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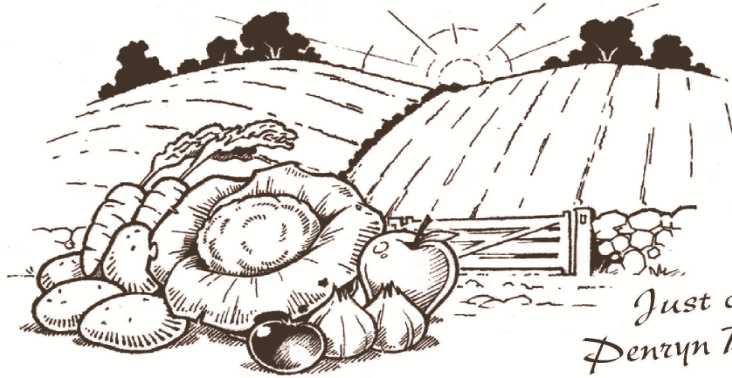
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The centenary of the Armistice on November 11th was an extraordinary day all over the country, as the nation, and our community, remembered a generation of lost young men killed in one of the most futile losses of life in history.

The photographs on the front cover, sent by several different readers, show how special the occasion was in the village, with many parishioners attending the war memorial and church service. The photographs show some of the commemorative decorations in the village. There are several articles in this issue. Thank you to all for the pictures and articles.

I was in London on Remembrance Day, sorry to miss the village events, but I was able to look across the Thames and see Big Ben chime eleven, hear the guns in Green Park, and the buglers at The Cenotaph, whilst a service was conducted from a boat on the river beside the Houses of Parliament. A very moving moment.

In years past Remembrance Sunday has been for the older generations, but this year it was particularly special, since so many younger people were engaged, and wished to remember the sacrifice of their forbears of 100 years ago.

Could I wish all readers, contributors, advertisers and **Perran News** team members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thanks to all who have helped during 2018.

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Mark Gripper

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council last met on the 31st October 2018. Members of the public also attended.



There has been some controversy regarding the de-silting and clearance of the stream down by the Morgan Garage. The situation is as follows. The stream is the responsibility of Cornwall Council (CC), the Environment Agency, and various landowners. In an effort to prevent any flooding, the parish Council met with CC to discuss the way forward. CC were not prepared to spend any money on de-silting the stream, as it was not considered necessary, however because of the concern of parishioners, the parish council got permission from CC to engage its own contractor to de-silt, and this has happened on a couple of occasions. However, this was only ever a short-term solution and the parish council cannot keep on carrying out this work especially when it is not the parish council's responsibility. There needs to be a long-term strategy to minimise the risk of flooding. This needs to be assessed by experts in consultation with all interested parties, and so the Parish Council has asked CC for its long-term strategy for flood prevention. If you are potentially affected by any

flooding in this area, please contact Cornwall Council and express your concerns. The Parish council is happy to facilitate any meetings to progress this

matter.

The parish council was very pleased to financially support the official marking of the parish being on the Trafalgar Way and would also like to express its appreciation to everyone involved in the commemoration of the ending of the First World War.

Please note that there are still volunteers needed for a passenger transport scheme and also for a work party. Further details are available from the Clerk.

There is no parish council meeting in December, the next meeting is on Wednesday 30th January 2019 in the Village Hall at 7.15 with public participation between 7.00 and 7.15pm

The Parish Council would like to wish everyone a peaceful and Happy Christmas

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PERRANWELL STATION - WEATHER REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2018

Average daily maximum temperature:	14.8C
Maximum temperature for the month:	19C on the 10th
Average daily minimum temperature:	8.5C
Minimum temperature for the month:	-2C on the 30th
Rainfall:	3.48 inches
Sunshine:	128 hours
Main Wind direction:	North and North West



Overall, a pleasant autumnal month

There was a good, settled start to October, dry and relatively warm until the 10th. A wet interlude lasting from the 11th to the 14th saw nearly three inches of rain, before another settled, relatively warm spell lasted until the 25th. The month ended with northerly winds and considerably lower temperatures, with a maximum of only 7.5C on the 27th.

The average daily maximum temperature was slightly above the long-term average. Sunshine was some 20% above normal for October, while rainfall was about 90% of average. Winds were relatively light for October.

Outlook for December in Perranwell Station?

There is no point me trying to forecast December's weather in mid-November. In Mark Twain's words, "Climate is what we expect, weather is what we get." However, what we might "expect", compared to the rest of the UK, is something like this:

Hours of sunshine - 45 to 50 hours, only beaten by areas relatively near the south coast and eastern coastal enclaves.

Rainfall - around 5 inches, average for western English counties, but approximately double that in the Midlands, and four times that in East Anglia.

Average Maximum Temperature - 9.5C. We come into our own here. Cornwall is the warmest UK county in December.

Average Minimum Temperature - Around 5C. Again the mildest county. Most of the UK is 2C or below.

Average Wind Speed - 11.5 to 17mph. Windier than most of lowland England, and comparable to most of Wales.

Mike Hands

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A READER WRITES

On the 15-11-18 I attended a meeting at the Perranwell village hall of the Perranarworthal local history group, whilst I was delighted with the attendance I was unable (like several others) to park in the car park and I had to park on school hill and walk in and back in darkness which as I'm getting older it can be a tad dangerous but maybe I should have had a torch.



I feel that there is such a need for extra parking in the playing field given that the field is so big and it would make sense.

C J Oates .



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We welcome both men and women, they need not have served in the Armed Forces. They need only to show an interest in giving support to those who have provided our security and enabled us to live in freedom in this country.

Do come along, have a chat and join us in some refreshments, you will be more than welcome.

This is also an opportunity to thank those who have contributed to the Poppy Appeal in so many ways.

For further information contact:-

President Tony Walker 01872 863991 Chairman Gerald Chegwidden 01872 864741

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But, you might say, it sounds like a lot of work.

Well, yes, let's be honest, there is some work involved, but not too much. The trustees meet monthly, which means agenda have to prepared and minutes written. And maybe a bit of admin work in between. But you're competent and would handle that without much difficulty. In any case, if you're reading this, you've probably got a bit of time to spare anyway and have been thinking about how to put it to good use.

