

CALENDAR DATES for JANUARY

Thurs 31st Dec.	Mobile Library – see details below 28 th January
Fri. 1st	Bank Holiday
Sat. 2nd	Christmas Decorations to be taken down. Meet Kings Head car park, all welcome, more hands less time taken. 9.30 am
Sun. 3rd	CRoW Walk starting in the village car park, all welcome. 9.30 am
Fri. 8th	Chacewater Parish Council Meeting. To be held on Zoom please contact the Parish Clerk if you wish to attend. 7.00 pm parish.clerk@chacewater.org
Mon. 11th	Leat, Shute and Green Clearance Clean-up. Clear silt & vegetation, Meet at Sergeants Hill/Leat Bridge. 9:30 am.
Tue. 12th	Leat, Shute & Green Clean-up. Day Two. 9:30 am.
Wed. 13th	New Moon - 5:00 am.
Thur. 28th	MOBILE LIBRARY at Twelveheads 11:50 am. – 12:10 pm. MOBILE LIBRARY at Chacewater Car Park 13:20 pm. – 14:00 pm. Full Moon - 19:16 pm.
Fri. 29th	Chacewater Parish Council Meeting. To be held on Zoom please contact the Parish Clerk if you wish to attend. 7.00 pm parish.clerk@chacewater.org

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NEW YEAR, NEW EDITORS, NEW ERA

editor@whatsoninchacewater.co.uk

As you know, having produced the last issue, Brenda Bailey stopped being Editor after thirty years. We aim to make sure "What's On" continues in this New Year.

We intend that future production and responsibility for the editorial content should be shared as we enter a new era. It may not be easy but we are certain it will be possible to share the work with a small editorial team able to bring the magazine into the next phase of its life.

In future this might include publishing online, alongside the traditional print version, while never losing the core reason for its existence, to keep our community informed and engaged.

So much is changing around us all in 2021. "What's On" also will evolve to keep you up-to-date with everything that happens in Chacewater. We hope to keep the best of the past thirty years of publishing and to improve and grow as a relevant, informative, friendly, inclusive and above all enjoyable read for all our readers in the coming years.

Copy date reminder

Copy date for the February edition of "What's On" is Midday Monday 18th January.

First, we will carry on publishing a full Calendar of Events for each month ahead. Let us know if you have something planned and it can be listed free in our monthly calendar.

Second, we will carry reports of what has been going on in and around our community. Tell us about your special event or a regular activity that others might like to follow.

Third, we will include articles of any other items of interest. We would like to investigate and report aspects of our rich local heritage, the natural and social history of our place. Let us know if you find something interesting, share a memory or a special sight.

Taken together, these stories build up a record of local life. Our new production team will be happy to advise and help get your story into print. Future editions will open a regular column for Family Notices of Birthdays, Weddings, Funerals and Anniversaries.

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IN BRIEF

I am sure we will all be pleased to see that Tregothnan Estates have applied for planning permission to convert the old **Britannia Hotel** into three flats. It will be good to see the old place returned to something like its former glory.

Speaking of pubs, a warm welcome to our new landlords at the **Kings Head Hotel**, Martyn and Jenny. Good luck, especially in these difficult times.

If the excesses of the festive season have got to your waistline, why not join in on the **Leat clearance**. 9.30 am Mon.11th and Tue.12th Jan. Contact Rob Knill 01872 561364 for more information.

Sarah Gribble, who I am sure many of you will know, has been co-opted onto the **Parish Council** to fill a vacancy, at the December meeting. If you fancy becoming a Parish Councillor there are elections due in May, for more information contact the Parish Clerk.

Sad to hear the **Boscowen Lodge** is moving from its Masonic Hall premises after more than 150 years, they are relocating to St Day but it remains a Chacewater Lodge.

A few volunteers continue to recover the **Observatory for Cornwall** site at Wheal Busy, in the hope of getting things up and running again this year. More on this topic next month.

After such a strange year, it is great to see signs of normality creeping back, like **Chacewater Village Hall** being reopened. Thanks to the hard work of many, this heart of the community is starting to beat again.

Its hello and goodbye at the Chacewater Surgery, Karen Grayson is leaving as Practice Manager, and being replaced by Neil Stevens. Thank you, Karen, for your hard work and welcome Neil.

Some great news, the Parish Council has finally managed to get planning permission for the Car Park and Community Garden to be built above the school. Work will start just as soon as possible, watch this space.

