

The second issue of this 'Community' magazine has been well received and the response from many of you, with information for inclusion in this our third edition, has been

encouraging.
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948 (HAVERFORDWEST) SQUADRON AIR TRAINING CORPS

The squadron now has thirty very keen cadets between the ages of 13 and 18 boys and girls. A full programme of events has been drawn up for the summer, including flying, gliding, shooting, outdoor activities etc.

Also a programme of fundraising events have been organised to raise money to enable the cadets attend R.A.F. stations, on large camps for their flying lessons, and participation in R.A.F. life. Plus transport to canoe courses, outward bound activities, parades etc.

These cadets are all keen, dedicated, hard-working responsible young people.

Funds and help are essential so that more youngsters can take part.

More civilian instructors are needed to assist with all activities including map -reading, radio, aircraft recognition, first aid and many other skills.

Training is given.

The squadron has formed a band consisting of drums, flutes and bell-lyres, and a musician with a military background would be of great help.

The squadron meets every Tuesday evening 7.00pm. to 9.30pm. Band practice Friday or Saturday morning.

If you feel you could help on a regular or semi-regular basis either as a civilian instructor or go on to train as a uniformed officer please contact the Commanding Officer Flt. Lt. Andrew Clarke on 01437-890 861.

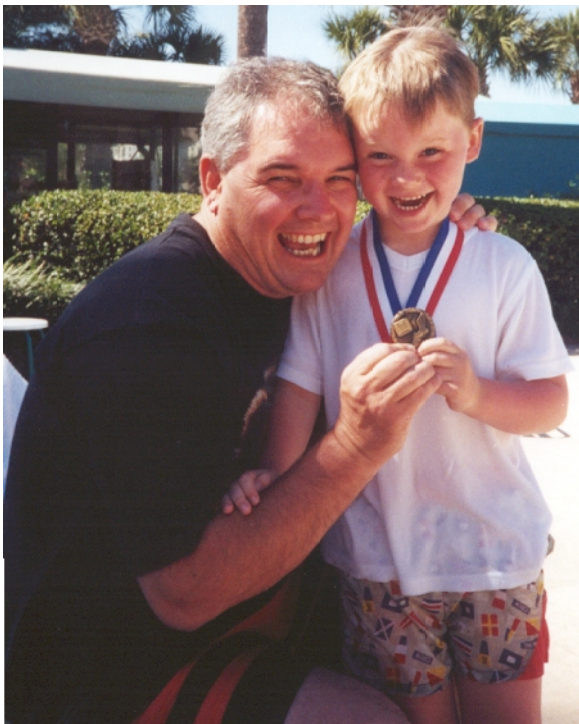
Editors Note: I was an ATC cadet and can thoroughly recommend it. Better than watching TV!

RICHARD WINS A GOLD

Although Richard Jones is too young yet to compete in Gymnastic competitions like his big sister, he returned from a holiday in America with a Gold Medal.

*Not for Gymnastics this time but against competitors from Canada, and America he gained a first place for the littlest splash pool side competition .A big achievement for Richard especially as those of you who know Richard will realise he is normally larger than life, full of fun and you would expect a **big** splash.*

The picture is of Richard and proud dad Stephen.



June Crook of Rosemarket bakes a wonderful:-

Bara Brith

6 ozs. Currants
6 ozs. Sultanas
8 ozs. Light muscovado sugar
10 fl. ozs strong hot tea
10 ozs self-raising flour
1 egg beaten.

Method

Measure the fruit and the sugar into a bowl, pour over the hot tea,

Cover and leave overnight.

Preheat oven to 150°C, 300°F, gas mark 2.

Lightly grease and base line a 2 lb loaf tin with greaseproof paper.

Stir flour and egg into the fruit mixture, mix thoroughly, then turn into the prepared tin and level the surface.

Bake in the pre-heated oven for approx. 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 hrs. or until well risen and firm to touch. A fine skewer inserted should come out clean.

Allow to cool in tin for 10 mins. before turning out to cool on a wire rack.

Slice the cake and spread each slice with butter.

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Who's a Lucky Girl ?

Carol Barrah is - She won the Pembrokeshire Lottery in April and, blow me down, she was also successful in passing her driving test in May.

CONGRATULATIONS

PS - have you bought a ticket in Rosemarket Church Grand Draw 2000 - with your luck you should.

First Prize £100.00



Pictured : Carol and husband Rev. Bert Barrah. (I wonder if he spoke to anybody ?)

Wanted : " Dinner Ladies "

Would you like a job for one hour a day, five days a week?

If this idea appeals to you, why not consider becoming a

School Meals Supervisory Assistant?

Burton V.C. Primary School

is looking for **two** "dinner ladies"

to look after the children at lunchtimes in the canteen and on the playground. The children are aged between four and eleven so you will need to be a warm, sympathetic person but also firm and fair.

If you would like to know more details,
please contact the headteacher,
Mr. Rod Rowell, tel. 01646 600364.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:- St Ismael's Church Rosemarket is currently undergoing renovation works which are expected to last approximately 12 weeks. During this period and until advised otherwise Church services will be held at the normal times in the Village Hall located at the top of Middle Street.

We look forward to seeing you there.

St ISMAEL'S CHURCH ROSEMARKET

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**Saturday July 15th 2000
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Haverfordwest Gymnastics Club

Gymnasts from Haverfordwest recently attended a West Area General Competition at the West Street Gymnastics Centre, Gorseinon. Over 300 competitors took part from clubs all over South West Wales.

In the Boys 8/9 event the A team came first and the B team 3rd place. The girls 8/9 event gained a 2nd place, and the 10/11 girls A team gained a 2nd place. Steffi Campbell (Burton Girl) was in her first competition for the 8/9 group.

The boys 10/11 gained a 1st place for the team, and a clean sweep with individual 1st Sam Ellison, 2nd Thomas Walker, and 3rd Daniel Jones.

