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Editorial by Sarah

As I am typing this I am sat in front of a fan and I will not be moved. It is so hot my little dog has sat still, that's how hot it is.

As we all know the British are obsessed with the weather; if you are in an awkward social situation where you don't know anyone, the weather will always save you from social numbness.

And yet the funny thing is about a fortnight ago I was complaining, "Are we ever going to get a summer? We never get a good run of really good weather, how are you supposed to plan anything with unreliable weather?" Then, of course we are hit by a heat wave and we just can't cope. Morrisons have almost sold out of ice cream and don't even go there about salad vegetables.

We all know what's going to happen; by the time you read this we will be building arks and gathering two of everything to save civilisation. There is just no knowing what is round the corner with our weather. Isn't that good though? I don't know if I like the idea of waking up every day to blue sky and sunshine. No matter what the weather gods throw at us, the seasons are so nice to notice and enjoy.

So, to quote our Aussie cousins, slip on a t shirt, slap on a hat and slop on some sun lotion. Try to stay in the shade and avoid mid day and for goodness sake, your dog doesn't need a walk in full sun. You so know by the time you read this it will be raining.

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Jacobstow Parish Council

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Mrs Ilona Franklyn Mrs Sarah Smith Mr Peter Chapman

The Parish Council meets in the Parish Hall on the 1st Tuesday of every month (except for August). Meetings commence at 7.30 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend but any items for inclusion on the agenda should be submitted to the Parish Clerk at least 10 days before the meeting. There is an opportunity to raise questions at the beginning and end of the Council meeting but questions (and answers) raised at these times are not recorded in the minutes.

Editor's Note The report on each month's Parish Council meeting is a summary prepared by the Parish Clerk. We have omitted certain minor items for brevity but a full version of the minutes is displayed on the Parish Hall notice board (after formal approval) at the following month's Parish Council meeting also the Agenda and Minutes of previous meetings are on the village website www.jacobstovvillage.co.uk

Summary of minutes of meeting held on 1st June, 2021

Cllr. Charmaine Smith chaired the monthly meeting with five councillors attending

Code of Conduct

The new Code of Conduct was emailed to councillors to read. This was then formally adopted.

Planning Application PA21/04237

Farm Machinery Building, Marlands, Jacobstow

Councillors support this application

Planning Application PA21/04822

Prior approval change of use – Conversion of an agricultural building to a residential dwelling - Poulza, Jacobstow.

Planning Application PA21/04635

Prior approval /change of use and conversion of two agricultural buildings to two four bedroom modest family homes, Poulza, Jacobstow, Bude

Councillors made the following comments – They have concerns on the suitability of the lane for vehicles especially emergency vehicles. The ford floods frequently, not only in the winter.

Also the school children use the lane and there are concerns for their safety.

Email received regarding Global Safety Week.

Councillors agree that all villages should have 20mph speed limit.

Councillor Matters

It was reported that there is a caravan permanently in a field on the Hendra road. This is used by a family at weekends. Clerk to report this to County Cllr. Chopak.

Jacobstow Parish Council

Summary of Minutes of Meeting held on 6th July 2021.

Cllr. Osborne chaired the monthly meeting with four Councillors, County Cllr. Nicky Chopak and one member of the public attending.

Planning Application PA21/03671

Proposed demolition of existing garage & outbuildings and construction of new garage and workshop with re-location of oil tank – Barton Villa, Canworthy Water.

Coucillors feel that there should be a condition that the new garage and workshop cannot be sold separately to the main dwelling. The plans seem extravagant for a garage/workshop.

Planning Application PA21/04555

Change of use from agriculture to siting of five shepherd h uts for use as holiday accommodation – Upper court, Broad Langdon, Jacobstow, Bude
Coucillors concerned about the foul water disposal in that area.

Planning Application PA21/04416

T1 Beech to be felled as dead on top, unbalanced and hanging over pathway. T3 Beech large limb midway up to be removed as client fears the tree is weighted towards his property – The Old Rectory, Jacobstow
Coucillors all supported this via email earlier in the month.

