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ST. MEUBRED'S CHURCH UPDATE

Services for St Meubred's, Cardinham - Feb / March

February 1st	9.30 am	Holy Communion
February 8th	11 am	Joint Service with Millpool Methodist Church in Cardinham Parish Hall
February 15th	9.30 am	Holy Communion
February 18th	2.45 pm	Ash Wednesday School Service
February 22nd	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
March 1st	9.30 am	Holy Communion
March 8th	11 am	Joint Service with Millpool Methodist Church in Millpool Chapel
March 15th	9.30 am	Holy Communion
March 22nd	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
March 29th	10 am	Palm Sunday Team Service in St Petroc's
April 3rd	10 am	Good Friday Service of Reflection
April 5th	9.30 am	Easter Day Holy Communion

Books for sale or swap in St Meubred's Church: If you have books or DVDs you are happy to donate to our library for others to read or watch, please leave them on the bookshelf as you enter the church. Do help yourselves to either

Friday 13th March, 7.30 pm in Cardinham Parish Hall

Talk from Chris Batters on 'Filming in Cornwall'

A light-hearted slide show of Chris' connection with the making of famous films in Cornwall. Followed by light refreshments.

Lilies for Easter We will be arranging lilies donated in memory of loved ones in the church for Easter. If you wish to donate lilies please let me know your order by Friday 20th March.

Tea Party & Chat

**February 5th and March 5th
in Cardinham Parish Hall.**

Join us for a cuppa, cake and chat,
everyone warmly welcome.



ST MEUBRED'S TOWER FUND UPDATE

This a quick update on the fund-raising for the church tower. You will be aware we are having to raise around £80,000 to repair and restore the church tower. Thanks to your support, we have got off to a marvellous start and are now in the position to be able to apply for grants in addition to our own fund-raising and resources. We have applied to Cornwall Historic Churches Trust, The Benefact Trust and are in the process of applying to The Lottery Heritage Fund.

The Quiz Night, held on December 5th, was a great success and great fun. Sonia was a terrific host and in total we raised about **£550**, way above expectations! Thank you to all of who joined and contributed to the supper.

By the time you receive this magazine we will have heard **Merlin Hanbury-Tenison's** talk on his work to conserve, and hopefully increase, the nations rainforests.

The following events are planned:

Friday 13th March, 7.30 pm, in Cardinham Parish Hall. With Chris Batters on **'Filming in Cornwall'**, a light hearted slideshow about Chris' connection with famous films in Cornwall. Followed by light refreshments.

Thursday 25th June, at 7 pm, in St Meubred's Church, **Johnny Cowling Show** with light refreshments.

Sunday 19th July **Tower Open Day**. To include tower tours, refreshments stalls, wedding dress display

Dates to be confirmed: **Auction of Promises, Duck Race in Cardinham Woods, Walks/rides and teas, celebration of the organ's installation centenary.**

We look forward to your continued support.

Thank you Ann & Libby



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Dear Friends,

It has been quite a stormy start to the year what with ice, a dusting of snow then storm Gorette. Let's hope things calm down a bit now.

One of my favourite Bible stories is when Jesus and the disciples are crossing the sea of Galilee in a fishing boat. A wild storm suddenly blows up and the fishermen fear for their lives. They have to wake Jesus up – He was taking a nap after a busy preaching tour – and they say to Him *"don't you care that we are drowning?"* Jesus commands the sea to be still, the storm abruptly abates and they arrive back safely.

This episode prompts the disciples to ask: ***"Who is this man – even the wind and waves obey him"***. They knew Jesus was a teacher and healer but this was something else. It only slowly dawned on them that Jesus was and is both man and God, human and divine. Many in today's world equally struggle with the true identity of Jesus.

"Who is this man?" is a good question for us all to ask of Jesus at the start of a New Year. Is he simply a good man, wise teacher, compassionate healer or prophet or is there more to Him than this. Scripture is quite clear that Jesus was and is both God and man. This is what qualifies Him uniquely to reconcile all things through His death and resurrection.

Whatever life may through at us we can trust Jesus to be our deliverer.

Blessings!

John Hereward



Image: The Storm on the Sea of Galilee, painting by Philip Kamble (Google)

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CARDINHAM HELPLINE



I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and I send you all good wishes for 2026.

We will have had our **AGM** by the time you read this so I will report on that in the next edition of the Magazine.

Meanwhile, the dates for **our next lunches** are **19th February** and **19th March**.

