



St. John Newsletter

Aug 2018

Editorial



This month we have news of our parish councillors' (Del, Howard and Chris Trevitt) successful efforts to restrict and control traffic through the village. Well done them! Plus other local information.

We are without the 'walkers', as they take a break over July/August, but we have news of forthcoming events on page 2, Linda Morris's report on the very entertaining and enjoyable evening with Mark Barnwell (plus pictures) on page 3 and on page 4 there is the usual report from the St. John Inn on what has been happening there and the entertainment and events they have lined up for us in August.

The last page (5) has reports on Boule, snooker and 100 club winners and Christian's plea for volunteers to help him clean the Hall "from top to toe". (When anyone hires the Hall we could be proud of it rather than embarrassed by it!) So make a note of the date (22 Sept) and come along to give him a hand - whatever time you can spare.

If anyone wants to make a contribution to the Newsletter; comment, letter, photo etc, then the deadline will generally be two days before the end of the month, as I strive to publish on the 1st of the month: I don't always succeed, but that is the aim...

David Greenhalgh

Parish Council



We have heard from the Boundary Commission that the new Cornwall County Ward will comprise the five parishes on the Rame Peninsula plus the parish of St Germans, and a small area of Torpoint.

Consequently our Ward will remain very predominantly rural, which is the outcome that we were seeking.

To view the draft proposal and comment yourself if you wish at

<https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/9428>

We have now had our new "Restricted Access" road signs erected at the northern route into the village from the Trevol junction and this should make it much clearer for HGVs attempting to cut through the village.

We are pleased to see that after our longstanding requests the white lines and speed signs have been repainted throughout the village.

You may be pleased to hear that Sharrow Beach is now open again following cliff stabilization that has now been carried out to ensure safety against rock falls.

Many of you will be aware that the Peninsula Trust has succeeded in raising their target funds for the development of the Ship in Cawsand.

Please see www.stjohnincornwall.org.uk for full minutes of meetings and accounts, and details of future meeting dates.

Del Richards

Swing Evening 1st Sept

Speakeasy Dance Party

St John Village Hall (But don't tell the Feds!)
Saturday 1st September 2018 - 7.30pm

Have fun and "Strictly Dance" this summer to 20's and 30's music. MadAboutSwing.co.uk dance troop will be show-dancing the Charleston, Lindy Hop, Jitterbug and other swing dances, and getting us all up on the dance floor and teaching us all the basic steps!

Come and learn new dances and have a jolly swell evening! Absolutely no previous experience required, just legs!

**Bootleg cocktails, Bubbly and Mocktails will be included.
A finger buffet will be provided.**

If you wish to dress for the evening.... flapper or evening dresses, boas, long pearl necklaces, headbands, hats, red lipstick! And the men could be in shirt and waistcoats, black or white ties on black and white shirts, braces, bowties, hats, fedoras, even gangsters welcome! Any vintage finery but no guns please!

Tickets £12.50 pp in advance (Buy early as numbers are limited)

November 1918 Centenary



This November we celebrate the end of World War One, as well as commemorate those who gave their lives in that conflict. We are arranging a significant event in the village on the evening of Saturday 10th November. I am undertaking research to link the seven "fallen" from the village to the families and cottages that existed in 1911 in order to provide the focus for this event, the details of which have not yet been finalised. However, I wanted to let you all know that firstly I may be asking questions to some of the traditional families, and secondly I will be looking for relevant artifacts, photographs etc which hopefully may be used at our event. We will be seeking to set up a group of volunteers to take this forward, so if you have anything you could do to support this then please contact me on 823253, or derek764richards@gmail.com.

Del Richards

Spanish Guitarist - Mark Barnwell Entertains



The sixty or so people who attended the music event featuring Spanish guitarist Mark Barnwell were treated to an evening of virtuoso playing, with a wonderfully varied repertoire - by turns reflective, passionate or just plain irresistible as far as dancing was concerned.

