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Editorial

Dear All

With the June/July issue of Stretewise printed, delivered and distributed only now do I appreciate what a magnificent team effort the village magazine is.

My first full editorial has to be a chance to thank you the team. Malcolm and Andrea Hollis, the delivery team, the contributors, the advertisers, sponsors and of course the readers. But a special thank you goes to Monica and Andy who as usual are pivotal to the village and the magazines distribution.

July and August are as usual a busy time of the year so a bumper edition for this issue. We have delayed the printing by a week to allow us to include a report of Strete Village Day. The day was a great success, again a village effort by a dedicated team of helpers and contributors and we stayed dry.

July saw a major music event over three days 'Tunes on the Sands' at Blackpool Sands. Plus music and comedy live at The Kings Arms.

On the same weekend as 'Tunes on the Sands' a world cricket final and Wimbledon a more peaceful and tranquil pastime could be enjoyed as 'Strete Open Gardens' included eleven beautiful gardens opening their gates to the public.

All proceeds in Aid of St Michael's Church maintenance funds.

Another big thank you goes to Kate Gill who has out done even her high standards with a very personal, detailed and intriguing article related to ancestry and how the search through history can be surprising and very unexpected.

Congratulations to Richard and Holly Dayment on their wedding at St Michael's Strete and thanks to Nick Shepherd for his usual excellent photographic skills to record the day.

Everyone has a voice, an opinion, a memory worth sharing so why not write an article, contribute a recipe, create a quiz, send in a photograph or write a letter. Help keep the magazine interesting, vibrant and above all a community magazine for everyone young or old (or middling) in the village and surrounding area.

You can email your content to me at: **stretewise@outlook.com** or leave a hard copy of your contribution at the Post Office and Store with Monica and Andy. All the recipes shared and printed in Stretewise will be published on the new website **www.stretewise.co.uk** making them available to downloaded as a printable PDF.

The Editor

"Thank You "

A note from Bryan and Peter Toll to Martin Sobey Chairman of the Parish Hall Committee. It reads:

" Thank you and the Parish Hall Committee for your condolences and the use of the Hall for Father's funeral. It was very kind of you and we very much appreciated it. Thank you also for the tree to be planted in his name.

We look forward to our family's continued warm relationship with Strete.

Kind Regards Bryan & Peter Toll.

Understanding

The Rectory

Stoke Fleming Dear Friends,

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to my recent fundraiser for Alzheimer's Research UK. I held a coffee morning, courtesy of the Stoke Lodge Hotel and we raised £520 which is wonderful. As many of you will know, my mother died recently and amongst other things she was suffering with vascular dementia.

I found this piece on-line and although my mother was calm and settled towards the end of her life, this, written as if by a 2-year-old child, resonated strongly with me about the frustrations and tragedy of dementia as well as being a small child.

From the diary of a 2-year-old:

Today I woke up and wanted to get dressed by myself but was told "No, we don't have time, let me do it."

This made me sad.

I wanted to feed myself for breakfast but was told, "No, you're too messy, let me do it for you."

This made me feel frustrated.

I wanted to walk to the car and get in on my own but was told, "No, we need to get going, we don't have time. Let me do it."

This made me cry.

I wanted to get out of the car on my own but was told "No, we don't have time, let me do it."

This made me want to run away.

Later I wanted to play with blocks but was told "no, not like that, like this..."

I decided I didn't want to play with blocks anymore. I wanted to play with a

doll that someone else had, so I took it. I was told "No, don't do that! You have to share."

I'm not sure what I did, but it made me sad. So, I cried. I wanted a hug but was told "No, you're fine, go play".

I'm being told it's time to pick up. I know this because someone keeps saying, "Go pick up your toys."

I am not sure what to do, I am waiting for someone to show me.

"What are you doing? Why are you just standing there? Pick up your toys, now!"

I was not allowed to dress myself or move my own body to get to where I needed to go, but now I am being asked to pick things up.

I'm not sure what to do. Is someone supposed to show me how to do this? Where do I start? Where do these things go? I am hearing a lot of words but I do not understand what is being asked of me. I am scared and do not move.

I lay down on the floor and cry.

When it was time to eat, I wanted to get my own food but was told "no, you're too little. Let me do it."

This made me feel small. I tried to eat the food in front of me but I did not put it there and someone keeps saying "Here, try this, eat this..." and putting things in my face.

I didn't want to eat anymore. This made me want to throw things and cry.

I can't get down from the table because no one will let me...because I'm too small and I can't. They keep saying I have to take a bite. This makes me cry more. I'm hungry and frustrated and sad. I'm tired and I need someone to

hold me. I do not feel safe or in control. This makes me scared. I cry even more. I am 2. No one will let me dress myself, no one will let me move my own body where it needs to go, no one will let me attend to my own needs.

However, I am expected to know how to share, "listen", or "wait a minute". I am expected to know what to say and how to act or handle my emotions. I am expected to sit still or know that if I throw something it might break.... But, I do NOT know these things.

I am not allowed to practice my skills of walking, pushing, pulling, zipping, buttoning, pouring, serving, climbing, running, throwing or doing things that I know I can do. Things that interest me and make me curious, these are the things I am NOT allowed to do.

I am 2. I am not terrible...I am frustrated. I am nervous, stressed out, overwhelmed, and confused. I need a hug'.

Dejah Roman

Every blessing

Revd Alison

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Services at St. Michael's Church, Strete

4th August at 11 a.m. Songs of Praise - Lay Team

11th August at 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion with Revd. Alison Shaw

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**For further details, please contact Mary Newman;
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Strete Chapel Notes

Greetings from the Strete Chapel Fellowship.

Our Evangelical chapel is next to the Village shop and has been used by us for worship since the 1960s. The local congregation is augmented by holidaymakers, many of whom are regulars. In late July and into August the Chapel hosts six weeks of children's and family camps at Southwood Farm where children from urban homes have an opportunity to holiday on the coast.

The Chapel hosts a good mix of speakers during the year who visit to preach and offer communion. We extend to you all a very warm welcome to come and join us in fellowship on all of these occasions. The time of our Morning Family Services is normally 11.00 am. There is also a bible study on Wednesdays and if you are interested please contact Derek on 770256.

Breakfast for men at the Parish Hall

We offer a warm welcome to all men to join a breakfast for men being held from 8 to 9.30 on Saturday 10th August at the Hall. There is no charge and it is an opportunity for men in the area to meet together and share their stories. If you would like more information please ring Derek on 770018.

Children's club Thursday evenings

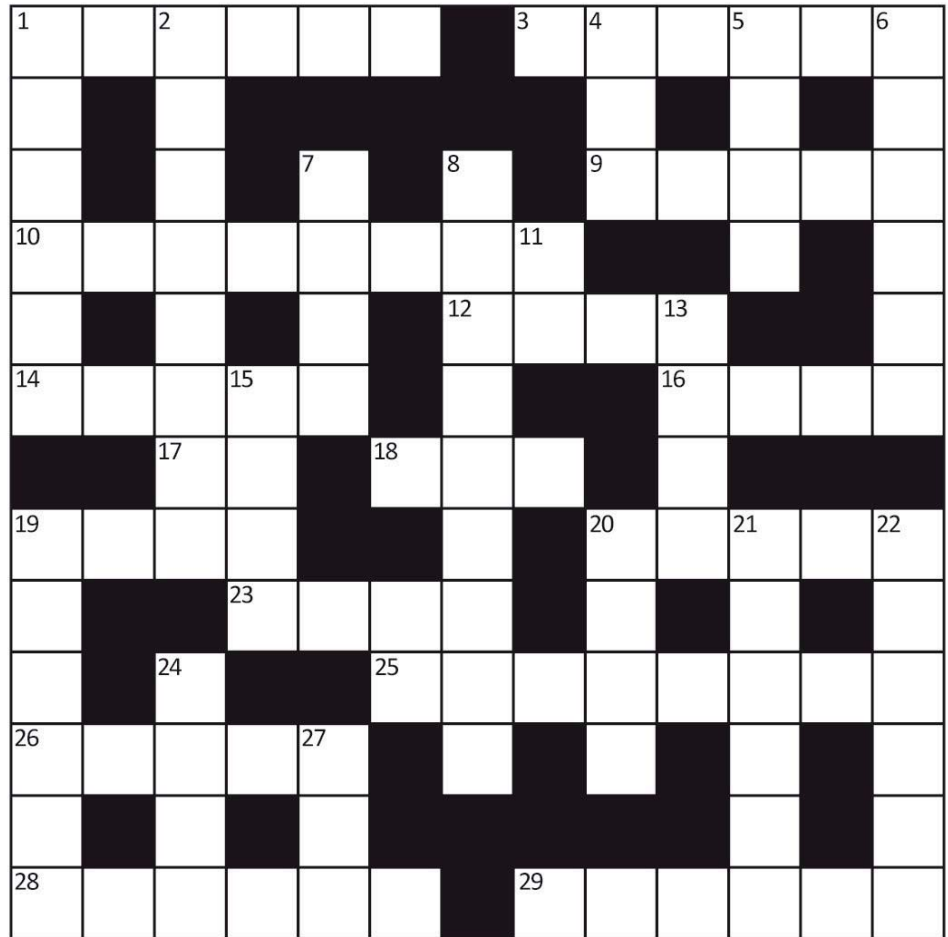
We also run a children's club at the Chapel on Thursday evenings from 6.30 which is attended by children from the village and their friends.

And a reminder of why we live here! Beesands Beach courtesy Ray Fletcher.



Stretewise Crossword

Solution on page 65



Across: 1. Next to. 3. Intelligent or quick witted. 9. Cartridge with gunpowder but no bullet. 10. Sailors dance. 12. English public school. 14. Used to climb over a fence. 16. Trees - Ria 17. Mobile network company. 18. A poem. 19. Success in an examination. 20. A feeling of deep anxiety. 23. Overall dimension. 25. A partner in a company who is not active. 26. Knab or Knot of 28. The far distance. 29. A falsehood.

Down: 1. A clump of shrubs. 2. This bank is a marine conservation zone. 4. Rigid inflatable boat. 5. A small two winged fly. 6. Accepts an offer or challenge. 7. A duelling sword. 8. The ship that returned to Dartmouth and did not make it to America. 11. Extra-Terrestrial. 13. Midday. 15. Not so much. 19. Dough of flour, fat and water. 20. Meat, cheese and spirits can improve their flavour through this. 21. Flies without an engine. 22. Short rod of wood to fasten a coat. 24. An area of short grass. 27. Woman, girl or female animal.

Question?

Which four letters can be attached to the beginning of the following words to form five longer words? AGE WIDTH IT STAND WAGON

Chris' Handy Tips

No. 1: ~ Carpets ~

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yawn

WRRRR!

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WHEEZE!!!

aaaachoo!!!

DOORMATS AND RUGS **STOP** DIRT FROM ENTERING THE HOUSE AND **SAVE** CLEANING TIME

NEXT ISSUE... STAINS

PROFESSIONAL **OR** D.I.Y. CARPET-CLEANING IS BEST CARRIED OUT **BEFORE** CARPETS BECOME HEAVILY SOILED

TSU! TSU!

MOVE **FURNITURE** PERIODICALLY TO EVEN OUT THE "TRAFFIC LANES" ACROSS THE CARPET

A DOWNING-NIGHTINGALE PRODUCTION

USE CUPS **UNDER** FURNITURE CASTORS TO **REDUCE** WEAR

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From the Stretewise Archive

Stretewise: Spring 1995

THE 'SECRET NAVY' AT DARTMOUTH

Newcomers and youngsters in our area may be forgiven for thinking that the only wartime activity here was that of the Americans. One very active British unit which did not advertise itself was the 15th Motor Gunboat Flotilla based in Dartmouth. This flotilla was entirely concerned with clandestine operations; putting in and bringing out agents working with the Resistance Forces, also bringing back escapees, mainly from the R.A.F. & Allied Air Forces.

Stretewise: Spring 1995

COASTGUARD Mrs Monica Pound has just joined her husband, Andrew, in the local Coastguard Service. She is, we believe, the first lady Auxillary Coastguard to be appointed in this area. Congratulations, Monica. (Maybe we could share some of your experiences!)

Stretewise: February - March 2007

Have you ever wondered about those people who spend £1+ for a bottle of Evian water? Try spelling Evian backwards and you get NAÏVE. I'm that way sometimes. My mind operates a lot like lightning. One brilliant flash and its gone.