Now finally, if you fancy getting involved in something new this year why not have a scan of all the activities, clubs, societies and organisations that are available in the area, in the back of the magazine.



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KINGS HEAD OPENS AGAIN

The Kings Head Hotel re-opened for business on Wednesday 2nd December. New licensees MARTYN & JENNY Clemson are looking forward to a successful New Year as they open the doors of the only pub in the village.

The couple are experienced publicans. They have worked around the country for 10 years before recently returning to be near grandchildren in Cornwall.

Jenny & Martyn see the Kings Head at the heart of our local community and they are keen to support social activities in and around the village. They want to make the Kings Head a

warm, welcoming and safe place for everyone to meet up and enjoy good company.

The re-furbished pub provides a unique venue for meetings, refreshment and entertainment. The hotel offers overnight accommodation with 5 comfortable bedrooms.

Both Martyn and Jenny Clemson are also trained mental health workers. Jenny hopes to develop some new community programmes – perhaps starting a “Lunch Club” offering special meals for elder residents. Meanwhile, they invite everyone to drop in for a chat and enjoy their hospitality at the Kings Head.



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1ST THREEMILESTONE CUBS

Akela takes a look back at what the 1 Threemilestone Cubs have been up to in the last few months of 2020. In these strange times we were delighted that in September we were able to meet face to face in bubbles out of doors. The whole group met at Tomperrow; the demand was significant it was needed. The beavers met in the field by the veranda, cubs had two bubbles one on the camp field and one on the activity field, the scouts were in the campfire circle, everyone enjoyed these meetings. The cubs were rained off one week we were all ready to set off in different directions on a hike, when the heavens opened. We have enjoyed making fires and toasting marshmallows, planting bulbs, making bug hotels, a treasure hunt, and wide games, finding road signs and learning all about the green cross code and road safety. We were unable to have our usual Harvest Festival service this year, everyone was asked if they could bring a gift for the food bank, the folk at the food bank were very grateful, and we were sent a certificate of thanks by email, its very nice and I can put it in our logbook.

We were able to get our hike in this was enjoyed by the cubs, we arrived back in dark, so the children were able to use their torches they had brought with them.

Raksha has been giving the older cubs things to do at home, trying hard to get them through their Chief Scout Silver Award.

After half term, great programmes to do. The beavers were returning to the Church Hall, they enjoyed their meeting very much, they had to solve measurements of water from the smallest to largest and weights, finishing doing a firework picture.

The cubs already to start and then of course the 2nd lockdown happened, we had to turn to zoom. Our first meeting we refreshed on the green cross code, the following week we made a fruit salad, they all looked delicious, so tempting they all tucked in and enjoyed eating during the meeting, they all did some keep fit exercises and discussed how to keep well and fit by eating the right foods and getting enough exercise and sleep.

We would like to thank all the parents who have made it possible for the cubs to join us on zoom and for helping out in the background.

Judy Annear (Akela)

IN PLACE OF BOOK CLUB



Recently, I expect we have all had more opportunities than usual to catch up on some reading!

We are keen to continue Book Club meetings at the Kings

Head as soon as we are permitted to do so. Realistically, this is likely to be some months from now. In the meantime, the book for January 2021

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would have been: "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott (1868).

I'm sure we will have a chance to talk about this classic in the future. Feel free to send in your own review of the book and I will try to share it. Please do pass on other book suggestions.

Happy Reading until we meet again!

Linda Shevlin



CHACEWATER VILLAGE in BLOOM (ViB)

Hello All! Hope you are all well. As we hunker down for winter, I thought I would give an update on our planting and maintenance of plants around the village.

As you know, we have focussed on the Church Hill/Car Park bank. We have dug out many brambles and added compost from the summertime baskets. Now, topsoil (from works on the new path in the Millennium Green) has been added to build up the bank and fill in the dips. It's really taking shape, and people have been very encouraging with their positive comments. Thank you!

We have also been attending to the higher bank (where the oak tree stood). Currently, the top edge is

acting as a nursery for evergreen shrubs to have a break and recover from living in the lamppost baskets. The future plan is to create "waves" of blue and white flowers here.

We will continue to keep the area tidy throughout the winter months. Around the village people are very kindly looking after plants in their gardens and greenhouses, ready for springtime planting. Thanks to all.

Hopefully, by Spring we can start to plan for more group working parties to finish the bank and then look at other planting projects!

Remember, it's never too late to get involved. Call me or email. No offer of time is too small. Look forward to hearing from you and Happy planting.