You would be joining a great team of enthusiastic trustees. Juliet would be around to help with the hand-over and the other trustees would make you very welcome.

Interested? Don't be shy; modesty can be over-rated. Get in touch with me via email at colingbridges@icloud.com. Or have a look at our website, which at the moment is still www.pvmh.btck.co.uk but which is soon to be replaced by a brand new website. Use the contact form to leave a message.

Or speak to one of the other trustees, whose names are on the website and posted by the front door of the hall.

Thank you.

Colin Bridges, Chair of trustees

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	9.30	Communion
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Tue 25 th Dec	10.00	Christmas Day Communion
Sun 30 th Dec	9.30	CW
Sun 6 th Jan	9.30	CW
Sun 13 th Jan	8.00	BCP
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Sun 20 th Jan	9.30	Family Service
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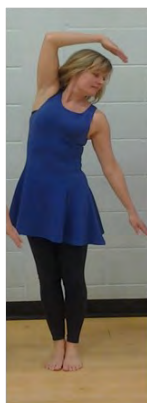
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To adopt a more physically active lifestyle can add years to your life even if you were previously inactive. It can also help maintain the ability to perform everyday tasks like climbing stairs, getting up from a chair or reaching into cupboards.

We all want to lead active and independent lives so let's get started!

A class is held in Perranarworthal Village Hall each Monday from 1.30pm to 2.30pm and tea and biscuits are provided after the class! For further information contact ***Karen on 07967087511***

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

The Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Steering Committee is pleased to announce they received 274 surveys back from the residents of Perranarworthal Parish. Just over 700 households received two copies of the survey, meaning we achieved a 39% response rate from households – a big thank you to everyone who took the time to fill it in, both online and via traditional means.

Your responses will provide us with a solid platform of data to begin the process of compiling draft core objectives, which will support the overall vision of Perranwell's future in the next 15 years.

Some of the key survey highlights included:

66% of all those that completed the survey indicated that they strongly agreed and agreed that the landscape and countryside should be protected if development proposals are put forward in our Parish in coming years

72% of parishioners either disagreed or strongly disagreed that there should be more street lighting in the village

Just over 73% of people indicated that individual development schemes should be limited to 5 or 10 dwellings

Opinions were torn as to whether a specific retirement development was wanted, with 36.7% voting yes and 34% voting no (29% didn't know).

82% of people strongly agreed or agreed that there should be a review of pavements and traffic flows through the centre of Perranwell village with a view to making life less hazardous for people on foot.

For a full summary of the survey results, visit the website dedicated to the

NDP: <http://www.perranarworthalplan.org>.

We have also drawn the winner of the £75 voucher for dinner at the Royal Oak and they have been contacted to claim their prize for completing the survey. Congratulations to them.

Additionally, we have worked hard to conduct a survey dedicated to local businesses in the Parish. There was a 64% response rate from those businesses asked to participate and, as you might expect, there was useful and detailed feedback received which we will be sharing directly with the business community. Full details of the business survey outcomes will shortly be uploaded to our website.

Finally, we are delighted to announce that Isla Ashton, aged 5, won the draw for the under 18s survey, winning a £25 Amazon Gift Card – Congratulations Isla!

What next?

In determining core objectives, the survey data has been circulated to the various Working Groups and they are now looking at producing draft recommendations, within their specific topics, for feeding back to the Steering Committee in early December. The Steering Committee will be using a grant-funded consultant to check that our NDP conforms to relevant local and central government policies.

A period of public consultation will follow where you will be encouraged to give your feedback on our draft recommendations, and adjustments will be made as appropriate. This is *your* Plan and ultimately *you* will all be provided with ample opportunity to have an input to the final documentation. Please look out for notices of a public consultation in Perran News, on our website, Facebook page and Parish notice boards in the New Year.

What happens in the Working Groups?

As an example, we wanted to share some of the background work being carried out by the Working Groups. Earlier in the year the Historic Environment Group gathered a large body of information on the history and archaeology of the parish, tapping a wide range of organisations and resources. The Parish of Perranarworthal has been relatively neglected in the past, and our research is suggesting a new and detailed interpretation of our historic environment. The work continues with maps and plans being prepared, as well as a local list of undesignated 'historic assets'. The group welcomes suggestions for new sites and features to add to this list. Please contact perranarworthalplan@gmail.com.

The Housing Group arranged for Cornwall Council to conduct an Affordable Housing Survey for the Parish. By now every household should have received a letter from the Council asking you to fill in a form online or to request a paper copy with a 6-week window of time to complete. The survey data will provide us with an accurate picture of the local demand for affordable housing. Once we have this analysis, together with the information from the Parish survey, the group will be in a position to formulate the policies that will be part of the overall plan.

Are you between the ages of 12 and 18 and would like to have a say in what your community can do for you?

As part of the NDP we have received input from the younger members of our community who are really keen to establish a Youth Council. If you would like to get involved, please can you contact Helen Pettett by emailing her at h.pettett@btinternet.com, or call: 0754 2203167. Alternatively, you can contact Helen via the Perranarworthal plan Facebook page.

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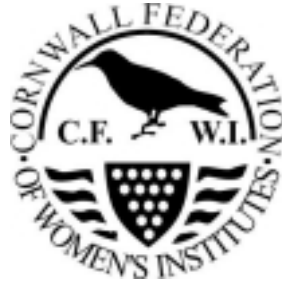
In view of the importance and community involvement for the Armistice commemorations in the village, photos and articles of this have taken pride of place in this issue rather crowding out other items.

A number of other readers have sent photos which would normally have been excellent for the front cover. Thank you.

Many readers will be aware of the recent Trafalgar Way celebrations in the village and saw the stage coach pass through Perranwell.

Perran News has a number of photos, and there will be an article and news of further developments in the February issue.

Look out for the February issue. **MBG**



PERRANARWORTHAL WI

Our group meets on the second Monday of each month (except August) at Perranwell Centre from 7.15-9pm. Come and join us to hear our speakers. Enjoy tea or coffee with the delicious cakes the WI is famous for!

Meet and make new friends.

