parish and of course, the archive of back issues of the Newsletter. There is the facility to publicise community groups and forthcoming events, but to date only the Festival Association appears under the community groups section and the only forthcoming events listed are Parish Council meetings. It would appear to be an easy enough process to list an upcoming event or to add a community group to the website. It's a simple on-line form which is submitted to the Clerk to the Parish Council. Once approved, your event or group will appear on the website.

It's another source of information about the Parish; it's free publicity for groups and events and given the visitor statistics it shouldn't be sniffed at. I'm not suggesting that the website should become the leading source of information for what's going on in the Parish; there's the excellent diary in these very pages and the wonderfully named "Landulph Innit" facebook page both of which are capable of reaching different audiences. This is just another medium to reach a potentially different set of people. If you are involved in organising an event or a member of a community group why don't you give the website a go and spread your net wider. Let's see what the numbers say this time next year...

*Tim Clarke*

## Neighbourhood Plan Update

Following the recent focus group meetings, Tim Burns has written a comprehensive summary of views. This can be viewed on the Plan's website [www.landulphplan.org.uk](http://www.landulphplan.org.uk) and also on paper on parish noticeboards. The website also outlines the way ahead, with dates and agendas of future meetings.

The Allans are both involved in creation of the Plan, and relative newcomers. They have kindly provided this introduction.

### **Richard and Debbie Allan**

Richard and Debbie moved to Landulph from Saltash three years ago. They have two teenage daughters, a cat and two guinea pigs. Richard works for a bank, having spent several years in the Royal Navy and enjoys making cider. After 20 years as a Civil Servant, Debbie returned to University, graduating with a degree in psychology and is currently training to become a psychotherapist.



They have become involved in the Landulph Neighbourhood Plan in order to get to know the area and people better.

### **Landulph Under Fives Present... 'Jump Jive Band Night'**



**Friday 4th March 2016  
Landulph Memorial Hall**

We are very excited to have secured the fantastic band 'Company B' for our 1940s inspired band night. The band are one 'energetic & vibrant seven piece jump-jive band that bring an era of musical vintage bang up to date with show stoppin' performances'. We will be going all out to dress the hall in 40s style, the band play in their G.I. Uniforms and maybe you would also like to get in the spirit however it is not essential, more importantly we would just like to see you all there for a good old dance on the double!

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## **Big Breakfast and Market returns**

The Big Breakfast and local produce/craft market is back! Please put Saturday 14 May in your new 2016 diaries now. It is being held in Landulph Memorial Hall from 9am to 12.30.

More details will follow in the next publication. If you would like to book a stall selling your home made food produce, plants, veg and crafts etc please contact:

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## Landulph Gardening Club

Many signs of premature life in the garden which may not bode well for the Spring Show on Saturday 9 April, but who knows what the weather will do. Short of creating a new class in wetland plants, Jane Espig, our show secretary, has some new ideas. The hint is the Queen's 90th birthday and baking combined with floral art! Schedules and entry forms will be available from the beginning of March and at the Club meeting on the 9th. Coming back to our regular Wednesday programme, we have the following talks planned: 10 February, *Growing Incredible Vegetables* 9 March, *Various Aspects of Double Primroses*

If you want a Sunday afternoon outing to an interesting and fragrant garden, Mike Stephens, one of our regular speakers, is opening his garden for charity on the 14, 21 & 28 February and 6 and 13th March between 1 and 4p.m. The location is Coombegate Cottage, St. Ive (between Callington & Liskeard) and will be well-signed with yellow NGS posters. Teas are available in the village hall. Contact 01579 383520 for enquiries. The Cornwall Garden Society Show at Boconnoc (just off the A390 before Lostwithiel) is being held on Saturday 2 April between 10am and 5pm and Sunday from 10am to 4pm this is a large show well worth visiting. We look forward to seeing old and new members on 10 February.  
*Jen Hambly*

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## Landulph Film previews

The next two Film Club offerings are about two very different people from different eras and both of them are part of our history.

The February film is about Belle whose 18th century portrait once hung in Hampstead's Kenwood House. The film was inspired by the 1779 painting of Dido Elizabeth Belle, the illegitimate daughter of a Royal Navy captain, John Lindsay, and an African woman, Maria Belle. She was raised at Kenwood House by her great-uncle, Lord Mansfield, then Lord Chief Justice of England. The film is a powerful, moving and gently subversive romantic melodrama about a woman out of time.