Linda Shevlin

VITAMIN D

If you have received a letter from the NHS recommending you to apply for Vitamin D supplements available via the NHS and you're struggling to complete the online application, please contact Sharon the Community Navigator with Chacewater Surgery Tel: 07947 328213 who can submit an application on your behalf by just providing her with a few details. If there's no reply, she could be assisting someone else when you call so please leave a message with your name and contact number.

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XMAS DECORATIONS

On Friday 4th December, wrapped in a cold north wind, a large crew of volunteers turned up at the Kings Head to prepare Xmas decorations for Chacewater village.



Richard Northey found time after his school crossing patrol to pick up 12 cut fir trees and deliver them to the Kings Head car park. Then he made the same trip to fetch our large cut fir tree.

Experienced tree dressers Noel Crocker and Karen Crocker Bath fixed multi-coloured light strings to the small trees. They were joined by extra teams with Jean Koerner, Malcolm Beckham, Gillian Knill and Terie Chesworth. Rob Knill fitted a new chain to his chainsaw and set about trimming tree trunks to size.

Meanwhile, Parish Council Chair, Steve Leech, arrived with another saw to swiftly trim the base of our large tree. Within an hour, a dozen small trees were dressed and we started to put

lights onto the top of the big one.

The pub's new landlady, Jenny Clemson, provided a welcome coffee break as husband Martyn wired up a 24v electric cable. Mr & Mrs Peter Chesworth ferried a load of re-usable trees from Wheal Busy while Mr & Mrs Rob Knill joined the remaining team to stand the big tree upright.

As dusk fell, we set timers on the new decorations – ready for the next day. Many thanks to all those volunteers who could go home, a little chilled but, content with a good job done.

Part 2. Saturday



Overnight, strong winds toppled the big tree into the Kings Head car park. This challenge was met on Saturday morning by our volunteers, reinforced by extra hands – Simon Rutherford, Mike & Barrie Tippet, Dan Martin and Linda Shevlin. By 11am. two ladder crews led by Rob Knill and Paul Bearham had fixed 12 cut fir trees, 20 re-usable trees and 8 lanterns to wall brackets lining the road from High

Street to Chacewater Hill. Jean Koerner and Linda Shevlin ensured that timers were distributed where needed.

The big tree was set upright once again, more lights were added and guy ropes secure the tree against the prevailing wind. Thanks again to all our helpers. We are grateful also to our new publican, Martyn Clemson, who used his skills as an electrician to restore the lights on the big tree.

Projects officers watch anxiously to see that the battery-powered timers and lights work properly. So far, we have had to fix more snags with the traditional trees and lights than with the new, re-usable ones. We hope the overall effect gives a festive lift for all.

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!

Paul Shevlin (Secretary, the Chacewater Projects)
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SCHOOL NEWS

It has been quite a return to school since September with the children and staff working amazingly hard in the new conditions we find ourselves in. The word “bubble” has become part of normal life and the biggest challenge we face is the children not being able to mix with other year groups in school.

However, saying this, it has just been wonderful to have the children back to school. We spent the first two weeks thinking about our place in the World. We have focused on mental health, with a tremendous celebration day and video; Remembrance, working alongside the local community with the poppies, and Christmas celebrations. Although most events will be virtual this year, we are sure our production of “The Stick Man” will still be superb.

Reading is a focus for our school and we have worked really hard in this area since we came back. Children have class texts that they immerse themselves in and we are working on continuing to create and foster a love of reading.

At the time of writing, school has not been subject to a temporary closure due to COVID 19. However, we have now moved into a world where remote learning is at the forefront of plans, so that if closures should occur, children can continue with their learning from home.

One of the most significant developments over the term has been

the close working relationship between the school and Parish. The support to try and ease the issues over access and road safety has been quite overwhelming, and all of us in school are so grateful to all the volunteers for their help. We are incredibly excited about the new drop off zone, which will hopefully be ready after Easter. We have also collaborated on supporting families in our school with shopping vouchers.



As we move into a new year, we will continue to work hard to support our children to ensure they do not become “The Covid Generation.” I would like to thank all those who have been involved in the successful return to school but would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff. Like many others they have made great sacrifices during this period including not seeing members of their own close family so they can continue to look after our children.

Chris Gould
Headteacher

WHAT HAVE "THEY" BEEN UP TO?