Outings, parties and fund-raising events are arranged as the year progresses. We have fun!

Perranarworthal WI is 65 years old this year. Many happy returns to our group. We will continue to raise funds for local charities, to work for issues that matter to our community and to learn new skills - while enjoying ourselves on outings and on entertainment evenings.

DECEMBER 10th: Christmas Party

JANUARY 14th: Seals in Cornwall - Sue Sayer

FEBRUARY 11th: Cornwall Blood Bikes

Christmas party - The committee have devised some intriguing quizzes to keep us entertained while we sip mulled wine or fruit juice and enjoy traditional home made mince pies, cakes and savouries.

Seals in Cornwall - Sue Sayer, founder of the Godrevy Seal Group, will join us to talk about these wonderful animals.

Cornwall Blood Bikes - Volunteer bikers drive many miles out of hours to deliver blood, medicines and other essentials.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR MEMBERS
AND TO PERRANWELL NEWS READERS!

PERRANARWORTHAL REMEMBERED TOGETHER

On Sunday, 11th November, many around the world remembered the end of the First World War 100 years ago and the sacrifices that many made to protect our freedoms. The people of the parish of Perranarworthal showed their thanks and sadness for the many from the village who had died in that war. It was very uplifting to see how much effort had gone into the various events and how the community came together. At the War Memorial the gathering was several times larger than the usual good turnout, perhaps 200 people were there. Before the Silence and the Wreath laying ceremony the British Legion pleaded for younger people to join and help to perpetuate their activities in helping ex-servicemen and events such as the Remembrance in the village. With ten minutes of inactivity to fill, the Rev. Owen Blatchly gave an impromptu sermon, speaking from the heart of his delight in seeing so many from the community coming together and he emphasised that with consideration and love for one another, many of the world's problems could be solved. The silence was observed perfectly, even the youngest children-in-arms seemed to know that it was not a time to make noises. Wreaths were laid and then 14 children from Perranarworthal School laid beautiful ceramic poppies to honour and remember each of the 14 from the village who had died. One pupil then read a poem reminding us of the role played by beautiful poppy petals in remembering the dead.

We then walked down Church Lane for the Remembrance Service at St Piran's Church where there was standing room only. Included in the service was Rosemary Aitken reading her tribute, '14 Plus, to the fallen from the village, bringing them to life as real people not just names on the War Memorial. They were ordinary men, just like the young men in the village today; sadly, their lives were cut short. The poem is printed in the October Perran News yet the spoken word is so much more powerful.

The afternoon event was the most moving. The Community Choir, children from Year 5 at the school and the Carnon Downs Drama Group combined to present an unusual but very effective Remembrance. Actors played the parts of wives, mothers, siblings, officers or the men themselves to tell us something of the lives of the 14 men before they went to war or the way in which they met their deaths. The audience shared the sadness of the relatives and friends of the fallen in a way that we have not experienced before; there were not many dry eyes in the audience which demonstrated the quality of the script and performances far more eloquently than any applause could have done—it was not an occasion for clapping.

The choir sang Bring Him Home and more cheery soldier's songs from the period. Year 5 showed us what life in the trenches was like (and joined in the singing with great gusto). The readings of the poignant poems by Wilfred Owen, Kipling, Linda Alice, Vera Brittain and A. E. Houseman were very much in keeping with the moment. Rosemary Aitken repeated her moving reading of '14 Plus before a second rendition of Bring Him Home by the Choir. Then for the third time we heard the faultlessly played Last Post and the bells of St Piran's rang out although the stiff westerly breeze prevented them being heard all across the village.

It is a great shame that this unique performance could not be shared with more people; the hall was full, the audience and participants will certainly remember it.

The detailed research by Rob and Clare Holmes into the lives and deaths of our 14 men provided the bedrock for many of the events; many others worked very hard to bring those 14 people into our lives in a meaningful way; others displayed reminders around the village that it is 100 years since the end of "the War to end all Wars"—tragically the wars go on.

These were just some of the events amongst the many reminders of Remembrance: the knitted poppies around the village, the coffee morning at the Royal Oak, the Remembrance Trail, the giant poppies around the village, the village shop display are all evidence of the community spirit which makes Perranwell/Perranarworthal such a wonderful place to live.

A big Thank You to all those who organised or made or performed or helped in some way and to our fellow villagers who joined in to make the 11th November 2018 such a memorable community occasion.

Mary and Derrick Painter

REMEMBER

Having just attended the Remembrance concert in the Village Hall, I am minded that we really MUST remember. We MUST remember that those portrayed were once part of this community. We MUST remember that they died in terrible circumstances. We MUST remember that they died having a sense of duty. And, not least of all, we must remember the words that were spoken that day. Amongst the words of despair from those fallen, were words of peace that we must learn from the situation. It was encouraging to see the community coming together that day – young, old and those in-between, both in the afternoon and at the War Memorial in the morning. The words spoken by the Drama group and sung by the Community Choir moved me to tears. It really was a wonderful event.

We must remember all this because we are living in troubled times. I have never known such division in our country and even amongst families. Is it the words spoken by leaders in both our own government and those of the highest office in the USA? Or is it frustration at the inability to influence their actions? What has happened to the duty to promote responsible leadership? Did it die with those young men? Yes, passion is needed in politics. But so is respect. We must argue our case with both passion and respect! But also remember that the argument is about the facts, which influence our opinions, not about the person who is holding them. There is no need to belittle that person. My daughter, who lectures in philosophy, once told me that people believe what they want to believe, regardless of the evidence. I am now beginning to think she is right.

So, let's start in our community. Thank you to those who worked hard to organize those Remembrance commemorations. Thank you to the countless individuals who give their time in organizing community events. To our elected councilors, remember that with authority comes responsibility. Take that responsibility in promoting partnership both with and between community organisers.

Let us try to work together with service, humility and kindness and, to borrow a phrase, we can make this community great again.

N.B. It is very strange that I find myself writing this as I think that I have had my share of getting angry at people and situations but it is true – with age comes wisdom!

Chris Ryall

11th NOVEMBER 2018 - OUR VILLAGE COMMEMORATION

When it was discovered that nothing was being planned officially in Perranwell by way of commemorating the end of WW1, a small group of people came together in August, inspired and led by Annie Hewitt. These were members of various local groups and organisations that meet regularly in the village.

