

CALENDAR FOR MAY 2003

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| 1 | 8.00pm | St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club every Thurs |
| 3 | | St Tudy Carnival Queen Choosing Coffee Morning |
| | | THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER. EASTER 2 |
| | | Acts 3:12-19, 1 John 3:1-7. |
| 4 | 12.00noon | St Tudy GPA Outing to Caerhayes Castle |
| | 2.30pm | Open Gardens at Menkee, St Mabyn for St Mabyn |
| 5 | | Bank Holiday |
| 6 | 6.30pm | St Mabyn Tug-of-War training every Tues |
| 6 | 7.00pm | Allen Valley Singers every Tues |
| 7 | 10.00am | Coffee in the Clink St Tudy Church every Weds |
| | 6.30pm | St Tudy Football Club every Weds |
| 8 | 2.30pm | St Tudy Afternoon Club |
| | | THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER. EASTER 3 |
| 11 | | Acts 4:5-12, 1 John 3:16-24. |
| | 2.30pm | St Tudy Country Dance Club fortnightly Mondays |
| 12 | 6.30pm | Governors Meeting St Tudy |
| | 7.30pm | St Tudy Bellringers every Monday |
| 13 | 10.30am | Treveighan Coffee Morning |
| 14 | 7.00pm | St Mabyn Garden Club at Michaelstow Nursery |
| | | St Tudy Over Sixties Outing |
| 15 | | Sunshine Club |
| 16 | 2.15pm | St Tudy School Fayre |
| 17 | 10.00am | CoGee in the Clink St Tudy Playgroup |
| | 10.00am | Magazine Deadline |
| | | THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER. EASTER 4 |
| 18 | | Acts 8:26-40, 1 John 4:7-21. |
| | 11.05am | St Tudy Patronal Festival followed by Patronal Lunch |
| 19 | 7.30pm | Benefice Meeting at the Rectory |
| 22 | 9.30am | St Mabyn Garden Club Outing |
| | 7.30pm | Archdeacon's Visitation St Winnow |
| 23 | | Buzz Club St Mabyn |
| 24 | 7.30pm | Medieval Banquet St Tudy Village Hall |
| | | THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER. EASTER 5 |
| 25 | | Acts 10:44-48, 1 John 5:1 |
| 26 | | Bank Holiday |
| 29 | 7.00pm | ASCENSION DAY Holy Communion Michaelstow |
| 31 | 7.00pm | Bingo St Mabyn Village Hall St Mabyn Scouts |

THANKS TO 1st St MABYN SCOUT GROUP

I would like to thank the 1st St Mabyn Scout group for putting on the most wonderful gang show this year. The children worked very hard and they did their part very well. I would also like to thank the leaders, Pat Jameson and Ann Jameson for all they did and also for the wonderful costumes they made. They must have taken hours to sew, so once again thanks.

We will be holding a Bingo Night on Saturday 31st May in the St Mabyn Village Hall at 7pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. Raffle and refreshments on sale. Everyone is welcome.

LISA MENHENITT - FUNDRAISER

St TUDY PLAYGROUP

... Will be holding a Coffee Morning in the Clink on Saturday 17th May.

THANKS

We would like to thank everyone who attended the thanksgiving service for David Dray (formerly of St Tudy) at Wendron Church, also for all the cards and messages of sympathy from family and friends and for all their help and support. Special thanks to the Rev. Margaret for the service of the interment of ashes.

DAWN, MICHAEL AND MICHELLE DRAY OF MANHAY FARM, WENDRON

Many thanks to all those who kindly supported the joint Coffee Morning for Mount Edgumbe Hospice and Marie Curie Cancer Care. The final total raised was £275.20. Well done!

PAT TANNER & ANGELA McGORRIN

Ruth and Dick Poynton thank everyone for their cards, flowers and best wishes on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary - also everyone who celebrated with them on 12th April.