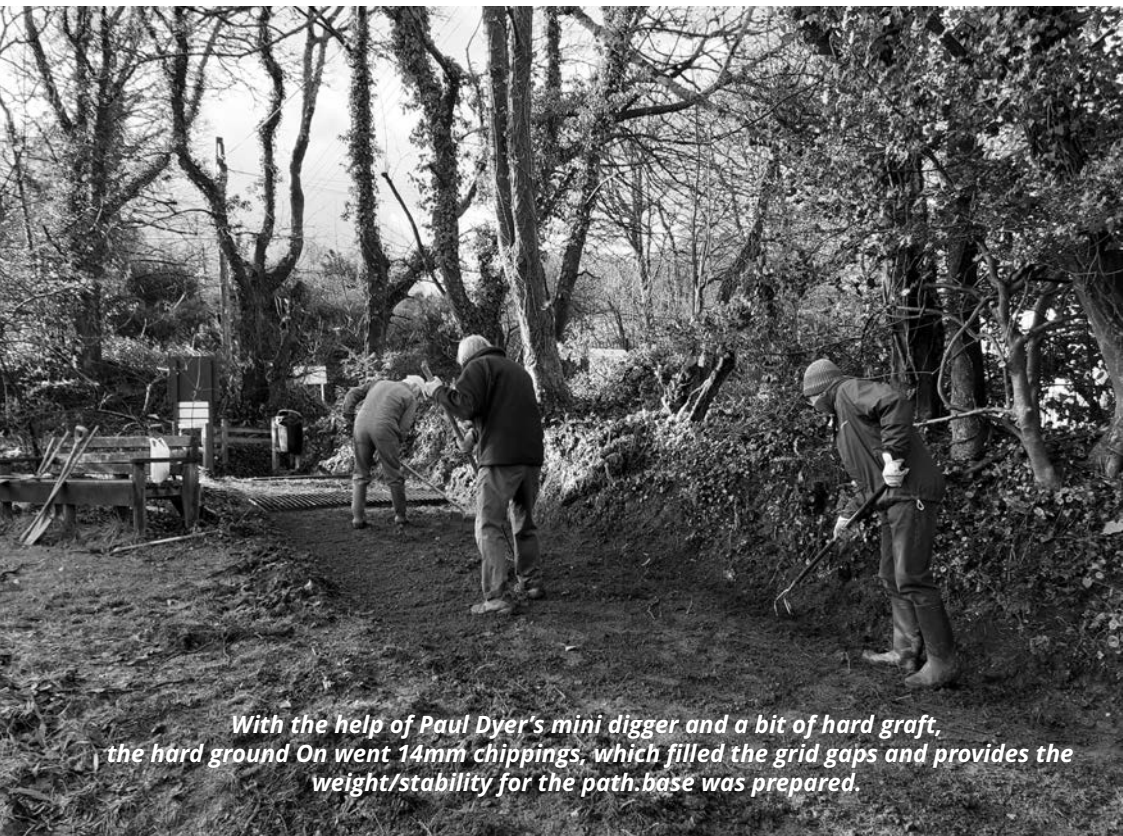
Chacewater Parish Council Update

The New Millennium Green Pathway.

Many residents will be aware of the massive effort put in – over just one week in late November - to install a new 95 by 2 metre wide pathway up the side of the Millennium Green. Not necessarily planned to coincide with National Road Safety week (16th to 22nd November 2020), the fact that it did certainly resonated with many residents, especially most of the parents and pupils who use Church Hill to access our Primary School. All were hugely grateful to the small

volunteer group who made this their absolute priority for the month. These works stemmed from the very real Road Safety concerns expressed by our Headteacher, Mr Chris Gould, parents and residents.

So, discussions were held, decisions made, letters written, funding secured and materials sought – all in record time - to deliver a plan that our volunteer manager of the Millennium Green, Mr Paul Shevlin, had devised earlier in the year, for the betterment of all concerned. In pictorial terms, the process was as follows:



With the help of Paul Dyer's mini digger and a bit of hard graft, the hard ground On went 14mm chippings, which filled the grid gaps and provides the weight/stability for the path base was prepared.



A permanent weed suppressant membrane was laid topped with an interconnecting plastic grid system

On went 14mm chippings, which filled the grid gaps and provides the weight/stability for the path.



The official opening saw two classes from the Primary School quite literally "pave the way" for others to follow!

This work required some very long days of hard manual labour, invention and initiative but the location was lovely, and the appreciation shown by parents and children alike was most welcome.