Stretewise: June-July 2004



The Youth Club demonstrating some of their new equipment

STRETE VILLAGE DAY

Saturday 3rd August 2019 - Mewstone Paddock

Again this year's Strete Village Day was held in the most idyllic of locations thanks to the hospitality of Andrea and Malcolm Hollis at the Mewstone Paddock.

The weather did us proud once again this year after a worryingly wet start to the day, but as midday approached we were treated to a mild, dry afternoon with occasional sunshine.

Our dedicated teams of volunteers kept us feed and watered providing everything from local Stokeley Brewery ale, perfect Pimms, tasty BBQ, sweets and popcorn and of course the excellent tea tent served tea and coffee with an amazing array of scones and cakes donated by the Strete village bakers. Vintage tractors and motorcycles were on display plus some new farm vehicles.



Strete Village Day 2019

The Alpacas and Ash Rescue ponies charmed the arena audience.



The two Ash Rescue ponies Snowdrop a Dartmoor pony and Bean a Miniature American

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The numerous children's races proved very popular and great fun. Winners rosette's were proudly on display around the arena.



Concentration, effort or just happy to take part even when you have achieved a rosette in a previous race.



A proud multiple race winner with his rosette's for

Strete Village Day

Jeremy Huggett's Dart Valley Stompers "playing traditional jazz bringing a New Orleans Mardi Gras atmosphere to our Village Day"

Displays included ship wreck treasure trove and historical photographs of Strete, Blackawton and surrounding countryside (BASH)

The sale of Bric-a-Brac and wide selection of books and trade stall goods proved very popular.



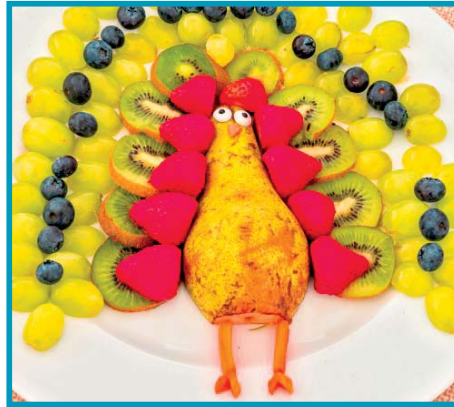
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KIDS GET CREATIVE

An eco friendly wind turbine powered home.
1st Prize in Lego section



Bryher Whatley aged 8yrs
Winner of the Stretwise
Cover Design competition



A peacock fruit cocktail.
1st Prize in fruit and vegetable
character section



The children showed their considerable creative flair with various craft competitions which included the chance to create an illustration for the cover of this magazine. A drawing by Bryher aged 8yrs being selected by our judge this year Nick Shepherd. Children were also invited to submit creations in the three categories: a Fruit and Vegetable Figure, a Miniature Garden or a Lego Model.

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The fun dog show attracted over 40 canine entries this year of all shapes, sizes and mixture. Our judge awarded prizes 1st,2nd and 3rd in five different classes.

- 1: Dog with the most appealing eyes.
- 2: Dog with the waggiest Tail.
- 3: Handsomest Dog
- 4: Prettiest Bitch
- 5: Dog the judge would most like to take home.



Prizes kindly donated by 'Daisy's Dog Food' were presented to the winners.

The dogs and handlers had a chance to show their skill in the agility ring. As usual this proved to be great fun as even the best behaved dogs got stage fright and confused by the obstacles and demands of the course despite the enthusiastic encouragement of their handlers.

If you can't train them join them.



Strete Village Day

More views from the paddock thanks to our official and very professional photographers Nick Shepherd and Malcolm Hollis.



No they won't bite



Well deserved



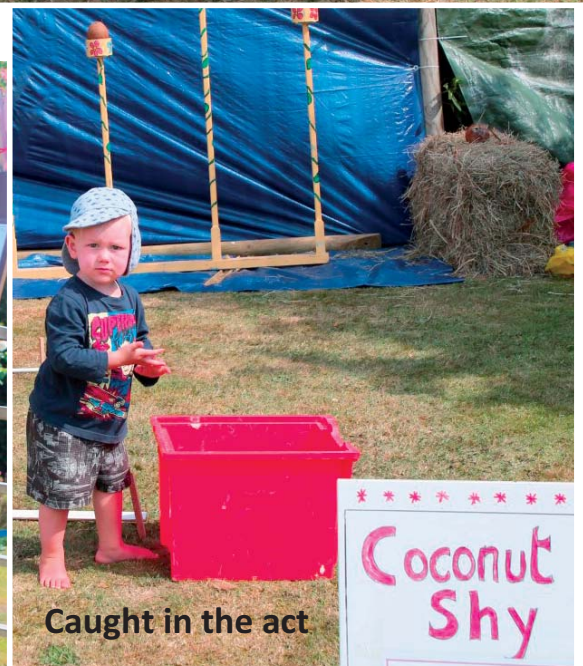
Hello-Hello-Hello



What all the bottles have gone!



What rat?



Caught in the act

Strete Village Day

Finally the acknowledgements and thanks' to everyone who helped make Strete Village Day another memorable and happy event enjoyed by locals and visitors.

There are two outcomes we aim to achieve. It is for everyone to get together and have some FUN and to raise funds to support on-going community activities.



This is only possible with the enthusiasm of the helpers and volunteers, the organisers and planners, the transport, construction and clearance teams. The trade and charity stall holders. The catering and baking volunteers. The gate and parking team. The dog handlers. The sponsors and prize donations, and many more, but most importantly a very special thank you to Andrea and Malcolm Hollis our hosts for allowing Strete Village Day to use a location that is a perfect, idyllic setting for the event, their garden and paddock. Well done everyone.



Photograph ©Paul Potgieter

A welcome rest

Judy and Bevis Bedggood who live at Sealand View have with the help of a family member built a seat not at the top and not at the bottom of the hill.

The sign adapted from the verse from a poem from “When we were very Young” by A.A. Milne. A welcome rest.



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Stretewise Recipe

Chicken Basque - contributed by Louise Jones

The ingredients:

6 Chicken Breasts
2 Cups of Basmati rice
4oz Chorizo - cut into slices
2oz Sun dried tomatoes
2oz Black Olives
3 x Red onions
2 x Red peppers
2 x Cloves of roughly chopped garlic
2 x Oranges
250ml White wine
1 1/2 pints of chicken stock
Oregano and Basil



Method:

Lightly fry chicken breast both sides to colour. Put rice into a baking tray. Pour chicken stock onto the rice. Lay the chicken breasts over the rice down the dish. Segment the oranges and dot around. Dot around the remaining ingredients. Cook in the oven at 150-160c for one hour tightly covered with tin foil. 15 mins from the end remove the tin foil cover and add a glass of white wine.

Rhubarb Batter - contributed by Heath Robinson

First, make a batter using the recipe you normally use for Yorkshire Pudding. Leave it on one side for a while whilst you wash, dry and cut into cubes several sticks of rhubarb. Grease a roasting tin generously with butter; place the cubed rhubarb into the tin evenly; then pour over the batter.

Place just below the middle shelf of the preheated oven (190*c or 375*f) for about 45 minutes when the sides will be crisp and brown.

Serve hot with lots of Caster Sugar.

Brandwise

Can you identify the brands? Answers on Page 68



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Photographs by Nick Shepherd

You may not be who you think you are!

Contributed by Kate Gill.

This article was prompted by two things.

The NHS has been quoted in current newspaper articles on sensitive genetic tests as revealing awkward family secrets. They are trying to gene test for hereditary illnesses. It would appear that one in ten of the population as a result are mistaken as to who their father is!

The second prompt came about when I gave myself a blood blister on my finger, this I showed to my fishmonger friend Mark Lobb and called it a 'black man's pinch'. He laughed and said you can't say that!! My reply 'Yes I can – I have.'

I told another friend I had used the above saying to which she added her children are not now allowed to sing 'Ba Ba Black Sheep'. My reply was there are lots of

black sheep in the fields near where I live!

I then told Mark some of the following story. You get the pictures – he didn't.

'Look at the colour of that baby - she's had an affair with a black GI!'

These words were what my mother had to endure when I was six months old and very suntanned. I of course did not know at the time – but this theme did not leave her and attached itself to me.



The following incident I remember as if it was yesterday.

On a trip to London aged thirteen, riding in a train; the sort which had a passage down the side and bank seats facing one another; there was a gentleman of Indian sub-continent origin sitting opposite us. He was smartly dressed and well spoken. He engaged my mother in conversation. It went like this – 'Where does she come from? Indicating me!

Her reply was 'What are you talking about?'

'Where does she come from?' He repeated again!

'She is my daughter.'

'No she isn't!'

Conversation continued in this vein for some minutes, which he ended with 'She will make me a very good wife' My mother ended it with 'She will not!'

Here ended my first proposal of marriage.

At roughly this time my father's mother who died when I was 13 told me we were descended from royalty – another surprising event which I put to the back of my mind with all the rest of it; which is where it stayed until I was 45.

Aged eighteen when I went away to College; my first roommate refused to room with me on the grounds that I was black. Also at College on entering the laundry room the happy atmosphere I heard when approaching was cut as though by a knife as I opened the door. I questioned the silence; to be asked by one brave student 'Where do you come from?' My reply was Devon. Her question was repeated and my reply was the same with a few extra bits of information. They settled for my answer and the conversation resumed.

Later in 1966 after my husband Colin and I were married and we were on our honeymoon in an hotel in Cornwall an American lady asked me if I would allow her to take my photograph. I happily agreed and asked her why. The theme returned – 'I don't know how a white English girl can be so black.'

Following that incident Colin and I went to the beach at Carbis Bay. It was packed with people. He – bless him volunteered to get us an ice cream – yes, you've guessed it – he confessed later that he wondered how he would find where we were on the beach. He told me he had looked back and realised that I was the only 'black person' there. He carried the black and white photograph in his wallet all the rest of our married life until he died. Shortly after the second picture was taken I determined to find out my family history.

I plagued my living relatives for any information they had or knew of – which turned out to be quite enlightening. Then in 1990 I set about creating a questionnaire and sent it to all the listings in the local telephone directory which had my mother's maiden name, complete with covering letter and stamped self-addressed envelope. Perhaps I really was descended from the Indian sub-continent. I also scoured the record offices in London, Exeter, Truro, Plymouth and the IGI also in Plymouth. Some very interesting names were discovered, including place names. Wollaton as in near Sherford, Kingsbridge, Le Gassique as the man from Gascony in France. Perhaps my forebears had trudged halfway round the world across the land mass from India and settled in France.



Taken in a booth, I was 25.



This was taken when I was 45.

You may not be who you think you are! Continued

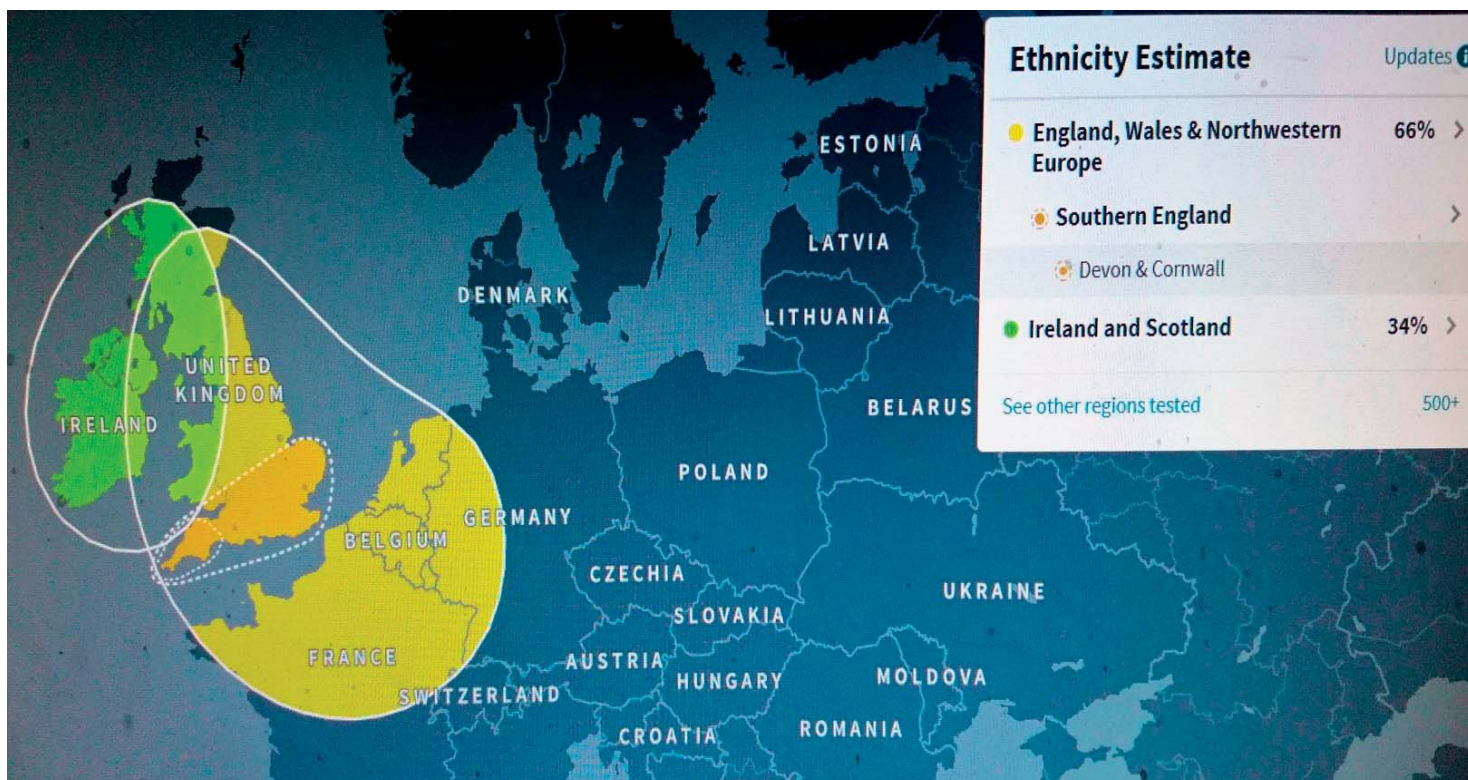
Contributed by Kate Gill.

