

Tywardreath News & Views

August 2026 40p



Tywardreath Village Fete - Saturday 1st August

We look forward to seeing you all on fete day in the garden of The New Inn. Gates will open at 2:15 pm and we will have our usual stalls, BBQ and games along with The Tywardreath Morris Dancers, Mount Charles Town Band and the band The Strutts in the evening. See posters for more details.

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If you have any questions or would like donations collected, please contact **Rachael** or **Lianne** on tywardreathfetesecretary@gmail.com.

Phone: 07828 392970 or via our Facebook page

Tywardreath Village Show - Saturday 8th August

Schedules are available from the Village Shop - get your entries in!

There are categories for everyone, from the youngest to the not so young.

Show opens 2.00pm in the Village Hall. Prize presentation 4.15pm

St Andrew's Church Celebration of Summer Weekend

Saturday 29th August - Music Requests in church from 10am. Use the list in church to ask for your favourite. Tea, coffee and cakes on the day.

Sunday 30th August - Barbecue in the church grounds at 12.30pm.

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St Andrew's Church
AT THE HEART OF TYWARDREATH

Revd Shona Hoad writes ...

In my front garden we have a beautiful and exotic looking plant which goes by the equally exotic name *Allistemon citrinus* 'Splendens'. For about two weeks or so it has indeed been splendid with deep green foliage and flowering with a stunning red colour. The RHS website describes it as "a lax medium-sized evergreen shrub with slender arching branches clothed with narrow, rather stiff leaves, and bearing bright crimson bottlebrush-like flower spikes". I suppose if I was a little more refined I might also have used the term bottle brush but I have always referred to it as the toilet brush plant. I assume I am not alone in doing so as when I put that into the search engine, other than Amazon making a bid to supply toilet brushes for my bathroom, all the other websites offered were for the plant as described above.

So what is in a name? Some names clearly describe what is in front of you. Red Robin is an evergreen plant which produces wonderful red leaves for the new growth each year before turning to green. Many orchid names are descriptive – look up the Monkey orchid, White Egret orchid, Flying Duck orchid and you will find beautiful flowers looking just as you would expect from the name.

Sometimes we give people names with meaning and sometimes it even appears that you can direct the way things will turn out. My eldest son is named Crispin. Crispin is from the Latin meaning curly haired. I think if we had realised just how curly his hair was going to be we might have decided to give him a different name. However, he has solved the problem of his very tight curls by having a very short haircut!

When we read the bible we find many different names for God. They are names that try and help us understand the character of God. God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. You may be familiar with some of the names such as Immanuel (God with us), Jesus (the Lord saves), the Alpha and the Omega (the beginning and the end). But there are others, particularly found in the Old Testament, that you might be less familiar with: Elohim (the Creator), El Roi (the God who sees), Jehovah Jirah (The Lord our provider) and there are many more. There is no single name that fully describes the character of God but perhaps the one that he gave to Moses when he asked who was speaking in the wilderness from the burning bush is helpful: I am who I am. I am. God with us. Present and eternal. That is a name worth knowing.

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Shona



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All welcome. (There is no 11 am service on this day.)*

News from St Andrew's

Sunday 21st June. Our Family Service was led by Martin Hoad and team. We learnt about Daniel and the lion's den. After some songs and a prayer, there was the opportunity for craft work or puzzles for the children; with coffee and chat for the adults.

Sunday 28th June. Martin led our service of Morning Worship. He said that in modern life we seem to complicate things unnecessarily. He gave the example of ordering a coffee but his main point was that simply engaging with other people can be a bit worrying. What is welcome? Martin said that God has made us welcome and extended his blessing to us. We should not hesitate to share that feeling of welcome.

Sunday 5th July. Shona led our service of Holy Communion. Commenting on the day's readings, she said that Jesus was often criticised for doing the wrong thing. But God's rules are not intended to make us anxious. Jesus will not make unreasonable demands of us and will always offer support and encouragement. We should look after one another; not feel guilty; and give ourselves space to hear God's voice. Then all things will become manageable.

