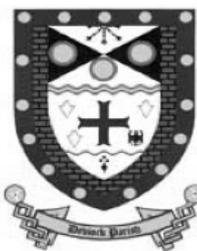


NATURE

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Nature Notes

The garden is busy at present. Many birds are singing and coming to the garden to feed. I have noted a few young birds, such as a Blackbird which is easily recognizable with its spottier appearance or a Goldfinch that lacks the colourful head of its parents. I am sorry that the Blue Tits decided to go elsewhere to nest, probably because House Sparrows usurped their potential home, but they come regularly to the fat balls and take the proceeds back to their offspring. I put out cheese for the Blackbird and Robin, but a Magpie often intervenes.

Among the insects, there are plenty of bumblebees coming to flowers, and I have the chance to study mining bees covered in pollen. Wasps at this stage are not a nuisance and seem to prefer the flowers of gorse and pyracantha. Butterflies unfortunately are few in number, so I take pleasure in the odd passing Orange Tip. However, the most fascinating observation at the micro scale is of something that at first glance appears static. My attention is drawn to a small, dark, round object suspended among some geranium flowers. It seems like a strange seed head, but as I touch it the shape bursts open and tiny individuals flee in a ray of activity. Quickly, I realize that these are spiderlings that have recently hatched out. What I had not noticed was that there are thin threads linking the bundle with the surrounding plant. Having fetched a magnifying glass, I am intrigued to discover more.

The tiny spiders are pale yellow in colour and have an irregular, dark triangular mark on the abdomen. There must be at least three hundred. They are the young of the Garden, or Diadem Spider, noted for the obvious white cross on the adults. It is an orb web spider and a female will moult eight times before full growth in August. The male is smaller and when attempting to mate he must avoid her bite. If he succeeds, he will go in search of another female and does not mate with the same one twice. Unfortunately, he may not

survive an encounter and will get bitten and enshrouded as a future meal. As for the female she will leave her web in the autumn to lay eggs in one mass anchored to surrounding surface by short threads. She will then remain by the side of her offspring, no longer eating and will eventually die.

As for my spiderlings, I notice that a short while later they are back in their ball. At this stage there is no incentive to feed because they can access food from the yolk in their abdomen. However, by the next day, with no parent for guidance they have gone in order to set up homes of their own. Most will not survive, having to sustain the onslaught of bad weather, starvation and predators. Yet, maybe in two or three-months' time, I might come across a spider sitting head down in the centre of her intricate web and ponder whether she might be one of the lucky survivors from the tiny ball that I disturbed.

Alan Payne

St Germans Parish Council

On the 3rd May the council had its annual parish assembly where the Citizens Advice Cornwall gave a presentation. Did you know the Citizens Advice Cornwall is an independent local charity established for 83 years? They rely totally on volunteers. They have 3 principles; independent, free and confidential. They are here for 'everyone'.

There is a computer installed in Scholars St Germans which you can access free of charge and speak to an advisor face-to-face online. Staff should be on hand to help so no technical knowledge is necessary. You can also use the free internet phone to talk to an advisor or use the webchat facility. The computer is in a secure area so you can talk in confidence. To make an appointment contact Scholars on 01503 230600 or just pop in.

The Citizen Advice look for volunteers and you don't need to have any prior experience as training will be provided. If you are interested, please look at: <https://citizensadvicecornwall.org.uk/volunteer-with-us/>

We are still looking for two vibrant new councillors on the Parish Council; one for the ward of Tideford and the other St Germans. **A Parish Council is the collective voice of your community. Here is your opportunity to get involved and make a difference in 2022.** Please contact an existing Councillor or the Parish Council office if you wish to enquire or apply.

The Queen's Jubilee celebrations are just around the corner, the Parish Council are providing a Cornish tin commemorative coin for all children in the parish. Please contact the Clerk if you wish for your child to be registered.

The next St Germans Parish Council meeting is on Monday 27th June 2022 at 6:30pm at the Eliot Hall. The agenda will be on the noticeboards and the website by the end of the week before. Please see: www.stgermansparishcouncil.gov.uk Everyone is welcome.

Emily Young – Parish Clerk

Deviock Parish Council

Forthcoming meetings in June (to take place at the Zone, Downderry Methodist Church): Full Council 16th June 7.30pm; Planning Committee 23rd June 6.30pm. Social distancing and reduced capacity will continue to apply. See Agendas for details prior to each meeting.

Retirement: Having served Deviock Parish and its residents for many years as a Councillor, Chair and Vice Chair of the Parish Council and as Cornwall Councillor, Mr Jim Candy announced his retirement in May. We thank him for his tireless work on behalf of the community and for his contributions to the Parish.