As usual, if you are new to our lunches, please ring to book with Julia on **01208 821216**. We will look forward to seeing you there along with our regular diners.

Kind regards, Rosemary



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WEDNESDAY 25th FEBRUARY – 7.30pm
“*Miscellany of Memories & Stories*”

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WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH – 7.30 pm
“*Bodmin Moor’s Industrial Past*” – Mark Camp

Mark’s presentation focusses on quarrying, china clay and the mining heritage of the Moor.

The History Group meets once a month, usually the 4th Wed. per month, either out on a field visit (times vary) or at the Jubilee Hall, Mount (7.30 pm)

Anyone is welcome to attend any meeting for £2 – it’s open to all.

Visit: <https://warleggan.net/history-club/> for more info.

or call Gill on 01208 821494



Parish Nurse

Juliet Stewart (in the photo) and Geraldine Ashton, the Parish Nurse for Bodmin, came to the Helpline Lunch on 15th January.

They are looking for the best way for people to reach them at existing local community events. Once they’ve seen what works best they will attend a regular programme of events.

Parish nurses can help you navigate your way through health services, make appointments, review tests and treatment pathways supported, also do regular blood pressure checks and health promotion. They can give Christian pastoral care but this service is open to all.

Cardinham Sports Club

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Cardinham Sports Club – Something for Everyone

If you had the chance to be a little more active, what would you choose to do?

At Cardinham Sports Club, we want to make it easier —and more enjoyable — for everyone in our community to get moving in ways that suit them. As part of our plans to improve and refurbish the club, we're looking to expand the range of activities we offer and we'd love your ideas.

That could mean:

- A **warm, welcoming place to meet** before or after a walk, run, or cycle in Cardinham Woods or out on the moors
- **Fun, relaxed activities for families and young people** to play, move, and spend time together
- A **wider choice of sports and games** on our court — we already offer tennis, netball, mini hockey, and pickleball, but what else would you like to see?

Your views really matter. Hearing from as many people as possible will help shape our refurbishment and improvement project — for which we're already fundraising — and ensure the club reflects what the community truly wants.

Join Us for Our **BIG WEEKEND** - 18th & 19th April

We'd love you to join us for our **BIG WEEKEND**, where we'll be playing games, trying out new and different activities, and chatting with you about your ideas for the future of the club. Whether you're sporty, social, curious, or just want to look around, everyone is welcome.

Please pop the date in your diary — **more details will be shared** in the next parish newsletter, on our website www.cardinhamports.org, and on our Facebook pages "**Cardinham Active Hub**" and "**Cardinham Sports Club**."

For further information, please contact chairman@cardinhamports.org.



This week **Hedgehog Class** have been inspired by the weather to learn about the season of Winter and use the knowledge of winter trees to draw using charcoal in art and create landscape pictures. There has been lots of discovery around ice and how it melts over time. The children succeeded in making their own ice sculptures using water and moulds.



In Computing, **Squirrels** have been diving into the world of digital music! We began by exploring the fascinating sounds inspired by Gustav Holst's *Planets* suite, listening carefully to how music can tell a story. Then, the children took their creativity a step further by experimenting with rhythm and pace using Chrome Music Lab. They created rhythms to represent an animal of their choice, some chose lively woodpeckers, galloping horses, and even the laughing call of a kookaburra! It's been wonderful to see their excitement as they compose their own patterns and discover how technology can make music magical.



It was so lovely to see all of **Deer Class** again after the Christmas break! Despite the turbulent week of weather, they have all worked incredibly hard and this will only continue over the half term. We began learning about the water cycle in Geography this week, focusing on the enquiry question '*How does the water cycle influence our everyday lives?*'

Our class text this half term is '*The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*'. I am certain that the children will enjoy this book as much as the others.

A special time was had at Cardinham School's Christingle Service in St Meubred's in December. The pupils sang & read so well & younger ones were dressed so delightfully for their parts in the traditional Nativity - well done parents! Thanks to Revd John Hereward for leading this in his very Christmassy jumper & for explaining the meaning of the orange which represents the world; the red ribbon is God's love & blood Jesus shed for us; the sweets & dried fruits are God's Creation; & the lit candle is the warm glow of Jesus' light bringing hope to people living in darkness.



Lizzy Smart

News from MILLPOOL METHODIST CHURCH

We were pleased to once again donate a Christmas tree for the village. It was fitting that three local children (members of the Chappell family) led the count down for the **big light switch on**. Our singing outdoors was brought to an early finish due to the weather and



we were rewarded with some delicious home-made soup, mince pies and some Christmas renditions by the **Chorale**.

