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A FUTURE FOR TINTAGEL VISITOR CENTRE WITH THE NATIONAL TRUST?

Many local people will be aware that as a result of budget constraints Cornwall Council is unable to continue to run Tintagel Visitor Centre. The National Trust recognises the important role that the Visitor Centre plays in village life both for local people and visitors and is keen that it should continue to operate in the future. With this in mind we are discussing with Cornwall Council the possibility of its operation passing to the National Trust later this year.

Whilst the National Trust would not be able to run the Centre in exactly the same way as it has been in the past, we would wish to continue to operate along broadly the same lines.

We hope that local people will be supportive of the Trust taking on the Visitor Centre but would welcome your views on our potential involvement. We plan to hold a consultation day in February when there will be an opportunity for you to meet local Trust staff and let us have your views. Please look out for posters around the village giving details of the date and time.

In the meantime if you would like to discuss our possible involvement in running the Visitor Centre, do please give me a call.

Ian Kemp. National Trust Property Manager, North Cornwall. 01208 863046

PLEASE TAKE A COPY

SHOCK CLOSURE OF POST OFFICE FACILITY

Councillors and residents alike were shocked at the sudden closure of the Post Office facility on Wednesday 19th January. The Parish Council understands from the Post Office that 7 days Notice to quit the premises was given. The Post Office now has to go through the whole application process again before a service can be regained in the village, a process which could take 3-5 months. The correspondence received from the Post Office, by the Parish Council, will be discussed at their next meeting on the 2nd February.

<u>TREVENA SQUARE –</u> <u>PLEASE DO NOT USE THE NEWLY IMPROVED AND WIDENED ENTRANCE</u> <u>FOR PARKING</u>

It has been noted that since the entrance was widened, primarily for safety purposes, some residents and delivery vehicles are using the entrance to park their vehicles. Please **DO NOT** park your vehicles in the entrance driveway as this causes an obstruction and safety hazard for residents who use the car park in the way it was intended.

TREVENA SQUARE

Work to demolish the wall and resurface the entrance to the car park is now complete. The next stage of the work to relocate the Celtic Cross kindly donated by Mr. Lee Sharpe (subject to Scheduled Monument Consent) is now being planned. This will involve tidying up the area adjacent to the bike rack including re-use of the stone, capping slates and poem slates from the demolished wall. This next stage should then complete the work planned for the Square.

TINTAGELWEB WEBSITE

Tintagel Parish Council is able to publish its Draft Minutes on a regular basis on <u>www.tintagelweb.co.uk</u> and is grateful to Mr. David Flower for allowing such publication. Draft Minutes are normally available to view on the website from the Wednesday following the previous weeks' meeting. Contact details for the Parish Council and its members are also available here.

The website is viewed by people all over the world and includes a wealth of information including local news and events, local sport, places to stay, photographs (old and new), weather and links to other useful websites.

USE OF CAR PARK FOR PERMIT HOLDERS

There is no excuse for not displaying a valid permit if you qualify for one. This matter has been the subject of articles in previous editions of the Parish Newsletter and a Permit Application Card will be reproduced regularly in this Parish Newsletter. If you require a new permit, please complete and return the copy of the card below to the Clerk, <u>along with a stamped addressed envelope</u>, and a new permit will be issued. **YOU** <u>WILL</u> **RECEIVE A FINE IF YOU DO NOT DISPLAY A VALID PERMIT, IF THE PERMIT IS NOT VISIBLE OR IF YOU STAY OVER THE PERMITTED TIME.**

TINTAGEL PARISH COUNCIL
CAR PERMIT APPLICATION
Date
Owner's Name

Postcode Telephone No.....

Registration Numbers: Car 1..... Car 2.....

POLICE NEWS FROM PCSO TERRY GROVES

Address

Please note the details of the community police surgeries being held below.

DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE PCSO TERRY GROVES will be holding police surgeries at the following locations.					
BOSCASTLE VISITOR CENTRE – 7 TH FEBRUARY 10.30-13.00 TINTAGEL VISITOR CENTRE – 7 TH FEBRUARY 13.30-15.30 ST TEATH COMMUNITY HALL – 8 TH FEBRUARY 10.30 – 12.30 DELABOLE CHILDRENS CENTRE – 9 TH FEBRUARY 13.30-15.30 CRACKINGTON HAVEN COMMUNITY HALL – 11 th FEBRUARY 13.30-15.30 <i>THEN EVERY 4 WEEKS AFTER THESE DATES.</i> VARIOUS INFORMATION LEAFLETS WILL BE AVAILABLE. COME ALONG AND HAVE A CHAT					

TINTAGEL CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMMITTEE SAY THANK YOU

Back in February 2010 a new Christmas Lights Committee was formed, comprising Martin Smith (Chairman), Yolande Muller (Secretary), Julie Keenan (Treasurer), Elaine Flew (Public Relations), along with Committee members Denzil Flew, Cordula Mcmullan and Charlotte (who cooked the delicious hot chestnuts at the switching on of the lights, Celia Hay and Geoff and Sue Coe. The new



Committee has gone from strength to strength as was witnessed at the switching on ceremony on Saturday 11th December. It was generally felt to have been the most successful one and special thanks go to the many people involved: Mrs. Lyn Ellis for organising the Christmas market stalls; the barbecue which was a great attraction, overseen by Mr. & Mrs. John Heard of Tintagel Brewery who supplied and donated the barbecue and gas; Mr. & Mrs. Robin Haddy of Home Farm, Boscastle for donating sausages and beef burgers, Pengenna Pasties for mince pies and sausage rolls; the Crossbow Restaurant for the use of the restaurant for warming the mulled wine and refreshments; Julie and Simon of the Spar Shop in Tintagel; Stuart Cornelius and family for donating trees again; Tawn and Dean Dangar for fetching and decorating the trees; and out marvellous electrician, Ted Lowe, for all his help with lights, before and after the event. Thanks also to Sue Moth and Parish Council who donate the cups every year for our competitions – thank you, without your help, this event would not be possible. Elaine Flew received a lovely bouquet from the Lights Chairman for all her help in organising the event. The Methodist Church proved a great attraction this year with a Christmas Tree Festival.

The evening started with the procession led by Mary and Joseph (Bethany Smith and Reece Finnerty), who unfortunately had to walk as the donkey went lame. They led the Camelford Town Band and the procession to the village square where Neil Caddy of Pirate FM welcomed them before switching on the lights. The three heads of the local churches in Tintagel led the carol singing, helped by some of the members of the Tintagel Orpheus Male Voice Choir and Camelford Town Band. Father Christmas was also in attendance.

The new Committee would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported the fantastic evening. Thank you Tintagel.

The winners of our competition were Best Pub – King Arthurs Arms; Best Shop – The Camping Shop; Best House and Garden – Downrow Farm.

Finally, a big thank you goes to the judges.

PLEASE NOTE – Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th March at 7.00 p.m. at the Cornishman, Tintagel

Elaine Flew

TINTAGEL SEA ANGLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2011

With the sea temperatures dropping to 8[°] C its tough working the lures so bait fishing is normally more productive at this time of the year. The usual winter species such as whiting, cod, flounder and dab are present and are showing in good numbers although the general size is small. Shore fishing during November and December was very difficult especially during the cold weather period we experienced. LSD's normally so abundant were very difficult to catch and the rockling were scarce.

Congratulations go to Derek Nute who came second in the CFSA County Christmas competition with a Flounder of 2lb 2 1/2 ozs and a dab of 10 5/8 ozs.

The AGM held in early January was well attended and everyone is looking forward to new season. Prices have been held for this year with membership at £8 for adults and £3 for juniors. We are very encouraged by the efforts of Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstal with his "Fish



Fight" and if you agree and would like to see an end to "discards" I would ask you to show your support by logging on to his website at <u>http://www.fishfight.net/</u> and adding your name to the growing list of over half a million people.

Forthcoming events during February include the Annual presentation evening on Friday 18th at the Wootons Hotel. This is an informal evening and anyone interested is invited to attend, our guest speaker this year is Mr Gibson. We have a collaboration competition with another club during the month of February and March and the monthly competitions are open to all species during this period.

