



# St. John Newsletter

Village Website - [www.stjohnincornwall.org.uk](http://www.stjohnincornwall.org.uk)

## January 2019

### Editorial



It is with great regret that I must inform you that John Hough passed away on Boxing day. His funeral will be held at 11.30am on Tuesday 15th Jan. at Glyn Valley Crematorium and will be followed by a 'get-together', in the St. John Village Hall where everyone will be welcome. Paddy has asked me to thank all those who have written or called.

There are reports on recent events that have taken place, (Xmas Bowls Dinner, Lady Singers at Torcare, Xmas Wine & Dine), information on up-coming events and local Films, the regular walk report and the busy programme of events that the pub have put on for us. There is also the exciting news of the annual Xmas Doubles Pool Knockout competition results...

A new year also means that our subscriptions are due - at the new price of £5 a head plus £10 for snooker membership. These increases were agreed at the last AGM in April.

May I wish you all a Happy and prosperous New Year.

*David Greenhalgh*

If you are wondering if anything is being done about various issues in the village, then the Parish council report below should answer your queries.

### What's Your Parish Council Up To?



The Boundary Commission has now decided on the new Cornwall County Wards. Our ward will remain "rural" and now include St Germans (designated Rame Peninsula & St Germans), so the next time you vote for your Cornwall Councillor, you will be voting together with Sheviok, Millbrook, Rame, Antony and St Germans.

At the last PC meeting on 6th December, several parishioners attended to discuss speed restrictions and LGV/HGV's shortcutting through St John. We have decided to fund our own signage, as CC will not fund any new signs.

We are investigating new "Slow" signs in the village together with improved "Restricted Access" signs at the top of Mendennick Hill. We are not utilising Solar funds: as a result of judicious budgeting of your Council Tax Precepts we can fund these improvements through our normal expenditure. Furthermore, we will not be increasing the Precept for 2019/20.

Before our salt bins are topped up, we intend to empty the remaining grit (50%) into bags, which we shall distribute around the village, including the Church and Village Hall. This will provide us with a good supply in the event of an icy winter. Thanks in advance to the volunteer work party.

We have held several meetings on site with Cormac in connection with flooding problems, one caused by the dangerous construction of a fishing lake on high ground above the village, and the other relating to ongoing problems of flooding in the vicinity of Mark's Cottage and the Church.

Our Solar Fund for St John Village will soon reach £3500 and we will be considering expenditure on projects in February.

Please see [www.stjohnincornwall.org.uk](http://www.stjohnincornwall.org.uk) for full minutes of meetings and accounts, and details of future meeting dates, the next PC meeting will be at 7.30pm on 21st February in the village hall.

*Del Richards.*



## General Notices



### St John Village NEW YEAR LUNCH

**Saturday 19th January**  
**12.30pm for 1pm**

Join us for a sherry on arrival followed  
by a buffet lunch with a glass of wine

**£10 a head**

**Tickets from**  
**Janet 01752 229225**

**Please Note:**  
Your annual subscription to The St John Village Hall  
Trust is due @ £5 a head (+ £10 snooker membership)

## Xmas Bowls Dinner



On December 4th we had an early Christmas bowls party. Sharon provided the meal which was excellent as usual. We had a choice of 4 dishes, which included her traditional curry, and some delicious desserts. The evening culminated in a variation of 'Secret Santa', where everyone took a present, but according to the rules of the game, either went home with several presents or none! A good time was had by all.

*Janet*



## Lady Singers



On Monday 17th December, a small group of St. John singers went to Torcare to entertain with some carols and songs. It was our 2nd visit and enjoyable, seeing some smiling faces with a few joining in. We were even given a donation - our first paid gig!!



## St. John Church

### December 100 Club Winners Are:

£20 .....Maggie Cardew

£5 .....David Turner

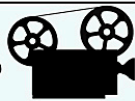
£5 .....Barbara & Niel Rugg

*Ray Salter*



# Entertainment

## "FILM FANS"



SCREENING AT  
**THE COMMUNITY HALL  
KINGSAND**

### McQueen – Monday 7th January 2019

A personal look at the extraordinary life, career and artistry of Alexander McQueen through exclusive interviews with his closest friends and family, recovered archives, visuals and music. McQueen is an authentic celebration and thrilling portrait of an inspired, yet tortured, fashion visionary. Directors/Ian Bonhote-Peter Ettedgui.

CFTM & MILLBROOK MOVIES PRESENTS

a screening of  
**I, TONYA**

MARGOT ROBBIE SEBASTIAN STAN ALLISON JANNEY

**I, TONYA**

**SATURDAY 12 JANUARY**

**MILLBROOK VILLAGE HALL**

DOORS: 6.30pm  
FILM: 7.30pm  
PRICE: £6 new members  
£3 members

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**ABOUT**  
Competitive ice skater Tonya Harding rises amongst the ranks at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, but her future in the activity is thrown into doubt when her ex-husband intervenes.

