

# St Martin By Looe



# News



Lloads of Fun at the Morval Rally. Picture by Chris Bowden

# Autumn 2014

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The magazine is printed quarterly and has a circulation of 300 copies which are hand delivered to every home in the Parish.

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We always welcome contributions from people living in the Parish. If you would like to air your views on a particular subject or have a photograph or piece of artwork for the front cover please get in touch with The Clerk.

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# Parish Council Update

## Welcome to the Autumn 2014 Edition

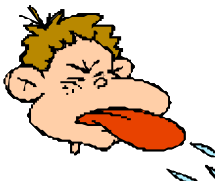
I'm not sure if anybody reads this piece, it appears that nobody noticed the 2024 year in the headline last time! Anyway, just in case you do read it, here goes....despite very little input from the parish this issue is rather special, with write ups on two local events enjoyed by our parishioners, the No Man's Land Annual Show and the Morval Rally; Jenny's history article looks at our local newspaper's past, and Dave has a great story about the humming bird look-a-like, so I hope you enjoy your magazine. Please remember to send in your stories for the next edition, deadline 17th November..

## Planning Applications

Applications were received for:- the refurbishment of existing chalets at Hillside Villas, Millendreath; the demolition of bungalow and construction of replacement house, at Cheney Cottage; a two storey extension at 26 Holland Road, No Man's Land; and the change of use from Restaurant to Residential at the Granary Restaurant, Bucklawren Farm.

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# Parish Council Update

## Holland Road Streetlights

The Parish Council have agreed with Cornwall Council to part fund the cost of two streetlights in Holland Road, one at the junction of the B3253 and the other mid way up by the one way system. These lights in conjunction with the road improvements and footpath should make the walk to the shop and bus stop safer.

## Fingerpost Project

The Parish Fingerposts are in a very poor state, The Parish Council have agreed to part fund the restoration of the posts, currently new fingers are being made and should be delivered to Cormac Solutions by the end of September. Once received the restoration project should start and once again these valuable and historic signs should be restored.

## Parish Council Meetings

You are always welcome to attend the Parish Council meetings, however requests to speak must be made in writing or by email to The Clerk at least 48 hours in advance, (contact details on page 2), failure to do so could result in your request being refused. The next three meetings are on 2nd October, 6th November and 4th December 2014, they will be held at No Man's Land Memorial Hall. 7.30pm.



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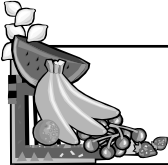
The work to construct a footpath and carry out other safety work will start at No Man's Land on Monday September 8th. Included in these works will be the installation of two streetlights, part funded by the Parish Council.

## May Lane, Millendreath

Surface dressing of the entire length of May Lane have been scheduled in for Autumn/Winter 2014, during the work there will be some road closures. The Parish Council have asked to be kept informed.

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## No Man's Land Annual Produce Show

The Hall recently held its annual show; the judges agreed that the quality of entries was very high this year, especially in the vegetable section. The reintroduced Floral Art classes were well supported and helped to fill the hall with colour. Exhibitors came from near and far and all agreed that they had a very enjoyable day, especially those exhibiting with us for the first time.

Delicious cream teas and ice creams were available in the afternoon together with a host of side shows. We were delighted to be able to offer a very special first prize for the raffle, a beautiful tea set donated by HRH Prince Charles, Duke of Cornwall, this was won by Mrs Jean Lightfoot. This donation helped to really boost our fundraising.

Many thanks go to everyone who helped to make the day such a success, judges, stewards, exhibitors, visitors, stall holders and especially the ladies who provided the refreshments.

Trophies were presented by our special guest Mrs Nancy Matthews, winners were Peter Powley, Andrew Chudleigh, Norman Tymms, Roger Holland, Shirley Toms, Roberta Powley, Jane Smith, Carol Bryant, Glynys Ward, Chris Bryant, Tracy Chudleigh, Jean Woodman, Sophie

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# No Man's Land Annual Produce Show

Kennard, Sasha Kennard, Matilda Kitson, Hannah Kitson, Louise Kitson, Ethan Cook, Harrison Southall, Marie Bersey, Mary Tarbet, Sharon Kennard and Adam Smith.

We look forward to meeting everyone again at next year's show. The next event in the hall is our Harvest Festival Service, to be held on September 27<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. There will be refreshments available together with our usual Auction.



## Public notice

Notice of Appointment of date for the exercise of electors' rights. Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2014. Date of announcement 1st September 2014

Each year the Council's annual return is audited by an auditor appointed by The Audit Commission. Any person interested has the right to inspect the accounts and make copies of the annual return and all books, deed, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating to the accounting statements for the year ended 31 March 2014 these documents will be available on reasonable notice by application to:

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The Council audit is being conducted under the provisions of the Audit Commission Act 1998, the Accounts and Audit Regulations (England) 2011 and the Audit Commission's Code of Audit Practice.

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## No Man's Land Hall Events

26 <sup>th</sup> September	Car Park Closed
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Harvest Festival. Sunday 3pm
25 <sup>th</sup> October	Big Jumble Sale for Children's Hospice.
9 <sup>th</sup> November 2014	Remembrance Service 6-30pm.
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair.
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Bingo

Remember the hall can be hired for only £5 per hour, it has a fully equipped kitchen and plenty of tables and chairs and can be used for a variety of occasions or events and don't forget the car park can be used by people attending the hall, call Roberta Powley on 01503-240650. For Allotment availability contact Roberta on the number above.

