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**Issue No 448**

## News from Week St Mary Church

Future events will include a Murder Mystery Dinner (June 21<sup>st</sup>), a Concert with the Countrymen (October 25<sup>th</sup>) and regular Lego Café breakfasts and Lunch Club lunches each month. Our Annual Gift Day takes place on 10<sup>th</sup> May when you are invited to bring your gift



to support this iconic building and its place in our community. Happy Memories Memory Café and Adventure Church will take place regularly as usual. We have some very large restoration projects coming up to ensure the church remains stable, waterproof and (relatively) warm so look out for further updates as the year progresses.

### **TERRY EDWARDS**

It is with great sadness that I must record the death of Terry Edwards. Terry designed the magazine for the last 18 years and it is largely due to his dedication and wizardry with computer technology that the magazine has evolved into the quality publication that we currently enjoy.

He will be sorely missed.

Rest In Peace Terry.

Dick Sowerby

Editor



## Football Club Mid-Season Update – Part 4 - Younger Youth

**Under 10's** - Dean and Tom's u10's squad have now been playing together for 3 seasons. Several players live in the village, but across the squad the children attend 5 different primary schools. They are a very bonded unit which shows with their good results of 2 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses in what is a very competitive league. We have 16 players fighting for places in the team, as the under 10s typically play 8-a-side. The tea shed is open for every game thanks to the amazing parental support that this squad receives.



**Development (Under 7's, 8's & 9's)** - The 'development group' has three age brackets within it. The U8's team are in their second league season and are growing in confidence with every game. They train with both the under 9's and next seasons under 7's and are bonding well as a cohesive group. Our under 9's just missed out on competing in a league format this season, but we are hopeful that they will be able to join the league setup next year.

We have been able to arrange three friendlies for them to date, with a further friendly being abandoned due to torrential downpours mid-match, of which will be replayed towards the end of the season. We are still looking to arrange a few more friendlies before the end of the season, especially as they are starting to gel well together and are hungry for more games.



We continue to receive regular approaches from parents of future under 7's that want to get their children into football, many of which have heard positive reports through their schools with regards to how friendly our club is, so fingers crossed we can start the next batch of under 7's on their football journey next season.

**Other news** – The replacement goals for the top pitch have arrived and will be fitted imminently. The new goals are aluminium so will better stand the test of time. Thank you to District Councillor Nicky Chopak for her Community Chest donation to enable this to happen. Elsewhere, the committee are working hard to alleviate the drainage issues on the bottom pitch with three members recently attending a pitch care, maintenance and funding evening hosted by the Cornwall FA in Wadebridge.  
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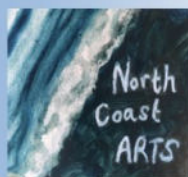
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## WEEK ST MARY BONAVENTURES W.I.

ORANGUTANS SHARE 96.45% OF HUMAN DNA and can live up to 45-50 years old.

This is what we learnt at our March meeting from Vet Nigel Hicks and his wife Nurse Sara Fell Hicks who have been working in the UK for over 50 years. In 2009 they went to Borneo with an English charity working with orangutans for 5 years, 6 months at a time, in government rescue centres. However, they realised that there was no chance of those animals being re-wilded. Through their experiences they also recognised a need for the provision of veterinary equipment, medicines and practical veterinary mentoring to orangutan rescue groups and rehabilitation centres in Indonesia and Malaysia. The south of the Island of Borneo belongs to Indonesia and is all deforested (ready for palm oil planting), very poor and with no support for the centres which are still rescuing animals every week. Orangutans are a critically endangered species and are only found on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra. There are 3 species with only 75,000 left in the world having decreased from a population of 300,000 in 1900.

Initially, through friends, they raised funds to enable them to buy equipment which they personally took out to Indonesia. It soon became obvious that a more formal structure was needed and in early 2014 Orangutan Veterinary Aid (OVAID) was established. OVAID is a zero salary, voluntary run charity, registered in Launceston and so far has donated half a million pounds. The charity supports vets working at the front line of orangutan rescue whether this is from illegal pet homes, human