Councillor Matters

It was reported that someone is or had been sleeping rough in the new Bus Shelter. Clerk had already reported this to the Police and Cornwall Council.

Your MP Scott Mann - - For full version of this letter follow the link on www.jacobstowvillage.co.uk

As you may have seen in the news, scams continue to be a prevalent issue and Citizen's Advice are running a two-week awareness campaign on the issue. As a result of coronavirus, many people are facing issues with employment, debt, housing and health, and scammers are exploiting the financial pressures this is putting people under. Citizens Advice research found that more than two-thirds of people in the UK have been targeted by a scam since the start of the year; this includes 7 in 10 people (69%) in the Southwest. The number of scams reported to Citizens Advice since the start of the year has more than doubled compared to the same time last year and we need to make sure the public are on the lookout for potential scams. You can learn more about the campaign at www.citizensadvice.org.uk.



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Jacobstow Neighbourhood Watch



Top tips to keep valuables safe in public places:

Wallets and purses should be kept out of sight and secure, especially in crowded places.

Do not leave bags open, on the backs of chairs or on the floor.

Do not leave mobile phones, iPods or iPads on pub or cafe tables.

Keep chequebooks and cheque cards separate.

Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.

Never carry your PIN number with your card.

Any urgent information will be posted on the jacobstow village facebook page, don't worry if you do not use Facebook, go to the jacobstow village web page and follow the link from there

www.devonandcornwall-pcc.gov.uk

This is your link to the Police Commissioner's Report



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JACOBSTOW GARDEN SAFARI

Wow! What a wonderful afternoon at the Garden Safari! It managed to stay almost dry until the end and so many people attended from all around the area. Many thanks to those who opened their gardens for the event - they hosted lots of visitors! The scarecrows that popped up around the village were amazing and raised some money for our local school. Thank you to the children (and adults) who entered their scarecrows and to Rachel and Jamie Wren for organising this and selling the tickets. The winning entry was by the Tilleys from Crackington.

The plant stall was very popular and nearly sold out and the Tombola was a great success. Thank you to the WI and the Journal team for doing a grand job organising and manning these stalls. The cream teas went down really well and the ladies were kept very busy in the hall. Everything was very well organised with the Covid rules in order. Thanks also to Marion Reason, Jenny Turner and Homeleigh Garden Centre for donating the raffle prizes. Lastly, thank you to the Parish Hall Committee for putting on this very successful event that we are planning to hold again next year. The final amount raised was well over £800 with some lovely donations included. Well done, everyone involved.



Andrew Medland 1951 - 2021

Andrew was born and brought up in Jacobstow, going to Jacobstow School followed by Stratton. He happily worked at Trengune Farm until ill health meant he had to leave. This was followed by many years as an agricultural engineer at Roger Jones and Co. and finally with Bude and Stratton Town Council as a handyman/gardener.

He had always had a keen interest in machinery and engines. In fact he had a spectacular collection of vintage items which were displayed at many local shows.

He took part and supported many local events from tug-of-war, Scouts and more.

Andrew was a great family man. He will be sadly missed by his wife, Christina and sons Robert and Samuel and grandchildren.

CHURCH AND CHAPEL SERVICES

3rd August 10.30 Warbstow HC 10.30 Trevalga HC
15.30 St Genny Benefice 18.00 Benefice via Zoom
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8th Aug 8.30 Lesnewth HC 10.30 Forrabury &
Zoom 18.00 Benefice via Zoom

15th Aug 10.30 St Gennys HC 10.30 Otterham HC
18.00 Benefice Via Zoom

22nd Aug 10.30 JACOBSTOW HC 10.30 Tintagel
HC 18.00 Benefice Via Zoom 29th
Aug 10.30 Boscastle Harbour Benefice HC



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Alison 01566 781418 or
07557916073



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Family Church
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CHURCH AND CHAPEL NEWS & EVENTS

CHILDREN' FESTIVAL, ST GENNY'S CHURCH 20TH TO 22ND AUGUST. THEME: NOAH'S ARK.