The big tide in February is on the 19th with the new moon on the 3rd and the full moon on the 18th. The next general meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st February at the Wootons Hotel at 7.30pm.

Good luck and be safe

Nigel.

CORNWALL COUNCIL TAKES ACTION TO PREVENT ILLEGAL DEPOSITING OF TRADE WASTE AT HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING SITES



Cornwall currently has 12 household waste recycling centres which are provided for local residents to deposit their domestic waste and recyclables. These centres are not licensed to take commercial or industrial waste and it is a criminal offence under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to deposit this type of waste on premises that are not licensed to accept it.

Despite this legislation, however, some traders are continuing to abuse the system by bringing in their commercial waste and presenting it as coming from their own households. National research shows that on average trade waste accounts for around 13% of all wastes deposited at household waste recycling centres (HWRC's). In Cornwall, this would have accounted for 10,000 tonnes last year – costing the Council and tax payers in Cornwall around £1.16 million to deal with.

The illegal deposit of trade waste does not just have significant financial implications for the Council, however, it also causes delays to the operation of the site as large amounts of waste are unloaded, increased health and safety risks as large vans and trailers are manoeuvred around the site, and incidents of antisocial behaviour and aggression as staff attempt to turn the traders away.

The Council have introduced a vehicle permitting scheme to help prevent the illegal disposal of commercial or industrial waste. The permit allows a household, when using a vehicle that requires a permit, a maximum of 12 individual visits to a HWRC to dispose of household waste in the 12 month period from the date of issue of the permit. Permits are FREE of charge to householders in Cornwall. Only one permit is allowed per household.

To decide whether you will need a permit take a look at the list below. To apply for a free permit, or for more information, please visit the Cornwall Council website at <u>www.cornwall.gov.uk/wastepermit</u>, call 0300 1234 141 or write to us at Cornwall Council, Waste Management, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY.

	Vehicle	Permit Required?	Allowed on site?
	Car	No	Yes
	4X4	No	Yes
- <u>6</u> -6	4x4 with open back or separate cab	Yes	Yes
	Van under 3.5 tonnes	Yes	Yes
	Van over 3.5 tonnes		No
	Any van with any trailer		No
	A vehicle with a trailer under 1.8m (6 feet) internal length	No	Yes
Com Series	A vehicle with a trailer between 1.8m (6 feet) and 3m (9.8 feet) internal length	Yes	Yes
	Horsebox under 3m long	Yes	Yes
	Trailer or horsebox over 3m long		No

TINTAGEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: Rev. Bryan Ede – 01840 214818

Every Sunday – Service at 10.30 a.m. followed by fellowship over a cuppa.

Every Thursday in the Sunday School

Coffee Morning from 10.30 – noon. Come and meet friends for a chat !

Bible Study

Inter-church, informal meetings in local homes on Wednesdays from 7.30 p.m. Contact Brian/Cherry on 213391.

Prayer Meeting

Thursdays in the Chapel from 10.00 – 10.30 a.m. supporting families, friends and needs locally and abroad. Contact Tony and Marion on 779040

Future Events

Thursday 17th February – Gift Day, Coffee Morning from 10.30 a.m. 7.00 p.m. Poems and Puddings: Come and enjoy reading, or listening to, favourite poems and sampling scrumptious sweets!

Tuesday 22nd February – Stew and Sweet Lunch from 12 noon – 1.30 p.m. in aid of Shelter Box. Please support this event in aid of a very worthy cause.

Saturday 5th March from 10.30 a.m. – 12 noon. Coffee Morning in aid of N.C.H. Action for Children. Donations for stalls and offers of help would be appreciated.

