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We're late this month so that we can keep you right up to date with parish council news. They pay the cost of the paper for this newsletter – or rather you all do. It's not much and we hope to get more advertising to offset those costs. I hope most parishioners will feel it's worth it. Unfortunately I suddenly find that I shall be moving soon to Somerset, but I do hope this will keep going. It is for everyone in the community to use. Wing Commander Bill Newby has been of enormous help from the start, and he and Christine Chopak of 8 Hawks Tor Drive will continue. But as Christine, a librarian is new to the parish YOU must contact her please if you want items put in this newsletter. It will be whatever the organisations and individuals want it to be.

So if you have news, forthcoming events or any item of interest to the parish as a whole please drop a note in at Christine's door or phone her on 82672 or Wing Cdr. Newby on 82260.

It was with great regret that villages heard of the sudden death of Mrs Vera Sleep on July 25 after such a short stay in hospital. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Claude and the family in Altarnun. Vera worked hard for this village in many ways and will not be forgotten at the school or in Church Close for her efforts on behalf of others. A large number of relatives and friends paid their respects at St. Martin's Church on Thursday, July 31.

The FLOWER SHOW will be held on Saturday, August 16. Mr Guy White of Trelaske Barton will open it at 3pm. Schedules are available from Lyn Eno at Pen-Inney Cottage, Ken White at Bovetown Farm, or the post office. Judges will be Mr R. Jenkin for vegetables; Mrs Pat Penno for flowers and flower arranging; Mrs E. Griffen for cooking and preserves; Mrs O. Kessel for crafts; and Mrs B. Davis for children's' classes. Cups are awarded for the most points in each section. Admission 40p adults, 20p Children.

The Village Hall committee organised a very successful JUMBLE SALE on Saturday, July 26, when nearly £100 was made. A queue formed before it was opened and quite a crowd went along to enjoy a rummage. Mrs Lyn Eno later thanked all those who donated items and those who helped behind the counter.

Another extremely successful fund raising effort was made by the group of local knitters who meet each week and have knitted hundreds of garments for famine areas in Africa. A COFFEE MORNING held at 17 Hawks Tor Drive on July 25 raised £105 for famine relief.

And yet another highly successful event was the annual Strawberry Tea at Lewannick Manor courtesy of Mr and Mrs Jack Hickish. About £120 was raised for church funds. More than 60 people were present on a sunny (really!) afternoon including lots of children who thoroughly enjoyed rides on model trains provided by the North Cornwall Model Engineering Society.

Lewannick and District FLOWER SOCIETY held their July meeting in the village hall on Tuesday, July 22, when they were entertained by Mrs Barbara Macdonald of Torquay, who gave an excellent and amusing demonstration entitled "It's a gift". At the Launceston Show on July 17 many members of the society submitted exhibits in various classes and quite a number were successful. Among these were Mrs Alice Ball, Mrs Avril Lashbrook and Mrs Deidre Sharrock. Avril Lashbrook also gained the prize for 'Most Points in Show'. On Thursday, August 7, members were due to go to the Duchy Nurseries at Lostwithiel for a conducted tour. More on that next issue.

The GOLDEN CIRCLE will be going to Truro on August 20.

Royal Wedding Day was celebrated at a coffee evening at Burnt Oak, home of Mr and Mrs Bill Prosser (sadly not for much longer) when £35 was raised for MENCAP. Congratulations to William Prosser who was selected as captain of Cornwall's under-16 cricket team last month.

TABLE TENNIS dates for this month are the 9, 23 and 30. All meetings are held at the village hall.

Why not support our local cricket team? They've got several home matches coming up and are always on the lookout for new talent. On August 23 they are playing Brentor at home, and then on August Bank Holiday, they will be home to South Petherwin. On August 30 they will be home to Calstock and on September 6 to the Cecil Arms, and on September 13 to Lewdown.

Believe it or not, rainfall for July was typical and quite average at 2.19 inches (55.6mm). This recorded at Trelaske House by Mr and Mrs Bob Ashford.

All mums of TODDLERS please note that playgroup will start again on Wednesday, September 10. Sessions (1.30-3.30pm) are 50p. But before that on Friday September 5, playgroup has got the learner pool at Launceston Leisure Centre again from 9.30–10.30am. Make your own way there, the more the better as it costs £6.

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Interesting plants for sale. Herbaceous, rockery and shrubs. L. Eno. Pen-Inney Cottage, Lewannick. Open Sat and Sun 2 – 5pm.

Only one member of the public attended the latest meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday, August 6. The possibility was raised of siting a warning sign for drivers of heavy vehicles who might try to travel along the road leading to the steep hill by Trelaske Mill. This would be yet another example of despoiling our pretty countryside but the council later decided to ask advice from County Highways about type and siting of an acceptable sign.

Arising from the minutes, the council were told that notices had been prepared prohibiting cycling on the footpaths from Hawks Tor Drive and they would be fixed in the next few days. They were also advised that the next 'Police Surgery' to be held by the community constable P.C. Terry Guest, will take place on Saturday, august 23 from 11-12noon, and would only continue on a monthly basis if there was any support from villagers at this next surgery.

The council have received notice of a Public Enquiry to be held shortly to hear objections against, and amendments to, the proposed extension of the Launceston By-pass to Plusha. The date and time will be notified as soon as they are known. It is understood that anyone may attend and may be encouraged to comment. Confirmation has been received that Mr Roberts, County Lighting Engineer, will be present at the parish council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 29, to explain and answer questions on county lighting policy for villages like ours. Interest parishioners should come along and put their point of view. On planning, the NCDC decisions on applications already submitted and mentioned in a previous diary were announced and three new planning applications considered. These were an application for a new garage and entrance into Ridge View bungalow, Polyphant; details of a barn conversion at Trenhorne and an application for an extra garage for the, as yet, unsold house on Plot 7 of the Downderry Estate (Serpells Meadow) Polyphant.

Finally council members discussed at length an application for a 'on premises' liquor licence for residents and their guests at the Darkes Court Farm leisure centre, Polyphant. The application is to be put before the Justices in Launceston on Monday, September 1 at 10am. Solicitors acting for the owner were seeking the parish council's support. Council members felt, in its present form, the application was "too open-ended" and a more restricted type of licence would be more appropriate in this case. This view has been conveyed to the Justices and a representative of the council will attend court on September 1 to answer questions and outline objections as required. The hearing is open to the public and individuals or groups may voice their comments providing they make them known to the Clerk of the Court in advance, i.e. some days before.

Under the Chairmanship of Mr M. Wilson, the following councillors attended: Messrs Budge, Sleep, Wadge, White K., White M., Withers and Wing Cdr. Newby. The next monthly meeting is planned for Wednesday, September 24. However if something urgent required the council's attention before then an emergency meeting would be convened.

Welcome to new resident at Spindles, Bodeglas, Pen Inney Lodge and numbers 3 & 4 Lewannick Close. We look forward to meeting you.

School starts again on Thursday, September 4. The end of the summer term was very busy as usual with Sports Day on Monday, July 21. The Red team won, but the Yellows won the Swimming Gala on July 11. Juniors also took part in a cluster sports at South Petherwin. The school's annual educational trip was a day visit to Cornwall County Council's famous gardens at Probus near Truro on July 9.