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Daffodils create a bright welcome to Chacewater in March

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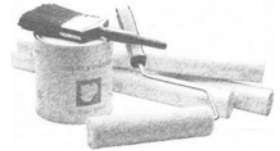
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SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH

- Sun. 1st** **9.30.am Chacewater Rights of Way Walking group** meet in the village car park. For more information Tel: 01872 561364 or 07816 773218 ~ see p 5
- Tues 3rd** **2.00.pm Talk Waste & Recycling Cornwall** a talk by Mrs Rachael Reid ~ *Chacewater W.I.* ~ See p 19
- Sat. 7th** **4.00.pm Messy Church** at Baldhu Christian Chapel ~ see p x
- Tues. 10th** **7.30pm. Chacewater's Book Club** meets at the Kings Head. The March book is "Erebus - The Story of a Ship" by Michael Palin ~ see p 29
- Wed. 11th** **7.30.pm Chacewater & District CRUK AGM** in Chacewater Village Hall. ~ All welcome.
- Thurs. 12th** **7.30.pm Bingo** in Chacewater Village Hall ~ profits to charity
- Fri. 13th** **7.00.pm. Chacewater Parish Council Planning Meeting** [if needed]~ **Chacewater Village Hall**
- Sat. 14th** **10.00.am – 12.00.noon Coffee Morning** ~ Chacewater Bowling Club – All welcome
- Mon. 16th** **10.15. am – 11.45. am Monday Morning Meet** in the WI Hall ~ see p 9
- Tues. 17th** **12.00. noon – 1.30.pm Lent Lunch** at Chacewater Bowling Club £4 for Soup & Sweet with tea/coffee. Also a raffle. All welcome
- Sat. 14th** **10.00.am – 12 noon Coffee Morning** in Chacewater Bowling Club all welcome
- Sat. 14th** **7.30.pm Concert with inTune Choir** There is no admission charge for this evening, but a collection will be taken for the Choir's chosen Charity the Cornwall Air Ambulance. There will be a surprise guest appearance. All very welcome~ Chacewater Bowling Club ~ see p 30

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- Wed. 18th** **6.00.pm Midweek Service of Praise & Celebration** Twelveheads Methodist Church ~ see p 27
- Thurs. 19th** **6.45.pm Thankgiving Service for Mothers** at Threemilestone Methodist Church ~ see p 22
- Tues. 24th** **12.00. noon – 1.30.pm Lent Lunch** at Chacewater Bowling Club £4 for Soup & Sweet with tea/coffee. Also a raffle. All welcome
- Thurs. 26th** **7.30.pm Acoustic Music** in the King's Head. An open invitation to all ~ see p 26
- Fri. 27th** **7.00.pm. Chacewater Parish Council Monthly Meeting** starting with public question time. **Chacewater Village Hall**
- Tues. 31st** **12.00. noon – 1.30.pm Lent Lunch** at Chacewater Bowling Club £4 for Soup & Sweet with tea/coffee. Also a raffle. All welcome

ADVANCE NOTICE

Tues. 7th April 7.15pm. Mr. R.A. Scamp on How To Grow, Breed And Show Daffodils. Visitors and new Members always welcome in the WI Hall ~ see p 19

Sat 3rd April 11.00.am - 3.00.pm Take A Break in Twelveheads Church Sunday School Room starts again for the summer season ~ see p 13



Mobile Library Service

The Mobile Library will visit
Chacewater Parish at:-



Twelveheads Chapel 11.50 am - 12.10 pm

The Car Park in Chacewater Village 1.20 pm - 2.00 pm ~ then onto High View, Blackwater 2.15 pm - 2.35 pm on Thursday 26th March

CHACEWATER RIGHTS OF WAY (CRoW) WALK - SUNDAY

2nd FEBRUARY 2020

A total of 20 residents of all ages (plus a couple of 4-legged friends) turned up at the Square car park for the first Sunday of the month Chacewater Rights of Way (CRoW) walk on 2nd February. Described by one of its number as a “damp air day”, despite the weather looking quite threatening at times the rain fortunately held off for the entire walk – right up until we returned to the car park in fact, which was great!

The wet weather that has dominated much of 2020 thus far meant that most of our Public Rights of Way (PRoW) had become quite muddy. So, a route was chosen to take in a few of the firmer bridleways, byways and minor roadsalthough we did veer off this plan towards the end!