I had a very large positive response from my postal endeavours and in the process I amassed a huge quantity of information on my family's history and origins, including books written and a tree on my Australian cousins of which there are many. I haven't as yet found any who were transported.

Eventually in early 2018, I was persuaded by Carol my cousin's half Danish wife to take a DNA test. I was prepared for anything as she had discovered 'half' relatives that she had no inkling about.

Contrary to all expectations my ethnicity estimate gives no indication of any other origins than Celt. However I would have been just as happy to have some Indian origins – holidays abroad looking up relatives, exciting stuff.

I took the test and joined the internet 'club', complete with creating my family tree on line. Bearing in mind the NHS belief that one in ten unions are not what they are believed to be; by taking the DNA test and going public on line you get 'matches'. Happily my close family all match!! Being of mixed race I was happy to live with – it just remained with all the other gleaned family history in the back of my mind. I feel my experience with racist discrimination allows me to openly talk about it; and I do.



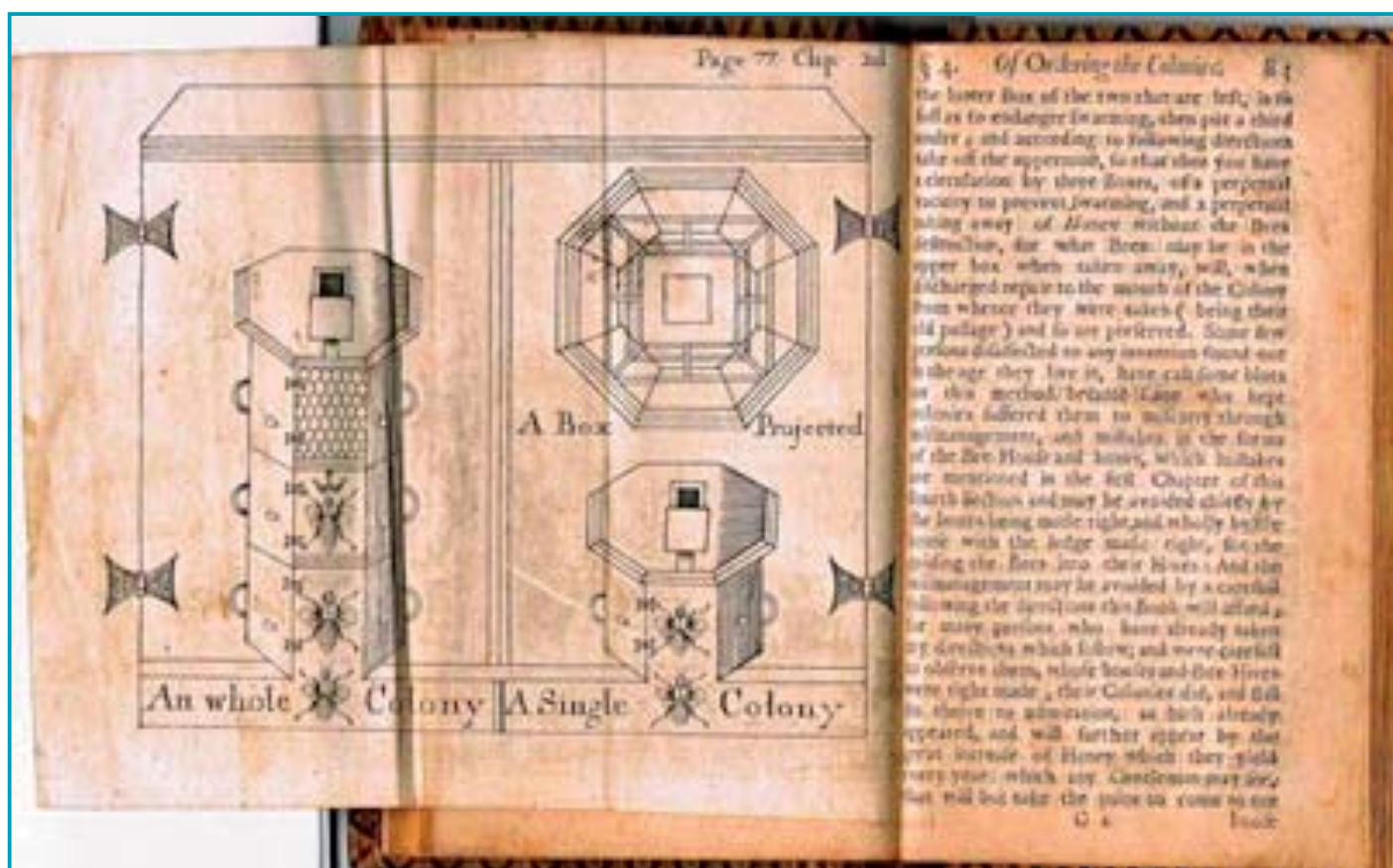
One's nationality and race only belong to you. Further back in time, those you can't DNA match i.e. your ancestors - genealogical information about them has to be taken at face value.

In this research I have found some remarkable connections. My immediate family surnames are Pratt, my maiden name. The origin of the name is quite historic and means quite the opposite of its use today. A Prat was the King or Queen's court jester, in other words a comedian/entertainer for the royal household.

Sadly I haven't been able to get back further than 1800 with James and Elizabeth.

My mother's maiden name was Risdon. This is a place name. In my original search I discovered it was a land holding in one quadrant of what is now the centre of the city of Gloucester. It has armorial bearings. One of the family seats was Sandwell Manor near Totnes and there is a chapel dedicated to Dorothea Risdon in Harberton Church. I have traced this line/name sometimes corrupted in spelling by pronunciation to Rusden (Cornish does not have i's or y's) back to Moses Rusden bee master to King Charles 11. Moses wrote a book on bee keeping, called 'A Further Discovery of Bees' published in 1679. I had the heads up on this book from Beatrice Rusden - a postal response - who also kindly sent me a massive family tree containing cousins from Australia. It took me fifteen years to find a copy. I had the heads up on this book from Beatrice Rusden - a postal response - who also kindly sent me a massive family tree containing cousins from Australia. It took me fifteen years to find a copy.

Our 'photographer superb' Nick Shepherd with Barbara as his assistant has kindly 'digitised' it to put on the internet for the benefit of historians.

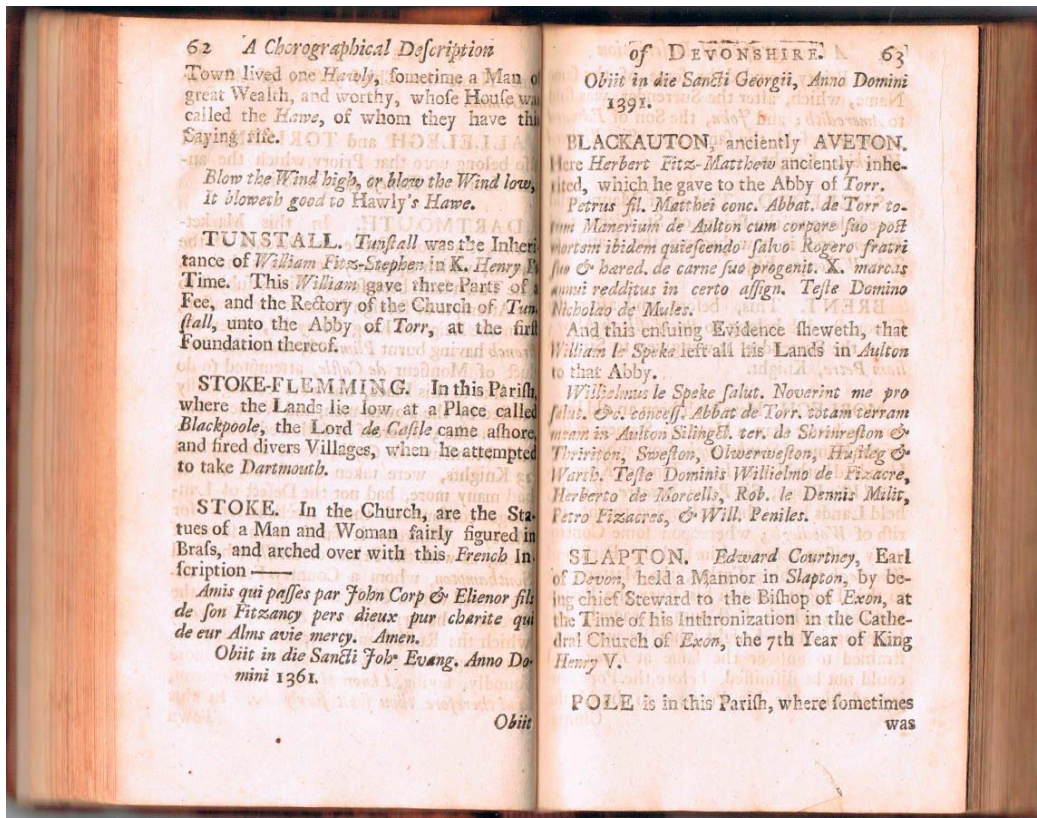
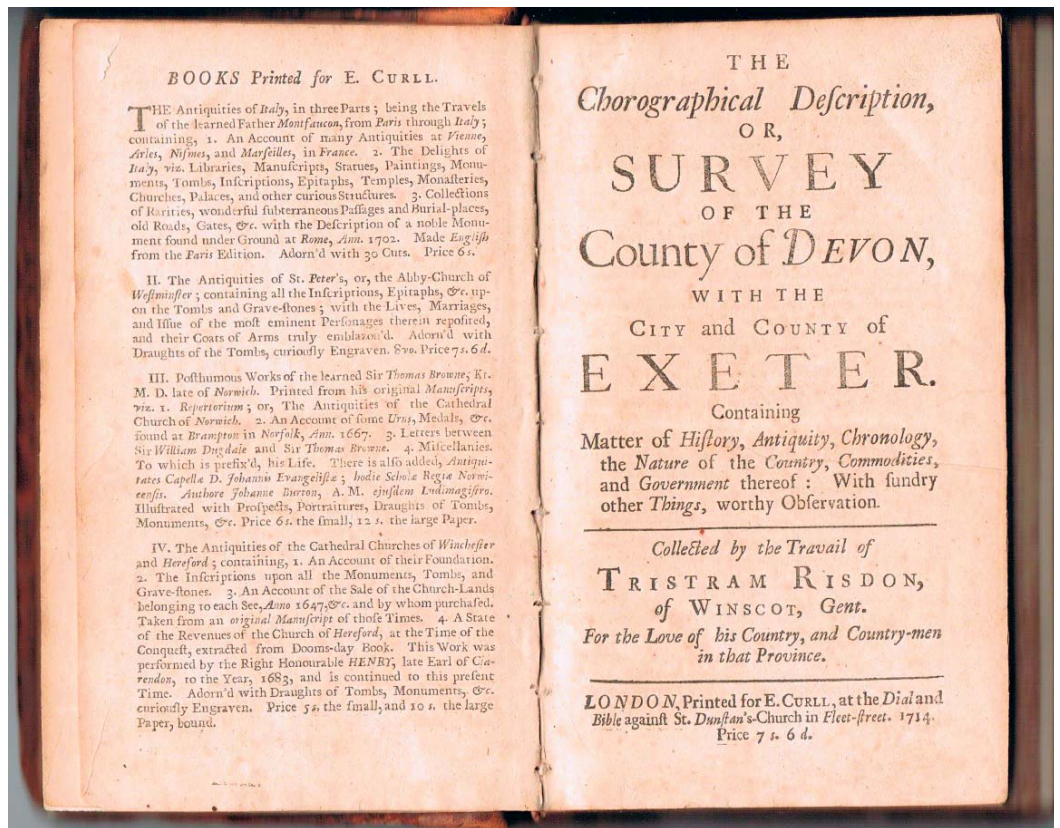


'A Further Discovery of Bees' published in 1679. By Moses Rusden

You may not be who you think you are! Continued

Contributed by Kate Gill.