Vacancy for Seaton Ward Councillor: A further vacancy has therefore become available in Seaton, so please keep an eye on our website and noticeboards for a vacancy notice and feel free to contact the Clerk if you'd like more information on what the role involves.

Flagpoles: Two new flagpoles are due to be installed at Seaton during the month.

Call for local contractors: The Parish Council is keen to hear from any local builders able to quote for small works within the parish. For further details, please contact Vice Chair John Croft: jcroft.deviockpc@gmail.com

Platinum Jubilee: The Parish Council wishes everyone an enjoyable Jubilee celebration and long Bank Holiday weekend.

Planning: To comment on a planning application, search for 'cornwall council planning applications'. Any comments posted on the Cornwall Council site are viewed by the Parish Council. See Agendas for applications due for discussion at the next Planning Committee meeting.

As the Parish Office is remaining closed until further notice, please contact the Clerk via email if you have an enquiry (clerk.deviockpc@btinternet.com, Mon-Fri).

See the website at: www.deviockparish.org.uk for Agendas and Minutes and any important announcements.

Karen Pugh, Parish Clerk

Deviock Parish Council Loan Fund

The Council provides interest-free loans (up to £1,000) to local organisations for specific projects (subject to terms and conditions). Please contact the Clerk or one of the Councillors if your organisation thinks it could benefit from this service.



News from New County Hall

The news from New County Hall at the moment is centring around the impending idea of a Mayor for Cornwall, or as it might be called a Directly Elected Leader for Cornwall. The name doesn't really matter actually, it is more about what it means for our Duchy.

At the moment the Governance of Cornwall Council is that of a “strong leader and cabinet” model, in other words, the leader of the Council is chosen by the Political Group that has the most elected members on the Council – that might not be from the Political Party that I personally would want to see leading the Council, but it is the Political Party that garnered the most amount of votes in our Local Election in 2021 and that, I believe is just and democratic.

If we were to move to a directly elected Leader, or Mayor, or whatever else the role may be called, that individual may be from any political party or something completely left-field; Hartlepool elected a football team mascot when they first did a similar thing!

So why the proposed change? In a nutshell it is being billed as a way for us to get more devolution and potentially better funding for Cornwall – to possibly allow us to make more decisions around planning, education, transport and so on; these are all items that the leaders of Cornwall Council are trying to get for us in the negotiations with Central Government that are underway now; we won't find out until later in the year what that deal looks like, and that is when this will come to all Councillors at Cornwall Council for us to vote on.

One of the main questions that keeps coming up, however, is if we can have these powers and funding, why do we need another layer of Government and Bureaucracy to get them? Why can't central Government give us these powers and funding anyway? As another Cornwall Councillor has said, “it seems like a sprat to catch a mackerel” but, as with so many things, time will tell when we see the details of the offer.

I would welcome thoughts from residents of the Rame Peninsula & St Germans area on this issue, so please do get in touch via email, cllr.kate.ewert@cornwall.gov.uk

*Councillor Kate Ewert
Cornwall Councillor, Rame Peninsula and St Germans*



Congratulations to Her Majesty from all at the Nut Tree.

There are many events planned in the area to mark the occasion of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Most are referred to elsewhere in this edition but, as it's going to be a busy Bank Holiday Weekend, big thanks to our own 'Diary Queen' Rita for pulling together this consolidated list.

3rd June

13:00 - Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea at St Germans Methodist Church

14:00 - Donderry and Seaton Village Hall Jubilee Party at St Nicolas School

4th June

11:00 - 'Messy Jubilee' with Teddy Bear Picnic at St Germans Priory Church

14:00 - Jubilee Pot Luck and Fun Day at Hessenford Church Hall

5th June

10:00 - Morning Worship and Jubilee Lunch at St Nicolas Church Donderry

11:00 - St Germans May Tree Fair (not strictly Jubilee specific but no doubt there'll be a celebratory theme and atmosphere).

Elsewhere, across the water in Plymouth there'll be a Mermaid Challenge at Tinside Lido at 09:30 on the 2nd June attempting to set the Guinness World Record for the largest ever gathering of mermaids - mermen and mermaids also welcome. On the same day, a Beacon Lighting on the walls of the Royal Citadel at 21:45 (which will remain lit for the whole weekend) and, spanning the whole Bank Holiday weekend for the younger amongst you (or younger at heart):

1 BIG SUMMER 2022
JUBILEE BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND
HOE PARK, PLYMOUTH, UK
THUR · FRI · SAT 2/3/4 JUNE

PHASE ONE ANNOUNCEMENT

THURSDAY
BASEMENT JAXX DJ SET • THE IBIZA ORCHESTRA
R3WIRE • LUCY FIZZ & FRIENDS
JOSHUA JAMES

FRIDAY
YEARS & YEARS
L DEVINE • BEKA

SATURDAY
THE LIBERTINES • SUPERGRASS
SWIM SCHOOL • SECOND THOUGHTS

+ MANY MORE TBA...