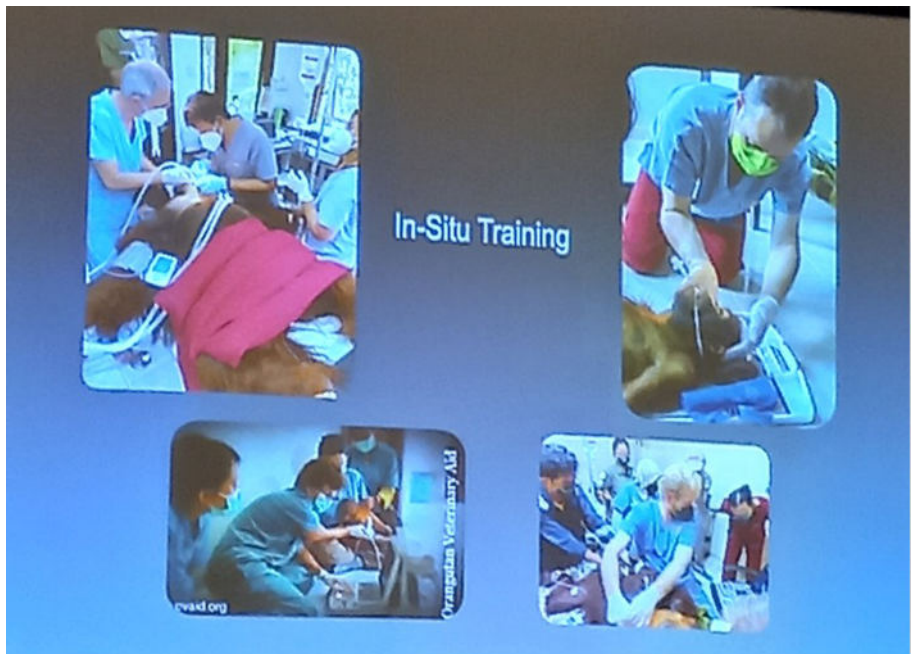


orangutan conflict, deforestation, habitat loss or illegal wildlife trade. These vets and their teams are often working in difficult, demanding and dangerous conditions with minimal equipment.

Recognising the importance of practical help Nigel and Sara both spend as much time as possible each year volunteering at and assisting Indonesian rescue centres and established a scholarship programme to allow Indonesian orangutan vets to travel to the UK to further increase their knowledge and skill sets. However, the scholarship programme ceased during the pandemic so the charity paid for in situ training in the centres. This has proved to be better as students pass on their knowledge to other locals. This training has seen an emphasis on dentistry which has become an important tool in improving the general health of the animals. More courses are also being held online. Information and donations for OVAID can be found at [www.ovaid.org](http://www.ovaid.org).

The first photograph shows the “school bus” on its way to introducing the babies to the natural habitat. The second is self explanatory.

Anyone interested in finding out more about our WI can contact Roberta Jones, Secretary on 07788-548875.



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| Friday                | 08:00 - 13:00 & 15:00 - 17:00 | PO SHOP HRS |
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### **Life is about Perspective**

The actor Jackie Chan was once asked, 'Jackie are you happy with your life?' His answer left people speechless.

The difficult job you complain about is the dream of someone who is unemployed.

The mischievous child that tests your patience is the dream of the childless.

The small house you think is too cramped is the dream of someone who is homeless.

The modest saving you worry over is the dream of those drowning in debt.

The health issues you consider burdensome are the dream of someone fighting a terminal illness.

The fact that your mistakes are not on display for the world to see is the dream of those haunted by their past.

We must be grateful for everything we have.

As another wise teacher once said, It is better to see what you have than to want more. Wanting more is useless, like chasing the wind. Ecclesiastes chapter 6 verse 9. (NCV)

Pray that you can see what you have.

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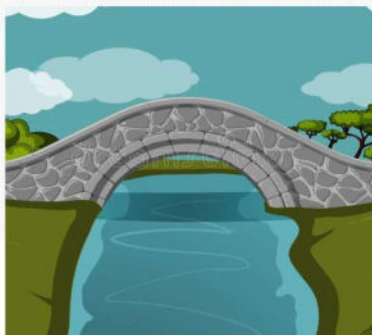
#### **Week St Mary Church - can you help?**

Week St Mary Church is looking for a volunteer to help with jobs around the churchyard such as strimming, some mowing (we have a volunteer who could do with some help), sweeping paths, occasional hedge trimming etc. If you think you could help in any way, we would be most grateful and happy to hear from you.

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Contact Lesley on **01288-341221** for details or join our Facebook Group *week st mary adventure church* for further details. We usually communicate through FB Messenger.



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At the Parish Hall Every Wednesday, 7.15-9.15pm.