There is yet another Risdon book also written in the 1600's. My copy was published in 1714. It is The Chorographical Description or Survey of the County of Devon. It might be of particular interest to the parishioners of Strete. Pages 62 and 63 are about us when we were part of 'Blackauton' Parish and our neighbouring Parishes of 'Stoke -Flemming' and Slapton.



The book was started in 1605 and not completed until 1630. Tristram Risdon died in 1640.

Also in the Risdon family line we have a death sentence. It was for Sacrilege which was commuted to two years hard labour for extenuating circumstances. His co-defendant was transported to Australia. Apparently they stole some bottles of communion wine from the church vestry.

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John Osborne & George R
 George R
 Risdon

Whereas the persons hereafter named were at the last Session of Great Britain, holden for the County of Cornwall tried & convicted of the Crimes hereafter mentioned & had Judgment of Death recorded against them for the same viz John Osborne of the offence of Sacrilege. We in consideration of some circumstances humbly represented unto us are graciously pleased to extend our Grace & mercy unto them & to grant them our Pardon for their said offences on condition of their being imprisoned & kept to hard labour in the House of Correction for the said County the said George Risdon for two years & the said John Osborne for one year.

Our will & pleasure therefore is that you do give the necessary directions accordingly And for so doing to be done the 10th May 1828

To our Trusty & beloved
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 Cornwall & others &c

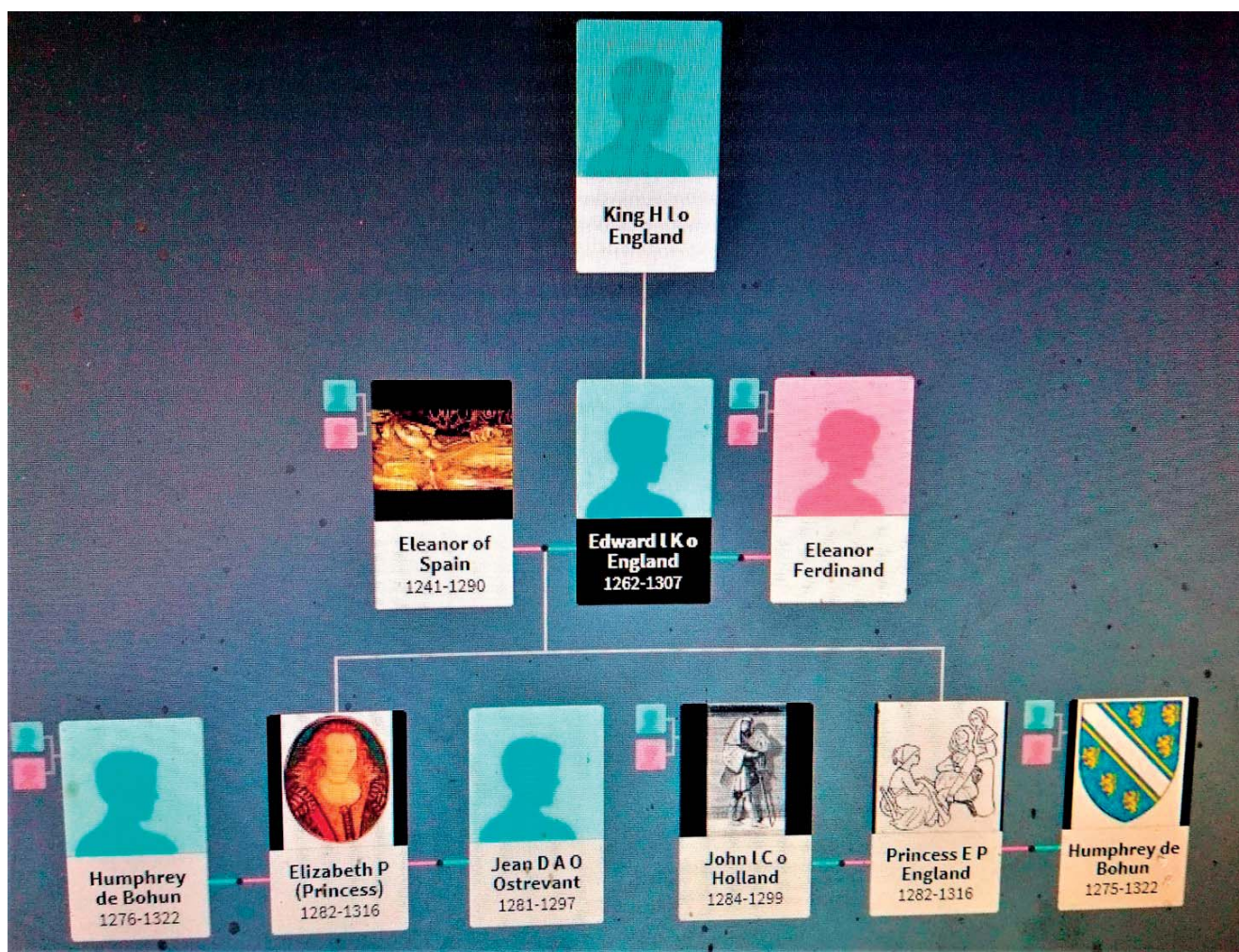
By Appointment
 Rob Peel

Let's now move back a generation to my paternal and maternal grandmothers' maiden names. As before I will start with the paternal side. My father's mother was a Prust.

You may not be who you think you are! Continued

Contributed by Kate Gill.

It was she who said we were descended from royalty. Having joined the online searching fraternity I had hints from a lady who was born a Prust. She has been working on line for several years. During that time she discovered information in The Prust Family Book. This was written in the early 1900's. Using this book and extra research she has indeed been able to trace the Prust family back many generations. I contacted her with regard to Richard Prust 1150. He is my direct ancestor and my 17th gt. grandfather. She said she was jealous as he is not her direct ancestor and she personally can't get back that far.

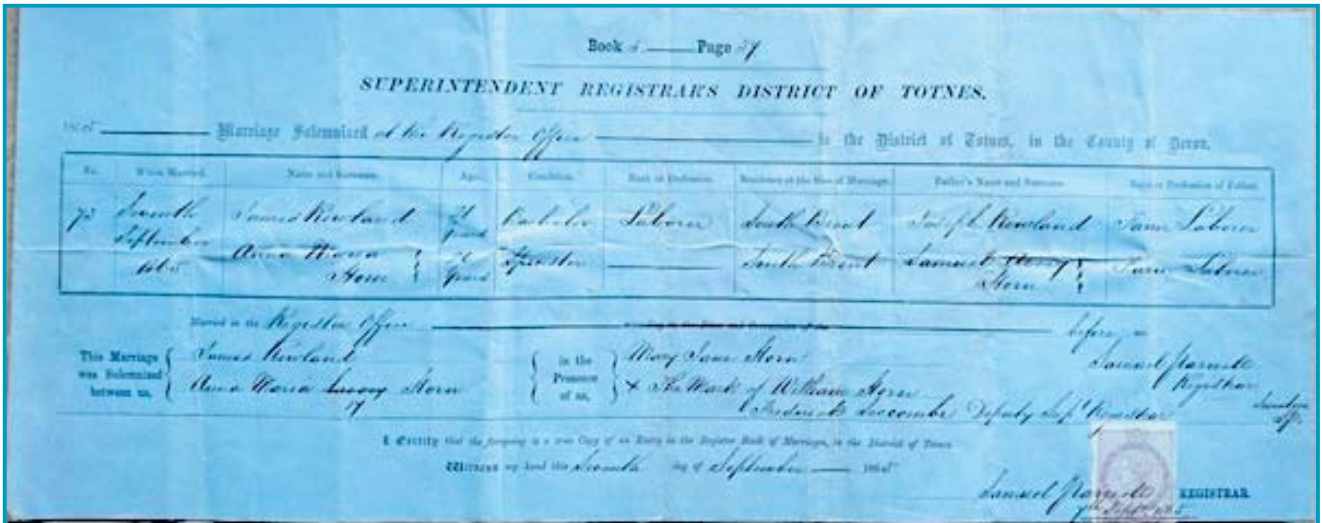


My 'Grandma' was right about that but she did not know that one of our Prusts whose name had corrupted to Priest was the 29th signatory to the Mayflower Compact in 1620, 400 years ago. Degory Priest my 9th gt. uncle was born in 1582 and died in 1621. He did however have children who survived him.

So now we have my maternal grandmother 'Granny'; her maiden name was Rowland. If I need to know anything about the Rowland branch I pick up the phone and ring my cousin Robert.

Her family came from South Brent and moved to Elberton, Plymouth and then to Plymstock, where they were market gardeners. They were one of the first commercial growers of tomatoes in England. Thank you Uncle Joe (Granny's brother) I love tomatoes.

I do have one hands on item handed down the female line – her parent's original marriage certificate. Marriage certificates were traditionally handed to the bride after the wedding/marriage ceremony. They are also inherited by the female members of the family – hence Great Granny Hannah Maria Horne to Granny Catherine Price Harvey Rowland to my mother Ethel Cordelia Risdon and then to me.



I am also able to go back further on most of my female lines. My first cousin once removed Patricia Mary Pratt did some research of her own which I have yet to pick up – she discovered we are a sept of the Grant's whisky family thus entitling us to wear the 'Black Watch' tartan.



She also gave me the only existing photograph of our shared Great/Grandmother Ellen Louisa Goss Lander. I have lots of other links to follow, some which I have started – Roosevelt Family connections – the possibility that my Colin was not only my husband but a very distant cousin probably by marriage and the whole of the Gill family, but on that score my tree is linked to Colin's first cousin Geoffrey's tree. So all the information is at hand! My nephew Ben is family history mad and the other day we had a nearly two hour phone conversation – he was doing a 'Kate' quizzing the older generation as I did in 1990!

I think the moral of this story is something which my mother kept advocating 'Unto thine own self be true'.

I have one additional comment to add – BEWARE!

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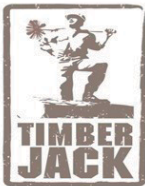
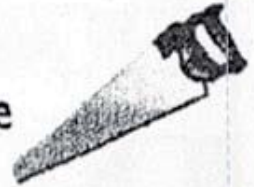
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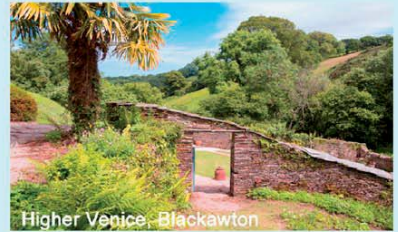
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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STRETE PARISH COUNCIL (PC) HELD IN STRETE PARISH HALL ON THURSDAY 16 MAY 2019 AT 5.45PM

PRESENT

Cllr Kate Gill, Chairman (KG); Cllr Ralph Clark (RC); Cllr David Rothwell (DR); Cllr Ian Cumberlidge (IC); Cllr Louise Newman (LN); Cllr Peter Hales (PH); Mrs. Helen Darch – Clerk; five members of the public.

0519/1 TO RECEIVE THE SEVEN ELECTED COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Forms were duly handed out, **signed by the six Councillors present and received by the Clerk**. The acceptance of office by the seventh councillor, Graham Campbell, is dealt with at 0519/9 below.