Where did we go then? Initially, it was off across Fore Street, onto Station Road and up along the Terrace before picking up the incline of Wheal Busy Lane (Byway 301/63/1) to the right. Pausing halfway up, the sound of new lambs on the opposite side of the valley was clearly in evidence.

Moving on and along the Byway, we passed Primrose Farm to the left and then cut down to the Tregothnan Estates apple plantation near Salem House, which incidentally is being beautifully restored by another young family to the area. We soon emerging out on the busy Chacewater to Scorrior road, at which point some very considerate drivers showed a nice degree of patience (many do you know!) to let us cross the road as one and take sanctuary near the entrance to Byway 301/55/1, taking us up and past Salem Cottage. Talking a little bit about the great mining engineers of the past as we walked, we noted Hornblower’s cottage off to the left and commented on how well some of the former Tregothnan Estates houses were now being so sympathetically restored and so becoming part of the fabric of our area.

Eventually, we came out at Cox Hill where we turned right in front of Truro Tractors, which is in fact part of Bridleway 301/13/2. Taking a left and over the crossroads on the brow of Cox Hill (unexpectedly quiet for the time of day!) and noting the new barn construction in the field to the right as we moved towards the cluster of houses around Creegbrowse Farm.

Time was moving on by this point and so we decided to head back to the village via Bridleways 301/52/1, 52/2, 52/3 and finally 301/50/1, which brought us out on Church Hill just above Chacewater House - a bit of a mud bath in places, we took our time! Listening to a few countryside stories and meeting up with more than a few horses and some riders along the way, the surrounding countryside up there is a rare indeed and the wildlife corridors an absolute delight.



Continuing the theme of bringing us closer to our natural surroundings and the animals that make our area so special, we came across this lovely shire horse along the way, which wanted to renew acquaintances with one of the walkers!

Down Church Hill, we paused just opposite the Church for a moment to talk about what was being proposed for the 2.5 hectares above the school - fingers crossed on the funding! This walk was what the CRoW was designed to be about, our health and well-being. All about Community, having a good chat, getting the body moving, appreciating what we have around us and how things are being addressed for the betterment of all. Some tired limbs, we got back to the car park by 1105.... just 5 minutes later than planned.

Our next CRoW walking group will start from the Square car park at 9.30am on St David's Day, Sunday 1st March 2020 – as always, all are very welcome.

Trevince Estate Gardens open from Mother's Day



Trevince Estate Gardens open for the season on Mother's Day after a fantastic first season last year. The restored greenhouse is already bursting with lemons and the first camellias are in full bloom and create a perfect day out for all the family, plant lovers and curious souls.

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and a delicious cake in the Cart Shed Café.

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For further information about Trevince, events and workshops visit: www.trevince.co.uk Facebook: trevinceestate

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Wednesday 11th March 2019

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MONDAY MORNING POP IN

We invite you to spring on into our Monday Morning Meet on Monday 16th March for a free cuppa and chat, we are there between 10.15 - 11.45 in the WI building in the free car park. Why not call by, friendly and relaxed atmosphere and a chance to meet some other folk from the village and nearby.

Hope to see you there!

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Most of us are trying to do our bit for the planet and reduce plastic, single use items and waste where we can, but sometimes working out how to do it can be a bit of a challenge. Is it possible to have a party, be it a child's birthday party, a baby shower, celebration party, without the waste?

Yes! Here are 5 simple things you can do.

1) Invitations: Use online invitations rather than buying them, or make your own at home with paper and crafty bits you already have. You could always text/call friends or family with details to cut out the paper entirely.

2) Party food: Try to keep packaging and waste to a minimum. Don't over cater, especially for kids' parties. Let's face it they are more interested in running around than eating (apart from crisps and cakes in my experience). Make a list and stick to it. Buy as much locally as possible from fruit and veg stalls or the local refill shops to reduce on packaging. Use reusable jugs for drinks rather than individual cartons or bottles and keep your crisp packets as they can be recycled (find your local recycling station at <https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades/crisppacket>). Take reusable containers with you to take any leftovers home with you.