This group met several times in August and September. The local History Group wanted to put on an exhibition in the Village Hall, with particular reference to the extensive and detailed research of Rob and Clare Holmes into the lives of the 14 Perranwell men, who had died in the war. The Knitting Group, active as ever, wished to decorate areas in the village with their poppies, the Friends of Perranwell Station had plans for the station and the Embroidery Group started to create the tapestry. Then the Carnon Downs Drama Group became involved, as did our own School, together with the Community Choir, that meets there every week.

Each of these groups planned activities that would take place on or around 11th November. Posters were produced, information sheets were laminated, the exhibition was mounted in the Village Hall, the railway station, bus shelters and shop window were decorated and a series of huge poppies appeared around the village, each with a description of the lives of the 14 men killed in action.

The weather on 11th November was kind to us. The number of people assembled at the War Memorial at 10.45 am far exceeded any that had ever met there before, and on this occasion they were joined by pupils from the school, who laid 14 large ceramic poppies, in memory of the men killed. Our sincere thanks are extended to Ben Barker of Chy Gwynn Pottery, Cusgarne, who created them for us. It is hoped that they will remain in the village permanently.

At the British Legion Church Service that followed the ceremony at the War Memorial, the altar was decorated with an arrangement of poppies, a wreath of barbed wire and the striking artwork, loaned by Amanda Richardson.

The final event during the day took place in the afternoon in the Village Hall. The drama group had prepared short and moving pieces concerning the lives of each of the men killed, the community choir sang and pupils at the school, directed by Peter Collett, gave a word perfect performance of their drama about military recruitment and life at the front. Rosemary Aitkin's moving poem, read by her, concluded the afternoon, leaving many people with tears in their eyes. It appeared in the October edition of Perran News and can still be read online.

On leaving the hall, everyone was given a candle and assembled around the flag pole, where Gary Champion sounded 'The Last Post', Graham Green lowered the British Legion's standard and we all stood in total silence.

For the organisation of all these events and for numerous individual contributions, many people deserve our heartfelt thanks. Christine and Hugh West created the barbed wire wreath, that hung both in the Church in the morning and in the Village Hall later in the day, and Chris Hatch's splendid work in decorating the old bicycle at the station and in creating the '100' from large poppies are examples of these contributions.

However, Rachel Heffer, the head of the school, John Frankland, who leads the Drama group, and in particular, Annie Hewitt, who co-ordinated the events of the entire commemoration, deserve special mention. Moreover, without all the research and perseverance of Rob and Clare Holmes, many of us would have known little about the lives of the men, who lived here and died serving their country. Thank you, Rob and Clare – you have taught us all a great deal.

No-one knew in advance how many people would come to the Village Hall in the afternoon – the fact that the hall was packed, with many people having to stand, is evidence of the significance of this Commemoration for all of us in Perranwell.

Ian Halford.

THE ARMISTICE CENTENARY 1918 - 2018

What a fantastic weekend we experienced to commemorate the Centenary of the signing of the Armistice on 11th November 1918 thereby ending the horrors of World War I. However, following the excellent commemorative 'Concert' there was, in our opinion, one thing missing - and that was - there wasn't a public vote of thanks to all those who had obviously put so much hard work into organising and executing the event. We feel that this should be rectified by way of the Perran News, and hope that we can thank everyone involved on behalf of parishioners and those beyond the parish who attended. On this assumption, our thanks therefore go to the members of The British Legion for the 11.00am Service at the War Memorial where it was estimated there was an attendance of around 200 plus, and to the Members, Bell-ringers and Clergy of the Parish Church for conducting the subsequent Armistice Service at St.Piran's with all its seats occupied. This was followed in the afternoon by the Memorial 'Concert' in the Village Hall where the local Community Choir, the Drama Group and the Primary School Children presented a moving interpretation of those whose lives were tragically cut short by the events of 1914 - 1918 and whose names for that period are etched on our Village War Memorial - lest we forget.

Our thanks also go to the ladies of the Knitting Group and others, who must have spent many many hours indeed knitting the poppies that so effectively adorned the village during the run-up to the main event. Thanks also go to those who effectively positioned the military silhouettes, to those who organised the informative Exhibitions in the Village Hall and the Village Shop window and elsewhere, and to those individuals and, maybe, other organisations, (we are not mentioning names in fear of leaving someone out), who contributed in any way to making this Commemorative Community Event such a success.

Thank you 'One and All'

PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

The Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site



Ainsley Cocks talked to a packed room on Tues 25th Sept about the mining past of this area and its designation as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

He told us that the spine of Cornwall and central Devon is “probably the best mining district in the world” (Dr Roger Burt, Professor of Economic History). UNESCO recognised this area’s significance for its outstanding value to humanity aiming to preserve the site and protect the heritage assets through planning whilst working to improve access and education. This World Heritage Site is split into 10 separate areas from St Just to the Tamar Valley forming the largest industrial site in the UK and containing over 450 different minerals . The local one is based around the Gwennap mining district

Metals retrieved were mainly tin and copper which were used alone or for making alloys. In 1780 HMS Victory was sheathed in 3,923 sheets of protective copper below the water line to protect the wooden hull and in 1810 the first tin plated cans were produced. Arsenic was also produced and used as an insecticide and also as a medicine!

Although there was small scale smelting in Cornwall most of the metals were sent to South Wales to be smelted and coal was returned in the empty boats to run the mine engines in Cornwall so ports such as that at Portreath were built. Mining increased wealth in the local area and increased the size of settlements as workers housing was built. The mine owners built great houses estates and gardens. A specialism in mineralogy and geology developed in Cornwall alongside a skilled mining workforce recognised worldwide. William Bickford developed the safety fuse patented in 1831 and used his factory at Tuckingmill to produce it as an offshoot to his jute mill. Cornish Stamps and other machinery were sold all over the world as were Cornish beam engines (a hybrid of an earlier Watt design) which were more efficient and worked under higher pressure. These were the largest steam engines in the world and were produced by Harveys in Hayle and at Perran foundry.