0519/2 REGISTER OF PARISH COUNCILLOR'S INTEREST FORM

The above SHDC forms were distributed by the Clerk to the six councillors present, **completed by five councillors and returned to the Clerk**. The Clerk reminded councillors of the deadline of 30th May for the forms to be returned to the monitoring officer at SHDC. **One form would be completed once all information was to hand and one would be completed by the absent councillor when he met with the Clerk. [The Clerk would make sure the forms were returned to SHDC.](#)** Councillors were also reminded to complete and return their nil election expenses forms to SHDC.

0519/3 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2019/20

KG was eligible to stand again in accordance with Standing Orders. KG was elected Chairman for one year. All were in agreement.

0519/4 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

KG duly signed her declaration of acceptance as Chairman **which was received by the Clerk** and took the remainder of the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Five members of the public attended the meeting. Mr and Mrs. Hutton spoke on the planning application **[1206/19/FUL] The Old Vicarage**. They explained the existing house is structurally compromised and will need to

be demolished. The replacement dwelling will sit within the same footprint. Councillors asked questions including the use of an air source heat pump and whether this might create some noise. They were assured the pump would be located under the existing garage.

Mr Peters spoke on the planning application [**1259/19/HHO**] **8 Crestway, Strete TQ6 0SF**. He noted he had worked closely with SHDC planners to include feedback on previous applications and the size of the extension had decreased by around 20-30% on previous plans: a substantial decrease in the development. He also requested that the present application be looked at under planning only [*an appeal to the Secretary of State relating to the previous application was ongoing at the committee date*].

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no County Councillor report.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no District Councillor report.

0519/5 APOLOGIES Cllr Graham Campbell (GC); Cllr Richard Foss, District Councillor, Allington & Strete Ward (RF); Cllr Julian Brazil, County Councillor, Kingsbridge Division (JB);

0519/6 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 18 APRIL 2019
The above minutes were AGREED as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

0519/7 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Parish Councillors were invited to declare any unregistered or other interest, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting. PH asked to have noted that he had previously objected to the original plans submitted for 8 Crestway [**1940/18/HHO**] but now would abstain.

0519/8 PLANNING AND PLANNING MATTERS
1206/19/FUL – The Old Vicarage, Hynetown, Strete TQ6 0RS
Application for demolition of existing dwelling including detached garage and the construction of replacement dwelling. Discussion took place and IC asked if the new house would be taller than the original building. He was assured there would be no increase in height.
There was unanimous support for the application.

1259/19/HHO – 8 Crestway, Strete TQ6 0SF

Householder application for extension and alterations to dwelling to form additional bedroom (Resubmission of 1940/18/HHO). Councillors were reminded to consider the planning application in front of them only *[an appeal to the Secretary of State relating to the previous application was ongoing at the committee date]*.

A letter from No 7 Crestway on this application previously received by councillors was acknowledged *[circulated to councillors on 07/05/19]*.

Open Forum

The meeting was closed for a member of the public to speak. Mr Peters observed the bedroom had gone back one metre but the upstairs terrace was not one metre back.

The meeting was reopened.

Councillors spoke on the plans. IC stated he couldn't support the new plans as they were nearly identical to those submitted previously. The planned works amounted to an invasion of public space. RC observed the plans represented an overdevelopment of the site. PH abstained from the discussion. DR noted the planned works were out of keeping with the rest of the neighbourhood [Crestway]. LN felt the plans represented an overdevelopment of the site. **It was resolved to object as the planning application represented an overdevelopment of the site which creates a privacy issue. There were five (5) votes in favour of objection with one (1) abstention.**

0519/9 CLERK'S REPORT

Conduct of business and resolution to carry over meeting

The Clerk advised councillors that it was intended to conduct the business on the agenda within the time set for this meeting of 5.45 to 7pm when the Annual Parish Meeting would then start. However, if the council meeting ran over, councillors could resolve to carry the business on after the Parish Meeting if necessary. The chairman would need to make an announcement at the start of that meeting also that the annual council meeting would carry on after that and that electors are welcome to attend.

Resolution on absent councillor

The Clerk informed councillors that they would need to resolve that

Graham Campbell's declaration of acceptance of office is to be accepted at or before the next meeting of the council.

Resolved: that Graham Campbell's declaration of acceptance of office would be accepted before the next meeting of the council on 20th June 2019. The Clerk to meet with GC to complete paperwork.

Insurance quotes – renewal due 1st June 2019

The Clerk had sent information on the insurance renewal earlier in the week. Four quotes were received as originally one failed to reply. This table at 16th May updates the email and schedule of comparative quotes sent 15th May.

Insurer	£ quote	Notes
BHIB	£365.87	Blanket quote for authority based on three-year tie-in. This is the second year of that arrangement.
Norris and Fisher	£325.79	Based on asset register and inflation. Includes war memorial valued at £30,000 per BHIB quote. Quote for one year only.
Came & Co	£454.84	Based on asset register and inflation. Updated quote includes war memorial valued at £30,000 per BHIB quote. Received 16/5/19.
Zurich	nil	Could not match BHIB on blanket quote and advised would not quote.

After a discussion on the merits of a blanket quote and quotes based on the existing [ongoing] asset register councillors opted to retain blanket cover for assets. In addition, cover includes money, employer liability, public liability, fidelity guarantee, libel and slander, officials' indemnity and legal expenses cover. LN noted the risks of excluding assets which then needed repair for instance in another authority damage to the milestones proved costly when these were excluded from cover. **Resolved: that the Clerk would contact BHIB and ask if they could match Norris and Fisher's quote. However, to go ahead with the cover offered by BHIB in the sum of £365.87 and arrange payment of the premium by the due date.**

The Clerk subsequently contacted BHIB and obtained a revised quote of £336.83 on the same terms which was then acted on.

The report was received.

0519/10 CHAIR'S REPORT

Slapton Line. The position is still the same as last month. The topic is where to place the memorial. This in itself is a difficult subject- each person asked has a differing viewpoint. Torcross have nowhere to put it – they have a car park. Slapton proposes to put it on the public footpath on Sands Road – they don't have a carpark- and the traffic congestion in Slapton is appalling. Strete could host it at Strete Gate – there are two possible positions: the strawberry field and also the level area just behind the wall which has pedestrian access through the existing doorway. We have a proper carpark.

Strete Gate. We have issues again! It was brought to my attention through email that unsuitable behaviour has recommenced toward Pilchard Cove. Sadly, our police force is very stretched and more so this year. So, it is unlikely we will have a willing member of the Force doing reces in mufti.

Planning. There are two applications this month.

WIFI. This has been installed but we are yet to sort the precise final position. But this is in hand and was discussed last night at the Parish Hall Committee meeting.

Playpark. This is still being enjoyed.

Trees. I'm sure that Ian will have already picked this up. It was reported to me yesterday that there appears to be an ash tree near Skerries which is suffering from dieback.

Bottle bank. This last month we have had issues with fly tipping of bottles. On the 24th April I had to ring SHDC to do a lift. This left a massive quantity of bottles to be put into the new bank. I had some very welcome help from the caretaker lady from the static site who brought bottles to be put in! Between us we cleared up the mess. Thank you.

VAS. Ralph has taken the baton and persuaded Westcotec to service the poorly machine. Thankyou Ralph. **The report was received.**

0519/12(a) FINANCE

The Clerk supplied the meeting with a list of cheques for payment. A late cheque 1652 was added to the list on the agenda.

1648 – Ralph Clerk printing costs toward the Neighbourhood Plan £19.98 plus VAT	1649 – Actionwest installation of WIFI in Hall £257.45 plus VAT
1650 – Greenspace contract costs January to April 2019 inclusive £662.35	1651 – Clerk salary May 2019 £244.25
1652 – Clerk expenses March to May inclusive £37.94	

It was proposed and **AGREED** by all present to authorise payments as enumerated above.

Subsequent to the meeting cheque 1653 for £336.83 inclusive was raised and sent to BHIB Ltd for insurance cover for the council for the period 1st June 2019 to 31st May 2020. In accordance with minute 0519/9.

0519/12(b) FINANCE

A monitoring report for the second month of the new year [y/e 31st March 2020] had been circulated already along with a cashflow projection. The latest cash flow projection on the current account to the end of June is £6,128.35CR.

The latest budget for 2019/20 and activity to date was also sent to councillors. This was received and approved. **Resolved the Clerk provide the monitoring statements for the website.**

0519/12(c) FINANCE

Cash at bank – £11,064.72CR Current account at 09/05/19, £10,275.03CR Business Reserve account at 09/05/19.

0519/13 TO APPOINT PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

The representatives on parish bodies was **AGREED** as follows.

KG (Chair) Playpark.

LN Transport and Roads. LN noted that transport included liaison with the local bus operator and she felt she could not commit time to attend meetings. PH offered to take on this responsibility.

Resolved: PH to take over responsibility for liaison with the local bus operator. LN agreed to continue with the other responsibilities of this role.

DR Health and Safety. DR agreed to continue with this responsibility. He was also open to another area of responsibility if one presented itself.

IC Rights of Way, tree warden and Strete Gate.

RC Planning and Neighbourhood Plan.

PH VAS monitoring and local transport liaison. PH agreed to take over responsibility for the VAS machine and take on local transport duties as already resolved.

GC Village Green. It was suggested GC might like to take on this responsibility. Resolved: to confirm GC is happy to take on the Village Green.

0519/14 TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The representatives on outside organisations was AGREED as follows.

KG Slapton Line Partnership.

Strete Parish Hall. Resolved: DR become Parish Council representative on the Parish Hall Committee. Dartmouth Caring. Resolved: GC represent the Parish Council at Dartmouth Caring meetings.

0519/15 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from St Michael's PCC had previously been circulated. It was resolved the Clerk would respond to the Honorary Treasurer of St Michael's.

Subsequent to the meeting a reply was sent This included a suggestion that the PCC might want to write and request any increases around November so that these might be considered and included in budget setting for the following year.

An anonymous letter of complaint had been received by two councillors. The Clerk had consulted the legal Department at the SLCC and a reply was read out.

Advice received from the Society of Local Council Clerks' legal advice line 8th May 2015

If this is a complaint against a Councillor it would not be the Council that

takes action it as it is a Highways issue identified, the Council does not have any legislative power to take action with the Councillor on the issues advised nor put into place sanctions of any form.

It's for the Police or the Higher Authority if they are contacted by the complainant, it would not be for the Parish Council to forward such correspondence to either as it is unable to formally confirm their identification. So, as the correspondence is anonymous Council is unable to correspond with the complainant and therefore unable to reply to the complainant so no action can be taken.

Messrs Savills had written on the passing of Michael Toll.

Resolved the Clerk would reply to this letter as well.

0519/16 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS FOR THE COMING YEAR

The dates circulated in the agenda were noted.

0519/17 THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 20 JUNE 2019 IN STRETE PARISH HALL AT 7.00 PM.