The **Chorale** had a busy lead up to Christmas; singing in the arcade in Bodmin, entertaining the WI at Lanhydrock, Millpool's Christmas Concert and to the residents at Wadebridge Market Court.

The Book Club had a very enjoyable meeting in December with some festive fun, but had to cancel in January due to the icy weather.

The Chapel was full for the **Christmas Eve Service**, led by Rev Nichola, which was enjoyable, thoughtful and challenging. Elwyn and Mabel led the singing of 'Away in a Manger' while Jonathan proudly showed off his baby son.

Over the Christmas period we have been pleased to donate goods to the **Food Bank** and monies to **ShelterBox** and **Action For Children**.

SERVICES:

Sunday February 1st

Sunday February 8th

Sunday February 15th

Sunday February 22nd

Church Fellowship

United Service at the Parish Hall

Rev Jones

Circuit Service at Millpool

DIARY DATES:

Thursday February 26th 10.30am

Friday March 6th 11.00am

Saturday March 28th 8.30-10.30

Church Council Meeting

A service for Womens World Day of

Prayer followed by soup and roll

Millpool's Big Breakfast



Walking Group



Fancy joining this
Wednesday Morning Walking Group
which enjoys exploring various walks of about 4-5 miles in Cornwall?

Our leader, Ian, would love more leaders to help with choosing & leading new walks - we're a friendly bunch of differing energy levels & many love socialising over a pub lunch after. Contact Ian on: **spounsley@aol.com**



Lizzy Smart



*Boxing Day Daffs – planted November –
Caron & Doug*

Cardinham & District Gardening Club

December 2025

Our horticultural knowledge was certainly put to the test with an ingenious quiz hosted by Becky Martin for the December meeting. Each table of 4-6 members were given boxes with various 'questions' in them. For example, small packets of seeds to identify, or potatoes (yes, really) for example 'What is the most used potato variety?' (Answer below, as if you didn't know).

We also had to try and identify (or guess) various seed pods and another box containing different leaves. All very entertaining and light-hearted and to round off the evening – mince pies and mulled wine. We had certainly earned the seasonal fare.

January 2026

What a great way to start the New Year! A convivial audience attended the AGM of the club where the chair gave a resume of the last years' successful meetings and outings. The treasurer gave their report and the secretary and rest of committee were thanked for their work and commitment.

After all of this...the speaker George Kestell was welcomed.

George is well known for his knowledge, enthusiasm and, above all, his humour. There was much laughter as various bits and pieces were offered to the audience for identification. Even though we are in the middle of winter, when we think the garden is dull and uninteresting, the collection of leaves, flowers and stems, that were discussed proved these ideas wrong! At the end of his talk most of the plant material was snatched away for possible cuttings.

During the talk he did mention, as a serious point, to beware of cut laurel. This gives off cyanide. He talked about the time, after hedge trimming, he'd driven several miles with a van load of cut leaves...he was quite unwell by the end of the journey.

George mentioned that he'd appreciate discussion during this very inter-active talk, as he remarked, he doesn't like questions at the end because he's like a loaded wheelbarrow "hard to push and easily upset!"

Next meeting is Elizabeth Reeves giving a talk entitled 'The Good, the Bad and the Ugly' (you can't say that the garden club is nothing but controversial !) See you on Monday, February 16 th, Cardinham Parish Hall ...everyone very welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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At Cardinham Parish Hall

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No Pubs In Jan, June, Nov

UPCOMING Events



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2pm - 4pm
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How are the mighty fallen...!

When Storm Goretta came violently crashing into the south-west, Cornwall in particular, it found some easy targets.

The 100 mph gusts took advantage of certain 'subjects' that just couldn't stand the onslaught. One of these 'targets' were the poor old macrocarpa conifers.

Cupressus macrocarpa sometimes called the Monterey Cypress can stand salt-laden winds and are, or at least have been (!) a feature of coastal areas in Cornwall. Often they were planted as shelter belts because of their dense foliage and the ability to grow quickly. They were introduced to the UK in the early 19th century from the coastal areas of California. A few years later all the great gardens and estates in the UK were out with their spades planting these wondrous trees, particularly in maritime areas.

So why did they fare so cruelly in the storm?