# **Silent Disco**



**Thursday 10th April**

**In the Parish Hall**

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## WEEK ST MARY BONAVENTURES



### WEEK ST MARY BONAVENTURES WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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**TERRY EDWARDS**

A Service

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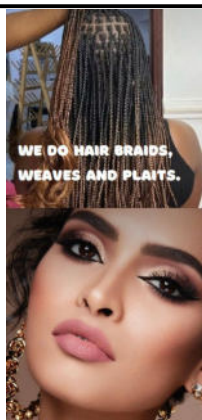
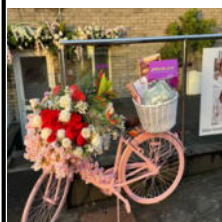
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# WEEK ST MARY CHAPEL



Chapel services for April 2025

|          |       |   |
|----------|-------|---|
| Sun 6th  | 10.30 | Morning Worship led by the Worship Team.      |
| Sun 13th | 10.30 | Let's Meet – round table worship              |
| Fri 18th | 10.30 | Quiet Good Friday Reflection                  |
| Sun 20th | 10.30 | Easter Sunday Worship led by the Worship Team |
| Sun 23rd | 18.30 | Cafe Church                                   |

We continue to produce weekly printed service sheets available via our website [www.weekstmarymethodist.co.uk](http://www.weekstmarymethodist.co.uk) or from the notice board at the chapel.



## Services at St Mary's Church

April 2025

|          |       |                                   |
|----------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| Sun 6th  | 10.00 | All age worship                   |
| Sun 13th | 18.00 | Evening Prayer                    |
| Sat 19th | 18.00 | Easter Eve Vigil & Fire           |
| Sun 20th | 11.15 | Easter Day all age Holy Communion |
| Sun 27th | 10.00 | Morning Prayer                    |

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## **WEEK ST MARY PARISH HALL** **100 CLUB**



The **March** 100 club winners are:

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**2nd - no 65 - Victoria Sowerby.**  
**3rd - no 69 - Marilyn Reynolds.**

Membership is £15 per number.

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Margret Johns

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## ***MEET AND EAT***



**Next meeting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
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Sue Dyer WSM341083*



***Everyone and we mean EVERYONE is most welcome***

**Week St Mary Parish Council  
Minutes – Thursday, March 6, 2025**

1. **Public question time** (15 minutes allowed for this – on matters on the agenda only)  
None.
2. **To receive County Councillor Nicky Chopak's report on matters arising**  
No report.
3. **To note councillors present**  
Cllrs C Slade (chair); I Richardson (vice chair); M Johns; L Stevens; R Shipton; S Peters and S May. Also in attendance: S Cleave, clerk and two members of the public.
4. **To receive apologies for absence with reasons**  
Cllr Gubbin – working; Cllr Bolt – working. Cllr Chopak.
5. **To receive Declarations of Interest and approve Dispensations**  
None.
6. **To approve the minutes of:**  
Councillors approved the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on Thursday, February 6, 2025
7. **To approve the minutes of:**  
Councillors approved the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on Thursday, January 2, 2025
8. **To receive clerk's report on matters arising**  
The clerk's report was noted. She informed councillors of a planning liaison meeting, due to be held later in the month.
9. **Planning**  
Any late applications received will be discussed under this section
  - 9a. **To discuss and make a consultee comment on application:**  
PA25/00928 – Listed Building Consent for repair and maintenance of five existing timber windows and timber front door to street facing west elevation. New College, Week St Mary.  
Councillors proposed no objection to the plans.



**9b. Decisions**

The following decisions were noted:

PA24/01440/PRE – Pre application advice for the conversion of the existing single storey farm building into a detached two or three bedroomed dwelling. Land west of Canfield, Week St Mary. **CLOSED – ADVICE GIVEN**

PA25/00163 – Works to trees within a Conservation Area (TCA) – Mature Sycamore, full removal. Highmeadows, Week St Mary  
**DECIDED NOT TO MAKE A TPO**

PA25/00895 – Works to trees within a Conservation Area. The Willows, Week St Mary **DECIDED NOT TO MAKE A TPO**

PA25/00308 – Works to trees within a Conservation Area (TCA) – Land rear of 4 Market Place, Week St Mary **DECIDED NOT TO MAKE A TPO**

**9c. Planning - to note**

None.