I would like to thank those who sponsored me for the London Marathon. I completed the course in 3 hours, 37 minutes and raised over £1,000 for F.L.E.E.T.

PETER WARNE

St TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome to our services during May. We look forward to seeing you on the following dates:

Sun 4th May	11.00am	Our Chapel Anniversary when the preacher will be Mr John Bailey from Launceston
Sun 11th May	11.00am	Mr B Sylvester, a visiting preacher from South Africa
Sun 18th May	11.00am	Mr Glenton Brown from Bossinney
Sun 25th May	11.00am	Mr Huw Huntley from Camelford

St TUDY VILLAGE THEATRE

Our first production has had to be postponed due, unfortunately, to some unforeseen commitments. The committee considered delaying for a couple of weeks, but this is just not feasible. Rather than put on a show that's not first class it is hoped that it will now go ahead after the busy summer months, probably with a longer programme. Play readings will still take place, anyone interested please Derek Munson know, tel. 851208. We're sorry to disappoint our would-be audiences but watch this space!

JANE KING

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

I am writing this article as Holy Week begins, my second one in the Benefice. I have been looking back in my diary preparing for the three churches AGMs, which have now taken place, and I have been amazed at how much we have done in the year. It is a surprise that we have time to sleep.

Palm Sunday with the donkeys in attendance, once again began Holy Week. Holy Week, however, is a timely reminder that we should take time to remember the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ so that we can prepare for his death, in readiness for the wonder of the joyful Resurrection. Much of life is about death and resurrection in its varying forms. Perhaps it may be death to old habits and a transformation to new ones. As we once again look forward to the message of Easter Day "Christ is Risen", I pray that the love of the risen Christ will fill you with all the joy that Eastertide can bring. On Sunday 4th May from 2-30-4.30pm, Open Gardens at Menkee, St Mabyn (home of Brigadier and Mrs G Williams) in aid of St Mabyn Church. Teas etc.

St TUDY WI

Outing to Hall for Cornwall on Tuesday 26th August to see Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Depart 6pm. Seats and coach £33. Family pack (2 adults & 2 children) £15.50 each. Bookings and money to Lilian Lamerton by 31st May.

An excellent talk in February, by Ian Benallick, on Wild Flowers in Cornwall rounded off St Tudy W I's year. This has been an interesting and varied one with many good speakers and demonstrations. It is not always appreciated that the W I offers much more than just the monthly meeting. There is always something else going on which members can enjoy - including drama, walks, music, competitions, courses, conferences, you name it - we've got it! Much of this was reflected in the Secretary's report and the thanks that Maggie Lobb, retiring President, made to all members at the AGM. Ann May, W I Advisor, was present and reported on progress at New County House. She helped with our election and Maggie was voted in unanimously for a second year as President, with Mavis Kingdon and Patricia Hodge as Vice-Presidents.

Our next year's programme was reviewed and hopefully, once again, there will be something interesting for everyone. Here's to a great 2003/04!

YVONNE NOBBS - PRESS CORRESPONDENT

1St MABYN SCOUT GROUP

Thank you to everyone who supported us by attending our recent Gang Show. It was a great success with performances being very well attended. The Beavers, Cubs and Scouts thoroughly enjoyed themselves and are eagerly awaiting their entertainers' badges. The leaders, although by the end a little weary, had a great time. The audience was entertained by an ultra violet puppet show, Scout pantomime, many sketches and special guest appearances by Bill and Ben, Bob the Builder and Mr Blobby! Mr Blobby apologises to anyone he might have picked on. A special thank you to Andrew Jenkins of Keith Bamecutt Bakeries and to Lisa and Wendy for help with the refreshments. We raised approximately £179. This money will go towards our building fund and a purchase of the Beaver Scout Flag.

One would think after all the excitement, it should be time for a rest; this is not so, with the lighter nights and warmer weather Scouting really begins. Forthcoming events include District and County camps, a visit to Padstow fire station, Scout camp and a very special event being arranged for our AGM. We will keep you posted.