Most conifers are evergreen and keep their dense foliage throughout the year and the dense growth on a macrocarpa acts like a giant sail....the wind can't filter through . Another snag is that they have a very shallow root system and, unsurprisingly with the soil absolutely saturated, something had to give!

This horrendous storm will have affected some of our great gardens, parklands, estates and our 'Cornish' landscape will take many years to recover.

Richard Sutton



Image credit: Cornwall Live, 12 Jan 2026

What is FLAMM?

Think of FLAMM as a town-wide adventure in art.

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Shrove Tuesday hurling tradition continues in Cornish town

The ancient game of Cornish hurling still takes place in the county every year on Shrove Tuesday. The game is held in St Columb Major, near Newquay, and involves two teams trying to wrestle, throw and carry a small, silver ball through the streets.

It starts in the middle of the afternoon, with the words: “*Town and Country do your best. But in this parish I must rest.*” The hurling can last anywhere from a few minutes to a few hours.

The winner is the person who carries the ball across the parish boundary or to their own “goal”.

The hurling starts at 16:30 and is thrown into the crowd by a person chosen by the previous “winner of the ball” from a stepladder in the town’s Market Square. The town goal is the base of an old Celtic cross and the country goal is a shallow stone trough, with the “pitch” measuring about 20 square miles but the teams can also win by carrying it out of the parish.

The game is considered by many to be Cornwall’s national game along with Cornish wrestling. At one time it was played across Cornwall, but only takes place now in towns like St Columb Major and St Ives.

After a day of hurling another tradition is the “drinking the silver ball”. In the evening the ball is dipped into a mug of the winner’s drink. The town even has a pub called the Silver Ball. A rematch takes place on the second Saturday after the competition. The winner can choose to keep the silver ball, although they have to pay for a replacement.

The silver ball is made using a traditional method of construction and a core made of apple wood



Article and image from BBC Cornwall
14 Feb, 2018



On Nickanan Night, children knocked on doors to demand pancakes

WHEN?

March

Nickanan night, also known as Collop Monday or Peasen Monday, is the Monday before Lent and once had great significance in Cornwall. Primarily it was a time to eat pea soup, which was prepared in nearly every house from dried split peas. The eating of salt bacon or gammon was also common on this night, and often accompanied the pea soup.

To children Nickanan Night was “roguey night” and involved playing practical jokes. In Mousehole, this included moving small fishing boats up the hill from the harbour to the village salt pond. Children would also play “Nick Nack”, knocking on doors and running away or demanding a pancake to prevent further mischief. Sometimes, they chanted the rhyme “Nicka nicka nan, Give me some pancake, and then I’ll be gone, But if you give me none, I’ll throw a great stone, And down your door shall come”.

In Polperro, a “Jack-o-Lent” was created. Similar to a scarecrow, this was a figure stuffed with straw, which was supposed to represent Judas Iscariot, the disciple that betrayed Jesus on Good Friday. The Jack-o-Lent was placed on a cart and dragged through the streets of the village while locals threw stones and rotten vegetables at it. When it arrived at the beach, it was ceremonially burned to get rid of the evil of Judas.

In places like St Just in Penwith, there was a tradition of using a hobbyhorse to scare people. This was a pole with a horse’s skull on top of it, which was carried by a dancer covered in a cloth or large piece of leather so that no one could tell he was there. The last time this was recorded was in 1852.

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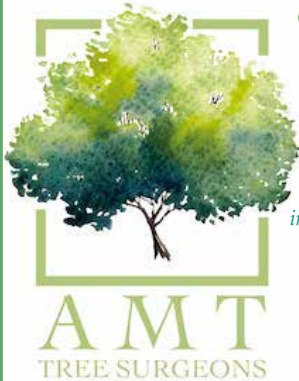
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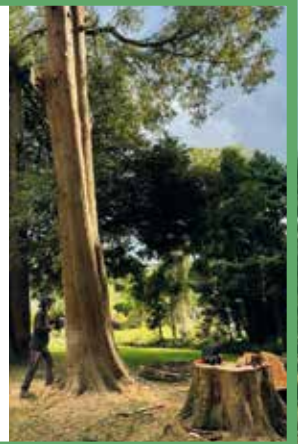
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Amazing Questioner Sonia Tucker

Dear supporters

I hope you have all survived the latest ghastly storm. We had a couple of power outages but none for more than a few hours, thankfully. It was a NE wind so the church didn't suffer the deluge inside this time!