X-plorers' Club (Churches Together)

All Children 5 – 11 years are welcome at 3.30 – 5.00 p.m., 50p Crafts, games, squash and biscuits etc. February 4th, February 18th, March 4th

For further information ring June Burnard (770403) or Christine Irons (770433)

DIARY DATES

REGULAR QUIZZES

are held at the King Arthurs Arms, Fore Street, Tintagel Quizzes are held on the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Tuesday of every month throughout the year, commencing at 8.30 p.m., £2.00 per person, teams of 4 people or come along and make up or join a team. Come along for a fun Quiz Evening. **ALL WELCOME**

First Tuesday of the Month – Proceeds to the W.I. Third Tuesday of the Month – Proceeds to the First Responders Forthcoming Quiz dates: 1st & 15th February, 1st & 15th March, 5th & 18th April For further information please contact June, 770346

FRIDAY CLUB 4th and 18th February – speakers to be arranged 4th and 18th March – speakers to be arranged

TINTAGEL AFC CASH PRIZE BINGO

Wednesday 16th February, doors open 7.00 p.m. Tintagel Social Hall (over 18s only) Eyes down at 7.30 p.m., Snowball £40, Raffle and Refreshments In aid of Tintagel AFC Charity no: 1088744

TINTAGEL YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB QUIZ NIGHT

Tintagel Cricket Club, 12th February, 8.00 p.m. Teams of 4, £3 per head to include light refreshments Please book your table with Geoff Showell, 01840 250002



TINTAGEL COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDER GROUP

The Tintagel CFR Group has been delivering life saving medical aid to their local community for over 8 years. During this time many lives have been changed by this group. Emergencies have ranged from the simple non injury fall, to children choking to cardiac arrests. The local groups have already successfully resuscitated several members of the community – friends, family, neighbours, who would otherwise had died, have lived to see another day.

Although the scheme has remarkable support from the local community, a shortage of volunteers means that the 24 hour cover, 7 days a week, is currently NOT being met and we urgently require new volunteers. The amount of time and commitment you give is very flexible, days, nights, weekdays or weekends, one shift a week, one shift a fortnight, summer season, winter season..... YOU CHOOSE!

Please help the TINTAGEL COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDER SCHEME



and volunteer today!

Responders are trained in basic life support (BLS) and equipped with defibrillators, oxygen, first aid equipment and communications and their attendance to an incident can literally mean the difference between life and death. You must be over 18 years old, physically fit and hold a full driving licence with access to transport. You should

have a sympathetic, caring approach to people and have the ability to work as part of a team, be honest, trustworthy and reliable. From application to training takes approximately 4 months, so apply now and we could have a full team in time for the summer season!

The group is ever changing - people leave due to work commitments, lifestyle changes, ill health and we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to those people who have given their time to support this group and touched lives in such an amazing way. In particular our current active members - Charlie and Marianne Tapper, Les Freke, Tony and Rosemary O'Brien - keep up the hard work!

For more information please contact:

Charlotte Hicks -Responder Liaison Officer 01840 212096 / 07775 812767 Graham Ferguson - Responder Support Officer - 07969 474087

TINTAGEL SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

Congratulations to Lucy Dawe, Lewis Handley, Martin Elston and Ryan Hughes who all passed the *NARS Beach Lifeguard* award recently. This is the top award in the SLSA and is the requirement for going on to work as a beach lifeguard on any of our beaches, and beaches around the world.



They were trained to a high standard by **Ollie Groves**, who gained his **Instructors** award at the same examination.

As part of the winter training programme this year parents have joined the Youth (Juniors) meetings on Sunday mornings to train in resuscitation skills and are working towards their award in Basic Resuscitation.

Regular winter training sessions take place at Camelford Leisure Centre on Friday evenings. For further information and news please visit our website: www.tintagelslsc.co.uk

Our AGM will be held at 3pm on 6th March in the Club House at Trebarwith.

OLD POST OFFICE UPDATE



Happy New Year to all!

National Trust We have started the year by having a big spring clean in the house and lime washing the interior walls. All the furniture has been meticulous cleaned and some rooms have been rearranged to allow easier access.

The house opens 19-27 February for half term from 11am-4pm with a rag rug workshop on Wednesday 23rd. We will then re-open from 12 March everyday. We have a very full events program for the year ahead and look forward to welcoming all our visitors.

Last season we lit our bread oven for the first time in about 130 years. We are planning to run a week of events around bread making and baking from 28 March-3 April. As the oven is so old, we are only able to bake on some days, so please call ahead to check when the oven will be lit.