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED at 6.50 p.m

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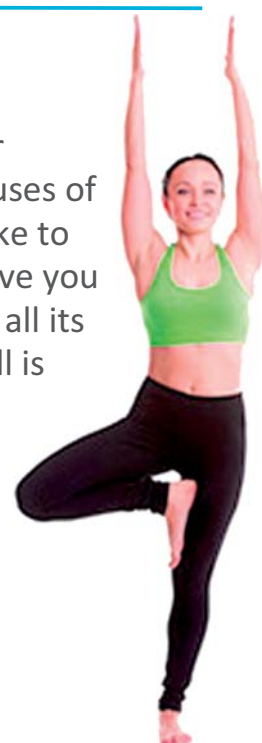
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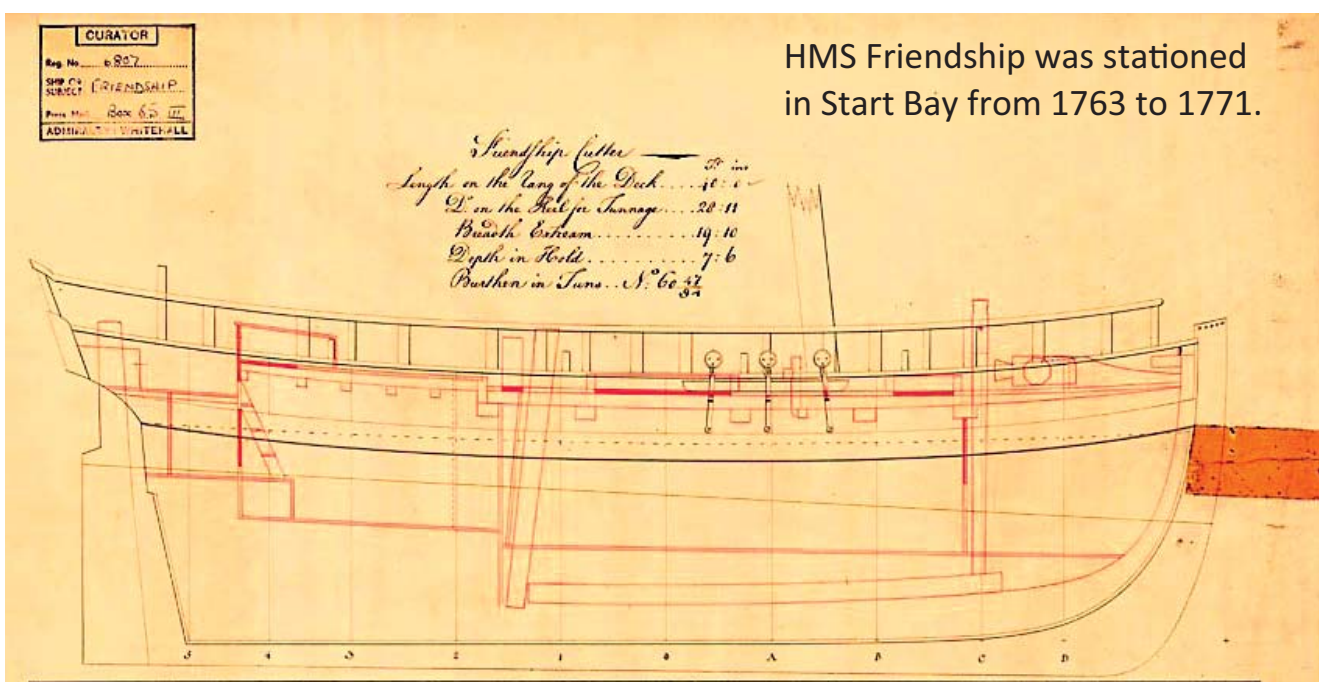
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Admiralty Orders for her purchase were issued on 16 February 1763 with the transaction completed at a price of £316. On 8 April 1763 the newly purchased cutter sailed to Woolwich Dockyard for fitting out as a Navy craft. Two months later on 17 June, at a total

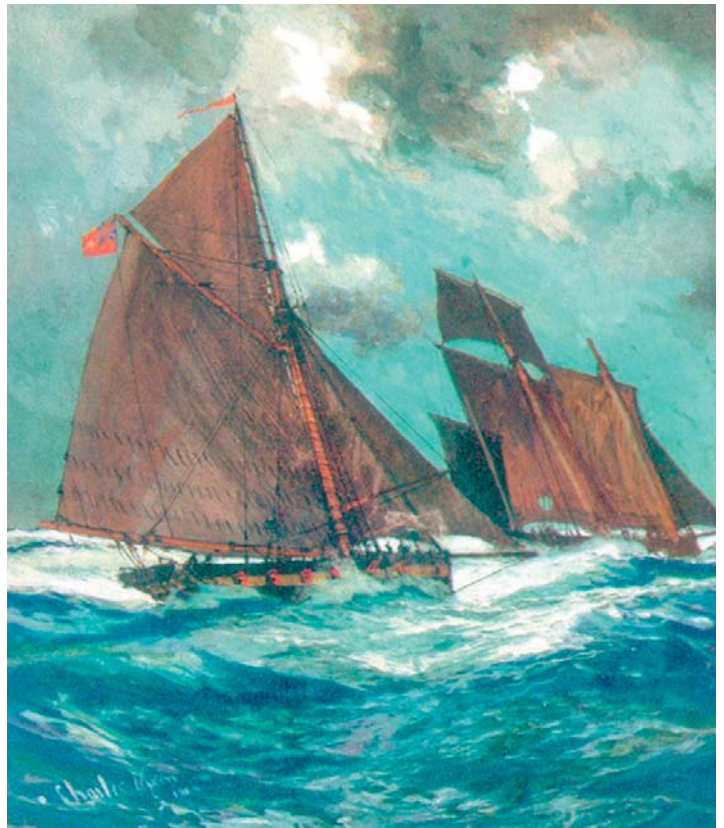


cost of £501 she was rebuilt for Navy service, she was armed with four three-pounder cannons and six pounder swivel guns, with a complement of 24 crew. In April 1763 and the vessel entered the Navy as a patrol cutter in Start Bay. Her first commander was Lieutenant Patrick Strachan. In 1766 command passed to Lieutenant Rowland Pigot and then in 1768 to Lieutenant John Glover. HMS Friendship remained at the same station in Start Bay throughout these changes of command.



HMS Friendship was stationed in Start Bay from 1763 to 1771.

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Decommissioned:	October 1771
In service:	1763–1771
Out of service:	October 1771



In September 1769 she captured a smuggler's vessel carrying two hundred gallons of brandy and a quantity of tea.

The Royal Navy impressed many merchant sailors, as well as some sailors from other nations. People liable to impressment were "eligible men of sea-faring habits between the ages of 18 and 55 years". Non-seamen were impressed as well (Landsmen) Outbound merchant ships, officers and apprentices were exempt from impressment. When war broke out the Navy would deploy frigates and cutters off the coast to intercept inbound merchantman. Reportedly some merchant captains redirected their ships to Irish ports to offload favoured crewmen, before making final land-fall in England. In times of an extreme shortage of men, the Navy would "embargo" the coast for a short time; merchantmen had to supply a portion of their crew in exchange for permission to sail.

Class and type:	4-gun cutter
Tons burthen:	60 ⁴⁷ / ₉₄ (bm)
Length:	39 ft 7.5 in (12.1 m) (overall) 28 ft 11 in (8.8 m) (keel)
Beam:	19 ft 10 in (6.0 m)
Depth of hold:	7 ft 6 in (2.29 m)

Many merchant ships had hiding places constructed where their best crew could hide when approached by a Naval vessel. In addition to impressment, Britain also used the Quota System (or *The Quod*) from 1795 to 1815, whereby each county was required to supply a certain number of volunteers, based on its population and the number of its seaports.

Stretewise Social Club contribution by Joan Kendall

Tuesday 4th June. It was a pleasure to introduce one of our members, Ann Blacoe who gave us an amusing and informative talk on her life as a hairdresser from leaving school, becoming an apprentice and working her way up to managing two salons. To the present day she is still using her skill amongst friends.

It was fascinating to see her table of equipment used in the past – old tongs, metal hair grips and scissors, all of which had to be bought by herself. She attended night school to further her career all to her advantage. She was thanked by Judy who presented her with a dwarf pink rose. The enjoyable afternoon ended with the usual tea and biscuits.

We met in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 18th June.

Dorothy was in the chair and gave out a few notices and got the approval of the members as to where they went in December for a meal together. We had no speaker this afternoon, instead we held a produce stall where members had brought along various items for sale from flowers to preserves, garden produce, plants and various other items. Ann and Janice manned the two tables and raised over £30 towards our funds. As usual welcome tea and biscuits were served by Joan with Sally and Margaret helping to wash up.

Our meeting in the Parish Hall on 2nd July.

Those unable to join us today missed a treat. After the usual business Karen Hales, one of our members, entertained us to a musical afternoon. She told us how she had come to play the guitar and sing.

Becoming competent she joined her brother in his band called Topaz.

On his leaving to go to college and the band disbanding she continued to play on her own at home. The time came when she left home to attend Norwich University and found that her guitar became her friend when feeling rather lonely. As time went on she got involved with the University folk group band.

On leaving University and starting work her guitar playing took a back seat.

When her two boys came along she took it up again and used to play and sing at their playgroup. When her sons became teenagers, living in Scotland, the village had what is our equivalent of Village Day and part of this was a talent show and to elongate the show they held a concert at which she played her guitar and sang.

For us she sang songs by various composers including James Taylor and Bob Dylan and we were encouraged to join in the chorus of any that we knew.

Sheet music was passed around for us to look at of a variety of songs. We were amused by the prices printed on them e.g. 2 shillings for a sheet including a very good picture of an artist on the cover. Margaret and Heather R served the usual tea and biscuits.

She was warmly thanked by Judy.

Tuesday 16th July-Being the last meeting before the summer break we held our usual afternoon tea. Each table adorned in various coloured gingham embroidered Australian Cross Stitch table cloths. A marvellous spread of dainty sandwiches, homemade cakes, scones with cream and jam were tastefully displayed served alongside cups of tea. Members supplying the food but excellently organised by Colleen and her band of helpers.

After the food we were given a talk by one of our members, Beryl who forty years ago answered an advert for a person to sell Spirella. Beryl applied and with her dress-making experience and qualifications got the job. This was the start of a very enjoyable and satisfying work period in her life. Displayed on a table she had brought samples of the various types of corsetry, still in excellent condition and amazingly still very white and clothes that she had kept for over forty years that were made by Spirella. Underwear was made in three colours, pink, white and black. Showing us tools of her trade and explaining how she would measure ladies for the undergarments which were made to measure, gaining the full attention of the ladies' present, most of which could remember the things she was showing us. Not only did she have foundation garments. A classic jacket, wrap around skirt, and a superb ski suit all made and supplied by Spirella.

This was a most interesting talk given by our eldest member and it certainly brought back memories to some of us that wore these garments and if not us certainly by the female relatives in our family. Judy thanked Beryl for a most interesting talk.

We start again on 10th September when our speaker will be a member of the "Free Wheelers". This is open to all and we welcome new members and guests. Every other Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall, Strete. For further details phone 770982.



STRETE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF STRETE PARISH COUNCIL (PC) HELD IN STRETE PARISH HALL ON THURSDAY 20 JUNE 2019 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT

Cllr Kate Gill, Chairman (KG); Cllr Louise Newman (LN); Cllr Peter Hales (PH); Cllr Graham Campbell (GC); Cllr Julian Brazil, County Councillor, Kingsbridge Division (JB); Mrs. Helen Darch – Clerk

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended the meeting.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

JB noted there was not much to report. Devon County Council [DCC] had had their annual meeting and JB was back on Children's Scrutiny. The main areas DCC will have to deal with are adult social care, children's education, and special educational needs. There are clear cost pressures associated with all of these services but all are statutory and must be delivered.

DCC has started work on the back roads [previous minutes refer]. So far, no complaints have been received. The road to Slapton [5-mile Lane] needs work but there is no money.

The two recent applications: 8 Crestway [1940/18/ HHO and 1259/19/ HHO] and Blindwells [3400/18/FUL and 1561/19/FUL] were briefly referred to. Both had planning appeals [with The Planning Inspectorate] ongoing in relation to the original application. Also, both had revised applications due to be dealt with by SHDC. JB noted the revised planning application for Blindwells dealt with one house on part of the plot. At the time of meeting neither appeal had been decided.

Subsequent to the meeting the Planning inspector ruled on 8 Crestway in favour of the applicant.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no District Councilor report.

0619/1 APOLOGIES – Cllr Richard Foss, District Councillor, Allington & Strete Ward (RF); Cllr Ralph Clark (RC); Cllr Ian Cumberlidge (IC); Cllr David Rothwell (DC)

0619/2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 16 MAY 2019
The above minutes were AGREED as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

0619/3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Parish Councillors were invited to declare any unregistered or other interest, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting. **PH noted that the planning application [1561/19/FUL] concerned a property across the road from his house and so he would abstain [recuse himself].**

0619/4 CLERK'S REPORT
Fixed asset register. The Clerk circulated an updated fixed asset which now includes all assets she has been able to identify from invoices and minutes. The starting point is the register drawn up in 2010 for the audit in that year and this has been added to with acquisitions since 2010. Assets are valued at purchase cost except the war memorial which has an insurance value of £30,000 based on the BHIB cover. Some assets are unvalued eg the milestones. The register has a total value of £88,031 including the war memorial at June 2019. The assets will be included in next year's accounts. KG asked about the expiry of the Asset of Community Value application on the Pub. This expires in June 2020. **Resolved: The Clerk would look at renewing the Asset of Community value application on the Pub. Councillors were asked to review the register and update it with any additions. The Clerk was requested to circulate a report done in 2011 by Malcolm Hollis on the milestones to all.**

Audit. The inspection of accounts commenced on Monday 17th June and will finish on Friday 26th July.

Financial regulations. Have been updated and in draft based on the latest National Association of Local Councils/ Devon Association of Local Councils template. Councillors were asked to review a copy which will be circulated with a view to adopt at the next meeting. The regulations were last discussed in October 2015. **Resolved: The Clerk will send round a draft for review.**

Standing orders – these were last updated in October 2015 but a draft was produced in 2018. **Resolved: The Standing Orders will be reviewed and reported on at a later meeting.**

Code of conduct – this was last updated in June 2012. **Resolved: The Clerk will check if a later model version of the Code of Conduct is now available and produce an updated version for approval.**

The report was received.