PAT JAMESON - GROUP SCOUT LEADER

St MABYN SUMMER FETE

This year's summer fete is to be held as usual on the village green on Saturday 21st June. The fete will be opened at 2.30, preceded by the ringing of the Church bells. There will be all the following attractions: maypole and country dancing by the pupils of St Mabyn School, fancy dress competition, children's sport races, tug-o-war competition, bouncy castle, entertainment throughout the afternoon by Wadebridge School Steel Band, entertainment by Professor Goodvibes. Cream teas will be served under the Chestnut tree. There will be all the normal stalls, to include plants, cakes, brie a brat, preserves, tombola and much much more.

Please make a note in your diary and come along. Please save all your goodies for the stalls; these will be collected in the week prior to the event.

SHEILA BARNARD

PORT ISAAC PRACTICE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

Apologies for the recent last-minute postponement (several people were unable to attend). We hope we were able to contact you all in time to prevent a wasted journey. The Patient Participation Group meeting has been rescheduled for 14 May 2003 at 6.30pm at our surgery premises, Bridge Medical Centre in Wadebridge. As previously notified the main topic for discussion for the evening will be patient transport and we are pleased to welcome the guest speaker, Mrs Judy Powell-Jones. Judy was involved with a patient transport scheme in the Dartmouth area and we hope to benefit from her ideas and previous experience.

Please contact us on 01208 880222 with details of any topics you would like to have included on the meeting's agenda. We would be very grateful if you could please confirm your attendance by 7 May 2003. Thank you.

ANNE BONEY

MICHAELSTOW

On Saturday 5th April, a Coffee Morning, with various stalls, was held in Treveighan Chapel Community Room. The event was held in aid of Mount Edgcumbe Hospice and the sum of £310 was raised. I would like to thank all who supported and made this such a huge success. Special thanks to Mary, Joyce and Wendy.

MAUREEN NARRAWAY

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism.

24th March at St Tudy

Samantha Wilton, and Brian Marshall

20th April at St Tudy

Hannah Jessica Bate, and Ross Ian Clayton Bate

Rest in Peace.

17th April at St Mabyn

Sheila Davey

Confirmation in Truro Cathedral 12th April

St Mabyn Colin John Hyde

St Tudy Amanda Cheryl Harris, Joanna Kim Harris, Joseph William Knight, Deborah Elizabeth Philp, Alan Millson

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO:

George and Beryl Starr on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 21st May.

Giles Ambrose who will be 18 on 30th May.

St TUDY OVER SIXTIES OUTING

Anyone who has not received an invitation, please contact ivy at 1, Wadebridge Road, St Tudy.

Thank you.

BARBARA LYNN - SECRETARY

TAI CHI IS FUN!

It's for anyone, any age, any size. It's not strenuous keep fit, just gentle movements which exercise your mind and body. Come and join in on a Tuesday morning at St Tudy Village Hall - contact Margaret Shelley 851118 for details.

MEDIEVAL BANQUET

On Saturday 24th May commencing at 7.30pm, there will be a Medieval Banquet in the Village Hall at St Tudy. On arrival at the hall you will be transported back in time. You will be lavishly fed and musically entertained. The King and Queen of Misrule, ably aided by their jesters, will also be in attendance. Serving wenches will try to respond to your culinary needs.

Please feel free to dress in costume or come as yourself. (I am hoping to put together a list of place where costumes may be hired.)

The menu will consist of hearty vegetable broth with hot crusty bread, chicken, pork and ribs served with root vegetables of Old England supplemented by roast taffies of New England, syllabub or fruit salad. To lubricate the throat there will be cider and lots of wine. All inclusive cost is £7. Tickets will be available from 1st May for Rev. Margaret, Sue Dibble and the village shops at St Tudy and St Mabyn. Come along and enjoy a good night out in Elizabethan England.

St TUDY CARNIVAL ROYALTY

Queen Choosing Coffee Morning Saturday 3rd May in the Clink.