- **Look out for models of Noah's Ark animal figures displayed around the benefice.**
- **Children from Warbstow & St Gennys have created a new altar frontal using decorated fabric squares.**
- **Art and photography displays, poetry.**



• **Songs of praise -
thanksgiving &
celebration 3.30 22nd.
Aug - St Gennys**

• **Contact Rev Heather Ashton -
Heathersolo@msn.com or
hcfwicks@gmail.com**

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Amy's Dairy Diary



Welcome to the first write up of Amy's Dairy Diary. I'm Amy Osborne, a 26 year old who has just taken on the ropes of Tobarn along with my Dad, Norman Junior, and under the watchful eye of Grandpa, Norman Senior.

I attended Jacobstow Primary School as a child and then went onto Budehaven Secondary School where I stayed to do my A Levels. This was because originally I wanted to study Forensic Science. However this didn't pan out for me as I then decided to stay at home to work on the dairy farm. Because of this new adventure I attended Duchy College, completing my Level 3 Diploma in Agriculture, Level 3 Apprenticeship in Agriculture and then finally Level 4 Apprenticeship in Agricultural Business Management. So here I am now, running the family farm, with help from Mum, sister, boyfriend and handyman Luke, and my younger cousins.

In my spare time, I am a member of Bradworthy Young Farmers Club and attend a fitness class at Revolutions Indoor rowing which is run by

Sam Weston within the parish.

We are currently milking Holstein Friesian cows, which are the black and white ones and Dairy Shorthorns, the red and white ones that you may see in the fields along the Eden Chapel to Wainhouse Corner road. In our herd we have a total of 260 cows, with plenty of young stock and our 2 Hereford bulls, Frank and Henry.

In the past few years pre-Covid, we attended numerous shows up and down the country with our Dairy Shorthorns winning some awards. We like to attend all of the local shows, such as Camelford, Holsworthy, Launceston and Okehampton. Our latest achievement before Covid struck last year was winning Breed Champion at The Bath and West Dairy Event in October of 2019.

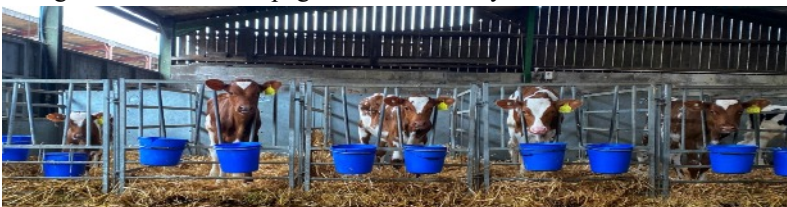
Most, if not all of our cows have names and we really shouldn't have favourites but everyone on the farm secretly has their own! The 'pet' of the farm is Big Bertha; she's a big old Dairy Shorthorn and one of the ones that my uncle originally bought and she has just recently calved with a beautiful heifer! Another firm favourite of mine, is Matilda. She is our cow who looks like a barrel. She loves all of the attention and soon gets sassy when she doesn't get it!

Many villagers who walk up the farm lane will more than likely see the odd calf or two that escape regularly! They just leave their mums for 10 minutes or so for a run around and soon return to them to get their bellies full of milk!

Look out for further shenanigans in future Journals, or if you cannot wait that long, follow our Instagram and Facebook pages – Tobarn Dairy Shorthorns.



Big Bertha and her heifer calf



Left to right

Peanut, Chatter, twins 1&2, and Bridget and Betty

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Bob's Gardening Spot

This time of the year your mower should be cutting just the top of the lawn and it's a good idea whilst mowing to take the collector box off and let the clippings form a mulch. A good phosphate feed would also benefit your lawn at the moment. Keep deadheading your annuals to encourage new flowers and don't forget to keep roses deadheaded as well, giving the lavender a quick trim whilst passing too.