From Our Churches

St Germans Group Parishes

Planning is underway for a lunch to celebrate the Jubilee, following the service at St Nicolas, Donderry on Sunday 5 June. There will be Coronation Chicken and the Jubilee Pudding. We will ask people to bring things to share: salads, crisps, more puddings etc.

As well as church people we hope that we will be joined by Community Lunch regulars and, indeed, anyone else who would like to come.

Our Services in June:

5th Morning Worship at Donderry followed by Jubilee lunch
12th Holy Communion at St Germans
19th Holy Communion at Donderry
26th Morning Worship at St Germans

Revd Laura Bushell Hawke - 01752 851187

The Zone Donderry - A Fresh Expression of the Methodist Church

On Sunday June 12th at 3.00pm, Mrs Helen Burke from Saltash is taking our Harvest of the Sea service this year.

Living where we do, this service has great significance for all of us, especially our local fishermen. The collection will go to The Seamen's Mission in Newlyn, to help the fishermen and their families in Cornwall.



We have our regular coffee mornings every Wednesday, 10.00 to 11.30 am. Come and chat, and make new friends.

Elsa Guilfoyle

St Germans Methodist Church

Here at St Germans Methodist Church we are co-hosting, with the St Germans Youth Project, an Afternoon Tea in Celebration of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Everyone is invited to this very special afternoon between 1pm and 3pm on 3rd June. There is no charge, but contributions are invited. Come and help us celebrate a once in a lifetime occasion.

As a church our usual activities continue with our weekly service each Sunday at 10.30am and weekly Bible Study on a Thursday at 11am. Everyone is very welcome.

Our June Coffee Morning is on the 18th June from 10.00am to 12.00. Again, we would love to see you to chat with old friends and new over a coffee or tea. Please feel free to join us at any or all of these occasions.

Steve Gerrard

Quay Lane Surgery

Patient Participation Group (PPG)

We hope to see you at the Wellbeing Hubs this month. Come along for a cuppa and meet Quay Lane Surgery's Social Prescriber Jessica Hirons and members of Volunteer Cornwall.

St Germans - Eliot Hall - Tuesday 14th June 10am - 12 noon

Menheniot - The Old School - Tuesday 21st June 10am - 12 noon

Dowderry - The Zone - Monday 27th June 1.00pm - 3.00 pm

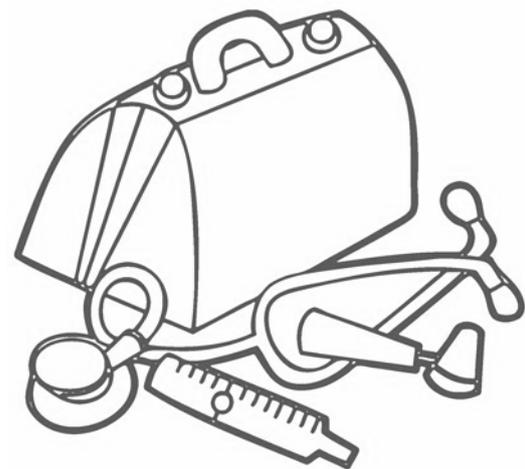
Please contact me by email or write to the Practice Manager at Quay Lane Surgery, St Germans, PL12 5LH if you would like more information about the PPG and how you can join.

*Claire Croft - PPG Chair
quaylanepgg@gmail.com*

Practice News

Thank you to those patients who have donated towards a gift for Dr Penny Thomson's retirement in April. Dr Thomson has now delayed her retirement date to coincide with a new GP joining the practice at the end of June.

We are slowly opening up our waiting rooms in the surgery, which in turn gives us the ability to offer more face-to-face appointments with the GPs. You may be asked by the reception team which type of appointment you prefer if asking to see a GP. It is still a requirement to wear a face covering in 'all' healthcare settings.



Please be mindful that our surgery closes on Bank Holidays and will be closed on Thursday 2nd June and Friday 3rd June. When ordering medication, you must allow a minimum of '5 working days' for your prescriptions to be ready to collect. This does not include Bank Holidays or weekends.

Throughout the pandemic we have had to be creative and look at new and innovative ways of working. Telephone consultations are very popular with patients and work well for GPs too, as it isn't always necessary to see a patient in person. Recruiting GPs into General Practice is very difficult and whilst face to face appointments with the GPs remains an important core part of our work, we are having to look at new ways of working to enable us to provide a holistic service to our patients. To maintain our service and manage the high demand for appointments we will be utilising the help from remote GP services.