For Easter we are running our usual children's trail with a chocolate prize for everyone who joins in, suitable for all ages from Friday 22 to Monday 25 April. We will also have a focus on tulips in the garden from Monday 25 April, so we have our fingers crossed they come out to bloom! Our usual quilt exhibitions will be run throughout the year, please contact the property if you have a quilt you would like us to display.

If you wish to find out any more about any of the above, please contact the property on 01840 770024 or check the website; <u>www.nationaltrust.org.uk/tintageloldpostoffice</u>.

Natalie Savage, Custodian

NATIONAL TRUST NEW TEAM!

Following a National Trust staff restructure in North Cornwall you may well see some new faces around, managing Trust owned land between Newquay and the Devon border. We would love to take this opportunity to introduce you to some of the new as well as existing members of staff.

Looking after the stretch of coast between Holywell Bay and Tintagel (including Rough Tor) are:

Mike Simmonds – Head Ranger

Jennifer Herbert and Sarah Stevens – Rangers

Between Boscastle and Morwenstow you will find:

Jeff Cherrington - Head Ranger

Fred Hutt - Ranger

The Tintagel Old Post Office team is led enthusiastically by:

Natalie Savage - Custodian

Jo Burgess and Di Askew - Stewards

Other members of the team you may come across include:

Property Manager for North Cornwall – Ian Kemp

Administrator - Margaret Hosegood

Visitor Services Manager – Lucy Parkins

Enterprises Manager – Mike Brookes-Sullivan

Holiday Cottage Supervisor - Tracey Mortimore

We also have full time volunteers working along side us who are getting on the job experience and training to further their careers. And, as you probably know, we have numerous seasonal and part time staff members that play an invaluable role in keeping our car parks, shops and holiday cottages running smoothly. Not forgetting, of course, the invaluable help given by many of you who contribute by volunteering your time in various guises.

How to contact us

Do stop any of us if you see us out and about if you want to ask us anything. Otherwise our main contacts are:

North Cornwall Rangers Office (Holywell - Tintagel): 01208 863821

North Cornwall Rangers Office (Boscastle - Morwenstow): 01288 331372

North Cornwall Property Office: 01208 863046

There is a North Cornwall NT Blog at <u>http://www.northcornwallnt.blogspot.com/</u> which is updated with news, events and opportunities to join in.

Don't forget the main website <u>www.nationaltrust.org.uk</u>





TINTAGEL YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

Our Youth Teams continue to do well both at Cup games and League games with training sessions well attended even in the most inclement weather! Congratulations to the Under 10s who are in the East Cornwall League cup final.

Teams currently practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Under 6s meet at Tintagel Primary School on Tuesdays at 6pm, Under 9s and under 10s at 5.30pm on Thursdays and Under

15s at 6.30pm all at the 'All Weather Pitch' at Sir James Smith's School Camelford. If you know anyone who would like to join please call our secretary on 07891470110 or come to any training session to meet the Team Managers and have a free trial.

We are holding a Quiz Night at Tintagel Cricket Club on 12th February at 8pm, £3 per head to include light refreshments. Please call Geoff on 01840250002 to book your table to join us for this Club social evening. *Hilary Desousa*

<u>Under 15's</u>

Since my last report, Tintagel U15 Youth go marching on having won all their four league games : Tregony, Home, Won 3-1; Wadebridge, Home, Won 2-1; Lostwithiel, Away, Won 4-0; Callington, Away Won 5-4. Now we all look forward to the Cornwall Football Association's Quarter Final Draw Under 15 against Newquay at home on 6th February. Tintagel U15 results to date: Played 9, Won 8, Lost 1. 27 goals scored, 11 against.

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DOMESTIC HEATING OIL

We have a small group of people who order heating oil in bulk. If you are interested in joining, please contact John on 01840 770500. The more oil that can be ordered at one time the easier it is to barter and obtain a cheaper price per litre. It is proposed that the next order will be placed in early April so anyone interested should place their order by the end of March. Further dates will be published in future Parish newsletters.