The girls 12/13 gained a 1st team place with Rosie Mc Bride gaining an individual 1st and Deborah Hall a 3rd place. This success was rounded off with Aled Morgan (Grandson of Glyndwr and Shirley Lewis Ashdale Lane), gaining 1st place in the boys 12/13 competition.

The club then went on to Cardiff on 14th May to compete at the Welsh Amateur Gymnastics Association Preliminary Championships at Sophia Gardens.

In the under 11's phase one event in which 150 gymnasts competed, there was a clean sweep with individual 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places and ensured the A team took the title of Welsh Champions.

In the under 11's phase 1 boys, the club also claimed the championship with Individual 1st and 3rd places.



New to the Burton area is Steffi Campbell who competed in both competitions and is one of the up & coming Gymnasts of the club.

The success continued in phase 1 over 11's with Rosie Mc Bride becoming champion in her first competition at this level, and Deborah Hall gained 3rd place, thus gaining a team 1st place.

Aled Morgan claimed an individual 3rd place in the boys over 11's phase 2.

In phase 2 under 11's boys the club again took all the honours with Jack Sinnett 1st, Shaun Gunner 2nd and Carwyn Morgan 3rd (G&S Lewis' Grandson).

The level of success gained at the championships highlights the continued development of gymnasts, and provides the motivation required to gain a purpose built facility for the gymnasts.

Thank you also to those people in the village who purchased tickets for the trolley dash at Safeway, especially the members of the Wednesday Club.

Although the winner wasn't local but from Fishguard. The club and school took over £1,300 which goes to prove joint fund raising events work well. Anyone interested in joining the club or wanting to hold a joint fundraiser contact Rachael Hughes Tel: 01437- 890239.

The next big event is the Gym Jamboree in Cardiff on 29th July.



Above are :- left to right - Sian Hayden, Victoria Jones, Rhian Hayden.

Sian & Rhian competed for the club at Phase 2 over 11's.

Victoria competed for the club at Phase 2 under 11's

Footplate Experience of 1962(No.1.) Part 2.

Readers will recall, from Part 1 of this thrilling venture back in time, that Barrie had boarded GWR Mogul No. 7340 at Johnston. We left him as he started his journey to Milford Haven. The time, **6.50pm.** the year **1962**

We continue Barrie's story with his arrival in Milford Haven at 7.00pm. Over to you Barrie!

Disembarking with the other passengers, I walked along the platform to see the locomotive being uncoupled, and watched as she ran round the train to be re-coupled at the other end. By now, the station had fallen silent. No passengers appeared wanting to catch this train, the goods yard and Docks sidings were quiet, shunting was over for the day. The silence was only broken by the gentle hiss of steam from 7340, while she waited for departure time. At 7.50pm I set out for a stroll across Hakin Bridge, I get about half-way across, when I found myself retracing my steps back to the station. At 7.50pm 7340 set out for Clarboston Road and I had the station to myself for the next hour. The only other sign of human presence was in the signal box, as the signalman went about his duties, on this beautiful sunny summer's evening. I sat on one of the platform seats, and patiently waited for the excursion to arrive.

Presently, I saw the signalman moving his levers, setting up the route for the train. Shortly afterwards around 8.45pm. I could hear the train approaching. My excitement began to mount before the train came into view. Then, the unmistakable sight of No. 1027 County of Stafford appeared. With the evening sunlight's rays catching her polished copper and brass-work, and a feather of steam coming from her safety valve, she looked majestic at the head of her eleven maroon liveried coaches, as she drifted down the gradient on the last mile into Milford Haven. The signalman stood leaning from his window, ready to receive the staff from the driver as the mighty engine trundled past towards the station. I stood enthralled as the engine came alongside the platform. What a delightful vision she looked in her shining Brunswick green livery and her burnished short squat copper-capped double chimney, as she came to a stand.

Passengers began to disembark, and I sped along the platform to the cab side of the engine, where I was greeted by Billy and his fireman. Seconds later, I found myself on the footplate with them.

At this juncture, it is perhaps worth reflecting that, in those days, it was possible to fill a train of 500+ seats from Milford Haven alone, for something as simple as a day trip to Tenby. How times have changed since then. Back on the footplate, the fireman climbed down to uncouple the engine. When he rejoined us we were ready to run the locomotive around the train. Having re-coupled we waited for a signal from the guard, telling us that we could propel the coaches further into the station. The reason being that, the platform at Milford cannot accommodate such lengthy trains, so it was necessary on this occasion to push the train forward, so that the remaining passengers would be able to step onto the platform, rather than make their way through the coaches. We now stood with the engine immediately alongside the signal box. The signalman handed our fireman the single-line staff for the section to Johnston, while our guard went about closing the carriage doors, His duties now complete, he waved his green flag, which Billy told me to acknowledge with a blast on the whistle, and we were off.

I listened to the distinctive bark of a County exhaust as our engine began to lift the train up the gradient out of Milford. I listened also to, as the wheel flanges squealed while rounding the curves at Goose Pill and Priory. Because there was no turntable at Milford, our engine was travelling tender first, which wasn't too bad in fine weather, if the coal in the tender had been watered to keep down the grit and dust. It was nowhere near as pleasant, in adverse weather, when the only protection from the elements was a tarpaulin sheet which stretched from the rear of the cab to the front of the tender.

With the stiffest part of the gradient overcome, 1027 began to get into her stride as we steamed through Studdolph cutting. At the junction for the Esso oil refinery, the line straightens for a mile or so, and, from Redstock bridge the route is mostly level as far as Harmeston Farm. 1027 was doing very nicely as we traversed this stretch. Her fire was in good shape, and would need no further attention because, once back at Neyland her fire would be dropped.

Billy had kindly allowed me to sit in the driver's seat for the journey, but as we rounded the curve of Hayston cutting, I stood up to give a fanfare on the whistle as we came under the Neyland road bridge by North Hayston Farm. As expected, Grandpa was in the field adjoining the railway, waiting to wave as we passed by.