All in all, this was a true Community project which has gone a long way to addressing a potentially serious issues on Church Hill, particularly at school start and finish times. We cannot be complacent though and be lulled into thinking this will resolve all of the road safety issues on Church Hill. So, the Parish Council and School continue to work together (and with other outside authorities) to do more, the new Car Park perhaps being the most significant and obvious long-term objective.

SOME GOOD NEWS

On the topic of the new Car Park and drop off zone above the school, we have received some really good news just as we finished the pathway. After a very long wait, and passing through several hoops, the Parish Council has now received planning permission to build both the Car Park and the Community Garden above the school, on fields we will be renting from Tregothnan Estates. It is hoped work can start just as soon as possible and be completed by Easter. As most of the work takes place off the road, it is hoped that we will be able to undertake the work with the minimum of disruption to the everyday comings and goings at the school.

FLOOD PREVENTION

As Chacewater village sits in two valleys, there is clear potential for rain waters to collect in areas we don't want them. It is therefore imperative that our drains and roadsides are kept clear or leaf and silt build up – some challenge, given our treelined landscape! Everyone has a part to play in preventing such activity here and so if any householder has a drain or live alongside an area where even the slightest blockage or silt build up can occur, they are encouraged to keep it as clear of unwanted debris as is conveniently possible.

From a wider perspective, we do get a lot of help from Biffa, with whom we have a running contract to sweep certain roadsides around the Parish, as and when requested and this has been hugely effective throughout the past Autumnal period in particular.

Mr Northey does much work of this type, most recently by trimming the hedge on both sides of Church Hill, leading up to the Primary School. Cormac have come along in recent weeks to reinstate some of roadside grips and cleaned out several key drains. Finally, we will be embarking on the annual Leat clearance work in early January. Volunteers very welcome (see events notice).

In short, by working together we can beat what can have a potentially devastating effect on some householders and so please do your bit if you can and it is safe to do so. Many thanks.

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (PRoW)

Our new PRoW contractor, Mr Richard Ward, is still working extremely hard to get our much-loved footpaths, bridleways and byways to a more acceptable standard and we thank him for his resilience and dedication in pursuit of this goal.

Unfortunately, we have also seen or heard a good deal of unwanted illegal activity along some of our PRoW routes by 2 and 4 wheeled motorised off-road vehicles in recent times, which have caused untold damage in many places. It is imperative that we tackle this activity NOW and so any one who sees this sort of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) is strongly encouraged to report it via the online Cornwall Council 'Report It' system, the link to which is: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/countryside/public-rights-of-way/report-motorised-vehicles-on-public-rights-of-way/>

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spots" of such activity, which could ultimately lead to prosecution, please, please, please don't hold back on this issue because this is most important – the Parish Council cannot do this alone and these are our Public Rights of Way!

What your Parish Council can do, however, is to report and press for remedial action to observed defects along our PRoW and this month has seen some welcome works undertaken by the Cormac Environmental Team to:

- Repair the wooden bridge across the Carnon River at Riverside.
- Repair/re-direct potential flood waters to Silver Bridleway 71/1 above Willow Bridge Cottage from the Bissoe Road area.
- Temporary surface repairs to Silver Footpath 70/1 near Wheal Prosper, ahead of hoped for more permanent solutions at some point later in 2021.

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This worked extremely well, but there is a sense that we could perhaps do more in terms of support at this key time of the year, especially for those amongst us who might feel the need for the occasional chat over the phone, at the gate or over the fence or those who are seeking a bit of company whilst out on a walk – basically anything that can potentially lift spirits on an otherwise dreary day. Just a few examples, there is no template to feeling vulnerable or lonely and we are all very different.

Chacewater volunteers are willing and able to help. So, please don't feel awkward, just call the Chacewater parish clerk on 01872 561387 who will try to arrange some assistance, no matter how big or small it might appear.

LEAT, SHUTE & MILLENNIUM GREEN CLEAN UP – W/C 11TH JANUARY 2021



A repeat caller of last month's What's On article. Although restrictions will almost inevitably be in place around the time of our Annual Voluntary Leat clearance activity takes place, we are still scheduling these most important of tasks on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th January 2021. A comprehensive Risk Assessment will be undertaken clearly and the likelihood is that we will work as individuals or in pairs from the same "bubble" to ensure we keep safe. If time permits, these voluntary works will extend to some further clearance activity around the Shute at East Bridge and may be some further management up on the Millennium Green. Cormac's Community Tool Trolley (complete with dumpy bags, which they then take away for us!) will be booked for the occasion, which usually involves a bit of graft but some fun also. Anyone willing and able to lend a hand this coming year is requested to contact Rob Knill on either: 01872 561364, 07816 773218 or at gillian_knill@hotmail.com

The more hands, the easier it becomes and so many thanks in advance.