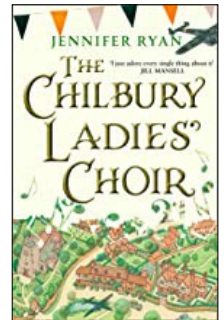
On the veg. patch your onions should be ready to harvest; leave them to dry right out after lifting before storing them away.

September is the ideal time to set up any new compost bins, ready for the Autumn tidy up. Make sure that you combine layers of green and brown garden waste to help it all rot down easily. Now is also the time to move any plants whilst the ground is still warm and they can settle in easily.

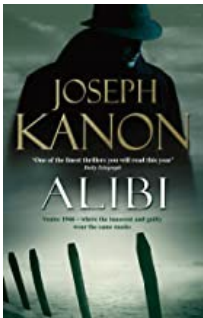
Book Club

‘The Chilbury Ladies’ Choir’ by Jennifer Ryan.

It is the summer of 1940 and the women of Chilbury are suffering the heartache of having husbands, lovers and sons sent abroad to fight. They also have to live with the growing threat of a German invasion. When a music teacher comes to live in the village she decides to start a ladies choir to help bring the village together and improve morale. The story is told through letters and diary entries of some of the characters and they reveal plenty of gossip, intrigue, love affairs and good deeds, as well as evil. Most of the group enjoyed this book, even though it was a rather easy read.



‘Alibi’ by Joseph Kanon



This time the year is 1946 and we are in post war Venice, where the locals are celebrating by getting together in restaurants and house parties before the tourists return. A young man comes to visit his widowed mother and meets a beautiful, young Jewish woman, with whom he begins a relationship. He discovers through her a much darker side of Venice and the many atrocities that were performed during the German occupation. He begins to suspect that the man his mother has recently met and fallen for may have been a Nazi sympathiser. Most of the group enjoyed this book because of the many intriguing twists and turns, as well as the detailed descriptions of Venice which really brought the city to life.



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ART CLUB

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After 15 long months of Zoom virtual meetings, Jacobstow Rainbows, Brownies and Guides have returned to face to face meetings (lots of cheering!) We have welcomed new girls to all three sections and Jane, a Guider from Bristol, has moved into the area and has joined the Guide Unit. The Guides are teaching her about all things agricultural, especially sheep; we have several young shepherds in the Unit.

The Rainbows were the first Unit to meet, where only one girl remained from before Lockdown. 5 nervous Rainbows entered the Hall and left as friends. They started the Camp Skill Builder badge by making dens with sheets and chairs. Pre COVID this would have been done as a group but now each Rainbow made their own. They must have had fun because the next week they brought 8 more friends. We walked to the river and played Pooh Sticks where everyone had a good time and came back almost dry.

The Guides were next. We have been working on the Guiding Tradition's badge and while virtual, had learnt morse code, using chat to write our messages on Morse



Code Day. We also made semaphore flags but decided that these needed more space to use, so our first face to face meeting, in a field, was spent sending messages to each other via flags. We all managed to spell our names and some managed to tell us that Guides is fun, cool and great. It was a wonderful summer's evening and we all went home on a high. The next week we had a cookout, again

blessed with great weather and the Guides taught Jane what a camp doughnut is.

The Brownies were the last to meet and worked on grid references to make pictures. From the noise level, it sounded like they were having fun.

Thank you to Louise, Rebecca, Sue and Jane for all their support and help in keeping Guiding going in the area; it has been worth it. The feedback from these first face to face meetings has been fantastic. One Mum wrote to say that her daughter had not been so happy for months, chatting and joking all the way home. I think my husband just might have said the same thing about me.

If your daughter or you are interested in joining Guiding, please contact me on 01840 230006. We are open to girls and women from 5 years upwards and can find a role for you in one of the sections.

First of all please support **The Brooks Family Litter Pick.**

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www.crowdfunder.co.uk/new-scout-hut-for-2nd-bude-jacobstow-scout-group

Here are some photos of recent activities from Beavers and Cubs.