Our train entered Johnston via the branch loop. Stopping by the signal guarding the exit from the loop, the fireman then went to the signal box to surrender the single-line staff we had carried from Milford. We would now have to wait for three quarters of an hour while a series of scheduled trains came and went. Meanwhile,

our fireman uncoupled 1027 from her train in readiness to run round. Returning to the footplate, he made a final check of the fire which was still burning brightly, and in no further need of attention. Little steam would be required for the final leg of the journey to Neyland because, most of the distance was down-hill.

Eventually, the signal was lowered and, with a blast of the whistle, 1027 moved out of the Branch loop into Johnston station alongside the Up platform. The points were charged, and we steamed off down the cutting, onto the Milford branch. Stopping the outer side of the bracket signal, we waited for the points to change and the signal to lower, before reversing back into the Branch loop, and recoupling to our coaches.

Coupled up once more, 1027 then propelled the train out of the loop, and into the station, alongside the Up platform. Billy set the engine in forward gear again, and the train was ready to depart for Neyland.

Billy opened the regulator slightly, and 1027 began to move. Leaning from the cab, Billy collected the single-line staff from the signalman as we passed the box. Down the cutting we rolled into the fading evening light, and the exhaust beat of 1027 shattering the still night air. Steadily gaining momentum, we clattered over the junction where the Milford Haven branch diverged, and then, the regulator was closed. We would now drift down the falling 1 in 75 gradient, only needing to use a little steam on the last mile approaching Neyland. By the time the train passed the Down distant signal for Upper Rosemarket Crossing we were travelling at a fair pace. I pulled on the whistle chain to warn of our approach, repeating it again a few seconds later before Lower Rosemarket Crossing, which was just around the next curve. On down the valley we speed, a steady rhythm coming from the wheels as we crossed the rail joints. Soon, the distant signal for Westfield Mill Crossing came into view. Billy's parents and sister lived in the crossing keeper's cottage here, and, needless to say, this fact presented me with another opportunity to render a fanfare with the whistle. By the time we came in sight of the crossing, Billy's sister, Sheila, and mother, Emily, were stood in the garden, cheerfully waving as we thundered by. From here on the line was nearly level, and ran alongside the then tidal inlet of Westfield Pill. Passing Shipping Gut, and the Neyland distant signal, intermittent use of the regulator was necessary to get us to Neyland.

Surrendering the staff as we passed the signal box, and drifting on past the engine shed, Billy applied the brake, bringing the train to a stop alongside a deserted Down platform at Neyland. The route to the carriage sidings was set up, 1027 was put into reverse gear, and we proceeded to push the coaches out of the station. Detaching from our train, the locomotive was brought alongside the Down platform once more, so that our guard could get off. Setting the valve gear in reverse again, we set back to the signal box, paused while the points were changed, put the engine into forward gear again, and drove her onto the turntable.

It was now time to say good-bye to 1027, after having spent two thrilling and unforgettable hours on her footplate, and also, thank you, to Billy and his fireman for their great kindness in allowing me the privilege to ride on the locomotive I had regarded with such affection.

As we left the turntable, two cleaners set about the task of hand-cranking the big engine round. I then met up with my Uncle from the Forester's, who would take me back to Grandpa at North Hayston by car. Billy and his fireman said goodnight, and made off to the shed to sign off duty. Meanwhile, I was taken back to Johnston, still overcome with the experience I had just enjoyed. This has been the most memorable, and satisfying adventure of my life, and I wouldn't have changed places with Royalty to forgo it.

March 2000

Upper Crossing Cottage Rosemarket

NB : Following enthusiastic response from the first story Barrie has agreed to write another one which I am sure will be as exciting as this one has been.

WANTED URGENTLY:

Bric a Brac, Books, Etc.

for Rosemarket Church Garden Fete - before 15th July

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THANK YOU

WELL DONE EGGY WINNER

The children of Llangwm School were given the task of designing and making an Easter Egg Collage. A hard task indeed. What is a harder task? 'Judging Them'. I was honoured to be asked to undertake this formidable task. I took Margaret along for moral support, and indeed help.

There were lots and lots of eggs on display, everyone different, but what was obvious, was the amount of effort and imagination they had all put into this project. They were all winners. We were not allowed to leave until we had nominated one from each year.



For many different reasons we choose :-

Year1: Saffron Ewart
Year2: Harriet Mcloughlin
Year3: Oliver Davies
Year4: Leanne Murphy

WELL DONE

Pictured left to right : Cllr David Wildman, Harriet Mcloughlin, Saffron Ewart, Head Mistress Mrs Mills, Oliver Davies, Leanne Murphy

Richard Jones (age 5) of Ashdale Lane deserves another Medal for this contribution.

A Panda walked into a bar, he ordered a pint and a packet of crisps. He finished it, shot the waiter and walked out.

A customer said, what was that all about?

The bartender replied, get a dictionary and look up Panda. He duly found a dictionary, looked up Panda and it said:-

Eats Shoots and Leaves!

Hope we will hear more from you Richard

THE FARMERS GUIDE TO COMPUTER LANGUAGE

MODEM: What he did to the hay fields

KEYBOARD: Where he hung his keys

LOG ON: Making the wood stove hotter

WINDOWS: What he shut to keep out the cold

HARD DRIVE: Getting home during wet weather

DOWNLOAD: Getting firewood off the tractor

MICROCHIPS: What are left in the bag when the big chips are gone

MEGAHERTZ: What you get when you're not careful downloading



WHAT A LOAD OF BURTON RUBBISH! !

I think everyone must have kept their fingers crossed for us as, despite appalling weather forecasts, we had a dry evening on Easter Tuesday, 25th April. IN TOUCH had given us good publicity for our second beach clearance and the new Burton Youth Club had offered to come along and help. Over 40 people of all ages turned up and togged up in gloves and wellies, before separating to pick their way along the tideline and into the reed bed.