Debbie Todd, Practice Manager

Downderry and Seaton Residents' Association

Local Downderry and Seaton Ukrainian Refugee Support Group coordinator Leanne Spencer-Harper has been contacted by two hosts who found out about the Group through Nut Tree which means two more Ukrainian families have now been able to find hosts in the village! And many more people have contacted her about ways to help, or joined the Group's Facebook page - see below. Leanne is appreciative of residents' continued support for Ukrainians in need. There are now 6 Ukrainian families safely housed with hosts in Downderry, Seaton and St Germans, and a few more families will be arriving shortly. There are currently over 40 Ukrainians living in and around Deviock Parish and they are connecting with other Ukrainians being hosted in nearby Looe. One of our new Ukrainian residents recently organised a successful BBQ meet-up on Seaton Beach, and more meetings will be planned so that local residents can welcome Ukrainians, and Ukrainians can connect with one another.

As the Ukrainian conflict becomes more protracted, there now seem to be more Ukrainians in need of accommodation than available UK hosts. If you have registered with the Homes for Ukraine Scheme please be aware that the government will not proactively match you with a family. Whilst it is important to make sure you register for the government scheme, if you would like to be a sponsor, the most expedient route for connecting with Ukrainians is through personal networks and contacts. Our local Support Group has already a good network in place and requests for UK sponsors are flooding in, so if you have registered with the scheme or if you can offer accommodation, please do be in touch with Leanne Spencer-Harper at leanneronk@yahoo.com or by mobile: 07895 804935. Two-bedroom accommodation is at a particular premium. Leanne says "It's breaking our heart to turn away families for lack of available UK sponsors. Please know that there is an incredibly savvy and supportive local network. If you've got the space, don't let bureaucracy and paperwork prevent you from offering much-needed stability, safety and comfort. We're here to help!"

Do you have an unwanted laptop, phone or tablet in working condition that can be reformatted and refurbished? The Support Group has connected with a local charity that will reformat and refurbish the computers and phones so that we can disseminate them to Ukrainians in need. Please be in touch with Laura Chapman at lsmith8836@gmail.com if you can help. We are hoping to begin local English classes from mid-June.

Thank you to those who have already come forward to help. If you or someone you know is TEFL, TEOSL or CELTA certified and would like to help deliver a class please do get in touch with Maura Swabey at maura_swabey@yahoo.co.uk or by mobile: 07720289829.

If you would like the most up to date information about how you can support and help local Ukrainian refugees and support their hosts please join the Facebook group: 'Downderry and Seaton Ukrainian Refugee Support'. Also visit www.dasra.co.uk

DaSRA Committee Member Michelle Davies is keen to explore if there is interest in a Beaver/Cubs /Scout group being formed for Downderry and Seaton youngsters? There used to be one, successfully running at the school venue, led by local parents, which ceased some time pre-Covid, so any new group would be starting from scratch. The Scout movement

hierarchy, for both girls and boys, is age-related: 6-8 year old (Beavers); 8 - 10yr (Cubs) and Scouts from 10 up to 18 years. Before details are gathered it would be good to confirm whether local children would be interested in these activities, and that there are local parents or residents who would be interested in getting involved; particularly as Leaders. If this idea appeals to you, please get in touch - no commitment needed at this time - we just need to know that there is sufficient interest for Michelle to pursue the idea. Or are there other activities that would be of interest to this age-group?. Please email Michelle on info@dasra.co.uk if you have the children, the skills, the energy and the enthusiasm to help in any capacity - all essential ingredients to give youngsters their own world of fun and adventure.

Date for your diary. DaSRA's AGM will be on Monday, 18 July, 7 pm at the Village Hall. We are looking forward to our councillors from both County and Parish Councils being on hand to discuss topical issues affecting us all; more details to follow. We launched our annual Members scheme last April. Thank you to those who have renewed: reminder emails have been sent to those who have not yet paid their subscriptions for 2022/23. Its fair to say that we have not yet attracted all the households in Donderry and Seaton to sign up - £5 for single households; £10 per household, but we remain hopeful! After all, DaSRA exists for the benefit of all who live in our villages, and we are run by residents for residents, so why not join. Find out more on our website www.dasra.co.uk and come along to our AGM; all residents are welcome but only subscribed members can vote. Hope to see you there.