3) Decorations: There are plenty of eco-friendly ways to make your party look great no matter what the theme or budget. Instead of buying cheap plastic decorations, consider hiring decorations or making or buying your own that you can use over and over again. Paper chains can look great, scraps of fabric can be made into bunting and paper decorations such as lanterns and fans can look really good. Pom pom bunting is a great one to make with the kids.

4) Party ware: Did you know that once paper plates are used they cannot be recycled? They also use a lot of resources and energy to make one item. Ditch the disposable plastic and paper

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plates, cups and bowls and use your own or hire reusable plates, cups, bowls, jugs, trays and cutlery. Many of the places you can hire from also hire bunting, tablecloths and other extras such as pass the party bags so you don't have to use paper. You can search for your local hire kit at The Party Kit Network (<https://www.partykitnetwork.uk/>)

5) Party Bags: You either love them or hate them but let's face it they are usually filled with lots of plastic and items that get lost, broken or lost under the sofa and forgotten about by the next day. Either don't do them or try to source eco friendly items such as seedbombs, crayons, colouring in, seed packets, home-made chocolates, cookie ingredients in jar to take home and make. If you are short on time then you can find a number of companies who offer eco friendly bags online (www.ecopartybaguk.co.uk)

Most of all enjoy the party.

Alice Calvert

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TAKE A BREAK STARTING AGAIN

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We would like to make it obvious that we are not doing Take-a-break for the donations, our aim is to be a welcome to all those who wish to come in for a rest, a chat or just to eat. It is over the months that we realised people like to be involved with giving and so we chose a variety of local, UK and International charities. We have a new charity that we are supporting called Hedgehog Rescue which is based in Mawnan Smith. Otherwise we are still supporting the same organisations as before. That is to say

CLLASS Cornwall for those who are living with Lymphoedema and Lipoedema in Cornwall.

LINK-TO-HOPE an Eastern European Charity where shoe boxes are made up with basic items to support those in great need.

TOUCH ELDORET a Kenyan charity to support a small church and its congregation, especially with education.

LITTLE EDEN the Sunday School in Twelveheads

St PETROC'S who support the homeless in Cornwall.

TWELVEHEADS METHODIST CHURCH this year to help with refurbishment.


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We will still be in the Sunday School Room of the Methodist Church at Twelveheads and are open to all who wish to come or pass by, from

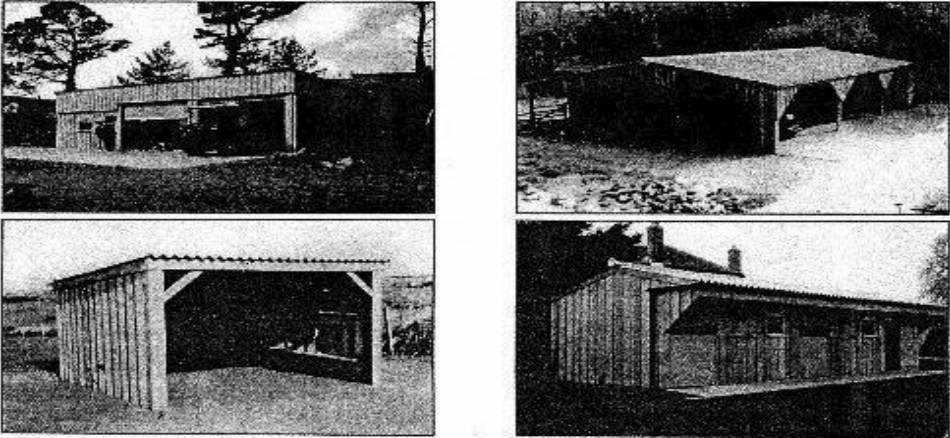
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WHEAL BUSY – UPDATE AND ISSUES

There are many rumours about what is happening up at Wheal Busy right now and so this article hopes to bring the readership up to date.

First and foremost, a willing band of **locals and other volunteers** have been out and about deploying approximately **35 tonnes of palings** in an attempt to **fill just some of the many potholes** in the area. This has had limited success but we aim to continue these works over the coming months and years in the hope that we can eventually get a half decent surface. The photograph below hopefully illustrates what has been achieved so far, along the Bridleway (301/1/5) which forms part of the Mineral Tramway.