Huge thanks to Mark for providing his audience with such great entertainment and immense gratitude also to Julie Elworthy, who sourced and served a delicious tapas style supper for us all to enjoy.

Linda Morris



Chris and Ros were among the many who couldn't resist taking to the dance floor!



Sue tucking into Julie's lovely Tapas spread which she prepared for every table.



Well, it's our first taste of summer in St John and I hope you all agree that so far it's been a wonderful one - great weather, good company, and not having to mow the lawns !!

We finally received our notification for being an official campsite and had our first campers last weekend. For anyone with friends or family wanting to camp the easiest way is to book through freedomcampingclub.org

We had our quiz night on the 27th July which was well attended by many locals, but the winners were the Penwith interlopers - a lovely couple who only visited for a quick pint on their way to Cawsand (with their boat in tow) and were cajoled into staying and participating. Many thanks to Mike and his team - The Frogmore Toads - for once again volunteering to run the next quiz ! I'm sure that on his teachers reports he must have had 'must try harder'. For all those wondering - the losing team hold the next quiz.

The charity collection for Help for Heroes has raised £99.50 which will be sent on to them. Our next collection is for the village WWI 100th anniversary commemoration. We want the pub and locals to become involved in this occasion and along with the events in the hall we will be holding a post service buffet and get together, but also, as a Standard Bearer for the British Legion, Rob has now gained a Standard (that needs a little work) and would like to parade it to the church for the service on the 11th and hold it in the church as a Standard for St John. Any suggestions around this would be gratefully received.

Events at the pub -

4th August - music from Girl Friday - a singer and guitarist who gets everyone involved for some fun.

5th August - our second table top / flea market / antiques sale - feel free to book a table and sell any unwanted items.

12th August - Julie will be providing her wonderful cheeseboard spread for a Cheese and Port evening. £5 per head to include the first glass of port.

18th August - music from Blu Soule - a jazz / soul / blues band

31st August - Quiz night - starting around 8pm

1st September - music from Luke Deakin

2nd September - table top / flea market / antiques sale

And finally - work is starting on the old dining room this week and we hope to have a 'Lounge Bar' open by the end of the month. Watch this space !

A great thanks to all our customers for your continuing support.

Gill & Rob.

Boule



Boule Sunday 15th July

A beautiful hot sunny morning of boule was enjoyed by around 17 players. Most hailing from St John and some coming from as far afield as Northern Ireland and even Torpoint!



Everyone played quite competitively ~ the measuring implements were used quite often and thankfully no serious disputes occurred ! Refreshments served at half time were enjoyed by all, we even had time to pose for a photo!

The next boule session will be on Sunday 19th August at 11am
Do come and join us.

Snooker



LADDER



Tony Rogers
David Greenhalgh
Pete Debono
Chris Trevitt
Clive Walley
Steve Wick
John Woodfield
Del Richards
Brian Bird
Richard Dolton
Chris Huke
Chris Morris
Paul Tanner
Ray Salter
Lewis Wilton
Dave Plank
Andy Ridler
Ernie Ridler
John Tanner
Howard Everard
Bob Keys
Mike Bromley

Highest Break

David Greenhalgh	36
Chris Trevitt	27
Pete Debono	24
Tony Rogers	23
Steve Wick	23
Clive Walley	21
Howard Everard	17
Richard Dolton	16
Chris Huke	16

Village Hall big clean (Wed. 22nd Aug.)



Wednesday 22nd August, 0900hrs, I'll be in the village hall doing my best George Formby impressions cleaning windows. Any like minded village goons are welcome to join in; I'm aiming to get high up dusting and window cleaning done; any volunteers will be encouraged to bring their Ken Dodd tax dodging tickle sticks for all those nooks and crannies. Singing is optional; Janet, you are too short!!

Christian



St John Church - 100 Club winners.

Ray Waldock	-	£20
Mike & Viv Waldock	-	£5
Ray Salter	-	£5

and finally.....

I took my racing snail's shell off to see if it would make him go faster.....but it just made him more sluggish!