With such a labour force, an hours picking produced over 50 bags of beach litter for the council to collect the next day. There were 'before and after' photos taken, then it was into the Jolly Sailor for a welcome drink and chip supper, courtesy of Ken and Jean Aplin. Each participant was given a ticket for a draw, with Easter Eggs and TIDY T-shirts for the lucky winners.

Whilst the young people enjoyed the play area, the evening rounded up with a few rounds in the bar, with a really happy community spirit flowing!! Many thanks to David Wildman for the advance publicity and securing the gloves etc, to Ken Aplin for his hospitality, to Keep Wales Tidy for the loan of 'pickers'etc and the gift of T-shirts and the Youth Club for coming to help.

Most of all, thanks to all who came along..wasn't it a good evening, plus the feel-good factor of having had a good clean-up!

PS ; Thanks Stevie - yes it was a good evening - 'IN Touch' editor

Last Date For Entry In Next Edition

12th September

GET IT READY NOW

I Will Not Be Chasing You This Time

FOWL NEWS! by Diana Taylor of Rosemarket

A couple of chickens, that's all we wanted Our first plan was to adapt an old parrot aviary into a secure chicken pen as we felt it would be cheaper than buying a purpose made chicken house. We set to work with clearing a space in the grounds, this was fine, except for the fact we had had so much rain it made digging and clearing the area even harder. Finally the 'hut' was assembled, and Alan, made a nestbox, from an old kitchen wall cupboard. We thought it was great being able to use up materials we already had. Then we felt we should perhaps make a little pathway of gravel, so we did not need to walk on the mud when entering the hen house. (Solent Gold was the colour chosen, and very smart it looked too!) We had plenty of dishes we could use for their water and corn, but a visit to the farm shop made us spend out on a proper water container, which cannot be knocked over and a food dispenser. Well the pounds were mounting up and we reckon our 'cheap' adaptation had cost £98!

We were now ready for our girls, but where to get them from was another matter. Usually the local newspaper carries lots of ads of chickens for sale, but not of course, when you are looking for them. So we decided to place an ad under the 'Wanted' column. No sooner did our ad appear than someone living close by phoned to say they had some Warren hens for sale. We purchased just two, and our girls settled down very quickly and within two days they were both laying large brown eggs.

Out of the two hens, Pat was much tamer than Teri. If the garden door is left open then Pat comes wandering in. I have found her watching TV and climbing the stairs!

Both hens would perch on the window ledge to look indoors at the parrots, who quite often are on their stick stand in the window, it's then a case of eyeballing each other! Sometimes the hens will sit on the garden bench sunning themselves.

The nearest neighbour already had a cockerel, who instantly took a liking to our girls! SO, after a while we decided to look for a cockerel of our own. An advert appeared in the local newspaper asking for a good home for a young Rhode Island Red cockerel. What a handsome young chap he is too, we have named him Dennis. Well, as anyone who keeps chickens knows, you should have more than two hens when -keeping -a cockerel, so,- off to the livestock mart we went and bought four young hens (Freckle, Blackie, Mrs B and Mary). Unfortunately, not long after Teri died of egg peritonitis, despite a frantic dash to the vets.

Well, the neighbours cockerel who we called Menace, continued to wander down the lane to us, which caused much fighting between him and Dennis, until he realised this is Dennis's plot and he was not welcome. Having extra hens, and a cockerel, meant that we had to enlarge the hen hut and at the same time make a large secure run for days when they would not be given the freedom of the garden, due to visitors staying with non hen friendly dogs!

Several of the neighbours hens would come to see us, resulting in one staying permanently, obviously she fell for Dennis's good looks!

During the summer one hen went broody and after quickly reading up on 'what to do with a broody hen', we converted a large parrot cage, filled with straw and covered with sacking as a brooder. We placed this in the dairy together with food and drink, kept a watchful eye on her, and there she stayed until 5 chicks appeared. In the meantime we purchased a chicken ark for the chicks and Mrs B to go in and be safe outside. We bought the ark from a farm a few miles away and it's quite large, so Alan and the farmer lifted it onto the roof of the Land Rover, secured it with rope and slowly we travelled home. We really got some strange looks from other motorists, I'm sure the locals thought to themselves "it's those Londoner's, looks like their taking their chickens out for a ride!" What a sight for sore eyes it must have been. You can imagine the scene once back home and trying to lift it off the roof of the vehicle, as Alan's tall and I'm short, I ended up standing on the stone wall in a very wobbly position.

The chicks turned out to be 3 pullets and 2 cockerels. What rascals they were, just like young children they would not go to bed at night until at least 9.30pm due to the light summer evenings. Sometimes I would see they had all gone in, and tiptoed out-to close the door, only for them to shoot out and start cheeping again!

A few weeks later our daughter whilst here on holiday nabbed the pullets, she already had a chicken hut and run, so I had not the heart to say I wanted to keep them. I really liked our cockerels and would have loved to have kept them too, but it would have caused fighting with Dennis, so an ad went in the

local paper, as 2 young cockerels - free to good home. Luckily a lady who runs an organic free range farm wanted them to go with her young hens. I have since seen her at the farmers market and she told me the boys are doing really well, with one being slightly louder than the other.

Our neighbours young son bought some table chickens last Autumn, with an eye to them becoming Christmas dinner. One of them decided it quite liked us and spent several days with our hens, feeding well and fattening up. Well, young Paul came down to take Mable the Table home, he felt her breast and said how nicely she was fattening up. Poor Mable, next time she came down I told her it was not in her best interest to keep feeding herself up down here and shooed her back home.

One of our dogs, Rosie, loves to sit in the back of the car when I leave the tailgate open, snoozing in the sun and of course being sheltered from any wind. Pat has decided she likes to do that too, and hops up into the car snuggling up to Rosie. The other hens and Dennis decided that looked like a good idea and they too sit in there, leaving no room for Rosie. A couple of times I almost took Pat shopping with me, not realising she was asleep in the back of the car. (Can you imagine taking a live chicken to Tesco's!) One thing's for sure, I do not need to buy eggs now, in fact some days when I call Alan in for lunch he mutters 'Oh no not eggs again!'