We have been advised that the essential works needed to stabilise the **Old Smithy building** (and hopefully its surrounding area) will have started by the time this article is published. The money is there and so if the weather holds off and some sensible decisions are made with regard to the current plan and (equally as important) its future use, this very important Grade II Listed building will effectively rise from the ashes.

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Plans are also afoot to regenerate the Cornwall Observatory over the coming year. Some, albeit limited, funds have been secured and we have a small volunteer group. However, we do need more interested parties if we are to bring this area back to life again, as originally planned before it was so horribly vandalised in 2004.

No question about it, Wheal Busy is bedevilled by **repeated fly-tipping** and so we must do something about it. Scrutiny of what goes on in terms of vehicle movement(s) points to the deceitful fly-tipper entering the area by the entrance along the cottages and exiting along Bridleway 301/1/5. So, the Parish Council have approached Tregothnan Estates with a view to inserting some granite blocks both at the entrance and halfway along 301/1/5. This will allow lawful users access but keep the unlawful fly-tippers on their toes, especially if we put a few Neighbourhood Watch signs up!!

Drainage of some parts of the area have become a problem and so again the locals have been out and about trying to address some concerns. Cormac have also done some works to clear out roadside grips and reinstated the Road Narrowing sign which had simply rusted away.

Finally, we do need the **dog walkers help please**. As requested, a **dog poo bin** has been installed up on Wheal Busy and is well used. Sometimes, however, this particular bin cannot be emptied as quickly as it fills up, which means it overflows with bags becomes very unsightly. So, please, please, please, could owners take their bags home if the bin is overflowing, as was previously required, rather than leave their bags all over the place. Many thanks!

More to follow in the coming months and so watch this space.



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Found on 29thDec 2019 ~ a White 'SYMA' drone machine

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Next month's meeting will be on Tuesday 7th April at 7.15pm in the WI Hall. With the lighter evenings we revert to 7.15pm now until later in the year when the nights draw in again.

This month's speaker is Mr. R.A. Scamp who will speak on "How to Grow, Breed and Show Daffodils".

Visitors and new Members always welcome. For further information please contact Anne Benson on

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A lot of games throughout Cornwall have been postponed due to waterlogged pitches with the horrendous storms we have been experiencing.



Recent results:

Saturday 25th January- Goonhavern 5-5

Chacewater. Goals from Matt Davis (2), Sam Dargue, Josh Caddy and Owen Dunstan

Saturday 8th February- we played Stithians and come away with a 14-0 win with goals from Mark Bell (5), Sam Dargue (3), Matt Davis, James Martin, Sean Preston, Darren Bennett's and 2 home goals.

Upcoming fixtures

29/02/20- 2.30 kick off- Chacewater V Probus reserves (home)

07/03/20- 2.00 kick off- Chacewater V Mawnan (home)
Percy Stephens Cup

14/03/20- 2.00 kick off- Goonhavern V Chacewater (away)
Russell Hall Cup

21/03/20- 2.30 kick off- Chacewater V Tregony (home)

28/03/20- 2.30 kick off- St Buryan V Chacewater (away)

We will be looking to have a horse race night at the Fox and Hounds in Scorrier within the next couple of months so please look out for our advertisement. All money raised with go towards the football club.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Jade Martin



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Saturday Evening 7.30pm

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10.30am led by Adrian Mitchell

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Threemilestone Scout Group.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEWS.

Dear Reader

Chacewater as a community never ceases to amaze in so many directions and what I am talking about at the start of this monthly article is, of course, the recent village pantomime. Once again a really most entertaining and enjoyable show. Of course one cannot talk about any particular member of the society but can single out the children for their overall performance and stamina, congratulations to everyone involved.

A problem that has not been a major concern in recent months has cropped up again and that is relating to rattling manhole covers, down the main street which is always worse at night when the normal day noises cease. The lady who phoned me said it was badly disturbing her and her husband's sleep. Looking at the cover one could see that the tarmac was broken away which in turn means that the framework is probably distorted. To be positive Cormac has told me the matter is high on their agenda for repair. However, with the recent storms Cormac have had their hands fully occupied with issues of fallen trees and flooding. Please can I ask you all to let me know immediately any further manholes that rattle so we can set a repair in motion. It has been such a wet winter with the ground saturated that the stability of many features must be weakened. I am anxious to keep on top of all repairs and renovations because nothing is more unfair and disturbing than rattles in the middle of the night.