Camping



Tug of war



Under Net Clamber



Walk the plank

Scouts, Robert - 07842084971

Cubs, Daphne - 01288 352786

Beavers, Josie - 07855001284



SWIMSAFE is a fun and free water safety activity for children aged 7-14 years. These 60 minute sessions will take place 2-12 August at Summerleaze Beach, Bude 10AM TO 4PM. Booking essential: www.swimsafe.org.uk

PUZZLE PAGE



Welcome to your "tea break" puzzle page, Lauren Smith was pulled from the hat and wins a £10 voucher to spend at Wainhouse Stores. If you would like a chance to win this edition's voucher, just solve the puzzles and return the completed page to Sarah Smith, Almar Jacobstow EX23 0BN by 10th September 2021.



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WORDSEARCH - one of the words listed below does NOT appear in the grid - which one?

BAY	BEACH
BURGER	COTTAGE
FUNFAIR	GULLS
HOLIDAY	HOTDOG
ICE CREAM	LEMONADE
LOTION	RAIN
SAND	SEA
SUMMERTIME	SUN
SUNTAN	SURF
SWIM	TOWEL



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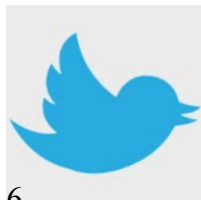
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Last edition answers: Word search missing word, Turbine. Bude Landmarks: 1. The Castle 2. Bude Tunnel 3. Nanny Moore's Bridge 4. Sea Pool 5. Barrel Rock/The Breakwater 6. The Peppercorn/ Storm Tower

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A Garden Club for Everyone

During Lockdown, millions of people turned to gardening and started growing not just flowers for the front border, but at least some of their own vegetables. But it's not just the practical business of growing your own food that's good for you, a recent study has shown that the more gardening you do, the better your well being. Daily gardening has the same impact on health and feeling good as regular vigorous exercise such as cycling or running. There's a healthy group of gardeners in this area of North Cornwall who love to get together once a month to talk about their triumphs and disasters, listen to interesting speakers, and arrange occasional outings to get inspiration from places like RHS Rosemoor. Over the past year or so we have missed those regular get-togethers so it's good to report that Juliotter Garden Club is now back up and running with a full programme of interesting speakers arranged for the rest of this year. Do come along and join us on the fourth Tuesday of the month, either as a guest or a new member. You'll get a warm welcome and a chance to meet some enthusiastic gardening addicts. Just to tempt you, here is our programme for the rest of this year:

27th July - Nigel Alford, head gardener at Hartland Abbey

24th August - Duana Pearson talks about Beautiful Edibles

28th September - Jamie Langore, tree surgeon on Trees and Hedges

26th October - Amelia Lake on Organic Vegetable Growing

23rd November - Ricky Hoskins talks about Dahlias

All meetings take place at Otterham Village Hall at 7.30. For further information please phone Pat Thorne on 01840 261237, or email patthorne4@gmail.com, have a look at www.juliottergarden.club or see our Facebook page Juliotter Garden Club



JACOBSTOW AMBLERS



Our last walk was a lovely sunny day when we all met at Penhallam. This is one of our favourites. This moated manor house was built between 12th and 14th centuries. It was discovered in the late 1960s, after being abandoned in 14th century. The red area is the oldest area.

Unfortunately the bridge on to the island has progressed from delicate and with

care, to down right dangerous and completely out of bounds owing to the bridge becoming seriously unsafe.

I have rung English Heritage and they say they are "aware" of the problem, but could not say when it would be mended as funding had to be found to repair the bridge.



GARDEN

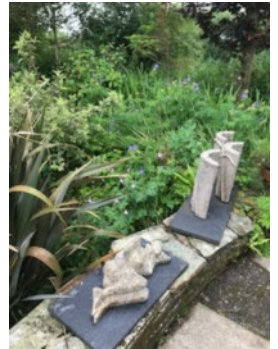


Scarecrow Selection



Stalls at the Village Hall.