JB then left the meeting.

0619/5 CHAIR'S REPORT
20.06.19

Michael Toll – our Lord of the Manor died last month on 4th May, his funeral service was held on 21st May in St Michael's followed by his wake here in The Parish Hall. His elder son Bryan Toll now holds the title.

Slapton Line – at the SLP Meeting held in Slapton Village Hall on 5th June the positioning of the War Memorial was top of the Agenda. My comments in last month's report proved correct.

The site Slapton wished to use proved to be totally unsuitable; consequently we are looking to place it at Strete Gate.

The ideal place would be in the picnic area up the steps behind the wall. Access for work/installation is already there.

This would enable it to be seen from the sea where the practice landings took place. We have a car park which could be potentially enlarged – I have already tentatively mentioned it to Bryan and to his agent Charles Dixon. Mr Toll owns the field adjacent to the existing car park.

Strete Gate – Lisa Edmonds DCC has done it for us!! The tarmac was laid on 12th May and she rang me with great glee to tell me that the white lines had been done on 10th June. Since then parking has been much tidier.

SHDC has managed to put some posts on the beach side which will now stop 4-wheel drive vehicles parking on the SSSI.

Kim Ryder of Lime Coffee Kiosk has also managed to get the shutting of

the gate done; complete with a padlock which works - also to prevent vehicles – saunas - motorhomes and the like from parking there. Very well done all round.

The result is much tidier parking even if the vehicles are very large – however – BBQ's are still being lit between the vehicles; this is extremely dangerous. In certain conditions lives could be put seriously at risk. I know! My home was put at risk in such circumstances when my family were evacuated, and eight fire engines arrived.

Planning – Blindwells is now at appeal, but they have put in a further application for the site. 1561/19/FUL This is on the agenda tonight.

Litter on the shingle at Strete Gate – it was reported to me that a school prom party had been held on the beach Strete end of the Line. A video was taken of the mess and the name of one of the perpetrators was found on a discarded item.

Play Park – needs new information notices.

The Chair's report was received.

0619/6 PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS

[1561/19/FUL] Erection of detached dwelling and garage and formation of vehicular access. Blindwells, Hynetown Road, Strete TQ6 0RS. Comments had already been submitted by email from RC, GC and PH. A discussion then took place. PH abstained from the discussion. GC commented this was a self-build and okay because it was not as close to its neighbour [on the left facing onto Hynetown Road] as the previous application and is a buildable plot. However, he was concerned if future applications applied for development of the site 'one-by-one'. LN thought it was close to the boundary on the left but not too crowded and certainly less so than three on one site. She also wondered if there might be privacy issues.

IC was not present so KG conveyed his concerns over the Tree Preservation Order on the site which is temporary and will need to be reapplied for.

[TPO no 983 served 17th April 2019]. IC had also suggested the people who wanted to build objected to the TPO and so it was important to keep it in place. Councillors wondered if the site plan represented the trees on site accurately or were for illustration only.

KG commented the post box on Hynetown Road would need to be relocated and that she wanted the rural bank that runs along the Hynetown Road side of Blindwells [a Devon hedge bank] retained.

Resolved that the council would NOT object subject to:

The trees being maintained

The post-box to be relocated on the Devon hedge bank

The bank to remain a Devon hedge bank.

0619/7 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

As RC was absent the Clerk read out his submission to the meeting.

NP Report for PC – June 2019

On the 20th May SHDC made contact and advised Mrs Deborah McCann (the examiner) had decided to request an exploratory public meeting for Strete Neighbourhood Plan.

The objective of the meeting was to specifically explore in detail, with a representative of the Strete Neighbourhood Plan, South Hams District Council and a representative of the owner of Cox's Farm Field, issues arising from the plan in connection with the delivery of housing across the plan period.

A public notice was displayed in the village notice boards and on Strete website informing the exploratory meeting would take place at 2pm on Tuesday 11th of June 2019 at Strete Parish Hall.

The meeting opened with DM explaining the examination of the plan is to ensure it meets the basic conditions as set out in paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (introduced by Schedule 10 of the Localism Act 2011).

The exploratory meeting process is new and has been added to assist examiners in their role.

Mr Duncan Smith of SHDC was asked to comment on where Strete NP sat within the recently adopted Plymouth and South West Devon Joint Local Plan. DS confirmed there was no minimum target in the JLP for housing in the village although there was a recognised need for some housing. SHDC supported the decision made by the community of Strete to proceed with a NP that included a vision for housing.

R. Clark representing Strete NP was asked to comment on how Cox's Farm Field was determined to be the site for housing development.

RC explained that with a tight settlement boundary, as recommended by SHDC and Natural England, a site assessment determined that Cox's Farm Field is the only and most sustainable site to accommodate a viable housing development to meet the needs and aspirations of the community.

Consultation with regulatory organisations to ensure all the necessary environmental and historical aspects of the site have been considered and included, including a Strategic Environmental Assessment Report that supports the plan.

Extensive discussions by Steering Group members to confirm and agree CFF was the preferred site for housing development was concluded before consultation with the community took place.

DM asked if consultation with the landowner had taken place.

RC confirmed Mr Charles Dixon of Strete Estate responded to a public Call for Sites advert in the local press offering two sites for development consideration in December 2016.

Initial correspondence culminated in a meeting with CD and members of the Steering Group for Strete NP in August 2017. CD expressed his concern at the way the group were delivering the NP without consultation with the landowner. In particular: -

- The size of the housing development
- Conditions to accompany a housing development – Car Park, Footpath & Open Space.
- Principal Residency Requirement

These points were confirmed by CD in his comments to DM at the meeting.

Correspondence with CD continued through to October 2017 when CD informed the group that unless the conditions were removed from the NP the site would be withdrawn for development.

RC informed CD of the SG's unanimous decision to retain the Principal Residency Policy.

This resulted in no further dialogue or correspondence with Strete Estate.

Following recommended changes to the plan that were subject to a Regulation 14 six-week Re-Consultation period, only response comments were received from CD.

DM concluded that the current impasse could only be resolved if the parties involved agreed to enter into discussions to address the concerns of each party.

DS suggested an initial meeting be arranged to establish if suggested changes

to policy wording could be proposed for consideration and possible acceptance.

CD explained his client had recently died and that the estate was in probate which could take several months to conclude.

DM informed the meeting of the intention to suspend the examination of Strete NP for six months to provide an opportunity for all parties to meet and discuss the objection to the allocation of Cox's Farm Field for residential development in Strete NP.

At the end of the six month period DM will consult on the progress made and consider whether to extend the period further or recommence the examination of the plan as submitted.

DM closed the meeting at 4pm.

The NP report was received.

0619/8 UPDATE ON THE SLAPTON LINE, PLACING OF THE WAR MEMORIAL & PROVISION OF EXTRA PARKING ALONG THE SLAPTON LINE

KG reported back from the last Slapton Line Partnership [SLP] meeting that in time the sea would be allowed to take the road away at the memorial. If this happens there will be dead ends at Strete Gate and Torcross. The war memorial will then need to be moved to a place of safety. It is preferred that this new home is in the area the US army did their practicing for D-day: that is somewhere along the beach. This is likely to be at Strete Gate. The SLP will have to negotiate placement and access with the Field Studies Centre as the land on the picnic area at Strete Gate now belongs to the Ley Centre.

GC asked who had decided that the road would not be rebuilt in the future. He expressed concern about the effect on the local economy. KG replied that Natural England as the guardian of the SSSI wants the land to return to salt marsh. LN commented Plymouth University had studied the environment and advised the beach shingle would overcome the road in time. GC noted the alternative roads are not good and he wondered if people and business would start to move out of the area if the road became unusable.

The report was received.

0619/9 ACCESS TO THE BEACH FROM THE PUBLIC TOILETS

KG reported that SHDC was responsible for blocking access from the [removed] steps and carpark to the beach. IC is in negotiation with SHDC [Luke Rees] to get the steps reinstated. GC noted there is a safety issue now as people have to walk down the busy road at the moment to get to

the beach.

The report was received.

0619/10 VILLAGE PUMP

IC has removed the ivy from the pump. The walls could be reinforced with acrow props.

The report was received.

0619/11 UPDATE ON CONTRACTS

Hedges. LN had received a complaint about the bank hanging out on Vicarage Lane. **Resolved: LN will get John Gilbert to come and do it once the nesting season is finished. This will be subject to quote.**

Greenspace is now billing on a monthly basis in accordance with the schedule sent to them in the contract in March. **Resolved: The Clerk will send GC a copy of the contract from 1st April 2019 agreed with Greenspace. GC will check what is being done and get in touch with the contractor; regular grass cutting for the VAS verge to be added to the contract.**

WIFI – this will be discussed further at the Parish Hall Committee on 17th July.

Playpark. A report was received from the localities officer that two chain rungs are broken on one of the swings. This will be checked out.

0619/12 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

KG (Chair) Playpark. Reported on in 0619/5.

LN Transport and Roads. This was dealt with in 0619/11.

DR Health and Safety. The Clerk reported on the telephone box. A planning application had been submitted by the council [1093/19/LBC] and SHDC planners had requested further information which had been sent on. The decision is awaited.

Subsequent to this meeting the planners replied to agree the application.

IC Rights of Way, tree warden and Strete Gate. Rights of Way were okay. Tree warden. The TPO [see 0619/6 above] had been discussed. IC wanted the TPO to be made permanent. **Resolved: The Clerk would confirm if the TPO was permanent or not and report back.**

Strete Gate: had already been discussed.

RC Planning and Neighbourhood Plan. Nothing more to add.

PH The VAS sign and local transport liaison. The VAS is now operational and had been repaired under warranty. The batteries need to be charged fortnightly. GC noted a conversion kit could be applied and PH would look at this. PH had spoken with Tony Crawford about transport liaison with the bus company through Dartmouth Town Council but this forum is now disbanded. **Resolved: PH will continue enquiries.**

GC Village Green. GC wondered if there would be any interest in approaching Daisy’s Dog Food to install emergency dog bags at the Green akin to those which that Daisy’s Dog Food had placed in Strete Gate.

0619/13(a) FINANCE

The Clerk supplied the meeting with a list of cheques for payment. Cheque 1553 for annual insurance was issued after the last meeting but approved [Minute 0519/9 refers] and cheque 1662 was added at this meeting.

1653 – BHIB Ltd annual insurance for the parish £336.83	1654 – Strete Parish Hall hire for April and May 2019 £70.00
1655 – Terry Hallett grass cutting March to May 2019 £280.00	1656 – Peter Tanner works to play-park £1,121.00 plus VAT
1657 – Peter Tanner additional works done May 2018 £70.00 plus VAT	1658 – Clerk salary June £244.25
1659 – Mr CML and Mrs CMK Toll Strete Estate rent for playing field at Strete £1.00	1660 – Ralph Clark padlocks for VAS machine £25.91 inc VAT
1661 – Greenspace contract costs for mowing/strimming May 2019 £203.80	1662 – Ian Cumberlidge expenses on buddle holes £250

It was proposed and **AGREED** by all present to authorise payments as enumerated above.

0619/13(b) FINANCE

A monitoring report for the year to June 2019 had been circulated already along with a cashflow projection. The latest projection to the end of July is CR5,183.22 CR. It was agreed the latest monitoring should be published on the noticeboards. **Resolved the Clerk would provide the monitoring statements for the boards and website.**

The bank mandate. The updating of the bank mandate to add the new councillors and remove the retired councillors was discussed.

The Clerk advised that the mandate has six [6] existing signatories and the two retired councillors weren’t signatories. **It was resolved that there were sufficient signatories at present and there was no need to add more signatories for the moment.**

0619/13(c) FINANCE

Cash at bank – £9,725.43CR Current account at 11/06/19, £10,276.78CR
Business Reserve account at 11/06/19.

0619/14 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence as listed on the agenda was noted. The proposed road closure between Burlestone Cross and Blackwell Cross in August [5th to 8th] was discussed and noted. GC asked if the Clerk could send him any information about wildlife and rural matters as these were received.

Resolved: The Clerk will send on emails and literature on wildlife and rural affairs to GC as these are received.

0619/15 REPORTS

Councillors were asked if there was anything else to add. PH asked about the landing site for Devon Air Ambulance at Manor Farm. KG reported that a planning application is proposed but the quotes for lights at the site were too high. The armoured cable is already below ground and paid for by KG. This is a private site and a work in progress.