Laura Done, Chair, 01503 250911. info@dasra.co.uk

Neighbourhood Watch in partnership with DaSRA

We are pleased to report that our first flower boat has now been completed in partnership with the Donderry & Seaton WI who have recently taken on the maintenance of the floral display; previously valiantly maintained by Seaton resident Claire Croft. The boat is located on the verge in Seaton adjacent to the bridge carpark. The location was chosen due to its prominence but also as it has been a favoured spot for illegal parking on hot summer days. We have been greatly encouraged by the kind words of support from passers-by and also those who have pitched in to assist. Attention is now moving on to the next boat in the Donderry Memorial Gardens - Boat 2. The project has been funded so far by small grants from Neighbourhood Watch and our Parish Council. Funds permitting, it is planned to complete Boat 2 and, if sufficient funds remain, to partner with Bread and Babes and St Nicolas School where Boat 3 will be positioned opposite the school, another favoured spot for parking on the grass. Should anybody wish to contribute towards the ongoing planting etc please do get in touch via info@dasra.co.uk

In the digital age, cybercrime now feels more of a threat than community-based crime for a significant number of households across England and Wales. An increasing number of people personally know a victim of online theft, and almost one in five people in the UK have been a victim of cybercrime. For more info, visit www.ourwatch.org.uk, join Donderry and Seaton Neighbourhood Watch and view the May newsletter. If you need any help joining or wish to discuss, please leave a message at info@dasra.co.uk.

Nigel Jones, NW Co-ordinator - 07989 334249

Downderry and Seaton Village Hall

Village Party to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Friday 3rd June from 2pm on St Nics playing field. Bring your own food and drink (tables and chairs provided) and join in the fun with fun for everyone including, three legged, sack, egg and spoon races, and wellie throwing to name but a few. There will also be a Fancy Dress Competition for 11 years and under. Theme - Kings and Queens. The winners will present prizes at the Midsummer Madness Afternoon of Fun on Sunday 10th July.

Coffee Morning Tuesday 7th June 10am to 12 noon. Come along for a chat and enjoy a hot or cold drink with scones and cream. It only costs £2.00 per person and there will be a Book Stall and Raffle Tickets for that morning's draw.

Little Breakfast Saturday 25th June 10am to 1pm. Come and enjoy a Breakfast Bap of Sausage, Bacon & Egg or the veggie option of Egg & Hash Browns with a hot or cold drink for just £4. There will also be a book/DVD sale.

Everyone is welcome at these events, including well behaved dogs on leads.

Looking further ahead, Midsummer Madness is planned for the weekend Friday 8th to Sunday 10th July. Friday 8th July Quiz night in the Village Hall, tickets are now on sale £5 per person. Saturday 9th July Music Night in the Village Hall, tickets go on sale shortly. Sunday 10th July offers an afternoon of fun for all the family on St Nicolas School's playing field. The fun starts as soon as the gates open at 2pm. There will be lots to keep you busy with many traditional games, stalls, entertainment, fancy dress competitions and finally a tug-of-war, so start getting your teams together. Definitely an afternoon not to miss! See posters around the villages, the Village Hall website www.downderryandseatonvillagehall.co.uk and Facebook group for more details about these events.

Dates for your diary. Special summer events:

Art & Crafts Fair - Friday 22nd to Sunday 31st July - all tables booked so there will be lots of interesting items to buy

Downderry and Seaton Best Village Bakers' Competition - Saturday 13th August

Mandy Smith

Downderry Community Bus 300 Club

Thank you, as ever for your contributions. The lucky winners for the month of May:

- 1st. No. 63 Jane Hall
- 2nd. No. 111 Margaret Stevens
- 3rd. No. 76 Kath Banks



Jo Woodley - 01503 250489

St Germans Thursday Club

We will have an afternoon outing on 9th June to Looe and Hannafore. The community bus will pick up at 1:30 pm at the triangle in St Germans. Please book with Trish Gregory at 230697.

On June 23rd we meet in the Eliot Hall at the usual time of 2:30 pm. Doors open at 2 pm. There will be the usual raffle and tea and biscuits.

Visitors and new members are always welcome.

We hope to continue with memories, photo albums, news cuttings, such as we shared at our meeting in May. It is most impressive and heart-warming how many interesting past events were well-remembered.

Enquiries please to our Chairwoman Jean Mills 01503 - 230324.

Sue Cousins

Eliot Hall - St Germans

Eliot Hall Community Group Coffee Mornings are back! Come along and enjoy a hot drink and a toasted teacake on the following dates in June:

Friday 10 June 10 am - 12 midday

Friday 24 June 10 am - 12 midday

We look forward to seeing you.

Briony Woods

Seaton Butterfly Garden - Volunteer Morning

Monday 13th June 10.15 for approximately 2.5 hours - or as long as you can make it.

The Butterfly Garden needs a lot of tending at the moment. Things need to be trimmed back, grass dug out, ivy pulled, bindweed, and the sticky stuff too. So, if you have some time on Monday 13th June, we would love some help to tackle the garden.

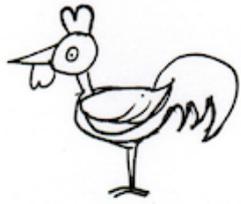


Don't worry if you don't know anything about gardening. We help each other out on what needs being done, and there's a range of things which only need light work. Your own sturdy shoes and gardening gloves, are all that is required, if you have some light tools of your own, it would be good to bring them along.