As mining in Cornwall had started to decline by the end of the 18th century Cornish miners migrated abroad in large numbers to find work, especially in South Africa and Australia, but they have a presence in 175 mining sites across the globe. They took not only their mining expertise, but also their Methodism, soccer, and cornish pasties to places as far away as Mexico (where pasties made with added chillies are still sold today). In Australia 3% of the population have Cornish roots including former prime minister Robert Hawke.

As a result of funding brought in by achieving World Heritage Status, there are 51 projects currently running in this World Heritage Site and £91 million pounds has been spent since 2006. Mining sites have been restored with improved public access, as most recently at Wheal Busy, where the engine house and boiler house have been cleared and restored. The Man Engine was built to celebrate the tenth, (“tinth”) anniversary in 2016 and raise the profile of the heritage sites along with a series of cultural programmes to help to reach a wider audience and increase tourism in the old mining area. Ainsley concluded that there is still a lot of work to be done but the projects are continuing to save and promote the mining heritage unique to this area.

Ruth Ward

Perranarworthal Local History Group 2019

Perranarworthal Local History Group is working on an interesting programme for 2019.

Friday January 18th 7.30 pm at The Perranwell Centre; Dr Linnea Glynne-Rule will talk on the **History of the Cornish Language**. She will show how Kernewek (Cornish) is fundamental to understanding Cornwall. See poster for more details.

Thursday, February 14th at 2.15 pm at the Perranwell Centre, Carole Vivian, Chairman of the Cornwall Association of Local Historians will speak about “People and Places that make Local History”. It will examine the range of sources available for research and about the many personalities who have contributed with their anecdotes, studies and records of our local history. It should appeal in the same way that family history attracts so much interest. (Please note; an afternoon meeting)

Further talks & walks for group members & others who are interested are being arranged, with the AGM plus a speaker in March. Some events are free, talks are usually £1 for members or £2.50 for non members & membership a bargain at £5 per year.

THE EMPTY HOUSE by WATSON MYERS

In "The Empty house", by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Dr Watson narrates Sherlock Holmes' first case following his unexpected return from apparently falling to his death at the Reichenbach falls

Since I adopted the Myers family in June and moved to Cornwall I have become very attached to my pack of 2 adult and 3 juvenile humans. However shortly after taking up residence the 3 juveniles moved off to places called "work" and "university" leaving just the 3 of us here. When I meet new humans for the first time they look knowingly at us and say "Ah. Empty nest syndrome". I think this relates to the comment that the juveniles have "flown the nest". This is clearly nonsense as humans cannot fly (I have tested this theory and my experiments clearly indicated that seagulls do but no amount of chasing will induce a human to leave the ground). So, we should really be talking about "Empty house syndrome".

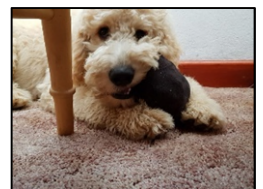
Whatever we call it, this has left me with time on my paws and I have decided to train one of my humans to run the Brighton Marathon in April. In the process we hope to raise money for the British Lung Foundation (BLF). The human breed is prone to a number of ailments, many related to poor nutrition and not being walked enough. Several of these affect the lungs and can impair their ability to play "chase" and "fetch".

Jonathan is no greyhound but managed to run the London Marathon in 4 hours 44 mins and 19 sec this year, raising £2800 for the BLF with your support, so the 26.2 miles is achievable. I am too young to join him on the training runs but have started him on a program to precondition him for the more intense build up in the new year.

Firstly, I am conditioning him to getting up nice and early in the morning, so he'll be ready for those pre-dawn training runs. 6 am seems a good time and a couple of quick yaps is enough to get him out of bed and to join me in the garden to acclimatise to the cold.

I have also devised some useful exercises.

- 1) Circuit training. Borrowing a pair of socks seems enough motivation to get him racing round the dining room table in the morning.
- 2) This furry hot-water bottle cover is great for a bit of resistance training



- 3) Racing him up and down the length of my tunnel makes great interval training (I call this one "The Hound of the Basketball")

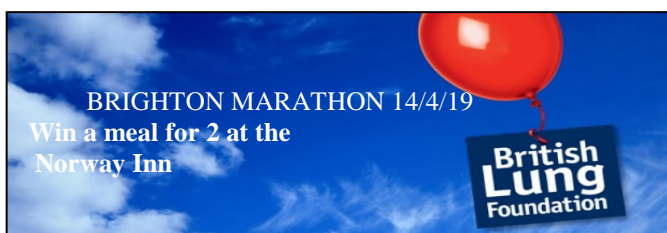
Please help us raise some money to support the very valuable work of the BLF in helping humans with lung disease through their helpline, leaflets, research and political lobbying. For £2 you can enter the competition to win a carvery dinner for 2 with a bottle of wine at the award-winning Norway Inn. Just guess how long it will take for Jonathan to complete the Marathon in April. You can use the slip below and return it to the Norway Inn or Perranwell Village Stores with your £2.



Or you can donate online at: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/JonathanMyers2>