Grace knows how to do it!

In early April, Mrs Grace Childs organised a Coffee Morning, in aid of Hill Mountain Church Building Fund. It was a lovely sunny day, and the event was well supported, with plenty of smiling faces, none more so than that of the Rev. Linda Woolacott whose smile grew bigger and bigger as purses were opened and more moths took to the air, and the Cake and Bric - a- Brac stalls became emptier and emptier. The event raised the magnificent sum of £350.00

Thanks again Grace and to all who supported the event.

We Travelled Afar to Freystrop Village Hall

Many of us, from the Burton and Rosemarket area, attended a gala concert organised by the Freystrop Millenium Committee .

Marj and Denis entertained the audience with music and a sing -a- long. The guest artist,not long back from Las Vegas, was the one and only Audrey Squires. She gave a spanking performace and at one stage even managed to get Jeff the JCB JAMES a Quacking and John the Tractor Colnet a Mooing (on this item we will say no more) - a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

Thanks to Esme and members of the committee - you are doing well !

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CONGRATULATIONS

Rosemarket Community Council:

Liz Wooding has taken over as Clerk to the Community Council and can be contacted on 01646 602178

The following are some of the items discussed during the last three meetings:-
Neyland cycle trail. Fencing at the Farriers on the Beacon is with the Solicitors. Cllr Barraha has taken over responsibility for determining ownership of the school. A meeting with United Reform Church arranged to discuss the Chapel.

Village cleaning and rubbish in St Leonards Park area, road maintenance. Public Conveniences to be in control of Community Council. Playground equipment to be inspected. Locked gate to be installed at bottom of Beacon. Notice Board should be erected shortly. Results of turnout for the Millennium public meeting to be discussed at July meeting - Items to be considered are (1) fence off land at Barn Hill for community use (2) Children's party (3) millennium Mug to every child and one to every house with no children (4) repair the Well's in the village, no funds available for additional parking in Front St.

Donations made to Crossroads and Childline.

BURTON SCHOOL SUMMER FETE

8th JULY 2000

at

BEGGARS REACH HOTEL - BURTON

11AM

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**Please park in field
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***IT
WILL BE
SIGNED***

WILD FLOWERS OF THE BURTON SHORE

Just as particular species of birds visit differing habitats, so wildflowers are associated with specific areas. Thus the Spring Squills are in abundance on the short turf of cliff tops in Pembrokeshire in April and May. The fleshy Sea Sapphire grows on the ledges of the cliffs themselves, Portland Spurge and Burnet Rose are at home on the dunes, and Bluebells and Wild Garlic flourish in woodland shade.

An interesting group of plants are those found along the shoreline and on salt marshes, their hard, narrow leaves well adapted to withstand salt winds and the daily drenching of the tides.

A walk along the shore upriver from the Jolly Sailor will reveal a number of varieties of these plants on the foreshore, many of which have their inland equivalents. The first to notice is the Sea Beet with its large deep green glossy leaves which grows in profusion and next, also growing plentifully, a member of the Goosefoot family, the oddly named Orache, this one the spear-leaved variety that has spear-shaped silvery green leaves. However it is the stretch of shore after you come down from the far side of the N.A.T.O. jetty where you will see the greatest variety of these maritime plants. An outcrop along this shore creates a rock river garden with cushions of Sea Pinks, or Thrift, Sea Lavender which, like its relative the cultivated Statice makes an excellent dried flower, the yellow flowered spikes of Sea Plantain and the lesser Sea Spurrey with its tiny pink flowers. And then there's the Sea Aster with its rather miserable looking straggly flowers- a very poor relation of the garden variety.

Flowers and plants will colonise the most unlikely and seemingly inhospitable places and in closing this article I'll just mention the N.A.T.O. jetty, which now, mid-June, is ablaze with deep red, pink, and white Valerian, and bright with the red Dog Rose and the white Field Rose. To adapt a well known saying: "**Man proposes but Nature disposes**".

WAYFARER

Sardis Baptist Chapel

The Chapel would like to thank everyone who supported them with the Daffodil sales, the grand total raised amounted to £2,540.00. Well done girls - plus Stanley and Rhys (well boys you did get a mention).

On the 12th August the chapel are holding a Music Marathon from 10 am to 7 pm with Nigel on the organ.. there will be the usual stalls -

cake, bric a brac, ice cream etc and the Sunday School children will be helping. The next day on the 13th August at 8 pm we will have 'Songs of Praise'. We will have a guest Soloist and Harpist together with Mrs Jane James of Llandeloy conducting. Chairman: David Wildman. For other forthcoming events see **CALENDAR**.

THE QUERN STONE

I found a quern stone

On the hill,

Sandstone to grind the corn,

Snug fitting in my palm,

One white spot gleaming,

Grooves weathered by time and
water

Hold my first

And second fingers,

A third for my thumb.

A child might have used it.

I listened through the silence

As the air, still vibrant

from the past,

Rose from the valley

Below and spoke strangely,

Whispering in voices

From a younger, distant time.

A contribution from Denise Grose
of Hook



On May 5th Cllr Bill Hitchings who represents Llangwm, Hook and Freystrop but lives in Ashdale Lane, was sworn in as Chairman of Pembrokeshire County Council for the ensuing year.

He will be holding a Civic Service at Llangwm Methodist Chapel on 2nd July. Bill has asked the Rev. Linda Woolacott to be his Chaplain during his term of office.



Burton Youth Club Newsletter

June/July 2000

I am really pleased to report that the club is going from strength to strength with up to 30 children attending. The highlight, recently, was a trip to Brawdy for Ten Pin Bowling. For the first time, the club hired a County Council mini bus to help with transport.

Several of our members joined the Burton Beach Clean on 25th April and their help was very much appreciated by the Environment Group.

The club did not meet during the Easter holidays or half term but should be back in full swing on 9th June. The next activities include orienteering and a trip to the Crystal Maze. There will be a variety of things to do during the term, so please give us your support.