**10. Portfolio Reports:**

**Playground**

The new bin has been kicked in. Trevor is trying to sort. Cllr Slade said there were still a few outstanding issues for the football club to sort – the fence and the goals near the hedge that are rusty and need taking away. There were also rusty nails showing. Cllr Slade raised concerns over the security of the bottom field. Paddy Fay (football club) said he would look into this. Cllr Slade reiterated that no mowers should be driven over the top field. She also asked that risk assessments are carried out for all matches, and the clerk is notified of any matches due to be played on the top field.

**Highways, Footpaths & Greens**

No report.

**11. Correspondence including (all relevant emails forwarded):**

The following correspondence was noted: North Cornwall Area Partnership rescheduled meeting details; road closure – Week Green to Highmoor

**12. Community Infrastructure Levy and Community Benefit Fund applications**

None.

## 13. Agenda items

### 1. Defibrillator

Cllr Slade said the parish hall would be happy to have the old defibrillator if the parish council pays for the pads and battery when needed. A couple of councillors did not see the benefit of having two. It was proposed that SWAST takes the old equipment back.

### 2. Council property

Councillors authorised the clerk to check that all council property is registered.

### 3. Football club lease

The clerk told councillors she was advised by CALC to go through a solicitor to draw up a lease. Councillors felt that as it was just operational and did not have any financial or legal consequences, that it could be drawn up and signed in house. The clerk will write the lease with the suggested revisions, and forward to councillors, before bringing it back to the April meeting to be signed by both parties.

Paddy asked if the football club had permission to do maintenance work on the drainage issues, and the council agree. Paddy was asked not to undo any work that had been carried out by the parish council and to leave the area tidy.

### 4. Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment

Councillors looked at the information and noted that the vast majority of land identified lay in Whitstone parish, which did not have access to from Week St Mary. It was agreed to identify the Treetops site as potential land.

### 5. Community Benefit money

The clerk shared information and guidance from CALC following a meeting at North Tamerton Parish Council. Councillors noted the information and are happy to continue as they have been.

### 6. Elections

Councillors noted the information about the forthcoming elections.

### 7. Footpath

Information about grant applications was noted.

### 8. Speeding

No update. It is hoped the equipment will be provided in May.

**14. Accounts**

**Balances February 27, 2025**

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Current account        | £ 2,138.31 |
| Reserve account        | £21,816.45 |
| Community Benefit Fund | £ 5,459.69 |

**14a. To approve accounts for payment including:**

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Suzanne Cochrane – Salary February (inc HMRC PAYE) | As per contract |
| Cornwall Pension Fund (February)                   | As per contract |
| Suzanne Cochrane – mileage                         | £ 32.40         |
| Jamie Sachs – toilets                              | £ 120.00        |
| EDF Energy – playing field electricity             | £ 21.12         |
| EDF Energy – toilets electricity                   | £ 20.00         |
| Pennon Water – toilets                             | £ 114.46        |
| S Cochrane – solar security light for toilets      | £ 18.22         |
| WSM Parish Hall (1/4 payments)                     | £ 500.00        |
| WSM Community Shop – toilet rolls/cleaning items   | £ 54.35         |
| Harley Friend – Back Lane (February)               | £ 59.50         |
| Trevor Hamlyn – no fly tipping signs               | £ 14.22         |
| Week St Mary Chapel – hall hire (Apr 24 to Mar 25) | £ 216.00        |
| Westernweb – website and emails                    | £ 392.40        |

**14b To note income**

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Reserve account interest (February) | £ 20.92 |
| CB Fund interest (February)         | £ 5.24  |

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

**15. Next meeting April 3, 2025 at 7.30pm**

Annual meeting reports.

The Ordinary Meeting will be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

## Much and more needs to be said about AI

A few weeks ago, China declared heavy involvement in AI and America reacted badly! Their stock market lost a billion dollars.

The system they created is called DeepSeek, set up in 2023 in Hangzhou, China and is its first AI large language model. DeepSeek began to attract attention a couple of months ago and is competing against similar American models such as ChatGPT and OpenAI, but is more cost-effective and uses expensive Nvidia chips to train the system to adopt volumes of data. Recently, Apple and Google made the system accessible through there App stores.

But it was follow-up research a few weeks ago that caused the panic. It detailed another DeepSeek AI model called R1 which has advanced “reasoning” skills and the ability to rethink problems and is significantly cheaper than other systems.

If readers think AI is a new elaborate play thing, please think again, to register with DeepSeek you are required to accept adverts and trackers and disclose your personal data, this information like TikTok can be accessed by the Chinese authorities and a myriad of scammers whose only aim is to steal your money!