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May didn't manage any of this. What high pressure there was, mostly centred to the west of Ireland and this left its southern flank exposed to frequent low pressure intrusions. There were hardly any dry days recorded here at Canworthy Water and some days, in particular the 20th was really quite stormy, with the southwesterly wind gusting to 43 knots here in the late evening. A very wet month, the days 21st through to the 23rd gave nearly 2" of rainfall collected for that period, and the total for the month was 7.26" which was almost twice my 10 year average for May.

It managed to warm up by the end of the month with 24.1° recorded on the 30th, but apart from that it was fairly cool with some days struggling to get into the low teens, so pretty hopeless generally. Some days were decidedly cold.

June of late was typical of previous years, being reasonably warm but prone to weather systems getting stuck over the near continent and persisting. A particular one of note commenced on the evening of the 27th, when a low of 1010 which had been cut off from the general circulation of the jet for some days, started to pull very moist air up from the south. This produced an extensive rain event which lasted into the following day, and by the end of the 28th 1.65" had been collected. A thunderstorm was observed to the east of the Duchy in the evening and local field flooding was reported, along with some of the lanes very awash. It certainly got the Ottery going here.

The total amount of rain collected was 2.67" which is pretty much typical for my 10 year average here.

HIGH TIDES and SUNSET August - September 2021

NB - Times based on Newquay, for Bude +25 minutes)

Date	6 Aug	13 Aug	20 Aug	27 Aug	3 Sept	10 Sept	17 Sept	24 Sept	1 Oct
AM	4.34	9.07	4.09	8.54	3.22	8.02	3.02	7.47	1.17
PM	16.55	21.26	16.36	21.12	15.49	20.21	15.34	20.04	14.08
Sunset	20.54	20.41	20.28	20.13	19.58	19.43	19.27	19.11	18.56

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Jacobstow WI has held two outdoor meetings, the first combined with our Annual Meeting in June, which was well attended. With the help of our County Adviser, Kathy Reed, we looked back over the past year (which didn't take long!), then members voted for the Committee and President to continue in their roles. The weather was kind to us and everyone enjoyed catching up after so long without meetings.

The national WI Annual Meeting was a hybrid event for the first time, live-streamed from London to delegates and members watching online. Guest speakers were HRH The Countess of Wessex, Baroness Hale, the first female President of the Supreme Court and Dame Cressida Dick, the first female Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police.



In July we again gathered in Jill's garden, put up the bunting and had fun with a brain-teasing quiz. A few of us had a go at a game of Quoits and we had another lovely social afternoon.

More county events are now being organised including group walks. A mini-show is being held in September at County House where the WI competitions, usually held as part of the Royal Cornwall

Show, are being judged and shown along with stalls, refreshments and activities. We hope to be able to resume meetings in September at the Parish Hall with speakers, visits and events.

If you'd like to find out more about the WI and its activities, do contact us at jacobstowwi@btinternet.com or give Jill a call on 01840 239829.

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SOME NATURAL WAYS TO UPSET BUGS AND DISEASES



Firstly it is important to remember that there are not hundreds of pests waiting to decimate all our vegetables and favourite flowers.

It will help to watch the weather, not grow too

many, too close and then supplying lots of alternative tasty or pollen heavy plants! Nettles for example if kept in a small patch will attract aphids away from say broad beans and young ones are tasty as a vegetable. French Marigolds, chives and garlic keep many pests at bay. The fragrance of marigolds



specifically will keep white fly, butterflies and moths away. It is the strong smelling herbs like rosemary, sage and lavender which can confuse bad and attract good insects.



Garlic is a major repellent as well as a culinary must. Plant near your gooseberries to

prevent sawfly. You can make a spray with crushed garlic and water which works well in repelling those nasties.

Cabbage collars are a simple way of deterring cabbage root fly.

Hedgehogs eat slugs, encourage them!



Church Lottery Results

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David's Random Rambling's



Since the last Journal, I've somehow managed to find the time to reflect upon some of life's great unanswered questions in the hope of achieving at least a degree of resolution. So far, this has been without success but perhaps somebody out there might be able to provide some insights. Not least amongst these vital issues is the enduring mystery of why it is that we only ever get experience immediately after the point when we really needed it. Has anybody else noticed?