TINTAGEL MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION



The Playing Fields Association has had a relatively quiet Christmas period. In spite of the extremely cold conditions and an unusual amount of snow, the playing fields are in extremely good condition. The long awaited tennis court lights are being erected as I write this article and it is expected that they will extend the facility to people who cannot spare the time to play tennis in daylight. We are still awaiting the report on our inspection by the Charities' Commission. However, we remain confident that it will be favourable.

The preparation for the music festival in August 2011, "TINSTOCK11" is well under way. Details of this major event will be publicised in the next issue's article in this magazine as well as at the Annual General Meeting of the TMPFA which will be at 1930 in the Cricket Club on Wednesday, 30th March 2011. All residents of the local area are welcome to attend this meeting.

R P Hasbrig-Hartley Chair, Board of Trustees Tintagel Memorial Playing Fields Association

TINTAGEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

21 pupils from Tintagel Primary School took part in a showcase of "An Exploration of Fairytales" at the Hall for Cornwall, Truro on Monday 24th January 2011. They were the only primary school who created and enacted their own performance. This showcase was a celebration both of these fabulous tales and also of young Cornish talent and the creativity in Cornish Schools. Children from year 5 and year 6 have been attending a regular drama club, run by Harry and Theresa Forbes-Pearce, in which they have written and performed in a production entitled "Baba Yaga".

Our children performed outstandingly and rose to the occasion; performing in the huge auditorium so late at night, at the end of the programme (10:25pm)! We are very proud of their achievement as a whole and also as individuals, they were a credit to the school and to the parents.

Harry and Theresa Forbes-Pearce are launching a new drama group in Tintagel after February Half Term. This will be held on a Wednesday afternoon at the Masonic Hall and will be run in 4 sessions with ages running from 2-13.

WARTIME MEMORIES OF TINTAGEL FROM JOHN GIBSON, Kindly Sent For Inclusion In The Newsletter By Mr. Denzil Flew

It is interesting that I should reminisce now in June 2010, which is 70years to the month that my brother and I were despatched to Tintagel. Having got older and having families of our own, has caused me to see my time in Tintagel from a different perspective. I have a grandson who is now ten years old, the age that I came first to Tintagel. When I look at him I sometimes wonder how I would have felt if he was suddenly sent away so as to deny me the opportunity of seeing him growing up. A denial that my parents would have felt.



From Mr and Mrs Flew standpoint I wondered how they, with four boys added to their family, dealt with the natural love for their own offspring without making the newcomers feel like outsiders. Similarly how did the natural children feel, having to share their parents?

At the time we were never made to feel that there were these issues. Mrs and Mr Flew, who became respectively our adopted aunty and uncle, were warm and kind towards and never at any time made us feel not wanted. My overall recollection was one of innocence and security.

This was due perhaps to the absence of concerns that we have today. When we arrived in Tintagel that although having been taken over 200 miles from our families, there were no counsellors to deal with our anxieties, nor we did not have to wait for our foster parents to be cleared under the Child Protection Act. At school, girls were separated from the boys and all ages were taught together in their respective classes. We were not subject to constant assessments, or prepared especially for examinations. I took and passed the 11 plus in Tintagel and my main recollection of the exam day was my resentment that the older boys [including my brother] had the day off . Our school was in the old building opposite the Old Post Office. The village children went to new school building on the edge of the village so there was not a lot of mixing between the two sets of children other than [as with my brother and I] they were in the same household. There were two football matches against the village boys. The first we lost 15 nil and the second a year later we did better and only lost 7 nil.

It took some time for us to respect the country code and learnt [the hard way] that disturbing animals, trespassing across corn fields or climbing stone walls, and dislodging the stones, was not on. Also I recall that some of the evacuees brought their shoplifting ways from London.

I have numerous memories of my time in Tintagel appropriate to that time. Watching the trainee pilots having target practice whilst the planes were off the coast: one towing a target with another plane shooting at the target. The targets were then released as soon as the towing plane flew over land. which then led to a race amongst the fit and able to retrieve the

target and get the 10 shilling reward that went with it. I remember seeing the debris of the plane that crashed in the valley leading down to castle beach

Going rabbit hunting with Mr Flew. He had a ferret with which he would muzzle to use to chase out rabbits from their warrens hoping that we had covered all the bold holes with nets. He also had a greyhound [Sally] which would chase and recover any rabbits that escaped the net. Sally had what was known as a soft mouth in that she could bring back any she caught undamaged and alive. This was wartime and supplement to the food ration was welcomed.