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BISSOE COMMUNITY WOODLAND



Cornwall Council is encouraging new woodland areas across the county and has several pockets of 'Closed Landfill' available. Cornwall's target is to have tree canopies covering over 2% (approx.8000Ha) of the county. Kea and Feock Parish Councils have been offered some 1½ acres close to the Bissoe Trail to create new woodland for community use and welcome other volunteers including any from Chacewater and Gwennap join in.

Presently, this site is overgrown, reclaimed waste-land with a covering of soil, scrub and rough grass. A field gate onto the road is not suitable for regular use. It is envisaged that new pedestrian access will be made, complete with new pathways, fencing and hedgerows, direct from the Bissoe Trail. The aim is to create an easily-managed community woodland with fruit, nut, berry and other native trees; including small picnic areas and perhaps an open play area.

Forest4Cornwall can supply packs saplings that will need planting and nurturing. This will also encourage

people to get outdoors and meet up safely socially distanced. The encouragement of wildlife will also be a key feature.

The site will undergo a basic land survey, a lease agreement will be made and then ideas and designs will be sought. We have been offered mechanical assistance with a tractor and other equipment to re-establish the boundaries.

For now, this project is just an outline on a map and very much in its infancy, but we want to gauge the level of possible support at this stage. Are you interested in playing a part in creating this future legacy? Thank you

Contact Steve
steveclovelly@gmail.com

The Night Before

Video performance of the play "The Night Before" is on YouTube in Two Acts.

Here are the links:

ACT 1 -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZwFG6Y4PQiA&t=1620s>

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VILLAGE PONDWATCH + GREENWATCH

DECEMBER 2020

The pond rests quietly as the winter solstice approaches. The weather may get colder for some weeks after Xmas but every day will get longer. Meanwhile, the water's dark mirror surface is briefly disturbed by circular ripples that hint at life unseen below. Small birds singing in trees nearby are moved on by a rowdy gang of crows that claims the branches. Wood pigeons also clatter through the air. In brambles at the water margin a little flock of goldfinches sparkles bright yellow, red and black. Blue tits and sparrows also visit to forage among pondside plants.

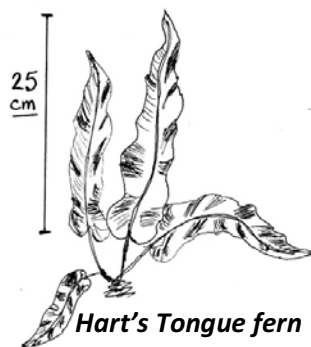
Higher up in the Millennium Green a squirrel romps beneath the trees and a Jay flashes pale pink and white feathers when it flies across the new footpath.

The old Cornish hedge beside this path is home to many plants and animals. Walking by this month, identify the fleshy round leaves of **Navel wort**, the long ribbons of **Hart's Tongue ferns** - or count the **Yew trees** growing.

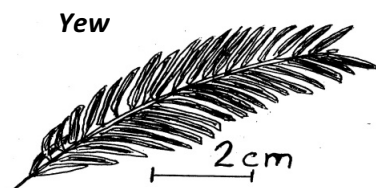
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CHACEWATER RIGHTS OF WAY (CROW) WALKING GROUP

SUNDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2020

Dressed for the worst of weather, as is so often the case, the clouds lifted and the sun came as we assembled at the Square Car Park for the last CRoW Group trek of 2020, on Sunday the 6th December 2020. It was good job that we had those wellies though because conditions under foot were quite messy in places, the consistent rain having finally taken its toll on many footpaths, bridleways and byways - some of which had also clearly worsened by illegal off-road activity!

So, with bright bonnets, a cheery outlook and damp but increasingly warming morning ahead of us, we moved off, up and along Church Hill with an energetic younger element taking the lead. We nipped off route slightly at first though, so we could see how the fabulous new pathway in the Millennium Green was settling down (wonderfully well is the answer) and paused at the top opposite the school to advise on the state of play regarding the latest on the plans for the new Car Park and Community Garden, which have finally been granted - Winner!