Shortly after sending the last update we heard from Cornwall Historic Churches Trust that they are awarding us over £6,000 in grant funding. We didn't expect to get so much from them so it's a real boost.

Thank you for all your help. Libby



Warleggan YFC

The club recently enjoyed a wonderful evening of food and dancing at Trevenna Barns for the annual Dinner and Dance. A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who attended and supported the club, helping make the night as successful as it deserved to be. Special appreciation is due for all the behind-the-scenes support, with Club President Kathryn especially grateful to Full Blooms of Liskeard, all the staff at Trevenna, and the many advisory and club members who contributed.

As usual, the club has been active with its festive fundraising, including the Santa Drive By and Christmas Tree Collections, raising around £300 for this year's charities: Penhaligon Friends and Children's Hospice Southwest. Looking ahead, members are already taking orders for this year's Dung Run on Saturday, 21st February. To reserve your bags (£3 each or £10 for four), please contact Harry at 07596575241. I also believe that there could be another Fish and Chip night on the horizon. Please keep an eye out for more details.

Interestingly, over half of the club's current members are not from farming backgrounds, and those involved in agriculture are more than happy to chat about subjects beyond farming during Monday evenings. If you know someone aged 14–28, why not invite them to get in touch with the club chairman and join an evening? In recent weeks, members have enjoyed activities such as a visit to M and M Plant of Launceston, dance practice for the dinner and dance from an advisory group surprise night. Upcoming events include talks from Little Harbour, golfing at the China Fleet Driving Range, and a trip to Ian Hodge Field Sports.

For more information about Warleggan YFC, contact our chairman Harry on 07596575241.



Photo of Members at Mount Jubilee Hall enjoying an evening of "I'm a young Farmer get me out of here" organised by A fellow club member. The evening included untying stars knotted onto string, finding stars in a bucket of Wotsits with their teeth and drinking a Blue lumpy liquid:- Milk with colouring and ice cubes in.

What a delicious & delightful time we all had during last December's **Helpline Christmas Lunch**. The tables were beautifully laid, crackers were pulled & jokes shared - some met with groans! Everyone on the Team pampered & fed us so well. I (the paparazzi) even won our table's Christmas floral decoration as did others on their's - thanks go to Sue Kelly for making those. So on behalf of all who came 'Thank you' Helpline Team for all you did to make this community event such a success - looking forward to the next one - do come & join us - the more the merrier!

Lizzy Smart



Happy Moo Year! by Lizzy



Above: Misty morning in Cardinham, by Lizzy. Below: Sunrise over Cardinham by Polly



CARDYNHAM CHURCH

Glance over at St Meubred's church as you travel through the parish. Who are the people who have loved this building, who has preserved and renewed it? Some of you may know the **Rector Athelstan Coode**. In preparing a booklet based on these articles, I have come across some less known candidates.

I found a quote from 1821. The rural dean found the "church is in good repair throughout, the north and south aisles are without a ceiling". The dean noted "the expenses of making new walks in the churchyard and of fencing it from being made a common resort on all occasions will bring a heavy expense on the parish." Then, the next year, "a well kept church, the aisles still without ceiling but the rector thinks it would be no improvement on account of the woodwork in the roof of those aisles being handsomely finished." Look up - the nave roof isn't old and is very plain, but the aisles have painted decorations. Our regular inspection reported "the roof structure half way down the north aisle has dog tooth decoration panels as a canopy. This form of decoration is used to highlight a sanctuary area or shrine." Who was the wise rector who resisted the rural dean's enthusiasm for ceilings? We should thank **Rector Thomas Grylls**, 1814-1845, that this ancient woodwork was preserved. He is buried in the churchyard by the path to the church. He died in 1871. His daughter Louisa Anne Miles donated windows in his memory. As you pass his grave spare a thought for him.

Which brings us to **Rector Frederick May**, 1900-1923. I came across a letter from him to John Olglander in the Isle of Wight, dated 1907. The letter says they'd decided to remove the old Glynn deal box pews, which were in an advanced state of decay and also to renew the whole of the flooring, putting in six inches of concrete over the whole surface. They already knew that a large Glynn family vault existed. But they found 3 or 4 rows of coffins, piled one above another, barely 18" under the floor covered with a little loose rubble. They were consulting the Glynn family on what to do. In the faculty list (permissions for work on the church) it says that while Rev May was Rector, the church was beautified. In 1901 soon after he'd arrived, he held a service to dedicate ten new windows, probably Louisa Anne Miles'. Then in 1907 he restored the roofs of the north and south aisle and buttressed the north wall. Various people have copies of a photo "restoring Cardynham church Sept 1907." He also installed new heating, repaired pews and converted the east end of the south aisle into a lady chapel. This is when he wrote his letter to Sir John Olglander. Since there doesn't appear to be any Glynn graves elsewhere, the remains are probably still under the floor. Both Rev May's sons were killed in the First World War, aged 19, a year apart. This broke him. His last improvements in 1919 were a clock in the tower, the 9 foot Cardinham granite cross in the churchyard and the poignant memorial of the altar rail commemorating Paul and Tom May. All are war memorials.