Sunday 12th July. Our service of Holy Communion today was led by Revd Hugh Symes-Thompson. In the Gospel reading (Matthew Ch 13) we heard the parable of the Sower. Jesus spoke about seed being sown, sometimes without success; and compared this with the way God's word is received by different people. We pray that we shall be the "good soil", the people who hear the word, understand it, and bring forth outstanding results.

At 6pm there was a period of informal prayer with Shona and Martin.

Tregaminion

On Sunday 19th July, at 10am as usual, we had a service of Holy Communion, according to the Book of Common Prayer, led by Revd John Benson.

In August we shall meet on Sunday 9th at 10am for Morning Worship, led by Nigel and Tracey. It is hoped to be able to have Tregaminion open during the day at various times through the summer, depending on volunteer availability.

Contact Nigel Canning for details.

nigeyc@btinternet.com

Friendship Club

The Friendship Club meets on Wednesdays from 2-4pm in Well Street Methodist Chapel. All are invited to come and join the club. Contact Jo Langford 815921.

Tywardreath & Par Over 60s Group

For our July meeting, we had a talk from the Perranwell Handbell Ringers. This was followed as usual by a home made tea.

On August 14th, at 2pm, our meeting will be at the New Inn, for a Cream Tea. Members only on this occasion. Contact Linda on 814459 or Liz on 812256.

St Andrew's Church Music Requests Morning

Join us on Saturday 29 August, from 10.00am to around 1.00pm, for our popular Music Requests Morning at St Andrew's Church.

Sponsor your favourite piece of music to be played on the organ or piano, or sung by the choir. Previous requests have ranged from The Dambusters March, Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata and Gabriel's Oboe to Elgar's Nimrod, Bach and Widor toccatas, Cornwall My Home, Smile, Jerusalem and many favourite hymns. Poems reflecting the emotions inspired by music will also be included.

This is an informal event—not a concert. Refreshments will be available throughout the morning, and a programme with approximate performance times will allow you to come and go as you wish.

Sponsorship is entirely voluntary, and every donation will help fund planned improvements to the church's seating and use of space.

We look forward to welcoming you.

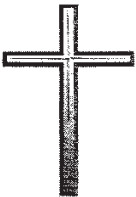
Roger Paine

du Maurier Fowey Literary Festival

Festival 2026 was a great success. From the first event on Friday 1 May, Sir Jeremy Hunt (one of many sold out events) to the last on the evening of Saturday 9 May, with hugely popular Fern Britton, we did not stop! A total of 2688 tickets were sold during the 9 days.

We are planning an Autumn literary event so keep your eyes peeled for further details. If you don't do so already you can follow us on Facebook as @FoweyFestival and Instagram as @FoweyLiterature

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3. Spherical objects.
4. A small island.
5. Irritable or touchy.

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Last month's answers, This way and That

1 Grass, 2 Risen, 3 Aside, 4 Sedge, 5 Sneer.

Last month's crossword Across: 1 African,

5 Bedouin, 6 Machine, 7 Nudists. Down:

1 Albumen, 2 Reduced, 3 Cousins, 4 Non-news.

Crossword

Across:

1. A mobile home.
5. A waterfowl with black plumage and a red bill.
6. A very small bone of the ear.
7. Unsteady when walking.

Down:

1. Decaying plant matter, used as fertiliser or soil improver
2. Section of a furniture showroom.
3. Automobile.
4. A religious house for women.

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Saturday	9 am - 1.00 pm

Church & Chapel services in August

	ST ANDREW'S	TREGAMINION	WELL STREET
Sunday 2nd August	11.00am Holy Communion		10.30am Service Mr John Diaper
Sunday 9th August	11.00am Holy Communion Rev Anne Mitchell 6pm Informal Prayer	10.00am Morning Worship Nigel and Tracey	10.30am Service Mrs Maria Truscott-Robins
Sunday 16th August	10.00am Family Service Martin Hoad & team		10.30am Fellowship Service
Sunday 23rd August	11.00am Morning Worship Martin Hoad		10.30am Fellowship Service
Sunday 30th August	11.00am Holy Communion Rev Shona Hoad		10.30am Service Rev Paul Benney

Tots' Group at St Andrew's

Mondays in term time, 10 to 11.30am for 0-4s with parents/grandparents/carers.
Play, story time, singing and a snack. £1 per family.