Noting the good roadside grip and drain clearance works near Chacewater House as we went, we headed off right at 90 degrees about 150 metres on up the Hill onto Silver Byway 51/1 which, after a further 100 metres or so, connects nicely with the,

currently quite muddy, Silver Bridleway 51/2 and even muddier Gold Bridleway 52/1. With the wonderful surrounding countryside now revealing itself and a good few interested horses to chat to, we passed High View Farm on the left before eventually emerging out near the Creegbrowse Crossing, where we took advantage of a well-appointed puddle to wash off our footwear. We turned right and rambled for about half a mile along the lovely lane towards Cox Hill, just opposite Truro Tractors – what a view this lane does offer across to the left in particular.

Crossing what would ordinarily be one of the busiest of our Parish roads, it is worth saying that we hadn't actually met a moving vehicle until this point and, even then we didn't see one which was really quite astonishing! We took the safe route through the Truro Tractors yard to the right (part of Gold Bridleway 13/1) in order to link with Silver Byway 54/1 down towards Salem Cottage, at which point we turned up left again on Silver Byway 55/2. Out onto the road leading to Todpool (if you turned left), we went right and immediately took in the majestic Killifreth Stamps Engine House. Over the Truro to Redruth road towards Wheal Busy (again, very few cars to be seen which was a joy to behold!) so we could chat at length about the potentially positive ways that this incredibly important area of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) might be taken forward in the years to come – more on this next month with any luck.



Slightly cloudy but bright skies, the CRoW Walking Group pause in front of the Wheal Busy Mine Engine House. Famed for its unique 3 arched Lancashire Boiler rooms, Tregothnan Estates have also installed 4 beehives nearby.

Moving on, we kept the Wheal Busy Mine Engine House to our left and transited along towards Gold Bridleway 5/3, passing the Cornwall Observatory on the left. Things were getting muddy again by this stage and some little legs were getting a bit tired, so we headed back to the village via the peculiarly sequenced Gold Bridleways 6/2, 6/4 and 6/3, which took us down onto the Wheal Busy Lane beside Hillside Farm.

Arriving at The Terrace and down Sergeants Hill, we got back to the car park a little later intended (at 1120), however, all agreed that it was well worth doing this particular walk, especially given the freshness of the morning weather.

The next CRoW walk will leave the Square Car Park at 0930 on Sunday the 3rd January 2021. As ever, all are welcome provided circumstances allow.

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FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Dear Reader

Chacewater at Christmas and the New Year celebrations never cease to amaze and each year it is always the case everyone of the community pulls together to support each other – especially in these challenging times of a pandemic. Thank you all for bringing such cheer to everyone passing through the village or living there with the Christmas Lights and window displays throughout. The Projects committee who organized the trees, all the residents who have the Christmas tree holders and the trees fixed to their houses, and a special thank you to all who helped put up the trees and lights and will dismantle them again in the beginning of January 2021.

The community spirit is evident and no more so than in the steps taken to relieve the congestion on Church Hill when schoolchildren are starting or leaving their school day. Many people connected with Chacewater School, including the head teacher and his staff, parents and grandparents, the children themselves, and drivers who use Church Hill were concerned about the almost daily conflict between pedestrians/children and vehicles. In true Chacewater fashion the Parish Council and agreed to construct a path inside the Millennium Green. Volunteers, including members of the Parish Council (one with a mini digger) and dug out and laid an all-weather path from the gate by the Village Hall

to the gate opposite the School. So, in a matter of a few days our community had built a safer alternative to Church Hill. For two weeks Parish Councillors stood by in high vis jackets to encourage safer practice. This as I have often said, makes me very proud to play a role in this truly amazing community, congratulations to everyone who helped.

The next especially important issue is to pay sincere thanks to Brenda Bailey, who in the December edition of "What's On", explained how this unbelievably valuable monthly magazine came about and announced her retirement as its Editor. What an utterly amazing record of service and dedication to Chacewater and beyond by Brenda- 361 editions and 30 years on. We must not forget the support that she has had from her family, as she was ably supported by her late husband Roy and of her children. Brenda, you have well-earned an enjoyable retirement and on behalf of all the residents of Chacewater and beyond, thank you for all you have done to keep the whole community knowing what is going on! Our best wishes to the new team of editors.

Another group of people that deserve a thank you are members of your Parish Council and their Clerk for their sterling service to our community once again over the past year, Chacewater is so fortunate to have so many people readily prepared to give so freely of their time.