Just turn up and you will be welcome. If you want to call me first 250293, please do so.

Heather Thomas

Hessenford News



On Saturday 4th June, the village will celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at the Church Hall from 2p.m. onwards.

There will be a POT LUCK lunch, tea, coffee etc and at 3p.m. a TUG OF WAR with a team of Hessenfordians pitted against the Copley Arms.

There will also be Races, other competitions and a Raffle. Later, after 5pm, there will be a BBQ and we are providing Paul Bray Sausages and Beefburgers and, of course, rolls. We will have a Treasure Hunt, other competitions for children and possibly a quiz. For the evening, if you wish, 'Bring Your Own Booze'!

Anyone who would like to help, please bring either a plate of savoury or sweet food, quiche or similar. There will be no charge for anything except raffle tickets as we raised money to pay for the main costs at the Games Night. But, please ring and let me know what you are bringing and how many of you are coming if possible so we are sure we have enough food. (Phone 01503 241058).

As I've said, no charge for entry, but there will be a couple of Donation Buckets around for anyone who wishes to donate and ALL monies received will be sent to UNICEF fund for People of Ukraine.

On another local note, Hessenford W.I. continues to meet first Tuesday of the month in Widegates Village Hall at 7p.m. We have a varied programme and after the past two years, several older members have 'retired' so we welcome any newcomers. Do come along and spend an evening with us.

Coffee, Cake and Chat Mornings in the Church Hall are also welcoming more and more attendees which is lovely. Our next will be on Saturday 11 June from 11 am to 1 pm. Everyone is welcome - you don't have to live in Hessenford. There will be cake, something to drink and the chance to catch up on news. No cost just bring yourself along.

Fran should be back in this seat next month. Hope to see you all on the 4th June.

Angela Thorpe

Deviack Activities Group (DAG) - Activities for local people, run by local people

All DAG events are held at The Zone (Downderry Methodist Church).

Table Tennis sessions are held on Wednesday 6-8pm £3.00 – equipment available; all welcome! Includes refreshments. For more information contact Sue on webstersue62@gmail.com or Viv on parkerviv@aol.com or 250519

Our All Stars Dance Group sessions are on Fridays 3.30-4.15pm for children 4-8 years old. For information contact leanneronk@yahoo.com.

Arts and Crafts sessions are on Mondays 1-3pm £2.50. Bring your own projects and works-in-progress or try one of our quick taster activities. Includes refreshments. The Wellbeing Hub from Quay Lane surgery offer free advice once a month.

June 6th – Craft Café

June 13th – Craft Café and Patchwork/Fabric Christmas Decoration workshop

June 20th – Craft Café

June 27th - Craft Cafe - with Wellbeing Hub

July 11th - Water Colours Workshop- limited places booking essential.

Viv Parker

Downderry Bread and Babes

We have had a really exciting May; we have had Rosie from Awenek Studios come in and do lovely crafts with the children and we also had an amazing visit from The Music Man!

Bread & Babes is a local parent/carers baby and toddler group. If you have a little one and fancy a cuppa and a chat plus craft, toys and bread making, come along and see what you think. We have plenty of toys, always have a craft to do and the bread to make, once cooked it will be your little ones' snack at the end.

We run every term time Thursday at The Zone, Downderry, PL11 3LY from 9.30am to 11.30am. First session is free then £3 per session per family. We have a Facebook group for more information or message us with any questions.

Michelle Davies

Downderry and Seaton WI

It has been a busy May for the D&S WI. Our May meeting gave our members a greater understanding of ASD & ADHS which is the WI's proposed resolution for 2022 “*Women and Girls with ASD & ADHD - under-identified, under-diagnosed, misdiagnosed, under-supported*”.



The next meeting will take place at The Zone on Tuesday, 14th June at 2pm. Lynn Gould will be presenting a talk on The History of Fowey and Fowey River. If you would like to learn more about our local area and attend this meeting please contact Julie 250047 or email us downderryandseatonwi@gmail.com . We would love to welcome you to our meeting.

In this lovely weather we have been busy gardening. As well as the garden at Broads Yard Downderry, we now also have the first boat in the villages situated on the verge by the bridge in Seaton. Thank you to Nigel Jones and the local Neighbourhood Watch for thinking of the WI when acquiring the boats. We hope it will give locals and visitors a lot of pleasure.