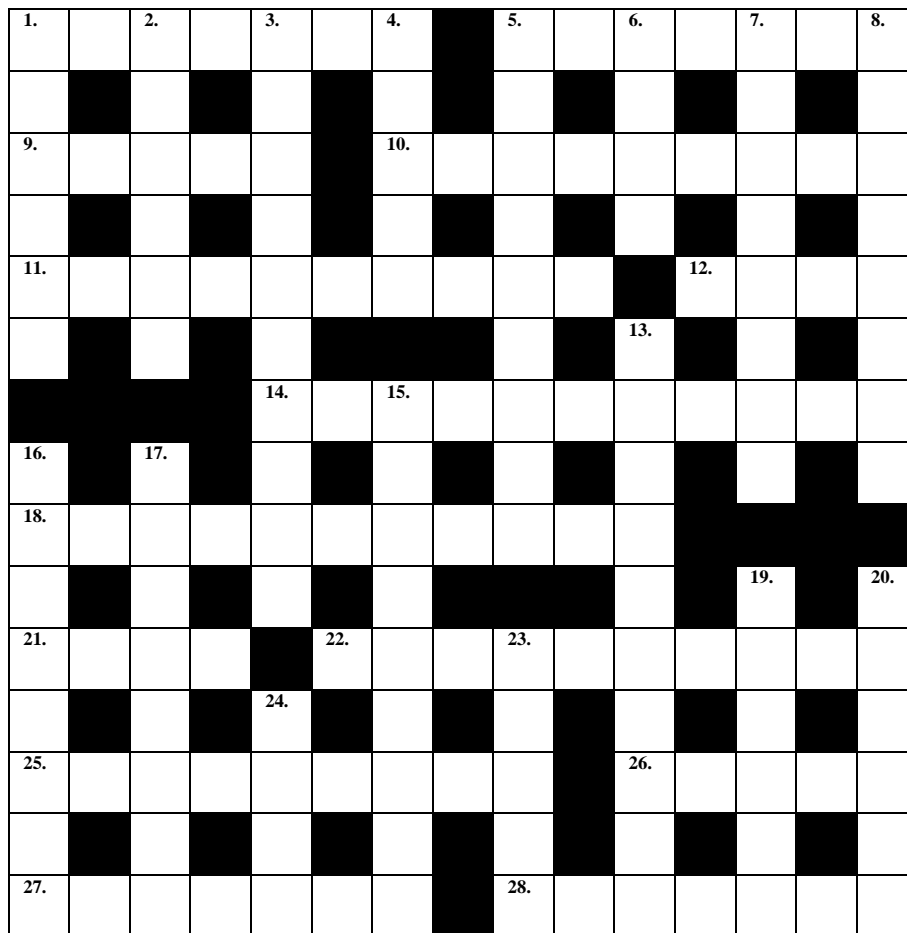
We will keep you informed of our progress

Watson



Name:
Contact email/number:
My estimate for Jon's time to complete the Brighton Marathon: h m s
I enclose my donation of £2

**If you need extra help with clues
study this copy of Perran News**



ACROSS

1. Cloth for two lively males (7)
5. Enthusiasm in the morning holds first with great surprise (7)
9. Head north if you are looking for a Yiddish thief (5)
10. Its charms can be delightful at this time of year (and hope yours is too) (9)
- 11,2d One in a hundred about ...about success in marathon perhaps. Where to see 14 (10,6)
12. Small container by way of lake (4)
14. Also model (topless) –tax, not out. 5ac 25 performed by 18,22 (4,1,4,2)
- 18,22 Players vehicle up. Small measure of silver river in difficulty (6,5,5,5)
21. Heavy drinker is very attractive (4)
22. See 18
25. I'm in a book after a cooking utensil and am popular at 10 (9)
26. Alien has pain where 14 is set (5)
27. Type of selling found in 26? (7)
28. Not standing. Happens to be note that is unknown. Will fulfil a desire (such as seeing 14) (7)

DOWN

1. Gorilla with 2 can open wide (3,3)
2. See 11
3. Light deflection about small part (10)
4. Parrot's mother has rooks cry (5)
5. Frozen water after march highly unlikely in 26 (5,4)
6. Some may collapse in church(4)
7. Compiler posted in armour (8)
8. Nail goes around in tank (8)
13. Heard dance music and surmised a visitor (5,5)
15. Rob riddle mix up. Long since a fledgling (5,4)
16. Criticise dog for falling for trick (including a hundred) (5,3)
17. Nosey person holding child may be locked up (8)
19. Footnote after many corals (6)
20. A father and your lack of interest should not stop you seeing 14 (6)
23. Some of my esteemed colleagues return to where riders may gather (5)
24. Donor may have what is regular (4)

Perran-ar-worthal Local History Group

Present

The History of the Cornish Language

Language can define a people and a culture

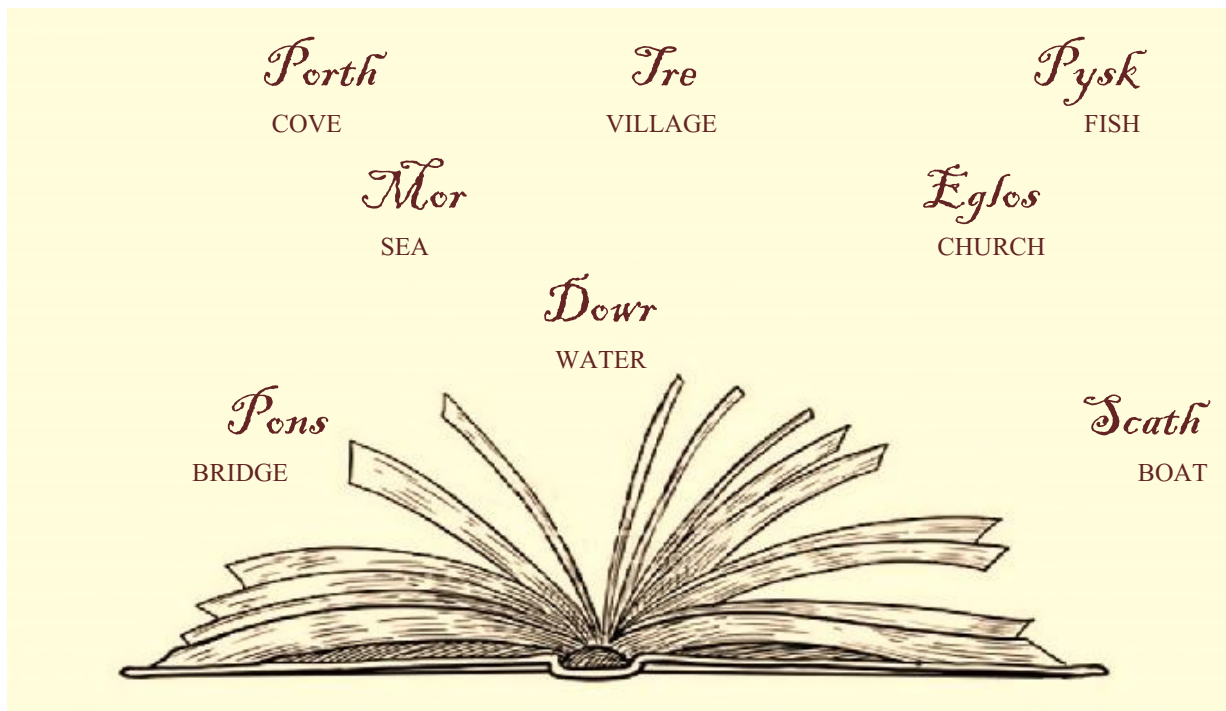
Come and join us for a fascinating talk by Dr Linnea Glynne-Rule about the development of the Cornish language.

