

THANKS for all the good wishes we've had and sorry about the printing problems that made some of our first issue hard to read. We hope to improve! Many thanks to those helping with deliveries – Owen Withers and Sebastian Baverstock in Polyphant, Stuart Budge in Trevadlock, Damien and Dominic Pitt, Paul Ingerson and Mrs Gladys Farr in Lewannick, Mrs Jenny Rice at Plusha, Bridget Kingdon at Trevell and Wing Cdr Bill Newby at Trelaske.

A DEPUTATION of children when to see Mrs Lynn Eno, secretary of the village hall committee, recently to ask if anything could be done about the amount of dog faeces which soil the children's play area by the village hall. Please dog owners be a bit more responsible for your pets, they should not be allowed to make a mess wherever they like. The new path from the estate to the hall is pretty dirty too. Try walking a small child along!

Several members of the public attended the PARISH COUNCIL meeting on April 30 to complain about cyclists on the path from Hawks Tor Drive to the hall. The council are unable to obtain 'no cycling' signs and in fact are sympathetic to both sides. It seems that children do not realise that elderly people are frightened by fast moving bikes and fear falling down, and the elderly do not appreciate it is far safer for the children to be away from the dangerous corner by the church. Perhaps the best answer is for youngsters to hop off if they see someone walking. Young mums would appreciate this too. Be considerate and everyone will be happier.

The EASTER BONNET evening on Easter Saturday was only poorly attended by some 20 people, but it was the men who won the day. More entered the competition than woman. About £15 was raised for all funds.

VOLUNTEERS would be welcomed to help 'clean up the green' in Polyphant, a regular chore done 2 or 3 times a year. The parish council have been concerned lately about horses carving up the grass. Anyone willing to lend a hand should contact parish Cllr. Owen Withers PP86337.

The CLASSICAL MUSIC SOCIETY needs string players. Subject for the next meeting at Trelaske House is the animal kingdom, on Monday, May 26 at 7.30 p.m. Monday June 30 will be the society dinner, and Monday July 28 will see an organ recital at Higherlands, Stock Climsland. Enquiries to CG 82218.

Lewannick CONSERVATIVES will be holding an extraordinary meeting followed by an AGM on Tuesday, May 13 at 7pm. All welcome at Anneth Lowen, Lewannick. A successful coffee evening was held there, at the home of Thomas and Maureen Shovell, on April 18. Gerry Neale, MP for North Cornwall, discussed local and world affairs, including the effects of milk quotas, rates and pensions. £35 was raised.

Lewannick TABLE TENNIS Club has received a cheque for %50 from funds raised by the Archer Arms and would like to say THANK YOU very much. The cash will help buy a new table. On April 1 at Launceston College 3 of the top players took part in the inter-county under 11-team championship against Devon, Somerset and Avon. Sebastian Baverstock was selected to play for Cornwall A boys team and Dominic Pitt for the B team. Sarah Richardson, 8, was invited to stand in for a Somerset girl when someone was ill. All three players performed well – all going through to the semi-finals before being knocked out. The club has made 5 trips to Bodmin recently, the last on April 20 when Paul Ingerson, Dominic and Sebastian had a busy days play. In all they played 105 games and Sebastian, aged 10, won both the under 10 and under 11 county titles. (WELL DONE) Club nights for May are the 3rd, 17th and 24th. Lewannick Closed Tournament on the 30th 2-8pm. Entry forms will be sent out.

Lewannick W.I. were entertained with an antiques roadshow by Mr. Alan Buckingham of Launceston. He was thanked by Miss Mary Rice. Mrs Dowler was welcomed as a new member by the President, Mrs P. Sobey. A competition for an animal made from vegetable was won by Mrs J. Rice and Mrs E. Lillie. Tea hostesses were Mrs Davis and Mrs Sobey. Next meeting, Friday, May 16, special topic the RNLI.