St MABYN GARDEN CLUB

The AGM commenced with our Chairman's report. He thanked everybody who had helped to make the club so successful. The Chairman also highlighted several outstanding speakers and the Garden Safari held last July, which raised £300 for Macmillan Nursing. The club is quite strong but could do with more members. Come and join a friendly successful, non-competitive club which meets to listen to very good speakers and a chat. We meet at 7.30 in the village hall on the second Wednesday of every month from September to May. The subscriptions are just £4 per year.

After the AGM, Ann Caldwell gave a slide show depicting Flora and Fauna Throughout the Year. The slides were taken by the late Charles Perry who was our President for several years and the slides were shown in his memory. Our next meeting on 14th May is different from the norm; members are meeting at 7 o'clock at Michaelstow Nursery for a tour of the nursery.

Our outing has been changed from Wednesday 21st to Thursday 22nd of May. We are leaving St Mabyn Bus Shelter at 9.30am, firstly going to Ken-Caro at Pensilva and then on to Cotehele. There are still a few seats available; anyone welcome. Phone Sue Knibb on 01208 841564 if you are interested.

St Mabyn Garden Club wishes all gardeners a successful summer season and looks forward to meeting again in September.

PETER BARNARD

St TUDY AFTERNOON CLUB

Nick and Christine Fletcher entertained us at the April meeting with their digital photographs of their holiday in New Zealand.

8th May - Miss Sheer. Slides on West country and local events. 2.30pm. All welcome.

The outing will be on 12th June.

St TUDY LUNCHEON CLUB

Please will all members note that the Luncheon Club Outing will be on Thursday 10th July. The contribution from members this year-will be £5 and it would be appreciated if you could pay this to Patricia Hodge at the May luncheon.

PAT TANNER

THE ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

At our AGM in March, Barbara Hamley stood down as Chairwoman after three years and Zoe Ray was elected. The choir owes a great deal to Barbara for her years of dedication and tireless work and without her determination to see the choir uniform upgraded, we might still be wearing mix'n'match white blouses and an assortment of black skirts. Barbara was nominated and elected as vice-chair and we know that she will continue to work for the benefit of us all. Our long serving Treasurer, Natalie Bumett, also retired from the post she has held for years and Ronnie Fawkes was elected. Jennifer May continues as choir secretary and Cheryl Nicholls as bookings secretary. Our choir works and runs like a well oiled machine and to those who have the job of the day to day administration, the members say "thank you".

Our Annual Dinner was held on the 22nd March at Bowood Gold & Country Club and I think I can safely say that a good time was had by one and all. We will be celebrating our 10th anniversary in 2004 so plans for a special event are now underway and we are hoping that past members will join us in our revelries. Dictionary definition of the word revelries: noisy or unrestrained merrymaking. Whoopee!!

On the 11th April the choir was invited to sing to a party of VIP guests at The Metropole Hotel in Padstow. We were a small part of a week of visits, tours and entertainment organised for the United Wards Club of the City of London, but I can assure you that we certainly put North Cornwall on the map and The Allen Valley Singers high on the list of anyone wishing to organise entertainment for visitors to the county.

Following our success at the County Music Festival in Truro, we were advised by festival organisers that we had jointly been awarded The Jose Cup for Best Choral Performance. This is indeed a real feather in our cap and definitely makes us a choir to be proud of.

JENNIFER TARRING (841329) PR/PUBLICITY

HOME FARM TRUST (HFT) COAST TO COAST - SPONSORED WALK

Mavis & Rosie successfully completed the 30 miles between Padstow & Fowey in April in glorious sunshine. We enjoyed fabulous views of our North coast and moors from St Breock Downs and of the South coast and wooded valleys from Heiman Tor. We took just under 5 hours each day, enjoyed the whole experience and lived to tell the tale - no blisters and no aching muscles!!