Now our government wants to make the UK a high-flying player in the AI world, but haven’t planned on how the infostructure will be supported.

1st a location is required, about the size of 6 football fields, 2nd is the power it will need to run the data banks. “Bill Gates is building his own Power Station”. The power required, based on current outputs, would leave London in a black out. So, a new power station would be required just to service AI data banks and that will take 10 years to build and who do you think is going to pay for it?

With a net zero policy the whole of Devon would need to be covered in glass to make the electricity to run it and the heat generated from the computers would cancel out any benefit of wind power!

AI is now no1 in the scammer’s arsenal, fake images and cloned voices are just a few of the tricks being used. The more elaborate scams involve Bitcoin and large financial investment and politicians promises.

However, students can use AI to complete course work and dissertations, meaning it may be possible to get a degree without the learning. Now that is frightening! Maybe the education authority will have to train teachers to use AI to look for repetitive text.



For free help and advice Tel: [Brian Meadows 01288 381061](tel:01288381061)

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You may not have heard much about us – [Community Money Advice Launceston](http://Community Money Advice Launceston) that is, but we have been around since 2012 helping any local residents with their very personal problems – debts, benefit problems and budgeting. Thanks to the award of some new funding, we can now visit the village on a regular basis, to hold individual confidential interviews with those who may be experiencing difficulties. Our experienced and fully trained team of volunteers provide this free service, and we aim to reach those residents who may find it awkward to visit us, through poor public transport. Many of our clients have problems dealing with complicated ‘forms’ related to benefits, or in contacting utility providers. Some, particularly our older clients have poor or no IT (computer) skills that are now essential when in touch with government departments .Please watch your local notice boards for details of when we shall be around, or you can contact us direct to arrange an appointment at any time on 01566 777407, by email – [office@launcestonmoney.co.uk](mailto:office@launcestonmoney.co.uk) or on our mobile 07762 092830.

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## **Parish Hall SUNDAY LUNCH SUNDAY June 8th At 12.30pm Adults £12**



## **Thought for the Month**

For Sue. Dedicated to Terry

Those we love don't go away they walk beside us every day.  
Unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed and  
held so dear.

Jeanette Turner.



## **Forthcoming Events**

- April 11th - Easter Bingo (PH)
- May 10<sup>th</sup> - Gift Day with Lego (Church)
- June 8th - Sunday Lunch (PH)
- June 13th - Bingo (PH)
- June 21<sup>st</sup> - Murder Mystery (Church)
- July 13th - Art and Craft Exhibition (PH)
- July 19<sup>th</sup> - Cream Teas (Wendy & Nick Couch Glanville House)
- August 9<sup>th</sup> - Safari Supper (Church)
- August 24th - Crepes and Wine (PH)
- September 12th to 19th - Revel activities & preparations
- September 19th - Revel Bingo
- September 20<sup>th</sup> - Revel Saturday
- October 11th (Sat) 6.30pm Brights Sparks Performance: High School Musical and Wind In The Willows
- October 12th (Sun) 3pm Brights Sparks Performance: High School Musical and Wind In The Willows
- October 18th (Sat) 6.30pm Brights Sparks Performance: High School Musical and Wind In The Willows
- October 19th (Sun) 3pm Brights Sparks Performance: High School Musical and Wind In The Willows
- October 25<sup>th</sup> - The Countrymen (Church)
- October 25th - Halloween Party(PH)
- November 2nd- Sunday Lunch (PH)
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> - Christmas Market (Church)
- December 7th - Christmas Market (PH)
- December 5<sup>th</sup> - Mulled Wine (Venue tba)
- December 20th, 21st and 22nd - Christmas Tree festival. (PH)

## JUBILEE CLUB

The Jubilee Club have organised a Coach Trip

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## **POOR MAN'S PIECE – WORKS STARTING SOON**

Following on from last year's successful fund raising, work will soon be starting on improving the entrance way to Poor Man's Piece and carrying out tree surgery on 3 trees suffering with Ash die back. We need a dry spell for this! Cornwall Council's permission for the tree works has been obtained. We will publish a full plan of how the field is going to look in a month or so. Our aim is to be open for public access in mid-year.

In the meantime, if anyone is interested in donating a bench - perhaps in memory of a loved one – please contact Stephen Smith – [sasmith007@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sasmith007@yahoo.co.uk) or 01288 341689. We are looking to have at least 2 benches in situ.

Lesley Booker, Linda Cobbledick, Anna Snellgrove, Stephen Smith

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