Dr Glynne-Rule will show how Kernewek (Cornish) is fundamental to understanding Cornwall. She will look at its usage, decline and more recent revival, and the influence it still has on the way we speak today.

Friday 18th January

The Perranwell Centre - 7.30pm

(formerly Perranarworthal Village Hall)



ALL WELCOME

Members - £1.00

Non-Members - £2.50



***"A gardener's work is never at an end;
It begins with the year, and continues to the next;
He prepares the ground, and then he so is it;
After that he plants, and then he gathers the fruits."***



An extract from "Kalendarum Hortense" by John Evelyn 1664

Here we are in the shortest days - officially winter. As I write we have had a couple of frosts, but are now in milder air again. Much higher temperatures than usual for November, but very welcome, especially as many days have been dry enabling work to go on out of doors.

We have been blessed with really good "autumn colours" through this autumn. The "Virginia Creeper" on our house gave a brief display of leaves in shades of red - really vibrant when the sun shone on the leaves. The best show for several years. The Common Hazel is looking lovely as I write -the rounded leaves are yellow and abundant. Later than other hedgerow shrubs in "turning", and ours held their leaves during the gale a week or so ago.

In these winter months planting trees and shrubs can continue. The soil is still warm this side of the New Year which allows root growth to continue. The tree that is easy to grow is LIQUID AMBER with maple like leaves that colour well in autumn.

LIQUIDAMBER STYRACIFLUA (Sweet Gum) was introduced in the 17th century from the eastern United States. This is a beautiful tree that is conspicuous at all times for shape, bark and leaves. In autumn the shining green, deeply lobed leaves, that resemble a maple leaf, turn a gorgeous crimson. In winter, the corky bark is often a feature.

There are selected clones that are worth considering. LIQUIDAMBER "LANE ROBERTS" is a very reliable tree when the autumn arrives. The shining green maple like leaves form a rich blackish crimson red in autumn. One of the best forms with intense autumn colours.

LIQUID AMBER Is another beautiful form that has long narrow lobed leaves that turn orange and yellow in autumn. A beautiful tree that is worth planting.

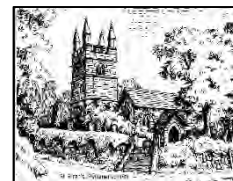
These are easy trees in all soils except shallow chalky soil. Sunny site aids the colouring in autumn, especially when the sun shines on autumn days.

***"For winter brings us many joys,
The fleeting light of lowly sun.
Bespangled rime and softly rounded snow,
The migrant fieldfare and the robin's song;
Christmas in catkins on the hazel bow
That speak to us of spring."***

An extract from "Winter" by Graham Stuart Thomas

CHURCH LETTER

I love this time of year. There is a buzz in the air, an anticipation, excitement for the season that is to come. Shops are full to bursting with tinsel, fairy lights, the smells and sounds of Christmas. On the telly, adverts abound encouraging us to buy their produce, asking us to believe that only they can provide the perfect gift or that signature dish that amazes everyone. Others promote their meaning of the season, be it old men on the moon, boxer dogs on a trampoline or a snowman looking for his sweetheart.



It is also a time when people across our country, and around the world plan the annual pilgrimage home. No matter where they are, there is an instinctive desire to be at home, to be with family and friends. In those days before Christmas, journeys are made, cars loaded with gifts. At Service Stations, brightly coloured jumpers of elves, snowmen and of course Santa adorn those pilgrims. There is an intentionality in their actions, the journey costing much, in time, effort and money. People smile at strangers, being more patient and accepting of others, as it is the season of good will after all.

Each family has its own traditions. The buying of the bumper issue of the Radio Times, then marking the films and Christmas specials they want to watch. Some open their presents on Christmas Eve, most open them on Christmas morning, and those with better self-control wait until after the Queen's Speech. For our family we have a tradition of attending the late church service on Christmas Eve.

It is a wonderful event. The church looks stunning, glowing like gold in the candle light. With pews full, people singing, the sound of the carols makes me tingle. Then there is a sense of that presence. Something, a peace, a stillness, a sense of well-being. Some - and I am one - would say that is the presence of God. In that moment in that place we gather to give thanks for God's son, Jesus Christ. We recall that God chooses to dwell with us as our God. It is a special moment, a highlight of our Christmas.

This year as you plan your journeys, and recall those family traditions, consider adding that extra Christmassy feeling by take part in the whole experience, and join with us on Christmas Eve. A time to give thanks for our friends and our families, for those who have made a special journey to be with us, and for those we have travelled great distances to be with. An opportunity to sit within the presence of God.

W

hatever your plans, may the peace of God be with you, and all those you love this Christmas season.

Rev'd Richard Wallis is a Curate serving the Eight Saints Cluster of Churches which includes Carharrack, Chacewater, Devoran, Feock, Gwennap, Perran-ar-Worthal, St Day and Stithians. More information (including the times of those services) can be found at www.eightsaints.org.uk or follow us on facebook @EightSaints or Twitter @SaintsEight.

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THE PERRANWELL CENTRE

welcomes you to the



CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2018



9th DECEMBER 7.00 pm



St Stythians Band

Musical Director: James Burns

Perran-ar-worthal Community Choir

Musical Director: Rachel Heffer

Accompanist: Zoe Crouse

Carnon Downs Drama Group

and more



*Entry £5 to include refreshments,
payable on the door*



Proceeds to Childrens Hospice
South West

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have time to spare on a Wednesday afternoon
to help at the Health and Wellbeing Community Hub in Perranwell?

We need cheerful people to help with making tea,
serving refreshments and chatting with our visitors.