Together, we raised an amazing amount of about £600. A HUGE THANK YOU to family, friends, (including many in our village community) and local businesses (The Post Office, Button Meats, Bradley's Dairy and Hodges' Electricians) for their generous giving to HFT who support people with learning disabilities and their carers. Money raised this year will specifically help the Wadebridge centre.

MAVIS & ROSIE

St TUDY SCHOOL

The building work is coming along very well and the expanded computer suite and new kitchen will mean a lot more space for the children.

We will be holding our fayre on Friday 16th May to coincide with St Tudy Feast Day. The theme will be Cornwall with the colours black, white and gold featuring strongly. There will be the usual teas, raffle, bric a brac, books and toys and we will also be having a plant stall. First prize in the raffle will be a Cornish hamper. I wonder just how many Cornish products we can find! The fayre will start at 2.15pm and all are very welcome.

We have been busy on the sporting front. The tag rugby team represented the Bodmin area at Poltair. The children played well and had great fun at the same time. Fourteen children represented the school at the area cross country run at Wadebridge recently. All the children ran very well and special mention to Ashley Spry in Y4 who won the whole race! Four children qualified to represent North Cornwall at the County trials at Perranporth. Ashley Spry finished 8th in the Y4 boys race. Poppy Yeomans was 18th in the Y5 girls race. Kerrie Lobb was 17th and Grace Kempthorne 55th in the Y6 girls race. There were about 80 children in each race so they all did very well.

St Tudy School and Pre-School will be doing the main course in the village hall for this year's Safari Supper on 26th April.

SARAH NORTHCOTT

St TUDY TREATS

Calling all those in St Tudy who own a wooden spoon! We are compiling a book of St Tudy's favourite recipes to be sold in aid of the Church Roof Fund and would like to have as many and varied selection as possible, with a short anecdote if appropriate. Even if you do not "cook" then perhaps you have an old family recipe you can pass on, or even a kitchen "tip". Recipes do not have to be entirely original, just delicious!

Jane King has kindly offered to illustrate the book with views of St Tudy, making it an ideal present to send to friends at home and abroad at Christmas, so we hope completion will be in October.

Therefore time is pressing and ALL recipes should be submitted BEFORE THE END OF JUNE.

Please pop them through the

Garlands House letter box, if possible with your name, or give to: Jane King, Sue Dibble, Margaret Bevan or Pamela Le Bailly, as soon as possible.

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BAGHDAD

At this worrying time when several service men and women from St Tudy and the surrounding area are enduring the appalling heat, flies, dysentery and sandfly fever, besides enemy fire and possibly soon gas or biological attack, to rid of the world of a terrible evil, it may be of interest to know a little of the recent history.

A 100 years ago when what is now Iraq was called Mesopotamia and was part of the crumbling Ottoman Empire, civil engineers from two great British Construction Firms were employed by the Ottoman government, to re-establish what had been, many centuries before, the Garden of Eden. The aim being to harness the Rivers Tigris and Euphrates, to irrigate the desert and to produce "one of greatest granaries in the world". The means of doing this were by today's standards rather primitive. Picks and shovels, explosives and a labour force of 3000 or more Baghdadis, Hindoos (sic), Persians, Chaldeans, Chinese, Armenians, Kurds, Jews, Turks "and other infidels and heretics"! After the design work was complete the physical work started in 1909. My father, home on leave after completing the bridge over the Blue Nile at Khartoum, took some six week to reach Baghdad (then Baghdad). Train to Dover, steamer to Calais, train to Marseilles, P&O liner to Bombay, British steamer to Karachi, another very small steamer to the Gulf via Muscat and Bushire to Mohammerah on the Shatt el Arab, from there by launch to Basra and thence by a Lynch Co. river steamer to Baghdad. His office, due to the heat, was in a cellar cooled by a petroleum driven fan of doubtful effectiveness and a punkah wallal operating a punkah when awake. The office was on a level with the cesspool in the courtyard. To reach the Hindieh barrage where the work was progressing required a couple of hours in a donkey card and an hour in a steam pinnace. Baghdad was reasonably civilised. The British Resident and Consul being an Indian Army Officer was guarded by 40 Indian Army Sepoys, had a good tennis court as did the French Consulate where M Violet, the Consul had played rugger against England in the first international match. HMS Comet, a river gunboat, patrolled the river, becoming stranded for some months on the sandbank, where tradition has it, Noah's Ark rested after the Tigris/Euphrates floods subsided. There were British, French and German Clubs and interclub billiards, bridge and snooker was played and there were many dinner parties. The German Consulate was large as the Kaiser was pushing hard to complete the "Berlin to Baghdad Railway".