Chacewater Parish Council are supporting a Cornwall Council Campaign "We are watching you" with signs targeting dog fouling and litter issues across Cornwall. The aim is to tidy up and keep areas clean and, in our case,, it is throughout the village. A tidy area, litter free, is important to all our residents. It is good to be proud of our community and thank you to all those who do care about our environment. Your help and support is most important and would be appreciated.

As many of you know, my wife is very much involved with The Friends of the Royal Cornwall Hospital and they are organizing a Quiz Night at Chacewater Bowling Club on Friday 27th March (see separate advert in this magazine). Do give them your support as funds are always needed to support the massive voluntary work that is done at our P.T.O.

Acute Hospital as well the numerous grants they give to enable more equipment to be purchased to facilitate improved care for us all.

As usual, if you think that I can be of any help. Please do not hesitate to get in touch:

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ACOUSTIC MUSIC

The next Acoustic Music Session will be on Thursday
26th March at 7.30.pm in the King's Head.

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The 50/50 winners for February are:



1st: No 4 Brian Canning; 2nd No. 20 Ray & Eileen Cooper;
3rd: No 29 Brian Tonkyn.

Many thanks and best wishes,

Terry

Twelveheads Methodist Church welcomes you to our

Midweek Service of Praise and Celebration

Wednesday 18th March, 2020 at 6pm

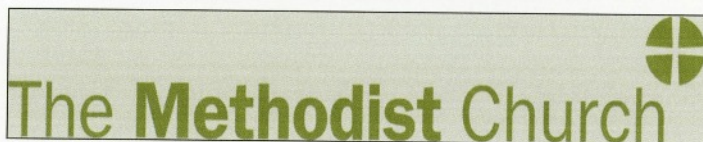
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We were delighted to invite you to our Mid-week Service held once a month at Twelveheads Methodist Chapel. Our aim is to invite Ministers, Preachers and Musicians from around Truro to lead us in a spiritually uplifting midweek service of praise and celebration to the Glory of God.

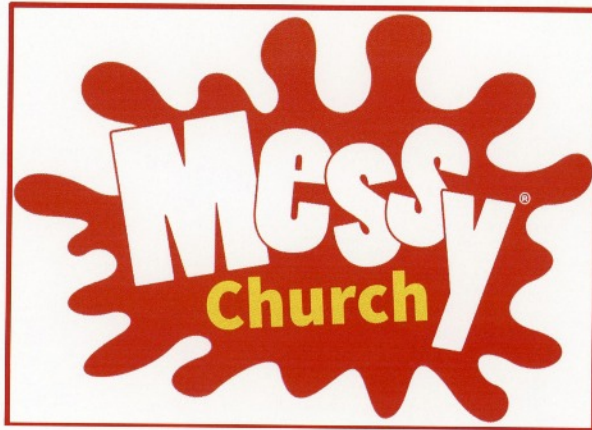
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*“Come let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout loud to the Rock of our salvation”.*

All are welcome



*For details contact - Pastor Adrian Mitchell
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Sat 7th March 2pm - 4pm
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Family Meal



All ages and families are welcome.

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CHACEWATER'S BOOK CLUB

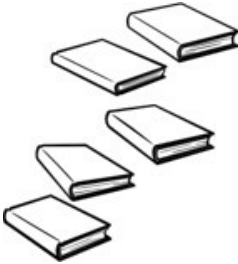
Once again, the Book Club enjoyed a lively discussion at our February get together. It is amazing how one book can reveal so many varied perspectives to a group of people.

Our next Book Club is on Tuesday 10th March at 7.30pm. at the Kings Head Hotel in Chacewater. The book is "Erebus - The Story of a Ship" by Michael Palin (2018); exploring the Antarctic continent before it started to melt.

In case you can't make that one, April's Book Club will be on Tuesday 14th April at 7.30pm. The book is: "The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared" by Jonas Jonasson (2015).

Remember, no joining fee. Just read the book and come along to enjoy a cosy chat at the Kings Head with fellow book lovers.

Linda Shevlin



Heads up! We are hoping to put a full list of books on the Chacewater Village website. Look out for it soon on: www.chacewater.net



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There will also be a surprise guest appearance.

All very welcome.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ADRIAN - FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT.