The Ides of March bring forth Benedict Cumberbatch as Alan Turing in The Imitation Game. A handsomely engrossing and poignantly melancholic thriller from Norwegian director Morten Tyldum who serves up a rollicking code-cracking wartime thriller laced with an astringent cyanide streak. It was the mathematical genius of Alan Turing that enabled Britain to crack the German military codes during WW II and, it is said, shortened the war by some two years. The film tells the story both of the man, Turing, and the place, Bletchley Park who were Britain's secret weapon.

*John Hall*



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## **Peter du Plessis**

Richard Hosking, a lifelong friend has sent us this appreciation of Peter du Plessis who died in November last year.

'I give this eulogy with great affection for the Du Plessis family. It was with great sadness that I heard that Peter had passed away. What a life it had been!

'In 1955 Peter met a young lady called Fay Powell-Thomas. Faye had started training at the R C Infirmary. He had started farming at Marsh Farm in the early 50s, and went into partnership with his brother Dan keeping pedigree Landrace pigs. I can remember my father telling me how he used to go to Marsh to buy weaners. Peter's father for a joke used to let the sow out and it chased him as he was loading the piglets! Pigs came to an end and in the late 50s they started the Daffodil business.

'In May 1958 Faye qualified as SRN and worked at St Barnabas Hospital, the proud owner of an engagement ring! In December 1961 the family home became available and plans were made for a wedding in February 1962 at this church on a very cold day. Following the wedding they enjoyed a honeymoon in Weston-Super-Mare and North Wales travelling in a Morris 1000 pick-up. In July 1963 Anne was born - I'm told to keep the Jack Russell *Titan* company!

'In 1970 his aunts came back from Australia and wanted to return to their home. Dan and Eileen invited Peter and Faye back to live at Marsh. Times were hard and Faye applied for a job at Callington as a district nurse with a car provided.

'By this time Peter and Dan's daffodil business was growing, and tons of bulbs were being sold to Trago Mills. I well remember the acres of cauliflowers, anemones as well as the eucalyptus and pittosporum being marketed by Star Pack of which Peter's brother David was manager.

'In 1982 planning consent was given for a bungalow in Church Lane. Peter and Fay moved to their new home, *Wadavers*, in 1985. In 1987 there was a big family party to celebrate a Silver Wedding and Ruby Wedding for Dan and Eileen and Jean and John.

'In 1990 Dan and Eileen had started to build their bungalow in Church Lane and notice was given to the Duchy to quit Marsh Farm which gave Peter and Fay the opportunity to travel to see relatives in South Africa and to travel to many interesting places.

'In 1991 granddaughter Lyndsey was born followed by Matthew in 1996 who gave Peter great pleasure and amusement.

'With great sadness he left the parish, ending 300 years of family association with church and village, to move into a bungalow in Saltash to be near his daughter Anne.'

*Richard Hosking*

Lanndhylyk A'Gas Dynnergh Wassail!

## **Apple Orchard Wassail Comes to Landulph**

Tickets were a sell out, the weather had miraculously turned to dry and all was set for the Cargreen Cancer Research Committee's first fundraising event of 2016 – an orchard wassail. Even an injury to one of the hosts, leaving him in a plaster cast, wasn't going to interrupt proceedings.



On Saturday 16 January, led by Dave Ledger, The Green Man, and entertained by Morris dancers, The Cornish Wreckers, families and friends from near and far gathered in the orchard at the home of Mary and Philip Braund, to drive away evil spirits and encourage a bumper crop in 2016. Those residents in the Coombe Lane/Coombe Drive area may have wondered what all the hullabaloo was about - it was the sound of a mere 120

people banging saucepans and generally making as much noise as possible. Those trees should be positively laden come September!

After all their exertions, the crowd were keen to sample the homemade wassail cider, and if that didn't make them forget about the cold, then the BBQ and hot chocolate drinks in the marquee certainly did.

As far as we know, this was the first wassail event in Landulph. However, ancient records show many orchards in the parish so maybe we don't have exclusivity after all! What was a 'toe in the water' event actually raised over £800, and our very grateful thanks go to the businesses Friary Mill Bakery Ltd and Le Vignoble for generously donating the bakery goods and wine. Also, a huge thank you to everyone who gave their time and supported, donated and contributed in any way. Duw genowgh hwi! *Philip and Mary Braund*  
On behalf of Cargreen Cancer Research UK Committee.