Nazim Pasha, the tough Ottoman Governor had sequestered all firearms from the population of Baghdad and ruled a peaceful country firmly with a comparatively small Turkish garrison. Sadly Germany lured Turkey into joining the war against the Allies in 1914. But the discovery later of easily obtainable oil, the postwar years of world depression, the second world war, the brutal assassination of Feisal in 1958, the advent of the Ba'ath party and the money from oil wasted since by an evil dictator on palaces, atom proof bunkers (built with the help of Germany and France), on

war with Iran, on invasion of Kuwait and threatened invasion of Saudi Arabia, on financial support for Bin Laden, on genocidal and biological warfare and striving after nuclear weapons, has stopped the great British/Ottoman concept of the early 1900s form being completed.

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St TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

St Tudy triumphed again! The inter-village quiz held at St Kew Community Hall was very closely fought between the three teams. The score see-sawed up and down - at one point St Tudy were in third place - but Peggy Metters, Jane Miller and Jean Smith had the measure of Bernard Hawker's questions and the final result was St Teath 60, St Kew 61 and St Tudy 65½.

The Spring Show was held on Saturday 12th April and, despite being later than usual somehow people had managed to save some lovely daffodils and narcissi, even though entries were slightly lower than previously. However, the cookery entries were well up, which more than compensated. Judges were Mrs Bellringer (cookery), Mr B Hawker (flowers), Mrs A Roose (floral art) and Mrs F Overton (handicrafts and juniors). The show was very well attended in the afternoon and in the absence of our chairman, Brian Lamerton, Jane King and Peggy Metters presented the prizes.

Winners were:

The Anne Luck Memorial Cup for Best Daffodil/Narcissi Exhibit - Mrs Jean Smith

Cup for most points in Flower Classes - Mrs Dee Eastlake

The Weekes Rose Bowl for most points in floral art classes - Mrs Jan Stewart

The Wildey Cup for most points in the Home Produce section - Mrs Ivy Bastard

Runner-up cup - Mrs Catherine Hudson (although Mrs Lyn Button had the same number of points, but less firsts.)

Cup for most points in Handicraft Section - Mrs Sue Dibble

Cup for Best Handicraft Exhibit - Mrs Margaret Atherly

Cup for Best Exhibit in Show - Mrs Jean Smith

Cup and Medal for Best Junior Exhibit - Ruth Button

Juniors

6 Iced Buns - 1st Ruth Button, 2nd Jack Button

A Decorated Egg - 1st Rosa Berman, 2nd Peter Alford, 3rd Philippa Uden

A Decorated Bookmark - 1st Jessica Button, 2nd Ruth Button, 3rd Jack Button

A poem "My Favourite Person" - 1st Jessica Button, 2nd Ruth Button

Well done, everyone and thank you all who exhibited, came and looked, bought raffle tickets and organised the Show. It was a great success and everyone was very pleased to see so many newcomers to the village taking part. A photo of all the winners with their trophies was taken in the committee room. Next on the agenda is the annual outing to Caerhayes Castle on Sunday 4th May, bus departs from the chestnut tree at 12 noon, cost - adult £7, child £3.50. Names and money to Ivy and Ken asap. The competitions for hanging baskets and planted troughs will soon be in our minds so watch the Magazine for further details.

JANE KING