As well as those sons, Rev May had a daughter. She was the mother of our previous MP Paul Tyler. The family embroidered a set of kneelers for our altar rail to commemorate her.

Ann Kerridge



Your Local Councillor - Chris Batters



Well hello 2026, and as we move into the new year, after what locally turned out to be a very good Xmas period weather-wise, the arrival of January has brought lots of heavy rain and last night's severe arrival of Storm Goretti. There was considerable damage caused throughout the county, and especially 'down west' by the sounds of it, and a figure of 1000 trees are believed to have become victim to the exceptional high winds, and according to this morning's TV the highest wind was recorded at 99 mph.

Through my contact with Cardinham Parish Council, I have received several issues connected to drainage and road conditions over the past couple of months, all of which were reported to Highways and either have or should be receiving attention. With the weather we have experienced recently, apart from the Christmas week, a lot of repairs are required on the roads of Cornwall. Throughout my very large ward, issues with roads are top of the list, especially the rural ones. These roads were never built for the traffic and vehicles that travel them in this modern age.

In my last entry in the magazine, mention was made of the deaths of some of the animals on the Common Moor area, in collisions with motor vehicles. Working with the Parish Council, we are now in the process of additional signage becoming available for the area, warning of livestock roaming freely. Hopefully this might get the attention sought and save a few of the animals.

2026 is the year that we hopefully will see the roll-out by Cornwall Council on a 20mph speed restriction programme that will include rural areas. We can only hope that the 20mph signs might catch the eye of the motorists and make them think towards less weight by their foot on the accelerator!!!

Again, feel free to register any issue or concern you might have directly to Cornwall Council via their website, or feel free to ring me on either of my numbers below. I can assure you that I am available 24/7. When contacting me by text or email, please include your contact number as I may wish to speak with you for some additional details.

Chris Batters - Councillor for Lanivet, Blisland & Bodmin St Lawrence

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REGULAR EVENTS

DATE	WHEN	EVENT	WHERE
Monday	7.30pm	Warleggan Young Farmers' Club	JHM
Monday	7.15pm	Millpool Chorale Practice	CRM
Tuesday	11.45-12.45pm	Pilates Mixed Ability Class	JHM
Tue (1st in month)	2.30pm	Book Club (821208)	CRM
Tue (3rd in month)	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	CPH
Tue (last in month)	10.30am	Millpool Coffee Morning & Book Swap	CRM
Wed (2nd in month)	2.30-4.30pm	Crafternoon	CRM
Wed (4th in month)	7.30pm	Warleggan History Group	JHM
Thur	7.00pm	Bell Ringing	St. Meubred's
Thur	10-11 am	Pilates	CPH
Thur (1st in month)	2.30-4pm	Tea Party & Chat	CPH
Thur (3rd in month)	12.45pm	Helpline Lunch	CPH
Thur (last in month)	All day	Pensioners 10% Discount	Trago
Fri (term time only)	9.15-11.15am	Little Fawns Toddler Group	CPH
Sat (1st in month)	7.30-10.30pm	Pop Up Pub Night	CPH
Sat (last every month)	9am-3pm	Farmers Market , Mount Folly	Bodmin
Sun (1st in month)	10.45am-12	KIDZ CLUB	CRM
Sun	10.30am	Table Tennis (821409)	JHM

CRM = THE COMMUNITY ROOM, MILLPOOL METHODIST CHURCH

CPH = CARDINHAM PARISH HALL, JHM = JUBILEE HALL MOUNT

We're introducing an online calendar which contains the main events that are happening in the Parish and surrounding area. It can be accessed by scanning the QR code or by following the web link. Hopefully you'll find it useful and can download those events you're interested in to your own calendar. If you have any comments or any dates you'd like to add please let Peter Claridge know by emailing cardinhameditor@gmail.com

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