All that is really left for me to write is to wish you all, a very Happy, Healthy

and Prosperous New Year and with the first day of the vaccine being given today at the Royal Cornwall Hospital we have some hope that in 2021 we will eventually be able to resume some sort of normality again.

If I can be of any help or support to you in 2021, please do not hesitate to contact me on -

Home 01872 273329,
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The forth in a series of reflections on the Parables of Jesus from Pastor Adrian.

We all love stories, whether it be bedtime stories or stories around the kettle over a cup of tea. We all enjoy a good tale, yarn or story and Jesus told many and they are called parables. The parables that Jesus told describe what the Kingdom of Heaven is like, not just heaven the place, but heaven as a Kingdom with a real purpose. Jesus told parables to illustrate spiritual truth using everyday items and situations and I think the parables

have much to tell us about the way we live our lives today. For the first month of this New Year 2021 my choice is The Wise and Foolish Builders, found in Luke 6:46-49.

Recently whilst out walking, I saw a new house-build project nearing completion. I was surprised as only a few months before there were no houses, just an empty field! And now there are complete houses with some folk already moving-in to start life in their new homes. We trust that the building contractors have built wisely and professionally and that these new houses will last more than a lifetime. I don't know about you but for me a picture can be worth a thousand words. This Luke reading is one of Jesus' most vivid word-pictures and what this scene portrays is slightly amusing in nature but what it has to say is deadly serious. Surely, the picture of a building without firm foundations, that Jesus presents here, is about those who listen to true wisdom but do not put it in to practice. Sooner or later the floods of life will come, then it will become apparent exactly what unstable type of building they are living in and the kind of life they have made for themselves. In His parable Jesus shows a clear picture of what people become when they come to Him, and hear His words, and simply live by them; they become strong and wise people.

This January, many of us will make New Year resolutions, before we do so, maybe we should ask ourselves some questions? Are we building our lives

without firm foundations? Are we listening wisely or are we deaf to the words of Jesus? Jesus offers us a new and abundant life, so keeping Jesus close can be the key to a life built on a firm foundation. Even though times are difficult and challenging right now, we should keep Jesus, deep within our hearts and minds. We should place Him securely as our own firm foundation that nothing on earth can shake. Now, there is a New Year resolution worth making and keeping!

Once again this story gives us much to think about, and if there is anything you wish to ask or is troubling you or causing you difficulty, please feel free to pick up the phone and talk to us - you will find our numbers in the back

of this magazine. Covid-19 may have restricted our use of our buildings but the church is very much alive and active in our Chacewater community.

Until we meet again, may I take this opportunity, along with everyone at the Three Valley Methodist Churches, to wish you, your family and friends a safe and prosperous New Year, every blessing and may the Peace of God be with you this New Year into 2021 and for evermore.



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Adrian Mitchell is the Lay Pastor for Chacewater, Twelveheads and Hicks Mill Methodist churches and a Local Preacher in the Truro Methodist Church Circuit.

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Monday Morning Meet

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WI hall

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Village Hall
David Turner 01209 899 123 or
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Keep Fit Cornwall

Tuesday evening Chacewater Village
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If your organization is not included above please contact the Editor

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Schoolroom Twelveheads Chapel.
families@truromethodist.org.uk for
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Yoga

Village Hall Thursday evening
Anya Prochon 07912 561 413 or
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Chacewater Projects

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Chacewater Parish Council is currently meeting virtually on Zoom at 7pm on the last Friday of the month, except in December. There are also occasional meetings on the 2nd Friday of the month. Dates of the meeting will be listed in "What's On" and on the Parish Council website (www.chacewater.net).

Anyone is welcome to attend, please contact the Parish Clerk for a link to join in.

Chacewater Parish Council Clerk

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St Paul's Church, Chacewater

SUNDAY SERVICES AT 9.45am

Preachers in December for members of St. Paul's Church are:

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Dec 13th	Rev. Richard Wallis
Dec 20th	Service of the Word
Dec 24th	3.30 in car park Crib Service 9p.m Christmas Communion. Rev. Richard Wallis
Dec 25th	Rev. Simon Cade 10a.m.
Dec 27th	Rev. Richard Wallis

A Service of the Word is a non-Eucharist service taken by members of St. Paul's Church.
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CHACEWATER METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOMES ONE AND ALL TO COME AND JOIN US

As lockdown continues we gather as a church for worship in our homes, united by the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our buildings maybe closed but the church is very much alive. If you feel you would like to talk or pray with us please pick up the phone and contact us. May the Peace of God be with you.

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