Please call Mary on 01872 862801 for more information.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

Across 1. Buckram 5. Amazing 9. Gonif 10. Christmas 11. Perranwell 12. Vial 14. Toot n come in
18. Carnon Downs 21. Lush 22. Drama group 25. Pantomime 26. Egypt 27. Pyramid 28. Satisfy

Down 1. Big ape 2. Centre 3. Refraction 4. Macaw 5. April snow 6. Apse 7. Immailed 8. Gasoline
13. House guest 15. Older bird 16. Scold pup 17. Prisoner 19. Polyps 20. Apathy 23. Meets 24. Norm

Perran-ar-Worthal C.P School

'Christmas Cracker'

Saturday, 15th December

Perran-ar-Worthal Village

Hall

5.00-7.30pm

Come and join us for a Magical Lantern Parade & Community Carol Concert followed by the Christmas Fayre

Entry - Adults £3.00, children free!

Entry includes a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. Other refreshments will also be available

Before and after the parade and concert there will be a selection of stalls selling Christmas crafts & gifts

Luxury Hamper raffle prizes, tickets available to purchase in advance from the school office, the local shop and the Royal Oak & on the door

Christmas is coming at The Royal Oak...

Perranwell Memory Café Fund-Raising at The Royal Oak **Saturday 15th December**

Christmas Coffee Morning

There will be bits and bobs for sale from groups such as the Knitting Circle – lovely stocking fillers and decorations. Why not bring a cake to sell, or just come along.

Sunday 23rd December

The Christmas Draw - 4.30pm Raffle tickets are available from the pub, so please do pop in and get some as our suppliers and customers really support us and donate great prizes.

St Stythians Band and Carol Singing- 5.30pm With Mulled Cider and Mince-Pies!

Come along for community festive fun!

Please take a look at our **Christmas Menu** on our website, Facebook page, outside board or even just come and pick up a paper copy from in the pub.

Don't forget, we are open between **11am and 1pm on Christmas Day for drinks** only and it will be lovely to see as many of you as possible (while the dinner's in the oven!!).

Boxing Day – Open all day for drinks, but only serving food at lunch time.

New Year's Eve – We will be taking bookings for sit down meals from 6pm.

New Year's Day – Open all day for drinks, but only serving food at lunch time.

The Royal Oak Staff Christmas Party - the pub will be closed from **4pm** on **Sunday 13th January**

Merry Christmas Everybody and a Happy 2019!





**PERRANWELL
PUDDINGS CLUB**

**DELICIOUS HOMEMADE
SOUPS AND PUDDINGS**

Saturday February 2nd

12:00 to 1:30 p.m.

Perranwell Village Hall

All donations for St Piran's Church

CHACEWATER & DEVORAN SURGERIES

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OPENING TIMES 2018/9

CHACEWATER SURGERY

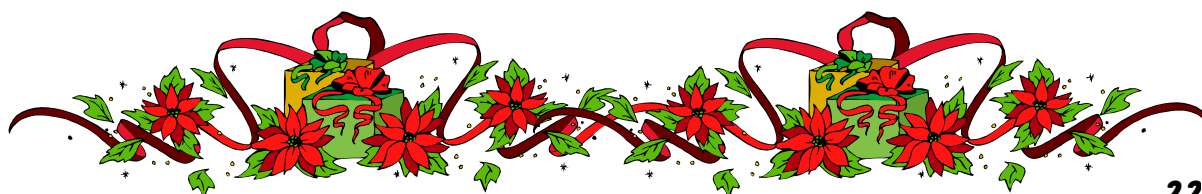
Monday 24 th December	8.30 am – 6.00 pm
Tuesday 25th December	CLOSED
Wednesday 26th December	CLOSED
Thursday 27 th December	8.30 am—6.00 pm
Friday 28 th December	8.30 am—6.00 pm
Saturday 29th December (pre booked appointments only)	8.30 am—11.30 am
Monday 31st December	8.30 am – 6.00 pm
Tuesday 1 st January	CLOSED
Wednesday 2 nd January	8.30 am—6.00 pm
Thursday 3 rd January	8.30 am—6.00 pm
Friday 4 th January	8.30 am—6.00 pm

DEVORAN SURGERY

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Friday 4 th January	8.30 am—1.00 pm

**In the event of an emergency outside normal Surgery opening hours
please dial 111 (NHS 111)**

**May we take this opportunity to wish all of our patients
a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year**



**Perran News Directory
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Perran Bridge	Trisha Wilcocks	01872 864550	
	Mary Sawkins	01326 574893	
Carnon Downs Drama Group	Anne Lejeune	01872 865780	
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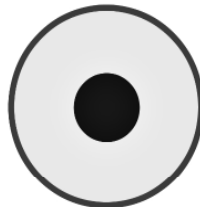
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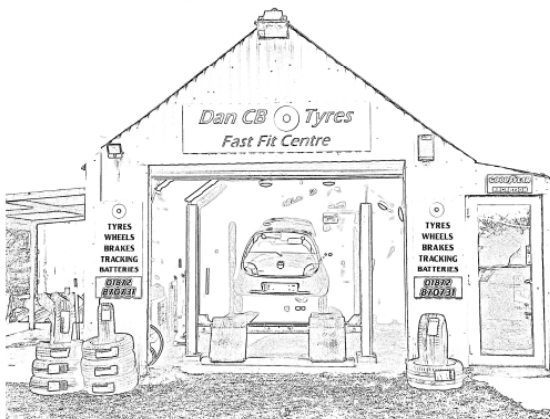


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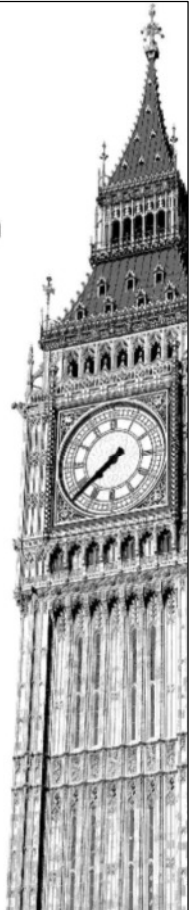
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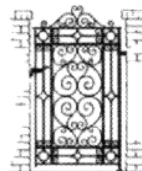
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