We are planning a local INFORMATION SHEET with details of local and emergency numbers with details of local buses, services, and organisations. We hope to do this in July. It is something we hope people will pin on their kitchen wall for reference. Adverts for this and for the newsletter are invited to help pay for stencils and paper. Rates negotiable but how about 50p for one line, £1 for two?

Lewannick and District FLOWER SOCIETY had an open meeting at Coads Green village hall on April 22 with national demonstrator Mrs M. Jensen from Taunton. She gave a lovely demonstration of arrangements the audience felt they could reproduce themselves in their own homes. The theme was 'spring in the air'. Club chairman Mrs Alice Balls introduced Mrs Jensen and club president Mrs C. Willcock gave a vote of thanks. A recent coffee morning, given by Wing Cdr and Mrs Bill Newby, at Linton Springs raised funds for the club's entry in the Royal Cornwall Show in June. The club trip to Glendurgan Gardens and Burncoose Gardens and nursery on May 14 still has some free seats. Leaves Lewannick hall at 09.30am – price £2 for bus, pay own entry to garden or use NT card. Phone Mrs L. Harris for details PP 86387.

CONGRATULATIONS to Julie Budge of Trevadlock and Alan Randall of Went Castick on their marriage at North Hill Church on April 26.

SKITTLES – the evening at Lewannick CP School on April 25 was a great success with 24 teams competing. A total profit of £168 was made and will be shared equally between the school PTA and the newly reformed playgroup. Teams took part from nearly every local organisation and there were 6 from Bowden Derra. Winners were the parish council who beat Mrs Howard's team from Trevosper. Vice-chairman of the governors Barbara Sleep presented a cup and plaques and it is hoped this may now become an annual event. The idea came from Sue Ingerson who together with husband Pete and Francis and Cheryl Howard organised the alleys, teams and refreshments. Mrs C. Wilson, Head teacher thanked everyone present and Sue wants to say thanks for all those who helped and supported the event.

GOLDEN CIRCLE – 36 people enjoyed the outing to Castle Drogo on April 23 despite poor weather. Next meeting May 19 and they hope to do another trip towards the end of the month.

The PLAYGROUP held its first meeting on Wednesday April 30 (1.30-3.30pm) in the village hall when 19 babies and toddlers and mums had super fun with sand, water, paint, the slide, jigsaws, games and toys. More sessions may be organised later on. 50p a session.

Lewannick CRICKET CLUB start their season on Saturday May 3 and would like to hear from any cricketers interested in Saturday and evening matches. They also need a scorer. Anyone interested contact the Saturday captain John Wadge on CG 82322.

Could anyone play chess with older children at the SCHOOL during their activities hour at 1.15pm on Fridays? Head teacher Mrs C. Wilson would like to hear from any volunteers. Younger brothers and sisters can be included in the school photo session on May 15 at 10am plus anyone planning on becoming a pupil in the future. Next Wednesday May 7 go and support the children playing football and netball against 3 other schools. Weather permitting – school field after 1pm.

Thursday, May 22 10.30pm until 9pm. All day coffee and biscuits with Kernewek Pottery on display, at Anneth Lowen, Lewannick. All proceeds to Lewannick Church. .

JULIAN MEETINGS – monthly meetings of contemplative prayer are held at Priory Cottage at 8pm on the first Monday of each month. They are inter-denominational. More info Margaret Wilson CG 82418. A team of volunteers are in the process of re-organising the chancel and sanctuary in line with suggestions made by the church architect some 3 years ago. This will give the clergy and servers more room during the Eucharist.

OTHER DATES. Library van – May 19 between 10-10.30am at war memorial; Police surgery Saturday, May 24 from 11-12: Bingo 8th and 22nd. Some £230 was raised for Treboyn Free School at an auction at the village hall on April 26.

APPEAL for any small gifts that Mrs Fuge (Post Office) could use as presents during her weekly Wednesday games evenings with the mentally handicapped. She would be delighted to receive any small items such as jewellery or items for pass the parcel.