Julie Green

Downderry Community Bus

Services and Excursions during June 2022

DATE		DESTINATION	DEPART	LENGTH STAY	FARES SINGLE	FARES RETURN
<u>June</u>						
Thursday	2	Bank Holiday, no bus				
Tuesday	7	Plymouth	9.30 am	4 Hours	£3.00	£4.00
Thursday	9	Liskeard	9.30 am	2 Hours	£2.00	£3.00
Friday	10	Royal Cornwall Show	<u>9.15am</u>	4 Hours	£18 entry	plus £7 bus
Tuesday	14	Plymouth	9.30 am	4 Hours	£3.00	£4.00
Wednesday	15	TRURO	9.30 am	4 Hours	£5.00	£7.00
Thursday	16	Liskeard	9.30 am	2 Hours	£2.00	£3.00
Friday	17	Falmouth Sea Shanty	2.00pm	4 Hours		£10.00
Tuesday	21	Plymouth	9.30 am	4 Hours	£3.00	£4.00
Thursday	23	Liskeard	9.30 am	2 Hours	£2.00	£3.00
Friday	24	Totnes	9.30 am	4 Hours	£4.00	£6.00
Tuesday	28	Plymouth	9.30 am	4 Hours	£3.00	£4.00
Thursday	30	Liskeard	9.30 am	2 Hours	£2.00	£3.00
<u>Excursions/Trips for JULY.....</u>						
Friday	1	LOOE	11.30am	3 Hours		£3.00
Friday	8	TAVISTOCK	9.30 am	return 3.00pm from Tavi		£6.00
Friday	15	TRAGO MILLS	9.30am	3 hours		£4.00
Wednesday	20	TRURO	9.30 am	4 Hours	£5.00	£7.00
Friday	29	Cornwall Lavender Farm, CarnBargus	9.30 am	£7.00 entry Incl Tour and Cream Tea		plus £10 bus

TO BOOK SEATS TELEPHONE DOWNDERRY (01503) 250944 Mon-Fri 9.00am-5.00pm

Visit Cornwall or make the occasional foray into Devon from the comfort of the Downderry Community Bus. In June you can travel to the Royal Cornwall Show near Wadebridge on June 10, sample the delights of Truro on June 15, take in the international sea shanty festival in Falmouth on June 17, or venture to Totnes and the River Dart on June 24. It's a busy month. Book early to make sure you don't miss out. All this plus our regular weekly services to Plymouth and Liskeard, on which you can use your Freedom pass, if you have one.

Future dates you should mark in your diary include lunch in Looe on July 1. This monthly visit to Looe departs from Downderry at 11.30 and is timed to give you plenty of time for a leisurely lunch and some shopping before returning at 3pm. No issues of drinking and driving, and we remove the problem of parking. A special early heads-up. We are off to Cornwall Lavender at Carnbargus Farm, near Perranporth on July 29, complete with cream tea.

For reservations, please call Bev Brighton on 01503 250944. For 300 Club and details of the monthly draw call Jo Woodley on 01503 250489. For any other questions please contact Kevin Done, chairman on 01503 250911 or by email at kevindone@hotmail.com.

Kevin Done



'Boat 1' - Seaton floral display funded and organised by Deviock Parish Council, DaSRA, Neighbourhood Watch and Donderry and Seaton WI.

St Germans and Area Public Transport Group

A Public Bus Meeting covering the St Germans, Donderry, Hessenford and Rame areas will be held in the Memorial Hall, Crafhole on Monday 20th June from 6:00pm. It will be attended by Mel Watson (Lead Officer for Public Transport in Cornwall), James Church (Commercial & Customer Manager, Go South West buses) and Kate Ewert (Cornwall Councillor for Rame and St Germans Division).

How have the April bus changes affected you? We've had about two months to see how the changes have been working. Some people lost their buses altogether. This meeting is an opportunity to hear what Cornwall Council officers/representatives and a Go Cornwall Bus manager have to say. You'll be able to ask your questions and have your say about routes, connections, timings, fares etc. We know that there have been a number of complaints about the new services, and that some of you have contacted Cornwall Council and Go Cornwall Bus already. Our area has also lost out on the much-publicised Cornwall Reduced Bus Fares Scheme, as it does not apply to journeys into Plymouth.

There will also be an opportunity to hear about the progress of the Public Transport Survey which has been asking people in the whole of the Rame, Donderry and St Germans areas about what journeys they make by public transport, what journeys they CAN'T make (and why), and what sorts of integrated public transport they would like to see in the future.

It is extremely important that the public meeting is very well supported, so that we can get a much-improved bus service that will help our communities who are dependent on using public transport. We are hoping to arrange for a community bus service to and from Crafhole for this meeting. Keep in touch.