St Andrew's Church is open most days from 10am (11.30 on Mondays) to 3.00pm approx. Please feel welcome to come in for quiet reflection, prayer and the air of peacefulness; or just to look around your historic Parish Church.

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Sunday 30th August - Barbecue in the church grounds at 12.30pm. Tywardreath Butchers burgers & hotdogs - and some delicious puddings. There is no charge but donations will be welcome.

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Village Hall & Scout Hall - August Diary Dates

Every Wednesday	11.00am	Tai Chi Class
Every Friday	7.30pm	Line Dancing (Beginners 6.30 pm)
Saturday 8th	2.00pm	Village Show . See front page and posters.
Friday 14th	2.00pm	Tywardreath & Par over 60's Group - Cream Tea at the New Inn (not the Hall). Members only.

Monday	from 1.30pm	Tywardreath Quilters at Well Street Chapel. Sewers and knitters are most welcome.
Tuesday & Friday	10am-noon	Coffee mornings at Well Street Chapel
Wednesday	2-4pm	Friendship Club at Well Street Chapel. All invited to join the club. Contact Jo Langford 815921.
Monday - Friday	10am - noon	Par Community Library at Par Track Cafe.
Monday, Wednesday and Friday	10.30am to 1.30pm	The Hub @ Cornubia (Moorland Road entrance) Enjoy an affordable, tasty home-made lunch in a warm and friendly environment, free access to games, books, activities and support. Contact Sonia 07980 838578.
Saturday 1st	2.15pm	Village Fete at New Inn. See front page.
Sunday 2nd	1pm to 4pm	Gardens Open at Fontana , next to Trenyhton Manor. Donations will be for Cornwall Hospice. Refreshments available, also for a donation.
Monday 3rd	noon-1.30pm	Soup & Sweet Lunch at Gott Hall, Par. All home made at £7; no need to book.
Wednesday 5th	1.00-1.30pm	Pocket Map Making workshop with Arts Well at St Austell Library. Free. All ages can drop in.
Tuesday 11th	11.00am-noon	Talk by Robin Hanbury-Tennison , a real life explorer, at St Austell Library. Age 8+. Ticket £2.*
Tuesday 18th	10.30am-12.30	The Rockpool Project : Discover Seaweed, at St Austell Library. Age 4+. Ticket £1.*
Thursday 20th	7.00pm	ISOT meeting at Well Street chapel. Open to all.
Tuesday 25th	11.00am-noon	Explore and Draw with Emma, at St Austell Library. Age 4+. Free.*

*Please book at library / email staustell.library@liscornwall.org.uk / or 03001234111
Par Old Cornwall Society will next meet on September 26th at 2pm in the Bishop Gott Memorial Hall when Kai Greet will talk about "Cornwall in the Cold War".

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Tywardreath Memories of Miss M George

From "Tywardreath Past and Present," published 1993 by Tywardreath Women's Institute. Miss M George lived in Fairfield, Church Street until 1934

A frequent outdoor event in the Twenties was "Push-ball", in which a huge ball was pushed about by a team of men – it was sponsored by one of the national newspapers, whose name was on the ball! I remember a match on a field at the end of Wood Lane, but it was marred by the ball falling apart half-way through!

On the musical side, besides the good church and chapel choirs, there was a flourishing Choral Society at Par, to which many Tywardreath folk belonged. it was formed just after the end of the 1914 war at our house by my father, with Mr C Edwards, who was the conductor and some other interested persons. Mr Edwards was the Headmaster of Biscovey School for many years and was well liked. Finally, we had our faithful St Blazey band under Mr Walter Bailey. The band had many demands on their time in those days – both indoors and out.