Our thanks go to all those who have supported the club in any way and especially to the leader and volunteers who have worked so hard.

The club meets at the Mission Hall, off New Wells Road, Houghton on Friday evenings between 7 and 9 p.m. It is for children aged 10 to 14 years. £1.00 per session is charged and there is a tuck shop. All new members are welcome.

Contact:- Colin Rogers 01646 601902
Martin Charles 01646 600843
Sheila Worby 01646 601334

MEP VISITS BURTON

In April Cllr David & Mrs. Margaret Wildman hosted an open coffee morning on behalf of Burton Conservative Branch. The Branch Chairman, Mrs Diana Jones of Port Lion, introduced Jonathon Evans MEP and Stephen Crabb Prospective Conservative Candidate for Preseli Pembs to those present. Following a working lunch at the Beggars Reach, Jonathon and Stephen attended a meeting in Haverfordwest with local farmers and businessmen.

Thank you

**To you - who have offered to help
with delivery of this community
magazine**

Talking Heads

Images of what you think people are like can be quite wrong you know. One of the worst situations is to make assumptions about other peoples' backgrounds based on a kind of prejudice of nationality. When visiting a ship the other day the jetty supervisor, to whom it is a courtesy for the Chaplin to ask about the situation on board ship prior to visiting it, suggested that I would not have much of a welcome on board a particular ship because they were Russians. They were thought to be suspicious of strangers visiting the officers and crew. They would not apparently, be too keen for a Chaplin of the Christian Churches to talk freely to anyone on board. Walking up the gangplank, with all my bits and pieces, including a newspaper partly published in Russian, was an anxious few minutes. It needn't have been so. I was met by the First Officer who was most welcoming and invited me aboard to meet his fellow officers and crew. Most of the ship's crew lived around the Black Sea coast of Southern Russia and worked mainly between the North Sea oil fields, the northern European ports and the UK oil depots including Milford.

They were keen to practise their English, and as my Russian is non-existent, they had an open field to talk about sport (mainly football) shopping and, yes religion and Christianity. I had built up in my mind an image fully expectant of guarded responses and intensity of concentrations.

Having completed my rounds I was invited to share a cup of coffee and further conversation with the Captain. You are aware, no doubt, what Russian coffee looks like. Egg-cup size with the spoon almost standing upright in the cup. The time was about 11.30am and he could see

that I wasn't in a position to down it quickly. 'You like our coffee' he said. 'Oh yes' said I, but I like to sip it' Why not drink eet with zee vodka, eets good. Well at that hour of the day when the sun had not gone down over the yard arm I had to refuse without giving offence. I said that I was driving a car when I left the jetty and I could not drink the vodka. He understood, sure sure, and he was keen to talk about his home and family. What was even more surprising was that in his sitting room, alongside his office and cabin, in full view of everyone was the most exquisite Russian icon of the Madonna & Child overlayed with silver and about three feet square.

Images of Russia and the Cold War years damaged many peoples views of tolerance of all things Christian. The Captain was a man in his late forties so he knew the risks he would be running had the Polit Bureau still had the boot on the necks of Russian Christians (and everyone else in the USSR at that time).It was a great eye opener both to me and the jetty operator / manager. So people are not always going to react in the way that an image of Talking Heads might presume.

Thank you for giving me space to share part of my work in our community.

Rector Michael Williams

Burton Action Group

BURTON RE VISITED!!!

At a recent meeting of the Environmental Group, it was decided that another guided walk would be arranged for the summer. This follows last years popular historical walk, led by Denis Venables and Jean Davies. The route will be different, taking in many of Burtons little known delights, and will round off once more with a barbecue. The date is yet to be finalised, so look out for posters near you during the school holidays! Hope you will all join us and ENJOY learning more about the place where we live.

BOAT APPEAL

Is there anyone out there with a small, old wooden dinghy that they would be willing to donate as the centrepiece of the Jolly Sailor picnic site??? Planning permission has been given, a historical information panel will be featured between the

picnic tables and the boat will be filled with flowers. Can YOU help to clear out your garage AND create a lasting legacy at Burton Ferry. Please contact Mervyn Williams (01 646 600928)

or
Stevie Lewis (01 646 602424).

BURTON COASTCARE

A happy spin-off from the recent beach clean is to be the formation of a Burton Coastcare group. With help from "Keep Wales Tidy" a survey of the coastal areas will be done and areas for improvement highlighted. There will be opportunities to get useful training in practical skills like hedging, stonewalling, first aid etc as well as taking part in fun activities that will really make a difference to our community. If you know a coastal or riverside area that needs attention or you would like to get involved,

please phone Mervyn Williams (01646 600928)

or
Stevie Lewis. (01646 602424).

YOU are invited to partake of a

STRAWBERRY & CREAM TEA
In Aid Of
St. MARY'S CHURCH BURTON
On
SATURDAY 5th AUGUST 2000
3pm.

Cake stall

VENUE

Raffle

AFON FACH

Conversation

Silverstream

Competition

To Be Opened

by

Mrs Cara Williams

The Revd. John Hale has published a millennium booklet on the history of St Mary's Church Burton which includes many coloured photographs. Booklets priced at £2.00 are available from the Church Wardens.

HAVEN'T THEY DONE WELL?



Married 60years ago on 30th June 1940
Doris Hansford and Stephen Thomas of
Front Street Rosemarket tied the knot in
Bethesda Baptist Church Neyland -
A Diamond Couple.

We have had a busy two terms this year and enjoyed tremendous support from all parents and friends of the school, so far raising approximately £700 for the benefit of the children. Our major purchase has been a listening centre for Class 3 which will enable up to 6 children to listen to tapes without disturbing other members of the class. We have also given financial support to a puppet show and a trip to Techniquet as well as buying some new sports equipment. Events this term have included a pigeon race on the weekend of June 17th. We will be holding a Cake Stall and Refreshments at Sports Day on 27th June, entering a float in the Village Carnival and possibly holding a Family BBQ. If you would like to help organise or participate in any event, please contact any members of the Committee.