On the second Christmas that we were in Tintagel, a group of five of us decided to go carol singing. One of the "houses" that we called on was the big Castle hotel on the headland. At first we sang by the main entrance and then somebody inside thought that it a good seasonal idea if we sang in the dining room where it seemed to us some formal black tie dinner was taking place. We delivered a couple of carols and the waiters arranged a collection for us. I think that the amount collected was £2.50. To our disappointment the powers that be decided that this was too big a sum to be shared amongst us and should be given to the war effort. It was decided to hand most of it over to Mrs ? [A local organiser] Aid to Russia Fund Looking back it seems ironic that money from capitalist should be handed over to communists.

As for out of school pastimes, to me now it seems reasonable that with six boys hanging around the house on non school days was going to be difficult so we were encouraged to go outside. This we did unless the weather was really bad. We made our own recreation often using the inactive golf course attached to the Castle Hotel, climbing the outcrop of stones in the middle of the course. To make ourselves useful we would go out to pick blackberries when in season and on other times in the winter we would collect bags of dried gorse branches [sticks] for fire lighters.

A visiting projectionist would come from time to time to put on films at the Social Hall and if appropriate to for us we would go to see them. Memories of the walk back in the night stay with me: firstly the clarity of the night sky where shooting stars were easily spotted, and on one night seeing a glow in the eastern horizon on the night when Plymouth was bombed.

As I write this, scores of other memories come to mind and I am in danger of overload, if I have not already done so. What must have come across by now is that the two years in Tintagel was for me a time to remember thanks very much to the location, the kindness of people, particularly the Flew family.

"HOLD A FISH AND CHIP SUPPER TO HELP SPINAL CORD INJURED PEOPLE LIVE FULL AND INDEPENDENT LIVES."



Great British Fish and Chip Supper – Friday 20th May 2011

Want to do something different? Want to raise money where you live or work? Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 20th May 2011 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA's information and support services.

You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre.

SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. By inviting 7 friends and asking them to donate an additional £5.00 means you will raise at least £35.00 from your supper but we will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA.

Last year we had over 100 suppers taking part in England and Wales and we raised £6,000. In 2011 we want to double that figure and ensure we can provide more support to spinal cord injured people.

The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to individuals who become paralysed and their families, from the moment a spinal injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives by providing services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to lead independent lives.

Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury and there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone.

Community Fundraising Officer, Elizabeth Wright, says, "The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends and family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish and Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may be even a local community group wanting to run a fun evening with your group.

Be a part of something special and make a real difference to help spinal cord injured people gain access to the information and support they need to enable them to live full and independent lives."

For more information or request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 678 6633 xtn 229 or email <u>fishandchips@spinal.co.uk</u> or visit www.spinal.co.uk

TINTAGEL GARDEN CLUB

In December members and friends began the festive season with our Cheese, Wine and Quiz night, which included a photo competition in memory of Alan Richards. John Stratton, our quizmaster, controlled proceedings, providing a delicate balance of fun and formality; Jean Whiting's questions covered a wide range of interest - one point separated the winning team from the rest. 'A Single Bloom' was the subject of the photo competition, and we were delighted to have Eve Stratton back to judge the winning entries.



Di Mills provided a colourful basket of fruit and conserves as the first prize of a generously supported raffle.

In January the AGM was held at Bossiney House Hotel; business reports confirmed the Club had enjoyed another successful year, and the programme for 2011 looks particularly interesting.

The Finlay's, and their staff, provided an excellent buffet, with delicious food in ample supply - the buzz of conversation and the party atmosphere lasted well into the night; just the event to begin our activities in 2011.

Forthcoming events -

Friday 18 February - Adrian Langdon - Travelogue, photos from his Wild Life travels.

Friday 18 March - John Mann - Hellibores

Richard Dale, Committee member

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