Tunes in the Dunes [considered in November 2018, ref 1118/6] is running 12-14th July at Blackpool Sands. It was noted parking and camping would be at Stoke Fleming, that the event was licensed and admission is by ticket only.

0619/16 THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 18 July 2019 IN STRETE PARISH HALL AT 7.00 PM.

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED at 8.45 p.m.

Signed: Cllr Kate Gill (Chair)

Dated: 18 JULY 2019

ACTION POINTS:

Clerk: to look at renewing the Asset of Community value application on the Pub; to circulate a report done by Malcolm Hollis on the milestones in 2011 to all; to send round a draft of Financial Regulations for review; to review and report on Standing Orders at a later meeting; to check if a later model version of the Code of Conduct is now available and produce an updated version for approval; to send GC a copy of the Greenspace agreed contract from 1st April 2019; to confirm if the TPO on Blindwells is permanent and report back; to provide the monitoring statements for the boards and website; to send on emails and literature on wildlife and rural affairs to GC as these are received.

LN: to get John Gilbert to cut hedges as the nesting season is now finished. This will be subject to quote.

GC: to check with Greenspace what is being done under the contract and to include regular grass cutting for the VAS verge.

PH: to continue enquiries on transport liaison forum.

ALL: to review the fixed asset register and update it with any additions.

Tunes on the sands Blackpool Sands 12th - 14th July 2019

Thousands of music lovers enjoyed the three day music festival hosted by Blackpool Sands. They were treated to music from a array of top international music acts including: Wet Wet Wet, UB40, The Proclaimers, Newton Faulkner and KT Tunstall to name but a few.

The music fans were also entertained by performing circus acts and a silent disco. Refreshments were catered for by a cocktail bar, a gin terrace and street foodies.

TUNES ON THE SANDS

Loving the beach®



FRIDAY 12TH JULY

The Proclaimers

21:30 - 23:00

Wet Wet Wet

19:45 - 20:45

Newton Faulkner

18:15 - 19:15

Hoosiers

16:45 - 17:45

Mad Dog Mcree

15:15 - 16:15

Hearing Aid Beige

14:00 - 14:45

Jamie Yost

13:00 - 13:30

Miranda Brook

12:15 - 12:45

SATURDAY 13TH JULY

UB40 ft Ali & Astro

21:30 - 23:00

Bad Manners

19:30 - 20:30

Natty

18:00 - 19:00

Dorito Mariachis

16:45 - 17:30

Joey the Lips

15:30 - 16:15

Pale Blue Eyes

14:15 - 15:00

Joanna Cooke

13:00 - 13:45

Daisy Clark

12:00 - 12:45

SUNDAY 14TH JULY

KT Tunstall

21:45 - 23:00

Martin Harley

20:00 - 21:00

Company B

18:30 - 19:30

Alice Jemima

17:15 - 18:00

Malavita

15:45 - 16:45

Amy May

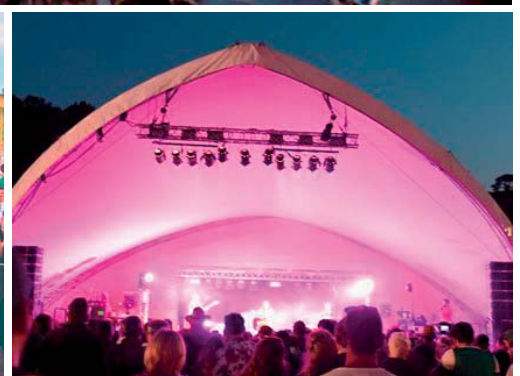
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The Native

13:15 - 14:00

Bailey Tomkinson

12:00 - 12:45

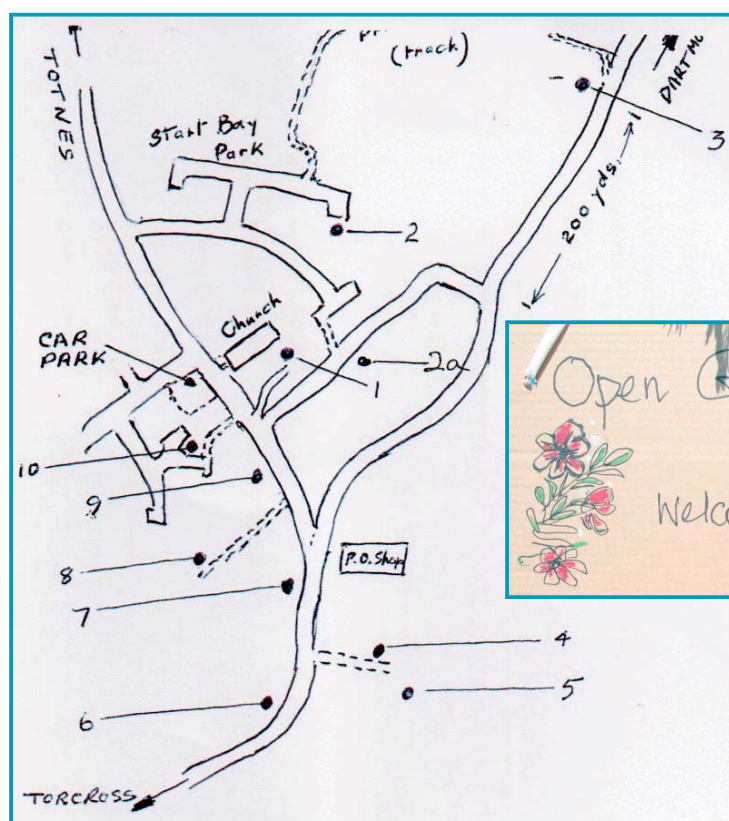


Strete Open Gardens

On Sunday 14th July 2.00pm—5.30pm eleven gardens opened their gates to the public in Aid of St Michael's Church Maintenance.

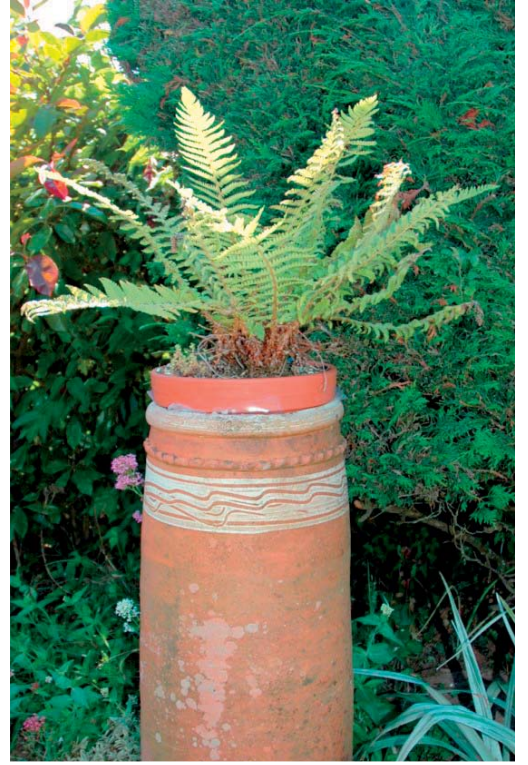
Gardens included:

- 1: Churchside
- 2: 28 Start Bay Park
- 2a: Sea Barton
- 3: Primrose House
- 4: Forest Cove Cottage
- 5: Winter Cottage (plus refreshments)
- 6: Roxborough House
- 7: Cox's Farm
- 8: The Retreat
- 9: The Longhouse
- 10: Crossburn (14 The Platt)



On a very hot Sunday afternoon the Church staged a 'Strete Open Gardens'. Eleven gardens were open, all very different. Over 60 tickets were sold to local villagers and people from way a way. Many seeing the signs at each entry to the village and out on the main road at the Firs. They were listed in a good order and easy to find but everyone was free to visit in what order they preferred. At Winter Cottage, with stunning sea views, tea and cake was on sale, most ending their tour at this destination, relaxing and taking in the views whilst enjoying delicious home-made cake and cups of tea. Church members had worked hard to put this on from posters, tickets, to making cakes and manning tickets station and serving the refreshments. Over £400 was raised towards the upkeep of our village Church.





Stretewise - Events

If you would like your up and coming event mentioned in Stretewise. Contact: stretewise@outlook.com

The Kings Arms Strete: A Coastal Pub and Restaurant with stunning sea views serving good homemade food, real ales and fine wines. Hosts regular quiz nights on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. Live Music evenings are also advertised.

The Tap House: Stokeley Farm. All new home for the South Hams Brewery, hosting regular Live Music and foody events on the first Saturday of every month.

<http://www.stokeleyfarmshop.co.uk/events.htm>

The Probus Club of Stoke Fleming and District

We meet twice a month: On the second Wednesday in the month. On the fourth Wednesday we meet for coffee. This is followed by a talk to the group by a guest, or member speaker.

Wednesday 25th September 10.30am The Stoke Lodge Hotel:
<https://stokeflemingprobus.wixsite.com/stokeflemingprobus>

175th Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta

A week of Regatta 175 fun starts on Saturday 24 August and continues until Saturday 31 August, with our Official Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta Opening Ceremony on Wednesday 28 August 2019.

Regatta week kicks off on Saturday 24th Aug with a complete day of Family fun. It's morning to evening entertainment - and it's free! The legendary Kon-Tiki Raft Race is back! You are in for a patriotic treat with our Proms in the Park on Friday 30 August. Supporting the big band will be the Liberty Sisters. Fireworks over the river. This year, there will be 2 displays - one on Friday night and one on Saturday.

All the event information and times can be found on the Dartmouth Regatta website.



Stretwise - Events - Congratulations

To Donnas Francis on your graduation at Bristol Cathedral on becoming a Paramedic.



Donna FRANCIS
Diploma of Higher Education Paramedic Science

Dartmouth Park and Ride

Long Stay (11 Hours Max) Car Parks	Charging Period	Up to:	Price
Park and Ride TQ6 9LW	All week 8.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. Cars and motorcycles	All day (Low Season - when buses stop running)	FREE
		All day (High Season - when buses are operational)	£5.00
		2.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. (Low)	FREE
		2.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. (High)	£3.00
	Coaches	All day (Low Season)	FREE
		All day (High Season)	£7.00

Stretwise Crossword - Answers

Across: 1. Beside. 3. Bright. 9. Blank. 10. Hornpipe. 12. Eton. 14. Stile. 16. Oaks. 17. E.E. 18. Ode. 19. Pass. 20. Angst. 23. Size. 25. Sleeping. 26. Toads. 28. Yonder. 29. Untrue.

Down: 1. Bushes. 2. Skerries. 4. Rib. 5. Gnat. 6. Takers.

7. Epee. 8. Speedwell. 11. ET. 13. Noon. 15. Less. 19. Pastry. 20. Aged. 21. Glider. 22. Toggle. 24. Lawn. 27. She.

Stretewise Recipe

Green Tomato Chutney - contributed by Bryan Seymour (from the archive)

An ideal recipe for using up those green tomatoes in the greenhouse and seasonal cooking apples.



The ingredients:

1 kg (2^{1/2}lb) green tomatoes
1 kg (2^{1/2}lb) cooking apples
900g (2lb) onions
6 large cloves of garlic, crushed
450g (1lb) raisins
625g (6oz) soft brown sugar (or demerara)
25g (1oz) pickling spice
Half a tablespoon of cayenne pepper
2 level dessertspoons of ground ginger
Half a tablespoon of salt
1.75 ltr (3 pints) malt vinegar

A small preserving pan
8 450g (1lb) preserving jars
String and some gauze

Method:

Wash the tomatoes and peel the onions and cut them into quarters. Peel and core the apples (keep in water to prevent browning).

Mince the tomatoes and place in the pan, next the onions, then the raisins followed by the apples. Add garlic, cayenne, salt, ginger and sugar blending everything thoroughly. Next tie the pickling spice in a small piece of double gauze and hang in the pan. Pour in the vinegar and bring to simmering point, removing any scum from the surface. Let it simmer very gently, without covering, for 3^{1/2} hours. Stir now and then to prevent sticking. It is ready when the vinegar has been almost absorbed and the chutney has thickened to a nice soft consistency and the spoon leave a trail. Be careful not to overcook - it thickens up quite a bit as it cools.

Pour the hot chutney into hot jars, filling them as full as possible. Cover with waxed sealing discs and seal with a tight lid at once. Label jars when the chutney is cold.



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19: Subway 20: KitKat 21: Nestle 22: Harrods 23: Shell 24: Mercedes
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