And shouldn't we all be much more concerned than we are by the fact that half of the people in this world are below average? Although we can always console ourselves with the thought that the sooner we fall behind, the more time we'll have to catch-up, I'm not sure that this is sufficient in confronting these important yet still unresolved issues.

Finally, does anybody know the time of the next train from Otterham Station? I've been waiting here for what seems like years.



DOGS ON QUADS

Thank you Josie Shepherd for sending in this photo of Poppy, your 2 year old Jack Russell, lying in the sun.



**I also met farmer-
Steve Turner's dog Bess whilst out on my bike.**

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Open Day at Cottage Farm

On the Open Day a number of interested people arrived at Paul and Celia's registered organic Cottage Farm. The whole farm was set up 15 years ago as a model farm for the future and run almost exclusively on renewable energy.

Paul introduced himself and Celia and explained how they were trying to farm sustainably and in a resilient manner.

We set off down the lane where we met their Wiltshire Horn ram. He was rather bad tempered as he had been separated from his ladies! In this field there were a couple of ancient oak trees which had been mentioned in the farm census in the middle 1800's. Amazing to think that they were an important feature even then.



We were shown the fields which had been sown with a wide variety of grasses, legumes and herbs, over 30 varieties in all. We were shown a huge 70 kW wind turbine. This turbine wasn't theirs but they had rent and free electricity from it which was an added source of income to the farm.

We then wandered through a wild wood which had been tamed by goats. These goats had been

banned from the wood once they had done the job of clearing the undergrowth as their next favourite food was tree bark!

Then it was across a very damp field where Paul and Celia had set a bore hole for their water. The water was pumped to the top of the homestead where it then gravity fed the animal houses and the house.

Back at base Paul then told how they collected used oil from local restaurants to make bio diesel. The down side was you couldn't use it on modern diesel cars and tractors.

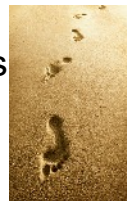
It was an interesting afternoon and the rain held off.



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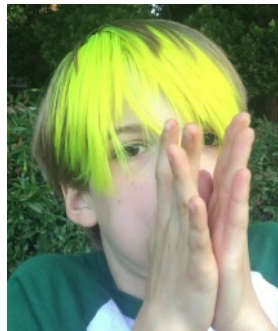
Did you know male mice sing love songs to attract mates? Their songs are too high pitched to hear.

Can you imitate the natural sounds you hear around you? Try singing some of the songs you hear birds sing. They are especially loud early in the morning.

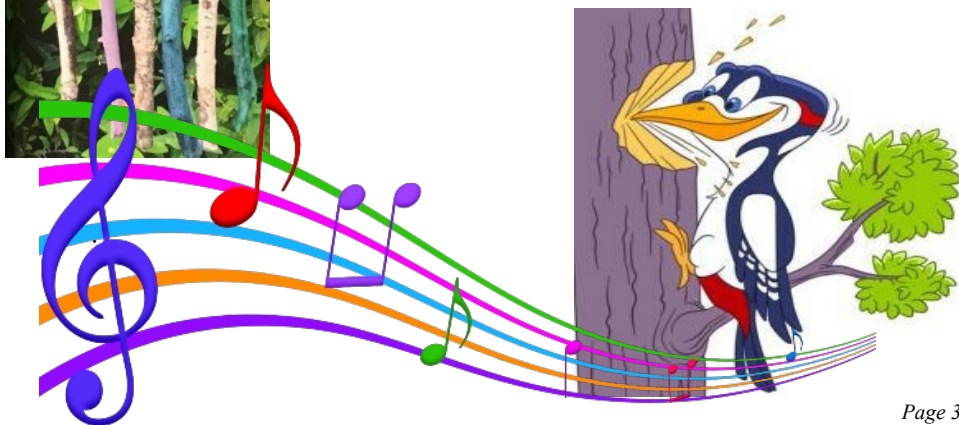
Make a grass trumpet.