The War Memorial was erected in 1921 or 1922. I remember seeing it go up, in its paved alcove close to the main entrance of the churchyard with the plaque on the wall behind recording the names of the fallen. There were many of these solid granite crosses put-up all-over Cornwall at the time. A good many were made by the same firm, Williams & Giles of St Austell. It was wrapped from top to bottom in hessian – just like a parcel – until the unveiling ceremony, which took place one Armistice Day – this was when it was always on Nov 11th regardless of the day with the two minutes silence always strictly observed.

Towards the end of the Twenties the provision of the new vestry and heating system was an important event, as was the new cemetery. I remember some of the many money-making events that helped pay for these things. One was an elaborate "Pageant", held in the Vicarage garden, which was a two-week do, on two consecutive Thursdays. Each section of the church had their own Queen and their favourite flower and ran their own stall; there was a grand procession of all the Queens, each with own attendants adorned with their favourite flowers: I think they numbered about six or seven. There was a Herald in charge, he was Mr F.H. Wherly, the station master at Par whose son was, for many years later to become the Chief Constable of Cornwall. Our friend from Polkerris, Mrs Cherry was on the Tregaminion stall. I remember helping her to decorate it with their flowers, roses – paper ones of course!

There was also a band each time and folk dancing to a gramophone. Altogether it was a memorable day for the place during the ministry of Rev G H Barnicoat, who was there for over ten years and was very popular.

Funerals were very important occasions; there was always a church or chapel service followed by a burial in the churchyard and, later on, the new cemetery. After that was opened nearly all the funerals passed our house – unless they were from the "little" chapel in North Street. We always drew our blinds, as did nearly everyone else along the route. I can remember some processions with horses drawing the hearse with flowers piled on the roof. A large majority of funerals were walking ones, with relays of bearers carrying the coffin. (end)



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Tywardreath and Par Parish Council

These notes have been abridged from the Draft Minutes of the 2nd July meeting.

Allotments. An allotment holder addressed the meeting about neglected and abandoned plots, in particular plot 1A Glenview. The Parish Clerk confirmed that the issue with this plot was being dealt with.

Vine Place. A member of the public queried the position regarding Vine Place now that the Parish Council had drawn back from the devolution. He advised that Cornwall Council had confirmed that the property would be put up for auction in November. Could there be a Community Right to Buy scheme initiated by the Parish Council? Cllr C Wildish explained that this was a complicated site and ownership would also involve a significant financial input, in particular business rates would be payable on parking spaces, which was why the Parish Council had withdrawn. The gentleman confirmed that he had hoped to investigate buying the property pre auction on behalf of several residents who were currently using the site but that Cornwall Council would not deal with him or disclose the price they were hoping to achieve. He would be attending the auction but had hoped that the Parish Council may be able to intervene. The Parish Clerk agreed to try to ascertain the auction guide price.

Co-option of Councillor. The Parish Clerk confirmed that she had advertised the vacancy on the Parish Council website and on the Parish Council notice boards. There had only been one application and it was agreed that the closing date should be extended to 31st August. The next Council meeting is on 3rd Sept.

Summer Bus Service. Cllr Wilson advised: the 24B will run hourly from St Austell to Fowey via Polmear (servicing Polkeris), starting 26th July to 31st August.

Upkeep of the Tywardreath Churchyard and the Commonwealth War Graves, Cllr Wilson said he was meeting the Environment Steward later this month to discuss the imminent work to remove the fallen tree and to discuss other issues regarding general maintenance.

Legion Road. In response to complaints, Cllr Wilson had approached Cornwall Council who said that there are many hundreds of roads across Cornwall that require work, but currently the funds are simply not available. He said that he would continue to push to get this forgotten road on the schedule for resurfacing.

South West Water. It was agreed that Tywardreath & Par Parish Council should support the petition circulated by Dowl Gland calling for a vote of no confidence in SW Water.

St Andrews Road Finger Post. Cllr Hughes confirmed that Mpower Kernow were considering putting in a quote for undertaking the repair.

Anti-social behaviour. Cllr C Wildish reported that at a meeting the Police they had said that anti-social behaviour in Par had gone right down. She urged people to report all incidents, to ensure that the Police presence in Par is maintained. If no problems are logged, then resources cannot be allocated.