Did you know?

The Parish has supplied the last two **Head Girls** for Tasker Milward School.

Kim Rawsthorne has handed over to Philippa Bowen this year.

Both live in Rooseferry Road, Houghton.

PEMBROKESHIRE CHURCHES

The rural churches in South Pembrokeshire can never vie with the intricate carving in wood and stone of the rural churches in counties such as Hereford. The churches in Pembrokeshire are sturdy, plain, even austere, but nevertheless they reflect the virtues each of those qualities. Spires are few and far between- the stumpy, slightly askew spire of St. Daniel's, on top of its hill outside Pembroke, is almost a comical after thought. But the often massive towers soar up towards the heavens; although their function as watchtowers for detecting early movements of hostile forces was far more in the forefront of the builders minds than thought of any religious symbolism.

But though lacking the richness of detail of parish churches across the border, Pembrokeshire churches frequently house the strange, the rare, and the mysterious.

At Steynton, the parish church of St. Peter and St. Cewydd, with its soaring tower, is one of those churches which conserve within its walls remarkable treasures, yet you would be hard put to give mention of them in any guide book. Chief and most intriguing of these treasures is the Ogham Stone. Ogham is the name given to the twenty letter alphabet which originated in Ireland in the fourth century A.D. and which was used for writing Goidlic, the Irish branch of the Celtic language.

The alphabet consists of groups of incised horizontal lines usually cut on the edge of a memorial stone, each group representing a single letter. These roughly hewn stones served as personal memorials, the person's name being inscribed in the Ogham script, and commonly accompanied by a similar inscription of that name in Latin, thus enabling scholars to decipher the Ogham alphabet.

The Steynton Ogham stone leans against a pillar at the back of the church in the north aisle. The incised lines on the edge of the memorial stone are very clear, but an unusual feature at the centre of the stone is the Celtic wheel cross, containing strange symbols, that was carved at a later date and that all but obliterates the parallel Latin inscription. Another oddity carved into the base of the stone is a Victorian memorial to T. Harries, a former church sexton.

After studying the Ogham Stone it's worth taking a further look around. The imposing square font on its round pillar dates from the thirteenth century, its plain design and massive construction typically Norman. Walking down the nave you see alongside the pulpit an ancient,

high-backed oaken chair, the central panel of which is carved with a jaunty unicorn, a mischievous grin on its face and projecting from its forehead, a long barley-sugar twisted horn. Moving into the chancel we discover the final surprise, this time from the twentieth century. On the south wall is a large and striking tapestry of Leonardo da Vinci's.

'The Last supper'. The original in Milan has only recently been cleaned and restored with controversial results. It would be interesting to compare the tapestry with the newly restored painting.

Pembrokeshire has an abundance of country churches, some of which, like the church at Minwear, hidden away at the end of a farm lane, and difficult to find; but as in St. Peter's, all have some particular feature that will interest and delight the curious mind and attentive eye.

WAYFARER

GOFALU AM OFALWYR / CARING FOR CARERS

**CROESFFYRDD
PENFRO**

**PEMBROKESHIRE
CROSSROADS**

Invite you to our

GARDEN PARTY

On

SATURDAY 22nd JULY 2000 At 2 pm.

Refreshments

Raffle

Various Stalls (cake, bottle, bric-a-brac etc.)

ADMISSION £1.00

VENUE

AFON FACH

SILVERSTREAM

FREYSTROP



**BURTON
WEDNESDAY CLUB
with JEMIMA**

Is Harold laughing or in pain because of Jemima's pitchfork.

I notice Rhys is also aware of the pitchfork!!!

CHEESE & WINE PARTY

Friday 15th September 2000

at 7 pm

Proceeds to

Sardis & Hill Mountain Chapels

*Cake Stall
Raffle*

*VENUE:- Afon Fach
Silverstream
Freystrop*

ADMISSION £3.00

Burton Wednesday Club had to order a larger coach on the 13th June than anticipated as so many local people wanted to join their trip on the Brecon Canal.

The May trip to Aberglasney, near Carmarthen, was a great success.

New members are welcome and the next meetings are on the 5th & 19th July at 2.30pm in the Jubilee Hall Houghton

AFTERMATH

Wayfarer

The sycamore is down,
Felled by last night's storm,
Its roots, from the dark chambers of the earth,
Hoist into the light.

Now begins the slow decay,
And now takes hold the teeming life.

Hill Mountain Methodist Church

You have heard of the song 'If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning, I'd hammer in the evening..... well friends and neighbours may have wondered what was going on inside the church from all the thumps and bangs that could be heard.

As you will see we are very pleased to have a new roof. Years of dampness inside has made the interior plaster very loose and made it necessary to line some of the walls with panelling - hence all the hammering. What we did not fully expect was the need to totally rewire the church but this has now been completed too - even more thumps and bangs! Over the next few weeks we will be decorating the interior and then the frenzied activity will slow down. As with all public buildings there is always something to do but at least the list of jobs has now been considerably reduced.

Members of Hill Mountain Church are indebted to the tireless work of Richard Laws, Howard Morse and others for the hours of work they put in 'hammering away' at the jobs. We are also indebted to our friends from Sardis Baptist Church who have offered us sanctuary while our church building was out of action and with whom we were delighted to share the Church Anniversary.

Once all the work has been completed we will have reason to rejoice and hold a thanksgiving service. In the meantime, if you are passing call in and find out how far we are progressing with the renovations or if you are good with a hammer or a paint brush and would like to help we would be delighted to welcome you to the work crew!

Rev.Linda Woollacott(01437 767647)

GARDENS

Keen gardeners, like avid readers who love to explore second hand bookshops, delight in visiting specialist nurseries and searching out unusual varieties. Two plants I've recently discovered are both climbers: a Schisandra and an evergreen variety of the Hydrangea Petiolaris.