[Special thanks to Philip for hosting the evening from his wheelchair and to all entertainers. The photos show the green Man (obviously), and a Morris dancer carefully impaling a piece of cider-soaked toast on an apple tree (don't ask) Editor]





## **Where are the milking cows?**

I'm grateful to farmers Richard Hosking and Richard Brown for helping me understand why there is now only one Landulph farm with a dairy herd, while they could remember seventeen farms in active milk production in earlier years. When these men were youngsters, dairy herds were quite small with between 20 and 40 cows. In the second half of the 20th century the old routines of dairy farming had to respond to new regulations on hygiene, animal welfare, TB testing, rising wages, and advances in nutrition, breeding and mechanised milking. Gone were the days of hand-milking and virtually all farms were now using some form of milking machine, perhaps able to milk just one or two cows at a time and needing the collected milk to be carried from the cowshed to the dairy by hand for filtering, cooling and storage in 45 litre churns to await collection the next day. Other systems were developing which could milk many cows simultaneously and pipe the milk straight into the farm dairy. This automation advanced rapidly in sophistication and expense. Among other factors, the UK's membership of the EU in 1973 had a major impact on farming practices with generous subsidies to encourage productivity. This bonanza enabled farmers to expand and invest, but in the face of the ensuing 'butter mountains and milk lakes' the EU imposed milk quotas and penalties for overproduction. Then along came the supermarkets with their massive combined buying power and cut-throat competition so it is no surprise that small dairy farmers sold their herds. Then what happened? Obviously some farmhouses and outbuildings were sold for other uses including conversion to dwellings. However the land remains, with pasture now supporting larger beef herds and sheep rather than dairy, more cereal and silage growing, livery stables, and solar parks. Elsewhere in the south-west camp sites, caravan parks and other tourist attractions have mushroomed, but not here thank goodness. (To see how a modern automated milking parlour works, visit YouTube and search for 'milking parlour'; it's amazing!)

*Morton Macleod*

**LENT** begins on Ash Wednesday, and there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 7.30pm in Landulph Church.

Many people give something up for Lent (often chocolates or other treats), but have you thought of doing something extra? At 6pm on each Sunday in Lent there will be a discussion followed by the brief but beautiful service of Compline in one of the churches in the Benefice, the group of churches with whom we work, as follows: February 14 St Dominick, 21 Landulph, 28 St Mellion; March 6 Pillaton, 13 St Dominick, 20 (Palm Sunday) Landulph. There is a wide choice of services around Easter with information displayed on the village notice boards. You will be most welcome!

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## Give Seagulls the sack

Several Landulph residents have experienced seagull and magpie attacks on their rubbish bags as they await collection. Standard plastic sacks are not strong enough to resist the scavengers. Dogs and cats can also distribute your rubbish to the four winds. Jane McRill reports that a stronger sack is available from the County Council and she has used it successfully. More details of the sacks and how to obtain them can be found on the website [www.cornwall.gov/recycling](http://www.cornwall.gov/recycling) or by calling 03001234141





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## Cargreen Rainfall

November	Total Rainfall	131.9 mm
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December	Total Rainfall	116.05 mm
	Number of days	13



Stop press : Over the 24 hours between the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> January  
a total of 79.2 mm was recorded breaking records back to the 1970's

Data kindly produced by Ken Eastment

## Local Christmas Cards 2015

On 4 January 2016, I was able to pass across to Captain Julian Short of the Salvation Army a sum of £430. This had been collected from the families listed in the Landulph News issue number 60. A new member Cindy Zimmer also contributed. Members in the scheme decided to forego local Christmas cards and instead gave a donation to the salvation army. A grateful Salvation Army representative said that the money would be used to give a treat to disadvantaged children. Happy New Year  
*Jack Bedbrook*

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## Letter from New Zealand

As the winter now draws on and spring is nearly around the corner, we present below a letter sent to us to publish before Christmas, which we inadvertently omitted at the time. We hope reading this letter will cheer you all, for the prospect of the Spring and Summer to come.

*Although it's nearly 8 weeks since we came back home to NZ, Madeleine continues to talk about her 2 months in Cargreen.*

*There are so many things to remember. The kindness of those who lent toys, the friends she made at Under 5s and the lovely happy teachers; the tractor at the playground and the walk along the Penyoke footpath.*

*She also liked to visit the old telephone box with Granny to get books but wondered where the children's books were?*

*Blackberries, every time we walked anywhere, were picked and eaten and there were so many in the hedges.*

*Thank you Cargreen for a great and happy 2 months.*

*The Gaston- Butcher family*

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**Repton Study Weekend**  
Join us on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March for lectures by Keir Davidson on Humphry Repton's landscape designs for gardens on the Tamar.

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Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

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