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## MILLBROOK VILLAGE HALL

### I, Tonya

Saturday 12th January

Competitive ice skater Tonya Harding rises amongst the ranks at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, but her future in the activity is thrown into doubt when her ex-husband intervenes.

Doors: 6.30pm

Film: 7.30pm

Rating: 15

## Kernow King

### Friday 23rd February 2019

Awwwriite???? The KERNOW KING has braved departure from his home town of Roché (sounds posher) and will be visiting St John Village Hall to applaud the wonders of the Cornish universe, through the art of Cornish conversation. Tickets are £12.50 via Charmaine. Please book and pay quickly - this Cornish comedian will also advertise on his own website - attracting all sorts! Drinks at the pub (he will!) or BYO. Thank you Charmaine & Christian

St John Village Hall

**KERNOW KING**  
Stand up Comedian

**Saturday 23rd February 2019**  
7.30 for 8pm

BYO Refreshments  
or St John Inn

Tickets £12.50 pp

For more Information  
& Tickets Contact  
Charmaine Ferguson 07876 688962

Limited Numbers



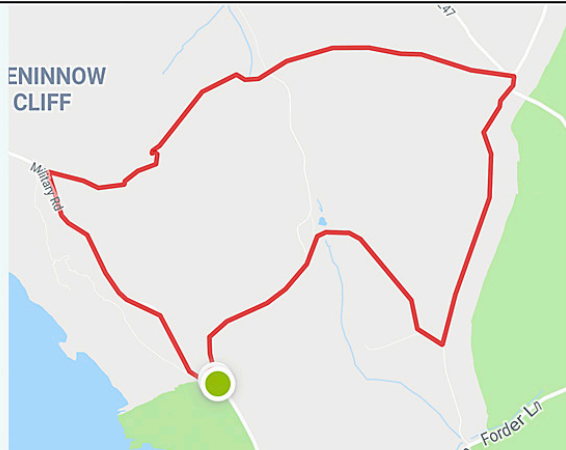




## St. John Walkers - 2018

Month	Date	Organiser	Telephone	Email
January	9	Yvonne	01579 363915	y.a.douglass@gmail.com
February	12	Sue & Del	823253	sueclarerichards@me.com
March	12	Howard & Viv	823250	vivienne-walker@sky.com
April	9	Mary & Brian	822890	bbird748@yahoo.co.uk
May	14	Linda & Chris	822083	linda_morris1886@live.co.uk
June	11	Thelma & Kath	829113	thelma.bryant@sky.com
July	9	No Walk		
August	13	No walk		
September	10	Janet & Sue	829225 822742	susan@huke.co.uk
October	8	Clive & Carol	822557	cliveandcarol@btinternet.com
November	12	Paul & Val	823118	
December	10	Richard & Alison	07977214776	glenside2@btinternet.com

1. Meet outside Village Hall at 9.30 am.
2. If for any reason you are unable to lead your walk please arrange to swap with another person and advise Sue Richards.
3. Please would everybody contact the organiser of the walk by email or telephone to check that the walk is going ahead in bad weather.



## Christmas Village Walk

On Monday 10th it was a bright and dry morning for the 17 walkers who met together for the last amble of the year. Planned by Richard, the route was mostly on roads and tracks, so after starting with coffee at the Edgecumbe Arms (don't park in the little car park by the pub – its for "Residents Only") we doubled up in cars to drive back to Four-Lanes-End to start. Lasting 3 miles, we walked up to Treninnow Farm and on to the cliffs, turning inland to Wiggle Triangle, then inland again turning across to Hatts and Bonnets and back to the cars. The views on this short walk are very wide ranging and with the fine weather we were indeed lucky to be able to see so far. We then partook of the carvery lunch at the pub, joined by a few who had been unable to walk but who wanted our convivial company!

Thanks must go to Sue Richards for co-ordinating the arrangements and to all who have planned our outings which, despite the rain and mist at the "Cheesewring", have been most enjoyable. The walking group is open for all and even if you can't come regularly everyone is welcome. The next will be on Monday 7th January meet 09:30 at the Village Hall (weather permitting!)

Richard Dolton



Linda 'Doolittle' asking the cows to mooove out of the way!  
( sorry! Ed.)







Well, what a busy few weeks for the pub what with music, Christmas, the auction and birthday parties etc.

A wonderful evening of Blues music from Thomas Ford was thoroughly enjoyed by all on the 8th and a BIG thank you to all those that helped decorate the pub the following morning, festooning it with enough lights for the Rame, to show our Christmas spirit.

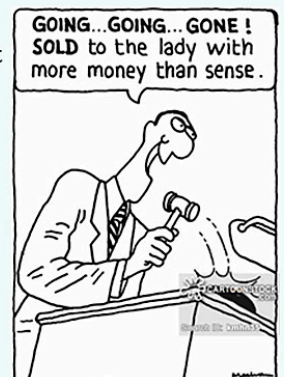


A riotous bunch from St John, Lower Tregantle and beyond invaded the pub last Sunday, and after lubrication, were treated to an expert performance of auctioneering by Steve Scolah. The most outrageous Dickensian dress-up went to big Dave, wearing his dressing gown straight out of the Victorian circus, closely followed by Gill wearing her collection of lacy table cloths and curtains.