Find a large flat blade of grass. Pinch it between your thumbs vertically and blow. Grown ups may remember making these, so they could help you.

Did you know woodpeckers drum trees with their beaks to advertise their territories to other birds? You could play drums by grabbing a couple of sticks and playing them on a fallen log.



Make some wood chimes. You'll need one long and 5 - 6 shorter sticks, some string and small metal eyelets. Ask a grown up to screw the eyelets into the shorter sticks. Thread the string through the eyelets and tie to your longer stick. Paint and hang outside or near a window.



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Divertimento String Quartet

Although the Bude Music Society has now folded it was good to have the opportunity to listen to a professional recital at Minstrels Music Centre, Canworthy Water.

Four very accomplished musicians played a selection of pieces. String Quartet in A Major, K464 by Mozart and String Quartet No 3, Op 73 by Shostakovich.

Hopefully there will be more concerts once the pandemic has eased.



THE JUBILEE BENCH.



Pictured this issue is Trinity, a local girl, who I have met before out on my bike when she and her friend sat on the bench for a chat and



to take a break from exercise. Also pictured is Mr

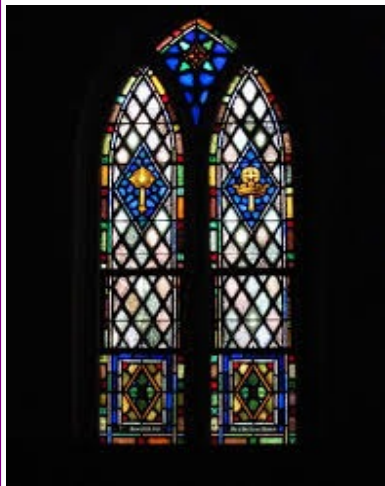
Edward Cox and his dog, Lady. Photo provided by Shiela Moutrie and Bella Forsythe.



It's not everyday Jacobstow gets a flypast by the Red Arrows -Thanks to David Cawley for sending the picture to us. Please send any pictures you think we might be interested in to jacobstowjournal@gmail.com

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since the days when farmers had to cut down the stalks with a scythe or a cradle – called reaping; separate the kernels from the inedible chaff by beating the cut stalks with a flail –threshing; and

separating the kernels from the chaff – winnowing. The combine harvester got its start in Scotland in 1826 when Reverend Patrick Bell designed a reaper—a large machine pushed by horses that used a type of scissors to cut the stalks. But Bell did not patent his invention. The first working combine was the invention of Hiram Moore and John Hascall of Kalamazoo County, Michigan who tested it in the late 1830s, patenting it in 1836. In the same year, another American, Cyrus McCormick, was granted a patent for his famous mechanical reaper. Moore and Hascall’s combines incorporated most of the features integral to later versions: a reciprocating sickle to cut the stalks; a reel to push the grain onto the platform; and a canvas apron or drape to deliver it to a threshing cylinder. Screens and a fan cleaned the threshed grain. Up to 30 mules or horses were needed to pull the combine, with a ground-driven bull wheel providing power to the moving parts of the combine. In the late 1880s, California farmer George Stockton Berry integrated the combine with a steam engine to provide power to the mechanics. Men forked straw from the rear of the separator back into the firebox to heat the water in the boiler. By 1937, Thomas Carroll, working for Massey-Harris in Ontario, perfected the first commercially viable self-propelled combine. Combine innovations continued, when in 1975, New Holland introduced the first commercial twin-rotor combine, a significant advance in harvesting technology still in use today. The majority of today’s combines are rotary combines offering multi-crop threshing and rotary separation. Optional equipment includes GPS, data collection, luxury panoramic view cabs, touch screen monitors, and more. The newest models are able to harvest almost 100 tons of small grains per hour.



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Wainhse	0811	0941	1241	1441	1651	1906
Tre'skni X	08.15	0945	1245	1445	1655	1910
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Wainhse	0906	1106	1341	1551	1751
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