Part 6. Goodness.

Welcome to part six in my series of eight reflections on Galatians 5 verses 22- 23 called *The Fruits of the Spirit*. We are well on our way through this journey now and this month we arrive at the subject of goodness in the season of Lent, as we make our way steadily toward Easter.

We are all too well aware of the good and bad elements that surround us in our world and community. But today's subject of goodness says a little something about the quality of choices we make in our lives. Experience teaches us from an early age, the difference between right and wrong; between our good and bad thoughts, words and actions. The choice we have is this; which way should we choose to go, the good or the bad way on life's journey?

We should choose the Way, the Truth and the Life that is found in Jesus. As Christians in today's society we find ourselves with a great, refreshing and different outlook on life. Sometimes this may cause some people to call us 'do-gooders'. We could reply to them by saying we are not a do-gooders but a good doers. And I think there is a difference between the two statements. Our aim should be to follow the example set by Jesus in His teaching ministry that of selfless love and service. This encourages us to try and look out for our neighbours, help the needy, challenge injustice, love and live in peace and that makes us good doers. Perhaps a 'do-gooder' is the kind of person who shows off their good works, struts around saying; look at me, look how important I am? We should try, wherever we can, to show humility and compassion, try not to brag but quietly serve as good doers within our family, friends and community. Jesus tells the story in Luke chapter 18 of two people who go to pray; a church leader, perfectly showing off, bragging and looking down on others and a tax collector aware of his failings, and humbly asking for mercy. Jesus says in this example the tax collector is put right with God, whilst the church leader is not, Jesus says, P.T.O.

"For everyone who praises them self will be humbled and those who humble themselves will be praised". During Lent many people give up bad habits; perhaps this year we could take up some good habits; look out for our neighbours, help the needy, challenge injustice, love and live in peace with those around us.

Next month we move on to the subject of gentleness in our *Fruits of the Spirit* series;

until then may I take this opportunity, along with everyone at the three valley Methodist Churches, to wish you and your family every blessing and may the Peace of God be with you now and always.



The Methodist Church

Adrian 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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VILLAGE PONDWATCH

February 2020

In sharp silhouettes against a dove-grey sky, dozens of small birds sing and squabble high up among the tree branches. On a broken bulrush a robin perches and moves among the dry, tangled bramble branches. Goldfinches' distinctive red, yellow and black plumage may be seen in the reeds and brambles around the pond.



A pair of long-tailed tits appears with a trio of blue tits. Great tits are joined by a gang of slightly larger house sparrows foraging through the thicket while a blackbird watches anxiously. The scent of a fox hangs over the ground.

The pond iced over for a few days in January but soon cleared. Male toads on standby took station in the shallows round the pond and then retreated.



Sunlight illuminates roots and leaf litter at the bottom of the pond where caddis fly larvae are stirring. Short lengths of plant stalk wrapped across the body make cases that look like small hedgehogs bumbling slowly over the leaves. Another caddis case is built of flat rectangles of reed and ash leaf glued together. A single male toad stands underwater on a carpet of leaves.

Small water beetles scoot between two outcrops of underwater weed and disappear into a thicket of stalks. A mat of fallen leaves lies on the floor, motionless unless wafted by unseen force – occasionally a random current, more often movement is a sign of life. A leaf lifts and a caddis fly rolls out ever so slowly. Its bean-sized case is like a dung pellet bristling with bits of chewed up plant stalk. Another leaf moves as a young newt noses her way across the carpet to burrow under a new layer.



Rain falls steadily, splashing and scattering bright pearls of air which drift across the surface and dissolve to fill the pond with clean, clear water. Many male toads now stand watchful on the floor. One scrambles to the surface and gulps a drifting rain pearl. Others slide past the standing pack to go on patrol or swim towards another spot to watch and wait.

Paul Shevlin



Village in Bloom volunteers met up at the end of January and welcomed some new faces, which was great. We have an exciting challenge to grow the right plants and make a lasting impact which is affordable and easy to look after.

We all agreed there is much to be done and that entering a competition next year is a bit too ambitious – our plants won't grow that fast! However, it's not just about competition, it's about making Chacewater a nicer place to live. We will know when we are ready to enter the Village in Bloom competition.