There are twenty five species of Schisandra. The one I found was Schisandra Rubrifolia. This is a hardy twining species which may be trained on a trellis or pergola and in Pembrokeshire with its mild winters, can be grown in any position, reaching a height of fifteen feet or more. The deep crimson bowl shaped flowers appear in April and May. Although a little slow to get going the self clinging Hydrangea Petiolaris with its white, lacy flowers makes a

spectacular show in maturity.

However, the uncommon variety they have on offer at the Picton and St.Ishmael's nurseries is the Hydrangea Seamanii. Similar to the Hydrangea Petiolaris except this variety has larger, darker pointed leaves and has the bonus of being evergreen.

Wayfarer

Burton VC School

Italian Evening

The Italian Evening, arranged by FOBS and held at the Stable Inn on 6/4/00, was a huge success. All tickets were sold with everyone enjoying a wonderful meal. The entertainment was provided by Mr. Brian Jobson.

Urdd Camp at Llangrannog.

A number of children from Class 4 visited Llangrannog from the 12th to the 14th May and took part in many exciting activities.

Netball Competition

The school netball team won through to the final of the Pembrokeshire Small Schools Netball Competition held at Pembroke CP School on 16/5/00. Following a very close final match the school lost narrowly 2-0 to Orierton School. Congratulations to the whole squad :- Sophie Mitchell, Finola Scale, Rachel Jones, Melanie Rawsthorne, Jessica Holmes, Ceri Hayden, Alex Rowell, William Bowen and coach Mrs. Alison Hemingway.

School Bike Ride.

A sponsored Bike Ride was held on 21/5/00 starting at Johnston and following the old railway line (now a cycle path) to Neyland Marina.

There was a fine turnout by children and parents with approximately 70 people taking part. A warm thank you to all the cyclists who took part and to the stewards for their help and support.

NB. Midday Supervisors Wanted. (URGENTIY).

The school is desperate to fill two vacant posts for Midday Supervisors. If anyone is interested to work one hour a day please contact the school.

Events Remaining For This Term.

8/7/00 Summer Fayre at Beggars Reach Hotel
11.00 AM. (Please note the new starting time to avoid a clash with Neyland Carnival).

20/7/00 School closes for Summer Holiday at
3.15 PM. (This is a day earlier due to an extra teachers training day being arranged for 21/7/00).

Contact : Mr. R. Rowell.

Tel. 01646-600364

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

8th July 11am	Burton School Summer Fete Beggars Reach Hotel	25th September	Harvest Service at Williamston Nursing Home
15th July 10am	Garden Fete in Aid of Rosemarket Church Silverstream Freystrop	11th December	Christmas Carols at Williamston Nursing Home
22nd July 2pm	Garden Fete in aid of Crossroads Silverstream Freystrop	13th December	Christmas Carols around the Tree in Rosemarket
26th July 12.30pm	Burton Conservatives 'Summer Special' Beggars Reach All Welcome. Details 01437 891705	17th December (3pm)	Carol Service with Sunday School Children Sardis Chapel
30th July (Start 9am)	Rosemarket Golf Tournament	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p>CLEDDAU PRESS LTD <i>incorporating Portfield Print</i></p> <p>Registered Office: North Street, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire SA61 2JE Telephone: 01437 763809 Fax: 01437 769824</p>  <p>Business and Personal Stationery, Canon & Xerox Colour, and Black & White Photocopying, Rubber Stamps, Raffle Tickets etc.</p> </div>	
August (TBN)	Garden fete at Williamston Nursing Home		
5th August	Strawberry & Cream Tea in aid of Burton Church Silverstream Freystrop		
12th August 10am	Sardis Chapel Music Marathon		
13th August 8pm	Sardis Chapel Sankey Evening		
3rd September (3pm)	Harvest Festival Sardis Chapel	These will kill you :-	
15th September	Cheese & Wine in Aid of Sardis & Hill Mountain Chapels Silverstream Freystrop	What is yellow and writes poetry ? <i>Ans. A ballpoint banana.</i>	
		How do jellies start their races ? <i>Ans. Get set.</i>	
		What is green and hairy and wears sunglasses? <i>Ans. A gooseberry on holiday</i>	

Dates for your Calendar

St. Mary's Church
Burton

9am Holy Eucharist
(1st Sunday in Month
8am)

2pm Sunday School

Mission Hall

1st Sunday in Month
11am
Holy Eucharist

BINGO

Rosemarket Village Hall

Every Thursday

Eyes down
7.30pm

ALL WELCOME

All book money given in prizes
Entrance fees Village Hall Fund

To Place an Entry
Call :-

Barbara Summons:
01646 601194

Hilda Jones:
01646 601193

David Wildman:
01437 891705

St. Ismael's Church
Rosemarket

10.30am Holy Eucharist
(1st Sunday in Month
9.30am)
4.30pm
Tuesday School

(Due to Church
Renovation - services will
be held in Village Hall
until further notice)

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

BURTON :- 3rd Wednesday at 7.00pm in Jubilee Hall

ROSEMARKET :- 1st Monday at 7.15pm in Village Hall

All members of the community are welcome to attend

Sardis Baptist
Chapel

1st & 3rd Sunday
Every month 3pm

Jubilee Hall Houghton

Every Monday 1.00pm Line
Dancing
Every Monday 7.30pm Scottish
Dancing
Every Tuesday 7.30pm Whist
Burton Wednesday Club
Fortnightly 2.30pm Sept – July
Womens Institute
2nd Wednesday 7.30pm

Mission Hall –
New Wells Rd

Every Thursday
7.30pm
Line Dancing

Used regularly for
Drama practices and
other Social functions

For Bookings Call
Mrs Campbell
01646 600643

Every Friday - Youth
Club - subject to
bookings

Hill Mountain
Methodist Church

2nd & 4th Sunday
Every Month 3pm

Rosemarket

Wednesday Club are looking for
new members. Phone Barbara on
01646 601194

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