Bids flew thick and fast, with some excellent gifts, offers and adventures. a few lots such as the weekend in the Shepherds Hut and The Naked Chef showing the competitive nature of some people, with bidding being quite ferocious. All items and offers were sold by the end of the evening with a figure of nearly £800 raised for the poppy appeal and the village hall.

If you weren't there, you missed out big time. Definitely a must on the fixtures list for charity events. Well done Steve, and all the bar staff.

An official handover of funds will be made towards the end of Jan in the pub. Keep an eye on the website !



Christmas day saw all 3 rooms at the Inn full to capacity during opening hours. We hope you all enjoyed the festive spirit (especially those that discovered our new drink - Muckled Wine ) We certainly enjoyed our Christmas dinner that was superbly prepared and delivered by Charmaine - I think we're still full !!

As I write this we are preparing for the New Years eve opening where nibbles are being provided by ourselves and many of the 'locals'. Hopefully a traditional good natured evening with the normal pub hospitality.

## **Next Year**

We shall be carrying on as before - food on fridays provided by Phil and his staff, music will restart in the spring - if you have any suggestions please put them forward and we'll try our best..

Garage - if anyone knows anyone who can provide a quote for new doors and frame for the garage please let us know. We hope to replace the frontage in the spring - dependent on price.

## **Finally**

A Happy New Year to you all and thanks for all your support in our first full year as residents of the parish, we've thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and hope you've enjoyed the rejuvenated pub.

*All the best  
Gill and Rob*





# Xmas Wine & Dine Evening



This year's 'Christmas' wine evening was again a well attended and thoroughly enjoyable event. The wines were good and plentiful, the food was tasty, there was singing from Malcolm and from Janet and the St. John 'ladies', the quiz was an interesting diversion and, of course, there was the exciting exchange of presents. All in all a delightful way to 'kick off' the festive season. Many, many thanks, as always, to all who helped to make the evening such a success.

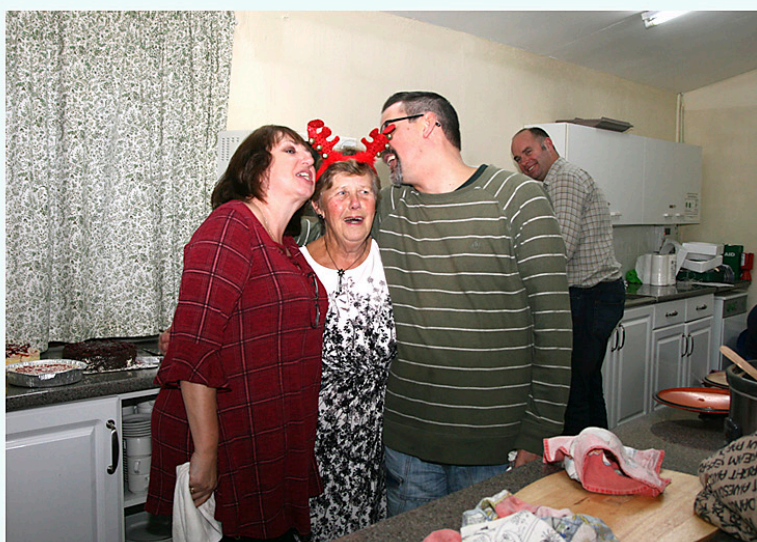
*Judith*



Enjoying the food.



The lady singers leading the Xmas carols.



I think the kitchen staff have been at the cooking sherry!





# Snooker



On Sunday 18th November we held a meeting in the Pub to draw for partners in the annual Xmas Doubles pool knockout competition. Since then matches have been continuing week by week. We also held a Plate event ( started last year ) for first round losers.

Eventually, Howard Everard & Anthony Graves reached the finals as did Paul Tanner & myself. On Monday 12th Dec. we played the final and after a well fought match Paul & I won 13-7.

In the plate event Chris Huke & Richard Dolton reached the final to play Chris Trevitt & Bob Keys. This match was played on Tuesday 18th Dec. in front of a good turnout of spectators and was won by Chris Trevitt & Bob Keys. 11-7

Dave.



Richard presenting Paul & I with our prizes.



The finalists of the main event



Finalists of the Plate.

I would like to thank everyone for taking part and to Richard for presenting the prizes in the main event. Also many thanks to the committee for sponsoring the prizes.

( Chris top again! )



## Highest Break

David Greenhalgh	36
Chris Trevitt	34
Tony Rogers	27
Pete Debono	25
Steve Wick	23
Clive Walley	21
Chris Huke	18
Howard Everard	17
Richard Dolton	16
Chris Morris	16

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Chris Trevitt
David Greenhalgh
Pete Debono
Tony Rogers
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

## and finally.....

“My wife – it’s difficult to say what she does. She sells seashells on the seashore.”