Alan Cousins, St Germans & Area Public Transport Group. 01503 230106

Rita's Rota - June 2022

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| <p>1 10:00-11:00 Coffee Morning (CZ)
18:00-20:00 DAG Table Tennis (CZ)</p> <p>2 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
11:00 Bible Study (SGMC)</p> <p>3 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
13:00 SGMC Jubilee Afternoon Tea (SGMC)
14:00 DSVH Platinum Jubilee Party (SNS)</p> <p>4 11:00 Messy Jubilee & Teddy Picnic (SGPC)
14:00 <u>Hessenford Jubilee Party (HCH)</u></p> <p>5 10:00 Morning Worship/Jubilee Lunch (<u>SNCh</u>)
10:30 Weekly Service (SGMC)
11:00 St Germans May Tree Fair</p> <p>6 13:00-15:00 DAG Craft Café (CZ)</p> <p>7 10:00 Coffee Morning (DSVH)
19:00 <u>Hessenford WI (WVH)</u></p> <p>8 10:00-11:00 Coffee Morning (CZ)
18:00-20:00 DAG Table Tennis (CZ)</p> <p>9 11:00 Bible Study (SGMC)
13:30 Thursday Club outing to Looe</p> <p>10 09:15 CB to Royal Cornwall Show (CB)
10:00-12:00 Coffee Morning (EHSg)
15:30-16:15 DAG All Stars Dance Gp (CZ)</p> <p>11 11:00 <u>H'ford Coffee, Cake & Chat (HCH)</u>
Quay Sailing Club St Germans Gala Day</p> <p>12 10:00 Holy Communion (SGPC)
10:30 Weekly Service (SGMC)
15:30 Harvest of the Sea Service (CZ)</p> <p>13 10:15 Seaton Butterfly Garden Gardening
13:00-15:00 DAG Craft Café (CZ)</p> <p>14 10:00-12:00 Wellbeing Hub (EHSg)
14:00 <u>Downderry & Seaton WI (CZ)</u></p> <p>15 09:30 CB excursion to Truro (CB)
10:00-11:00 Coffee Morning (CZ)
18:00-20:00 DAG Table Tennis (CZ)</p> <p>16 11:00 Bible Study (SGMC)
19:30 <u>Deviocock PC Full Meeting (CZ)</u></p> <p>17 14:00 CB to Falmouth Shanty Festival (CB)
15:30-16:15 DAG All Stars Dance Gp (CZ)</p> <p>18 10:00-12:00 Coffee Morning (SGMC)</p> | <p>19 10:00 Holy Communion (<u>SNCh</u>)
10:30 Weekly Service (SGMC)</p> <p>20 13:00-15:00 DAG Craft Café (CZ)
18:00 Public Bus Consultation (CMH)</p> <p>21 10:00-12:00 Wellbeing Hub (<u>Menheniot</u>)</p> <p>22 10:00-11:00 Coffee Morning (CZ)
18:00-20:00 DAG Table Tennis (CZ)</p> <p>23 11:00 Bible Study (SGMC)
14:30 St G Thursday Club (EHSg)
18:30 <u>Deviocock PC Planning Meeting (CZ)</u></p> <p>24 10:00-12:00 Coffee Morning (EHSg)
15:30-16:15 DAG All Stars Dance Gp (CZ)</p> <p>25 Plymouth Armed Forces Day (The Hoe)
10:00 Little Breakfast (DSVH)
Time tbc East Cornwall Bach Choir (SGPC)</p> <p>26 10:00 Morning Worship (SGPC)
10:30 Weekly Service (SGMC)</p> <p>27 13:00-15:00 DAG Craft Café (CZ)
13:00-15:00 Wellbeing Hub (CZ)
18:30 St G Parish Council (EHSg)</p> <p>28 Mobile Library
St Germans - Alms Houses 09:45 - 10:05
St Germans - Quay Road. 10:15 - 10:50
Downderry - Inn. 13:55 - 14:35
Seaton - Car Park. 14:45 - 15:05</p> <p>29 10:00-11:00 Coffee Morning (CZ)
18:00-20:00 DAG Table Tennis (CZ)</p> <p>30 11:00 Bible Study (SGMC)</p> <p>Key to locations:
 CMH Craffhole Memorial Hall; CZ Downderry Coastal Zone; CB Community Bus; DSVH <u>Dderry & Seaton VH</u>; PolH <u>Polbathic Hall</u>; EA Eliot Arms StG; EHSg Eliot Hall StG; HC <u>H'ford Church</u>; HCH <u>H'ford Church Hall</u>; SGMC St G Methodist Ch; SGPC St G Priory Church; SNCh St Nicolas' Church; SNS St Nicolas' School; TC <u>Tideford Church</u>; TRBL <u>Tideford RBL Hall</u>; WVH <u>Widegates Village Hall</u></p> <p>Copy for Rita's Rota should be sent to nuttree.editor@yahoo.com by 15th of the preceding month.</p> |
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