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**Sir David Attenborough** visited the Wild Futures Monkey Sanctuary to film a piece for his latest series 'Natural Curiosities', with Humble Bee Films, which will go out on television early next year.

## Halloween 2014

It's all going to get a bit spooky with our Halloween games between 27th and 30th October on site during opening hours. Come and get your face painted, listen to ghost stories in the gardens and look for treasures! With pumpkin specials at the Treetop Cafe, there's loads of spookiness to get tucked into! \*Normal entrance fees apply

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### 2014 COACH EXCURSIONS

9th September	Widcombe Fair.
19th September	Exeter Canal & House of Marbles
5th October	Rosemoor Apple Day.
8th October	Goosey Fair, Tavistock.
17th - 21st November	Turkey & Tinsel Somerset.
1st November	Bridgwater Carnival.
28th November	Tavistock Dickensian Evening.
6th December	Clarks Shopping Village.
14th December	Mousehole & Angarrack Lights with seasonal supper.
20th December	Olympia International Horse show.
18th Feb 2015	Harry Potters World (Hogwort Express).

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## Quality Christmas Fayre available locally

It was July when Carol told us they had taken delivery of the baby turkeys. The home of Cornish Blue Cheese, Knowle Farm in Upton Cross is a hive of activity this time of year and Carol's son Ben loves to get involved and the turkey deals are his baby. Place your order now for a farm fresh local turkey, it will be delivered to your door and it even comes complete with a sample of the famous Cornish Blue Cheese from, Knowle Farm. Christmas may still seem a long way off, but it will be here before we know it.

*Charles Hyde*



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# History Snippet by Jenny Wallis

## CORNISH TIMES IN OLDEN TIMES

It was in the 1800's when the Cornish Times first hit the High Street! Ever since then each edition has continued to build an invaluable record of Local Life. Liskeard Library holds all editions on microfiche.

The 1857 headline featured the central pier of Saltash Bridge where the tubes were being placed. The railway was coming! The Exeter-to-Launceston omnibus cost 5/- outside and 6/- inside. Tenders were being sought to provide crushed sparstone for the turnpike roads.

The human misery columns gave accounts of suicides, scarlatina and mine accidents. Throat-cutting and drowning in the Looe canal made grisly copy while gunpowder and mechanical failures maimed and killed. There were incentives to emigrate!

In the Local Authority section Albert Glubb, the Clerk, was proudly announcing plans for the new wash-house and laundry at the Liskeard Union Workhouse (which served St.Martin's) He was also seeking contracts to supply paupers' coffins, funerals and not-too-stale bread.

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Liskeard Glee and Madrigal Union wanted more members and a discreet advert was placed for a 'wet nurse' to breast-feed a baby. At Duloe, Mr Cook of St Martin won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for his 10 fat sheep and James Arthur's extraordinary fat cow weighed in at 5cwt 2qtrs 4lbs.

Births, Marriages and Deaths were a standard feature of a 'local rag' from the start. In 1857 married women were referred to by their husband's names – and were often omitted from the birth notice! But for local families the microfiche archive is a wealth of information. This was from number 18.

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Some years ago a friend of mine telephoned me one evening to say that, while working at a Customers property, he had seen a humming bird feeding from plants in the garden. Now, this would be quite possible in some parts of the world but highly unlikely in East Looe.

My friend Paul was a qualified Electrician/Plumber with many years experience but he certainly was no ornithologist – so what did he see? His description was ‘long beak, orange fast beating wings with a spotted body’. I was not able to identify the creature that he had seen that day but I was, I told him, positive that it was not a bird.

A few years later, sadly after Paul had passed away, I saw in my own garden what certainly looked like and fitted the description of his encounter. These events happened nearly ten years ago and since then I have become very familiar with *Macroglossum Stellatarum* while holidaying in France and Italy.

This memory was prompted just a few days ago when watering pot plants on our patio – there, just inches away, was Paul’s humming bird, only of course not a bird but a moth – a humming bird hawk moth.

This moth is a day flying moth with a wing span of approximately two inches. Although it moves fast between feeding sites it is an expert hoverer – the wings beat so fast that they produce an audible hum and can be seen only as a blur. The darting movements from one flower to

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the next with the long proboscis uncoiled completes the illusion of a humming bird.

The species is a resident in all Mediterranean countries and is found all across central Asia. Many thousands migrate north in Spring to be with us in Summer and are found as far north as the Shetland Islands. There is also evidence of a return migration in the Autumn. The moths do breed in the United Kingdom but they are not able to survive our Winters, therefore the continuing presence of this remarkable moth is dependent each year on the annual influx from Southern France.

If you have in your garden the variety of flowers that attract this wonderful little nectar feeder you may well be lucky enough to see one for yourself, although it will probably be too late by the time this article is printed. Listed below are just some of the plants that will give you a good chance:- Honeysuckle, Jasmin, Buddleia, Lilac, Escallonia, Petunia and Fhlox.

If you have ever watched a bee pollinating your plants and thought how industrious it is you will marvel at the sight of this wonderful little moth.

***I would like to dedicate this short article to my friend Paul Harrison.***

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## Morval Vintage Rally

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will have been able to raise some money for our chosen charity this year which is L A R F [Lauren and Rosie fund]. Lauren and Rosie were two young ladies who sadly lost their lives at 16 and 17 to cancer. The two families have set up the charity to assist young people in Cornwall under the age of 24 with cancer and leukaemia. For all those people who came we hope you had a great time and thank you for supporting us, without you we could not help any charity

# Morval Vintage Rally



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