We decided to target one central area as a focus to start the project and agreed to work on the bank between the Car Park and Church Hill. With the Parish Council's approval, the plan will be to clear this area and create a formal planting scheme of perennial shrubs and other plants.





Keep a look out for information when we will start working on this. Volunteers are always needed and very welcome!

Linda Shevlin

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IN MEMORIAM

Pte. Thomas William **SCOBLE**. Army Service Corps died Mar. 1920

Thomas William SCOBLE was born in July 1875, the son of Mary Ann and her husband Thomas Henry Scoble. His father was a miner from Chacewater who worked near Wendron, where he married Mary Ann Bartle in 1873. The 1881 Census records his family, including two 5-year-old boys, living in Lancashire with father working in the cotton mills. But, back in Cornwall two years later, Thomas William's twin brother Henry Bartle died. His father also died before Thomas left school. By 1891, aged 15, Thomas W. Scoble was living alone with his widowed mother in Wendron and working as a Tin Dresser.

Thomas William Scoble was a horse soldier for almost 17 years until he was invalided out of the army on 31st December 1912. Quite unusually, much of his military record has survived. He joined the army of Queen Victoria in January 1896 and went to India with the 3rd Hussars in 1898. His mother re-married a Chacewater miner, William John Polkinghorne. Three years later, Pte. Scoble [3638] did active service for King Edward VII during the Boer War. He stayed in South Africa for some time afterwards with the 7th Hussars and was awarded the Queen's South Africa Medal with clasps for service in the Orange Free State, Transvaal and South Africa '02.

In January 1903, he was posted back in India to join the 10th Hussars. During the next 3½ years, Pte. Scoble [5423] spent many weeks receiving hospital treatment for tropical fevers and other ailments. In October 1906 he was transferred to the 18th Hussars and shipped back to join them in the UK. He completed 12 years' service at the Curragh in Ireland and was discharged on 20th January 1908.

Within 5 weeks, Thomas William Scoble made his way to Shorncliffe camp near Folkestone where he re-enlisted with the 20th Hussars on 28th Feb. 1908. In July, Pte. Scoble [2234] had surgery to repair a hernia. After two months' recovery, he was posted to the 14th Hussars and sailed to join them in India for another 4 years.

He was injured while training horses on 18th May 1911. A Court of Inquiry found that the "*injuries occurred whilst in performance of military duty... he was in no way to blame*". Within 9 months, Pte. Scoble underwent 3 operations to stitch up his ruptured hernia at an army hospital in Bangalore. He was given a truss and released before the anniversary of his accident, but a Medical Board in November 1912 decided that Pte. Scoble was "*Unfit for further service*". He was

shipped back to Netley hospital in Southampton and was discharged as medically unfit for army service on 31st December 1912.

Returning to Chacewater, Thomas William Scoble (37) found work as a Groom and married Minnie Wicks (34) in Truro on 5th April 1913. Despite his disability, Thomas William re-enlisted with the Army Service Corps in July 1915. Pte. Scoble [14062] joined the 10th Labour Company and shipped to France in January 1916 where he spent the next six months labouring on the Western Front. In August he was invalided back to hospital in Brighton and subsequently he was discharged as "*A Good Labourer ... no longer physically fit for War Service*" on 15th September 1916. Although Thomas William survived the War and returned to live with his wife and mother in Malt Row, he remained in poor health. He died in March 1920 and his name is squeezed onto the Chacewater War Memorial as **T. SCOBLE A.S.C.**

[Another local boy, Thomas Wilfrid Scoble, grew up at Roundwood Quay on the banks of the Truro river, the son of a family of boatbuilders. He joined the 1st Bn. Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry and became a Lance Corporal [22956]. Aged 19, he was killed in Flanders 6th November 1917. His name is remembered on memorials at Feock, Flanders and Porth Kea.]


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Lent 1

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March 22nd Rev. Owen Blatchly

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Sunday 22nd :- Mothering Sunday with Suzanne Mitchell

Sunday 29th :- Local Worship Team

Further information from Pastor Adrian Mitchell

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Chacewater Players

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Dance Club

meets normally every Wednesday afternoon 2.00.pm - 4.15.pm in Chacewater Village Hall for ballroom and sequence dancing. All welcome at this friendly group. Tel: Ian Sharam (01872) 274113 for more information, or email: ian.sharam.esq@gmail.com

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