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ISOT news - In Search of Tywardreath

Mr Henry Hawken has donated a one of his amazing benches to ISOT, for the benefit of the village at Well Street.

An Italian lady had contacted the Parish Council, looking for her ancestors: this was passed to ISOT and a member took up the research. She found the missing relative, who had been a passenger on the Titanic. The Italian lady came for a visit and has presented the Parish Council and ISOT with a beautiful thank you gift as well as rewarding the member who did the research.

There is no ISOT talk in August: the next one will be in September on Trefice.

Helen Barden

Fowey River Lions

Over the last twelve months Fowey River Lions:

- Recorded 28 different activities including the maintenance of the Fowey Telephone Box book exchange, volunteers for Par Beach Clearance, the reintroduction of Santa's Sleigh and the Senior Citizens' Christmas lunch.
- Distributed over £4,000 to local events and good causes. Just over 95% of all our grants are local, with circa £200 going to good causes further afield.
- Were honoured with the Spirit of Fowey award this year from Mayor Simms.
- Continued to support larger charities such as Marie Curie, Devon and Cornwall Sending Love to Ukraine, Disability Sports and Spectacle recycling.

Contact us by email at foweyriverlions@gmail.com, via our facebook page – [foweyriverlions](https://www.facebook.com/foweyriverlions) or by phone on 0345 833 7484.

Fowey Memory Café

Memory Café is held on alternate Thursdays from 2pm to 4pm at Squires Field Community Centre, Park Road, Fowey, PL23 1EF. We offer a range of enjoyable activities to promote communication, physical activity, mental stimulation, and a feeling of positivity. We like to vary activities, but the one thing that we do every session is enjoy tea or coffee, cake and chatter. We also spend time reminiscing as well as talking about current affairs. We would welcome new volunteers to join our team. No formal qualifications needed.

During July we were entertained by our friends Beatnik Skiffle and on our second session of the month we played games including Beetle! During August things will be a little different- we have a session at Squires Field as usual on the 6th when we have Cogs Interactive visiting to facilitate interactive storytelling. We are planning a trip to Lanjeth Water Gardens for the following Thursday, the 13th and so will not be at Squires Field. We are not holding a session on 20th August as it is Regatta Week.

New guests and carers are always welcomed. Give us a ring on 07525 488329. Next dates: 6th & 13th August (no meeting 20th August); 3rd & 17th September.

Ewart Hancock's Diary

Ewart Thomas Hancock, born in May 1914. He lived with his wife Win and son Nigel at No. 4 Woodland Avenue. He recorded various village happenings in notebooks.

August 1991

Saturday 3rd. The Village Fete was held in the New Inn gardens. It rained in the morning but cleared by the afternoon. Fancy dress competition and Flora dance.

Sunday 4th. A Shire horse show and driving competition was held at Par track, from 11 am to 8pm, organised by Heavy Transport Social Club.

Wednesday 6th. Old Cornwall Society coach trip to Pengersick Castle and Penzance, returning via the north coast road. It was a lovely day.

Saturday 10th. The the 26th summer Flower Show was held in St Andrew's Hall, opened at 2:30pm by Rev and Mrs L Barnes. There were fewer entries than usual but it was a very high standard.

Sunday 11th. Gladys Jane Couch of Poldrea passed away at Trecarrel, aged 66.

Saturday 17th. The weathervane was put back on St Andrew's church.

Mr Ernest John Williams died at Fowey hospital, he was 84. Also Mrs Barbara Thompson of Vicarage Road died at her daughter's home. She was 78 years old.

Friday 23rd. The WI held a coffee morning in St Andrew's Hall from 10am, in aid of the Air ambulance, at which they raised £100.

Tuesday 27th. Tywardreath Mothers' Union held their "Wave of Prayer" service in St Andrew's Hall at 10.30am.

Bank Holiday Monday 26th. Canon Michael Oatey was admitted to St Michael's hospital; he came home again on Friday 30th of August.

St Andrew's, Tywardreath, with Tregaminion Chapel of Ease

Parish Priest	Revd Shona Hoad shona@tandgchurches.uk	07476 900623
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